NEW BRITISH CABINET, THROUGH LLOYD GEORGE, ANNOUNCES ITS REJECTION OF ENEMIES' OFFER

In Momentous Scene, Premier Tells Commons That Peace Only Possible When Germany Agrees To Restitution, Reparation and Effectual Guarantees of Permanent Euro pean Peace.

LONDON, Dec. 19 .- The text of the German note announcing Germany's readiness to discuss peace, was made public here this evening. In substance it is identical with the outline contained in the speech of Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German imperial chancellor, last Tuesday.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The announcement in the House of Commons today by David Lloyd George, the new prime minister, that the first act of his administration was the rejection of the proposal of the central powers for a peace conference, constituted one of the most momentous scenes which the oldest parliamentary veterans legitimate interests.' had ever witnessed.

The new premier declared that before the Allies could give favorable consideration to such an invitation, they must know that Germany was prepared to accede to the Allies' terms, giving "complete restitution, full reparation and effectual guarantees," and 'to enter a conference upon the invitation of Germany, proclaiming herself victorious, without any knowledge of her proposals, would be putting our heads into a noose with the end of the rope in Ger-

ENSLAVING BELGIANS WHILE PENNING NOTE.

Mr. Lloyd George asserted that at the moment Germany was penning the note, asserting her convictions as to the rights of other nations, she was dragging Belgians into slavery. He announced that the note presented through Washington contained no proposals of terms, but was a paraphrase of Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech, and that the Allies had separately concluded to reject it, although they had informally exchanged views, and would within a few days present a joint rep

BACKED BY ASQUITH AND LORDS.

Mr. Asquith, former premier, seconded Mr. Lloyd George's decision with even stronger words, and almost at the same moment Earl Curzon was informing the House of Lords that the Government would enter no conference that did not guarantee for Europe the free and independent existence of nations great and small. The Marquis of Crewe affirmed the approval of the members of the late government.

The day was a doubly important one for the Commons, because the new premier unfolded his program for widereaching war measures, and Mr. Asquith closed the last chapter of his nine years of leadership with an accounting of his war stewardship.

PROPOSES NATIONAL SERVICE.

The principal feature of Mr. Lloyd George's program is a measure for national service matching Germany's latest scheme, whereby every citizen will be liable for enrollment, to perform work for which the authorities consider him best equipped.

Arthur Neville Chamberlain, mayor of Birmingham, and a member of the famous family whose energy and business capacity are rated high, will be director of the national service, with civil and military directors responsible to him.

He deplored the mistakes that had been made regarding Rumania. He said the Government had decided to deal firmly with Greece and would recognize the agents of former Premier Veni-

The history of the alliance had been one of tardy decision. The central powers had the great advantages of internal communication and working under one supreme management, while the policy of the Entente Allies had been too much one of separate

Mr. Lloyd George said he was faced by a world-wide shortage in crops, which had been accentuated in Great Britain by weather which prevented the sowing of winter wheat. He announced plans New Army of Iron, Forged in Fiery Furnace of War, Has organization of agricultural control, control of shipping and the arming of merchantmen, greater control of mines and the suppression of the taking of excessive profits.

tawa Agency.-In opening his speech in the House of Commons this afternoon the premier, Right Honorable David Lloyd George, said that he appeared before the House with the most terrible responsibility that could fall upon the shoulders of any living manas chief adviser of the crown in the most gigantic war in which the country was ever engaged, a war upon the events of which its destiny depends. Not only was it the greatest war ever waged, but its burdens were the heaviest ever east upon this or any other country. While the issues were the gravest ever attached to any conflict in which humanity had been involved, the responsibilities of the new Government had been suddenly accentuated by the declaration of the

"The statement made by the latter been followed by a note presented to An answer will be given by the Government in full accord with been an interchange of views, not

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on which it is possible peace can be obtained and maintained in Europe. terms have been repeatedly tated by all the leading statesmen of the Allies. They have been stated repeatedly here and outside, to quote the

'Reparation and guarantee against repetition, so there shall be no mistake in a matter of life or death to mil-

"Let me repeat-complete restitution

"Did the German chancellor use a single phrase to indicate that he was prepared to accept such a peace? Was there a hint of restitution? Was there a suggestion of reparation? Was there an implication of any security for the future, that this outrage on civilization would not again be perpetrated at the first profitable opportunity?

