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### **DANGEROUS REDS UNDER ARREST BY** SECRET SERVICE

John E. Frost, Republican, and League opponent, in yesterday's contest in the Third Missouri congressional district, was hailed by Chairman Cummings of Include Twenty-nine Radicals, Said to Be Terrorists of the Democratic National committee in a statement tonight as disclosing "that Worst Type

PICKED AGENTS CARRY OUT THEIR CAPTURE

Band of Anarchists Declared to Have Creed Urging Assassination and Violence Without Waiting For Mass Action; I. W. W. Records East of Chicago Captured

Paterson, N. J., Feb. 15 .- Twenty-nine radicals, said by secret service agents to include the most dangerous terrorists in the United States-members of the notorious L'Era Nuova group, whose creed is assassination and violence by individuals without waiting for "mass setion"-were captured early today by 200 picked agents of the Department of Justice in a dramatic raid on "Red" headquarters here. Warrants had been sworn out for 32, but three escaped the

All official records of the I. W. W. for the entire district east of Chicago were seized in the home of Graziano, annarchist. In this house, Federal agents said, E. F. Doree, Phila-delphia, secretary of the I. W. W., was hiding. He is under indictment in Chicago, and is alleged to have moved the records from Chicago to Philadelphia, thence to Paterson, Ledgers posters and statements of financial transactions covering the cities of Chicago, New York, Boston, Philadelphia, New Bedford, Rochester and elsewhere, were

The most important capture, Federal pfficials said, was that of Ludivico M. Caminetta, editor of the Italian Maga-zine, La Jacquerie (the massacre). The printing office and the library of Fermine Galle, said to be the most complete collection of anarchistic literature in the United States, were raided and a quantity of revolvers were confiscated

Every anarchist captured was armed. Caminetta is a disciple of Ernice Ma-Intesta, who founded the L'Era Neuva group 25 years ago. Bresci, the assassin of King Humbert of Italy, belonged to this coterie. Malatesta came to this country from Italy to spread the propaganda of "Terrorist Individualist" anarchy. He was highly educated and was said to be a member of a titled family

Caminetta formerly edited the an-archist magazine Il Bolletino de L'Era Nouva in New York. It was confiscated during President Boosevelt's administra-

tion, but re appeared in Paterson.

The L'Era Nouva group is affiliated with the Ferrer club and the "Insertas." Aided in Rioting

During silk dyers strike in Paterson in 1902, the anarchistic principles of the L'Era Nouva group led to much strike included Emma Goldman, Cami-netta, William MacQueen, an nglish with its unsuccessful end, the group was kept alive by a few members. Ca-minetta is described by the Federal authorities as "a fluent, vitriolic writer on anarchistic subjects and always typi fies in his writing the principles and teachings of his master Malatesta," After Malatesta's banishment from the United States Caminetta was his chief representative in this country and was constant communication with him, it

A recent excerpt from La Jacquerle,

suid:
"Oh, assassins of the proletariat to you, not the evil wishes but the promise in the not far future, we shall entertain you on the barricades. Anarchists of Bad Type

Others associated with Caminetta, Gallo and Guabello in the group are Franz Widmer, Benjamin Mazzotta, Pietro Baldenseratto, Umberto Groce, Andre Graziano, Secero Espi, Paul Gaubello, Serafino Grandi, Ciencotto Coppo, John Ferraro, Costello Graniano and Salva-

The men arrested in this raid, Federal agents asserted, are "not like the Russian workers or communists. They are anarchists of the worst type, not phi-lesophical anarchists such as the Ferrer colony at Stelton, nor the so-called con-structive anarchists but these are "Ter-rorists" to be compased with the Nihilists of Russia. They are enemies of all government whether it be so-called capi-

talist or communist.
"They seek their ends through the use of bombs, and other engines of de-struction to create terror and fear."

PACE JURY WITH SMILE Dealer tomorrow will publish an interview with W. J. Bryan obtained by its

New York, Feb. 15.—Mrs. Rose Pastor staff correspondent at Minmi, Fla., in Stokes, although still confined to her which the former Democratic candidate bed at her home 88 Grove Street, due to an attack of influenza, sent out word yesterday morning to newspapermen that she would try to get to Chicago as that she would try to get to Chicago as soon as she was officially notified that Governor Smith has granted extradition papers to the Illinois authorities.

