Persuasion

Trade With Tons of Russian Gold Are Sent to Sweden Russia May Be Resumed Stockholm, March 23.—(By The Associated Press.)—Tons of gold are coming here from Russia by way of Reval. In Stockholm the gold is melted, given the Swedish mint stamp and thrown on the market. The understanding here is that the American State department has eliminated the necessity of a certificate

Lenine Sends Message Appealing for Conference With Representatives of U. S. Government.

Noncommital Officials

By The Associated Press Washington, March 23.-Consideration by the United States of the question of resuming trade relations with the Russian soviet government appeared a possibility today, when the State department amiounced re-ceipts of a message from Lenine, Russian leader, appealing for a conference and announcing that he stood ready to send an official delegation to negotiate an agreement to

Government officials were careful not to commit themselves as to the course that may be taken, but there were indications that the closest scrutiny had been given the British-Russian trade agreement and that a somewhat broader interpretation a somewhat broader interpretation had been given regulations that defined the Wilson administration's policy in dealing with the bolsheviki. The Russian appeal, which in prolosing the opening of trade relations said, "for that purpose the relations between the two republics have to be on the whole regularized" was e on the whole, regularized," was issued without comment. It was addressed to congress and President Harding and contained an arraign-ment of Rresident Wilson for his Russian policy. The hope was ex-pressed that the United States would

"showed a growing hostility toward the Russian republic," Note Includes Promise.

With the proposal to send an of-ficial delegation, the note contained issue \$5,000,000 in bonds every two what was construed as a promise to exclude the United States from its field of revolutionary propaganda.

"The soviet republic, absorbed in The Omaha board of education, tral executive committee makes here- the bill, with a categorical declaration to this

tion of his renunciation of many basic principles of bolshevism, received by the State department, has been given take advantge of this extraordinary take advantge of this extraordinary • careful study by the government experts, and while it was realized his apparent about face may have been othing more than a move caused by the exigencies of the situation, there advantge of this extraordinary power and after the present \$5,000,000 issue was disposed of this year that it would take proper steps to repeal the bill in 1923. the exigencies of the situation, there was manifest here a disposition to give it greater credence.

Gold on Way to U. S. Without formal announcement having been made, the attitude of the (Turn to Page Two, Column Four.)

Ability to Keep Mouth Shut Saves Diamonds When Train is Robbed

Muskogee, Okl., March 23.—Officials of the Missouri, Kansas and Lexas Railway company, here expressed the belief that the two andits who held up and robbed Pullman passengers on the Texas Special last night had made good their escape.

The two robbers first fortified themselves with whisky, according to J. R. Hill, a Fort Worth mer-

Mr. Hill told deputy sheriff: that the two men rode for five miles in the smoker ahead of the diner talking casually and occasionally drink-

ing from a bottle.

H. H. Ogden, president of the First National bank of Muskogee, said he thought a joke was being played until someone slapped him on the head and ordered him out of his berth. He said he obeyed and that it cost him

One woman threw her pocketbook under a seat and slipped two diamond rings into her mouth and said afterwards that she "kept her mouth shut for once" and the robbers got nothing from her, although they robbed her husband.

Reduction in Railroad

Working Force Postponed tinue at work, it has been officially announced.

"We took into consideration revenues and the probability that a cut ting of the working forces would disrupt the organization and found that we could continue operations with the normal force," G. S. Ward, general manager, said.

Norris Will Frame Bill

Washington, March 23.—Senator Norris of Nebraska, who is to be chairman of the senate agricultural committee, said today he planned to introduce at the special session of congress a bill to regulate future trading on grain exchanges. He is night, gathering information on the subject and said that while he had not definitely decided on the details of the proposed measure, it probably would provide for regulation through taxa-

French Artist Dies

March 23 .- Jean Paul Laurens, famous French artist, died here today. He was born March 29, 1838, and had painted many notable pictures, among them "The Sur-

inated the necessity of a certificate showing the origin of the gold, which makes possible admission of Russian shipments of the metal into the United States, as American consuls in Sweden, it is stated, may approve gold shipments without tracing them further back than their Swed-

Russian and American firms in Stockholm already are hopeful many American deals held up by the ban on Russian gold, can now be ne-

Technicalities Halt Passage of **School Bond Bill**

Conference Committee Named On Omaha Measure in Order to Permit \$5,000,-000 Issue.

