

De Valera Help Expected Even if Treaty Is Upheld
London Hears That, While Opposition to Free State's Ratification Is Pressed, Agreements Are Discussed
Uncertainty Holds in Dail
Predictions Are Terms Will Have Majority of From Two to Twenty Votes

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 LONDON, Dec. 31.—Rumors are current here that surprising developments may be expected in the Irish situation next week, when the Dail Eireann convenes to resume discussion of the Anglo-Irish treaty. Although secrecy and confusion surround the issue now, the surprise is expected to be an announcement that the De Valera faction has decided to cooperate in the interests of the Irish Free State.
 Such a development will not mean that De Valera and his followers have abandoned their fight against ratification, but that, if the treaty is ratified against their wishes, they will not fight the new regime, as had been predicted, but will offer their help in the readjustment of the nation.
 At present conferences during the week, it is understood, the leaders who have been separated on the treaty issues have been attempting to reach a basis for cooperation in the event of the treaty's acceptance by the Dail Eireann. Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins, the chief supporters of the treaty, are most anxious to have the help of Eamon de Valera, Erskine Childers and others who are now handed against them for the rejection of the treaty. They are ready to make big compromises on everything except the treaty itself.
 Nothing reaching London indicates at all that the De Valera group is relaxing its opposition to the treaty, and though more than fifteen local Irish government organizations have gone on record in favor of ratification, nobody dares to venture a close forecast of the vote of the Dail. By agreement both sides have refrained from carrying on a propaganda campaign during the adjournment, but leaders have held many private meetings. Estimates of the majority in favor of ratification range from two to twenty votes, with ten about the average guess.
 No deputy contends that the treaty betrays the aspirations of the Irish people, but since Premier Lloyd George's statement that it represents the last word of the British government there has been less talk about alternatives.
 It is unquestionably true that opponents of the treaty in the Dail are much more numerous proportionately than its opponents among the Irish people in Dublin, a large majority, perhaps 80 percent of the people, are strong supporters of ratification, but in other sections, such as Cork and Limerick and Kerry, the opponents and proponents probably stand in the proportion of 40 to 60. Even these figures must be accepted as rough estimates, for it is impossible to say how the people would vote if a referendum were taken. According to good judges, it is too close a race for either side to be overconfident.
 One problem that is exercising the minds of many deputies concerns the status of the Dail in the event the treaty is ratified. They are wondering whether the Dail, with all its schemes for poor law reform, educational changes and economic development, will be scrapped in favor of a British Gaiety administration carried on by the provisional government. Some opposition to the treaty would evaporate if the deputies were assured that the Dail would function until the Free State's constitution was drafted and embodied in legislation.
 It is estimated that the process of establishing the Free State will take six months. During this period the warring factions might harmonize their views if the various Dail and Free State institutions could function side by side. What Ireland needs above everything else is the coming year national unity. It has too few leaders of ability to care any of them at this highly critical stage, and the difficulties of self-government will be great enough without the distraction of an internal political battle. The old nationalists of southern Ireland, such as John Dillon, predict a year of political chaos, and although they do not say it, they rather expect they will be invited eventually by the Sinn Feiners to get them out of the difficulties.
 At present the Irish Labor leaders and the Sinn Feiners have a fairly strong political alliance, but how long it will last depends entirely on the attitude of the provisional government toward labor. George Russell thinks that under the Free State, Irish trade unions will have "all the facilities given Italian workers by the Italian government to undertake public contracts." In Tom Johnson, the Irish workers have an able leader who is following closely every step in the present fight and will press the interests of his supporters at the right time.
 There are some communists in Ireland, but their number is small, though they make considerable noise.

Leitrim Favors Ratification
 DUNDALK, Ireland, Dec. 31. (By The Associated Press).—John MacIntee, representative of County Monaghan in the Dail Eireann, today resigned from that office. The reason for his resignation, he said, was that he is opposed to the Anglo-Irish treaty, while his chief supporters are in favor of it.
 DUBLIN, Dec. 31. (By The Associated Press).—The Leitrim County Council today was listed in the columns of similar Irish bodies that have adopted resolutions in favor of ratification of the Anglo-Irish treaty by the Dail Eireann. At a special meeting last night the council decided to ask its representatives in the Dail to vote for ratification.
 A strong resolution in favor of the treaty also was forwarded today from the standing committee of the Sinn Fein executive board of South Leitrim, which called on the four members of the Dail for that constituency to vote for ratification. The North Leitrim Sinn Fein executive board forwarded a similar resolution.

Ulster Premier Urges Good Feeling in Ireland
 BELFAST, Dec. 31. (By The Associated Press).—George Russell, leader of the Ulster Unionists, today issued a message to Belfast newspapers, in which he urged "unity, courage, self-restraint, cheerfulness and patience," and the Premier "will carry us through 1922 with the old flag flying, with close ties still binding us to Great Britain and the empire, and with the desire to close down the recent pages of history in connection with Southern Ireland, which is endeavoring to work out its destiny along a different path."

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