NEW OFFER HELD UP BY FRANCE, BELGIUM

Two Nations Enraged by Russians' Reply.

POINCARE'S AID ASKED

Delegates Telephone Premier for Definite Decision, but Make No Bones of Dissatisfaction.

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GENOA, May 11.—(Special Cable.)—Enraged by the Russian reply, the French and Belgians, who had worked up a formula on the confiscated property problem, decided today not to present it. The French immediately telephoned Premier Poincare for a definite decision, but they made no bones of their dissatisfaction with the Russian attitude.

They considered the reply "insolent in tone" and for this reason their formula was tabled. This action constitutes the first definite move by the French to cover all contact with the Russian problem.

The British, of course, are determined to go on. They must be satisfied, but they are not gratified. The reply was stiffer than Premier Lloyd George expected, although the door was left open to further discussion. As Foreign Minister Schanzer put it, "the Russians opened the door, but it is only a slit."

British Are Satisfied.

The British are satisfied at least with the Russian expression of their desire for peace and a non-aggression pact. The indictment by the soviets undoubtedly hit the British hard, but while the French were growing angrier and angrier, late tonight the British were calming down and were determined to make the best of it.

The subcommission's answer will undoubtedly be stern in tone, in revenge for the tone of the Russian reply, but the British will insist that no matter what the French decision may be, the allies also shall leave the door ajar.

Lloyd George Goes Ahead.

As the World has told, Mr. Lloyd George is pushing forward without the French. But how much he is willing to take from the Russians while fighting with Paris is indicated by the announcement that the allied answer will be "effective."

The British premier is jockeying furiously and it is to be hoped that a sharp yet not final reply to Russia will placate the French without turning the Russians away.

RETURNS TO BE RADIOED

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for the many radio dances which are being given to precede the regular Friday night social soirees and dancing parties. Six numbers are listed in the programme which George Olson submitted for the concert, and if ample time remains more will be played. The list includes "Tell Her at Twilight" by Walter Donaldson, "By the Silvery Nile" by Charles Johnson, "Portland Hotel Blues" (composer's name not revealed), "Myra Mine" by F. E. Elliott, a member of the orchestra; "Somi" by H. Wilson and "Rosemary" (Schwenberg).

RADIO CONCERT IMPROMPTU

Walter Jenkins and Miss Ruth Agnew Sing Special Numbers.

An impromptu concert which afforded many listeners some excellent music was broadcast from The Oregonian last night during the hour which was to have been used by the Hawley station. An emergency call from the Peninsula Park community station in the afternoon revealed that a large audience was to assemble in the Peninsula Park school for a radio programme, special receiving apparatus having been loaned by the Northwest Electric company.

In order not to disappoint the crowd two soloists, Walter Jenkins and Miss Ruth Agnew, were obtained and each sang several selections, not only for the Peninsula Park community service, but for many other regular radio listeners.

Walter Jenkins is one of the best-known baritones in Portland and his singing was received with much appreciation. Assisted by Miss Ruby Lloyd on the piano he sang "Shipmates," "Oregon, My Oregon" and "Give a Man a Horse He Can Ride."

Miss Agnew made her radio debut last night, for she had never sung "through the ether" before. Her four selections were a decided treat and won for her much applause. She sang "The Years at the Spring," "Your Eyes Have Told Me So," "Mah Lindy Lou" and "Sally Roses," and was assisted at the piano by Mrs. Mary Holder Williamson.

SPECIAL PROGRAMME SLATED

Concert to Be Broadcast to Audience in Lincoln High School.

Tomorrow night a concert programme will be broadcast for an audience in Lincoln high school by the Union Pacific system for Laura M. Olbrich, its contestant for queen of the Elks' spring carnival.

The radio concert will be broadcast from station KQY over special radio equipment set up by the Stubbs Electric company. The programme will be started at 8 o'clock and will be preceded by an illustrated lecture by S. C. Lancaster on the Pacific northwest and Alaska. Immediately after the lecture the radio concert will be received and amplified so everyone attending the auditorium show may hear the numbers.

