Lansing's Clerk Affirms Letter To U.S. Officials

But Refuses to Discuss State Affairs Transacted While He Was With State

The Bee yesterday, J. M. Ostrey former confidential clerk to former Secretary of State Robert Lansing affirmed the statements contained in a letter sent by him to Secretary Tumulty and also to Secretary Colby, Lansing's successor, published yesterday, protesting against treatment accorded him by State department officials.

spread publication of my letters has occurred." he remarked, "as I attempted to adjust all of the differences that arose in the State depart ment, in which I was personally concerned, by taking them up with officials who could rectify them, but as I was rebuffed in every attempt, I then wrote two letters, one to the secretary of the president and the other to Secretary of State

Colby.

These letters I entrusted to a reporter for the New York American, who is dean of the newspaper can, who is deal of the newspaper correspondents at the White House and executive offices, for delivery. I did not ban publication of them at the time, although I requested him to treat them as confidential, which he did to my entire satisfac

Secretary Tunulty was courteous enough to acknowledge receipt of his, with the statement that it would be taken up in the regular channels, which has not been done. The other to Secretary Colby, I never heard from."

the threat of war made to Mexico by Secretary Lansing immediately fol-lowing the kidnaping of W. O. Jen-kins, American consular agent at Puebla, Mexico, which is believed to have figured in the subsequent dismissal of Lansing from the cabinet, Mr. Ostrey added:

'I do not care to discuss that phase of the state affairs with which I am conversant, as it would be a violation of confidences. However, the Tumulty speak for themselves.

department where the greater share of the information that came to me no circumstances, violate any of the confidence reposed in me. That is a

Department.

In a long-distance telephone con-"I am sorry that such wide-

"The letters were delivered, and

Pressed for a statement regarding

"I was in a position in the State was confidential and I would, under

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Why They Like Ice Tennis



Who wouldn't go miles to see an ice-tennis game if all the fair par-ticipants were attired in costumes such as these two devotees of the game are wearing. They are the Misses Beverly Miller and Jose Stewart, who introduced the ice-tennis game at the Boston Arena recently.

he transcribed the note.

Mr. Tumulty, Mr. Ostrey says:

ence until I was summarily

our demands

same office.'

dence in me?

office of former Secretary of State Lansing, from the date of his re-

from that office immediately follow-

ing my transcript of the verbal note

dor by Mr. Kirk, the assistant and

private secretary of Secretary Lansing, in which the ambassador was

advised of our decision to go to war

"Slap at Honesty."

co-worker in the secretary's office:

those that work with you in the

"Is that not an indirect charge of

am presumed to have be-

entitled to know specifically which

trayed? Why should an official of

the government of the United States

from reposing any trust or confi-

of aiding a man in almost success-

fully extracting from the files of the Department of State a letter purport-ed to be addressed by Mr. Martens.

the so-called 'soviet ambassador,'

to the secretary of state. Is that not

a tantamount charge of treason against the United States, adhering

to their enemies, giving them aid and comfort?"

Tumulty Answers Letter.

"Mr. Kirk admitted that he had unwittingly advised the man where

ne could procure the document, be-

lieving him to be an official of the

department, but failed to clear me of

any implication with the affair in his report to the secretary, as well

as Mr. Emery, the acting chief of the

division of foreign intelligence, who

called the man into his office, cross-

examined him, having a stenographer

without the knowledge of the man.

Inquiry at the White House re-

vealed that Mr. Ostrey's letter was

received by Mr. Tumulty and ac-knowledged on October 12, 1920. Of-

ficials there state that Mr. Tumulty informed Mr. Ostrey be would refer

his complaint to the president. The

records show that a few days later

the letter was transmitted to the

At the State department it was

stated that matters of this kind would be referred to Wilbur J. Carr,

in charge of State department per-sonnel. Mr. Carr said he did not re-

member receiving the letter. He added, however, Mr. Ostrey resigned.

Washington, Feb. 24.-Federal

rohibition agents picked from the

Maryland and Ohio forces visited

many hotels here today, arresting

employes, in the first effort on a

large scale to break up the alleged

llicit traffic in whisky carried on at

those places. More than a score of

Thomas E. Stone, supervising fed-

eral revenue agent, who is in charge

of the special force, said his men had seen gathering evidence for two

weeks and had found that large

quantities of colored alcohol of va-

The whole family should read

persons were arrested.

Bee Want Ads.

Raids in Washington

Dry Agents Stage Many

paper, the New York Call."

State department.

