

PLIGHT OF FRANCE DECLARED PITIABLE

Shall Germany or Victors Suffer, Viviani Asks.

USE OF FORCE FAVORED

Teutons Will Dodge Duty as Pressure Is Relaxed, ex-Premier Declares.

BY RENE VIVIANI, Ex-Premier of France.

PARIS, May 7.—(Special Cable.)—The die is cast. Germany's ill-will so often demonstrated that doubt about it no longer exists anywhere.

It is now nearly two years since Germany signed the treaty of Versailles. It is now nearly two years since Germany signed the final final. By May 1, 1921, Germany was expected to have discharged a part of her financial obligations.

From the moment of her failure the world was faced with a question which has remained unanswered.

Economic Ruin Is Faced. This simply is a question as to whether France, for the crime of having resisted with the allies an unjust aggression, must, besides suffering deep, bloody wounds, undergo economic ruin.

We are told Germany is in the same fix. But that is more than doubtful. But even if it be true, and one must suffer ruin, why should it be France? Why should the innocent pay for the guilty? What nation or man could feel ease of conscience or security of life if such a crime should go down the unhallowed ages?

And it will! I trust that reproaches of "imperialism" against us will cease and that sensitive eyes will not raise the floodgates of their tears.

Devastated Area Is Big. Tears should be kept for those who suffer and weep, for our children, for America's children, for all the dead, for justice to the widows and orphans and the inhabitants of the devastated regions.

Protests Made Before. They say Germany cannot pay. That is quite true and has been said for a long time. The very day after the treaty was signed, before any investigation of Germany's resources could be made, it was asserted she would be unable to pay.

Five billions of francs, according to financial experts and on account of money depreciation, equals 15,000,000,000 today. Note that 15,000,000,000 for six months' war means 125,000,000,000 for four years' war, and that the accused war occurred on our territory and with Germany's economic power totally untouched.

Situation Field Pitiabile. Now has come the final calculation of the reparations commission, whose jurisdiction Germany herself accepts. This calculation again diminishes our claims which are now at a low level after repeated reductions.

In a few days we will occupy the Ruhr district not to molest and brutalize the inhabitants, but to take economic measures. Why this delay? To give Germany a chance to make further proposals, says England. I confess I do not understand this.

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