

HAYS LIKELY POSSIBILITY FOR CABINET

Says Mark Sullivan—Hoosier Leader Has Great Organizing Ability, Energy and Character—Well Qualified.

IS AN ABLE EXECUTIVE

BY MARK SULLIVAN
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—There is much talk of Will Hays as a cabinet possibility. He is due to confer with Senator Harding in Marion today. If the cabinet officers were distributed on the basis of party service, Will Hays would be entitled to be offered one.

Of course, Will Hays himself would be the first to recognize that there is no such thing as a claim on a cabinet office. The cabinet is the president's family, and he is entitled to choose it on whatever basis of personal judgment or personal comfort he may wish. That is the reason why all this discussion of cabinet possibilities is a little distasteful and is undertaken a little reluctantly. But Will Hays is so obvious in this kind of discussion that there is less hesitancy about mentioning him.

Even if there were any such thing as a claim on a cabinet office which there is not, it could not be said that he has filled the office of national chairman of the party give the holder an right to expect an cabinet office.

Two Chairmen Chosen.
In the past 20 years of American politics I can recall only two national chairmen who became a member of the cabinet. These were George B. Courtland and Frank Hitchcock. The latter managed Taft's campaign in 1908 and Taft offered him the office of postmaster general. There was a peculiar appointment in this. Hitchcock was already assistant postmaster general, Hitchcock did not want to take the office, but Taft insisted on Hitchcock to get it. Hitchcock became a kind of resident ambassador at Washington for all the office seekers in the country. The result, of course, was that every other cabinet member rather set himself up against Hitchcock.

Hitchcock Embarrassed.
Hitchcock, postmaster general, could take care of a good deal of patronage, but when there was a vacancy in any other department and one of Hitchcock's party workers wanted it, the party worker suffered rather than benefited by Hitchcock's presence in the cabinet. The result was that Hitchcock, to Taft, to the other cabinet members and most of all the party workers.

The experience of Hitchcock and Taft, is of course, no reason why Hays should decline a cabinet office if it should be offered to him. Conditions in this case are different in several particulars from what they were in the Taft-Hitchcock case. But there are other reasons why Hays might or might not wish to have Harding offer him a cabinet position, on the other hand, Hays is entirely capable of filling any one of several cabinet offices, not merely with success, but with distinction; to say Hays has ability is to state the obvious. In view of the recent election but even if the Republicans had lost in election, no one who had any contact with Hays would have altered the opinion that in his line he is an extremely able person.

Energetic Organizer.
His ability obviously is chiefly in the line of organization and energy. He has an excellent sense of organization, and his capacity to supply that organization with driving power was always the marvel of those who looked upon his frail physique and pallid countenance. If anything, Hays is almost over-energetic. He is active to a degree that leaves him no time for that kind of ability which lies in the field of reflection.

If Hays has a problem that involves thought and reflection, his way of solving it is to run over a line of prominent Republicans, pick the one that has the best capacity for thought in that particular line, turn the problem over to him, and tell him that judgment and decision will be called for at 5:45 p. m. the following night. Hays follows along the line of organization exclusively. He does not attempt much else. I have sometimes thought he did himself an injustice in this, for he has the capacity for reflection. If he choose to rely on it, and decidedly marked capacity for aphoristic expression of common sense.

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Need Automobiles to Carry Worn Orphans
Orphans of the Wernle home, south east of the city, are to be entertained at a free matinee at the Washington theater, Saturday.

The manager of the theatre asks that persons with automobiles volunteer to transport the parentless children to the treat. The children will view the film, "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come." Persons who will help in bringing these children to and from the theatre are urged to telephone Manager Bell at the Washington theater, Friday evening or Saturday morning.

GOTO DECLINES PLACE
(By Associated Press)

TOKIO, Dec. 10.—Baron Goto, former minister of foreign affairs, has declined the appointment of mayor of Tokyo, which office he was asked to assume for the purpose of clearing up charges of graft against officials and councilmen who recently resigned.