Airs. Stokes was indicted recently in Chicago with many other radicals on a charge of criminal syndicalism growing out of her alleged activity in ororganizing branches of the Communist party. to dictate, but merely summarizes his beliefs and opinions as a result of his studying the political pulse. He places the more important plants in the fol-

lowing order:
Indorsement of the administration of
President Wilson.
National Prohibition.

Chairman Cummings Declares

People of Country Dissatis-

fied With G. O. P.

and League of Nations advocate, over

Chairman Cummings in a formal

"Advocates of prompt ratification of

the treaty of peace have been heart-ened and obstructionists have been dis-

mayed by the triumphant election to

Congress on Saturday in the Third Missouri district of Capt. Jacob L. Mil-

ligan, the Democratic nominee.

"A clear cut issue over the League of Nations was presented. The question was thoroughly debated in a campaign

extending over several weeks. The re-sult is unmistakable. Aside from the

gratifying endorsement of the Presi-

dent's position the election, held in a typically mid-western agricultural sec-

tion, discloses that the people are thor-oughly dissatisfied with the present

eadership of the Republican organiza-

tion and are preparing to return to full

power in the nation the party that during the last seven years has so

completely demonstrated its constructive ability. It has been a hard struggle, but the tide has turned."

REACHNEW STAGE

Will Be Called Formally Before

Senate With Republican

Reservations

Washington, Feb. 15 .- The peace

reat fight will pass into another and

perhaps decisive stage tomorrow with

the best opinion in official and political

circles here divided as to whether the

outcome will be ratification or rejection.

it is the intention of the leaders to hold

the discussion within reasonable bounds

and to begin within a few days actual

senate consideration of the changes pro-

Solution of most of the collateral is-

sues is expected to be reached with little difficulty along the lines laid down by the recently dissolved bi-parti-

over article Ten which is the crux of the

whole controversy remained in a state

tonight which seemed to menace seri-

chamber are known to be pressing their

party leaders to accede to some com-

promise that will insure ratification, while pressure also is being brought to

bear by influential men cutside of the

article Teu have drawn each side to commit itself in such positive terms that it would be exceedingly difficult, the

leaders say for either to materially

change its position. In this situation the best preduction that could be made

by Senator Lodge, the Republican lead-

er, tonight was that the treaty would be ratified "if we can get 64 Senators to agree on it." The Democratic leader,

Senator Hitchcock, said he was hope-ful that there might be a ratification

though he could not forsee on what terms it could be secured.

The first set speech in the re-opened treaty debate will be made tomorrow by Senator McCormick, Republican, Il-

linois. Some other discussion also is expected during the day, although no

other Senators have given notice formally of their intention to speak. On

Tuesday Senator Thomas, Democrat, Colorado, will speak on the treaty's ec-onomic features. Both Senator McCor-

mick and Thomas are members of the group irreconcilably apposed to rati-fication.

PLATFORM FOR DEMOCRATS

Indorsement of Wilson Admin-

istration Placed Ahead of

All Others

for President, names the principal planks he hopes to see incorporated in the Democratic National platform at the San Francisco convention.

Mr. Bryan says he does not attempt

COL. BRYAN ANNOUNCES

ny Senators on both sides of the

san conference. But the disagrees

Many Sanators of ratification.

senate in both political parties. At the same time the difficulties over

osed in the reservations.

Under a plan agreed on a week ago

PEACE TREATY TO

the present

statement said:

MISSOURI ELECTION TO

### POINT WAY TO DEMOCRATE WASHINGTON TALK STILL CENTERS ON LANSING INCIDENT Washington, Feb. 15.—Election of Captain Jacob L. Milligan, Democrat,

**Enforced Resignation of Secre**tary of State Causes Lots of Gossiping

the people are thoroughly dissatisfied with the present leadership of the Re-publican organization." NO CABINET "CRISIS"

> Whether or Not President Wilson Knew of Cabinet Meetings; Well Informed Persons Think Meetings Only an Incident in Chain

Washington, Feb. 15 .- Secretary Lansson, and all the talk among politicians, members of Congress and government officials continues to center about it. Gossip as to the probable successor to the former Secretary of State is even form."