"The very substance and style the speech constitutes a denial of ing begun it, they must insist that the peace on the only terms on which peace is possible. He is not even conguarantee against the possiblity of that scious now that Germany has committed any offence against the rights of of Europe. Prussia, since she got into free nations. Listen to this from the

entral powers) swerved from the con-iction that respect of the rights of other nations is not in any degree inatible with their own rights and

German Respect for Rights.
"When did they discover this? Where was respect for the rights of other nations in Belgium and Serbia? That was self-defence, menaced, I suppose, by the overwhelming armies of Belgium, I suppose the Germans had been Intimidated into invading Belgium and burning Belgian cities and villages, into massacring thousands of the inhabi-tants, old and young, into carrying off the survivors into bondage. Yea, and they were carrying them into slavery at the very moment when this note was being written about their unswerving conviction as to the respect due to the rights of other nations. "Are these outrages the legitimate nterest of Germany? We must know. This is not a moment for peace. If excuses of this kind for imes can be put forward two and a

eace you may enter into with Prus-"The note and speech proves that hey have not yet learned that alphabet of respect for the rights of others.

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acts, is there any guarantee that sim-

ilar subterfuges will not be used in the

future to overthrow any treaty of

Will Pious Phrases Atone? humanity on land and sea to be liquidated by a few pious phrases about the damage for all future violence com- shall put our trust in our unbroker mitted after the war. We must exact army, rather than in broken faith. It now, so as not to leave such a grim heritance to our children.

and speech which heralded it do not A formal reply will be delivered by for an honorable and lasting peace. What hope is given in the speech When the premier entered the House

great bitterness, the arrogant spirit of all quarters. Mr. Asquith, who entered the Prussian military caste, will not be a moment later, was cheered vociferas dominant as ever, if we patch up ously by the Liberals.

these peace suggestions are made resounds to the boast of Prussian militar It is a long paeon over the victory of von Hindenburg.

"We must keep a steadfast eye upon the purpose for which we entered the war; otherwise the great sacrifices have been making will be in vain. The German note states that it was for the defence of their existence and the fre fom of national development that central powers were constrained to tak up arms. Such phrases are intende full reparation and effectual guaranto delude the German nation into sur porting the designs of the nilitary caste. Who ever wished to pu an end to their national existence of freedom of development? We welcom heir development so long as it was on the paths of peace.

A Bullying Neighbor. "The Allies entered this war to defend Europe against the aggression of

Prussian military domination, and, havcaste ever again disturbing the peace the hands of that caste, has been bad neighbor, arrogant, threatening Not for an instant have they (the bullying, shifting her boundaries at her will, and taking one fair field after an other from her weaker neighbors and

adding them to her own dominions.

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Ever a Menace. "Even here, with the protection of the broad seas between us, we know what a disturbing factor the Prussians were with their constant naval menac But we can hardly realize what is meant to France and Russia. Severa times there were threats directed against them even within the lifetime of this generation, which presented the were many of us who hoped that the in

strong enough to check, and ultimately "Now that this great war has been forced by the Prussian leaders it 3/4 yards by 11/2 yards, for would be folly not to see that this bedrooms, halls or hearths, swashbuckling through the streets of Europe and this menace peaceful citizens was dealt with here and soft. Regular price \$4.50. and now as the most serious offense Saturday only

"Without reparation, peace is impos-ible. Are all these outrages against terms and guarantees the German Govagainst the law of nations. "We will wait until we hear what ernment offer other than those, better humanity? Germany leaves us to exact so lightly broke. And meanwhile we Reply in Few Daye.

"For the moment I do not think "Much as we all long for peace, deeply would be advisable for me to add any as we are horrified with war, this note thing upon this particular invitation afford us much encouragement to hope Allies in the course of the next few days."

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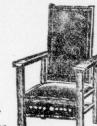
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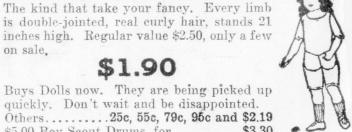
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Already Beaten Finest Army of World, Says Premier, Who Outlines Policy of Complete Organization of Resources To Stop Prussian Militarism.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Mr. Lloyd George, after dealing with the peace problem, iched upon the general policy which should be inaugurated by the new Govment. With respect to the question of food supplies, he said:

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The main facts are plain. The harvests of the United States and Canada reach. . . . the failures and the Argentine promises badly. Russia is unavailable, and our the misunderstanding between Great the misu aken place, owing to bad weather. Under these circumstances the late Govrument decided to appoint a food controller.