Included in the radio concert programme are two piano solos by Miss Olga Ruff, two vocal solos by Mrs. Fred L. Olson, accompanied by Nettie Leona Foy, two violin solos by Mrs. L. W. Waldorf, a selection by Mrs. Olson, Miss Foy and Mrs. Waldorf, two tenor solos by Michael P. Brennan and three baritone solos by Dr. Stuart McGuire.

WHAT CONGRESS DID AS ITS DAY'S WORK.

Senate.

Debated tariff revision. Gooding, republican, Idaho, speaking at length in support of the bill.

Liberian bill providing for loan of $5,000,000 received from house and referred to foreign relations committee.

Calder introduced bill appropriating $500,000 for new public building at St. George, Staten Island.

Moving-picture industry is gaining control of politics, Dr. Crafts tells judiciary committee.

House.

Debated bill fixing pay of officers in the army and navy.

Chairman Rouse, democrat, Kentucky, of the democratic congressional committee, issued a statement declaring that, with republicans quarreling among themselves, congress should adjourn.

NINA DRESSEL IS HEARD

Talented Portland Soprano Gives Concert in Afternoon.

Nina Dressel, the talented Portland soprano who has given several excellent radio concerts in the last few weeks, added to her triumphs yesterday afternoon when she sang in The Oregonian tower during the concert broadcast by the Multnomah hotel orchestra. Miss Dressel's selections were "Sweetheart," "To You" and "Your Eyes Have Told Me So."

Louis Shurtliff, violinist and director of the Multnomah hotel orchestra, played another of his violin solos, which brought reports from many afternoon listeners. This number was "Mighty Lak a Rose." Five more selections, all popular ones, were played by the orchestra. They were "If Winter Comes," "Cutie," "Dear Old Southland," "By the Sapphire Sea" and "Stumbling." The concert was given under the auspices of the Seiberling-Lucas Music company.

The regular afternoon concert for today will feature Robert Stayss's Society Serenaders of the Mandarin cafe, and for the first time xylophone music will be sent out over radio. George Henkel is the artist and among the solos which he will play will be the sextet from "Lucia," a difficult number, requiring the use of four hammers. Another feature of the afternoon will be a piano solo, "Mellow Southern Moon," to be played by the composer, Frank Trever. The orchestra will play "If Winter Comes," "Nobody Lied," "Bamboo Bay," "Lovable Eyes" and "Just Like Two Birds in a Nest."

NEW PLAN IMPROVES RADIO

Way of Eliminating Buzzing in Apparatus Is Devised.

CHICAGO, May 11.—A means of eliminating the buzzing in radio and of operating the wireless sets by attaching them directly to the lighting wires through an ordinary socket instead of using the expensive storage battery has been perfected by B. F. Meiffner, a government expert during the war, he announced today.

The radio is attached to any 110-volt alternating current through the ordinary light socket, he said. In place of rectifiers and filters now used in attempts to eliminate the hum, Mr. Meiffner uses balancing devices. The electric current in the light wires is stepped down to six volts.

Mr. Meiffner formerly was connected with the army and navy aircraft department and assisted John Hays Hammond in perfecting a radio torpedo during the war.

Devices which are said to obtain the same results as Mr. Meiffner's are said to have been perfected by the government recently, but details have not been made public.

Mr. Meiffner said he had been working on his invention for three years and did not know whether it was similar to the government's.

Radio Tests Monday.

O. R. Redfern, United States radio inspector of the 7th district with headquarters at Seattle, will be in Portland the early part of next week and will give a series of examinations for those desiring radio licenses. The examinations will begin at 8 o'clock Monday morning at the Y. M. C. A. They will include tests for those desiring either commercial or amateur licenses.

DEFUNCT BANK IS SUED

Oriental Navigation Begins Action Against Seattle Institution.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 11.—The Scandinavian-American bank of Seattle, which failed last year, was made defendant in a suit for $167,363.11 damages, alleged to have arisen through its guaranty of two hulls constructed by the defunct Anderson Shipbuilding corporation, filed in superior court here today by the Oriental Navigation company.

The complaint alleged the plaintiff engaged to deliver the two ships to the French government, but they were not delivered on time, and the French government received damages in a New York court as a result. The bank guaranteed faithful performance of the Anderson Shipbuilding corporation's contract, it was charged.

E. L. Farnsworth, state director of taxation and examination; John P. Duke, state bank examiner, and his deputy, R. A. Langley, were defendants in the suit.

