

PREMIERS' PARLEY  
ACHIEVES NOTHING

Plan to Resume Sessions  
Jan. 2 Held Camouflage.

CUNO'S OFFER OPPOSED

Comedy of British Secrecy and  
French Propaganda Is Again  
Encountered at London.

BY JOHN STEELE

(Chicago Tribune Foreign News Service, Copyright, 1922, by the Chicago Tribune.) LONDON, Dec. 11.—(By Tribune Wireless.)—The London conference of premiers has broken up without an agreement and will be continued in Paris on January 2, but this, I am informed, is merely camouflage to make it appear as if all the allies are united behind France in its determination to seize the Ruhr district on January 15 when the present German moratorium expires.

The conference met again this afternoon, the morning being devoted to a British cabinet meeting at which the situation which had arisen in the conference was discussed. The cabinet agreed with Prime Minister Bonar Law that the German offer made by Chancellor Cuno through Dr. Bergman was not acceptable and this afternoon when the conference met it was formally rejected.

Comedy Again Is Met. Today there was again the comedy of British secrecy and French propaganda. The British merely made public the conversations and while this was being done Premier Poincare at the Hotel Claridge was receiving reporters and telling them that the conference had adjourned because Mr. Bonar Law could not give time enough to discuss the question in issue thoroughly and reach a decision before Christmas.

Significant Sign Is Made. The following significant sign at the conference is worthy of note. It was announced that a portion of the proceeds of the Legion's entertainment, "A Night in Paris," to be given December 30, will be added to the relief fund.

French Leaders Determined. The French leaders are determined to seize the Ruhr and Essen and has five divisions ready to advance on January 15. He has no intention of reaching an agreement at Paris if an agreement means the surrender of any part of the French claims. I am told that he has assured the other premiers that France has no intention to hold the seized territories permanently, but that he believes with a grip on these vital spots Paris will be able to squeeze Germany so that it will see the advantage in paying up promptly.

