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OIL LEASE REPEAL SOUGHT THIS WEEK

France Has No Designs on Germany

So Declares Poincare in Exchange of Notes With English Premier, Noteworthy Settlement No Nearer

By Associated Press. London, March 2.—The new labor prime minister, in his desire to create a more favorable atmosphere for the initiation of negotiations which he hopes may result from labor's two expert committees now sitting in Paris, and also probably with the coming French elections in mind, has had a further exchange of letters with the French premier, M. Poincare, the texts of which were issued from the foreign offices at Paris and London tonight.

This correspondence is noteworthy on Premier Macdonald's side for his extreme frankness in stating the British viewpoint and his opinions on the policy France had pursued since the war. Never before, not even in the famous Curzon dispatch, which expressed the British view that the occupation of the Ruhr was illegal, has British suspicion of French action and motives been so candidly stated. And the fact that M. Poincare in his rejoinder takes no umbrage at this frankness—so now in European diplomacy—is in itself considered a most favorable sign, although M. Poincare's letter is little more than a repetition of his many speeches on the same subject.

Wants U. S. In. Neither of the premiers will make any attempt to formulate a concrete proposal until the expert committees have reported. Mr. Macdonald again shows that his main hope is to attain such a state of affairs in Europe as should induce the United States to co-operate in the reconstruction of Europe.

M. Poincare repudiates any design to annex German territory and, concerning British suspicions of French motives in giving military assistance to the little entente countries, declares that the French aims are absolutely peaceful and he desires only that England should co-operate with the same group of countries for the purpose of maintaining peace in Europe. M. Poincare seems to think that it will be a long time before the committees are able to present their reports. In the meantime, he re-echoes most of the British prime minister's aspirations for co-operation by the two countries in the interests of a just settlement and on the whole, the correspondence, although it does not materially advance, certainly does not diminish the chances of an ultimate settlement.

Seeks Better Understanding. Premier Macdonald's letter to M. Poincare, which is dated February 21, says that encouraged by the friendly nature of M. Poincare's reply to his former letter, he desires to prepare the way for a more complete mutual understanding by an unreserved recital of "the difficulties with which I am faced and the manner in which I myself envisage the situation."

He does not desire to enter into details or advance specific proposals, but explains that: "My present purpose is to make clear to you that to my mind, the difficulties and alterations of the past were in most cases not wholly unavoidable and to assure you of my readiness to re-examine the whole problem in its larger outlines and more essential elements."

Death Toll Is Now 18 of TNT Explosion

New Brunswick, N. J., March 2.—The number of known dead as a result of yesterday's disastrous TNT explosion and celluloid fire at the Little town of Nixon today was placed at 18. Only one additional body, the torso of a woman, was found today. Rescuers who worked in the smoking ruins throughout the day said eight persons are missing, six are unaccounted for and 60 are being treated for injuries suffered in the disaster.

Germany Makes Plans to Extend Foreign Trade

Commercial Treaties With Czech-Slovakia Completed; Agreement Reached With England.

By Universal Service. Berlin, March 2.—Important state and private international commercial treaties were concluded the last week. An agreement between Germany and Czech-Slovakia regulates commercial relations on the basis of the "most favored nation clause," with preference duties. Germany chiefly reduces the duties on automobiles, agricultural machinery, paper, cutlery, tiles, phonographic plates, malt and hops, and besides, grants low freight rates from Czech-Slovakia to Hamburg and Bremen.

Forty per cent of the total imports into Czech-Slovakia came from Germany, this at present amounting to only 14 per cent of the total German exports. The Anglo-German agreement settles the 26 per cent reparations duty. On February 26, it was deducted to 6 per cent for German goods imported into England. As a result of the reduction in tax, German exports to England should increase.

Platte Flood Waters Rising

Trouble Anticipated by Middle of Week When Ice Expected to Go Out.

Repairs to Alaskan Cable Will Be Started on May 1

Washington, March 2.—Work will be started May 1 on repairs to the antiquated cable system serving Alaska. It was announced today Army and navy are co-operating in laying new sections bought in England.

Rooster, Bereaved of Mate, Now Mothering Family of Chickens

Washington, March 2.—A paragon among roosters has been discovered at Silver Springs, Md., near this city. Recently his mate met her end under an automobile while engaged in the classic occupation of crossing a road. Most gentlemen of the gallantuous tribe would promptly have picked another spouse and continued strutting and crowing.

Uncle Joe Keeps Abreast of the Times



Danville, Ill.—Joseph G. Cannon, one time speaker of the house of representatives, is seen in his home in Danville, Ill.—to which he has retired after his two score years of stormy public life—listening in on the radio set recently presented to him by his admiring fellow townsmen.

"Ain't Nature Wonderful"

By Uncle Pete. NEILL, Neb., March 2.—Doc Wilkinson of Beaver Flats will perform no more gland transplantation operations on animals, except at the owner's risk until scientific research has determined more definitely just what characteristics may be transmitted by such transfer.

