

FLYING EBONY WINS DERBY

NINE NATIONS ASKED TO PAY OBLIGATIONS

America Advises Euro- pean Debtors that Time Has Come to Liquidate War Debts.

Washington, May 16.—(A. P.)—The American government advised its European debtors that in its opinion the time has come for settlement.

In a communication addressed to nine nations, it has expressed an earnest desire that the war debt question be brought to a solution without further delay.

The nations so notified are France, Italy, Belgium, Roumania, Greece, Czechoslovakia, Jugoslavia and Latvia.

Discussing any intention to unduly postpone payment where payment is impossible, the communication nevertheless reflects the view of Washington that the acute stage of the reconstruction period is passing, and the debtor nations should be in a position to put their promises to pay into definite agreements.

The nations addressed made up the whole list of important war borrowers except for Russia, which there is no recognized government to which a notification could be addressed.

In addition, Ambassador Herrick government would be pleased if a debt commission were sent to this country.

Some inkling of the conversations with France previously had been permitted to reach the public, but it was not disclosed until today that Washington had taken the initiative in seeking a general refunding arrangement with all the principal war debtors.

Details of the negotiations are still withheld, but there were indications today that the American move virtually amounted to a circular notice to the debtors that this government believes the time had come to strike a general balance.

For many months the administration has been under ever-in-

GRANGE OPPOSES SALARY RAISES OF STATE OFFICERS

Opposition to increases in salaries of certain state officers, passed at the last session of the state legislature, crystallized at the monthly meeting of the Salem Grange this afternoon, when a resolution was presented to commit the grange in favor of referring the increase to vote of the people. Supreme court judges and district attorneys were the ones for whom raises in salary were objected to.

Another resolution presented in favor of making it unconstitutional to increase a state officer's salary during his own term of office. If the resolution were carried over and made a constitutional amendment, as recommended, no state officer could get the benefit of an increase in salary unless he would be elected to succeed himself for an additional term.

"It is already illegal to cut an officer's salary while he is in office," was the statement made by one prominent member of the grange this afternoon, "so it seems grange logical that the rule should be made to work the other way around."

LOUIS HILL PURCHASES LINN TIMBER LANDS

Albany, Ore., May 16.—Deed to 2,164.95 acres of timber land in Linn county was filed with County Recorder here this week. It transferred ownership from O. J. and William L. Mealey to Louis W. Hill, chairman of board of directors Great Northern. The Mealey property involved was surrounded by Hill timber lands. The deal was negotiated by Joseph J. W. Mayo of Skamania, cashier of First National and State bank of Skamania of that town. Consideration was reported \$110,000.

SAIKI CAUGHT MAKING SAKI IN TINY STILL

Sma- ti- Ri Captured Across From Independ- ent- Brings \$100 Fine.

Wh. Marion and Yamhill counties have been in the middle of a heated argument as to whether the Newberg or the Mt. Angel still was the largest captured in the history of the world. Marion has now come forward with the claim of having discovered in the confines the smallest still in captivity the real miniature chaplain of the world.

This was seized by state officers last night alleged to be in possession of U. Saki, Japanese, across the river from Independence. The Japanese was seized along with the still and lodged in jail here.

The still included a gallon gasoline can, a small candy bucket and a tin coil with which to evaporate the ingredients in the gasoline can the well known drink of saki, to be deposited in the candy bucket. Along with the seizure was a gallon demijohn containing a small amount of saki, and a two quart glass jar containing the rice mash from which the saki was to be distilled.

The Japanese protested that he was only making a little beer, evidently the Japanese definition of saki. White men who have tested saki, however, declare it has a razzle-dazzle like the well known drink of saki. Apparently the distilling operations of Saki were on a purely private and personal basis and from the amount on hand the distiller seemingly was drinking the product about as fast as he could manufacture it.

Evidently the size of the still measures the punishment, for Saki drew a \$100 fine from Justice Small, while the big Mt. Angel still drew a \$3000 fine and six months imprisonment.

ARMY TO BURY GENERAL MILES

Washington, May 16.—(A. P.)—The military establishment of which he devoted six decades of his life, will have charge of the funeral services of Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles.

Tentative plans were completed today for the ceremonies next Tuesday. Interment will be in his family cemetery beside the body of his wife.

