

Late News

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S SON AND DAUGHTER

LONDON, April 13.

Mr. Lloyd George's son and daughter, Major Gwilyn and Miss Megan Lloyd George, deny the recent reports that they are joining the Labour Party.—Reuter.

PARIS CIVIL SERVANTS' STRIKE

PARIS, April 13.

The patience of the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs was exhausted by the daily hullabaloo at the Central Telegraph Office between 12 noon and 1 p.m., the so-called hour of strike to protest against the salary cuts. The Minister ordered that it must cease and demanded the names of the ring-leaders for punishment.—(Special Cable).

CAPTURE OF DESERT OUTLAW

JERUSALAM, April 13.

The terrorised Palestinian countryside has been relieved by the capture of the notorious desert desperado, **Abu Jildeh**, a walking arsenal carrying rifles, revolvers and a huge quantity of ammunition, who had shown that he would not be caught alive. Wireless, specially imported police dogs and police disguised as Arabs were among the devices employed to capture **Jildeh**, who was wanted in connection with 17 murders. British officers heading the local police finally tracked the bandit's cave and caught him alive after strategic skirmishes.—(Special Cable)

FRENCH COLONIAL ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

PARIS, April 13.

Foreign competition, particularly Japanese advance in Africa, relaxation of quotas as applied to the Colonies and an increase in Colonial production are among the subjects to be considered by the French Colonial Economic Conference, which the Doumergue Government, reviving the proposals projected two years ago, has decided to convene. A committee has been appointed to draw up the agenda and arrange other details.

The value of France's Colonial trade steadily increased in the past decade and it is contended that with the exception of petroleum there are few products for which France need depend on foreign countries, if the resources of her Empire are fully developed.—Reuter.

INDO-IRISH TALKS

LONDON, April 13.

To-day's meeting of the Indo-Irish trade negotiators agreed to adjourn to give the two delegations an opportunity to refer certain matters to their Governments. The discussions will be resumed at the earliest practicable date.—Reuter.

BRITISH SHIPPING

LONDON, April 13.

The shipping industry is being crucified on the cross of quotas and restrictions, declared Lord Essendon at the general meeting of the Royal Mail Lines the whole of whose profit of £410,000 is being devoted to the depreciation of the fleet and £43,000 from the share premium as reserve.

Lord Essendon announced the interesting decision to replace diesel engines by turbines in the steamers "Asturias" and "Acanthara" this year.—(Special Cable).