

POLISH CABINET FACING CRISIS AS RUSSIANS GAIN

Berlin, May 26.—(I. N. S.)—The Polish cabinet is facing a crisis as a result of the Russian Bolshevik advance on the northern end of the Russo-Polish battle front, according to an unconfirmed report from Lodz today.

Negotiations are said to be in progress at Warsaw for the formation of a coalition cabinet with moderate socialists participating. The socialists are reported to be demanding peace with Russia, dissolution of the Polish parliament and a new general election.

BOLSHEVIKI CONCENTRATE FOR PERSIAN INVASION

Constantinople, May 25, via London, May 26.—(I. N. S.)—The Russian Soviet government has concentrated a great army of 60,000 Bolshevik troops in the Baku region of the Caucasus and preparations are being made for the invasion of Persia from that quarter, according to information received here today.

Reinforcements are being steadily poured into the Caucasus by Moscow despite the pressure of war against Poland in the north. It is reported.

The Soviet government is believed by British officials in Constantinople to have designs on India and Afghanistan if the threatened Persian invasion is successful.

The Bolsheviks are said to be mobilizing Caspian sea transports at Enzeli and Rehsit, two Persian ports. It is expected that Enzeli and Rehsit will be used as bases of operations if an attack against Teheran is launched.

POLISH BATTLEFRONT IS OVER AREA OF 300 MILES

London, May 26.—(I. N. S.)—Fighting between the Russian Bolsheviks and the Poles is raging over a front of approximately 300 miles and the Poles making successful counter thrusts along their right flank, according to advices received here today.

The following communique from the Polish war office was telegraphed from Warsaw:

"We repulsed a violent attack against our right flank on the Dnieper river. We recaptured positions that had previously been lost. Two villages were taken by the Poles near the Kokow bridgehead on the Dnieper. We repulsed an attack at the Poczocow bridgehead. We disarmed an attacking Russian steamer near Ryzasew."

H. L. PITTOCK MADE SCRUTINY OF WILLS

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tioned. He was an active participant in affairs at the Hunt club, played golf, always saw the first baseball game of the season, was a box occupant at the football games, had a front seat at boxing contests and in 1910 went to California "by way of Reno" to witness the Johnson-Jeffries fight.

He also made an airplane flight at Santa Barbara, Cal., in 1917, Price said. During Pittock's absence in Europe in 1910, Price said, he had power to sign the publisher's name to checks and letters. Pittock never dictated letters, always writing them out in longhand, continuing the practice to the last.

His perfect memory was described, and the fact that he wore eyeglasses at any time was mentioned. The death of his old friends, one by one, apparently had no effect on his spirits.

WAS IT PREMONITION?

"I have since wondered about two or three occurrences within the month previous to his death," said Price, in concluding the possibility that Pittock had a premonition of his demise. He was extremely anxious to settle as quickly as possible the affairs of the estate of his wife, who died June 12, 1918, setting as the closing date December 31 of that year.

The estate, in personal property, amounted to about \$30,000, and Pittock ordered divided equally among the five children in shares of stock in his bank, apportioned on a basis of \$125 a share.

Price said that his salary as agent of Pittock & Leadbetter company was \$100 a month, but he was gradually worked in as a director of more than 20 corporations they were interested in, and in 1914 he was made assistant to the presidents of the Portland Trust company and the bank.

INCREASED TO \$8000

This gave him membership on the board. His salary was increased to \$5400 a year in 1914, and it had risen to \$8000 a year at the time of Pittock's death.

Of his interests, the chief one was the Oregonian, Price said. His interest in the Portland Trust company was casual, he was proud of the growth of the bank and kept a very close watch on the Northwestern Fidelity company, the holding company for the bank building, which had not been profitable.

"REGULATOR GIVES ORDERS"
In the handling of the multifarious business ventures engaged in by Pittock, the Oregonian publisher maintained the strictest secrecy. Few members of his

Mrs. Squires to Be Queen Maids to Attend Are Selected



Mrs. Cameron Squires

Mrs. Cameron Squires has been chosen by the executive committee as queen of the Rose Festival this year. Mrs. Squires, who was Miss Claire Wilcox before her marriage a few years ago, is one of the young matrons of the social contingent of the city.

A meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett, chairman of the Rose Festival floral parade committee, Thursday afternoon, and plans were discussed for features for the festival days. The executive committee includes, beside Mrs. Corbett, Mrs. Thomas D. Honeyman, vice chairman; Miss Valentin-Fritchard, secretary. The central committee is composed of Mrs. Lucius Allen Lewis, Mrs. Thomas D. Honeyman, Mrs. C. S. Jackson, Mrs. W. B. Avey, Mrs. Theodore B. Wilcox, Mrs. George Boehcke, Mrs. Guy W. Talbot, Mrs. L. R. Wheeler, Mrs. Edgar B. Piper, Mrs. E.

own family knew what was going on and no one outside those immediately interested in any given business deal ever had the slightest inkling that such a deal was pending.

Such was the testimony Price added during the morning session.

PRICE KEPT SECRET
Price even asserted that no one, however close to Pittock—outside of the internal revenue collector—ever knew the exact amount of Pittock's income.

Price testified that Frederick W. Leadbetter, son-in-law and business associate, was more to do with the venerable publisher's affairs than any other member of the family. Fred F. Pittock, a son, for five years was auditor of the Northwest Fidelity company. This also knew some of his father's personal affairs. No others of the family, however, testified Price, to his knowledge were ever called into conferences.

"I have reasons to be proud of what has been accomplished for the Oregonian. I want to protect the Oregonian. All that I have is due the Oregonian, Mr. Price. If everything else goes, save the Oregonian."

This was the injunction to Price given by Pittock when he was drawing his first will, the one signed in the summer of 1912, according to Price's testimony Tuesday afternoon.

PITTOCK'S ACTIVITIES RECALLED
A remarkable narrative of Pittock's business activities from 1906 until his death on January 23, 1919, was given by Price, and his testimony was supplemented by that of others connected with the Pittock projects.

When the will of 1912 was made, Price said, Pittock's indebtedness amounted to \$108,000 and his annual income in 1911 had been approximately \$285,000. A series of business ventures and some

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We asked him how any man could hope for business until he had been acquainted with those who use his product. It was an interesting afternoon. We found that several heads of youthful industries were eager to help build the Chamber of Commerce. Just to the extent that they were able to see, each industry in its relation to the community wanted to help build the community as insurance for their own growth.

We found that those who profit from the industry of others were less interested, but I suppose every town has to have its sponges.

Council Authorizes Purchase of Five Playground Sites

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CHICAGO'S GOLD COAST HOMES ARE OBJECT OF RAID

Chicago, May 26.—(I. N. S.)—Chicago's "Gold Coast" section—comprising the homes of the wealthiest and most socially prominent residents of the city, was in a furore today as the result of a raid by prohibition agents on the apartment of Charles B. Smith, millionaire president of the Stewart-Warner Speedometer company, in which 10 cases of whiskey were seized and carted off to government warehouses.

The raid, it was declared, was made in connection with the federal investigation of the "million dollar whiskey trust," which is said to have supplied big quantities of liquor to the homes of the wealthy. The warrant on which the raid was made charged that Smith had intoxicating liquor unlawfully in his possession. It was reported that prohibition agents were waiting at the apartment early today to arrest him.

It was reported at the federal building that warrants for the seizure of "private stocks" in at least a dozen more homes of the wealthy have been issued, and that more "Gold Coast" raids will be made today.

that Bryan might start a fight against the indorsement of the league and the condemnation of the Lodge reservations. I was very much gratified, therefore, to find that as far as the Nebraskan was concerned, he had abandoned the fight. For the first time in 25 years Bryan's name "was not even mentioned in the convention, and the president's name was received with bursts of applause.

When in former years the Nebraska conventions were wont to refer to the Democratic party as the party of Jefferson, Jackson and Bryan, it was referred to in the opening paragraph of the platform this year as the party of Jefferson, Jackson and Wilson. There is no question as to the attitude of Nebraska Democrats on the issue of the League of Nations."

CONVENTION OUTCOME SEEN
What Senator Hitchcock wrote into the Nebraska platform about the league stands a good chance of being the platform adopted at San Francisco. It will be noticed that it does not ask for unqualified indorsement of the treaty and league approval without the crossing of a "U" or the dotting of an "I." It asks for ratification "without nullifying reservations." This means the Hitchcock interpretation reservation would be accepted and it would not be surprising to find San Francisco Democrats adding the Hitchcock reservations as a part of the platform itself.

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Decrees Are Granted
Oregon City, May 26.—Divorce decrees were handed down Tuesday by Judge J. U. Campbell to the following couples: Grace Myers from John I. Myers, Myrtle M. Tillotson from George L. Tillotson, H. C. Campbell from M. A. Campbell and Edith Harvey from Clair Harvey.

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