The escort of honor will comprise a troop of cavalry, a battalion of the 16th Field artillery with the guns and caissons draped in black, the third battalion of the 12th infantry, a battalion of engineers, the complete navy band and a battalion of marines from Quantico and a battalion of dragoons from the Norfolk navy base.

The caisson, flag-draped, will be carried on an artillery caisson drawn by 6 black cavalry horses and, throughout the cortege, it will be placed on each side by high ranking officers of the army and navy who served with the general or had contact with his personal interest in the two services during the years since his retirement.

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Name _____
Date _____ Address _____

Pierce Proclaims Week of May 17-24 Old Friends' Week

Government Today Issued a statement setting aside the week beginning Sunday, May 17, and ending Sunday, May 24 as "Old Friends' week in Oregon." "It is my hope," says the statement, "that during this time as many old friends as possible may gather together to talk of old times, perhaps to sing old songs, and to re- call once more the joys of other days; and may we all stop for a moment in our busy work-a-day lives and think of those friends both near and far who mean so much to us in the journey of life."

FRENCH BITTER OVER EFFORTS TO SETTLE DEBTS

(By The Associated Press.)
Fighting between Riffian invaders and Marshal Lyautey's forces seeking to drive them out of French-Morocco has intensified, assuming the proportions of a pitched battle.

The French continuing their endeavor to relieve outposts still besieged by the enemy, succeeded in re-occupying the garrison at Amzes only after storming trenches. The Moroccans are reported to have lost heavily in their engagement.

In the west General Colomb's men relieved the Marghala post, re-occupied two others and sent a detachment to another fourth. The Bibane post apparently is not yet completely liberated.

French have followed the enemy forces repulsed in Wednesday's drive attempting to discover their next concentration. Tribesmen engaged in Wednesday's battle, it is learned numbered 2500.

Large reinforcements of tribesmen are reported concentrating before the French right wing.

Advices threaten the Spanish zone say that the Riffians have captured large stores of war materials and provisions.

The Spanish are trying to prevent concentrations of Moors in their territory, aviators dispersing Riffians with much gun fire.

BABY DIED OF BROKEN SKULL

New York, May 16.—Official finding at an autopsy that an infant had died of a fractured skull and admission by a woman that she purchased a girl baby for \$100 cash, investigated interest today in the investigation of the baby's home.

Augusta Gelsen-Volk, when 14 infants have died in 15 months, investigators have been informed that the baby whose skull was broken was in good health when placed in the baby home.

Mrs. Rose Fielhart has admitted she purchased a girl from Mrs. Gelsen-Volk and Mrs. Florence Voshahlo, a mid-wife, says she signed a birth certificate naming Mr. and Mrs. Fielhart as parents of the child. Mrs. Voshahlo said Mrs. Gelsen-Volk gave her \$10 to sign the paper.

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Fight On Morocco Front Assumes Proportions of Pitched Battle With Riffians.

Paris, May 16.—(By Associated Press.)—Bitter editorial expressions appear in the Paris newspapers today, in referring to the inter-allied debts problem. Comment is however, rare, and many papers sent fall entirely to mention the decision of the cabinet that "Finance Minister Caillaux and Foreign Minister Briand shall start active negotiations with the American administration."

L'Echo Nouvelle, representing the government's majority, remarks that the question soon will be reduced to a business discussion. "French opinion," it continues, "has been stirred by the crudeness of the American demands. We do not conceal the fact that this crude news jars on our sensibilities, sharp even by so much suffering and so many disappointments. But we must take the facts as they are and try to forget all that might have been done to make them otherwise."

Le Journal comments along the same lines, but in a bitter tone, giving figures calculated to contrast the immense prosperity of the United States and the immense poverty of France growing out of the war.

L'Ouvrier, another organ of the left, is the bitterest of all, and says France now is paying for having made the mistake of thinking that Woodrow Wilson represented America.

ORDER PROBE OF FINANCING OF ST. PAUL LINE

Washington, May 16.—(A. P.)—Investigation of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad, which recently went into receivership was ordered today by the interstate commerce commission.