"I was also accused by Mr. Kirk

enjoin my friends and co-workers

was confidential clerk in the

Mr. Ostrey says he was not only

matter to be released by former Sec-retary Lausing, if he so desires, but it would be highly improper for me, a subordinate in the department, to give out any additional information on the subject other than that men tioned in my letters which now has become public property.

Seeks Cause for Treatment.

references made to it in my letters! "There was no intention on my to Secretary Colby and Secretary part, in my letters to Mr. Tumulty "There was no intention on my and Mr. Colby, to give any information on the ultimatum to Mexico, other than that I supposed they already had received from Mr. Lansng. My purpose in writing the letters was to ascertain, if possible, why was summarily relieved from the position I had held under Secretary

> 'I was rewarded once for my eforts by a statement from a member the State department that 'even hough I could tell you the reason for the treatment accorded you, I would not be permitted to do so."

ansing, and to further ascertain

why I was being so mistreated by

In State Department. Mr. Ostrey was given an appoint- turn from the Paris peace conferligence immediately following his discharge from an officers' training camp during the war and shortly delivered to the Mexican ambassaafter was transferred to the State department. With the return of Secretary Lansing from the peace conference in Paris Mr. Ostrey was selectd by Secretary Lansing to act as his unless there was compliance with confidential secretary, and as such presided at the numerous confernces between Secretary Lansing mbassadors and envoys of foreign ountries, and also with newspaper

orrespondents. It was while serving in this caacity that Mr. Ostrey received and ranscribed the note threatening war vith Mexico. After the dismissal of Secretary Lansing he continued to act in that capacity during the numerous conferences held by Secreary Colby during the trying period luring which the soviet forces were making their concerted offensive gainst the Poles and during the time hat the question of recognition of

dexico wa-etary Colby. Is Transferred.

While preparing for one of these conferences, Mr. Ostrey stated he was notified that he no longer could report the private conferences of Sec-

Mexico was being considered by Sec-

Shortly after that he was again transferred from the State depart-ment back to the division of foreign intelligence. This apparent demotion caused him to ask for a leave of absence early in August of last year, which was granted. Shortly after te came to Dodge, Neb., to become superintendent of public schools and early in September forwarded his esignation to Secretary Colby and he division of foreign intelligence.

Clothing Manufacturer Is Beaten by Mob Led by Worker

New York, Feo. 24.- Twenty men, take down verbatim the testimony ed by a disgruntled workman and armed with revolvers, blackjacks and Mr. Emery told me the man was nieces of rubber hose, yesterday battered down the door of a women's lothing manufacturing establishment, beat the proprietor into unonsciousness and destroyed valuable machinery, furniture and finished iresses. George Weiser, proprietor of the shop, said he saw the men pproaching and bolted the door. While he telephoned the police staon the crowd forced an entrance and rushed into the factory. The po-lice failed to arrive until after the men made their escape with silks alued at \$2,000.

Weiser swore out a warrant for the arrest of a former employe who he claims instigated the attack.

Heated Debate at Meet of International Socialists

Vienna, Feb. 24.—Delegates to the international socialist conference, ir session here, engaged in a warm de-bate yesterday on "Imperialism and ocial Revolution.

During the day there was read a etter from American socialists sayng their party was not represented t the conference because of the lack of money. The letter also declared here were divergent views among American socialists regarding the adisability of joining the movement.

Burroughs Improved

Pasadena, Cal., Feb. 24.-John Burroughs, naturalist, was further Burroughs, naturalist, was further rious grades, some of it poisonous, improved today, it was stated at a was being sold in some of the hotels. nospital where he went several days ago for a rest and for treatment of an abscess on the chest,

Reorganization Of U.S. Machinery,

Changes in Many Departments and Bureaus in Mind.

St. Augustine, Fla., Feb. 24.—(By The Associated Press.)—As President-elect Harding completes formation of his cabinet he is giving increasing attention to the first big adpresident-the reorganization of the

ding has in mind sweeping changes ternationale of Moscow.

The prosecutor has an manship of the reorganization com- may be tried. mission as a post virtually on a par with a cabinet portfolio.

Congress Aids Plan.

Congress already has created a ommittee to work out a plan for simplification of the executive branch with a view to preventing duplicaclose co-operation with the reorganization agency to be appointed by Mr.

Some mention of the reorganiza-tion project is expected in Mr. Har-ding's inaugural address and it is possible that some enabling legisla-tion may be requested of the special sent to the Treasury department. session of congress that is to meet n April. The first six months of he new administration will see the oreliminary study well under way, though it may be much longer before recommendations can be for-

One of the biggest innovations to be proposed was the establishment of Mexican War Threat a separate department of public welfare, for which Mr. Harding outlined his plans in a general way during the campaign. He contemplates the transfer to this department of several parently assumed was already well within the knowledge of the White of the bureaus now working under other departments, and in addition House, but to make protest against there are to be a number of entirely certain unfair discriminations which, new bureaus to deal with various welhe says, were practiced against him fare problems.