Lincoln, March 23.—(Special.)— Technicalities kept the house from accepting amendments to H. R. 164. This bill originally raised the interest on the \$5,000,000 Omaha High School of Commerce bond issue from to 6 per cent and provided that 'baby bonds" could be issued for

purchase by the Omaha public When the bill went to the senate an amendment was tacked on providing that the Omaha board not continue to follow "obdurately," the course taken by President Wilson, who, the note declared, "without cause and without any declaration of war" attacked Russia and House Refuses to Concur education "could not issue bends in

When the bill was returned to the senate the house refused to concur, claiming that it was e ngerous to give

the work of internal reconstruction and building up its economic life," the note said, "has not the intention of intervening in the internal affairs without undue expense the objection of intervening in the internal affairs of America and the all-Russian cen- tionable clause must be injected in

ith a categorical declaration to this liect."

That was explained by members of the Douglas county delegation and a resolution by the board of

dangerous. But the Douglas county legislators, after much talking in fa-cor of concurrence, got 51 votes on

a motion to concur.

Speaker Finds Error. It looked like the trouble was all over. But this afternoon Speaker Walter L. Anderson read rules of procedure showing that this bill, which has an emergency clause attached, needed two-thirds vote of the house for passage and that a concurrence motion on an emergency vote, which is 67 votes in the house.

So, in an effort to arrange mattee composed of Hastings, Robbins by Venezuela. and Harriss. This committee was the house and senate can concur on christened Washington and Clay through. The emergency clause pro- named Washington avenue. vides the bill can become operative immediately after its signature by

Burglars Enter Six

Pawnee, Neb., March 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Six stores at Burchard were broken into last night. I'wo general merchandise stores, two hardware stores, lumber yard and drug store were entered. Twentyfive dollars was taken from the lumber yard. The safes in four places were put out of commission. Houston, Tex., March 23. - The burglars tried to open them by Southern Pacific line's notice of a knocking off the combination. Ar reduction in working force effective acetylene welding machine was taken today has been recalled and the from Inglish and Son, Pawnee City. Hugh Matheson, mayor of Cocoanut present force of 24,000 men will conto aid in opening the safes, but Grove, where Black's private car was to aid in opening the safes, but without success. No clues have been obtained and the robbers are liquor seized. Black did not conbelieved to be local parties.

Co-Operative Market Plan Approved by Utah Wool Men

Salt Lake City, March 23.-The principle of co-operative marketing and selling wool was approved by the directors of the Utah Wool Growers association as a possible To Govern Future Trading solution to the difficulties faced by the industry. The directors named a committee to make a study of the details of pooling, which will be submitted to the general meeting with the wool marketing committee of the Utah state Farm Bureau Saturday

AGAIN!

Again The Bee this morning caried exclusively the announcement of the conviction and subsequent sentencing of Carl Neuf and Fred Zimmer, attached to the American army of occupation in Germany, by a German tribunal for the attempted kidnaping of Grover Bergdoll, notorious slacker. This is but another bit of proof that if you want to read the gan demanding 60 days' notice of in-

Stillman, In

Definite

Months-Old Child Made by Banker At Hearing.

Indian Guide Accused prayers were offered for his recovery or happy death.

By The Associated Press. White Plains, N. Y., March 23.— Legitimacy of Guy Stillman, 28 months old, was attacked and defended in supreme court here today in the first real skirmish of the divorce suit brought by James A. Stillman, president of the National City bank of New York, against the for-mer "Fifi" Potter.

Arguing on motions for \$10,000 a month alimony and \$2,500 counsel fees, Delancey Nicoll, counsel for

the bank president, openly charged that the society woman had taken "as her lover an Indian guide, by whom she had an infant son."

Counsel for Mrs, Stillman replied

that when the case was tried, "she will prove her denial of all the allegations of infidelity made by Mr. Stillman. Addressing Judge Morschauser, who presided at the hearing on ali-mony and cousel fees, Delancey

man said:

"Evidence already before you shows that Mrs. Stillman took as her lover an Indian guide by whom she had an infant son whom Mr. Still
This action mittee means Nonpartisan

member of his family or repudiate as illegitimate.

"This criminal intimacy began in 1916 and continued through 1919,

"The league has its mem legislature. The unions had capital has a lobby. Mr. Stillman feels it his duty to his family and to bis children to his family and to bis children to his family and to be nipped under the Ephis children to press this matter to a

otherwise than in court proceedings, both bills. he would have done it. But there R was no other way than to make the the

derstand the feelings of a father "whose wife yielded to the embraces of an Indian guide," but that he could understand why he would hesitate to take court action under such

The hearing fasted only about half an hour. When it was adjourned at 10:35 Justice Morchauser reserved decision on the matter before him for alimony of \$10,000 a month and counsel fees of \$25,000 for Mrs. Stillman.

