

FRANCE IS PLEASED BY ALLIES' ACCORD

Justification of Policy Toward Germany Seen.

NOTE IS TERMED VICTORY

Epistle Indited to Central Power Following San Remo Conference Delights Paris Papers.

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PARIS, May 2.—(Special Cable).—The greatest satisfaction is expressed by the French press with the results of the San Remo conference. The final rally of Great Britain to the French viewpoint is considered here to mean a victory for Premier Millerand and the French delegates' policy in regard to Germany. The slight reservations made by Premier Nitti are overlooked and only the bare fact of allied unity is commented upon.

The forceful expression of the note to Germany is also a source of pleasure to the French editorialists who point out that Germany now has the opportunity so long asked for to show whether she really means to carry out the treaty engagements and whether the allies will be justified hereafter in helping the Germans economically.

Incompleteness Is Regretted. There is slight regret that no complete arrangement was made at San Remo concerning the German indemnity, which this country so badly needs, although pending the Spa and Brussels conferences, no comment is made on the subject. The outstanding point in the note, according to French journalists, is the complete accord among the allies to take further coercive measures against Germany should occasion arise. But Parisian newspapers say that now is the time for the allies to act and make the note binding.

"Until now we have lost too much time," says Le Figaro. "Now that we have the formal promises of England and the other allies to support us and because we were the first interested, we have the right and duty to turn into a concrete form the note addressed to Germany."

France Is "Justified." Le Goulois remarks that the note constitutes a justification of France's attitude toward Germany in the face of continual violations of the treaty. Attacks on the British premier, which have been numerous before and during the San Remo conference, have suddenly ceased, and today the French press pays a tribute to the English statesman.

"San Remo," says the Paris Midi, "has shown to Lloyd George that France had no annexationist policy for the Rhineland and that Premier Millerand is not guided by party politics or personal selfishness." This newspaper further remarks it is quite willing to forgive and forget the difference of opinion between Premier Lloyd George and Premier Millerand.

Le Matin, which publishes a two-column portrait of Premier Millerand, says "April 26 will remain a memorable date if acts tally with words, and we have no reason to doubt otherwise." Premier Millerand will have shown to M. Clemenceau that the only way of collaborating with England is to act firmly and discuss loyally and not give in so easily."

"Patience Has Limits."

Saint-Just in Le Journal can find only good qualities in the note. "Berlin," he says, "will learn that allied patience, so imprudently exploited by the German government, has limits. Germany will now have the chance of showing how she can amend. Other passages of the note will have the effect of showing the strength of the allied bloc, which should reveal itself not only in words, but in acts."

Pertinax, who, in writing from San Remo to his journal, L'Echo de Paris, had shown himself the bitterest critic of Premier Lloyd George, today indulges in taking a rap at Premier Nitti, exclaiming: "Lloyd George for his sudden change of opinion. The most important part of the note is that which deals with the military measures to be applied to Germany in case she should further violate the treaty stipulations," says Pertinax.

He adds: "Marshal Poch and General Wilson have already drawn up all the necessary plans for further occupation of the Rhineland territory." He again points out the urgent need of framing up an indemnity which Germany must pay, and says the work of the supreme council cannot be terminated until this is done. Furthermore, he calls upon the French government to maintain its vigilant watch on Germany and to take measures at the slightest infraction of a treaty clause.

POINDEXTER IS ON LIST

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States shall attain recognition on the nominating ballot, but nothing is said as to how a candidate shall proceed to withdraw, or the extent of authority vested in the secretary of state in considering such request for withdrawal.

Withdrawal Clause Viewed. As far as the secretary of state has been able to determine there is only one section of the Oregon election laws which provides for withdrawal of candidates. This article relates specifically to candidates who file by fee, and is devoid of any mention of candidates for president or vice-president of the United States.

This section of the law reads: "Upon the proper filing of notice of candidacy, accompanied by the required fee, said candidacy shall be deemed complete, and, unless the candidate shall withdraw and state his or her reasons for withdrawal under oath and file the same with the proper official, the secretary of state, county clerk or city auditor or clerk as the case may be, shall cause the name of the said candidate to be printed upon the official ballot at the ensuing primary election and no additional signatures or fees shall be required to make said candidacy complete and effective."

Because the above section of the election laws relates only to candidates who filed by fee, there is doubt here as to whether the statute would cover the withdrawal of a candidate who filed for president or vice-president by personal request.

Mandamus Action Cited. Had Mr. PoinDEXTER filed by petition his withdrawal would have been impossible, according to the secretary of state. This was definitely settled in the mandamus action brought by Albert Abraham of Roseburg in the year 1916, to compel Ben Olcott, then acting as secretary of state, to place the name of Charles Evans Hughes on the nominating ballot at the republican primary election. In this

case the supreme court held that the petitions indorsing Mr. Hughes for president contained the required 1000 signatures and there was no authority under which the secretary of state could eliminate his name from the ballot.

Mr. Hughes, in action similar to that taken by Mr. PoinDEXTER, asked that his name be eliminated from the Oregon nominating ballot as a presidential candidate. It was found, however, that Mr. Hughes had filed by petition, while in the recent case of Mr. PoinDEXTER he became a prospective candidate through his personal request.

