

**GREECE PATHETIC
FIGURE IN COUNCIL**

Venizelos Has a Thankless Task at Lausanne Conference.

MOST OF EUROPE ATTENDS

Turks in Role of Victor Likely to Demand Control of Foreigners.

LAUSANNE, Switzerland, Nov. 18 (Associated Press).—Another attempt to stabilize the peace of Europe will be undertaken here Monday with the inauguration of the Near Eastern conference by practically all the Powers.

Primarily summoned to establish peace between victorious Turkey and defeated Greece, the conference is of importance to America and all Europe. It must settle the various problems that have grown out of the Turks' return to the continent from which they were expelled after the world war, as well as the predominant question of the freedom of the Dardanelles.

The conference must lay down Turkey's new frontiers and take up the delicate question of Turkey's capitulations, or concessions, whereby foreigners in Turkey, like those in China, have been exempt from Turkish laws and free of taxation. Turkey demands release from these restrictions and asks national administrative liberty.

America has designated three "observers": Richard Washburn Child, Ambassador to Italy; Joseph C. Grew, Minister to Switzerland; and Rear Admiral Mark L. Bristol, American Commissioner at Constantinople.

The Fascists of Italy, dedicated to a firmer foreign policy, will demand equality of treatment and apparently are strong in their determination to denounce the Graeco-Italian treaty of 1902, whereby Italy agreed to cede to Greece the Dodecanese. Bolshevik Russia has been invited to attend the Dardanelles discussion, but not the main conference, whose business is the revision of the Sevres treaty. Bulgaria will insist upon an outlet in the Bosphorus at Dede Agatch, on the border line between eastern and western Thrace, and Jugo-Slavia undoubtedly will demand assurances of commercial privileges in the port of Saloniki. Most of the neutral European States have asked permission to attend.

The eve of the conference finds the wave of extreme nationalistic exaltation prevailing in Turkey frankly voted by the Turkish delegates, who declare that unless they obtain satisfactory terms at Lausanne they "stand ready, like Caesar, to cross the Rubicon," intimating that their armies will take by force what they cannot get by peace.

Unhappy Greece, defeated and almost bankrupt, stands out as the pathetic figure of the conference, and the great Grecian leader, former Premier Venizelos, has a heavy and probably thankless task.

**MUSSOLINI'S POWER
LIMITED IN SCOPE**

Can Flourish Threat of Dissolution Over Present Parliament Only.

ROME, Nov. 18 (Associated Press).—

Despite the vote of confidence given Premier Mussolini last night, many Deputies to-day feel none too sure that the Premier will not dissolve the Chamber. Socialists who voted against the Government are heard to ask: "How long is he going to stand for the servile attitude of those men who would have had him shot a month ago?"

Others, however, feel that by holding the present Chamber in the hollow of his hand and flourishing the weapon of "dissolution" Mussolini can rule much more easily than with a Parliament having a solid Fascist majority.

It is pointed out that the authority to dissolve Parliament granted Mussolini by the King applies to the present

body alone and that he probably would not receive similar power with a new Chamber, as the King is jealous of this royal prerogative, only granted as a last resort.

In any case it is regarded as certain that Mussolini will take no decision before attempting to obtain from this Chamber an amendment modifying Italy's electoral law, as well as authority to enforce his program of bureaucratic reform and financial retrenchment.

To-night Mussolini departed for Switzerland for a preliminary conference with the French Premier and the British Foreign Secretary regarding the attitude to be adopted by the Allies at the forthcoming Lausanne peace conference. On his way the Premier will stop at San Rossore to confer with King Victor Emmanuel.

FALSE STATEMENTS CHARGED.

Magistrate Simpson in Commercial Frauds Court yesterday held two men for the Grand Jury on charges that they had filed false financial statements to obtain credit. They were Benjamin Melnick, 2072 Sixty-fifth street, Brooklyn, who was held in \$2,000 bail on a charge of grand larceny in the first degree, and Bernard Graf, 33, of 892, Fairmount place, The Bronx, held in \$500 bail.

**ANNIE MACSWINEY
ON HUNGER STRIKE**

Demands Sister Be Released or Given Spiritual Consolation.

DUBLIN, Nov. 18 (Associated Press).—

Miss Annie MacSwiney has joined her sister, Mary, in hunger striking against the latter's imprisonment by the Free State Government.

She arrived at Mountjoy prison, where Mary is incarcerated, at 9:30 o'clock last night, accompanied by twelve other women. After reciting the rosary she announced her intention of staying at the prison gates and taking no food until her sister was given spiritual consolation or released.

The women remained with Annie at

wards, relieving one another at intervals, while she watched and fasted all night and to-day.

The trial of Erskine Childers, one of regarding the condition of Mary MacSwiney. A request for such information sent by Annie MacSwiney to Gov. Cosgrave of the prison, brother of President Cosgrave of the Dail Eireann, produced no reply.

The trial of Erskine Childers of one of Eamon de Valera's leading lieutenants, who was arrested last week and brought before a military tribunal yesterday, was concluded last night. The finding of the court, it was said, would be announced in due course.

LONDON, Nov. 18 (Associated Press).—The only charge against Erskine Childers was that he had an automatic pistol when he was arrested, according to information from Dublin.

An account of the proceedings as received here says that after the opening address yesterday by Patrick Lynch, senior counsel for the defense, a statement of objections, seven in all, was

handed in. After the adjournment another statement was submitted, claiming for Childers a belligerent status as an officer of the Irish Republican army taken in war.

The objections, the account continues, were overruled, and Childers's counsel submitted a further statement contending that under the International Red Cross stipulations political prisoners and prisoners taken in civil war were entitled to war prison treatment.

The counsel for the defense withdrew from the proceedings, the account adds, and following their withdrawal the trial was continued.

Eamon de Valera has issued an appeal for Childers, describing him as a faithful servant and loyal son of the nation. As it was not denied that Childers had a revolver when arrested, his conviction is regarded as a certainty, but the general belief is that he will not be shot, the explanation being made that the death sentence probably will be pronounced and Richard J. Mulcahy, as Minister of Defense, will commute it to penal servitude.

**FRENCH ACE AT WORK
ON EGG SHAPED PLANE**

Nungesser Predicts 280 Miles Speed in Tailless Machine.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

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Flying through space inside a huge winged egg at a speed of 280 miles an hour is the latest ambition of French aviation and will be attempted soon by Capt. Charles Nungesser. The French ace, who had not been heard from for months, was discovered to-day working at his weird invention in a small village just outside Paris.

Instead of the conventional biplane, with a cabin and all the latest comforts, the new machine will consist of a fuel-tank somewhat like an egg foreshortened, enclosing a 700 horse power F. I. A. T. motor, and with room for three passengers. The two wings of the monoplane are set at a dihedral angle of 120 degrees, trending forward and exception-

ally and, the V shape constituting the so-called "steering gear, as there is to be no tail. This last fact is arousing much adverse criticism, following Madon's almost fatal drop at Etampes in a novel tailless plane.

PRICE OF RADIUM IS CUT TO ONLY \$70,000 A GRAM

Discoveries in Africa Cause of Reduction.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The price of radium has dropped from \$120,000 a gram to \$70,000 and is now lower than at any time since radium began to be used in treatment of cancer and other diseases.

This reduction, announced to-day by the United States Geological Survey, was caused by discovery of vast quantities of radium bearing ores in Africa. In connection with cancer work, the Survey announced, the State of New York and the city of Philadelphia have each bought two grams of radium for the use of their citizens, and the city of Quebec, Canada, has one gram.

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