

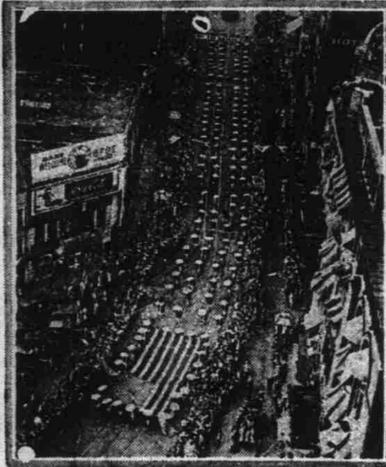
## NEW STARS SHINE WITH CIVIC OPERA

Chicago Will Feature Brilliant Artists in Coming Winter Season

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—Fernand Anseau, leading tenor in French opera, will make his American debut with the Chicago Civic Opera, which opens here November 8, according to the announcement made by the company. Arrangements are being made for the appearance of other brilliant guest artists, which will include Mme. Louise Homer. She will appear in a limited number of performances including "Samson and Delilah."

Other stars included in the regular personnel of the company for the coming season will be Mary Garden, Amelia Galli Curci, Florence MacBeth, Mary McCormic, Cyrena Van Gordon, Georges Baklanoff, Tito Schipa, Edith Mason and Feodor Chaliapin, with Giorgio Polacco again presents as musical director. "Boris Godunoff" and "L'Arleciana," the latter by Meyerbeer, are announced as novelties in the 1923-24 season, because they never before have been given by the Civic Opera Company. The role of Boris is said by critics to be one of Chaliapin's greatest. Among the revivals announced is that of "Zaza," with Mary Garden in the title role. Miss Garden

## ELKS NATIONAL CONVENTION AT ATLANTA.



Carrying white umbrellas and a huge American flag, the Atlanta Lodge No. 78, B. P. O. E., are seen marching along Peachtree street, past the famous Coca-Cola building, in the huge parade at the Elks national convention in Atlanta, Ga.

also will appear in the revival of Massenet's "Cleopatra."

Harry W. Beatty, technical director, is spending the summer in Europe visiting the more famous opera houses of France, Germany and Italy in search of new ideas. He is said to be making a special study of proposed settings in Moussorgsky's "Boris Godunoff" which has become popular with American audiences.

The opening of the operatic season November 8 is a departure from custom, as the season will open Thursday instead of the usual

Monday and will run one and one-half weeks longer than the usual season of 10 weeks.

Announcement also was made that Adolph Bohm will be in charge of the ballet and that Miss Anna Ludmila would return as premiere danseuse.

### Mines in Occupied Area Are Ordered to Be Taken

COBLENZ, Aug. 11.—(By the Associated Press)—The inter-

national high commissioner has ordered the seizure of mines in occupied territory owing to failure by Germany to deliver fuel as reparations in accordance with the treaty. A commission of control has been appointed to exploit the mines and sell the output all expenses of exploitation and transport to be charged to Germany.

Disobedience of orders or interference with the working of the seized properties will be punished with imprisonment and fines while the punishment for sabotage will be 20 years in prison or if fatalities are involved death.

### A RHINELAND REPUBLIC

As the diplomatic drama in Europe slowly unfolds the motive behind the French invasion of the Ruhr becomes more apparent. And as that motive emerges from its diplomatic swaddling clothes the reason why France and Great Britain can reach no agreement is equally obvious.

The explanation of the whole French policy is revealed in a dispatch of a few days ago from Berlin: "German separatists in the Rhineland are eagerly awaiting chaotic conditions in unoccupied Germany in order that they may proceed to proclaim a republic. It is asserted, however, that the movement must have a preliminary promise of military help from the French."

There is no doubt France would withdraw from the Rhineland upon satisfactory guarantees that the reparations due her under the Versailles treaty were going to be paid in full. But she entertains no great expectations of witnessing such a modern miracle.

It is equally certain France has no desire of acquiring the odium that would attach to the end of forcibly annexing by conquest territory indisputably part of the German republic.

But between these two extremes lies the happy medium that would satisfy French policy and enable her to score a diplomatic triumph over her late ally. An independent Rhineland republic, in sympathy with France, would establish all that the Poincare government has been fighting for and completely frustrate the traditional policy of Great Britain.

For it would be a first step toward Balkanizing completely central Europe and, unless Russia comes back, at present a remote contingency, the break-up of the mighty Teutonic federation built by the genius of Bismarck would leave France the undisputed mistress of the European continent.

From the French viewpoint and for the glory of her present political leaders this consummation is devoutly to be wished. But, since Great Britain is unlikely to depart from her century-old diplomacy of always backing the weaker against the stronger so as to pre-

serve the balance of power, the tremendous preponderance of French influence on the continent is only paving the way for another bloody war in the future.