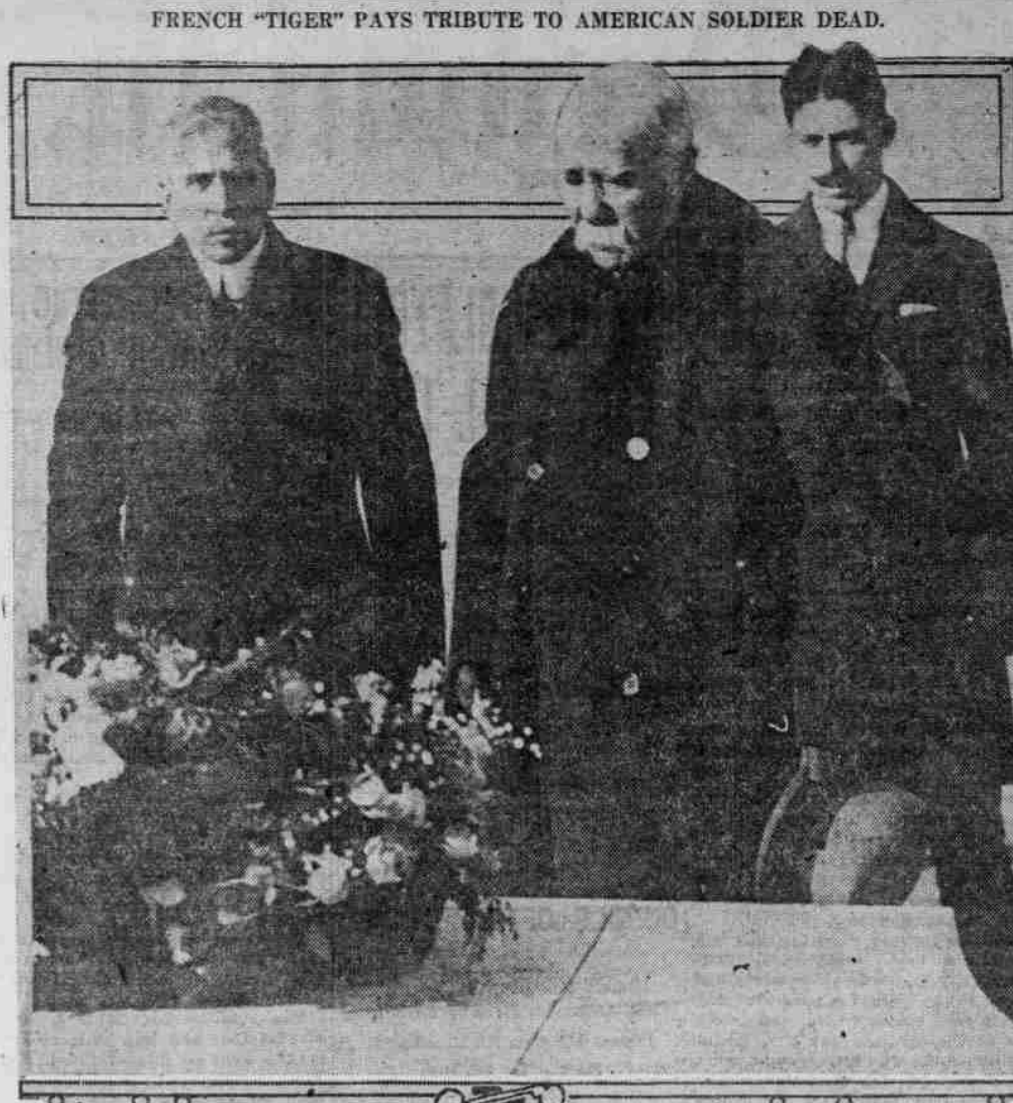
Signor Mussolini Is Said to Be Bitterly Disappointed. He came to London believing that he was entering a free conference where argument and common sense would prevail, and only today did he realize that the loaded dice employed here precluded any settlement. He went to a dinner given by the London organization of the Italian fascists where he delivered an address concerning the glory of Italy.

Mussolini's Final Statement. Signor Mussolini issued a statement tonight, declaring it was his opinion that the conference might have ended better, but the premiers should be content with what they had done. In any case, he said, it was the first time the problems of debts and reparations had been taken up together and regards Europe's aspect, leaving America out of the question altogether.

Signor Mussolini thought the interval between now and the meeting on January 2 would be useful so that when the premiers resumed they could go on and get better results. He emphasized that it was imperative that in the next conference decisions should be reached, as the moratorium granted Germany expired on December 30 and the final period, when action must come to a decision before that date. Until the final date no action will be taken by the allies.

In case Germany shows bad faith and France decides to occupy the Ruhr, Signor Mussolini was asked if Italy would be found on the side of France, to which he replied: "Wait and see."

There was no reason, he added, to be pessimistic. Regarding the Balfour note the Italian premier said it could be assumed that it had been wiped out and probably Mr. Bonar Law would make a declaration to that effect in the house of commons shortly.



CLEMENCEAU AT TOMB OF UNKNOWN SOLDIER.

Ex-Premier Clemenceau, the "Tiger" of France, on December 6 journeyed to Arlington national cemetery, where he placed a wreath on the tomb of the unknown hero, the tomb which stands as a shrine to America's soldier dead. As France's ex-premier of war days stood at the tomb, the recollection of the great sacrifice seemed to be again impressed on his mind and an expression of sorrow came over his stern face. At his left is Colonel Stephen Donsol of New York city, who is accompanying M. Clemenceau on his trip through the United States.

provided by the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway. W. F. Turner, president, announced yesterday. Local members of the Investment Bankers' Association of America announced that they are willing to handle free of charge the work of marketing any bond issues which Astoria may desire to float for reconstruction of the road, water and sewer systems.