Court Room Packed. such unprecedented power given to that deputy sheriffs had to be sta-an educational board, no matter what tioned at the doors to prevent enthe circumstances might be, was trance of any more. Many persons stood on the window sills.

The lawyers plunged into the ques-(Turn to Page Two, Column One.)

Harding To Preside At Unveiling of New Statue in New York

New York, March 23.—President Harding will head a parade of Latclause bill also needed a two-thirds in-American diplomats and other notables up Fifth avenue the afternoon of April 19 in connection with ters satisfactorily, the speaker ap- the unveiling, in Central Park, of an pointed a conference committee com- equestrian statue of Simon Bolivar. posed of Mellor, Dysart and Rodman famous South American soldier and to meet a senate conference commit- statesman, presented to the city

and Harriss. This committee was directed to endeavor to revamp the will be conducted in Caracas, Venebill in a proper legal manner so zuela, in which two parks will be it and get the necessary two-thirds parks, in honor of George Washingvote to put the emergency clause ton and Henry Clay, and a street

The parade here will go to Bolivar sponsor to apply only to resident Hill within the park where the exer-students. cises will take place at 4 o'clock. It is expected President Harding will make an address outlining the administration's attitude toward Latin-American nations.

Stores at Burchard Plans for the unveiling were an- when Hoagland object mediate consideration. nounced by John Barrett, former director general of the Pan-American Union, who is representing the Venezuelan government, and Dr. S. J. Dominico, Venezuelan minister.

New York Millionaire

Fined \$500 Under Dry Act Miami, Fla., March, 23.-Harry St. Francis Black, New York millionaire, arrested a week ago on a charge of violating the prohibition laws, was fined \$500 today in the court of

Action Started to Obtain

Liquor Seized in Raids Chicago, March 23.-Frank D. Richardson, supervising prohibition agent for the central district, was made defendant in two petitions for writs of mandamus to compel him. to return liquor seized in raids on he complainants, Charles Gorman and William Feldman, a druggist.

Street Sales of Ford's Paper Barred by Toledo Police

Toledo, O., March 23 .- Following a disturbance in which a newsboy was set upon by street merchants, necessitating calling the police, H. Herbert, chief of police, ordered Henry Ford's weekly newspaper, the Dearborn Independent, barred from the streets of Toledo.

Three Arizona Banks Close Phoenix, Ariz., March 23.-Three Arizona banks today voluntarily closed their doors and a fourth be-

Cardinal Gibbons Reported Near Death

Baltimore, March 23.—The death of Cardinal Gibbons was momenta-rily expected tonight, and his physicians believed that he would not have he strength to live through another ay, it was announced at the arch-piscopal residence this evening. Throught the day the cardinal's

condition was precarious. He lapsed into unconsciousness several times, each time the physicians believing the end had come.

A constant watch was kept at the aged prelate's bedside by physicians and every effort was made to ward off the hour of his death. In all the Catholic churches here

Labor Measure Is Reported Out In Lower House

Sifting Committee Votes Out Bill Expected to Create Furore When Called To Vote.

Lincoln, March 23.—(Special.)— Creation of an industrial court to settle labor disputes, make an offense of strikes in necessary industries and forbid picketing was checked up to the lower house of the Ne-braska legislature today by the sifting committee when it put House Mony and cousel tees, Delancey Mr. Still- Roll 618, the Randall-Hascall antithe Epperson industrial court bill, on

This action by the sifting com-mittee means a bitter fight with the Nonpartisan league, union labor and man must either acknowledge as a capital arrayed on the other side The league has its members in the legislature. The unions have a lobby

person bill, are reported to be aligned against the measure and ready and Disliked Court Action.

"Had it been possible to do this labor already are arrayed against

he would have done it. But there was no other way than to make the mother and child co-defendants in a suit."

Mr. Nicoll said he could not understand the feelings of a father miners stopped work in the middle of winter and threatened to force higher wages through suffering of the public for want of fuel At the same time Epperson injected a few ideas of his own concerning profiteering which, in short, gives the proposed industrial commission of three members power to fix prices of necessaries of life when profiteering is

proved. A few days ago the sifting com-mittee voted down an attempt to When court opened today so many throw the Randall-Hascall anti-pickthat time the members have heard charges lodged against them that the labor unions and Nonpartisan leaguers had them "scared out." Today, according to reports of members, the two bills were reported out on general file without a dissenting vote.

