AMERICANS FAVOR TREATY

As Means to Keeping Dardanelles Strait Open

ALLIES PUT UP ULTIMATUM

That Turkey Must Accept or Reject Their Plan To-day

Lausanne, Dec. 20 (By the Associated Press).—On the eve of what threatened to be a critical day in the life of the Lausanne conference Ambassador Child last night had a long conversation with Ismet Pasha about the straits problem which Lord Curzon yesterday declared must be disposed of immediately.

It has become known that the American observers at the conference believe that an international control commission associated with the league of nations, as suggested in the allied plan for supervision of the Dardanelles is unnecessary. In other words, the Americans believe that freedom of the straits should be an actual freedom guaranteed by a treaty between Turkey and the other world powers, and that it should not be a freedom limited by an international commission.

The American observers have so far on the conference floor limited themselves to statements of the most general terms on the Dardanelles question without suggesting as to how the straits should be kept open to the commerce of the world and to the fleets of the powers. Neither have there been intimations of America's attitude toward an international board of control.

Allied leaders last night served notice that the Turks to-day must either flatly accept or reject the allied project for settlement of the straits question. Failure of the Dardanelles negotiations, it is believed, will hardly affect the other problems which the conference was called to solve.

BROOKFIELD

Miss Susan Adams, 95, Died After a Long Illness.

Miss Susan Adams died Friday evening, Dec. 15, after a long illness at the home of E. G. Brown. She was 95 years, one month and one day old. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at the First church, Rev. W. H. Skeels of Barre officiating. Burial was in the family lot at Brookfield Center. The bearers were Dr. E. E. Ellis, E. G. Brown, J. McDerment and Azro Dutton. A. G. Bigelow sang two selections. Mrs. W. A. Savage presided at the piano.

The fall term of the village school closed Wednesday, Nov. 29, the average attendance for the term being 98.4. Those having perfect attendance were: Esther and Winnifred Clark, Evelyn Grout, Beverly and Maynard Wright. The Ever Readys beat the On Timers in a non-tardy contest and were given a real treat by the beaten side. Eva Reed was teacher.

Mrs. Anna Crandall was in Williamstown Monday on a business trip.

Frank Harford was confined to his bed several days last week, suffering with kidney trouble. He is somewhat better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Ellis have gone to housekeeping in their new home at East Brookfield.

Earl and William Haggett are chopping wood for a time on Braintree mountain.

Walter Grout is planning to go to Brandon the first of January to work for the W. T. Rawleigh company of Freeport, Ill. George Stevens of East Braintree is to move his family into one part of Mr. Grant's house and will drive his cream team for him during his absence.

Lewis Hayward was on a business trip to Williamstown Monday.

During the fall term of school in the Lamson district, 19 pupils were in attendance. The only one having perfect attendance was Mabel Greenleaf. Pupils having highest marks were Edith Lamson and Verna St. John. Friday afternoon the school enjoyed having a Christmas tree. A two-act play was given and recitations. Several visitors were present. All enjoyed the occasion. The average attendance for the term was 80 per cent. Marjorie Guilmette was the teacher.

At the Woman's Relief corps meeting Saturday afternoon, the following named officers were elected for the year ensuing: President, Mrs. Abbie Hyde; senior vice-president, Mrs. Abbie Yaw; junior vice-president, Mrs. Mary Huggard; secretary, Mrs. Adella Fisk; treasurer, Mrs. S. E. Follansbee; conductress, Mrs. Louise Rumney; assistant conductress, Mrs. Gladys Rumney; chaplain, Mrs. Ursula Cuase; guard, Mrs. Etta Sargent; assistant guard, Mrs. Mary Mason; press correspondent, Mrs. Sophia E. Follansbee; patriotic instructor, Mrs. Mary Huggard; first color bearer, Mrs. Ruth Harford; second, Mrs. Addie Blair; third, Mrs. Eunice Fletcher; fourth, Mrs. Mary Loveland; relief committee, Mrs. S. E. Follansbee, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Sargent; executive committee, Mrs. Louise Rumney and Mrs. Abbie Yaw; finance committee, Mrs. Louise Rumney, Mrs. Mary Huggard; delegate to state convention, Mrs. Adella Fisk; alternate, Mrs. Etta Sargent. The installation will be Jan. 13. The annual dinner will be served the same day at noon.

At the annual grange meeting Friday evening the following named officers were elected: Master, Homer Allen; overseer, B. J. Williams; lecturer, Mrs. Abbie Yaw; steward, Emery St. John; assistant steward, John Williams; chaplain, Mrs. Nellie B. Fullam; treasurer, Henry H. Fullam; secretary, Mrs. S. E. Follansbee; gatekeeper, Harrison St. John; L. S., Miss Helen Hart; pianist, Miss Elsie Waddington; Ceres, Mrs. Rose Williams; Pomona, Mrs. Nellie E. Fullam; Flora, Mrs. Louise Rumney. Installation of officers the first Friday evening in January and the annual banquet served.

