

GERMANY WARNED NOT TO INTERFERE

France Acts Previous to Lloyd George's Speech.

TROOPS IN SILESIA CAUSE

Much Still to Be Explained in Premiers' Clash.

BRIAND IS STILL COLD

Renewal of Discussion of Situation Remains Matter of Doubt, and French Press Is Aroused.

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PARIS, May 15.—(Special.)—It is now admitted in official circles that before Premier Lloyd George delivered his speech to the house of commons indicating his support of Germany as against the Poles, Premier Briand had notified Germany that any intervention on the part of her troops in Upper Silesia would be regarded by France as a casus belli.

It is evident there is much more still to be revealed before the heated cross talk between the two premiers will be explicable. There is a suggestion that Lloyd George's vehemence was partly due to the lack of an immediate response to his invitation to M. Briand to meet him this week at Boulogne to discuss the question.

Briand's Attitude Cold.

The French premier has since coldly intimated he is not prepared to confer with his British colleague until he receives a renewal of his mandate to handle the French policy from the chamber of deputies.

This renewal he will not obtain, according to information provided in semi-official circles, but the shrewd local observers consider Lloyd George's brusque move has strengthened rather than weakened Briand's position, for the chamber is almost bound to give him a vote of confidence as a return to the British premier.

When the deputies meet Thursday the majority will certainly, as a mark of their anger at Lloyd George's action, give plain instructions to M. Briand that the slightest concession on the upper Silesian issue means the downfall of his ministry forthwith.

Lloyd George Criticized.

The Paris press is again full of criticism of Lloyd George. "Not since Fashoda has there been such a discussion between England and France," said L'International, the communist organ, referring back to the incident of 1898, when the two nations almost came to blows over the French occupation of that town on the upper reaches of the Nile.

The usually virilistic Pertainax in the Echo de Paris was apparently driven out of his fiery course by the extent of his dismay and sought to repress his bitterness merely by ridiculing the British premier who, he contended, has lost his head.

"Mr. Lloyd George needs leisure to recover the balance of his best days," said the writer. "Quick a game of golf on a polished turf among some pacific sheep."

Briand Declared Backed.

L'Homme Libre, Ex-Premier Clemenceau's organ, declared "The great British nation has nothing in common with the individual who betrayed the liberal party for the benefit of the conservative in order to take power, and who will now betray Poland and France in order to keep it. Robert Cecil, Ex-Premier Asquith and Mr. Clynes do not esteem him. They will avenge us."

Socialist Side Presented.

On the socialist side, Humanite said: "The real significance of Lloyd George's speeches is that Great Britain will not permit France to assume the first place in Europe by depriving Germany of almost all her industries with French capitalists in the and the Silesian basin in the hands of the Polish vassal of the Quai d'Orsay." The even moderate Philip Millet in the Petit Parisien declared the best way of removing misunderstandings is to reach the quickest possible decision as to the Silesian frontier. He gave what was apparently a fair full summary of the note exchanges between Premier Lloyd George and Briand concerning the Bolzano conference. The British note mentioned the report that the French government had decided to give the whole of the coal fields to Poland by force if necessary, and added that such action would justify the use by Germany of means of constraint to safeguard her rights.

GERMANY IS VITAL FACTOR

Treaty Enforcement in Silesia May Be Up to Teutons.

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THREE-DAY-OLD GIRL DESERTED BY MOTHER

INFANT IN BASKET IS LEFT ON FRONT PORCH.

Family of J. B. Neubauer Informed by Phone to Look Outside Door Before Retiring.

Last night about 10 o'clock a 3-day-old waif, Miss Agnes, snuggled cozily into a wicker basket, was found upon the front porch of the home of J. B. Neubauer, 333 East Thirty-fifth street, after a telephone call had been received telling the family to look on the porch before retiring.

