

STRONG POLAND NEEDED TO KEEP RUSSIA IN LEASH Germany Not Yet Beaten in East and Has Designs Upon Russia, Declares Premier Paderewski.

Warsaw, March 21.—Germany, although defeated in the west, is not yet beaten in the east, and if its aims in that part of Europe are to be frustrated and there is to be peace, there must be a strong Poland, Jan. 19, declared today.

In outlining the present situation of Poland and its relation to the whole European question, Premier Paderewski said:

"The importance to the peace of Europe of a strong and united Poland cannot be exaggerated. Germany made war not for honor and ideals, but for markets and raw materials. The war has not yet been won. Germany is ready to acknowledge itself beaten in the west, but not in the east.

Want Raw Materials. The same men who organized the present war count on reorganizing Russia in their own interests. If they do so they will have an endless supply of labor and raw material. In addition to wheat, they will have cotton from Turkestan, oil and great lumber supplies from the forests of Russia and immense coal and iron deposits, to say nothing of gold, platinum and other minerals.

Protect Civilization. From time immemorial it has been the task of Poland to protect civilization from the hordes of Asia. Organized by Germany they would be a machine to crush democratic civilization. This Germany would do by breaking the standard of living of the western people.

Need Coal Land. Upper Silesia is even more Polish than Posen. It will be the center of our iron industry. It is a pity that it is not Polish. Slovaks have attempted to deprive us of the Tschachen region, which is inhabited in great part by Poles.

Holdrege to Continue to Be Driest of State Cities. Holdrege, Neb., March 21.—(Special.)—At the caucus held by the prohibition party of the city of Holdrege, Monday evening, the outgoing city officers were renominated.

Three Candidates for Mayor. Wymore, Neb., March 21.—(Special.)—Three candidates have entered the race for mayor of Wymore at the spring municipal election. They are George Currie, present mayor; Charles Hansen, present city clerk; and M. L. Rawlings. The latter has served three terms as mayor and is after the office for a fourth time.

One Lone Man Blocks Plan of Brick Makers to Drop Price

Brick Manufacturers Deny Rumor That Price of \$15.50 Will Drop \$3; Quotation in East Reduced From \$1 to \$2 on Face Brick During the Past Week, Is Statement.

Eastern manufacturers have in the past week dropped \$1 and \$2 from the price of face brick, which sells at \$25, according to D. B. Porter of the Twin City Brick company. "The reduction was made only by manufacturers who had been operating on a war basis on government contracts. These factories were not forced to suspend business and so have not the losses to contend with that Omaha manufacturers have borne during the war," he said.

Brick manufacturers deny the current rumor that the price of common brick, now quoted at \$15.50, is scheduled to drop \$3 per thousand. The cost at the yards is \$13.50, with a 50-cent discount if paid by the 10th of the next month. "It can't be done," they chorus.

The story current in business circles is that all brick manufacturers, with the exception of one man, said to be the largest manufacturer in Omaha, agreed to the above reduction, if the action was general. The one manufacturer blocks the plan, according to builders' gossip.

Admits Price Too High. One brick dealer, out of eight interviewed by The Bee, admitted the price of brick was too high. He is manager of one of the largest brick yards in Omaha.

YANKS DEFEAT ENEMY PATROLS ON DVINA FRONT

Thaws Soon Will Stop Land Fighting and Bolsheviki Will Have Advantage When Rivers Open.

Archangel, March 21.—Patrol activity has increased considerably along the Volgoda railway and on the Dvina front. On both sectors the bolsheviki have been defeated by the American and allied troops.

Ukrainians Resume Offensive. Berne, March 21.—The Ukrainian forces of General Petlura have suddenly resumed the offensive, according to advices to the Swiss telegraph agency from Proskuroff, the seat of the Petlura government. The position of the bolsheviki in the Ukraine is declared to be critical.

business. The owner does not share my views," he replied. Ralph De Long of the Standard Brick company, scored Omaha realtors who had initiated the revolt against high prices of building materials.

Means Big Investment. "Any man can buy a \$25 desk and chair and rent office space and set up in the real estate business. He doesn't have to invest one penny. Brick and lumber dealers have huge investments in their yards and plants on which they must realize adequate returns. A 33 per cent profit in our line of business is not too much," he said.

McCauffrey Bros. quoted a price of \$15.25 net. "No drop in prices can be considered," the manager said, "because the company had not done business for such a long time that it would have to make up for losses now."

NEUTRALS WANT 8 MEMBERS IN LEAGUE COUNCIL

Amendment to Covenant by Switzerland Safeguards National Sovereignty and Monroe Doctrine.