H. E. Byram, president of the railroad, Mark W. Potter, former member of the interstate commerce commission and Edgar J. Brandt, the three trustees of the road were named as respondents in the proceedings. Times and places for hearings will be fixed later.

After several years of operation during which the earnings were considered inadequate to take care of fixed charges, the company was put voluntarily into the receivership last month. Its bankers and officials declared their inability to refund or otherwise meet \$45,000,000 bond issue maturing in June.

The company was indebted to the United States government to the sum of approximately \$29,000,000 on account of loans made during and after federal control.

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May Dances Held on College Campus Declared Shocking

"Not to be outdone by agitators against the sale of improper literature in Salem, residents of the city have begun to circulate petitions branding the recent Williams May dances as immodest and improper. It became known today in certain of the dances costumes were too scanty to suit the taste of the petition circulators, and signatures are being asked to documents which it is stated will be presented to the board of trustees of the university at its next meeting. The papers set forth the accusation that some of the dances were immodest, and express the hope that vigilance will be used in future to prevent any recurrence of the incident.

Petitions are being circulated chiefly among Salem parents of the city expressing their disapproval as soon as it became known that representatives of opposite genders would appear in the same dance. Plans were carried through nevertheless.

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The dances were not supervised by the faculty, it is said, and never have been so supervised. This year is the first that there has been any definite agitation against the character of the May festival. It is reported however, that in one of the dances plans were formed to stage the dance in bare feet, which was vetoed as promptly as the plan became known.

There was also criticism over the fact that men as well as women participated in the winding of the May pole, some residents of the city expressing their disapproval as soon as it became known that representatives of opposite genders would appear in the same dance. Plans were carried through nevertheless.

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GROGERS PLAN FIGHT AGAINST CHAIN STORES

A move to fight chain store competition will be launched by independent grocers of Salem next Tuesday night when all independent grocers are requested to be at a meeting of the chamber of Commerce on call of P. M. Barkus to meet with a delegation of probably 40 members of the Independent Grocers association of Portland for the purpose of organizing an association here.

Whether the association here will take the shape of a system independent association as a separate unit or whether it will be a subsidiary organization of the Portland association remains to be developed at Tuesday's meeting.

These back of the movement fight that the primary object of the association is to meet and overcome chain store competition if possible. The association hopes to organize along the lines of cooperation between independent stores, discussion of prices, and general betterment of independent stores, to place them on a plane where they will be of greater service to their customers and have a greater trade pulling power in consequence.

An organizer from the Portland association has been during the past few days and during a big delegation from the metropolitan to tell the local grocers what has been done by independent grocers in their association there.

POLICE CHIEF SHOT BY LISBON REDS

Lisbon, May 16.—(A. P.)—Major Pereira Amoral, commander of the safety force police, was attacked in the street here last evening by members of a red organization and was severely wounded.

Amoral had a leg broken and was wounded in the hand, drew his pistol and returned the fire of his assailants. He is in a hospital guarded by police to prevent another attack.

Amoral was wounded by members of the "red legion" described as a bomb throwing organization. The government had decided as a result of this outbreak to curtail martial law.

Buy 38 Movie Houses
New York, May 16.—(A. P.)—Newly organized theater in New England owned by Olympia Trust, Inc., was announced today by the Famous Players-Lasker corporation. Control of the theaters will be assumed by the purchasers by May 15.

GOVERNMENT TO ASK FOR BIDS ON ROAD WORK

Portland, May 16.—Authorization to advertise for the expenditure of the full amount appropriated for Oregon's federal road projects was received today by C. H. Purcell, district engineer of the bureau of public roads, and by Senator Robert N. Stanfield, who has been calling the matter.

Bids are being for an expenditure of about \$20,000 by the bureau of public roads will be immediately advertised to be opened June 5, Purcell said. With the co-operation of the state this construction will amount to approximately \$1,000,000 he said.

Projects not yet surveyed will be advertised later in the summer. Most of these will be comparatively small.

Among construction work to be advertised, Purcell named completion of the MacKenzie highway, consisting of rock surfacing the stretch between Bend and Eugene. Another project is the John Day City-Unity section of the John Day highway, to be surfaced. Another is surfacing and grading of five miles of the Alsea river highway. Ten miles on The Dalles California highway south of Crest, will be surfaced and graded.