A contribution of \$250 was sent to Clatsop post of the American Legion for use in the post's relief work by Portland post No. 1. The contribution was noted at a joint meeting of the incoming and outgoing executive committees of Portland post yesterday noon when it was also decided that a portion of the proceeds of the Legion's entertainment, "A Night in Paris," to be given December 30, will be added to the relief fund.

Fraternals Orders to Help. Portland fraternal organizations have made arrangements to care for Astoria members of the various organizations who are in need of help. John Tait, personal representative of A. L. Tetu, potentate of Al Kader temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, will aid Astoria nobles and their families.

Taking \$250 contributed by J. H. and Gilbert Joyce of the Hazelwood restaurant, a committee of Elks has gone to Astoria to investigate the condition of members of the Astoria lodge. The committee members are W. P. McKinney, Monroe Goldstein and Charles Bradley of Portland and Frank D. Cohen of Marshfield.

Modern Woodmen fire sufferers will be cared for by P. Curry, state deputy of Modern Woodmen of America, and Ben F. Sherwood of Lone Fir camp, who is representing all Portland camps. They left for Astoria yesterday morning. The order has about 250 members in Astoria.

Kiwanians Send Committee. A committee of three was sent to the stricken city by the Pacific northwest district of the International Kiwanis club to ascertain in what manner the club can best be of service. A. M. Wright and E. R. Wiggins of Portland and Earl Kirkpatrick of Eugene are the club's representatives.

The Alberta Commercial club announced that proceeds of a dance to be given Saturday night at Oddfellows hall, East Seventeenth and Alberta streets, will be contributed to the relief fund.

The resolution fixing the amount to be raised in Portland and providing for a committee of five members to work with the Astoria relief committee follows: "Resolved, that it be the sense of the business interests of Portland that a fund of \$50,000 be raised to cover the immediate necessities for relief of the citizens of Astoria and such further assistance as may become necessary; and be it further resolved, that the president of the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Portland be authorized to appoint a committee of five men to assist and advise with them in working out their need of work and make efforts of the relief committee more effective, a resolution offered by Nathan Strauss providing for notification of all organizations and individuals that they can best assist by making their contributions through the Chamber of Commerce committee" was adopted.

As subscriptions began to lag Ben Selling, widely known philanthropist and untiring civic worker, was called upon for a brief address. "I came to this meeting merely as a spectator," Mr. Selling said. "I wanted to see what Portland would do without solicitation. I am confident Portland will raise more than the amount required and do all other things necessary. But as actions speak louder than words I now offer my subscription for \$500."

He was heartily cheered as he resumed his seat and subscriptions again started pouring in as men arose to their feet in all parts of the room.

The list of subscriptions of \$100 or more, as tabulated by the finance committee last night, follows: American Can company, \$1000; Portland Realty board, \$1000; Oregon State Hotel Men, \$1000; Fischler-Mayer company, \$1000; F. H. Rodin & Sons, \$1000; Lang & Co., \$1000; Wadhams & Co., \$250; J. L. Kline, \$250; Rasmussen & Co., \$250; Perrella Pacific, \$250; Pacific Coast Biscuit company, \$250; The Oregonian (more if needed), \$500; C. C. Cott (Portland Clearing Co. House), \$500; Neustadter Bros., \$500; Oregon Journal, \$500; Portland Telegram, \$500; Portland Cement company, \$500; Goodyear Rubber company, \$500; Blake, McCall company, \$500; Blumauer-Frank Drug company, \$500; Doernbecker Mfg. company, \$500; Meyers Furniture company, \$500; Portland Gas & Coke company, \$500; A. Sellers & Co., \$200; Clansett & Deyers, \$200; Portland Railway, Light & Power company, \$1000; J. K. Gill (for the present), \$250; Tri-Bis Biscuit company, \$250; Willamette Iron & Steel company, \$500; Eastora & Western Lumber company, \$500; J. J. Poulson Lumber company, \$500; Home Hardware company, \$500; Gray, McLean & Perry, \$200; J. J. Poulson Lumber company, \$500; Zellerbach Paper company (more if necessary), \$300; Crown Mills, \$200; Corvallis company, \$100; Gan Bros., \$100; Stark-Davis & Co., \$100; Crescent Paper company, \$100; Eastern Outfitting company, \$100; Elks club, \$100; Jell & Co. (\$500 from other companies), \$100; Portland Flooring Mills, \$200; Albers Bros. Milling company, \$500; Portland Seed company, \$100; Whitfield Whitecomb company, \$200; King Food Products, \$100; Mrs. F. R. Stevens, \$100; Kerr Gifford, \$100.