The attorney-general is expected to investigate thoroughly Mr. PoinDEXTER's right to withdraw from the nominating ballot, and until this opinion is received no formal action to eliminate his name as a candidate will be taken by the secretary of state.

RENTON MINE ABANDONED

\$4,000,000 TONS OF COAL YET REMAIN IN WORKINGS.

Company in Closing Statement Says Every Ton Produced Cost More Than Sale Price.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 2.—(Special.)—Work will begin tomorrow on the removal of the equipment and pumps of the Renton coal mines. The workings are to be permanently abandoned and flooded, as the result of an order issued by Manager W. J. Grambs of the operating company. These mines have been the principal source of supply for the steam power and heat plants of the Puget Sound Power and Light company. They were acquired more than 20 years ago by the Seattle Electric company and have been held through the various corporate changes of that organization to the present time.

There is still coal in these measures sufficient to provide a lease of life of another 30 years, as the contents of the coal measures is estimated at 4,000,000 tons.

A number of leases which have 18 years to run have also been cancelled by the leases.

The reasons given by the company men that left no other alternative. Briefly they state that with an output of 115,000 tons in 1919 there was a total loss of \$125,000, or that every ton mined cost \$1.09 a ton more than the company received for the product. The actual cost of the coal at the surface exceeded \$6.50 a ton, says the company.

Labor at the mines received a fraction more than 92 per cent of all the gross revenues, leaving less than 8 per cent of the total receipts for all other costs, such as timbering, supplies, power, maintenance, taxes and interest, says the company.

WOMAN FAINTER RESIGNS

FINE ASSESSED FOR WORKING HOAX ON PUBLIC.

Mrs. Minnie Kay Paid \$48 Weekly to Carry Sign on Back and Swoon at Opportune Places.

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 2.—(Special.)—After being fined \$5 in central police court today, Mrs. Minnie Kay, a 35-year-old woman, resigned her position as a professional fainter. She told Magistrate Sweeney that though going about with a sign attached to her back had proved a good advertising stunt for various employers, she had greatly appreciated her effectiveness by introducing a realistic swoon. She was paid \$48 a week and had been following this vocation for years.

Of late she had been in the service of a leading motion picture house, carefully distributing her faints in widely separated parts of the city. Last night she was working among the downtown Saturday throngs. A big crowd gathered and eagerly perused the sign on her back when she did an artistic faint near Market street. Big-hearted Policeman Frank Altman helped to revive her.

An hour later Mrs. Kay fainted at Smithfield and Diamond streets. Altman again changed to be among those present. He eyed her icily and marched her to central station.

Walter's Hearing Set.

Frank Murphy, waiter, who was arrested at Second and Everett streets Saturday by Inspector Morak after he is said to have stolen a suit of clothes from the room of John Busing in the Hood hotel, will appear for hearing in the municipal court today on a charge of larceny. Murphy was picked up when he was seen to have a suspicious looking package under his arm. When the inspector accosted him he started running down the street and was only overtaken after about a block and a half chase.

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FRENCH RAIL STRIKE TO CURTAIL SERVICE

Miners and Dockmen Expect to Join Move Today.

GOVERNMENT TO FIGHT

Motor Trucks Requisitioned to Help Break Move to Nationalize Transportation Systems.

PARIS, May 2.—(By the Associated Press.)—The strike of the railroad men for nationalization of the railways, which is to be joined tomorrow by the miners and dockmen, has resulted thus far in hindering traffic only on four of the five big systems—the Eastern, Northern, Orleans and the Paris-Lyons-Mediterranean. Temporarily, however, the state line which runs to Havre is tied up.

Strike Failure, Says Minister. "The strike is a complete failure," said Yves LeTroquer, the minister of public works, today.

Service on all lines was curtailed today. The Parisian forces were operating about 50 per cent, except the Lorraine state system, which canceled all trains from the capital.

The government's determination to fight the strike for nationalization has been voiced by M. LeTroquer and Premier Millerand. M. Millerand said the government was prepared to do its duty in the maintenance of order and to protect the men who remain at work.

Government to Fight. In carrying out its policy to break the strike the government again has issued a decree to requisition motor trucks and other transportation equipment in certain regions.

Technical students and volunteers organized by the government during the strike last February are replacing many railroad men who quit work.

FRENCH STRIKE IS UPHELD

Labor Federation Pleaded; Serious Clash Reported.

PARIS, May 2.—The labor federation of France last night issued a statement that it was pleased with "the solidarity of the movement of the railway workers" and that the administrative committee had decided to support the strike further by calling a general strike beginning Monday of all miners, sailors and dock workers.

Another serious clash took place last night between rioters and the police. Several persons were wounded and many arrested.

ESSAY PRIZES AWARDED

Lewis County School Children Win in Temperance Union Contest.

CENTRALIA, Wash., May 2.—(Special.)—Minnie Maynard of Napavine submitted the best paper by a high school student in the essay contest held today in the Lewis county schools under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

In the grades the boys and girls competed separately. The winners were: Seventh and eighth grades, Elvira Mraček of Chehalis and Wilfred Painter of Dryad; fifth and sixth grades, Georgia Mason of Centralia and Frank Saliger of Agate.

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