

FOREIGN DEBTS TO UNITED STATES MAY BE PAID IN GOLD

London, Feb. 12.—The question was raised in the house of commons whether the government had under consideration its suggestion of Carter Glass, recently retired secretary of the treasury, that the United States be paid her international debts in gold. It was asked also whether, in order to help meet this request, the British owners of ornamental gold, such as trinkets and plate, be invited to hand them to the treasury in return for interest-bearing bonds and thereby assist the position of exchange between England and America.

To these questions Austen Chamberlain, the chancellor of the exchequer, replied that he had taken steps to have the proposals indicated carefully examined.

Premier Lloyd-George was asked by a member whether he could see a way to enforce a drastic reduction in the importation of luxuries. The premier replied that the government was not in a position to enforce any restrictions upon importations of foreign goods. He said that less than two per cent of the imports from America were of articles of luxury.

PHONE LINEMEN VOTE STRIKE, OR MORE PAY

San Francisco, Feb. 12.—The electrical workers of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company in California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Idaho have voted to strike unless negotiations for an increase of \$1 a day now being conducted with the company are successful, executives of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers announced here today. The strike vote was 1,365 to 150, it was announced.

The conferences have been progressing for a week and one more is planned. If this is unsuccessful the men will go out, it was announced.

Between 5000 and 7000 of the company's girl telephone operators on the coast have voted to press demands for wage increases ranging from \$2 to \$4 a day, it was announced. The operators have made no provision for a strike, it was said, but if the electrical workers go out, the effect on the maintenance of the system eventually would force them to become idle, it was held.

SAYS "SOVIT ARK" SHOULD BE BRANDED

Washington, Feb. 12.—Ships sailing from American ports with dangerous anarchists and aliens, like those deported on the transport Buford, should go out in broad daylight with flags flying, F. W. Berkshire, immigration inspector at El Paso, Texas, told the house immigration committee today in relating the story of the recent voyage of the "soviet ark."

"I do not believe the secrecy surrounding the ship's departure was necessary," said Mr. Berkshire. "It's more apt to make anarchists deported and those still at large believe we are afraid of them."

Berkman and Goldman were described by the witness as "dangerously shrewd persons." Miss Goldman, he said, was emphatic in declaring aboard ship that she would return to this country to establish her citizenship.

Four American experts in the art of canning and drying have gone to France to teach that nation through its women how to "put up" fruits and vegetables. The work is new to the French, who now rely upon factories for their canned goods.



Coming to the Oregon Sunday, Monday and Tuesday

LUMBERMEN FORM WAREHOUSE COMPANY

The Lumbermen's Warehouse & Storage company of Portland, capitalized at \$100,000 filed articles of incorporation with the corporation department here Wednesday, O. R. Hariman, E. T. Sturgeon and Palmer L. Pales are the incorporators.

Other articles were filed here today as follows:

Edward C. Sadler Shoe Manufacturing company, Portland, \$12,000; Edward C. Sadler, Annie Maude Sadler and E. Pinder.

Fagot Truck & Tractor company, Salem, \$15,000; Charles E. Lebold, Fred C. Fritz and Daniel Webster.

American Pacific Export company, Portland, \$50,000; John Leader, Eveline Leader, Jacob Gray Kamin and Florence Gray Kamin.

W. T. Grier and company of Falls City have increased their capital from \$5,000 to \$15,000, according to a certificate filed today.

Contract for Structure at Asylum Let Wednesday

Contract for supervision of construction work on the new building to be erected at the state school for feeble minded was awarded by the state board of control at a meeting Wednesday night to W. C. Knighton of Portland, former state architect.

An appropriation of \$10,000 was made by the special session of the legislature for the new building which will be of brick to be made at the state prison brick plant.

Work on the structure will be commenced as the material can be had.

VAGUE. 123456 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. Machinery of the Newberry election conspiracy trial turned slowly this morning. The witness, valves were choked with "I don't remember" and "not to my knowledge," answers, and only three men were on the stand at the morning session.

Harrison Merrill, a Kalamazoo newspaperman, told Frank C. Bailey, the government leader that he had done no publicity work for the \$25 a week he received for more than three months. Later Martin W. Littleton for the defense refreshed his memory sufficiently to learn that some advertisements prepared by Merrill "in odd moments" were among those used in the Newberry campaign.