BATTLESHIP READY TO RETURN EX-KING TO GREEK CAPITAL

(By Associated Press)
ATHENS, Dec. 10.—It is declared former King Constantine will come back to Greece on board the Greek battleship Averoff, although it was reported early this week that a warship was being held in the harbor of Constantinople. Arrangements have been made to send the steamer Iperochi to Brindisi for the purpose of taking journalists there to greet Constantine.

In official circles, however, there is much excitement regarding the return of Constantine. George Rallis, the premier was asked yesterday if Constantine was coming back to Greece and said: "That is a matter to be decided by him."

CURTAIN EXPENSES IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS, URGE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Curtailment in expenditures for foreign affairs has been urged about conditions in its establishments abroad, especially in consulates and missions that in some cases are "disgraceful" says a memorandum sent to congress by the secretary of state.

"The American mission in Berlin" the memorandum says, "is housed in a building in such bad condition that water soaks through cracks in the walls and in a hard rainstorm pails have to be set about the rooms to catch the water."

"In Budapest the American mission is situated in rooms which are disgraceful. The approach is through a court yard and up two flights of steps, smelling outrageously and always crowded with people coming on legitimate American business. There is so little space that these crowds have to be herded by Hungarian policemen."

FORMER WAITER HERE ACCUSED OF FORGERY

LEBANON, Ind., Dec. 10.—Police here today declared that a man known as W. A. Sanford and held on a forged check has confessed the forgery of \$12 of checks on William Wood of Richmond, Ind., a restaurant keeper.

The checks on the Richmond man were cashed at Colfax, Lebanon, and Logansport, according to the police. The prisoner's arrest here was on the charge of passing forged checks on Basil Stewart of Dover, near here.

William Wood, proprietor of the Interurban restaurant on South Eighth street, received a communication from the police of Lebanon, Friday, telling him that W. A. Sanford, formerly employed by him had been arrested there and confessed to forgery.

The checks were drawn on the Union National bank of Richmond. According to officials of the bank the checks have come in at two different times, the first being over two months ago. These were detected and efforts were made to apprehend the man. The arrest at Lebanon probably will clear the matter, Mr. Wood stated.

Mr. Sanford was employed at the local restaurant for about a month last July and had not been heard of since that time.

ACCUSES HUNGARIANS IN ITALIAN DISORDERS
(By Associated Press)
ROME, Dec. 10.—Four Hungarian subjects against whom the police have sufficient evidence to show they have been conspiring against public order in Italy have been arrested at Bologna, it was announced in the chamber of Deputies today by Signor Corradini, under secretary of the interior.

He added that when Signor Buccini, a socialist deputy, returned from Austria last May he had brought to Bologna the wife of Bela Kun, former Hungarian communist dictator, and her sister. Both of them entered Italy under false names, but were allowed to stay upon giving a promise they would not mix in politics.

Recently the under secretary declared, their home has become a shelter for Hungarian refugees and the four men who have been arrested in Bologna were found in their dwelling.

\$1,000,000 is Wanted to Make Nation Christian
(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Expenditure of \$1,000,000 during the next three years in safeguarding prohibition, extending the "blue laws", and amending the federal constitution so the United States will be designated a Christian nation is proposed by the International Reform bureau, according to Wilbur F. Crafts, who addressed the opening session of a conference on the subject here today.

Mean Thief Clips Hair Of Passenger in Pullman
(By Associated Press)

FORT THOMAS, Ky., Dec. 10.—Mrs. Waters Howe of Orlando, Fla., claims to have been the victim of the meanest thief in the United States—one who she said clipped the hair from her head while she was asleep in a Pullman car of the Louisville and Nashville railroad en route from Jacksonville, Fla., to this city.

Mrs. Howe reported that besides her hair she was robbed of several pieces of jewelry and \$300 in cash.

