

BRITISH, GERMANS TALK REPARATIONS

Plans to Ameliorate Teuton
Situation Discussed.

SOVIET POSITION STRONGER

Lloyd George Confident Russians
Will Accept Agreement on Basis
for Trade Resumption.

GENOA, May 4.—(By the Associated Press.)—The German chancellor, Dr. Wirth and the German foreign minister, Dr. Rathenau, were summoned to Premier Lloyd George's villa today for a discussion of the reparations situation. The British premier, Lord Birkbeck and Sir Edward Grigg, both British and German foreign ministers, were also present. The discussion was held in a friendly atmosphere, and it was understood that the British government was prepared to accept a plan for the resumption of trade with Germany on the basis of a new agreement.

The English delegates have announced that they still adhere to the suggestion for a meeting of the signatories of the Versailles treaty either at Genoa or a neighboring city before May 31 to take under advisement measures which may be necessary respecting the German reparations payment due on that date which Germany has announced inability to pay.

Russian Position Strengthened.
The longer the Russians study the memorandum on Russian reconstruction the less it seems to appeal to them. Rakovsky, Tchitcherine and Litvinoff have expressed their surprise at some of the sections, and the divergence between the allies caused by France and Belgium holding out on article six has strengthened greatly the Russian position.

It is expected that the Russians will reply to the memorandum on Saturday; meanwhile they are using their advantage skillfully. Their experts are digesting the various sections at Santa Margherita, where the whole delegation is working steadily with the exception of Tchitcherine and Rakovsky, who came to Genoa for a short time today.

Lloyd George Optimistic.
There is much speculation on France's position since the conference between Premier Poincare and M. Barthou. Mr. Lloyd George and the entire British delegation are still optimistic and believe that the Russian agreement on the reparations memorandum and that the Russians will accept in such a manner as to reopen Russian trade.

The Soviet representatives here announced today that the terms of the allies' note to Russia had been telegraphed to Moscow, and the Exchange Telegraph, which adds: "It is stated that possibly Premier Poincare will accept the Russian memorandum with full recognition."

FRANCE SUPPORTS BELGIUM

Poincare Concurs in Objection to
Memorandum Given Russians.

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Wirth and Rathenau talked for two hours with Lloyd George today and the chief topic of their conversation, Lloyd George said, was the reparations. The German would put their backs to the wheel if he induced the French and Belgians to accept Sir Basil Blackett's scheme, minus American participation, to reduce the reparations to 110,000,000 gold marks, of which \$2,000,000,000 would be in the indefinite future and \$1,000,000,000 actually paid, with a moratorium of four years.

Lloyd George's conversation with Wirth and Rathenau has not been finished yet, but it is understood he wants the Germans to agree to straighten their budget, etc., that he realizes the conference has reached a point where it needs a big fresh impetus or it will slump.

High Costs Drive Away Poles.

WARSAW, May 4.—(By the Associated Press.)—The high cost of living at Genoa was responsible for the return here of the larger part of the Polish delegation of secretaries and stenographers. The Polish delegation at the economic conference now consists of only three persons. The cost of maintaining the entire delegation, it was said, amounted to several million Polish marks daily.

HOSPITAL BILL REPORTED

Erection of 12 Buildings Covered
by Measure in House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 4.—Erection of 12 soldiers' hospitals at a cost of \$17,000,000 and with a total capacity of 5400 beds is provided for in a bill reported today by the house appropriations committee. The facilities proposed to be acquired, with approximate cost figures, as outlined to the committee by Colonel Forbes of the veterans' bureau include:

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