McAdoo Replies to Reed Attack

Says Opponent Disregarding Truth "Because I Wouldn't Stay Out of Missouri." St. Louis, March 2.—William G. McAdoo of Los Angeles, in his campaign for the democratic presidential nomination, tonight replied to attacks by Senator James A. Reed, denouncing his Missouri opponent in the presidential race as a man "who resorts to the most glaring disregard for the truth in his personal attack on me because I would not stay out of Missouri."

Cortland Wins Gage County Cage Title

Beatrice, Neb., March 2.—The Cortland High school basketball team won from Filley by a 14 to 12 score in the final game of the Gage county invitation tournament held at Cortland, Neb., February 28, 29 and March 1, depositing the title-holders for the past two years and winning its first county championship.

Aviatrix Is Killed in Fall of 1,200 Feet

San Antonio, Tex., March 2.—Mrs. Bertha Horchem, member of an air circus, was instantly killed this afternoon at the municipal flying field here, when the left wing of her plane crumpled as she went into a loop at 1,200 feet.

Golf Makes Headway as National Pastime in Japan

New York, March 2.—Golf is making rapid headway as a national pastime in Japan, according to word reaching the United States Golf association. As a result of recent requests, the association has forwarded information to aid in the formation of a national Japanese organization of golf clubs, as well as details for the construction of a model links near Tokio to serve as a guide for the development of other courses.

Two Army Flyers Injured as Ship Falls Into Water

Substitute Bill on Immigration to Be Introduced

Only So Many Aliens as Can Be Assimilated Wholesomely to Be Admitted Under Plan of Dr. Gulick.

By Universal Service. Washington, March 2.—Opposition to the Johnson selective immigration bill turned today to the senate, where it is planned to have a substitute measure introduced. Dr. Sydney L. Gulick, secretary of the commission on international justice and good will of the Federal Council of Churches, presented to Senator Colt, Rhode Island, chairman of the senate committee on immigration, a constructive plan approved by his organization. The fundamental principles of the new plan as regards admissibility of aliens are these:

Dry Worker Raps 50 Wet Solons

"Bungstarters" Name Applied to Congressmen Who Would Legalize Beer Sales.

By Universal Service. Washington, March 2.—Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel for the Anti-Saloon league, today lashed a shaft at the 50 members of the house of representatives who have signed to legalize the production and sale of 2.75 per cent beer.

Omaha Asked to Make Good C. of C. Pledge

Omaha is asked to raise \$3,950 to make good the pledge of the agricultural committee of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce to representatives of the Central Nebraska Supplemental Water association, operating in Phelps, Kearney and Adams counties.

Executive Secretary of Community Chest

F. D. Preston, formerly executive secretary of the Fort Wayne Council of Social Agencies, Fort Wayne, Ind., has been selected as executive secretary of the Omaha Welfare Federation and Community Chest. It was announced today.

Forgetting Her Marital Cares



Miami, Fla.—The above photo is the largest and most exclusive picture of Mrs. Nina Wilcox Putnam, the novelist, who was the central figure in the recent tangle involving her chauffeur-business manager. This photograph was taken recently on the beach here, where the novelist is sojourning.

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Coolidge's Aides Are Attacked by Johnson

Washington, March 2.—President Coolidge's supporters were charged directly tonight by Senator Hiram Johnson of California with the responsibility for the placing of a man named Hiram Johnston on the primary ballot in Michigan as a candidate for president.

Liquor Seizures Show Big Increase in Year

Washington, March 2.—Arrests and seizure of property for infractions of the prohibition law increased in 1923, according to statistics given out today by acting Commissioner James E. Jones.

Action to Halt Flow to Be Taken

Atlee Pomerene to Have Charge of Civil Proceedings Against California and Wyoming Reserves.

Inquiry Reopens Tuesday

Washington, March 2.—The senate committee investigating the naval oil leases will be reinforced this week by the special Brookhart committee to inquire into Attorney General Daugherty's conduct of the Department of Justice. Under the auspices of the two committees, a double assault will be made upon the executive branch of the government as managed by the Harding-Coolidge cabinet.

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Schriebam Stars on Church Cage Team

One of the flashiest of diminutive cage stars on the Omaha courts is Leo Schriebam, star forward for the Y. M. H. A. Juniors, leaders in the Sunday School Heavyweight league at the Y. M. C. A.

French Golf Dates

New York, March 2.—Dates for the 1924 French golf championship have been fixed as follows: Open, at La Bouille, July 1 and 2; amateur, at La Bouille, week of July 3; women's, at Le Touquet, week of July 7.

Ebbets to Buy Gonzales

Clearwater, Fla., March 2.—Charles H. Ebbets announced yesterday that he had agreed to purchase catcher Gonzales from the St. Paul club, through "Garry" Herrmann of Cincinnati for \$10,000.

Table with 2 columns: Hour and Temperature. Shows temperatures for various hours of the day.

Table with 2 columns: Precipitation and Wind. Shows weather conditions for the day.