

CLEMENCEAU STILL CHOICE OF FRENCH FOR PRESIDENCY

Statesman Keeps Silent as to Whether He Will Accept Post Even If Chosen by Majority.

By William E. Nash
Special Cable to The Journal and The Chicago Daily News.

Paris, France, Jan. 5.—With the presidential election coming on January 17, France is beginning to wonder who will be the successor of M. Poincaré. I hear from reliable sources that there are three leading candidates—Paul Deschanel, Georges Clemenceau and Senator Charles Jonnart. The first, it will be remembered, was recently elected president of the chamber of deputies by an overwhelming majority, and can claim that his vote was an indication of republican confidence.

But what his chances will be if faced by Premier Clemenceau it is not hard to tell. Almost unopposed he would be defeated. Most politicians agree that the old "Tiger" can have the office if he wishes it. The new chamber is for him and the senate probably will be.

PROBABLY WOULD ACCEPT

It is his attitude toward the matter which still remains an enigma. He has declared in public that he will not be a formal candidate, yet certain of his friends, among them officials in the foreign office, intimate that if he is elected by a large majority he will not refuse the honor. This view seems logical. Clemenceau has just declared that he intends to resign his position as prime minister on January 17. Of his own free will he might not want to assume another office demanding seven years intense political effort, for at 78 years a man cannot be expected to remain mentally vigorous much longer. Yet if the office were offered spontaneously it would be the crowning achievement of his career. It would show that the French people love him and wanted to reward him with the highest gift in their power. So much for M. Clemenceau. Senator Jonnart is a sort of a dark horse. He is a Clemenceau man, who may be elected if the master wills it. He has been governor general of Algeria and was seriously considered last spring for high commissioner of Alsace Lorraine. The presidents of France are elected by a special congress consisting of the chamber and senate sitting together in the Chateau Louise XIV at Versailles.

MAJORITY REQUIRED

The new president is chosen one month before the powers of the retiring president expire, which date in the case of M. Poincaré is February 20, 1920. An absolute majority is necessary for an election. Usually, according to prominent politicians here, caucuses are held a day beforehand by each great party group of Monarchists, Republicans and

Strike in February Threatens England

London, Jan. 5.—(L. N. S.)—A general strike is planned for February by the so-called triple alliance, composed of railwaymen, miners and transport workers. It was reliably reported here. Nationalization of the mines will be the chief demand, and unless the government acquiesces the strike is reported set for a solid walkout. The government is taking steps to meet the strike.

READING FAVORED FOR AMBASSADOR

Britain May Send Him to Succeed Lord Grey at Washington, is Current London Rumor.

By Forbes W. Fairbairn
London, Jan. 5.—Lord Reading probably will be the next permanent British ambassador to the United States.

It is universally conceded in official quarters here that Lord Grey, who is now on the high seas, "on leave of absence," will not return to America and that Lord Reading, who has already proved his fitness for the difficult post at Washington, is the logical choice of the British government.

No secret is made at the British foreign office of the fact that no other man would be so acceptable in the American capital.

If he accepts the offer it will entail no small sacrifice on his part for he must relinquish his present high office of chief justice.

I understand, however, that he is willing to do this, since it is necessary in order to fill what is regarded by Downing street as the most important appointment in the giving of the government in view of the important place the United States occupies in international politics.

Lord Grey's American mission is generally regarded as a failure by the British press. Lloyd's Sunday News, in an unusually outspoken editorial today, points to what it considers Grey's "deficiencies," saying:

"Lord Grey is regarded—justly so—as a choice flower of British statesmanship, but he has all the aloofness of the Olympian; he cannot stoop to conquer, and he lacks the saving grace of personal affability so essential to a democratic country like America."

Socialists. They decide for whom the deputies shall vote the next day.

This year it is the Republican caucus which will count most, for it includes a large majority of the deputies and senators. There is a little uncertainty, however, as some of the deputies may stay away from the caucus and yet vote at the plenary assembly.

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ATTACK IS STAGED AGAINST BARRACKS BY IRISH REBELS

Sergeant and Constables Captured, but Are Left Alive After Men Ransack and Rob Place.