"I have watched in other countries "I have watched in other countries" tional climax to the strained relations between President Wilson and the former Secretary of State which now are known to have been in existence more than a year.

Such terms as s "legisis" in the cabinet are freely used, and in a sense find color in the frank acknowledgment of Secretary Lane that he was equally responsible for the meetings to which the President objected, but the best information available indicates that there is no crisis, in the sense that more secre taries are likely to resign; in fact it has been stated at the White House that an more resignations are expected as a result of the incident. Opinion in Congress continues divided with opponents of the peace treaty supporting Mr. Lansing's position and talking of some action to determine how the executive business of the government is being conducted during President illness. There is even cloak the treaty is to be called formally before the Senate with the Republican
reservations adopted at the last session
of Congress. A brief sesson of general
debate is expected while negotiations
for a compromise are proceeding, but

The chief discussion seem to range about whether President Wilson knew of the cabinet meetings which have been going on for three months until he-wrote his letter asking for Mr. Lans-ing's resignation. Probably no one but the President himself and three or four persons most closely around him can answer such a question specifically, but it is being pointed out in discussion of the incident that reports of the cabinet meetings have been printed regularly in the newspapers; that it has been stated at the White Rouse that the President reads the papers every day, official action which the President took on some subjects was after those subjects had been discussed at the cabinet conferences.

Persons who are well informed of what has been going on in the inside of the administration hold to their belief that the cabinet meetings were only incident and that President Wilson an himself in one of his leters to Mr. Lansing referred to other and more important reasons when he wrote that the cabinet meeting incident only strengthened a feeling he had had for some time and that for some months he had found the Secretary of State yielding to his decisions with more and more reluctance.

The affair is expected to probably ome up in Congress again tomor-

Mr. Lansing meanwhile has denied himself to all callers. It is understood that he may spend a short vacation in Plorida before going to his home in Watertown, New York.

Speculation as to Mr. Lansing's successor continued to involve the names

of Frank L. Polk, who yesterday became Secretary ad interim, by virtue of his office as counsellor of the State Department, Secretary of War Baker, John W. Davis, ambassador to Great Britian, and Hugh C. Wallace, ambas

Although Mr. Polk was among those most often mentioned, there was nothing to indicate any change from his known determination to return to, private life and the practice of law. The speculation brought forth the sugges-tion that perhaps the President might transfer Mr. Baker to the State Department as he did recently in transferring David F. Houston from the Department of Agriculture to the Treasury Depart-

Official intimation was given tonight that Mr. Lancing's successor might be appointed before the end of the week even though it was said there was "no hurry about it" as Mr. Polk can serve cretary ad interim for a period of

#### SUMMER RACING SEASON **OPENS IN FRENCH CITY**

Paris, Feb. 15.—The summer racing season opened in Paris today along with the advent of summer time. The

organizing branches of the Communist party.

"I shall try to go to Chicago as soon is I have official word that I am wanted," she said, "and I hope I shall succeed in going with my head up and with a smile, no matter how paor my state of health may be."

Servants in the Stokes home who transmitted the message said, however, that while Mrs. Stokes condition was characteristically predicted the message said, however, that while Mrs. Stokes condition was climination of Governor Edwards of much improved her physician would not permit her to depart until she had full—

National Prohibition.

Woman Suffrage.

Opposition to enforced military train—
ing.

Opposition to profiteering.

Taxation.

Labor problems.

Public ownership.

Mr. Bryan practically predicted the dimination of Governor Edwards of Spain will race under the colors of the Duke of Toledo. Frank O'Neill, the American jockey will ride Mr. Vander-bilt's horses as in past year.

### "OLD TIME" PARTY PLATFORM WANTED BY VICE PRESIDENT

Announces His Candidacy For Delegate-at-Large From State of Indiana.

NO UNBRIDLED DEMOCRACY INDICATED ANYWHERE IS WANTED BY MARSHALL

Chief Discussion Ranges Around Convinced That American Republic Must Rest Upon a Few Ancient and Time Honored Democratic Doctrines, Vice President Declares in Announcing Set of Principles.

