

ries, and mutual support on questions affecting both parties to the treaty.

Buenos Aires Nov. 8th.—The Naval Cadets on board the Paraguay gunboat "Adolfo Riquelme", lead by the chief gunner, mutinied on Sunday, overpowered the commander, took possession of the warship and fled with it northward up the Parana River, according to despatches from Asuncion yesterday. The incident is said to be connected with the present disturbed political situation in Paraguay. Captain Jess, in command of the craft, who is said to be a former German submarine commander, was locked in his cabin, according to one of the officers who was in pursuit of the "Adolfo Riquelme", which carries a battery of four guns.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 8th.—The United States delegation to the armament conference was requested in a resolution by Senator Harrison (Democrat) Mississippi and adopted today by the Senate, to use its influence for the making public of the record of conference proceedings and for admission of newspapermen to all meetings of the full conference.

Washington, Nov. 8th.—The final interim of stagedressing for the armament conference was ushered in in today's developments which for the first time concentrated on the great diplomatic drama the alert attention of practically every element of official Washington and its distinguished guests. Among those who will actually sit at the conference table is Admiral Baron Kato, head of the Japanese delegation and Naval Minister of the Japanese Govt. who made himself the centre of attention by a public statement asserting that his nation was willing, in the interest of a successful conference, to go to the length of reducing her 'eight-eight' naval building programme, if a satisfactory proportional agreement could be reached. Upon every hand there appeared today a growing belief that the details of organization and preliminary negotiations will be completed quickly. So impressed are the United States officials with the prospect, that they reflected a view today that something definite would be accomplished by Christmas. None could predict, even approximately, the length of time that might be required finally to conclude the negotiations, but they are certain that the real business of the conference will be done within the first few weeks of its session. The "eight eight" naval programme referred to by Admiral Kato signifies that each of the eight dreadnoughts and eight modern battlecruisers making up the programme is to be replaced after eight years service. This means that Japan must build two super warships every year, each at a cost of about \$30,000,000 and that simultaneously she must make further tremendous expenditures in replacing the auxiliary ships and air-

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craft necessary to round out her main fleet. It is this stupendous outlay which in the opinion of responsible Japanese, Japan is in no position to stand.

London, Nov. 9th.—The Ulster Cabinet representatives here unanimously approved today "the firm attitude which Sir James Craig has maintained in the interest of Ulster in his conference with Mr. Lloyd George over the question of an Irish settlement. This decision was reached after a prolonged meeting between the Ulster Premier and the members of the Cabinet he summoned to London. At this meeting Sir James explained the situation in the Irish negotiations so far as he had been made aware of it in his recent interviews with Mr. Lloyd George, and outlined the course he had pursued in the circumstances.

Washington, Nov. 9th.—The cruiser "Olympia" arrived today bearing the body of the unknown soldier from France. The casket will be given at the dock to the Hero Cortège which will accompany it to Arlington tomorrow.

Berlin, Nov. 9th.—Belief that the Washington conference will result in cancellation or postponement of the payment of the war debts owed to the United States by Entente nations is expressed by Dr. Friedrich Rosen, former Foreign Minister, in an article in the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung". In this event, he believes, the German reparation terms will be revised.

Paris, Nov. 9th.—The Allied Council of Ambassadors sent to Belgrade today a note demanding the immediate withdrawal of the invading Jugo-Slav troops

from Albanian territory. The troops must be withdrawn outside the limits recently defined by the Ambassadors Council, as the Albanian boundary line. Meanwhile the Executive Council of the League of Nations has been summoned to meet in Paris on November 18th to consider the Jugo-Slav invasion of Albania.

London, Nov. 9th.—An arrangement has been made to begin paying the interest on the debt owed by Great Britain to the United States at the rate of 50,000,000 pounds yearly, it was announced in the House of Commons today by Sir Robert Horne. Sir Robert made this announcement in the course of a statement on the budget prospects. He added with emphasis, "I hope this remark about the debt we owe the United States will not be the occasion for any discussion on the Inter-Allied indebtedness. It does not conduce to an understanding to discuss that matter at all at present". Any careful reader of the United States press", he continued, "would discover how much harm already has been done by that discussion. Our attitude in regard to our debt must be, what we owe we shall always be prepared to pay, and that we shall meet our obligations however hard and difficult the circumstances may be".

Rome, Nov. 9th.—The Chamber of Labour today decided to proclaim a general strike in Rome. The decision came as a sequel to the differences that have arisen between the railway workers and the Fascisti, or extreme nationalist. The strike is expected to be a short one.