By Forbes W. Fairbairn
London, Jan. 5.—From Cork comes a detailed report of a three-hour pitched battle Saturday night when armed men attacked the fortified police barracks at Carrigo Hill, County Cork, defended by a sergeant and five constables.

It was the most desperate affray that has happened in a year. The attack culminated in hurling of bombs. One of the buildings was blown up and the raiders rushed the breach and helped themselves to everything they could find inside, taking rifles, revolvers, ammunition and military supplies, as well as \$300.

After ransacking the premises they handcuffed the police and **ALLOW THEM TO LIVE**. Then they held a war council in the barracks to decide whether to shoot the constables. They finally decided to let them live, the leader of the raiding party warning the sergeant: "You have done your duty well and given us a good deal of trouble, but if the barracks are rebuilt we'll capture them again and blow them up."

The leader then ordered his men to cut the telephone wires connecting Carrigo Hill with other towns. This done, the raiding party escaped with their loot. An hour later news reached Cork and a strong party of police had been ordered to the scene. These released the bound and handcuffed police. None of the latter was wounded. It is not known whether the raiders suffered casualties.

ATTACKS COME AS SURPRISE

The sergeant's wife and family were in the barracks throughout the three-hour fusillade, according to a Central News dispatch.

This daring attack has aroused great excitement in Dublin and London, but no official comment has yet been made. The Dublin Castle authorities seem unable to combat the warfare now being waged by the rebels; they do not know where to look to prevent new trouble. Dublin Castle itself resembles a fortified camp, with barbed wire entanglements, machine guns and armored cars bidding a grim warlike challenge to would-be attackers.

Former Kaiser Gives Tageblatt Interview

Amsterdam, Jan. 5.—"I am living in hopes of returning to Germany," the former kaiser is quoted as saying in an interview with the correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt at Amersfoort. The former ruler of Germany looks old, but still bears himself like a soldier. The correspondent writes, and believes that he was the victim of misrepresentation by his advisers.

Cluny Museum Cost France Just a Song

Paris, Jan. 5.—(L. N. S.)—When President Poincaré inaugurated the new addition to the famous Cluny museum in Paris, November 27, the doors were thrown open on a collection which cost the republic of France \$3,500. The articles displayed, which include a piece of rare Arras tapestry dating from 1500, were acquired by the state at no cost beyond the mere transportation. The new museum rooms were formerly the apartments of the director and the cost of cleaning was borne by him when he moved out.

NEGOTIATE TREATY HAS ITS DANGERS

Estonians and Bolsheviki Have No End of Trouble Trying To Reach Agreement.

By Michael Farman
Special Cable to The Journal and The Chicago Daily News.

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Corpat, Esthonia, Jan. 4.—(Via Copenhagen, Jan. 4.)—Following closely the labors of the Corpat peace conference one is bound to reach the conclusion that a negotiated peace has its grave intricacies. Both parties negotiate the smallest points and are ready to break up the conference at the very moment of the signature.

An agreement had practically been reached on all points and so certain was the Esthonian delegation of signing that word was passed to the foreign newspaper correspondents handing in their cablegrams at the telegraph office to be wired at the moment of signature. At 2:15 the cables had in fact been released, yet the signature was withheld. The Esthonian delegates had rejected the clause providing for a non-fortified zone along both sides of the frontier. The negotiations were again broken off until Monday, the Esthonian delegation intimating that it would resume only if the soviet delegation were ready to change the clause as to the Nareva river.

The soviet delegates on the other hand maintained their proposal for re-fortification—the Esthonians consenting—in a zone 10 versts (.66 miles) along each side of the frontier. The new deadlock is evidently a misunderstanding based on confusing the neutral zone with the non-fortified zone. First the Bolsheviki proposed a neutral zone of 10 versts along both sides of the frontier—the neutral zone being at the same time a non-fortified zone. The neutral zone was fixed for a period of two years.

But apart from the neutral zone the Bolsheviki proposed a non-fortified zone of 10 versts along both sides of the frontier, which the Esthonians refused to accept. The Esthonian delegation went to Rival to consult the government and the Bolsheviki delegation asked for wireless instructions from Moscow. The opinion prevails that a compromise on a non-fortified zone will easily be reached.

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