Washington, Feb. 15 .- Vice-President ing's enforced resignation continues to Marshall in a letter to E. G. Hoffman, hold the attention of official Washing of Fort Wayne, Ind., secretary of the Democratic National Committee, made public tonight, announced his candidacy as a delegate-at-large from Indiana to the coming San Francisco convention upon "an old time, Democratic plat-

the effect of so-called unbridled democracy," the Vice-President wrote, "and I have seen its menace in this country, until I am quite convinced that the peace, prosperity and perpetuity of the American Republic must rest finally upon a few ancient and time-honored Democratic doctrines.

"Another presidential campaign im-pends," Mr. Marshall wrote. "Thus far the President, who is the chief of our party has not deemed it expedient to express his opinion as to what the issues will be. As I am desirous of being a delegate-at-large from the State of Indiana, I wish, in consonance with what I hope has been my entire public career, to state the substance of what I think the Democratic party should stand for. I would not want to go under any misapprehension as to my upon the part of the unfaltering Demo-crats of Indiana.

The War Is Over. "We were in the war from the very moment of its European beginning be cause it affected our internal affairs the methods and measurer adopted for the preservation of the peace of our country and the winning of the war man with my approval and I am ready to defend them. "The war is now over and the rehab-ilitation of America as well as the rest of the world is taking place. It is not

possible to accomplish our rehabilitaalities of political parties. How shall the Democratic party propose to re-habilitate the political system of America if entrusted with power, is the "I have watched in other countries either his ability or private life. effects of so-called unbridled de- "Maxwell is a capital fellow," the effects of so-called unbridled de-

moeracy and I have seen its menace in this country, until I am convinced that the peace, prosperity and perpetuity of American Republic must rest, to the President." finally upon a few ancient and time-"No one save God can remove the

individual as the unit of good govern-ment. Legislative efforts to produce justice and good order in society by listening and acceding to the demands of persons and classes will in the hour fo peace produce failure. The only sure foundation for a stable republic must rest upon the Jeffersonian right to life, liberty and to the pursuit of

Program for Democrats

"The Democratic party should stand for this and pledge itself to rebuild the American political structure along this line by clearly dividing its citi-zens into the law abiding and lawbreaking; making its laws rest equally upon all men; permitting the individual itizen who is honest to succeed by honest methods; giving to no citizen legislative advantage; speedily punish-ing any one who unjustly obtains suc-cess by crooked and dishonest means; recognizing that this is still a federa tion of states; demanding that the states discharge the duties of local selfgovernment; resisting the usurpations of the general government; removing corrupt and biased judges by standing always for obedience to the decrees of court and to constituted authority; in-

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### PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR MAXWELL BOOM FOR COMMISSION

Launch New Effort Today in Tar Heel's Behalf

INFLUENTIAL AID IN **OTHER SOUTHERN STATES** 

Intimation That Georgia Candidate For Interstate Commerce Commission May Believes Other Senators Will Co-Operate

The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. By R. E. POWELL. (By Special Leased Wire.)

Washington, Dec. 15 .- Comment in Washington today regarding the boom launched for Commissioner Allan Maxwell to be a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission has been highly favorable to the North Carolina official. The fact that several influential agencies in the South have been set to work in his behalf has given the two senators much encouragement and resulted in bringing about an optimistic feeling on their part.

of Judge Pell for the place but from the start have felt that it would be imdorsing Judge Pell. Wimbish May Withdraw.

suggested appeared to be the most formidable candidate for the vacancy would withdraw in favor of Mr. Max-State-wide and one of the Georgia Senators has already enthused over the suggestion of his name.

suggestion of his name. Senator Overman, discussing the junior member of the commission, exthe opinion that the State a fine chance now to get the recognition from the Interstate Commerce Commission which it has so long hoped for. In Commissioner Maxwell ,the North Carolina Senators have to offer the President an acknowledged rafe authority and an official of such fine parts that no attack can be made against

the junior Senator tonight. "I feel that we may expect the co-operation of other Southern Senators in presenting his case

For the reason that they feel that than any Southern man so far suggested, the North Carolina Senators will tomorrow inaugurate a new effort to have a North Carolinian appointed to the Interstate Commerce Commission vacancy. The many endorsements which lawyers from North Carolina sent to the Senators in behalf of Judge Pell will be withdrawn at the instance of the latter and the powerful backing which is assuredly Maxwell's will be set into motion.