University Regents Attacked in Senate For Increasing Fees

Lincoln, March 23. - (Special.) The senate had its fur up when a resolution introduced by Senator A. versity of Nebraska board of regents was called up for action immediately by its sponsor. The resolution dealt with registration charges for stu-

dents at the State university. The senate then lifted Senator Hoagland's bill, S. F. 325, over the head of the committe, which had reported it for indefinite postponement to the general file. The Hoagland bill abolishes all incidental fees and charges, but was amended by its

The motion not to concur in the committee report carried by a vote of 18 to 14. The Sturm resolution went over a day under the rules. when Hoagland objected to its im-

In doubling the incidental fees from \$10 to \$20 a year the regents increased the income from this source by \$28,000 a year, Hoagland charged during the debate. Of this, he said, \$10,000 went to laboratory assistants and \$1,500 to the dean of women for work outside of the instructional line. Hoagland contended the regents could meet these expenses from appropriated funds. Sturm, replying to Hoagland, said that the university needed such a fund. Senators Harriss and Miller also spoke against Hoagland's bill.

Gardner, Fired by Wilson,

Reappointed by Harding Illinois Lumbermen Deny Washington, March 23.—Obidiah Gardner of Maine, who resigned from the international joint commission in the closing days of the last administration at the request of President Wilson, was offered a reappointment to the commission today by President Harding. He will ac-

Two Soviet States and Army London, March 23.—Newspapers and that one-third of that is due to reports from Riga state that the high cost of transportation. Fifteenth and Sixteenth soviet armies, stationed in the vicinity of Pskov, are in open disorder and deserting in crowds, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen today. The soviet government is reported to have declared martial law in 16 provinces, the reports add.

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Action Taken Under Provision For Manufacture of Non-

Sacramental Purposes. was issued tonight to the Straw- a loud voice how the Russians got tion buildings in Hamburg today, berry Growers association of Louis- the treasures found by customs author occupied the Bloom and Voss iana by the bureau of internal rev- thorities in their baggage when they shipyards, and hoisted the red flag, sugar shall be added to increase the turned over to the director of cus- Workers in other shipyards quit

beverage Products for

Strawberry Men

Granted Permit

Bureau officials said that the strawberry growers had appealed to pro-hibition authorities for permission the bolsheviki had demanded that his In Ro to set up a winery to care for their sister, surrender her gold wrist surplus crop, estimated to be worth watch. He declared that when she about \$5,000,000. Under the Vol- refused to obey they had beaten her stead act, it was explained, it is unconscious and then taken the legal to establish wineries for the watch. manufacture of nonbeverag products for sacramental or medicinal pur-

F. Strum mildly criticising the Uni- to erect in Louisiana, a large wine

manufacturing plant. Whether the principle on which the permit was issued would apply in other cases, officials could not say, but it was suggested that should a surplus of berries occur in other states, the producers would be entitled to an opportunity to show whether there was danger of heavy loss unless the establishment of a winery was resorted to.

Such procedure, officials intimated, would not be confined to strawberry producers, but would include pro-ducers of other juicy berries and might, in the case of necessity, cover vegetables such as beets and pos-sibly dandelions and elderberries.

Striking Printers Claim

Newspapers Are Hampered Binghamton, N. Y., March 23.— Juion printers on strike in this city to enforce wage and hour demands declared in a statement today that they were satisfied with the situation and advanced the claim that local newspapers were obliged to limit advertising because of inability to obtain strike-breakers.

Publishers declared in answer that additions to their forces were being received daily, the size of the papers and the amount of advertising have increased and that there have been practically no circulation losses as a result of the strike.

Prices High Above 1914 Legion Expels Member Who Chicago, March 23.—Lumber dealers have issued a challenge to the Illinois society of architects to prove charges made in the society's bulletin that lumber prices are 150 per cent higher than in 1914. An cept and the appointment probably offer to pay \$1,000 to charity if the will be announced formally in a few charge is proved has been made, and E. E. Davison, president of the architects' society, declared today he would accept the challenge.