NOBEL PEACE PRIZES GIVEN TO WINNERS

President Wilson Among Recipients—Sends Message to be Read at Christiana Ceremony.

DIGNITARIES PRESENT

(By Associated Press)
CHRISTIANA, Norway, Dec. 10.—Presentation of the Nobel peace prizes for 1919 and 1920, which have been awarded, respectively to Leon Bourgeois of France, and Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, took place here today. Formal announcement of the awards was made yesterday.

A message from President Wilson to be read upon the presentation of the 1920 prize had been received by Albert G. Schmedeman, American minister to Norway, and was read by him during the ceremony.

The exercises took place in the presence of members of the cabinet in the house of parliament, many foreign diplomats being in attendance. J. G. Loevald, former premier, spoke in handing the prizes to the French and American ministers, who were introduced by the Speaker of the Chamber, Anders Johnsen Buen.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Award of the Nobel peace prize today to President Wilson as the person who had promoted most or best the fraternity of nations and the abolishment or diminution of standing armies, and the formation and increase of peace congresses, marks the sixteenth bestowal of the gift of the Swedish inventor of dynamite, Alfred B. Nobel, whose name it bears.

Third American.
President Wilson is the third American to receive the peace prize, the others being Theodore Roosevelt and Elihu Root.

The prize one-fifth of the annual interest on about \$9,000,000 left for the purpose by Mr. Nobel, normally amounts to about \$400,000 but is payable in Swedish kroner, which at the present rate of exchange, represents about \$29,100 in American gold. A kroner in the United States at present has a value of only 19 1/2 cents as compared to its normal value of nearly 27 cents.

Recipients in countries where the kroner is above par, however, will receive much more than the amount stipulated. Knut Hamsun of Norway, winner of the Nobel prize for literature, thus will receive \$48,000, and a German award would make the recipient in that country almost a millionaire.

DEBATE BILL BARRING STAMPEDE OF ALIENS
(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Discussion of the Johnson bill restricting immigration for two years was continued today in the house. Although but two hours of general debate remained under the special rule, the bill was ordered for further consideration under the five minute rule and its supporters said they wished all members who desired to speak be given an opportunity to be heard before they pressed for final voting.

Representative Johnson, chairman of the immigration committee, and Representative Baker of California, continued in charge of the bill with the opposing forces lined up behind Representatives Siegel, of New York and Sabath, of Illinois. It was claimed by its supporters that the measure would be adopted by a large majority.

Both Representatives Sabath and Siegel had prepared amendments designed to broaden the provisions restricting immigration to blood relatives of naturalized citizens. Chairman Johnson said he was satisfied, however, that the house would reject all amendments which weakened the bill or tended to "let down the bars" raised to the impending stampede of foreigners from all parts of the world.

FIND HUGE ELK BONES
(By Associated Press)

TRAVERS CITY, Mich., Dec. 10.—Antlers measuring eight feet from tip to tip, and huge bones believed to be those of an immense elk have been unearthed on the shore of Prues lake, Leelanau county, by a trapper. Excavation is being continued. Pioneers here cannot recall ever seeing an Elk in this region.

Weather Forecast
For Indiana, by the United States Weather Bureau—Cloudy tonight; Saturday partly cloudy; little change in temperature.

Temperatures Yesterday.
Maximum 38
Minimum 23

Today.
Noon 36
For Wayne County, by W. E. Moore

Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday; cooler tonight; freezing or somewhat below.

Weather Conditions.—The third Pacific coast storm within a week, which has caused general moderate rains Thursday night and Friday, and snow flurries in a few localities, is now passing slowly away. Another Pacific rain storm of marked intensity is crossing the Rocky Mountains, moving southeast. Although there may be temporary break in the unsettled conditions during the next 24 hours, it will be brief because of the advancing western storm which will cause the western winds of today to shift back to east or south, probably within 48 hours, with the return to cloudy unsettled weather.