The third witness, Oscar B. Kilstrom of Grand Rapids, president of the "Bolo club of Michigan" said Charles Floyd, head of the local Newberry headquarters had given him \$25 to cover expenses of a three day trip which was ostensibly on Bolo club business.

Judge Eichhorn drew from the witness an admission that the Bolo club of Michigan was formed "solely for political purposes."

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What Constitutes Good Man Told by Dr. Mahood

Dr. Mahood in his address at the First Methodist church Wednesday night chose for his text, "He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith." This was said of Barnabas, the first official member of the church and it serves as a pattern of what all future church officers should be.

The marks of a good man are consecration, a helpful and charitable spirit, unselfishness, submission to the will of God and the supremacy of Christ in the life, Dr. Mahood said.

"The Holy Spirit is not solely for preachers and missionaries and special workers," he said, "but is for every believer in Jesus Christ. It is for the laborer, the lawyer, the doctor, the musician, the merchant, the farmer, the housekeeper. It is impossible to do your best in any vocation unless you are filled with the Holy Spirit."

Tonight Dr. Mahood will speak especially to members of the Sunday schools of the city on the subject "How It Feels to Be in an Earthquake." Dr. Mahood was in San Francisco during the terrible earthquake that destroyed the city. Everybody is welcome.

The Hague, Feb. 11.—It is declared in reliable quarters that former Crown Prince Frederick William was serious in making his offer to the entente governments to surrender himself in place of the Germans on the extradition list and that he is inclined to believe that the allies will accept his plan.

It is learned here that former Emperor William is strong in his disapproval of his son's action. Nothing was known at Wlerengen of the ex-crown prince's intentions before his messages to the heads of the various governments had been dispatched, and the only notification given by Frederick William was one to the Dutch government when he sent the communications abroad.

Newspaper reports to the effect that the grand duke of Hesse and his son and likewise seven German generals named on the extradition list had escaped into Holland are discredited at the Dutch foreign office.

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OLCOTT PLEADS FOR NEAR EAST RELIEF

Citizens of Oregon are urged to respond to the appeal for funds for the relief of suffering in the Near East in an open letter to the public by Governor Olcott.

"Appalling suffering is being experienced in the Near East among the Armenians, Syrians and Assyrians and others," the governor's letter reads "to the people of Oregon." "I believe from statements that I have received that private charity must be a necessary adjunct to government aid in attempting to save the starving people in those countries and I am sure that Oregon will respond readily to this appeal as she always has to others in the past."

STEAMER ASHORE

London, Feb. 12.—The American steamship West Aloa is aground off Terschelling Island in the North sea, a wireless report received here today said. The West Aloa, sailed from San Francisco, January 6, for Hamburg via the Panama canal with cargo.

Wilson Honorary Head of American Olympic Board

Washington, Feb. 12.—The post of honorary president of the American Olympic committee, which is organizing teams of American athletes to represent the United States in the Olympic games at Antwerp next August, was accepted today by President Wilson through Secretary Tumulty.

Federal support for American participation in the Olympic games is being sought by the organization.

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Position of Treasury "Very Bright," Houston Says

Washington, Feb. 12.—Announcing that the last remaining floating indebtedness of the government would be redeemed Monday, Secretary Houston said the position of the treasury was "very bright" and that government officials saw nothing in the present financial situation which they would regard as extremely grave.

Birthday of Thomas Edison Celebrated in Orange, N. J.

Orange, N. J., Feb. 11.—Municipal buildings, places of business and private homes here were decorated with flags and bunting today in honor of the 73rd birthday of Thomas A. Edison.

The number "73" which plays a prominent part in the day's proceedings was prominently recognized as the telegraph code for "good wishes" by Mr. Edison, who was an operator in his youth.

About 5000 tons of margarine are made in British factories every week according to government formula and sold at one-third the price of butter.

Irkutsk Recaptured by All-Russian Forces

Harbin, Thursday, Feb. 5.—A dispatch from Chita reports that the forces of General Kappell, commander in chief of the western armies of the all-Russian government, have recaptured Irkutsk and established contact with General Semenov.

General Kappell's forces found no

trace of Admiral Kolchak, former head of the all-Russian government, whose fate is unknown, the dispatch adds.

Because of good work done as women, Miss Rose Stokes of New York and Miss Louise Larned of West Point, both camouflage artists, will be retained by the United States government to aid in drawing plans for new submarines.

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