OFFICIAL TO VISIT SCIO

State Chamber Field Secretary to Attend Community Meeting.

SCIO, Or., May 11.—(Special.)—Milo Bartin, secretary of the general committee on arrangements for the big community club meeting, scheduled for May 20, has received definite word from M. J. Dungea, the field secretary for the State Chamber of Commerce, that he will be here on that date.

The general committee is called to meet in session here tomorrow night, at 7 o'clock.

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STATE BRIEFS CASE IN TRIAL OF SMALL

Illinois Accuses Governor of $1,500,000 Fraud.

WIFE IS WITH GOVERNOR

Chief Counsel for Defense Is to Reply to Opening Statement Today; Evidence Monday.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., May 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—The state will attempt to show in the trial of Governor Small that the governor and his fellow defendants in the alleged conspiracy to embezzle state funds while he was state treasurer, combined and agreed together, by means of false pretenses, to cheat and defraud the state of Illinois" out of between $1,500,000 and $2,000,000, C. Fred Mortimer, state's atorney of Sangamon county, told the jury in his opening address today.

Mr. Mortimer recited events from the time the conspiracy is alleged to have been formed, April 21, 1917, until after the governor took his present office, in January, 1921.

C. E. Leforgee, chief counsel for the governor, will reply to the state's opening statement tomorrow and the case will then go over to Monday, when the taking of evidence is expected to start.

Governor's Wife in Court.

Governor Small, Mrs. Small, their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Small, and their small grandson, were in court.

Mr. Mortimer told the jurors that Governor Small, Vernon Curtis and the late Senator Edward A. Curtis formed an alleged conspiracy in the spring of April, 1917, shortly after Mr. Small assumed office as state treasurer, and that it continued through his two-year term and that of Mr. Sterling, who succeeded him. He said the latter became a party to the conspiracy when he became treasurer in January, 1919.

He described the so-called "Grant Park bank," which the state contends was a "fictitious bank." It was under this name, the state claims, that $10,000,000 of state funds were loaned to five Chicago packing houses at from 7 to 8½ per cent interest, of which it is certain not over 2 per cent was paid to the state.

Alleged Method Revealed.

Mr. Mortimer told the jury that Mr. Small issued state treasurer checks for various amounts up to a million dollars, payable to the Grant Park bank. These checks, he said, were deposited in the Fort Dearborn bank of Chicago. Then, he declared, Edward Curtis, and after his death, Vernon Curtis, would take cashiers' checks of the Fort Dearborn bank and go over to the Livestock Exchang bank, where they purchased notes of the packing companies.

These notes, he said, were never deposited in the state treasurer's office, and all the treasurer had to show for the money was a certificate of deposit from the "so-called Grant Park bank."

"There never was a dollar, we will offer to show," Mr. Mortimer said, "of the money paid out to the so-called Grant Park bank that was ever deposited in any Grant Park bank.

Interest Held Not Paid.

"We will offer to show that of the million dollars taken from the state treasury under this general method by Small and then by Sterling, that the Grant Park bank never remitted in the name of the Grant Park bank one single dollar of interest to the state of Illinois.

The evidence will show and we will offer to prove that nearly $29,000,000 of the money of the state went into the so-called safe account, a false pretense, to the use of Len Small, Ed Curtis, Vernon Curtis and Fred Sterling, to cheat and defraud the people of this state."

After Mr. Small's term expired and Mr. Sterling took over the treasurer's office, in January, 1919, Mr. Mortimer said, Mr. Small was continued on the payroll as investigator of securities at a salary of $6000 a year.

MUSKEGON TO SAVE TIME

Mothers' Protest Against Setting Clocks Ahead Futile.

MUSKEGON, Mich., May 11.—Over the protests of mothers in the city, Muskegon has adopted, by will of the voters, daylight-saving time for the spring and summer months.

The mothers fought the proposal to set the clocks ahead one hour, on the ground that it would disrupt the feeding schedules for their infants and therefore endanger the health of the youngsters.

During the campaign that preceded the special election at which the issue was decided, the mothers fought countless word battles against it. The majority of the voters, however, turned a deaf ear to their entreaties. The mothers' campaign slogan, "save the babies by voting down the daylight-saving time," failed, the proposal to change time carrying by an overwhelming majority.

