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Bruselas 18 de Octubre de 1923

Estimado Señor Presidente y amigo.

Considero deber pasar a V.E. una comunicacion personal relativa a la actuacion del Uruguay en el Consejo y en la IV Asamblea de la Sociedad de las Naciones:

Las actividades del Consejo puede decirse que estuvieron esta vez absorbidas, totalmente, por el conflicto italo-griego. Este incidente internacional, en cierto momento, vino hasta a poner en peligro el prestigio y la existencia misma de la Liga. Felizmente la actitud de prudencia del Consejo y la colaboracion que se prestó a la Conferencia de Embajadores, determinaron una reaccion que permitió a la Sociedad de las Naciones salvar su autoridad.

Quedan, ahora, por resolverse, mas definitivamente, las cuestiones juriditas de competencia y con este motivo se reanudarán, sin duda, las discusiones sobre el carácter y la naturaleza del nuevo organismo internacional creado por el tratado de Versalles.

Hay fuertes intereses internacionales en juego que tienden a circunscribir la esfera de acción de la Sociedad de las Naciones. Los pueblos hoy dia mas fuertes de Europa no pueden conciliar esos intereses con las atribuciones de una en-

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tividad destinada a pronunciarse por arriba de la política particular de cada Estado. Existe una oposición formal á permitir que los conflictos se internacionalicen.

Por otra parte las naciones mas débiles consideran que las prescripciones del Pacto constituyen el medio apropiado de aplicar el derecho y la justicia en el estado actual del mundo.

No es preciso olvidar, sin embargo, que mientras la Sociedad de las Naciones carezca de los medios necesarios para hacer ejecutar sus decisiones nos encontraremos frente a fallos sin sanciones por lo menos hasta el momento en que el cesarme de los pueblos ~~///~~ sea una realidad.

Entiendo que el Uruguay debe mantenerse dentro de las tendencias que aspiran a ver consolidarse en el futuro la autoridad de la Liga, y sostener que en el periodo actual de ese organismo, todavía en formación, lo que no puede ni debe negarse, en caso alguno, es su poder moral de cooperación y de colaboración internacionales para afirmar la paz y la concordia entre los pueblos.

Relativamente al Pacto de Asistencia Mútua que ha interesado, especialmente, á nuestro Gobierno en lo que concierne á la defensa de la neutralidad uruguaya en el caso de posibles conflictos armados entre nuestros vecinos, todo él ha sido confiado, nuevamente, á estudio de los Estados miembros de la Sociedad. Tendrán V. E. y los Ministerios competentes la oportunidad necesaria para someter á

la Asamblea próxima las observaciones que se consideren del caso.

Lord Robert Cecil, que fué el autor del proyecto primitivo, mantuvo conmigo algunas conversaciones privadas sobre el particular. Sometí á su consideración la situación especialísima en que se encuentra la República. Le hice ver que el deseo sincero y fundamental del Uruguay es, dentro de lo posible, el de vivir en paz y entregado al trabajo; pero con el más vivo sentimiento de mantener su independencia y la integridad inviolada de su territorio.

Me ha parecido de interés, á este respecto, que V. E. esté informado que, en una de esas conversaciones, el representante de la Gran Bretaña hizo presente que no debía excluirse para casos como el nuestro, la posibilidad de la ayuda naval de las grandes potencias europeas.

Esta observación, dado su origen, creo debe tomarse en seria consideración en todo cuanto ella sea conciliable con las interpretaciones que se han dado al artículo 10 del Pacto, así como con la redacción ulterior y definitiva del Proyecto de Asistencia Mútua.

Respecto de nuestra posición en el Consejo ella puede darnos oportunidades notorias de afirmar los principios de justicia y de derecho público á que deben aspirar los pequeños países.

Sin embargo, y muy especialmente, debido á la circunstancia de vivir alejados del candente escenario en que se desarrollan, hoy día, los más graves sucesos de la vida internacional, nuestra actitud debe hallarse siempre inspirada por normas elementales de discreción y de prudencia.

