

EACH PREMIER IS CONVINCED HE HAS WON AT SAN REMO

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San Remo, April 25.—(Delayed.)

The clouds have disappeared, the high winds have died away and the blue Mediterranean, lapping listlessly against the breakwater, is hardly distinguishable in color from the pale blue placid sky. Britain's prime minister walks contentedly along the hotel balcony enjoying the sunshine and smiling irresistibly at every pretty face. Premier Millerand moves suavely as a French bourgeois who has turned a profitable deal, while Premier Nitti, his Neapolitan happiness wreathed in chins, purrs contentedly to newspaper men of European peace.

None the less there has been a battle. That there are scars is certain, and also concealed wounds which may be long in healing as the result of the secret promise in which the honor of all has been saved.

NATTI ALSO SATISFIED

To whom you attribute victory depends upon your personal bias. The French say that the man from Paris has carried his point and that Germany will be disarmed. Certainly, admits the Welsh statesman, but if France has based her case for enforcing the treaty on disarmament alone there would have been no discussion.

"The treaty with Germany," coos the radiant Nitti, "must be applied with generosity and fairness. What Europe needs most is to smile. Germany's military need must be calculated on the basis of necessities of other European countries. If Germany decays all Europe must fall. We must have peace."

Close observation of the settlement reveals the fact that the fear of anarchy has triumphed over military fear, and the desire to keep down the vanquished. Germany, according to the belief of some, will be refused the right to increase her heavy artillery, aviation equipment, and so on, but will eventually be allowed to retain such infantry as seems to be necessary in return for the prompt execution of the allied desires. She will have her unlimited financial obligation canceled and will be permitted to pay a definite sum to be determined at the coming meeting of financial experts in Belgium.

FRENCH NOT SO HAPPY

Nothing more in the way of coal is to be asked than she is able to grant. So the prediction of John Maynard Keynes are fulfilled, and the present unworkable treaty will be applied with a view to reconciliation and pacification. Millerand smiles with his mustaches. Lloyd George with his eyes and Nitti with his entire body. Today the smile of M. Millerand and of France's stern Marshal Foch was a trifle forced. In the last few days I have been received by the three European leaders and have been able superficially to study the character of the men. For what we have been witnessing during the last week was personal diplomacy of the old school in which an apparent mask of secrecy serves only to deceive the opponents. The French particularly have even shown the minutes of the conference to the British and Italian delegates. The smiling Nitti replied last evening: "Remember that we are in a state of peace with Germany. Personally I have not yet seen Germans, but I shall be de-

Ex-Kaiser Is Anxious to Move Potsdam Cook to Go Along

By Leopold Alesitro
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Amsterdam, Holland, May 6.—

The former kaiser has expressed a desire to move as soon as possible to his new residence at Doorn, where the work of overhauling is progressing rapidly. The workmen put in many hours of overtime and often the painters labor until 10 o'clock at night. The old manor has been completely repainted and a few of the rooms have already been papered. Electric lights, a central heating plant and telephones have been installed.

Though the place should have been ready this month it looks now as though the ex-kaiser cannot move before July. The furniture, carpets and curtains have not yet arrived. In Doorn opinions differ as to the manner in which the country seat has been rebuilt and modernized. The outward appearance of the house has been changed and improved in some respects, but the impression of Dutch dignity which formerly made it attractive has disappeared.

Contrasted with former resorts of the Hohenzollern court this residence will be small. A German "Kitchen queen," an old and devoted servant from Potsdam, will have charge of the cooking quarters, while a Berlin woman will manage the household generally. The court, however, will bear the stamp of the former Berlin court, although it will be of more moderate character. The ex-kaiser visits Doorn daily. He is always accompanied by a number of attendants on bicycles, who watch him carefully.

MILLERAND PRACTICAL

Presumably while I write the three premiers are meeting in the presence of the American Ambassador to Italy, Robert Underwood Johnson. M. Millerand and Lloyd George are composing the collective announcement to be published stating that France is to remain in Frankfurt until the Germans disarm and evacuate the Ruhr basin and containing threats of allied military action in case Germany does not conform to the new reparations provisions.

It is interesting to examine the personalities. No one of the three is young. M. Millerand is under middle height and thickset and has a manner that is assured without being impressive. He looks like a manager of a French department. Full of good sense, he has a practical knowledge of men and affairs, and a keen sense of his responsibility as representing France, which he adores, and whose best minister he was during the conflict. But his power is not personal. It is collective. His voice is that of a French lawyer and deputy used to speeches and harangues. He gives the impression of filling his role adequately but without ecstacy.