Paris, March 21.—The representatives of the neutral states concluded their examination of the final articles of the league of nations covenant this afternoon. Lord Robert Cecil, chairman, thanked the delegates for the drafts submitted by them which, he said, had greatly facilitated the work of the conference.

Former Bureau Head Dies. Lexington, Ky., March 21.—Claude M. Johnson, aged 66, chief of the federal department bureau of printing and engraving at Washington under the first Cleveland administration, later United States Indian agent for Arizona, died this afternoon. He was author of books on civil government.

Hitchcock to Quit Golf and Talk League of Nations

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LOWER PRICES FOR STEEL AND IRON ARE FIXED

New Schedules Announced in Pursuance of Agreement Reached to Stabilize Market for Year.

Washington, March 21.—Complete schedules of new prices for steel and iron products agreed upon by representatives of the steel industry and the industrial board of the Department of Commerce were announced today after members of the board had conferred with Attorney General Palmer. The announcement was taken as an indication that efforts to reduce and stabilize prices through agreement with producers would not be opposed by the Department of Justice.

Steel men, who in joint conference with the board framed the new schedule, before leaving Washington yesterday, said it was understood that the question of price agreements was to be laid before the attorney general. Chairman Peek of the board, however, after the visit to Mr. Palmer's office said the board had "merely paid a social call on the new attorney general."

Building Materials Manufacturers Deny Profiteering Charge

Chicago, March 21.—Witnesses examined today at the opening session of the legislative commission's inquiry into the high cost of building material declared that increased cost of production was responsible for the present prices which it is charged are delaying a resumption of construction work of all kind.

Origin of "Sleeping Sickness" Unknown, Says Dr. Flexner

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AT THE THEATERS

THERE'S a big welcome awaiting Lew Kelly here in Omaha and he will begin receiving it this afternoon at the Gayety, where he will be found twice daily for the coming week.

William Stowell, who plays opposite Dorothy Phillips in "The Heart of Humanity," now at the Brandeis, studied aviation in order to make his part realistic. He actually rides in the airplane and drops bombs.

Montagu Love, who has just finished an all-star picture, "The Price of Doubt," was compelled to refuse a very flattering offer from a well known producer to appear in an all-star revival of Piner's "Iris," which is scheduled for a spring season at a prominent New York theater.

Bladys Brockwell is engaged in making what is declared to be the biggest picture of her career. The picture is being directed by Frank Beal, who staged "The Danger Zone," more than two months ago, he has been making an exhaustive search for material for the new Brockwell play.

Stan and Mae Laurel, appearing at the Empress for the last times today, keep the audiences laughing with their comedy antics and burlesque dramatics in their offering "Mother to Guide Them."

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Senate Committee Puts in Time Working on Code Bill

Lincoln, Neb., March 21.—(Special.)—The senate ground along in committee of the whole in whipping the code administrative bill into shape. Nearly 130 pages of the bill were covered in the committee of the whole in the morning.

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FLASHES FROM FILMLAND

On the Screen Today

BRANDIS—DOROTHY PHILLIPS in "THE HEART OF HUMANITY"; RIALTO—ETHEL CLAYTON in "MAGGIE PEPPER"; EMPRESS—GLADYS LESLIE in "NEVER SAY QUIT"; STRAND—D. W. GRIFITH'S "ROMANCE OF HAPPY VALLEY"; MUSE—WILLIAM FARNUM in "THE RAINBOW TRAIL";

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UKRAINIANS AND POLES ORDERED TO REST ON ARMS

Paris, March 21.—(Havas.)—The allied supreme council has sent a wireless message to General Paelenko of the Polish forces and another to General Rozwadowski of the Ukrainian army, enjoining both commanders to cause a suspension of hostilities by their forces on the Lemberg front immediately.

AMUSEMENTS

BOYD TONITE UNTIL MONDAY

Supremum

EMPIRESS

Gayety

Lamaster Concludes His Testimony in De Bow Case

Lincoln, Neb., March 21.—(Special.)—Hugh Lamaster, attorney of the Nebraska State Railway commission, finished his testimony Friday morning in the case of Don E. De Bow against the members of the commission, in which the plaintiff is asking \$50,000 for damages to his business, claimed to have been sustained through his arrest under the blue sky law.

Lamaster told of the trial of De Bow in the Douglas county court for alleged violation of the blue sky law on the part of the Farmers Oil and Gas company, of which De Bow was general manager.

MUSE William Farnum

RIALTO

BOULEVARD

LOTTHROP

RECKLESS - FEARLESS MARIE WALCAMP

THE RED GLOVE

HERE'S THE BRIGHT SERIAL STORY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

HOTEL FONTENELLE TEA DANCES