Hay dos grandes orientaciones políticas que dominan en el seno de esa corporación: la de Francia y la de Inglaterra. Toda vez que nos sea posi-

-ble seguir una conducta de conciliación y de justo medio entre ellas, podremos ser útiles á ambas partes y á nosotros mismos.

Pero tambien entiendo que, en cualquier extremo difícil, nuestra opinión y nuestro voto deben inclinarse del lado de los principios y de la reglas jurídicas establecidas en el pacto mismo. El buen concepto moral que ya se tiene de nuestro País no podrá, en esa forma, más que vigorizarse y acrecentarse.

Me parece fácil que procediendo así haya interés, en las diferentes tendencias que dividen á la Asamblea, en apoyarnos con la misma eficacia con que lo hicieron este año, en elecciones sucesivas.

No le oculto que las aspiraciones de otros países de América por ir al Consejo, son intensas y que buscará de aprovecharse cualquier yerro de nuestra parte, para sustituirnos. Me permito pues aconsejar que nuestros representantes en el Consejo deben pesar, muy seriamente, su conducta y actitudes de acuerdo con las instrucciones que le dará, en cada caso, el Gobierno de Vuestra Excelencia.

Puedo, con verdadera satisfacción, hacer notar á V. E. que el Uruguay es objeto, hoy día, en el extranjero, de un alto aprecio moral y que los hechos han venido á probar esta aserción consagrándose nuestra eleccion con un concurso de votos muy superior al alcanzado por los demás países elegidos. Enviaré al Exmo Sr Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores detalles más extensos de todo lo obrado. Vuestra Excelencia tendrá en esos informes los elementos necesarios para completar esta suscinta exposición previa.

Cúmpleme aprovechar esta oportunidad para saludar al Señor Presidente y

amigo con mi más alta y distinguida consideración.

Alberto Vignani

A Su Excelencia el Sr Ingeniero Don José Serrato

Presidente de la República

Montevideo

N. S. In addition to my lines, presented to
you the expression made by Lord Robert
Ceil in the Conference of the Dominions
British as far as he uttered in kind, uni-
tamente, solo los actos de la Ley.
V. C. debería la franca adhesión a la
Unión de Naciones expuesta, a una
profundidad, por los representantes en Cana-
da, de Australia, de Nueva Zelanda,
del Africa en Sud y de Irlanda.

He aquí, igualmente, un párrafo
sobre el mismo asunto del día de hoy, pre-
sente por el Presidente de la República Fran-
cesa M. Millerand.

Del discurso pronunciado en Lorena el 14 de Octubre
por el Presidente de la Republica Francesa M.
Millerand :

|| La Société des nations, dont la France se fait honneur d'avoir, il y a des siècles, émis l'idée première, ne constitue pas seulement une promesse. Sa courte existence lui a permis déjà, au travers de heurts inévitables, de justifier sa création par ses bienfaits. Elle ne pourrait être compromise que par l'erreur de doctrinaires qui, n'apercevant qu'une face de la réalité, oublieraient la condition substantielle de sa prospérité impliquée dans son

une même.

Qui dit Société des nations dit nations. Les nouveaux Etats ont pour souci capital de se stabiliser, de se donner les institutions et les cadres indispensables à leur établissement. La sécurité extérieure est leur premier besoin.

Ils savent que la France, qui a pour loi le respect des traités, ne permettrait pas que fût troublé l'ordre créé par la victoire. Pour exercer son action, elle jouit — il est permis même à des Français de le constater — d'un prestige qu'elle doit moins encore à sa puissance matérielle qu'à son autorité morale. Elle n'a attendu et obtenu du succès de ses armes que la rentrée au giron maternel de ceux de ses enfants que la force en avait arrachés. Elle ne réclame que son dû.

Son souhait fervent est de resserrer les liens d'amitié et d'alliance noués par le péril commun avec des peuples dont elle n'oubliera jamais les sacrifices.