> Nicaragua Negotiating to Resign League Membership

The lumber men assert prices are

San Salvador, Republic of Salva-dor, March 23.—Nicaragua has begun negotiations to secure permission to resign its membership in the league of nations because the expense at- and educator of the University of tached to the membership is con- Denver, who reached his 98th birth-Doane Powell will speak on "Art sidered excessive, says a dispatch day a week ago, a senior alumnus and Cartooning" before the Omaha from Managua. It costs Niczragua of Wesleyan university and the sec-

Feeling Is Bitter City Buildings Against Soviets In Hamburg Taken For Making Wine Commercial Delegates at

Rome Are Subjected to Insults. Rome, March 23 .- Feeling against

the Russian commercial delegation at present in this city is running high Washington, March 23.—A permit to manufacture wine out of strawberries for nonbeverage purposes at the hotel where members of the party are staying. At dinner last night, a French engineer, for many years a resident of Russia, asked M. Vorovsky, head of the delegation in Provision is made that no arrived. These treasures have been

M. Vorovsky did not answer, and

Russians must leave, or that The association, it was said, plans guests will not be answerable for any unpleasant consequences

Poison Given as Cause Of Death of Prominent Indianapolis Women strike.

Indianapolis, March 23.-Circumstances surrounding the deaths today of Mrs. S. A. Fletcher and Mrs. Eva Henley, wife and motherin-law respectively, of S. A. Fletcher, millionaire sportsman and banker, will, be investigated at an inquest probably Friday or Saturday, Dr. P. F. Robinson, coroner, announced tonight. Dr. Robinson said the women committed suicide by drink-

Mrs. Fletcher's body was found today by her mother, according to Russell Stahl, butler. Stahl said he found later in her room in a dying of the police were slightly wounded, it was added. ondition.

The coroner said he found a glass containing poison in Mrs. Fletcher's room. He also declared Mrs. Fletcher had been dead six or seven

Mrs. Fletcher has been ill for some time, her friends say. Mrs. Henley was 63 years old and her daughter,

Spoke at Protest Meeting urday night or Sunday. New York, March 24.—Alexander Mother of Rear Admiral the One Hundred and Sixty-fifth infantry, was notified today by the New Yark county executive committee of

the American Legion that he had been expelled from the veterans' organization because of his utterances at the recent "horror on the Rhine" meeting here. This meeting was Members Said to Be in Revolt only 60 percent above the 1914 level called as a protest against the alleged use by the French of negro troops in the occupied zone from Germany and later was condemned by legionaires as propaganda to destroy the cordial relations existing between the United States and her war allies.

Prominent Educator Dies Denver, March 23 .- Rev. Dr. Amni Bradford Hyde, eminent writer

Reported in Other German Cities.

By The Associated Press. Berlin, March 23.—Communist of and understandings connected therewith shall terminate. workers seized the city administrathen occupied the Bloom and Voss says a dispatch from Hamburg. work and began organizing mass demonstrations, according to the

In Rodewisch the city hall was irtually destroyed by a bomb which had been concealed in the basement. The use of dynamite against the city administration buildings in Auerbach, Freiberg and Dresden resulted in heavy property loss and the wounding of at least three persons.

the Others were slightly injured. A 21-year-old man was arrested in Auerbach with a sack of dynamite. A companion, who fired at a policeman, escaped. The man arrested said he was from Danzig.

The outrages are believed to be

connected with the attempt of the communists to force a general In Leipsic, Dreden, Rodewisch and other cities in central Germany the communists directed their refforts against court houses, city halls,

public banks and police headquar-ters. A bomb exploned in the Leip-

sic court house and blew off the

roof, broke all the windows and

wrecked the lobby. . Ambushed Policemen in Dublin Kill 8 Assailants

spector and eight men were ambushed near Dingle vesterday and whose men are on strike. was summoned by Mrs. Henley and hours, ended disastrously for the atordered to bring a stimulant. When he returned Mrs. Henley had disappeared, Stahl said. According to appeared, Stahl said. According to

> Bodies of Boys Drowned on Fishing Trip Still Missing

Trinidad, Colo., March 23 .- Model reservoir four miles north of Poehne, one of the largest bodies of of the circuit court of Jackson coun irrigation storage water in Colorado ty and dismissed the suit of Dr. B. had not, late last night yielded up the bodies of four boys who are be-lieved to have drowned after the capsizing of a boat some time Sat-

Knapp Dies in Hartford Hartford, Conn., March 23.-Mrs. fary Eunice Knapp, mother of Rear Admiral Harry S. Knapp, U. S. N. died at her home here today. leaves her husband, Frederick Knapp, whom she married 73 years

The Weather

Forecast. Thursday, fair and colder. Hourly Temperatures. Shippers' Bulletin.

