

FRANCE PUSHS BUNTS GERMAN PROMISES

Concern Rather With Payment of Reparations.

TARDIEU EXPECTS CHANGE

Prediction Made That Younger Element Will Soon Replace Present French Government.

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Germany.
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PARIS, May 27.—(Special Cable.)—
The German reparations problem continues in suspense. It is the most serious matter engrossing the attention of Europe today. It is certain, however, that there will be no sensational developments on May 31. This, of course, is because that date is not the final moment either for execution or payment—as has been erroneously suggested in certain quarters—but simply the time limit within which Germany must announce her acceptance of her obligations. All that Germany needs to do, therefore, is to put her signature to paper before then and it is probable that an agreement on the text of the reply will have been reached by the German officials by that time.

This does not mean that promises made will be fulfilled or payments made. And what interests France and the French public is not what Germany promises, but what she fulfills.

After six weeks of idleness parliament reconvened and initiated a debate on the whole foreign policy. On account of the recent elections to the local legislative body—conseils généraux—with their significant changes in political complexion, many of the members were so engrossed in domestic affairs that in France.

Poincaré Regime Profits.
The general view is that France came through Genoa without serious loss. Nobody pretends that we played a brilliant or predominant role. It is confessed that we missed the opportunity to take the leadership against the soviet on the private property question. The Hague meeting next month is envisaged with disfavor, but altogether the majority of the members were so engrossed in domestic affairs that in France.

As for internal politics, the departmental elections show a slight but unmistakable setback for the policy which triumphed at the preliminary elections of 1919. The so-called left parties, consisting of the immovable left, the radical-socialist, the radical and the communists, gained some seats. The majority can find a useful warning in this, but still more it can find cause for complaint against the government which, under the pretext of political neutrality gave free rein to state officials in the Poincaré.

These men, who were appointed before the war, when the radical-socialists were in power, used the opportunity to exercise improper pressure at the polls. This action has made the majority in the chamber decidedly angry, and it may cause serious trouble in June.

Younger Group Rising.
At the bottom, whether in foreign or domestic affairs, the real struggle is between the old personnel and old methods on the one side and the younger generation, which is working with me and is tired of the monotonous routine to which France has succumbed since the Clemenceau government resigned. In all likelihood the younger group will take the helm before the preliminary elections in April, 1924, and probably as early as the beginning of 1923. Unless this happens the sterile delays of recent months would result in a strong shift of opinion toward the bloc des gauches. I believe the latter change can be avoided and will be.

STAND-PATS SEE FINISH

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of the ideas and personalities represented by men like Beveridge and Pinchot. If the old progressive leaders have had a stomach full of third party movements, the old stand-pat leaders have equally had enough of stubborn opposition to new ideas and progressive persons.

Beveridge Orthodox New.
There is not the faintest chance of the thing that happened in 1912 being duplicated now. President Harding has spent a political lifetime accepting the verdicts of republican primaries and republican conventions and abiding by them. To him, when Albert J. Beveridge was the republican primary in Indiana, that settled it. Thereafter Beveridge is an orthodox republican and within his bailiwick what he decides is law. And when Clifford Pinchot smashes the republican machine in Pennsylvania, gets control of the local organization and makes it certain that he will be governor, thereafter, in the right of President Harding, Indiana is a perfectly orthodox republican blood brother.

In short, there isn't going to be any spectacular strain between the leadership of the republican party under President Harding and the rising progressive policies and personalities. The victories of these old progressives in Indiana and Pennsylvania mean indisputably that there is a rising tide of strength among the republican voters favorable to this kind of leadership. And this tide is going to sweep into power without any stubborn opposition.

Contest in Jersey Coming.
In looking about for other states which might duplicate the things that happened in Indiana and Pennsylvania, some have hit upon New Jersey. It is true that the incumbent republican senator in that state, who comes up for re-election this year, is a friend of President Harding—Joseph Frelinghuysen. It is also true that Frelinghuysen is going to be opposed in the republican primaries by George Record of Jersey City. Finally, it is true that Mr. Record has some identification with the old progressive party. But from this point onward the parallel falls between New Jersey on the one hand and Indiana and Pennsylvania on the other.

Record will not make by any means the same degree of appeal to the progressive voters as Beveridge did in Indiana and Pinchot in Pennsylvania. Mr. Record was much less closely identified with Roosevelt personally and much less conspicuous as a progressive party leader. Further, Mr. Record has had affiliations with political movements rather more extreme than the progressive party movement was. Mr. Record will be looked upon as more of a radical than either Beveridge or Pinchot. Both Beveridge and Pinchot, in their respective cam-

paigns, laid emphasis on their orthodox republicanism and on their loyalty to President Harding.