Efforts were made to trace her parentage last night, with no success. The only clue was contained in a note, which read: "Please take as good care of the baby as I would. Have a doctor look in her mouth." The name Agnes had been hastily printed upon a side of the basket in green ink, while the note was written with black ink. As the infant was found to be entirely normal by a physician, the meaning of the last sentence could not be fathomed last night.

AUTO ACCIDENT IS FATAL

Mrs. S. O. Shirley, 66, Dies From Fracture of Skull.

Mrs. S. O. Shirley, victim of an automobile accident at East Seventeenth and Morrison streets last Wednesday morning, died early yesterday at Good Samaritan hospital without having regained consciousness since the accident. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Mrs. Shirley received a fracture at the base of the skull when she was struck by an automobile delivery truck driven by Ben Touffest. She was crossing the street intersection at the time. Touffest is alleged to have passed another machine at the intersection in violation of the traffic laws. He is now held under bond. It was announced at the coroner's office yesterday that an inquest into the accident will be held either tonight or tomorrow in order to fix the responsibility.

FLIER LEAPS TO DEATH

Tail Is Cut From Machine When Two Planes Collide.

OMAHA, Neb., May 15.—Warren P. Kite, air pilot, was instantly killed at Grand Island, Neb., today when before several thousand spectators he was forced to leap from his plane at a height of 300 feet. He had been performing aerial stunts with Pilot J. P. Smith for several minutes, when the two planes suddenly crashed. Smith's propeller cut the tail off Kite's machine. To spectators it appeared that Kite miscalculated the height at which he was flying when he jumped. He rose in his seat, poised himself for an instant and leaped into space. Every bone in his body was broken. Smith was uninjured.

AURORA SCARES INDIANS

Northern Lights Cause of Panic on Colorado Desert.

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., May 15.—Appearance of the aurora borealis Saturday night caused the Indians on the Colorado desert to become panic-stricken, according to reports brought here today. The phenomenon as seen from the desert was declared to be of rare beauty. In Big Bear valley, in the San Bernardino mountains, the lights lit up hundreds of people spending the week end at the resorts. The reflection of the lights on the surface of the lake made the scene the more spectacular. The altitude in Bear valley is 8000 feet, the result being that the sky there appeared half ablaze.

DRUG STORE IS ROBBED

Two Masked Men Obtain \$130 From Hospital Pharmacy.

Two masked robbers at 10:15 last night held up the Hospital pharmacy, 231 North Twenty-third street, obtaining \$130. They are thought to be the same pair which late Saturday night robbed the Almsworth garage. One of the men, wearing a handkerchief mask, compelled clerk on duty with an automatic pistol, forcing him to go into a back room and lie down. The second robber then entered the store, taking \$90 from the till and \$40 from the postoffice substitution.

12 DIE IN TRAIN WRECK

Express Trains Coming From Paris Jump Track; 50 Injured.

TOULOUSE, France, May 15.—Twelve persons were killed and 50 injured when two express trains coming from Paris jumped the track last night within a few miles of one another. The fact that in each case eight coaches were derailed and the locomotives and their tenders remained on the track caused the ordering of an investigation. In each instance the coupling between the tender and the first coach snapped.

BILLIONS BACK OF NATION'S BUSINESS

Potential Credit Almost Beyond Grasp.

BANKS' SOUNDNESS PROVED

Showing Result of Federal Reserve Policy.

GOLD RECORD IS PASSED

Metal in System's Keeping Available for Credit Now Is Approximately \$810,000,000.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15.—(Special.)—Ten billion dollars in potential credit for financing the legitimate demands of business—a tower of financial strength so huge that its dimensions stir the imagination to bewilderment—has been built up through thrift, economy and sound policy by the banks of the federal reserve system during the past 12 months.

That vast sum of credit capacity stands untouched, an unanswerable argument for the soundness of American banks and for the skill with which they have weathered the storm. One year ago the strength of the federal reserve system was at its lowest. On May 14, 1920, there was available in the keeping of the system free gold—gold which could be used as the basis for credit—amounting to only \$201,000,000. It had never fallen so low before. The reserve system at that time was down to 42.3 per cent, but little more than two points above the safety line of 40 per cent.

