

TO RICAN TOWN APPEALS FOR HELP SUFFERING CAUSED BY EARTHQUAKE.

Age of Mayaguez, Torn and devastated, Asks Help From "Big Brother" Country.

Sad echo of the terrible earth- quakes experienced on the isla of Rico in October comes to the town of Mayor Littleton in the form of an appeal for help. The mayor of the little town of Mayaguez, P. R., stated and form by the catas- trophic, has written a letter asking Chattanooga for aid.

The appeal to this city of the "brother" country, the letter states that Spanish influenza and other diseases are making headway among poorer classes due to a lack of housing. The appeal follows: "Oficina del Contador, Mayaguez, P. R., 3 de Diciembre, Honorable Mayor of the City of Chat- tanooga, Tenn.

"Sir—For the first time since our union with the United States we are compelled by necessity to make a call on our big brothers of the contin- ent for help.

On the 11th of October past our town and especially this section of the town, suffered a tremendous and continuous shaking, which destroyed our city hall, orphanage and other public buildings. Also, most of our houses were without homes and therefore are sleeping under temporary shelters, which contributes largely to the propagation and the spread of Spanish influenza, which is making progress amongst them at this very critical and sad moment.

We have no time to send you pleas- ingly representing the condition of our town as it appears after the great earthquake. We have had a review of them, as many were taken by the agents of the Associated Press Jour- nalist to all parts of the world in far- flung lands, who will doubt respond to the first cry of anguish from the beau- tiful American island territory which is in your neighborhood, and where the flag of the most humane people in the world waves.

Mayaguez, the most precious city of Porto Rico, has been almost ruined; America is rich and has always re- sponded to the necessity of the world. It certainly will hear us.

Will you, in your official capacity or as a fellow-citizen of the great republic, use a little of your time in behalf of our poorer people? We shall be obliged eternally to you if you will help our city might send her a few dollars to help her.

Respectfully yours, Mayor Littleton stated that a com- plete would be appointed to receive donations in behalf of the Porto Rico town. There are many Chat- tanooga firms which do business there, and large donations are expected from them. It is thought that the appeal will be received sympathetically by the people of the town when it takes definite form.

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WITH WOMAN VOTE SOLID BEHIND HIM, LLOYD GEORGE BIDS FOR RE-ELECTION

Premier, Also Backed by Soldiers, Stands On Platform Which Includes League of Nations and Radical Changes For Labor's Benefit.

(Floyd Macgriff.) London, Dec. 14. — (I. N. S.)— Standing upon his record of having led the British empire to victory in the greatest war the world has ever known, David Lloyd George, coalition premier of England, is making his bid today to retain power for direction of British affairs during the reconstruction period. Beyond a shadow of doubt he will be returned to power as a "coalition" premier.

While the machinery of the labor party and the right wing of the liberal party direct by former Premier Asquith are in opposition to the premier, the unionists and the left wing of the liberal party are assured of control of the next parliament to be chosen today. And they will give Lloyd George a new lease of power.

Herbert H. Asquith, who controls the financial machinery of the liberal party and who was forced to step aside in 1916 by Lord Northcliffe and Lloyd George, is making but a very weak fight against the coalition and is practically without influential newspaper support. Asquith has charged that the soldiers will not be able properly to register their votes and that an election now is a "calamity." An election was decided upon by the premier because the present parliament's tenure of power legally expired more than a year ago, and because he believes that a new mandate should be had from the people before reforms made necessary by the war are carried out.

The machinery of the labor party which is controlled by Arthur Henderson, has been put into opposition by mandate of the unrepresentative system of a "bloc" caucus vote, to a coalition, or "compromise" govern- ment. But the labor party leaders do not control the votes of the work-

men, and at least a third of the labor party vote is expected to be for men who support the coalition. Two New Factors. The premier believes that for the work of reconstruction the best brains of all parties are necessary for the country's welfare. That is the system and theory upon which he worked to win the war. For the critical post-war period Lloyd George believes the same policy should be followed. If the country thinks otherwise it should say so today, he has told the nation.