UNION CHIEFS ARE HELD

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against "hoodlums and ex-convicts who go about posing as leaders of labor." Charles Fitzmorris, chief of police, pointed to the crime record of the past 24 hours. "That should prove to Chicago that the sluggers and thugs we rounded up yesterday in raids on union offices are responsible for the nightly outbursts of crime," he said. "With these fellows in jail there was not enough crime last night to startle a town of 25,000 people, and the only crime in the day was a jewelry store robbery that looks like a fake."

In the meantime flat denials of any knowledge of lawlessness were made by several of those held. Fred Mader, president of the building trades council, declared his innocence and offered a reward of $1000 for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the slayers of the two policemen.

"Big Tim" Denies All Guilt.

"Big Tim" Murphy declared: "Chief Fitzmorris had me pinched for carrying concealed ideas. I think there is a charge of foolish larceny, too," he added with a smile.

In a formal statement, Murphy, who is out on bail, following his being sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary in connection with a $400,000 mail robbery, declared he had no knowledge of any act of violence and appealed to the public for fair play and to suspend judgment pending the hearing of "these charges, of which I know nothing, against me."

Although the courts were swamped today with writs of habeas corpus for persons arrested in the raids, in every instance where time was asked for further investigation the prisoners were remanded to the police and the writs continued.

Nine men were discharged, however, when the police reported there was not sufficient evidence to detain them, two others were given opportunity to obtain their release on bonds and four other cases were set for hearing tomorrow.

Among those discharged was James J. Conroy, secretary of the building trades council.

The jails were crowded with the labor leaders and others held in connection with the murders.

All law-enforcement organizations in the city are united in what police term "a fight to the finish with organized labor."

Iron Plant Is Closed.

BELVIDERE, N. J., May 11.—The Empire Iron & Steel company of Oxford closed its plant today because of inability to get a supply of coke from the West Virginia fields. Officials of the company blamed the coal strike. Arrangements have been begun, however, to reopen the company's iron mines at Oxford which have been idle for several months.

POWER OFFERS RECEIVED

PLAN OF FEDERAL OPERATION OF MUSCLE SHOALS UP.

Baltimore Manufacturer Wants to Run Project for Term of Years and Repay Government.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—Developments in congressional consideration of proposals for developing the Muscle Shoals, Ala., nitrate and power projects occurred today in the senate agriculture and house military committees and on the senate floor.

Chairman Norris, Nebraska, of the senate committee, introduced a bill providing for a semi-government corporation to take over and operate the nitrate and power projects for 50 years.

The Nebraska senator also made public a proposal received from L. Stern, a Baltimore, Md., consulting engineer and manufacturer of chemical products. Mr. Stern's letter of transmission requested the committee to hear him at his convenience, and said the formal tender would be made later. The committee decided informally to accede to the request and grant Mr. Stern a hearing.

The offer of Mr. Stern provided for the operation of the nitrate and power projects for 25 or 50 years, or any suitable number of years that might be determined upon. It further stated that all expenses incurred by the government at Muscle Shoals would be repaid to it at the rate of 2 per cent annually as contained in a provision by which the government would receive 60 per cent of all net profits made during the operation, with the lessee retaining 40 per cent.

In the house committee an agreement was reached by which any lessee of the Shoals properties would be compelled to manufacture finished fertilizers whether at a profit or loss throughout the term of his operations, whether it be 50 or 100 years.

MUSIC STUDY CONSIDERED

Course in Piano and Violin May Be Revised in Washington.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., May 11.—(Special.)—The matter of revising the four-year course of study in piano and violin was considered today by the State Music Teachers' association. Action wil be taken tomorrow at the closing business meeting.

Miss Mary I. Short of Spokane, chairman of a committee of Spokane music teachers, appointed to make suggestions, made her report. The course outlines the work necessary to receive high school credit and the requirements for graduation.

Mrs. Josephine Corliss Preston, state superintendent, was unable to attend today and her talk on "The Music Teacher vs. Certification" was postponed until tomorrow. Action on the matter of affiliating with the State Federation of Music clubs was postponed for a year.

State college instructors gave a recital this morning. A dinner, with a musical programme following, was given tonight.