To Solve Irish Problem.

Britain and Ireland which for centuries has been such a source of hisery to

"We appeal to the nation to assist the Government in distributing our one and an embarrassment and weak-surces so that no man shall suffer hunger because somebody else has too ness to the other. I should consider better atmosphere. That means sacrifice; but the men on the Somme are enduring far sacrifices."

The property of the men of the Somme are enduring far forces. The Irish Situation. reater sacrifices "

Announcement was made by the premier that more drastic steps would be aken regarding excess profits. He referred also to the proposal for universal standing between England and Ireland. Standing between England "We propose to appoint immediately a director of national service, who will I was drenched with suspicion of Irish- upon an Irish settlement as a great be in charge of the matter of universal national service. The military director will be responsible for recruiting for the army. The civil director will begin by scheduling all industries and services, according to their character as especially or non-essential to the war.

drawn upon for men, required either for the army or for indispensable industries.

"The nation is fighting for life and is entitled to the best services of all citizens. The Government has been fortunate in inducing Arthur Neville Chamberlain, lord-mayor of Birmingham, to accept the post of director-general upder this scheme. He will immediately more than the congratulations, which he did with all his heart to Lloyd George upon his accession to the highest and most important office in the service of the crown, made a brief but pointed refer-"Certain industries will be classed as indispensable, while others will be which clogged my footsteps and made ation is a misunderstanding, partly

Chamberlain, lord-mayor of Birmingham, to accept the post of director-general under this scheme. He will immediately proceed to organize a great system of enrollment for industrial purposes."

The following are a few of the most striking sentences from the latter part of Lloyd George's speech:

Chamberlain, lord-mayor of Birmingham, to accept the post of director-general act of recommand that would make the United Kingdom and the Empire greater than they ever were before. That is why I have always greatly the war, Mr. Lloyd George said the new administration was just as full of the contributions of the dominions to the prosecution of the war, Mr. Lloyd George said the new administration was just as full of the contributions. enrollment for industrial purposes."

"An absolutely new army The old had done its duty and spent itself in the achievement of that great task This is a new army. A year ago it was ore in the earth of Britain—yea, and of Ireland. It became iron. It has passed better atmosphere. I am speaking not the progress and course the first problem is largely one of the progress and course the progress are progress. in the earth of Britain—yea, and of Ireland. It became iron. It has passed ough the fiery furnace, and the enemy knows that it is now fine steel.

"An absolutely new army. New men, new officers taken from schools, rom colleges, from counting houses, never trained to war, as to the steps that ought to be taken to secure victory, and as that the tester feeling.

Must Have Common Front. "I should like to quote the very well through the flery furnace, and the enemy knows that it is now fine steel similar conditions: 'We accepted boys from schools, from colleges, from counting houses, never trained to war, that better feeling.

Must Have Common Front.

The policy of a common front must be a reality. It is on the other side.

"They have faced the greatest army in the world, the greatest army the have beaten to the best trained, and they have beaten to the best fruits.

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"We propose, therefore, at an early date." he went on, "to summon an im
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"Mama, I saw a lot of beautiful date." he went on, "to summon an imthis war for an object and a world object, and the war will end when that object has been attained. Under Niagara Falls, Ont.—"I was miserable, God I hope it will never end until world has ever seen, the best equipped, the best trained, and they have beaten than better them."

them, beaten them, beaten them! "Battle after battle, day after day, week after week, in the strongest enport me. My hus-band had read man chancellor? What are the pro-band had read possible to a possible to the pro-trenchments ever devised by human skill, they have driven them out by valor, valor which is incredible when you read the story of it.

posals? There are none.

"To enter, on the invitation of Germany, proclaiming herself victorious, without any knowledge of what proposals she proposes to make, into a conference of the proposes to make the proposes to make into a conference of the proposes to make the propose to the proposes to make the proposes to m and the results posals she proposes to make, into a were surprising. I conference, is to put our heads into

got stronger, was less nervous, and I felt like a new person. It is or women I have less nervous for women I have less nervous for women I have less not the first time we have a stronger in these matters. This less not the first time we have less not the first time we have less not the put our heads into dow, Vera?' 'Oh, Casselman's face on the first time we have less for war.

