

BRITISH CABINET TO BE REORGANIZED

Resignation of Sea Lord Forces Crisis and Churchill to Be Shifted.

ALL PARTIES HAVE VOICE

Retirement of Several Liberals to Make Room for Other Leaders is Assured; Premier Asquith to Remain at Head.

LONDON, May 19.—The resignation of the veteran sailor, Lord Fisher, from his post of first sea lord of the Admiralty, which occurred Tuesday because he and his nominal civilian superior, Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the Admiralty, have been unable to work together, probably is the first step toward a sweeping reorganization of the British government.

A coalition cabinet, composed of the strongest men of both political parties, is believed to be the probable solution of the government difficulties. There is no question of a complete change of the government and the retirement of several members of the Liberal cabinet to make way for the strongest men of the Conservative party is confidently expected.

Premier Asquith will remain at the head of the government in any event, with Lord Kitchener and Sir Edward Grey, respectively the war and foreign ministers, in undisputed possession of their present posts, while David Lloyd George, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Churchill probably will take new positions.

Of the Conservatives, Andrew Bonar Law, the opposition leader in the House of Commons, Lord Curzon, Lord Derby and Austin Chamberlain almost certainly would enter the cabinet and either Lord Curzon, Lord Milner or the Earl of Selborne, from the Conservative leaders in the House of Lords. The labor party probably would be represented by Herbert Morrison, J. H. Henderson, its chairman, and there is talk of both of the Irish leaders, John Redmond and Sir Edward Carson, as members.

Popular Demand Manifest.

For nine months the Liberal cabinet has conducted the war government with loyal support from the House of Commons. Since the month of May brought the most critical days of the great struggle upon them, the British people of all parties have become more and more convinced that the management of their destinies by one political party cannot bring the full strength of the nation to bear upon the struggle. Consequently, a reorganization of the cabinet, a growing popular demand.

The Conservative newspapers have not felt the same obligation to respect the party line that the Liberal newspapers have shown and their criticisms of government policies and of certain cabinet members are disconcerting throughout the country.

The rupture between Admiral Fisher and Mr. Churchill, a rupture which is popularly credited with both the determination and ability to command the navy as masterfully as the British commander the army, while the other is a strenuous and ambitious young man, who is equally resolved to enforce his own views on naval policy.

Churchill's Failures Costly.

The Morning Post has led in the criticism of Mr. Churchill. Its chief charges against him have been that he insisted on the unsuccessful attempt to force the passage of the Dardanelles with the fleet against the opinion of the sea lords; that he interfered personally directed of taking the naval brigade to Antwerp was a costly failure, and that the responsibility was his.

On the other side of the account, Mr. Churchill has been credited with the mobilization of the fleet at the beginning of the war and for the efficient condition in which it entered the Dardanelles.

The general charges of the critics of the government to appreciate the magnitude of the campaign should mention on the mammoth scale events have proved necessary; failure to show a strong line in dealing with the German contingent in the country, and generally that more practical men of affairs and fewer lawyers are needed in the directorate of the government's activities.

It is taken for granted that Viscount Haldane, lord high chancellor, Augustin Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, and Lewis Harcourt, secretary of state for the colonies, will retire in case of a reorganization of the cabinet. Viscount Haldane's ability is unquestioned, but the constant attacks on him because of his previous German affiliations and his famous remark "I am a German first and a Briton second" have undermined popular confidence in the whole-heartedness of his participation in the war against Germany.

Mr. Birrell has long wanted to retire from politics.

Balfour May Succeed Churchill.

Mr. Balfour's name has been brought forward as the successor to Mr. Churchill at the Admiralty. While it is recognized that Mr. Churchill's talents are too conspicuous to be overlooked, and he will receive another portfolio, Mr. Balfour has been a prominent member of the imperial defense committee and is a friend of Lord Fisher. He has had a room at the Admiralty during the war and is believed to have exerted his influence as a conciliator between Lord Fisher and Mr. Churchill until their differences reached the breaking point.

Mr. Bonar Law, who is the most prominent business man in Parliament, is spoken of for the exchequer portfolio, the Fall Mall Gazette suggests that a new position, "minister of war supplies," be created in which Mr. Lloyd George's energy could find scope. Lord Reading, who as chief justice was Mr. Lloyd George's chief adviser on financial matters, is a cabinet possibility to succeed Viscount Haldane and Mr. E. Smith.

Festival of Music Delights Audience at Church.

Numbers of Selections Entertained Crowd at First Presbyterian Church, Where Artists Appear.

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"Be missionaries in your own parishes. Go out among your neighbors and invite them to attend church with you. Win souls for confirmation." This was the charge given Tuesday by Bishop Sumner in his address before the members of the Women's Auxiliary of the diocese at their annual convention in St. Stephen's Cathedral.

The bishop paid a tribute to the excellent work done by the president, Mrs. Charles Scadding, and by Archdeacon Chambers, whom he termed one of the best missionaries he knew. The address to the women was full of inspiration for broad and efficient work. The giving of offerings and of gifts to the needy and those in foreign posts was praised by the bishop as a worthy act, but the immediate "giving of souls" was the theme emphasized.

Mrs. Scadding is Re-Elected. Mrs. Scadding unanimously was re-elected president. Mrs. A. E. Hill, of Trinity parish, was named honorary president. Other officers chosen were: First vice-president, Mrs. Robert Warrack, St. Stephen's; second vice-president, Mrs. Fresham