THE MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

Allies essentially tell Turks to take or leave Dardanelles proposals, and Lausanne conference is again in danger.

Poland takes steps to avoid violence, anticipating meeting of national assembly to choose president.

Belgian Minister Frank challenges former Premier Hymans to duel after dispute in deputies.

Senate still withholds confirmation of Pierce Butler as justice of United States supreme court.

Senator Ladd seeks to know why American forces are now quartered in Nicaragua.

Secretary Wallace sees decided improvement in farming conditions throughout United States in 1923.

Julius H. Barnes, in Washington address, asserts that wages in this country will never return to pre-war levels.

Ocean-going barge captured inside Sandy Hook laden with estimated half million dollar cargo of holiday whiskey.

Thomas W. Lamont of Morgan banking firm says American people at this time will refuse to support German loan.

Hugh McQuillan, Giant twirler, sues New York society girl for $50,000, claiming injuries to pitching arm in automobile collision.

Plant of Granite State Spring Water company, near Hayerhill, Mass., destroyed by fire. Loss $100,000.

District Attorney Endicott P. Saltonstall of Middlesex county, dies suddenly at home in Brookline, Mass.

Three Massachusetts cities chose mayors, John J. Donovan elected in Lowell, George H. Whittemore in Beverly and Harry F. Ball in Waltham.

Red Chapman, Boston featherweight, awarded decision over Charley Beecher of New York in ten-round bout at Boston.

NORTH CALAIS

J. H. Smith visited his wife in Hardwick hospital Saturday.

D. M. Wells of Megantic, P. Q., is a visitor at the home of F. A. Scribner.

Mrs. J. M. Earle was in South Woodbury Saturday.

Mrs. Alice Fair visited Mrs. J. H. Smith in Hardwick hospital Saturday.

F. W. Scribner was in South Woodbury the last of the week.

Gardner Dailey of Brattleboro visited his granddaughter, Mrs. S. F. Dailey, Saturday.

Members of Stowe corps, No. 36, met at Memorial hall Saturday afternoon, Dec. 2, and the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Hattie Scribner; S. V. president, Ella Rickard; J. V. president, Ada Cate; secretary, Ada Dailey; treasurer, Jennie Leonard; chaplain, Lizzie Fay; conductor, Adaline Douglas; guard, Francelia Persons; assistant conductor, Sylvia Dailey, assistant guard, Inez Paine; patriotic instructor, Lizzie Cameron; press correspondent, Edith Beard; musician, Nellie Wheeler; color bearers, Dora Converse, Mary Fair, Linnie Persons, Sadie Parker.

It is hoped there will be a good attendance at the Christmas tree at the Davis church Monday evening, Dec. 25.

Mrs. Mary Fair visited at J. O. Lillie's in the Pekin neighborhood Sunday.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness and sympathy shown us by neighbors and friends since our buildings were destroyed by fire. We are extremely grateful for the cash and many articles of clothing given us.

A. A. Harrington,
Miss Leah Harrington.

CHARLIE HEMPHILL DEAD.

Former Favorite With Baseball Fans Died in New York.

New York, Dec. 20.—Charles Hemphill, famed several years as an outfielders with baseball fans of several American league cities, is dead at his home in this city.

Hemphill made his entrance into the American league as an outfielder with St. Louis. He previousy had been with Kansas City. From St. Louis Hemphill came to the Yankees in 1908, with whom he played for four years. For a time he was also wi ththe Boston Red Sox.

SURVIVORS SUFFER MUCH

Twenty of Those On Ill-fated Tug Reliance in Hospitals

ONE HAS FROZEN HANDS AND FEET

Definitely Determined That Four Persons Lost Their Lives

Sault Ste Marie, Mich., Dec. 20.—A week may elapse before all of the survivors of the ill-fated tug Reliance are able to travel to their homes, so intense was their suffering from cold and hunger after their tiny craft was disabled and abandoned at the Lizard Islands, it was said here to-day. The twenty persons who reached here last night are under the care of physicians and will remain at a hospital and hotels until they have fully recovered. One man is in a serious condition with both hands and both feet frozen. He is Walter Longacre.

With the arrival of these survivors, the thirty-six on board the Reliance when she was disabled, have been accounted for.

Seven reached the Soo Sunday, two are in a Canadian lumber camp, three still are aboard the tug Gray, which is engaged in taking off Superior light keepers for the winter; twenty are recuperating here, and four lost their lives.

Yesterday's arrivals suffered great hardships before they were found Monday on one of the bleak islands near the Canadian shores.