Prohibition Also Issue.
Doubtless there is much of the same kind of discontent in New Jersey as in Pennsylvania and Indiana. But this discontent in New Jersey is less likely to express itself in the primaries than in the subsequent election. Of course, if, as now seems probable, the democrats in New Jersey give their senatorial nomination to Governor Edwards, it won't be possible for progressive republicans to support him to any great degree. Mr. Edwards is too strongly and singly identified with the single issue of opposition to the prohibition amendment to appeal to progressive republicans, who are prevalently dry. But if the democrats of New Jersey should make a senatorial nomination of a kind likely to appeal to progressive republicans and to independents, it might well happen that Senator Frelinghuysen would have a hard fight in November.

Another state where there is some apprehension that a perfectly comfortable political status may be disturbed by the coming of Indiana and Pennsylvania is Ohio. In Ohio this year a senator is to be elected. There is one avowed candidate, Theodore Roosevelt, until recently it has been believed that Mr. Fess would get the republican nomination for the senatorship without opposition, but since Beveridge and Pinchot managed their progressive "come-backs," there has been some uneasiness lest an old progressive leader, Walter Brown of Toledo, should feel encouraged to make an effort to imitate Pinchot and Beveridge.

The Ohio senatorial primaries come on August 8 and candidates must file their intentions 60 days in advance. Mr. Brown, therefore, has only about two weeks to make up his mind whether to try his fortunes.

Iowa Primaries Near.
The next senatorial primary comes in Iowa, on June 5, a week from next Tuesday. For the republican nomination to fill out the vacancy created by Senator Kenyon's resignation there are five candidates who make a fairly complete spectrum from radicalism at one end to conservatism at the other. The radical candidate is Smith W. Brookhart, who has the endorsement of a combination of labor leaders, a few radical farm leaders and several who position in public life is wholly that of radicals. It is generally expected that Brookhart will get practically all the radical vote in Iowa and that this vote will be very considerable in volume. Brookhart has in the past demonstrated much strength as a campaigner. In two years ago he came within 25,000 votes of defeating the veteran Cummins for the republican senatorial nomination.

There are four candidates for this republican senatorial nomination in the Iowa primaries is Clifford Thorne, who is widely known as a leader of the American farm bureau, which is the parent of the farm bloc in congress. Mr. Thorne is also supported by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, whose farm paper, published in Des Moines, has much political influence.

Convention May Decide.
Aside from these two there are three other candidates for this Iowa republican senatorial nomination. Two of them are former members of congress—Charles Pickett and Burrhead Weaver. These two candidates will probably divide the more conservative strength of the republican organization between them. Probably Pickett will be rewarded as most nearly acceptable to the stand-pat republicans. A fifth candidate, Claude Stanley, is a former service man, who was with the Rainbow division in France.

The outcome of this fight between five candidates will probably be inconclusive. The Iowa primary law provides that the results of the primary shall not be binding unless the leading candidate receives at least 35 per cent of the total vote. In a five-cornered contest the greater likelihood would seem to be that this will not happen. In this event the nomination will be made by a subsequent party convention, which is not bound by anything that happened in the primary, and which can make such choices as it pleases.

Four Killed in Ireland.
order to block the cattle trade leading from the city proper to the nationalist area. Derry is a walled city and its siege of 1688 is commemorated annually by Orangemen. The free state boundary is three miles distant.

A British destroyer arrived today and anchored opposite the Londonderry barracks. This was regarded as a sequel to the concentration of republican forces near the Donegal border.

Liquor Law Violators Fined.
DALLAS, Or., May 27.—Oliver Smith, proprietor of a pool hall in Independence, and Roscoe Staats, who were arrested by Sheriff Dry and deputies when they raided the Smith place and the Beaver hotel at Independence early last Sunday, were sentenced to 60 days in police court in Independence yesterday for having intoxicating liquor in their possession. Smith was fined \$500 and sentenced to 60 days in jail. Staats received a fine of \$250 and 30 days. Both posted bonds for an appeal to the circuit court.

Dallas Boy's Injuries Fatal.
DALLAS, Or., May 27.—John Wildt, 19, died in the Dallas hospital today from a fractured skull sustained when a timber fell from a barn being erected on the farm of his brother, Jacob Wildt, at Broadmead. Young Wildt is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wildt Sr., two brothers and four sisters.