Plan Industrial Board.

mmediately removed from Mr. Lansing's office, but the alleged persecutions against him did not cul-minate until October, 1920, when he declares he was falsely accused of permitting Paul Hanna, Washington correspondent of the New York Call, to gain access to certain files from which he (Hanna) almost obtained a letter written by L. C. K. Martens, soviet mbassador to the United States. In his letter of complaint to

it will be possible, on the other hand, to abolish entirely some of the existing subdivisions of the executive de-

U.S. Machinery,
Plan of Harding

Plan of One suggestion that has been made President-Elect Has Sweeping to the president-elect is that the varius government agencies now dealing with shipping and railway problems be brought together in a new execu-tive department of transportation.

Argentine Senator to Face Sedition Charge

creasing attention to the first big ad-ministrative task he will undertake as tor E. del Valle Iberlucea by the public prosecutor of this city of xecutive machinery of the govern- Bahia Blanca, who alleges the senator made seditious statements in an trail. Detailed plans have not yet taken address advocating the adhesion of orm, but it is known that Mr. Har- Argentine socialists to the third in-

The prosecutor has announced he ments and bureaus and that he ex- will ask the court to sentence the pects to enlist in the work of reor- senator to four and one-half years ranization some of the ablest ad- in prison and to take from him the ministrators he can find. He is un- rights of citizenship. The Argenderstood to have told some of his time senate will be asked to remove advisers that he regards the chair- senatorial immunity so that the case

> President Signs First Of Appropriation Bills

Washington Feb. 24 .- The first of the big annual appropriation bills passed at this session of congress tion of work and cutting down the was signed today by President Wilgovernment payroll. It is expected son. It appropriates funds for the hat this committee will work in maintenance of the District of Co-

lumbia government. The Winslow bill authorizing parial payments of funds due the railroads by the government reached

Louisville Mayor Clamps

Lid Down on Lodge Raffles lacking railroads. Louisville, Ky., Feb. 24.—Mayor Smith clamped the lid on so tightly n Louisville where gambling once openly flourished in principal busi-ness streets that the police stopped members of a widely known secret order selling chances on an auto-mobile for the benefit of its widows' and orphans! home. Raffles for any charity, the mayor said, was inin his order.

Moscow Plans Holiday on March 8 for Women Workers London, Feb. 24.-Celebration of

an international holiday for women A division of industrial research is is planned for March 8 at Moscow, to be built up, possibly taking over says a dispatch received here. On some of the present functions of the the instructions of the food commisbureau of foreign and domestic com- sariat the day will be marked by inmerce, to make a comparative study creasing from local resources the ra-of prices and industrial conditions tions for factory workers and in pubthroughout the world. It is believed lic and children's dining rooms.

Your Face and What It Tells

You No Longer Can Hide Inner Secrets From Trained Observers, Omaha Character Analyst Declares—Offers Advice to Bee Readers.

Do you still cling to the old-fash-ioned idea you can hide behind the der the impression your real character remains a secret between yourself

Beliefs like those mentioned, she "Mr. Kirk then delivered the declares, indicate you're snoozing in ollowing order to my associate and snoring through the days while "'Don't trust anyone. Don't trust your best friend. Don't trust even modern science goes marching on.

To the trained observer, she contends, your secret deeds, good or "Is that not an indirect charge of evil; your tangible thoughts, right a violation of a trust, and am I not or wrong, are readily discernible.

"No longer can men and women to individuals. hide their life secrets," she avers, "If they keep silence with their tongues they tell the tales with their hands and feet. Say goodby to the old idea you can 'put one over' on the world

bout you.'

But there are compensations, many of them. If your face and body be "mask" of your face? Are you un- tray weaknesses, they also herald abroad your talents and capabilities.

You may learn through this newly and you?
"Wake up," admonishes Mabel sis things which have been secrets even to yourself. You may get practical advice from a trained expert on what work you are best fitted for, how to avoid failures and how to atthe midst of a wide-awake world and tain the greatest possible personal

Mabel Warner Rugg has made an extensive study of character analysis and has had 10 years of practical experience in service of big business firms and in furnishing information

She will explain character analysis to Bee readers in a series of aricles on "Your Face and What It The first article will appear in The Bee Saturday.