WORKERS' PARTY  
STIRS CONVENTION

Demand for Seats Held Up  
at Cleveland Meeting.

BODY HELD UNPATRIOTIC

Organization Is Declared to Be  
un-American and Anti-Labor;  
Voting Strength Is Settled.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—The question of seating representatives of the workers' party of America precipitated a heated and prolonged discussion at this afternoon's session of the first day's meeting of the second conference for progressive political action and caused an early adjournment when the question was referred back to the credentials committee for further consideration. This committee hoped to reach final decision tonight and report to the conference tomorrow morning. Officially, it was reported that the committee would refuse to seat the workers' party representatives on the ground they were "un-American and anti-labor" and had not been invited to sit in the conference.

Debate was started when C. E. Ruhsberg of Cleveland, national executive secretary of the party, after reading of the report of the credentials committee, asked why credentials presented by him and three others, Ludwig Lore, New York, editor of the Volkszeitung of New York; William I. Dunn of Butte, Mont., and Caleb Harrison of Cleveland, had not been acted on.

Party Held Un-American. Edward Keating of Washington, former representative in congress from Colorado, took the floor and declared: "The workers' party has no place where honest trade unions are represented and it was brash effrontery to present credentials to a convention that does not wish attendance of the so-called workers' party."

"The workers' party is un-American and anti-labor," declared Mr. Keating. "This convention stands for the flag and constitution and the reason we are going to kick the representatives of the workers' party out is because they do not stand for the flag." The statement was interrupted by cheers and hoots from the floor.

A delegate from Minnesota declared he "hoped the conference would not take the same attitude toward the workers' party as William J. Burns and the department of justice agents who have thrown workers of this party into jail."

Another debate was precipitated when the credentials committee presented a majority report that representatives from local trade and labor unions should not be seated as such. Morris Hillquit of New York offered an amendment that such delegates be seated by the committee, but not as delegates from local unions and that they be prohibited from voting on any rollcalls. The amendment was lost and the entire question referred back to the committee.

Third Party Case Up Today. The question of the formation of a third party did not reach the conference today, but reports current tonight indicated that a number of resolutions bearing on this subject may be offered tomorrow. One of the reports was to the effect that the farmer-labor delegates will offer a resolution in favor of the third party movement. From socialist party delegates it was learned that they will watch the progress of the farmer-labor resolution and in the event it is defeated will offer one asking the conference to consider the question of naming a presidential and vice-presidential candidate and calling a conference in the future for that purpose.

The credentials committee decided on the following voting strength on a rollcall ballot based on one vote for each 10,000 accredited members: Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, 5 votes; Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, 11; Order of Railroad Telegraphers, 8; Switchmen's Union of North America, 1; Stationary Firemen and Oilers, 2; Order of Railway Conductors, 1; Brotherhood of Railroad Clerks, 12; American Train Dispatchers association, 1; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, 10; Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers

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Several Not Yet Decided. The voting strength of the socialist party and the United Mine Workers of America has not yet been determined. The Farmers' National council, the Farmers' Labor League of America and the national non-partisan league, with a membership estimated at 300,000, have also not been determined, but it was estimated that the farmers' vote would be about 80. W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, did not attend the conference. His organization, the fourth member of the "big four" transportation brotherhoods, was not represented.

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