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considerable trouble to Ministers, but, eventually, after consultation with Sir Robert Stevenson Horne, Chancellor of the Exchequer and Treasury official, the various provisions were approved. It is also understood that the general lines of the Premier's offer have the approval of Austin Chamberlain, Government Leader in the House of Commons, Sir Robert Horne, Sir Laming Worthington Evans, Secretary for War, and other Ministers, and that probably with some modifications the entire cabinet will assent to the proposals, which will be produced in writing for presentation to De Valera. Whether Lloyd George has succeeded in overcoming the reluctance of Sir James Craig, to join in a tripartite conference, is not known, but the announcement that Sir James is coming to London again probably next week, is considered a favorable omen, and in any case no hint of a breakdown in negotiations is apparent. However, they may be more protracted than has been generally expected. General Smuts is holding himself in readiness to go to Ireland again if needed.

PRELIMINARY MEETING ABANDONED.

LONDON, July 20.

It is believed that the idea of holding a preliminary Disarmament and Pacific Conference in London is abandoned. Such conference was originally proposed by William Morris Hughes, Premier of Australia, and William Ferguson Massey, of New Zealand, who will be unable to go to the United States during the autumn, owing to the coming of their respective wives. A London conference is supposed also to have been strongly favoured by Japan. Instead of the proposed preliminary conference there will be held here a conference between the British Cabinet Ministers and Dominion Premiers. For this purpose Premier Meighen of Canada, has postponed indefinitely his idea of sailing for home. This conference will be devoted, first to the discussion of the policy and representation of the British Empire at the Washington Conference, and second to the advisability of asking the Washington Government to postpone the Disarmament and Pacific conference to some later date than Nov. 11. Such postponement would not only be agreeable to Dominion Premiers, who are unable to go to Washington in November, but it would be convenient to the British Government, because in the event of Irish negotiations proving successful it might become necessary to hold an autumn session of Parliament to legislate for the new Irish settlement.

THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

TOKYO, July 20.

Subsequent to a cabinet meeting held to-day, which discussed the report of Kijuro Shidehara, Ambassador to the United States, it was announced that the United States, Great Britain and Japan probably would change views in an effort to outline a programme for the coming Washington Conference.

JAPAN AND SIBERIA.

TOKYO, July 20.

Announcement by the press that Hayime Matsuhima, Permanent Secretary of the Foreign Ministry, had gone to Siberia in connection with negotiations for a general agreement with the Far-Eastern Republic, and also for the benefit of those Ministers, who had not been closely concerned in the Irish negotiations, the history of recent events, and the Premier's new offer to Ireland, which is described as being drawn on generous lines. It is understood that financial arrangements in the new offer have given

STANDARD OIL AND ROCKEFELLER.

NEW YORK, July 20.

John D. Rockefeller has disposed of all his vast holdings in the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, with the exception of one thousand shares of Common stock, valued at \$106,875, according to an account published by the World to-day. The paper's list shows that John D. Rockefeller, Jr., now holds 452,980 shares of Common stock and 58,790 shares of Preferred, the Rockefeller General Education Board, 170,220 Common and 58,779 Preferred. The Rockefeller foundation, 126,000 Common and 55,000 Preferred; and the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial Fund, 40,000 Common and 19,000 Preferred.

REPARATIONS.

PARIS, July 20.

The Reparations Commission to-day issued an official statement announcing that the German Government had just paid to it thirty-one million gold marks in European currency on account of three months notes given the latter part of May in settlement of one billion gold marks due before June 1st.

A VATICAN DENIAL.

ROME, July 20.

At the Vatican to-day semi-official denial was given to statements that have appeared in the press at Rome that President Harding has notified Pope Benedict of plans for a Conference on the limitation of armament. It also was denied that there had been any attempt by the Holy See to participate in the Conference.

A GREEK CLAIM.

LONDON, July 20.

The Greeks claim to have taken Atakual, 20,000 prisoners, many guns of Russian origin, a large quantity of ammunition, and stores, and 5000 camels, according to a despatch to the Daily Mail from Smyrna.

PACIFIC PROBLEM AND PREMIERS.

LONDON, July 20.

President Harding of the United States has been informed of the desire of the Dominion Premiers that advantage be taken of their presence in London to a subject the Pacific question at least to preliminary examination here, according to the London Times. The Premier's hope to be in a position at their meeting on Wednesday, adds the Times, "to take a definite step forward in this matter with the concurrence of the United States."

WILL NOT REBATE.

Buenos Aires, July 20.

The Argentine Republic has declined to mediate between Panama and Costa Rica in the territorial dispute, which last March, caused open hostilities between the two countries, and

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prompted the United States to send several notes to the Isthmus before warfare ceased.