MOB AT SANTA ROSA LYNCHES 3 ACCUSED OF KILLING SHERIFF

(By Associated Press)
SANTA ROSA, Calif., Dec. 10.—George Boyd, Terrence Pitts and Charles Valente, accused of having murdered Sheriff James A. Petray, of Sonoma county, and detectives Miles Jackson and Lester M. Dorman here Sunday afternoon last, were taken from the county jail here early this morning and brought to this city.

At 2:30 o'clock this morning a mob of about 100 men, all wearing black masks entered the jail, overpowered the officers there, took the keys and removed the prisoners to waiting automobiles.

Fifteen machines carried the party to a cemetery, three blocks beyond the city limits. The men were taken from the machines and hanged to an oak tree inside the cemetery. Headlights of three automobiles were used to light the tree selected for the hanging. Members of the mob were stationed to prevent intrusion.

Work Fast.
Not more than five minutes was required by the mob to enter the jail, overpowering the officers and removing the prisoners. Within fifteen minutes the three alleged gangsters and murderers had been lynched.

But another crowd soon gathered to take the places of the executioners. The coroner was notified and so were city and county officials. The new crowd gathered quickly as news spread of what had been done.

The three men were ex-convicts, Boyd having served two terms, Pitts three and Valente one.

Fail Former Attempts.
Two attempts to take the men from jail here were made last Sunday, a few hours after they had been arrested. One was broken up by officers, and the other failed when Mrs. Petray, widow of the slain sheriff, begged friends not to countenance mob violence.

The action of the mob today indicated plans had been laid beforehand. The mob moved to the jail without ostentatious display.

The structure of granite and steel. Twelve men were detailed to approach the door. Six entered. Sheriff John Boyes, appointed after the death of Sheriff Petray, was in his private office at the right, with four deputies.

Boyes and his deputies and made them put up their hands. The officers were disarmed and the keys of the jail taken. While some of the men inside the jail guarded the officers, others went immediately to the cell of the men.

EYE WITNESS TELLS OF MILITARY RAID AND BOLD REPRISAL

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Miss Mary McSwiney, sister of the late Lord Mayor of Cork and P. J. Guffy of Pittsburgh, were heard today by the commission of the committee of 100 investigating the Irish question.

Miss McSwiney told of incidents surrounding the killing of Lord Mayor Curran of Cork while Mr. Guffy told of an eye witness account of a military raid on a small town in County Clare where he visited last summer with his family. He said that after two police officers had been killed and half a hundred of the military descended on the town and burned and pillaged it.

"I stood in front of the house of my sister-in-law" he continued, "and saw two officers and six soldiers attempt to force a priest to confess to the murder of the two police. They beat him with run butts and then kicked him brutally. They cursed him and accused him of all kinds of crimes but the priest maintained his innocence."

Threatened Violence.
The military officers also visited him, the witness said and threatened violence until he displayed his American passport. The raid hastened his return home he said.

James J. Maurer, president of the Pennsylvania state federation of labor, and a member of the special committee which the commission had planned to send to Great Britain to study the Irish question, sent a cablegram today to William P. Adamson, chairman of the labor party in the British house of commons, protesting against the action of the British government in refusing to give the passport to the members of the committee.

Mr. Maurer said he wished to enter through Mr. Adamson as the head of the British labor party a protest to the English people against this autocratic action of the British government in suppressing truth and free speech from the liberty loving people of two democracies and to ask if such action aimed at prejudiced Americans seeking only to serve the ends of international understanding and world peace has the sanction of the British labor party.

Wainscoting No Place For Stamps, Court Rules
(By Associated Press)

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 10.—A protest against removal of his partially smoked cigar from a marble wainscoting in the city county building by an attaché, was lodged in county court here yesterday by Attorney Frank C. McGirr.

The lawyer informed the court that before entering the court room he had placed his cigar upon the wainscoting and instructed employees not to touch it but that when he returned the "stump" was missing.