Le peuple français est un honnête homme. ||

Sporting News.

RACING.

MUMTAAZ MAHAL BEATEN.

AN EXCITING RACE.

Mumtaz Mahal was beaten in the Imperial Produce Plate, run over a distance of six furlongs, at Kempton Park yesterday by Mr. Anthony de Rothschild's colt Arcade by half a length. Tipphosa was asked.

Such are the bare facts of a most sensational affair. No two-year-old since the Tetrarch, the sire of Mumtaz Mahal, has made such a name for herself as this spotted grey filly out of Lady Josephine.

Before the race was begun there was an ominous note in the market. It was presumed that Mumtaz Mahal would not be at very long odds, but such was not the case, and at one time as little as 5 to 2 was asked about her chance.

Such odds invited speculation, and at the start her price was 9 to 2 on. At Doncaster she had started at 100 to 8 on. The only other runner to get a quotation was Arcade, at 100 to 9 against, at which odds he was supported quite freely.

In each of her previous races Mumtaz Mahal has left her opponents standing still so soon as the tapes were released. Yesterday she jumped on in front, but only just in front. At the end of a furlong she was still only just in front, and the wonderful dash which everyone anticipated never came.

However, she appeared to be going so good and so comfortably that most people thought that she would come away just as soon as her jockey, Hulme, asked her to do so. At the end of four furlongs she was only about a length in front of Tipphosa, with Arcade close up.

The other runners were a long way behind. Tipphosa was beaten at the end of the fifth furlong and Childs sat down and rode Arcade with determination. Mumtaz Mahal was still in front, but not coming away in her old style. Arcade reached her quarters, her girth, and then got to her head. Hulme began to ride in earnest.

It was obvious that a most unexpected catastrophe might occur. Mumtaz Mahal, for the first time in her life, showed the whip, but she could go no faster, and Childs, answering most pluckily all the demands on him, forced himself into the lead, and the two colts whom we had all believed invincible were beaten!

So far as I can see there is only one comment to be made on her defeat. Mumtaz Mahal does not stay. The very heavy going which she experienced yesterday made the six furlongs over which the race was run fall on her very heavily.

Her conqueror, Arcade, if he is not suffered in any way from this race, may show in time that what the filly accomplished was a fine performance, for I am convinced that he is a colt of exceptional promise who may not be at his best for perhaps another year.

KEMPTON PARK PROGRAMME.

Table of race results for Kempton Park, including Royal Sport, Mumtaz Mahal, and other races.

HAYDOCK PARK MEETING.

BAYDON'S EXCELLENT WIN.

In spite of the wretched weather and the counter-attraction of Kempton Park there was a fairly good attendance at Haydock Park yesterday. Rain fell during the running of the first race, and although it stopped for a while, it always was cold and showery.

Fast Colour justified the statements as to his improvement by winning the Maiden Plate by a neck. Fast Colour led practically all the way, but had her work cut out to beat off the challenge of another fancied horse, Or. The third horse, Tropical, was only a short head farther behind. There was an objection to the winner for boring, but it was overruled.

The October Handicap over a mile and a quarter was won well by Baydon, who, like Irish Bell, started at 5 to 1. Elundy was supported in fact at 5 to 2, and on entering the straight had taken the lead, but the big Roger de Coverly was however, raced up into the front about three furlongs from the finish and eventually Baydon went through the field and won by three-quarters of a length from Elundy.

For the rest, Crush beat a field of twelve in the Craybrook Handicap. He all the more fancied animals failed to get a place, while Crush won easily by six lengths, and at the comfortable price of 8 to 1. In the Ashton Sweepstakes, on the other hand, the favourite, Unai beat Celtic Mist by four lengths, with Whitebread a neck behind.

TO-DAY'S PROSPECTS.

