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Week's Events Catch Government in Dilemma.

RESIGNATION IS LIKELY

French Premier Can Drag Along 2 or 3 Months More Before Reaction Begins in Earnest.

BY WILLIAM BIRD.

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PARIS, June 3.—(Special Cable)—Poincaré's ministry has entered upon its decline. The only question now is whether the premier will prefer to drag along through the Hague conference or yield his power before the reaction against him sets in in earnest.

This week's events caught the government in a dilemma. Germany's "acceptance" of the reparations commission's demands officially is accepted, but the acceptance is entirely unsatisfactory and yet it has been swallowed by the Quai D'Orsay. It simply means Germany will pay if she can borrow the wherewithal—otherwise not. Poincaré's acceptance of this proposition amounts to an acknowledgment that he believes Germany cannot pay with her own resources, and this is virtually indorsement of Keynes's thesis lately adopted by Lloyd George.

Chamber Is Melancholy.
Thus Poincaré, the hope of the strongest group, has gone the way of his predecessors, Millerand, Leygues and Briand, and is forced to admit that the money cannot be wrung from Germany by anything short of military force. From all indications the majority of the chamber would be of the same melancholy conclusion. This signifies that Poincaré and what he supposedly stands for have become useless and so logic demands that a new government be established.

Poincaré has been in office five months and can have two or three more inglorious months should he so desire, but he probably won't. Present conditions point to Barthou as his successor. He is a man much on the Poincaré type but decidedly more flexible and has the advantage of long association with the liberals of the "left."

It will be recalled that he torpedoed the Briand cabinet when Briand was at Cannes by calling the cabinet together and drafting a strong remonstrance against the programme of the premier and Lloyd George were working out. For this he and certain of his colleagues obtained posts in the Poincaré cabinet. Barthou is not noted for his political fidelity and it was commonly said that Poincaré sent him to Geneva to prevent him doing mischief at home. At any rate, Poincaré never gave him plenary powers but reserved a veto over him and exercised it almost daily.

Treachery Is Prevented.
Thus he prevented Barthou—whom a brilliant political writer calls "the man with the habit of treachery"—from becoming an outstanding figure at the conference. But there is little satisfaction here with France's part in the conference. The French delegation with the Quai D'Orsay.
French politics are in a state of uncertainty due to the drift toward liberal and pacifist views, indicated in the recent local elections. The present chamber was elected in a period of patriotic hysteria, immediately after the war, but in view of the unmistakable reconversion of radical opposition members are beginning to trim their sails and prepare for the 1924 elections. The next ministry will lean heavily on the left of the chamber and will follow Briand's policy.

GRAIN RATES TO BE CUT

Great Northern Ordered to Reduce Tariff on Orville Branch.

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 3.—(Special)—Reduction in freight rates on grain from Molson and other points on the Orville branch of the Great Northern railway to Puget sound terminals, was ordered by the department of public works today, with the recommendation that rates from the same points to Spokane be maintained on a parity with the Puget sound rates to give the grain growers access to either market on the same basis. The reductions ordered by the department are made effective on or before July 2.

The Molson Community club and the North Pacific Millers' association brought the action before the department, asking that the rates be reduced. At that time the rate on wheat and wheat products from Molson to Seattle and Tacoma was 33 cents, as against a 27-cent rate from Spokane to the same points. While the case was in progress the railroad made a reduction of 10 per cent, which left the Molson rate at 30 cents and the Spokane rate at 24 cents. The department reduces the Molson rate to 27 cents, with corresponding reductions from all other points on the Orville branch.

BOOTLEG VERDICT SEALED

Federal Court Adjourns to Monday Before Agreement Is Reached.

Jurors who heard the trial of M. T. Stanich, north end soft drink refreshment stand owner, who was accused of the sale of moonshine, have decided the fate of the accused, but no one outside of the sworn 12 has any idea what it is. The jury returned to make known its decision after a short period of deliberation, shortly after lunch yesterday, but federal court having adjourned until Monday there was no way of making the verdict known.

The jury was permitted to return a sealed verdict, after which the talesmen were free to go about their week-end plans as they liked. The verdict will be read in court tomorrow morning.

CLASS PLAY PRESENTED

John H. Stevenson to Address Estacada Graduates Tomorrow.

MOLALLA, Or., June 3.—(Special)—The commencement exercises of the Molalla high school will be held at the Molalla band auditorium Monday evening. John H. Stevenson of Portland, will deliver the commencement address. Members of the class will deliver the class history, prophecy, will poem and valedictory and salutatory addresses. Beatrice Tubbs is valedictorian and Olive Welch is salutatorian.
The members of the class are Beatrice Tubbs, Inez Stipp, Ruth Highmiller, Mary Snodgrass, Louis Adams, Celia Worley, Marie McMorris, Mildred Bartlett, Olive Welch, Mary Watts, Faye Toliver, Julie Jones, Ruby Husbands, Paul Hood, Leslie Fairley, Val Harless, Earl Casper, Homer Stipp, Earl Berdsine and Alvin Ellis.