MONTESANO MEN ENTER

Two Candidacies for County Offices at Primary Announced.

MONTESANO, Wash., May 11.—(Special.)—W. C. Birdwell, deputy clerk, and W. D. Campbell, deputy auditor, have announced their candidacy for county offices here at the primaries next fall.

Mr. Birdwell has had 16 continuous years' service in the county's clerk's office and has been elected to fill the office four times. He will file for that office.

Mr. Campbell, who will file for county auditor, started work in that office in 1902. In 1907 he left the office for four years, returning in 1911. He has been in the office since that time.

BODY STILL IS MISSING

Boy Drowned In Creek April 22 Has Not Been Recovered.

HAMILTON, Or., May 11.—(Special.)—Albert Glenger, 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Glenger of this city, was drowned in Cottonwood creek, near his home, April 22, and although diligent search has been made the body has not been recovered.

At the time of his tragic death the boy was clad in a navy blue shirt with white buttons, gray sweater, trimmed in red, blue overalls and tan shoes. If the body is found in either the John Day or the Columbia river, the bereaved parents will be grateful to receive word to this effect.

SOCIETY TO STAGE FIGHTS

San Francisco Elite to Give Benefit for Disabled Veterans.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—A fight show, sponsored by Mrs. Daniel C. Jackling, wife of the Utah and San Francisco mining magnate, and with pretty society girls as ushers, is to be given in the civic auditorium here on the night of May 18 for the benefit of the forthcoming annual convention of the disabled American veterans of the world war, it was announced today by the committee in charge.

Assisting Mrs. Jackling will be Mesdames Walter Martin, Harry Scott and Richard McCreery of the San Francisco Peninsula exclusive set.

Salmon Creek Dairymen Organize.

SALMON CREEK, Wash., May 11.—(Special.)—A number of the dairymen of Salmon Creek met last night and organized a chapter of the dairymen's union, with George Goddard as president. The dairymen will begin shipping shortly to a local creamery, which is giving them an exceptionally good market.

Showers Prevent Heavy Frost.

LEBANON, Or., May 11.—(Special.)—Light showers and clouds saved the fruit situation last night from the threatened heavy frost, which was forecasted by the weatherman. Monday night there was some frost, but not heavy enough to do much damage. It is still cloudy today, with threatening showers, which may further prevent frost. The snow is heavy in the Cascade mountains. A warm chinook rain is desired by the fruit men to clear up the frost menace.

Canby Fruit Uninjured.

CANBY, Or., May 11.—(Special.)—Many of the strawberry growers of this section feared that the few nights of cold weather experienced this week would injure the strawberry blossoms and small berries that are now appearing on the vines, but upon investigation these have been found to be unharmed by the frost, and from indications Canby will have as good crop of berries as in former years.

Gresham Defeats Estacada.

GRESHAM, Or., May 11.—(Special.)—Union high school defeated Estacada high school in a loosely played game here yesterday by a score of 15 to 4. This is the second win from Estacada this year. Quesinberry of Union high school, hit a home run in the sixth inning with two men on base. Winters, pitching for Union high school, struck out 15 men while his support was ragged at times. Union high plays Oregon City here tomorrow afternoon at 3:45.

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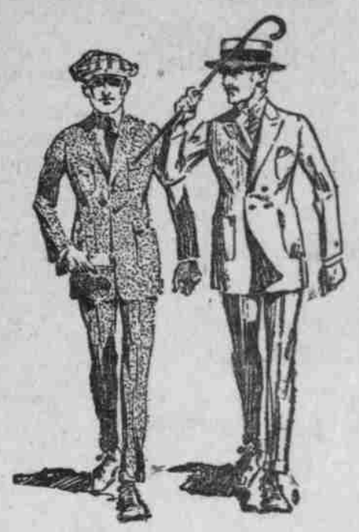

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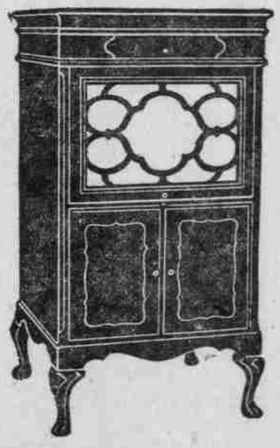

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