Think Maxwell Can Win. The candidacy of Mr. Maxwell has also served to remove, in the minds of his boosters here, the fear that a South-ern man cannot be appointed. When ex-Governor Stuart, of Virginia, de clined the appointment President Wilson effered several days ago, there was a broad suggestion that the President would be asked not to name a man from the South. There was admittedly a feeling among some Southern Senators, prior to the suggestion of Mr. Maxwell, that they would have hard sledding in persuading the President to appoint either of the candidates suggested. The President once came very near naming ex-Chairman Travis, of the North Carolina commission, and when his name was eliminated from consideration the

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#### Increase in Subscription Rates Effective March 1, 1920.

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#### CRANMER FOR JUDGESHIP PRESIDENT TAKES **GOVERNOR WILL NAME** Southport Lawyer Will Fill

Vacancy Created by Stacy Resignation.

Hon, E. H. Cranmer, a leading attor-ncy of Southport, and former State Senator from the Brunswick-New Han-North Carolina Senators to ernor Thomas W. Bickett this morning to complete the unexpired term of Judge Walter P. Stacy, of Wilmington, whose resignation reached the Gov-ernor yesterday. Governor Bickett has acted in the appointment with his usual dispatch, allowing but little time for booms to multiply in favor of many favorite sons.

Mr. Cranmer is well known in legal rircles throughout the State, and is regarded as one of the best men available for appointment for the place. With Judge Stacy's resignation there arrived a unanimous endorsement of the South-Withdraw; Senator Overman port lawyer from the Brunswick county bar. The new judge has served several terms as mayor of his home town. He years old next Sunday, is married and has five children.

### TO FRAME PROGRAM AGAINST H. C.

Railroad Labor Initiates Campaign as Government Hasn't Yet Solved Question

Washington, Feb. 15 .- Formulation of To some members of the Tar Heel a definite program as a basis on which delegation, the announcement that to continue its campaign against high United States would find it impossible Commissione: Maxwell's friends were living costs has been initiated by railasking that he be given the place came road labor, it was disclosed tonight by wishing that he would consent to the union officials. While the wage demands use of his name. The North Carolinians of the 2,000,000 railroad workers which would have been warm in their support have held official attention since Februnry 3, will be held in temporary abey-ance at the request of the President possible to get Senators in the other Southern States to join them in enunion leaders to regard their work as complete or to await ultogether a final decision on the whole wage controversy In congressional circles today there was an intimation that W. A. Wimbish, who up to the time Mr. Maxwell was February 23. to be given by the general conference February 23.

The attitude of the union officials. while they expressed gratification at the recognition of certain of their prinwell. The latter's reputation is far from ciples by President Wilson is predicated on an apparently general belief among their membership that the government has "not held together in any of its drives on the high cost of living ap and the heads of executive departments during the recent wage negotiations. said. The general feeling railroad labor was expressed in this question asked by a union official who has carried its grievances through entire negotiations:

"Are we, as Americans, to admit that re cannot control the profiteer?"

The program under consideration will no way run counter to the plan of the American Federation of Labor which has announced its intention of engaging aggressively in the coming political campaign. With this railroad union leaders said they were in complete secord. They propose, however, an amplification of and an addition to the policies outlined by Samuel Gompers, Federation president, with the purpose of settlement of the vexing Adriatic prob benefiting all of the people while helping labor.

form which the program will take, allied governments.
It can be stated however, that it will Granting that such which all of organized labor will be counted on to support. Union heads as designed to bring to a head the resaid they desired to have their ideas tintions over Fiume and Adriatio worked out comprehensively for submission to the general conference next for some time.

Intimation also was given that a plen was to be made to the more determined of the railroad union members who have relentlessly demanded action and relief." Some of the conservative leaders seemed to feel that the President's proposition to create a wage commission of wage experts and then, either by his own action or by law, to constitute a wage tribunal for dealing with the union claims, might not en-

ly meet approval of their membership. The program they have taken his fourteen points, on which Italy as up, therefore, would fortify the union well as the other allied governments heads against the pressing of demands made peace with the Central Powers. at this time.