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SCOPE IS FAR-REACHING

Edgar B. Piper of The Oregonian Elected Vice-President of Society Recently Formed.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 3.—The new American Society of Newspaper Editors that has been launched by directing editors of more than fifty of the leading newspapers of the country is to meet a need for a national organization of the executive editors of metropolitan newspapers, according to an explanation of its purposes by its president, Casper S. Yost of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

"We editors—most of us at any rate," said Mr. Yost, "have not realized, or have only vaguely realized, that we are members of a great and honorable profession which has common interests as well as individual interests. We could not act collectively because we had no means of collective action."
Purposes Are Many.
"To visualize newspaper ideals; to set standards of newspaper conduct which shall not affect that individual independence that is essential to newspaper personality, but which may arouse generous emulation for newspaper progress; to promote the dignity and honor of our profession; to maintain its integrity and its rights and defend it from unjust attacks; to establish ethical principles whose recognition and observance will contribute to that public confidence which is a newspaper's best asset; to promote the efficiency of our labors through the interchange of experience and the discussion by which common problems of editorial management may be solved—all these are purposes to which such an organization as we have created can direct its efforts, and in their accomplishment be of great and lasting value to all of us as members of a big profession, of material benefit to the individual newspapers which serve, and increased usefulness to the press as an institution for the promotion of public welfare."

Describing most metropolitan newspaper editors as "anonymous creatures," seldom heard of outside of their own offices, Mr. Yost said they needed to get better acquainted with one another.
Organization of the society was effected in New York, April 25, at a meeting in response to a call issued by Edward S. Beck of the Chicago Tribune, Frank I. Cobb of the New York Herald, Charles H. Dennis of the Chicago News, Herbert B. Galt of the St. Paul Pioneer-Press, Joseph Garretson of the Cincinnati Times-Star, Eric C. Hopwood of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, George E. Miller of the Detroit News and Casper S. Yost of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. "Ours," said this call, "is a great and honorable profession, yet, curiously, it is the only important profession not nationally organized. The existence and valuable work of the National Editors' Association was recognized, but this organization, it was stated, did not include the larger city newspapers."

WAR ON PESTS TO OPEN

Attempt Will Be Made to Check Ravages of Pine Beetle.

EUGENE, Or., June 3.—(Special)—J. F. Preston, inspector in the office of the chief forester at Washington, D. C., was in Eugene yesterday on his way to Klamath county, where he will inspect the pine beetle-infested area among the forests.
Congress recently appropriated \$150,000 with which to co-operate with private timberland owners in checking the insect.
Mr. Preston said that during the last ten years, the estimates show 10 per cent of the timber in that district has either rotted or badly damaged by the beetle. He said that the government and timber owners did not expect to eradicate the insect with the comparatively small amount of money available, but that its ravages could be greatly curtailed. The only way to kill the bugs, he said, is to tell and burn the infested trees.

BERRIANS TO NAME QUEEN

Young Women of Newberg Compete for Rose Festival Honors.

NEWBERG, Or., June 3.—(Special)—The contest for the selection of a Berrian queen who will ride in the Newberg Berrian float in the Rose festival parade this year, and who will act as queen at the Berry festival here, began this morning with a fine list of local young women entered for these honors.
The girls in the contest are Eleanor Bassett, Sylvia Clemenson, Freda Parfitt, Eva Miles, Marjorie Christenson, Emmell Woodworth, Gertrude Bradley, Mina Lutz, Euphemia Boyes, Lois Vandermullen, Louise Sharp, Florence Robinson, Jean McDonald, Ethel McGary and Eda Cate.
Plans for the float have been drawn and some think they are even better than those of last year, which took second prize and also a special prize.

Commencement Play Presented

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, June 3.—(Special)—The opening event of the commencement week-end was "Pomander Walk," a play by the Mask and Dagger club, in which several seniors appeared in dramatics for the last time at the college. "Pomander Walk" is a three-act comedy, full of romance and surprises, and is said to be one of the most wholesome plays suitable for college production.

Five Divorce Suits Filed.

Divorce suits filed in the circuit court yesterday were: Olive against Richard David; Eva against Jack Bruce Ray; Kate against J. V. Spore; Anna against Carl Gustafson; and Antonette against Peter Preston.

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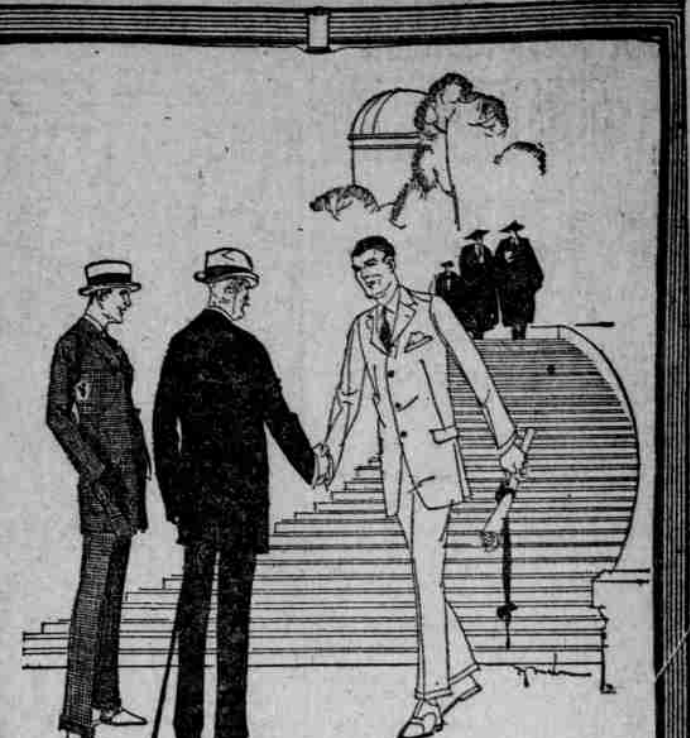


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