**Alibi Now Offered
By Murder Suspect**

Sheriff Investigates Death of A. A. Almour.

NEW CLEWS ARE FOUND

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BELLINGHAM, Wash., May 27.—After denying that he knew anything about the death of A. A. Almour, Seattle salesman whose body was found yesterday in a hollow stump near East Stanwood, 45 miles south of here, Don Stevenson, arrested early this morning here, told officers that he rode with Almour to Seattle March 7. Stevenson said he left Almour in his car near the federal building in Seattle about 2:30 the same afternoon, and had not seen him since.

Stevenson was questioned by the officers at some length. He described his whereabouts in a statement to the officers for the week he was away, and told in detail of the motor trip to Seattle March 7. Stevenson said they bought a pint of "moonshine" whiskey at Stanwood, ate breakfast at East Stanwood about 9 o'clock, and stopped a few minutes at Everett.

Side Road Is Taken.
Stevenson told the officers that he and Almour took another road from East Stanwood than the paved Pacific highway, which leads off in the direction of the place where the body was found by Lars Chroft, a farmer, Stevenson and Almour were friends for two years, living at the same hotel here.

Almour's car was found abandoned in Seattle March 3. As far as authorities have learned, no one who knew him saw Almour after he left here on the morning of March 7 in company with Stevenson. Almour was killed by a bullet which entered his head behind the left ear.

In the forenoon the day of the trip to Seattle Chroft saw a car bearing the firm's name for which Almour worked stop on the road near the woods where the body was found yesterday. Two men left the car and walked into the woods. Later one of them came out and drove the car away. Chroft spoke to this man.

Billbook Found.
In the afternoon of that same day Chroft found a billbook in the path the men took bearing railroad brotherhood receipts made out to Stevenson and his identification card. When confronted with this evidence today Stevenson said that he had this billbook out while at East Stanwood and that Almour had said drunkenly, "Give that to me," and taken it.

Chroft said that he found the billbook today found a pair of his trousers, worn with a belt. On the waist band of the pants just back of where the bullet had struck him, he found two blood stains, one on each side, as if made by the wearer hitching his trousers up.

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"Referring to the communication in The Oregonian of Saturday, signed by you, we beg to say that so far as we are informed, the proposal mentioned therein has never been made to us or to our committee.

Proposal Is Accepted.
"But since you have now declared and published the following as the decision of your board, a committee of eight would be acceptable and would be stipulated in the finding if it were fairly balanced by a composition as follows: Two members from the Columbia Pacific company, two non-union workers, two non-union employers, be latter to be citizens of Portland whose interests in the port, while vital, were not immediate or direct," we hereby notify you that we accept the same.

Telegram Is Received.
With reference to the stand of the shipping board and its decision to postpone action as to the threatened withdrawal of vessels from the operating control of the Columbia Pacific company, the following telegram was received by the Chamber of Commerce from A. D. Lasker, chairman of the board:

"A committee of members of the board in Washington has directed the Portland negotiations step by step and the entire board is in hearty accord with what has been done. The board, of course, has every desire to help and not hurt Portland, but for the Columbia Pacific company to ignore the instructions of the board as owners is something that cannot be countenanced. It would mean demoralization of the board's operations all over the country. "In the hope that the Columbia Pacific company, on reconsideration, will find it proper to change its attitude, the board, in response to telegrams from you and others interested, has decided to withhold action until Wednesday morning, giving the Columbia Pacific company full knowledge of the situation, feels that its attitude is the only right one, from which it cannot recede."

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Eastern Sailor, which is ready to start loading her outward cargo for the Orient, the shipping board vessel continued to work cargo with nonunion assistance and the steamer West Keats, ever a whole lot of issues as to working nonunion men was first precipitated, sailed from the harbor for the Orient at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. She had been in port since April 12.

Statement Is Challenged.
Taking exception to part of a statement published yesterday, as authorized by the longshoremen's union, that dealt with delay in loading the Japanese steamer Yoshida Maru No. 1, Gus Thierling, Portland manager for A. M. Garreple, Inc., which is looking after the ship, said:

"The Yoshida Maru has been in the harbor four weeks, not five, as the statement mentioned, and while she has been loaded slowly, we are perfectly satisfied. The vessel will take about 4,250,000 feet of lumber, while the largest lumber cargo she carried previously, loaded either on the Columbia river or Puget sound, was 4,000,000 feet. Besides the lumber she will take away some steel and her sailing has been set for Monday."