SATURDAY HANDICAP (7.15).—O'Sullivan's Selected may win this open race. The Craybrook Handicap (8.15).—Cient looks a comfortable handicap, and may well show and should improve upon recent form. John Wallop also looks to have a fair chance.

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THE ENGLISH LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

Miss J. Wethered beat Mrs. T. A. Lodge in the final round of the English Ladies' Championship over 36 holes at Ganton yesterday by 8 holes up and 7 to play.

Those who expected to see a hard fight between Miss Wethered and her new challenger yesterday were disappointed, for though Mrs. Lodge twice held the lead during the first nine holes, she was 4 down at luncheon, and she lost the first three holes of the second round. It is a feature of Miss Wethered's play that she frequently begins a championship a little below form, gradually working herself up until in the end her game is almost demoralized.

On this occasion she gave of her best, but she did not quite maintain her high standard. Even so she always yesterday did not quite maintain her high standard. Even so she always yesterday did not quite maintain her high standard.

Those who now hit the rubber-core farthest will also hit the guttie farthest, nor will they be any more at sea as to what is the right club to take for the approach shot. They know that the guttie ball will not go so far as the rubber-core, and takes more coxing into the air, and is there, I imagine, really much more to know. It seems to me, therefore, that the match, apart from its value as an experiment, will simply be one between a number of middle-aged gentlemen and a number of young ones. If it is a fine day it will be most excellent fun and, whatever the day, my money is on youth!

The last time the guttie was publicly tried was some little while before the match with Lady Lodge. There was a four-ball match over which Miss Vardon and Duncan against Taylor and Braid. In the morning Taylor and Braid played with the guttie and Vardon and Duncan with the rubber-core, and vice-versa in the afternoon. The match was a curious one. Vardon and Duncan were five up at lunch. In the afternoon Taylor and Braid were 11 holes in the lead, and Miss Wethered was 47 and Mrs. Lodge was 47 and Mrs. Lodge was 47 and Mrs. Lodge was 47.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD LADIES' MEETING.

A Ladies' Open Meeting was held on the Bishop's Stortford course yesterday in very unpleasant weather. The results were:—Senior Division—Stortford—Mrs. E. C. Little, 66-20-18. Second Division—Mrs. E. C. Little, 66-20-18. Third Division—Mrs. E. C. Little, 66-20-18.

RETURN OF MISS C. LEITCH.

Miss Cecil Leitch will make her reappearance in competitive golf at Reclach on October 16, when the Eve Ladies' Foursome Tournament will be begun. She will be partnered by Miss E. Grant-Smith, and other interesting partners are Miss Wethered and Mrs. Oldham.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

The Inter-Club Championship of the Lancashire Ladies' County Club was won by Formby at Ormskirk yesterday with an aggregate of 300 for the best four scratch scores.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

ASBORN Athletic Club—Training Run, Hare and Harewood Heath. Bury Athletic Club—Training Run, St. John's Hill. Burnley Athletic Club—Training Run, Burnley Heath.

BOXING.

New York, Oct. 11.—Harry Willis knocked out Homer Smith in the second round of a 15-round boxing contest here this evening. Smith's claim to fame hitherto was the fact that he lasted through ten rounds with Luis Firpo, the Argentine heavy-weight, who floored him 10 times without knocking him out. Similarly, to-night Smith took numerous counts in both rounds, and after he had been finally counted out he rose and walked unaided out of the ring.—Reuter.

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Montevideo, Noviembre 8 de 1923.

Señor Doctor Alberto Guani,
Enviado Extraordinario y Ministro Plenipotenciario
de la República en Bélgica.
Bruselas

Estimado amigo:

Me es grato acusar recibo de su nota confidencial del 18 de Octubre pasado.

La valiosa información que ella contiene y mucho agradezco, demuestra el celo y la inteligencia con que Vd. ha desempeñado su misión en el Congreso de Ginebra, con evidente beneficio para el concepto moral del país, que estamos en el deber de contemplar en todo momento.

Lo saluda su affmo. y SS.

Firmada - José Serrate