While this series is being pub-Disturbing, isn't it? What was lished she will undertake to answer efore "your own business" seems to all questions from Bee readers on be common property, after all, and character analysis and vocational the "mask" you thought you were choice. Letters should be addressed wearing becomes a transparent win-dow.



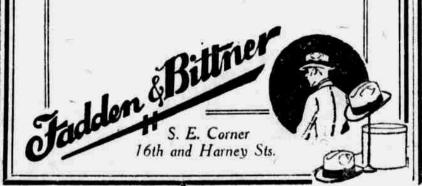
Friday and Saturday Will Be the Wind-Up of Our January and February Sales

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Daring Packer Saves Horses on **Brink of Canyon**

Three Animals Out of 11 Carrying T. N. T. to Be Used in Construction Work Fall Over Precipice.

Washington. Feb. 24.—The dar-ing of a government packer, who tepped among a mass of struggling torses loaded with T. N. T. on the rink of the Grand canyon effort to save his animals, is told totiort to save his animals, is told to-lay in an official announcement by the national park service of the Otto Lenz and Paul Guerich, Gerthe national park service of the first accident on the Bright Angel

The accident occurred January 20 Three hourses out of 11 tied together on the trail went over the brink nd were dashed to death below One fell 1,000 feet and his pack saddle was uninjured. Another fell 200 feet with 150 pounds of T. N. T., which did not explode.

The pack train was carrying mafor the construction of the suspension bridge across the Colorado river, over a trail which was appearance on an official Prussian slippery with ice and snow. The ballot. They captured 30 seats and packers had just led the train be-will constitute with the independent ond the first turn on the trail and ad gone to the rear to untie the forses, when one of them became ex-

Packer Homer J. Arnn managed clericals dropped from 94 to 83, giv-o get among the excited horses and ing the Prussian three-party coali-cut the rope between three strug-tion bloc 219 mandates as against ding animals and the rest of the their former 304. All materials for the bridge, in luding the cables, must be packed

ver the trail under the direction of killed packers. Camels imported from Asia have seen tried in Australia with fair sucess for hauling wagons in regions

Germans Secure Many Hearing of Charge Acres in Llanguihue From Chile Government

Santiago, Chile, Feb. 24.—Negotiations with the Chilean government for a concession of about 300, 000 acres of land in the province of Llanquihue, in the southern end of the country, have been concluded by representatives of German industrial interests. It is planned to construct on the property a plant for the manufacture of iron and steel products, says the newspaper Ulti-mas Noticas. The concession will run 30 years, but may be annulled within two if all machinery is not installed and within five if by that

man engineers, who carried on the negotiations, are declared to be en route to Germany to arrange for the transportation of machinery, materials and technical experts to Chile.

Communists Poll Big Vote

In Prussian Elections Berlin, Feb. 24.—German com-munists polled 1,200,000 votes in the Sunday elections to the new Prussian landtag. This was the first They captured 30 seats and will constitute with the independent socialists, who elected 28 deputies. ited and crowded the lead horse democratic party's representation is

Poison in Candy

Maurice, Ia., Feb. 24.—(Special.)— law prohibiting federal judges from accepting such appointments unless De Vries were made seriously ill by eating candy which they purchased in Struble. They were in a stupor the greater portion of two days. The state chemist is examining the candy. invented.

Against Landis Is Set for Tuesday

Immédiate Decision Expected —Sentiment Strong in Favor

Of Exonerating Judge From All Blame.

Chicago Tribune-Omnha Bee Leased Wire Washington, D. C., Feb. 24-Impeachment charges against Judge K. M. Landis, filed in the house by Representative Welty, are expected to be disposed of next Tuesday by the house judiciary.

Chairman Volstead of the con: mittee issued a call for the commit tee to meet on that day to consider the charges and the evidence pre sented by Welty

It is probable that an imprediate decision in the case will be reached by the committee as many members of the house are insisting that there be no delay in exonerating Judge Landis from charges of high crimes and misdemeanors in office, or the presentation of facts upon

such charges can be based. The prevailing sentiment in the house and among members of the committee is that Judge Landis will The majority socialists will have in his account acceptance of the 111 deputies, losing 41 seats. The democratic party's representation is reduced from 66 to 25, and the whether the committee will go so far as to bring forth a report cen suring the judge for accepting the position while still holding his position as federal judge. There is a tion as federal judge. There is a strong probability that the conmittee recommend enactment of a law prohibiting federal judges from they resign from the bench,

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are well reinforced, both

tops and soles, to give service. Center Aisle-Main Floor

Sun Hats are only 25c each

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Silk Jersey Petticoats, \$5

styles and qualities are very fine. Slip-On Wool Sweaters, \$2.95

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