REPATRIATE STRANDED JAMAICANS.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, July 20.

The Government has decided to repatriate immediately ten thousand Jamaicans, stranded in Cuba, owing to conditions in the sugar industry there.

U. S. AND SILENSIA.

LONDON, July 20.

It was stated in authoritative quarters to-day that suggestions have been made for United States intervention in the Upper Silesian trouble, which, it is feared, will threaten open hostilities.

A SENSATIONAL STORY.

LONDON, July 20.

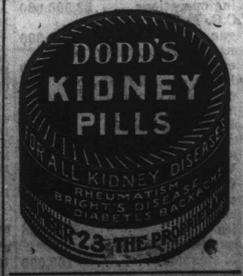
The Daily Express makes a sensa-

tional statement respecting Canadian bodies on the battlefields. According to this paper one of the startling allegations made by a responsible Canadian Government official, working on the War Graves Commission, in re-interring the dead, is that "many graves in the great war cemeteries of Flanders and France, marked with the names of fallen soldiers, are in fact empty of remains."

JAPANESE FORCIBLY DEPORTED.

TURLOCK, July 20.

A general exodus of Japanese field laborers and their families from this district is taking place to-day following deportation to Keyes, five miles North, of fifty-eight Japanese male workers by members of the Union Fruit and Melon Pickers, authorities announced. The Union is composed principally of white-thirsnants.



Irish Leaders May Meet in Belfast.

Hope of Conference Between Craig and De Valera -- Negotiations With Prime Minister Have Ceased -- Disarmament Now Holds the Stage.

A LITTLE BRIGHTER.

LONDON, July 20.

The possibility of a meeting in Belfast between Eamonn De Valera and Sir James Craig is foreshadowed in official quarters, and in several newspapers this morning. There seemed for a time to be the end of all hope for an amicable meeting between the two, but the moderating influence of General Smuts, Premier of South Africa, coupled with Belfast despatches to the effect that Sir James does regard the peace pourparlers as interrupted, have gone a long way toward reestablishing confidence. Mr. De Valera now is reported willing to go to Belfast and meet Sir James, after he has discussed with his Dublin followers certain proposals, which, it is understood, Premier Lloyd George will submit to him on Thursday. Staunch union members of the Irish Parliament are reported to be increasingly nervous respecting the progress of Irish affairs, and it is shown that about forty of them met privately yesterday to discuss their views.

PROGRESS OF NEGOTIATIONS.

LONDON, July 20.

Events which apparently had been

proceeding smoothly and with fair rapidity toward a common ground upon which the British Government, Irish Republicans and Ulsterites could find a basis for a settlement of the troubles in Ireland, have fallen into a lull and for the moment negotiations, both official and private, have ceased. With Sir James Craig again in Belfast, having taken his departure from London and delivered a pronouncement, which at the time to spell an end of the discussions between the three parties, English people are trying to figure out what will eventually happen with respect to Ulster, and more particularly with respect to the whole of Ireland at the next conference between Lloyd George and De Valera, which is set down for Thursday. In the meantime General Smuts, South African Premier, may proceed to Belfast as intermediary and the fact that the Ulster leader has declared that his services and those of the officials under him, "are available at any moment," leads to the hopeful view that the final word of the Ulsterites has not yet been spoken. Notwithstanding the attitude of Ulster, as expressed by Premier Craig, the spokesmen of the Repub-

lican delegates to-day declared that they were still not unhopful, while another Sinn Féin representative said, "It is not a question of Belfast being subservient to Dublin, or vice versa, but that both must be servient to Ireland." The King, deeply concerned in the outcome of the Irish discussion, was visited to-day by the Marquis of Londonderry, Ulster Minister of Education, who, it is understood, gave His Majesty details of conversations the Marquis had with Lloyd George yesterday. The continued presence of one of the Ulster Cabinet in London is considered significant, and of good augury. Lloyd George is believed to have certain propositions to present to De Valera at Thursday's meeting, which have been approved by the British Cabinet. The Republican leader and his colleagues will probably return to Dublin on Friday or Saturday in order to review the events of their visit to London and take under advisement whatever proposals the British Government has offered.

LATEST DEVELOPMENTS.

LONDON, July 20.

The British Cabinet sat for two hours and a half this evening, considering Irish plans, after which Premier Lloyd George went to Buckingham Palace and laid before the King, whose interest in the Irish settlement is the keenest, proposals for submission to Eamonn De Valera at tomorrow's conference. The Prime Minister presided at the Cabinet Council, which was held in the House of Commons, and outlined for the benefit of those Ministers, who had not been closely concerned in the Irish negotiations, the history of recent events, and the Premier's new offer to Ireland, which is described as being drawn on generous lines. It is understood that financial arrangements in the new offer have given



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