The election will have two factors never before present in any British general election. Several millions of men are in khaki and they are supposed to have some very determined opinions on how things should be revamped after the war. Having fought for "king and country," they feel they deserve better working and living conditions and opportunities for themselves and families. Lloyd George feels the same way. All thinking men in England do.

The other factor is the women's vote. Some 6,000,000 women will have the opportunity of voting for members of parliament for the first time. The women's party, as directed by Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst and her daughter, Miss Christobel, is solidly behind the premier. Miss Christobel Pankhurst now is the active leader of the women's party and she is bitterly anti-Asquith, and all policies which have "wait and see" as their guide sign.

George Barnes, labor member of the war cabinet, has severed relations with the labor party because of its stand against coalition. He will run for parliament as an independent coalition candidate. J. R. Clynes, labor leader who became food controller, may run as a labor party candidate, but is expected to enter the coalition government if soldiers and sailors in the press. They have put policy above party are in the same position.

Premier's Platform. Lloyd George's platform, which will be Britain's reconstruction policy for the next five years, follows in brief: Better housing, wages maintained at a point to secure efficiency and improved working conditions. Preservation of "key" industries essential to the nation's welfare. Maintenance of national and imperial unity. Development of the empire's resources. Reduced armaments. Reform of House of Lords. League of nations. Removal of existing inequalities of land as between men and women. Afforestation. Land for the soldiers. Imperial preference, but no tax on food.

Development of agriculture, partly by improved transport. Prevention of dumping. Increased home production in order that workers may live in greater comfort. Home rule for nationalist Ireland which that country settles down and behaves. No coercion of Ulster. Controlled transport, including rail- road, canal and interurban. Better health, through improved living conditions and opportunities.

Asquith, of the opposition, said in- definite pledges should not be asked for or given," but spoke for free trade and removal of restrictions upon personal liberty, including compulsory service.

Thus Lloyd George is the only political leader in England who has voiced a comprehensive program for reconstruction. In districts where Unionist mem- bers are certain of being returned over the labor party candidates the coalition liberals are not putting up a candidate, having decided to vote for the unionist candidate. In districts where the unionists are weak, but the coalition liberal is strong, the union- ists have agreed to throw their support to the liberal candidate.

The present line-up of parties in the house of commons is as follows: HARD TO RELIEVE THAT TIGHT COLD? Not a bit of it! Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey turns the Trick.

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LIBERALS, 250; UNIONISTS, 250; NATIONALISTS, 71; LABOR, 38; INDEPENDENT NATIONALISTS, 9; INDEPENDENT, 8; ONE SEAT VACANT, 1. TOTAL, 670.

It would require an English politician—a man who makes his living at the game which is regarded over here as one of the top-high professions which is held in great esteem—to point out all the nice differences between the unionists and liberals, for they seem to stand for the same things. There are free trade liberals and free trade unionists, and tariff liberals and tariff unionists, and liberals and unionists who believe in home rule for Ireland and those who don't, con- servative liberals and moss-grown unionists. The liberals say they are liberal in belief and call the unionists conservatives, and the unionists re- sults in mind. The nationalists are those who believe in home rule for Ireland. The labor party has for years been the party which has initiated progressive measures of social reform. Opposed by Conservatives.

Lloyd George is chiefly opposed by the conservatives of all parties. He has made his appeal to the patriotic forward-looking men of the country, especially reaching out for the support of the "man who has been under-neath." He has come out of the protagonist of many things which the labor party has stood for, including no taxes on food.

The unionists have in the field more than 200 candidates. The coalition liberals have selected about 150 and the Asquith unionists continue to make a legal deposit of £50. While there likely will be more labor candidates in the next parliament, possibly a score or more, it is not believed that Henderson will be able to control more than half of them, if that many.

Notwithstanding the fact that a woman member of parliament is in order to vote, women will constitute about a third of the total electorate, estimated at 20,000,000. The first general election was in December, 1918. Some political observers say that the Lloyd George coalition government when it takes office after the election will continue in office not more than two years. A. P. Nicholson, the Daily News parliamentary corres- pondent, terms the election a "two years' holiday."