After making an announcement in the strength of the nationalization of shipping, Mr. Lloyd George said the shipping controller was now conferring with the admiralty and that he hoped in the premier reterred briefly to his face out a shame-face on the first time we have an honorable, not a shame-face on the face peace. There must be an honorable, not a shame-face on the face peace. There must be an honorable, not a shame-face on the face peace. There must be an honorable, not a shame-face on the face peace. There must be an honorable, not a shame-face on the face peace. There must be an honorable, not a shame-face on the face peace. There must be an honorable, not a shame-face on the face peace. There must be an honorable, not a shame-face peace. There must be an honorable, not a shame-face peace. There must be no patched with Mr. Asquith, saying:

"It is true that in a multitude of counsellors there is wisdom. That was face peace would gladly accept. Any-face peace w "You can't have absolute equality in sacrifice. In war that is impossible, it would be possible.

ever heard of."—Mrs. A. C. Brown, 39 Clifton avenue, Niagara Falls, Ont.

There is nothing that will bring comfort and renew hope to the fivalid so surely as good news. When the vital forces are at a low leby and everything.

To u can't nave aosoiute equality in sacrifice. If was that is impossible, and the plan for more are hundreds in great military despotism overshadow-in great military despotism overs fort and renew nope to the strength of the surely as good news. When the vital comfortable historical memory of these surely as good news. When the vital comfortable historical memory of these things, and can recall one of the greatest of these despots, whose favorite in the surely as good news. When the vital comfortable historical memory of these whole place its comforts, its luxuries, its induspendent in the war anational altar, consecrated by such sacrifices as these men have made!

The nation will be premier said he had but not gloomy picture.

ance will stimulate the weary body to device was to appear in the garb of better and stronger for it, mentally and morally, as well as physically. It will new effort and energy. A letter from a loved one has turned the tide in many wished time to assimilate his conquests, full henefit of this struggle. "Our armies have driven the enemy out of the battered villages of France

"Our armies have driven the enemy out of the marker of humanity. He is not what a made in the name of humanity. He "Our armies have driven the enemy out of the subjects showed symptoms of fatigue and across the devastated plains of Belgium. They might hurly him across the atention of the Allies fects of organization. Rumanian situation. Rumanian situation have a salutary effect at the subject showed symptoms of fatigue and across the devastated plains of Belgium. They might hurly him across the atention of the Allies fects of organization. Rumanian situation. nation gains, but what it gives that makes it great." The premier's peroration was as follows: "If in this war I have paid scant heed to the call of party it is because realized from the moment the Prussian cannon hurled death at a peaceable agents of former Premie

decide an issue higher than party, deeper than party, wider than all parties. an issue upon the settlement of which will depend the fate of the men in this world for generations, when existing parties will have fallen like dead leaves on the highway. "Those issues are the issues I want to keep in front of the nation, so that

ve shall not falter or faint in our resolutions.
"There is a time in every prolonged and fierce war, when, in the passion and rage of conflict, men forget the high purpose with which they entered it.

This is a struggle for international right, international honor, international good faith—the channel along which peace, honor and good-will must flow

"The embankments laboriously built up by generations of men against I venture to say we should tion to such an invitation that Germany barbarism have been broken, and had not the might of Britain passed into the things-unity of aim and unity of ac-

Europe would have been inundated with a flood of savagery and un tion. Before we can take full ad-Every Man Has Duty. "It is not a mere haphazard law of vantage of the enormous resources upply and demand that will accom- the allies there must be some means

"I am convinced that the Irish situ

of Commons have been separated be

SPARE NO SACRIFICE TO

MAKE ALLIES' WIN SURE

REGINA, Dec. 19.—At a meeting here tonight addressed by Premier Borden and R. B. Bennett a cable from

Lloyd George regarding his speech,

was replied to by the premier by the following message:
"We can reply that, God willing, we

shall do our duty in this struggle to the end. No sacrifice on our part shall be spared to make triumphant the great cause for which the allied

nations are contending."