Protect shipments during the nex 35 hours from temperatures as f North and west, 36 degrees. Shi tast and south can be made safely

REACHED IN PACKER ROW

Men Consent to Wage Reduction and Firms Continue 8-Hour Day and War-Time Plan.

Alschuler to Retain Post

By The Associated Press. Washington, March 23.-Workers in the packing industry, numbering more than 100,000, accept the recent wage reductions of approximately 12 1-2 and 15 per cent under an agreement signed late today by their spokesmen, with representatives of the five leading packers.

The agreement as signed, also provides for the basic eight-hour day and for extension for six months or to September 15, of the wartime Alschuler agreement for arbitration of

differences. The wage scale as agreed to, corresponds with that put into effect March 7 by the packers and reduce the wage rate of all hourly paid employes 8 cents an hour and amounts to a reduction in piece work rates of 12 1-2 per cent.

Judge Alschuler, who acted as arbite in differences retained between

arbiter in differences arising between the packers and their employes, continues his services in that respect under the agreement, which was

reached through the mediation. Text of Agreement.

Provisions of the agreement as signed by J. G. Condon and Carl Meyer, representing the packers, and by Dennis Lane and R. S. Brennan for the Amalgamated Order of Meat Cutters and Butchers' Workers of North America, follow:

"First-The wage cut of 8 cents an hour for hourly workers and 121-2 per cent for all piece workers shall remain in effect as of the dates annouced by the packers and shall not be subject to further arbitration. If any further reductions are desired, they shall be submitted to the ad-

Hamburg Taken
By Communists

Hey shall be submitted to the administrator.

"Second—The basic eight-hour day and overtime rates as announced in the latest rulings of Judge Alschuler shall be restored, subject, however, to the right of the employers or employes to submit to the administrator, if they desire, any greation as tor, if they desire, any question as

Red Flag Hoisted Over Ship-to changes.

"Third—The agreement of December 25, 1917, and extensions thereof ber 25, 1917, and extensions thereof and all decisions thereunder (except as herein modified) shall remain in effect until September 15, when the agreement and all awards hereunder and supplements and renewais there-

> "Fourth-Judge Samuel Alschuler or his successor, as administrator, shall until said date, retain and exercise all jurisdiction and author-

> ity heretofore existing and the employers and the employes shall abide by his decisions in all matters of jurisdiction and power under the administration and all subjects of

(Turn to Page Two, Column Three.) Move Made to Protect Southern Railroad Tied Up By Walkout

Harrison, Ark., March 23,-Patrolling of the railroad tracks and other property of the Missouri and North Arkansas railroad in Carroll, Boone and Searcy counties, was begun today in accordance with a decision reached at a mass meeting vesterday to furnish protection 'declared by railroad officials to be necessary to operation of traffic. General Manager C. A. Phelan announced that operation of traffic

would be resumed, probably tomor-row or Friday, but late today it was

stated heavy rainfall was retarding repair work on bridges burned and that resumption of traffic might be delayed.

The Boone county grand jury returned 13 indictments against strike Dublin, March 23.-A police in- leaders, including several from na-

tional headquarters of the unions which a strikebreaker employed in

the shops here, was assaulted. Big Damage Suit Against Kansas City Star Dismissed

Jefferson City, Mo., March 23.— The supreme court upheld the action Clark Hyde against the Kansas City Star, for \$2,500,000 damages.

The suit was dismissed on the ground that the action was abated by the death of W. B. Nelson, owner of the Star, that no suit was brought against the administrator of the Nelson estate, and that the action was barred by the statute of limitations.

Czecho-Slovakia and Italy Sign Commercial Treaty

Rome, March 23 .- The commercial reaty between Italy and Czecho-Slovakia was signed today. The convention is advantageous to Italy, since it opens the road for the transportation of coal from Up-per Silesia through Bohemia, while Czecho-Slovakia is favored by traffic privileges through the port of Trieste to the Mediterranean district.

Explosion and Fire Wrecks Plant of Indiana Oil Firm

Chicago, March 23 .- The plant of the Moorhead Oil company at Ham mond, Ind., was in ruins today as the result of the explosion of five oil tanks. The loss is estimated at \$200,000. Three firegien and several spectators were severely burned