"Of course, if you get the county commissioners to provide some new parking arrangement for your unfinished smokes, it will be satisfactory to the court" said Judge Stauffer, who heard the protest. "The stamps" he added, "must disappear from the wainscoting in the corridors."

HUGHES AND HARDING IN CONFERENCE

Beginning Promised Consultations with Leading Figures of Nation, President-elect Consults Former Nominee.

POLICIES CONSIDERED

(By Associated Press)
MARION, O., Dec. 10.—President-elect Harding began his conferences here on a plan for an association of nations by long talk today with Charles Evans Hughes, the Republican presidential nominee four years ago, in which the whole question concerning American relations with Europe were surveyed in detail.

Afterwards neither would reveal whether any conclusions were reached. Mr. Harding declined to talk about the subject and Mr. Hughes saying that "important questions" of foreign relations had been considered in a light of changing world conditions. He added that the solution undoubtedly would be found in harmony with the campaign utterances of the president-elect.

First To Be Invited.
The coming of Mr. Hughes was generally regarded as having to do also with various other problems before the president-elect. Many times recently his name has been suggested for a cabinet position and the fact that he was the first to be invited to the consultations here was taken to mean that Mr. Harding might desire his advice in the framing of more than one feature of his administration program.

Mr. Hughes' visit was unannounced. The president-elect having adopted a practice of keeping the names of his conferees confidential until the day of their arrival here. It was said tonight that his headquarters probably would make public no list of future callers. Several of these names already have been learned from other sources, however, and it is understood that his next conference will be with Herbert Hoover. Monday previously had been fixed for Mr. Hoover's call but he is now expected here tomorrow.

"Meeting of Minds."
By making Mr. Hughes the first to be consulted about the association of nations plan, Mr. Harding has begun his "meeting of minds" by summoning a leader from the reservationists' wing of his party. During the league fight Mr. Hughes proposed several reservations to the peace treaty dealing with article 10, withdrawal and other subjects.

In the midst of the campaign just closed, Mr. Hughes was one of those with whom Mr. Harding talked and in a day spent together here in September, the league is understood to have been one of the principal subjects of consultation.

CONSIDER SITES FOR ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The committee to select a site for the Roosevelt memorial association's projected monument in the national capital in honor of the former president, and of which Elihu Root is chairman, was expected to begin here today its consideration of available plots and designs.

A President Mr. Harding, Mr. Thompson and other association officials have conferred with Chairman Moore of the Fine Arts commission as to location of the monument.

Nearly \$2,000,000 has been raised by popular subscription for the memorials here and at Oyster Bay, N. Y., home of the former president.

Root's committee includes James R. Garfield, James P. Goodrich, George Harvey, Senator Hiram W. Johnson, Frank B. Kellogg, Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, Raymond Robins, Julius Rosenberg, Major-General Leonard Wood, and Luke E. Wright.

PIPE LINES TO CARRY COAL TO NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—A project to bring coal from the anthracite regions in Pennsylvania to this city through two 14-inch pipes by water pressure was given consideration today by the city docks and health commissioners.

The plan was submitted to Mayor Hylan by Reginald P. Bolton, a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, which held the closing sessions today of its 41st annual convention. The mayor was interested in the idea and referred it to the two commissioners, with a request to make recommendations as soon as possible.

Mr. Bolton explained that between the city and Scranton, Pa., there is a fall in elevation of about 2,000 feet and that it would be as easy to transport coal in this fashion as water. He claimed seven million tons of coal could be brought through the pipes every year, which would amply supply the city's needs.

War Finance Corporation May Be Revived by Senate
(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Supporters of the joint resolution reviving the war finance corporation were prepared today to press for immediate action on the measure by the senate. Assurances given by senate leaders when the farmers-relief measure was passed over last Wednesday that they would not oppose it when brought up today were regarded by proponents as having cleared the way for final favorable action. Chairman Gronna of the agricultural committee, expressed confidence that the measure would poll a majority vote in the senate.