nation within the time that it is essen- ing nation within the time that it is say tial it should be accomplished. It is it will serve to equalize condition of years, it is a question of years, it is a question of years. not a question of years, it is a question of months, perhaps weeks; and unless not merely the material resources of the country, but the labor of the feeling that each country has got only "I wish it were possible to remove at one spot and bare breasts-gallant

men. It was a quagmire of distrust

Must Have Common Front. fening the Austrian guns. The Turks perial conference and place the whole are helping the Germans; Austrians and position before the dominions and take of humanity Bulgarians mix with all. There is an counsel with them as to what further essential feeling that there is but one

with the admiralty and that he hoped in g. I am proud to say we never had it would be possible shortly an an-

on, the are anxious to avoid all con-a stern, troversial questions. The functions of he Ruman- the premier and leader of the House longed the cause it was believed the double tasks. It might were too much for one man. The oralling the ganization of the new cabinet is bes de-vent the datapted for the purpose of war. In the war you want prompt decision, and action in disaster from tardiness of decision. vorse they had taken st Greece. They were tak

They had decided to re Speaking of the western referred to the growth of armies there, and added: sure if the nation shows the same as the mud-stained armies at

Co-Operation of Allies. Entente Allies, he said: "As to our relations with

Germany Not Troubled From Sudden Access of Chivalry.

NO SECURITY PROMISED

"I wish I could say something definite about Ireland," he continued. Great Burden—Regrets Unfinishd Task. LONDON, Dec. 19.—Former Premier part.

> important office in the service of the crown, made a brief but pointed reference to the question of peace. ence to the question of peace.
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> "The country," he said, "has just received some so-called peace proposals cours de main. from Germany. True, these proposals coups de main

Born of Necessity.

who have given their lives to the caus "I see nothing in the note from Ger believe that they are prepared to give reparation and security. If they re in such a mood, if they are prepared o give us reparation for the past, and ecurity for the future, let them say so.

Asquith, in congratulating Mr. Lloyd George, said that if he spoke from where he did it was not because he tion. Opposition there was none, and disposal of the Government whatever

experience he possessed. While it was relief to be free from he almost unsupportable burden, coninued Mr. Asquith, it was also a matter of regret to leave unfinished the task for which he had labored so long. He did not assume the role of apologis that there had been slackness on its

No Cause for Alarm.

declaring that his first duty was to extend congratulations, which he did extend congratulations, which he did "The prospects regarding finance and "The prospe The former prime minister also spoke "I agree with Mr. Lloyd George about

cellor become sensitive to the dictates slippers in a window down town. I just know Papa would be

Oscristmas Theer with a glass Officer

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new person. It is out experience in these matters. This ne for women I have is not the first time we have fought a me for women 1 have great military despotism overshadowing Europe, and it won't be the first loved one has turned the tide in many wished time to assimilate his conquests. full benefit of this struggle.

> although he himself was mainly re-A Rueful Precedent. "Our ancestors were taken in once, and bitterly did they and Europe rue it. The time was devoted to reorganizing his forces for a deadlier attack than ever

siderable measure of reminiscent disquietude. "We feel that we ought to know be ingredients are printed on wrapper. fore we can give favorable considera-

us to regard this note with a con

THE PREMIER ON PEACE | upon the note, because it has only re-LONDON, Dec. 19, via Reuter's Ot- which propelled it; and inasmuch as

f that speech, the subject

he note itself has been discussed for Allies of One Opinion. "I am very glad to be able to state that we have each separately and independently arrived at identical conclusions. I am very glad that the first answer was given by France and Russia, for they have unquestionably the right to give the first answer to such an invitation. The enemy is still on their soll, and their sacrifices have been the greater. That answer has already been published, and on be-

half of the Government I give a clear and definite support of it. "Any man or set of men who wan-tonly or without sufficient cause prowould have on his soul a crime that oceans could not cleanse. other hand, it is equally true that any man or set of men who from a sense of weariness or despair abandoned the struggle without achieving the highest purpose for which we entered

ltroonery ever perpetrated by any own words of Abraham Lincoln un-

"Are we likely to achieve the object

used four bottles without any knowledge of what pro-

or to reorganize his forces for fresh conquests, or, secondly, when his subdemanded an end to the bloodshed at

upon the liberties of Europe.