

WORLD NEWS.

In face of all opposition, Poincare stands fast as to reparations. Though finally agreeing to an official inquiry to be conducted by the United States and Great Britain, he says this means no reduction of the amount demanded. He absolutely refuses to allow the army to evacuate the Ruhr until at least part of Germany's enormous debt to France is paid. His conditions for the inquiry are three: the committee must make no attempt to reduce the reparations claim; the inquiry must proceed on the assumption that French occupation will continue; the experts will be expected to offer suggestions for German financial reform and resumption of payments. With tears running down his cheeks, Premier Poincare deplored the fact that there is any one alive who can think France cruel and unjust in her demands on Germany.

Although the Premier is generally expected to be firm in his demands, the views of Washington and London are decidedly hopeful. Instead of remaining an altercation between two as bitter enemies as France and Germany, the affair is now largely international. It is hoped that the inquiry and English interference will prevent an economic disaster in Germany and help her to pay the debt.

Affairs in that turbulent country are still in a very bad condition. Mobs from the Ruhr district terrorize towns, plundering them and killing the people. The police, who have been disarmed, are unable to take any protective measure against the mobs, and are forced to stand by, inactive, while stores are pillaged and jails broken. The governments of both France and Germany are beginning to realize that the economic conditions which produce this disorder must be removed.

The situation in Saxony seems serious. The cabinet notified the Central Government that they had voted to entirely disregard Stresman's resignation. They declared that the Saxon Diet was only tribunal to determine the settlement of the question—in other words, to the Republic, "Hands off! None of your business!" Chancellor Stresman announced that the government would appoint a civil governor for Saxony, who will be able to administer his civil affairs until the existing socialist ministry is replaced by a Parliamentary government suitable to the Central authorities. It can clearly be seen that unless some drastic action of some sort soon takes place, very serious results will follow all this disturbance. The most sensi-

ble thing yet suggested is the official inquiry, and it is sincerely hoped that all nations involved can for once agree so that a final settlement may take place.

Kemal Pasha is President of the recently formed Turkish republic. The constitution was amended during the last few months, so that a republic was possible, and its definite proclamation a mere matter of form. The president was elected for four or five years, with a title of president of the grand national assembly. Kemal was already commander-in-chief of the army, where he performed great services for his country, notably the defeat of the British at Gallipoli and the victories over Greece. He was a prominent member of the Turkish delegation at the Lausanne conference after the Greco-Turkish war, and there, too, won a complete victory. He is a powerful man, and absolutely relentless as far as the advancement of Turkey is concerned.

Sophia—I have an English quiz tomorrow.

H. S.—What on? English Lit?
Sophia (absent-mindedly) — Yes;
English Lit. Comp.

MISS WEBB ENTERTAINS AT HALLOWE'EN PARTY

Jack - o - lanterns and witches were abroad Hallowe'en night and penetrated into the fastness of the Sisters House, taking possession of Miss Webb's room. Dozens of them, Jack-o-lanterns, witches, and cats grinned down from the walls, while the party was in progress. The guests were seven fortunate maidens, who were Miss Webb's advisees. On their arrival they were conducted by a salamander, who strangely resembled Margaret Herndon, to a little book in which they wrote some fitting rhymes.

What is more appropriate for Hallowe'en than red apples, full of fruit salad, pumpkin pie, and steaming punch, ghost stories and poems? Thus the hostess right royally entertained her guests and the evening merrily slipped by until the clock struck, like the dreaded cock whose salute to the dawn banishes the freed spirits back to concealment for another year. With deep regrets the party ended, but each guest carried away as a souvenir a big black cat swinging to a golden moon.

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