ENGLAND WILL PAY SILVER DEBT TO U. S. BY 1924, HOUSTON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Under an agreement with the British government the debt of \$122,000,000 due this country for silver purchased during the war will be paid by 1924, according to details of the plan made public today by Secretary Houston.

During the war the treasury arranged to sell the British government bullion obtained from melting silver dollars at the rate of \$1 an ounce in conformity with the Pittman act to relieve the silver shortage in India, of the \$122,017,833 owed the United States for purchases of silver \$17,633 has been paid with interest.

Annual Installments.
The remaining \$122,000,000, the secretary said, is to be paid in equal annual installments in the years from 1921 to 1924 in the proportions of sixty per cent on April 15, and forty per cent on May 15 of each year with accrued interest at 5 per cent from April 15, 1919.

Until payment in full of the principal with interest the secretary added the British government will permit the treasury to make tenders to purchase British credits offered by the Indian government on the same terms with British nationals. This he explained will afford an opportunity for Americans to obtain rupee credits at the same cost as those credits are offered British subjects.

MISAPPROPRIATION OF FRENCH LOAN CLAIMED

PARIS, Dec. 10.—Large sums of money turned over to Germany by France for the purpose of ameliorating the material situation of miners in the Ruhr region have been misappropriated by the Berlin government, it was found at a meeting of the committee of foreign affairs of the German parliament yesterday, says the Matin.

Premier Legues is said to have declared Germany was not fulfilling her engagements toward France, remarking that the French budget of 1921 provides for advances on the account of Germany amounting to sixteen billion francs.

The French premier has explained the situation to Premier Lloyd George, who has admitted the justice of his conclusions, it is said.

Premier Legues informed the commission that another France-British conference would be held in two or three weeks.

Reports received late in November stated that most of the 200,000,000 francs in gold paid each month to Germany by France under the Spa agreement since last July had been diverted to the purposes of propaganda and for payments of British creditors of Germany.

BELGIAN-GERMAN RAIL TRAFFIC HELD, RUMOR

BRUSSELS, Dec. 10.—The newspaper Le Peuple announces that railroad traffic has been suspended in both directions between Belgium and Germany since yesterday afternoon and that there is talk of a German coup d'etat. The Belgian ministry of foreign affairs, however, states it has no confirmation of this rumor.

The Belgian rumors of a German coup d'etat are unsupported by advices from any other quarter, and lacking these and in view of the Belgian foreign ministry's denial of knowledge of any such occurrence, the reports are received with reserve. They come out of a comparatively clear sky at the moment, for although there have been charges of support charged by extremists and monarchists in Germany that revolutionary plots were hatching, there have been no recent indications that any attempt to disturb the present German government by force was imminent. Secret reports have not revealed any exceptionally disturbing industrial situation.

Greece Not Pro-German, Despite the Election
(By Associated Press)

PARIS, Dec. 10.—Greece is not expected to enter into negotiations with Mustapha Kemal Pasha, leader of the Turkish Nationalists, even if the former King Constantine resumes the throne, said Sophocles Venizelos, son of the former Greek premier, to a representative of the Excelsior at Nice last night. He emphasized the fact that the Greeks desired to remain friends of the entente nations and that the recent plebiscite and election held there did not mean friends for Germany or her allies.

Terrific Earthquakes Felt in Southern Honduras
(By Associated Press)

SAN SALVADOR, Republic of Salvador, Dec. 10.—Terrific earthquakes have occurred in Choluteca, southern Honduras, according to reports received here today, but details are lacking. Very violent shocks also were felt Wednesday in Chinandega and Corinto, western Nicaragua, 25 earth tremors shaking Corinto.

Membership Committee Meeting at 4 p. m. Friday

Membership committee members of the Chamber of Commerce, together with local newspaper representatives were to hold a meeting at 4 p. m. today, in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, K. of P. temple. Consideration of the coming membership campaign was the principal matter to be discussed.

Another important matter to be brought before the meeting was the questions of securing a full time paid secretary. One or two men with the ability to handle the position are being considered.

