

BOLIVIA DENIED A SEAT AT CONFERENCE

Chilean and Peruvian Delegates Refuse to Allow Neighboring Country To Be Seated.

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, May 24.—Bolivia's request for a seat in the treaty of Ancon conference here was denied consideration Monday by the Chilean and Peruvian delegates.

Without wasting words, the Chilean delegation notified the Bolivian legation in a brief memorandum that it did not even feel disposed to forward the Bolivian note to its government at Santiago.

The Peruvians sent to the legation a more extended explanation of their position but insisted that the instructions of the delegation did not empower it to comply with the Bolivian request.

What would be the next step in the controversy was uncertain Monday night, although Bolivian spokesmen indicated that they were not content to accept Monday's verdict as final. The possibility of an appeal to the United States government was suggested.

There was no evidence that President Harding, should he be asked to intervene, would be disposed to take any other attitude than that set forth in reply to the former Bolivian request for participation sent to him soon after the conference was called in January. On that occasion he argued that the question of Bolivia's admission must be decided by Chile and Peru.

Dispatch of the Chilean and Peruvian notes to the Bolivian legation followed a 20-minute joint meeting of the two delegations. No communique was issued after the conclusion and it was indicated that no question of importance was considered pending disposition of the Bolivian request. There also were indications that direct conversations between the two delegations again were waiting on definite instructions from the home governments.

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