### THE POINT OF VIEW

Smith Brookhart, one of the senatorial champions of the soviet regime, says that the Russian leaders tell him that in connection with propaganda distribution the Americans are putting out ten times as much against them as they are able to distribute on their own behalf. This demonstrates that all classes call that "propaganda" which runs counter to their own logic. The spontaneous expressions of Americans on behalf of their own institution and against the Commune are represented by Lenin and Trotsky as being subsidized propaganda against poor and defenseless Russia. They would have their people believe that American newspapers are being paid huge sums for warning their readers against the hazards of soviet rule. There are Russians who think that our government is paying for every anti-Bolshevist paragraph printed in the American press. And Senator Brookhart seems to have taken no pains to correct this impression while in Russia. He even wrote a placid car to the Russian project of offsetting the claims of Americans against Russia by recognizing the claim of Russia against America for lending moral and substantial support to revolutionists against the soviet. Listening to Senator Brookhart's presentation of the case one might think that he himself was prepared to recognize the justice of the Russian claims. He would have us send a few billions of our gold to repay Russia for the unkind words we have said about the Commune. He says that we sent arms and ammunition in government-owned ships and these munitions were used to destroy Russian life and property. Therefore, we may be required to pay a fancy price for every Russian who has passed out in the last ten years. We may need protection against our own senators.

Samonn de Valera says that the war in Ireland is over and henceforth the efforts of himself and his patriotic associates will be along educational lines. Teaching the young idea how to shoot from ambush, as it were. It would be well for the friends of peace to check up on De Valera's educational program.

## HIGH PRICE LEVEL REACHED BY WHEAT

Country Offerings are Light and Amount of Hedging Selling Small

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—With estimates current that the Canadian yield of wheat this season would fall to total more than 325,000,000 bushels, notwithstanding a previous forecast of 500,000,000 bushels, wheat reached the highest price level in several weeks. Closing quotations were firm at 3/4 to 3/8 c net gain, September, 99 1/2 @ 99 3/4 c, and December, \$1.04 1/2.

Corn finished at 1/2 @ 1/2 off to a shade advance; oats unchanged to a shade higher, and provisions varying from unchanged figures to a rise of 10 cents.

Unfavorable weather delaying the Canadian harvest and increasing the likelihood of damage to late wheat, gave an upward swing to the wheat market as soon as trading began. Besides, domestic winter wheat threshing was being delayed by rains. Country offerings were light and the amount of hedging selling was small. After the initial bulge in prices, however, profit taking on the part of farmer buyers led to a temporary reaction. Bears meanwhile put on stress of small export demand as well as on assertions that Italy and France were selling back wheat bought in the United States and that it was difficult to obtain cash on wheat purchased for shipment to Germany.

Announcement of the 325,000,000 bushel estimate of the 1923 Canadian wheat crop came shortly before the close of business here and was largely responsible for lifting wheat values to the day's top figures. The new Canadian estimate was unofficial but was said to be from a very trustworthy source and was made public here by one of the foremost houses in 'change.

Moist hot weather, ideal for promoting corn growth made the corn market easy but prices for oats were firm as a result of rain damage in oats in shock.

Provisions reflected steadiness of hog values.

**DRIED FRUIT**  
NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Evaporated apples, nominal; prunes, dull; peaches, slow.

## FAMOUS SINGER RETURNS TO U. S.



Photo shows Emma Eames and her husband, Emilio de Gogorza, who have just arrived in America.

## FIRMER TONES ARE IMPARTED MARKET

Active Short Coverings Follow Period of Irregularity Saturday

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Active short covering operations, particularly in the oil group, imparted a firm tone to closing prices in today's stock market after an early period of irregularity. The volume of trading was the smallest of any session this year because of the absence of many large traders from the floor who took advantage of yesterday's holiday to make extended week-end trips out of town.

Early heaviness resulted largely from the rather free offerings of the rubber shares.

United States Steel, Baldwin and American Locomotive, Studebaker and American Can generally regarded as "pivotal stock," displayed net gains of 1/4 to 1/2 on the day.

Announcement of a gasoline price cutting war in certain sections of the west and south brought some selling into the oil shares.

Rails failed to make any appreciable response to the report of record car loadings published

earlier in the week. Most of the active issues showed only fractional changes on the day.

German marks dropped 30 points over the holiday to 35 cents a million, in reflection of the political crisis in Berlin, but the other foreign exchanges showed slight improvement. Demand sterling was up 1/4 c to \$4.56 1/2, and French francs advanced 2 1/2 points to 5:67 1/2.

The weekly clearing house statement showed loans, discounts and investments of \$4,497,321,000; a decrease of \$45,534,000, and decreases of \$67,253,000 in net demand deposits and \$5,977,000 in time deposits. The reserve of member banks in the federal reserve bank decreased \$3,373,000 and cash in own vaults was \$3,805,000 below the previous week. Aggregate reserve totaled \$504,744,000, leaving excess reserve of \$20,621,066, an increase of \$4,396,690.

**Financial**  
Total stock sales, 182,600 shares. Twenty industrials averaged 89.11; net gain, 44. High 1923, 100.35; low, 86.91. Twenty railroads averaged 76.11; net gain, 21. High 1923, 90.63; low, 76.75.

Maud—What a beautiful new gown Helen is wearing. Says it's imported, doesn't she?  
Marie—Not exactly in those words. It's her last season's dress; the dressmaker has turned it inside out, and now she says it's from the other side.—Boston Transcript.

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