1918 Record Eclipsed.

Today the amount of free gold in the system's keeping available as the foundation for credit stands at approximately \$810,000,000, the highest figure ever reached, topping the record of \$504,000,000 attained June 21, 1918. And the reserve percentage stands at 55.5, setting a new high mark for the year.

Analysis of the statement just issued by the federal reserve board shows, therefore, that the American people have been practicing the homely virtue of economy for a year. The system records show accurately by the measure of the dollar mark as applied to the amount of free gold, that the recovery began from the week of May 14, 1920, and that national debt economy was slow and halting during the first few months thereafter. By fall it was in more general (Continued on Page 2, Column 1.)

OREGON'S ARTILLERY UNITS OFF TO TRAIN

PRELIMINARY INSTRUCTION TO BE AT FORT STEVENS.

Ashland, Marshfield, Newport and Toledo Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers Leave.

SALEM, Or., May 15.—(Special.)—Heavy artillery units of the Oregon national guard began moving today towards the coast defense forts at the mouth of the Columbia river for instruction in handling the big guns at Fort Stevens, according to reports received at the offices of Adjutant-General White.

Officers and noncommissioned officers from Ashland, Marshfield, Newport and Toledo departed during the day. The contingent from Albany will leave during the night, beginning June 15. Units to be represented at the Clackamas camp will receive preliminary training for the general field camp of heavy artillery units next month. All members of the Oregon coast artillery will attend the second camp, which will continue for 15 days, beginning June 15. The preliminary camp will end next Thursday.

Officers and noncommissioned officers of other branches of the service will assemble at the Clackamas mobilization camp, 12 miles south of Portland, next Monday morning for preliminary instructions. Units to be represented at the Clackamas camp will be those from Portland, Salem, McMinnville, Dallas, Independence, Corvallis, Medford and Roseburg, including infantry, engineers, field artillery staff corps and medical units. All arrangements have been completed for the summer's field instruction programme, according to Adjutant-General White, who returned last night from Camp Lewis. He will go to Portland and on Tuesday will go to Fort Stevens with members of the general staff.

PATROL PLANES COMING

Squadron to Leave Mather Field Friday for Forest Areas.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—Fifty airplanes are to start from Mather field, Sacramento, next Friday to start which the 121st forest air patrol in California, Oregon and Washington, army headquarters announced today. The 121st squadron of the army will make up the patrol.

A considerable portion of the patrol will go to the Olympic peninsula in Washington to patrol a wide forest area that was razed by a hurricane early in the year. The airship base will be at Camp Lewis. Oregon bases will be located at Eugene and Medford, Or.

AURORA STILL HURTS WIRE COMMUNICATION

UNUSUALLY LARGE SUN SPOT THOUGHT TO BE CAUSE.

Northern Lights Start "Earth Currents," Which Interrupt Telegraphic Traffic.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Electrical influences exerted by the aurora borealis, or northern lights, believed to be caused by an unusually large sun spot or spots, continued today to play havoc with telegraph traffic throughout the United States. Beginning Friday night, wire chiefs reported that the natural phenomenon had injected extra voltage into their wires, causing "earth currents" and interrupting traffic. The same conditions continued throughout Saturday and became increasingly intense Saturday night, causing one of the severest disturbances known in 30 years.

For more than an hour before midnight Saturday nearly every telegraph wire leading from New York and Chicago was out of condition. Ocean cables also were slightly affected. However, the disturbance seemed to strengthen wireless signals. Intensity of the disturbance was lessened today.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15.—Interruption of telegraphic communications by electrical influences, if due to the presence of spots on the sun, will pass away within 48 hours in the belief of naval observatory officials. The present spot, or group of spots, estimated by naval observatory officials as 94,000 miles in length and 21,000 miles in latitude, was nearest the earth last night and today through rotation of the sun was moving away. These officials said that leaving out of consideration the decreasing effect of the spots on electrical currents on the earth through the regular rotation of the sun, the regular rotation of the sun would soon carry the spots so far from earth as to make their influence negligible.