#### THIRTY GERMAN VESSELS OFFERED FOR SALE TODAY

Chairman of Shipping Board Adheres to Plan in Spite of Congress

Washington, Feb. 15,-Bids for the purchase of the thirty former German passenger liners taken over by the government during the war, will be reauction to be conducted tomorrow cident-simultaneously with submission in circles. the District of Columbia supreme court by the board of its answer to the court's JUGO-SLAVIA CABINET order to show cause why a temporary injunction against the sale of the resels should not be issued.

highest bids obtainable for the vessels subject to the approval of the board and the Senate commerce committee before man stated that he will offer the ves-sels himself at 10 o'clock tomorrow

sela himself at 10 o'clock tomorrow sela himself at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. Judge C. B. Ames, assistant attorney general, will appear for the board in the injunction proceedings instituted by William Handolph Hearst. Intimation was given in official quarters tonight that President Wilson early this week would make reply to a resolution, offered by Schater Brandegee and adopted by the Schate late yenterday, asking what agreement, if any, he had made with British anthorities regarding disposition of the former German ships.

The Davidovitch ministry was formed on August 16, last.

Ant official communication says:

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## HAND IN ADRIATIC: **OBJECTS TO PLANS**

Sends Memorandum Saying He Cannot Approve Premier George's Proposals

INTIMATES STRONGLY INTEREST OF AMERICA

United States Would Withdraw From Paris Conference if Al. lies Settle Adriatic Without Consulting This Country; French and English Premiers Frame Their Reply

Paris, Feb. 15 .- (By the Associated Press.)-Hugh C. Wallace, the American Ambassador, yesterday delivered to the foreign office a memorandum from President Wilson, according to the Temps, in which the President said he could not approve of Premier Lloyd George's proposed settlement of the Adriatic question which has been submitted to the Jugo-Slavs. The newspap .. says that an identical memorandum was delivered to the British for eign office in London.

The Temps says President Wilson allowed it to be understood that the to continue in conference if the allies settle the Adriatic question without consulting the United States.

In his memorandum President Wilson criticises Premier Lloyd George's plan as communicated to the Jugo-Slava by the Supreme Council on January 20, The President examined the plan, but declares he cannot approve of its ten-He particularly opposes the idea which consists of giving the Jugo-Shys the caoice between this plan and execution pure and simple of the London part.
In addition, according to the Temps,

the President finds the Lloyd George plan too divergent from the memorandum drawn up at London last December by Premier Lloyd George and Clemenceau, with the collaboration of the American representative. The President is is said gives it to be understood that if the allied powers settle the Adriatic problem without con-sulting the United States government the United States will find it impossible

concern itself in European affairs. The memorandum was immediately examined by the chiefs of the allied governments before the French Premier left London for Paris this morning.

#### NO CONFIRMATION OF REPORT AT WHITE HOUSE

Washington, Feb. 15,-White House officials tonight refused to discuss statement of the Paris Temps that President Wilson in memoranda to the disapproved the latest proposal for lem. There was neither confirmation or denial that the position of the Unit-There was no indication of the exact ed States again had been laid before the

Granting that such memoranda as recontain recommendations to Congress ported by the Temps had been dispatched, other officials interpreted the step as designed to bring to a head the nego ritory, which have been dragging along

Disapproval of the most recent proposal, which was advanced by Premier Lloyd George and contemplated the making of Fiume a free city under the League of Nations and awarding to Italy as a recompense a strip of terri-tory toward the south from Tieste, it was said, would be entirely in line with the stand taken by President Wilson at Paris that Fiume should be awarded to the Jugo-Slavs. This position, it has been stated, is the only one which Mr. Wilson considers is in accordance with

#### PREMIERS DRAFT REPLY TO WIESON MEMORANDUM.

Paris, Feb. 15 .- (By The Associated Press.)-The Premiers have drafted a reply to President Wilson's note on the Adriatic question, which will be transmitted through the ambassadors at London and Paris, according to a member of Premier Millerand's staff who arrived in Paris tonight.

The contents of the reply will not be made public until after it is received by the President of the United States. However, another delay in the Adriatic settlement as a consequence of the eident is foreseen in French official

RESIGNS FROM GOVERNMENT.

Belgrade, Jugo-Slavia, Saturday, Peb. Chairman Payne, of the board, to 14.—The cabinet, headed by Premier night adhered to his plan to receive the Liouba Davidovitch, resigned today, highest bids obtainable for the vessels owing to the refusal of Prince Regent Alexander to dissolve the present provisional national representation continuation of any sales. The chair- order elections for a national constituent assembly.