DEPOSITOR FILES SUIT

PAYMENT OF SAVINGS ACCOUNTS FIRST DEMANDED.

Injunction Against Giving Dividend to Commercial Patrons of State Bank Asked.

An injunction suit to prevent Frank C. Bramwell, state superintendent of banks, from declaring a dividend to commercial depositors in the defunct State Bank of Portland before savings depositors have been recompensed a full was filed in the circuit court yesterday by Grace A. Doxale "on behalf of herself and all other savings depositors."

The action filed by John W. Kaste, attorney, sets forth that the bank superintendent is preparing to declare a \$150,000 dividend in the commercial department of the bank and a similar dividend in the savings department if not restrained. The suit would enjoin such alleged "unlawful purpose" and asks that Mr. Bramwell be ordered to apply the assets of the bank first to pay savings depositors and thereafter to payment of others.

An advance of \$5000 for costs and attorney fees is requested by the plaintiff, whose savings totalled \$1000.

HAND IS BULLET-RIDDLED

Amputation Necessary Following Discharge of Shotgun.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—Harry Williams of Yoncalla lost his left hand today when a load of shot, accidentally fired from the gun he was carrying, entered his arm, almost completely severing the hand above the wrist. He was climbing over a log when the shotgun slipped from his grasp and was discharged.

Williams was brought to Roseburg, and after being treated at a local hospital, was found necessary to amputate the hand. Although suffering greatly from loss of blood and shock, it was believed he would survive.

Liquor Prisoner Pardoned.

SALEM, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—After serving four months of an eight months' sentence, Ed Corder of Woodburn, who had been convicted of possessing and manufacturing intoxicating liquors, was today released by Governor Olcott. Corder had been confined in the county jail here. The petition asking that Corder be freed was signed by Sheriff Oscar Bover, District Attorney John Carson, Judge G. E. Unruh, who sentenced Corder, and by scores of Woodburn residents. Williams said to have been a partner of Corder, is serving a 16 months' sentence in the county jail.

Sealed Verdict Brought In.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 27.—(Special.)—The jury in the case of J. H. Ferris against John W. Todd, who today brought in a sealed verdict, which will not be opened until Monday morning. Mr. Ferris sued Mr. Todd for \$3300, alleged to be damages sustained as the result of a fire started by the latter on an adjoining farm. Mr. Ferris claimed his neighbor started the fire and went away to a picnic and left the fire burning. It spread to the Ferris place and destroyed considerable property. The case went to the jury late yesterday.

Postoffice Robbery Charged.

Wilson Carl and Lewis Alexander were held to the federal grand jury by United States Commissioner Frazer yesterday, the charge being robbery of the Garibaldi (Or.) postoffice May 15, after a preliminary hearing was given the accused pair. The robbery netted only \$63, which it was said the pair had agreed to split on a \$0-40 basis, with Carl doing the inside work.

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GOLD Celebration Next Week.
CANYON CITY, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—Great preparations are in progress for celebrating the discovery of gold on Canyon creek 60 years ago this June. The 60th anniversary of the discovery of gold on Canyon creek, June 8, 9 and 10, will be given under the auspices of the "Whiskey Gulch Gang," who are really the "boosters" of Canyon City and John Day and who are celebrating the discovery of the Twin Cities Commercial club, with Mayor J. F. Klink at the head.

Nobel Prize Change Planned.
LONDON, May 27.—The Nobel prize committee, it is reported in a Central News dispatch from Christiania, proposes introducing a bill in the Swedish parliament to amend the laws governing the Nobel peace prize foundation so that the award of the peace prize may be provisionally discontinued. The money saved would go to swell the main fund, out of which all the prizes are paid.

Polk County Democrat to Run.
DALLAS, Or., May 27.—John C. Syron, prominent fruit grower of the northern part of Polk county, received the democratic nomination for representative from Polk county, his name having been written in on the ballots of 15 electors at the primary election last Friday. Mr. Syron will accept the nomination and will make the race for election this fall against D. E. Fletcher, the republican nominee.

Gresham School Orators Picked.
GRESHAM, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—In the third annual declamatory contest in the Union high school under the oratorical section William McAllister won first place; Edward Southard, second; Grace Hoffmeister, third, and James Hill, fourth; drama section, Rose Potter, first; Vida Cerner, second; Sylvia Paulson, third, and Vada Anderson, fourth; humorous, Curry, fourth. The winners of the contests have their names engraved on a metal plate which is placed in the schoolroom.

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