The theory that the aurora borealis results from sun spots was advanced by Dr. J. A. Brashear, late Pittsburgh astronomer. The theory has never been definitely accepted, but naval observatory officials asserted, but the fact that spots in the sun usually are accompanied by electrical disturbances has resulted in almost general acceptance of the theory.

The spots now present on the sun and which were visible to the naked eye today with a smoked glass were first photographed at the naval observatory last Monday. The spots, were about one and a half to two days old. The following day the photographs showed the spots to be much agitated, the gaseous vapors of which they are composed resembling a cyclonic storm. Dr. Peters said, "Yesterday's photograph, taken about noon, showed the spots to be near the solar meridian."

Rye Valley Postmaster Named.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Portland, Ore., May 15.—Mary B. Griffin has been appointed postmaster at Rye Valley, Baker county, Oregon.

VIOLENCE IN ERIN WORST SINCE 1919

Fierce Fighting Sweeps South of Ireland.

BARONET'S DAUGHTER SLAIN

Military Barracks Attacked by Organized Mobs.

MOTOR LORRIES BOMBED

Soldiers and Police Use Machine Guns in Battle With Rioters in City of Bandon.

IRISH CONFLICT SPREADS.

Shooting in London and fires in Liverpool blamed on Sinn Fein.

Daughter of Sir Charles Barrington, with Inspector Biggs, assassinated in Tipperary.

Nine policemen, two soldiers and several others killed in riots.

Machine guns used on mob at Bandon.

Entrenchments dug in Cork.

Four hundred civilians attack Clonakilly barracks, but are repulsed.

Night of terror in Cork follows raid on police barracks at Blackpool. Four killed, many wounded.

BELFAST, May 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—Miss Barrington, only daughter of Sir Charles Barrington of Glenstal castle, County Limerick, and head of the Masonic order in North Munster, and Police Inspector Biggs were shot dead from ambush Saturday night by civilians while motoring from Killeeney to Newport, County Tipperary. Sir Charles is ex-high sheriff of County Limerick.

Nine policemen, two soldiers and several other persons were killed Saturday and today in attacks and counter attacks.

For general and organized violence Saturday and today probably were the worst since January, 1919.

South Scene of Riots.

All casualties except one occurred in the area of the southern parliament. The exception was at Dromore, Tyrone, where a Sinn Fein was shot dead. One constable was shot dead and two others wounded Saturday at Drumcollagher. A party of police going to their relief was fired on and two policemen hurt.

Fierce fighting followed an attack on the Bandon police barracks. The military and police swept the streets with machine guns. About the same time armed civilians marched through Dunmanway, County Cork. Being followed by auxiliaries in motor lorries, they shot and killed several horses in the streets to delay their pursuers.

Roads Are Entrenched.

All roads south and west of Cork have been entrenched at many points. One hundred civilians were repulsed in an attack on the Clonakilly barracks with rifles and machine guns Saturday. Four attackers were seen to fall.

Two gunners of the royal marine artillery stationed at East Ferry County Cork, were shot dead Saturday night. This was the first attack on naval forces. At Castletown and Berehaven, County Cork, today two soldiers were killed by civilians.

Bombs were thrown at military lorries on three occasions in the Dublin district today. Several occupants were wounded.

Head Constable Killed.

Head Constable Henson was shot and killed at Straley Saturday. A party of men, according to a Dublin castle report, entered Court-masherry, seven miles east of Bandon, Saturday, and fired on soldiers who were off duty. The troops returned to barracks and the rebels fired on the barracks for 30 minutes. Two soldiers were slightly wounded. Tonight two constables were wounded near Hakibereen. It was believed one will die.