ENGLISHMAN IS MASTER

The appearance of Britain's premier is well known, but perhaps less so is his extraordinary magnetism. The three governmental heads are all tried politicians, but this man is the master. He knows all the arts dialectic and all the schemes of men who desire to please. When he passes through a crowded hotel lobby men and women turn to gaze at him, and not one of their looks, perhaps of their thoughts, escapes him. Not a photographer seeks him in vain, yet so remarkable is his sensitiveness to attention which in another must seem to be vanity that in him it does not displease. So pleasant is his expression, and so compelling his magnetic powers that when he speaks one wishes to believe. And when as happened once when he spoke to newspaper men, he appeals with patent self-consciousness to crude sentimentality or too obviously sidesteps a trenchant question, one feels his mental powers and his strange subtle personality which made him perhaps the dominating figure of the conference.

Premier Nitti is similar to Lloyd George, but subtler. In appearance, he is a fat, southern Italian, about 50 years of age, short with many chins, dimpled hands. His bland and childlike countenance is always smiling when he speaks to newspaper men. His manner is that of a prima donna. He flirts with you, but his mind is clear as water and his ideas are perfectly mastered and expressed with picturesque lucidity and incredible freshness. Of the three he is the most interesting speaker, and although he lacks Lloyd George's personal magnetism he is even his superior in the arts of verbal thrust and parry.

RAISES HIS NATION

Never embarrassed, never hesitating

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and never obviously dodging yet conveying with mastery skill the idea and impression he desires to convey, he alone has raised Italy's importance in the conference. His unflinching optimism and tireless labor would, if he were the head of a stronger nation, make him one of the world's leaders; for, under this lackadaisical humor and this seeming familiarity are sound knowledge of economics, finance and history, and an accurate vision of today's worldwide crisis. Such are the three men in whose hands the European attitude has again been welded into a single whole.

Big Turk Official Urges That French Be Treated Nicely

By Constantine Brown
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Constantinople, Turkey, May 6.—

The governor of Adana has issued a manifesto asking the officials to cease deserting to the nationalist camp. The people continue at their usual occupations, and live in harmony with the French, who "defended with their utmost power the interests of Turkey at the peace conference, and here are friends, and not enemies." The situation in Cilicia continues critical. The nationalists, who are numerically superior, are attacking the railway stations on the section of the Bagdad line occupied by the French. Turkey is sending a large staff to the Paris treaty conference, 20 experts, several secretaries, interpreters and personal servants being attached to the official delegation.

Less Tension Seen Between French and Germans Along Ruhr

By A. R. Decker
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Frankfurt, on the Main, Germany, May 6.—

There is no indication that the French are preparing to leave, although the German newspapers are loudly proclaiming that the reichswahr has left the Ruhr basin with the exception of the permitted force. The occupation restrictions are becoming more lenient. The closing time has been prolonged to 11 p. m., and passes are unnecessary in most districts. On Sunday in the palm garden a big German crowd applauded a French military concert.

CLASH COMING TO DECIDE FATE OF PEACE LEAGUE

By A. E. Johnson
(By United News.)
London, May 6.—

Realizing that it is now passing through the most critical period in its history, supporters of the League of Nations are preparing for a fight to the finish either to dissolve the allied supreme council or curtail the powers of the Lloyd George, Nitti, Millerand triumvirate.

Lord Robert Cecil, Lord Bryce, Earl Grey, Lord Clynes, Lord Eustace Percy and others are demanding a showdown with regard to the intentions of the allied supreme council toward the league.

WILSON'S AID NEEDED

The absence of President Wilson or his representative from the league's council chambers is said by the advocates to be doing an irreparable injury to the power of the body. They consider him to be the only statesman who is powerful enough now to strike fear in the hearts of the opportunist politicians who are gradually coming to the fore in European diplomacy. One of the members of the San Remo conference told the United News that the Turkish treaty should be enforced at the point of the bayonet. The entente governments, he believed, did not expect

is undermining the public's confidence in the body.

LOOKS LIKE BAD MOVE

Considerable consternation was created by Lord George's recent declaration that it was highly inadvisable now to disband the supreme council indefinitely. It is pointed out here that continued action on the part of the League of Nations will inevitably result in sending that the body will be too infirm to act when the time comes. A clash between the league advocates and the triumvirate and their supporters is believed to be unpreventable. Having failed to secure an open pronouncement from the triumvirate, the champions of the League of Nations are determined to carry the fight to the public in England, France, Italy and in the United States, where it is anticipated that the elections will obviate the deadlock occasioned by the senate's rejection of the covenant.

The league's refusal to accede to the request of the San Remo conference that it not publish the Armenian correspondence is regarded as the initial declaration of independence. The supporters of the league hope that President Wilson in his reply to the San Remo note will advise compliance with the league's demands.