"Indeed, there is a tacit understand- ing, apparently among ministerialists, that it is meant for a two-years' holiday," he says. "The unionists, in waiving the tariff, believe they could not get it in any case for two years, because of the present economic conditions and position. And some of them are a little afraid of bolshevism."

LIKE CONQUERING HERO WILSON ENTERS PARIS

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ed in all he saw on the ride through the city. He eyed with special interest the horizon-blue-ciad pillars in boulevard Malesherbes, near Trinity church. These troops were lining the streets on both sides, standing in at- tention as the carriages swung past them. They were historic figures, for they had been engaged in the last terrific battle which was fought when Gen. Pershing's gallant army was smashing its way up the Marne. The French were engaged jointly in the same operation, attacking the Ger- mans just west of the Argonne.

The sidewalks near Rue Courcelles and Rue Monceau, where the Murat residence, which was done with cheerfulness multitudes. As the carriages turned to enter the grounds little girls standing by the driveway tossed flowers before the president and his wife. A retinue of servants was lined up when the president and Mrs. Wilson alighted, paying their respects to the distinguished guests.

While the president and Mrs. Wilson were being shown to their respective suites and the other members of the household came out to greet them, the crowd outside the grounds of the residence was growing in numbers and the cheering was incessant. There were many American soldiers and sailors in the press. The presidential baggage had preceded the guests and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson found their things all unpacked and ready for them.

Georgette, the maid of Princess Murat, was already in Mrs. Wilson's suite, ready to attend to her wants. The trip from Brest to Paris was made without incident. The popula- tion all along the route knew of the president's coming, and was deeply interested. At every station, crowds of men, women and children gathered and waited through the night for the coming of the special train. They hoped against hope that they might be able to get a glimpse of the famous American.

At road crossings little knots of vil- lagers had gathered and hovered over fires to keep warm, while waiting for the train. As the special rolled slowly through the night, sudden bursts of cheers came out of the darkness. Seldom has there been such a pro- cection of notables as passed through the streets of this city today. It em- braced the heads of two nations, pub- lics, diplomats, ministers and army and navy officers of high rank.

Following President Wilson and President Poincaré in the first car- riage, the personnel of the others was as follows: Second—Mrs. Wilson, Mme Poincaré, Mrs. Jusebrand, and Miss Wilson. Third—Wm. G. Sharp, American ambassador to France; Premier Clemenceau, Gen. Espargue and Gen. Mor- dacc.

Fifth—Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, Ameri- can military representative at the peace conference. Henry D. Young, of the American envoys to the peace conference, and Lieut.-Col. Bohel. Sixth—Gen. Pershing, the American commander-in-chief. French high com- missioner to the United States, the States, and Capt. De Baupre.

Seventh—Admiral Benson, U. S. N.; and Henri Tasso, French high com- missioner to the United States. The whole city turned this into a fête day. A general holiday had been proclaimed and many of the shops were closed in order to give the em- ployees ample time to celebrate. There was a historic side to the occasion as well as a spectacular one. "This was the first time that a president of the United States had ever visited Paris, while in office, and the city, beneath the cloak of gaiety recognized the serious side.

HUNS APPEAL TO WILSON "President is For Us Germans, Guar- anteed" (London Times-Pall. Ledger Cop. Cable.) London, Dec. 11.—The German press daily continues its appeals to President Wilson. Particularly charac- teristic is the leading article in the Frankfurter Zeitung on Dec. 5, which begins by saying that it is a long time until spring, when President Wilson hopes for the conclusion of peace, and adds: "Mr. Wilson will be able to attend only a small part of the decisive negotiations. This would be regrettable, for, whatever we may think about him otherwise, the American president is for us Ger- mans, the guarantor of a fair peace."

AID FOR RUSSIA American Defense Society Appeals to Churches. New York, Dec. 14.—Sunday, Dec. 15, has been set aside by the Ameri- can defense society as the day on which the ministers of the country will be asked to preach on the need for giving economy aid to the party of law and order in Russia.

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