CORK HAS NIGHT OF TERROR

Priest, Civilian and Two Constables Are Killed.

CORK, May 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—Saturday night was a night of terror in Cork, following the bombing of the police barracks at Blackpool. The home of Liam Roliste, Sinn Fein member of the British parliament, was raided. He was absent, but a priest, who was staying in the house, was shot and later died. Patrick Sheehan, a republican, who was newly married, was shot through the heart.

After the shooting a sergeant and four policemen, while going for a priest, were fired upon. Two constables were killed and another wounded. The Roliste house occupies a secluded position in Janemount. The raiders after surrounding the house (Continued on Page 2, Column 2.)

BATTLE OF MINERS BREAKS OUT ANEW

HEAVY FIRING ON MERRIMAC, W. Va., IS REPORTED.

Truce Is Observed in Other Disturbed Sections on Tug River. Firebugs Are Busy.

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., May 15.—Heavy firing on Merrimac, W. Va., from the Kentucky mountains opposite that village broke out tonight, according to a report to Captain J. R. Brookus of the state police. The firing lasted for 20 minutes. All other places in the region along the Tug river were reported quiet. A squad of troopers headed by Captain Brookus left immediately for the scene.

Before leaving Captain Brookus communicated with the Kentucky national guardmen on duty at Springs and requested that they move on the attackers. He was informed, the captain said, that the soldiers could not leave Springs as they were watching a body of men in the mountains there.

With Kentucky national guardmen on duty in the region along the Tug, which was the scene of a three-day mountain battle growing out of industrial conditions, authorities here believed the fighting would cease.

All day long the situation was quiet. Captain Brookus had just reported all quiet tonight when the mountain fighters there were observing the truce arrangement made last night.

Reports here were that only one shot was fired from the West Virginia mountains during the day.

Two fires, which Harry Olmstead, acting chairman of the labor committee of the Williamson Coal Operators' association, said had been caused by incendiaries, occurred in the region.

Father Reported Warned.

Reports received here were that young Riker told his father that he would not allow his wife to be insulted and when the quarrel between the two men had become heated both resorted to firearms.

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The father and son and the young wife were in the living room of the Riker home, she said, when the quarrel began.

Father Draws Revolver.

The elder Riker, she testified at the preliminary investigation, drew a revolver and pointed it first at his son, but when she intervened ordered her back, pointing the revolver at her.

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Duel Fought in House.

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Earlier Tragedy Recalled.

The tragedy was the second committed near Woodland within the last few months. M. P. Whalen, a rancher, 76, was found dead in his home on the outskirts of Woodland March 20. He had been killed by a blow on the head, which crushed his skull.

Frank Dalton, ex-employee on the Whalen farm was suspected of the crime. He disappeared from Woodland about the time of the murder, and was traced to Portland, Ore., where he was thought to have stowed away on a ship and escaped to Australia.

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PARK MEN AT BALTIMORE

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RANCHER AND SON BATTLE TO DEATH

Younger Man's Wife Only Witness of Duel.

FATHER IS REPORTED DRUNK

Quarrelsome Parent Makes Call, Revolver in Hand.

WOMAN CHARGES INSULTS

Fred Riker, 30, Living on Little Kalamita River, Grabs Rifle and Both Fire at Once.

KALAMA, Wash., May 15.—(Special.)—Harvey Riker, 55-year-old rancher residing on the Little Kalamita river, was shot and killed instantly today and his son, Fred Riker, 30 years old, died two hours later from a bullet wound, as a result of a duel with firearms between the two men.

According to reports received here tonight, the fatal battle took place this morning at the home of Fred Riker after the father, while under the influence of liquor, had come to visit the son.

It was said that the elder Riker was in a quarrelsome mood and began to make insulting remarks to his son's wife, Myrtle. This caused the two men to engage in a violent quarrel, which culminated in the fatal shooting.

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