TIME FOR SHOWDOWN

They declare that the time has come when the league is either to succeed or fail. Consequently they insist that it is highly desirable to summon the assembly of the league at the earliest possible moment in order to insure the league of the fullest possible support from participating nations. This step is imperative, they insist, if the league is to have weight in preventing future wars. Men prominent in international affairs feel that the continued usurpation of the league's prerogatives by the triumvirate

the Turkish government to sign the treaty. Whether Hungary would sign was also doubtful, he said. For these reasons he believed that it was particularly desirable that the supreme council continue in existence until the obligations of the enemies were fulfilled.

Germany to Make Sure of Democracy, Says War Minister

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War Minister Geiseler, in a speech before the Democratic party in Munich, said: "Germany will not suffer from either the right or the left. We are determined to establish a democratic government. The army will not be communistic, but will be under the authority of the government and hence there is no occasion for feeling in Bavaria against the government."

"The question of the militia is a hard one to solve, because mistaken moves are looked upon with suspicion by the French, who see in them an expression of the old spirit. It is our duty and obligation loyally to fulfill the treaty terms as soon as possible in order to free our brothers in the occupied districts."

"With less noise one would accomplish more. For example, here in Bavaria threatening to leave the realm. That is what the French are waiting for. I hold that an understanding with France is necessary, but nothing will make this more difficult than such menaces."

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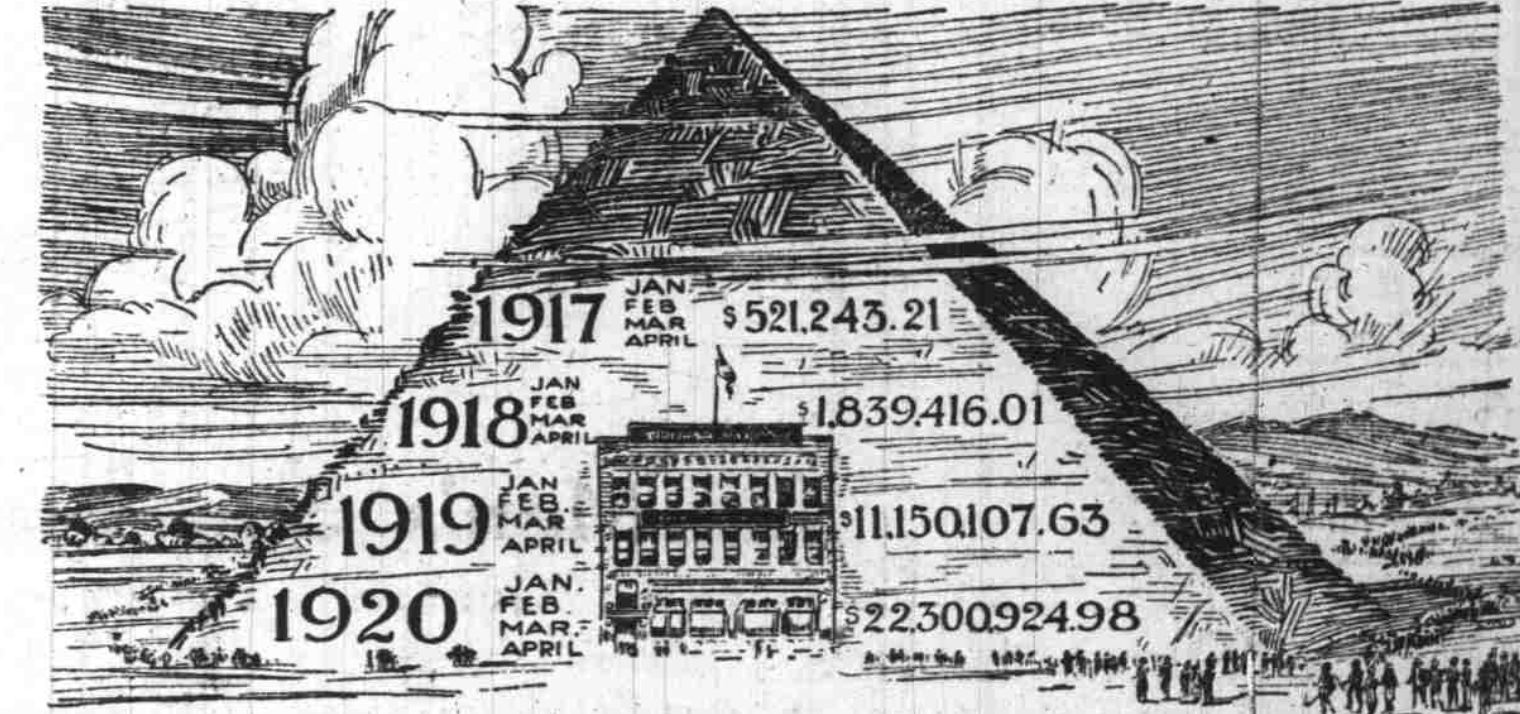
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