MARTIAL LAW IS DECLARED FOR IRELAND

Premier Lloyd George Announces Policy for Certain Areas "To Put Down Murders and Outrages".

TO CONSULT SINN FEIN

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Martial law to be applied to certain areas of Ireland "to put down murder and outrage," and a move to bring about conferences between the city government and Sinn Fein leaders on the Irish situation, were announced by Premier Lloyd George in the house of commons today.

In announcing this "double policy" of the government, the premier declared that under martial law persons found possessing arms after a certain date, or unauthorized persons wearing uniforms would be liable to the death penalty.

On the other hand, to facilitate negotiations, the premier announced the government had decided to give safe conduct to Sinn Fein members of the house of commons who had not been "involved in the commission of serious crime."

Interest is Keen.
Interest in the premier's statement was keen and the benches and the visitors' gallery were well filled when the time for opening the day's session approached.

Conferences with members of his cabinet were held yesterday by Lloyd George, and it was believed that a statement of the government's position was prepared for commons and the public. When it was announced late yesterday that the premier would speak on the Irish question many rumors relative to his declarations were current in the city, and it was said he would outline the result of his interviews with Monsignor Patrick Joseph Clune, archbishop of Perth, who has been an official but unofficially recognized emissary of the government in dealing with Sinn Fein leaders.

Conversations Mr. Lloyd George has had with Arthur Henderson, head of the labor party commission which went to Ireland to investigate conditions, were also expected to be reflected in today's statement.

URGE ITALIAN ENVOY TO SAIL FOR AMERICA

ROME, Dec. 10.—Conferences relative to his mission in America were held by Romano Ricci, the new Italian ambassador to the United States, with Premier Giolitti and Foreign Minister Sforza today. The premier urged him to leave for Washington as soon as possible so as to settle several important pending questions. After debate in the senate on the treaty of Rapallo, Signor Ricci will go to Genoa to settle his affairs and expects to leave for New York on Jan. 25.

The new ambassador was entertained by Robert Underwood Johnson, American ambassador to Italy, today. Franklin Gurnea, the new counselor at the United States embassy, and his wife inaugurated their splendid residence at Villa Rasvilly today by giving a brilliant luncheon in honor of Signor Ricci and other guests, including Count Sforza, Ambassador Johnson and Vice-Premier Porzio.

Baker Must Explain the Large Size of U. S. Army
(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Secretary Baker was expected to appear today before the house military committee to explain why an army of more than 100,000 men was maintained. Representative Kahn of California, chairman in requesting Mr. Baker to appear said some members of the committee felt that the war department had broken faith with the committee.

An appropriation to maintain an army of 180,000 men was approved for the current fiscal year, Mr. Kahn explained, with the understanding that a force of that size would be adequate. Reports to the committee indicate, however, he said, that the army now approximates 210,000 with the war department endeavoring to obtain additional recruits.

Steals Guard's Clothes to Escape From Prison
(By Associated Press)

JOLIET, Ill., Dec. 10.—A widespread search was being conducted today for Frank Williams, escaped Joliet penitentiary convict, who before he made his getaway, rifled the trousseau of sixty sleeping guards and robbed the home of Captain A. R. Carver, head of the new penitentiary building, of clothing and jewelry. Williams, serving a 23-year sentence for burglary, escaped while working on a labor detail Wednesday evening.

Raw Sugar Price Down to 5.01 Cents Per Pound
(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—With a further break to the basis of 5.01 cents for centrifugal this morning, raw sugar prices registered the lowest level for the season representing a decline of near 20 cents from the high prices of May 1.

DISCUSS FOREIGN TRADE
CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Bankers and business men from throughout the country met today to hear discussions on the matter of forming a \$100,000,000 corporation to promote foreign trade. Herbert Hoover, Senator Edge of New Jersey, and John McHugh of New York, chairman of the commerce and marine commission of the American Bankers' association are among the principal speakers.