REPRIEVE SOUGHT TO SAVE GERALD CHAPMAN

Hartford, Conn., May 16.—A reprieve will be sought for Governor Trumbull next week by Gerald Chapman under sentence of death for the murder of a New Britain policeman, his associate counsel, Nathan O. Friedman announced today. The stay will be pending a decision by the supreme court of errors of an appeal on Chapman's conviction. Chapman's appeal will not be considered until October with the possibility of decision late in October or November. June 25 has been fixed by Judge Newell Jennings as the date for Chapman's execution.

THE VELVET HAMMER

By Arthur Brooks Baker

FRED THICKSEN

The Rodgers Hammerstein play, of which he is the chief, revolves as with the making of emotional relief. For when we write our feelings out with facile pen and ink and tell the paper more or less exactly what we think, we feel the world is better off and cheer up to date and also find our hardened mind relieved of useless weight.

But Fred has other values which we hasten to assay. As head of the Rodgers Hammerstein play, they picked him for the president and chairman of the board, grand marshal of the school and head leader of the march, and whether waving knife and fork or clashing up the west, he does the best with even or chess that time and chance permit.

He has some sage words at heart along the upper south, from which the pulp and dividends are regularly ground, but business is a little thing he often lays aside, while golf is truly a career of excitement and pride. He helps to keep the grass and flowers on the links restrained and shows an eye and arm whose powers are sedulously trained.

LITTLE STATES HOLD LEAGUE WORLD HOPE

Spirited Defense By Ru- manian and Spanish Delegates of League of Nations.

Geneva, May 16.—(A. P.)—A spirited defense of the league of nations characterized today's session of the international conference for the control of traffic in arms and munitions.

This came during debate on the proposed international arms traffic control bureau from the league.

The smaller states represented at the conference through the Spanish and Rumanian delegates said the league, although perhaps imperfect, was a hope of humanity and that it would be useless to accept a new organization which would only hinder the league.

The American amendment was eventually referred to a special committee of eight, including Congressman Burton, Ohio, head of the American delegation, who offered the amendment.

Mr. Burton defended his proposal that the central office be organized by the members of the arms convention themselves instead of being appointed by league council. He said this question was serious for America because under the proposal convention, the control office would be a part of the league of nations, where the United States is not a member.

Mr. Burton said the delegates must recognize that his government accepts practical difficulties in accepting treaty obligations concerning an organization set up by the league.

Representative Burton admitted that another article of the draft makes partial adherence possible but said that altogether it was undesirable that a convention be adopted to which reservations would have to be made. One clause of the article, he said, would make conditional adherence dependent upon the consent of other states and also upon whether such adherence interfered with the effectiveness of arms control.

SPECIALIZED IN QUICK DIVORCES

Providence, R. I., May 16.—Leonard W. Horton, 59, attorney and standing master in chancery here for the superior court and Francis P. Dougherty, attorney, who occupy joint office today, were arrested with conspiracy to obtain divorces by fraudulent means and also charging them with false making of depositions in a divorce case.

The arrests followed investigations by Attorney General Charles P. Sisson of divorces in which Mr. Dougherty appeared as counsel for the plaintiff. Mr. Horton as master in chancery, in many cases, it was stated the parties resided out of the state.

Mr. Dougherty was counsel for Minta E. (Duffee) Arbutnot, who was granted a divorce in the superior court here on December 21, 1923, from Roscoe (Patsy) Arbutnot and who subsequently with her and who subsequently with her husband and his retainers, in many cases, it was stated the parties resided out of the state.

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Faisal, after recovering from his surprise, gave his approval and the queen now is importing the latest creations from French and English couturiers and milliners. The Express attributes the Queen's metamorphosis to a Miss Hall, secretary to the British high commissioner in Mesopotamia.

80,000 SEE KINGS OF TURF RUN IN DERBY

Purse of \$53,475 at Stake With Twenty Horses Started—Earle Sande of Salem Jockey.

Churchill Downs, Louisville, Ky. May 16.—(A. P.)—Flying Ebony, ridden by Earl Sande, won the \$50,000 Kentucky derby today while 75,000 to 8,000 spectators cheered their tribute.

Captain Hal finished second and Sande won the fifty first the \$50,000 Kentucky derby.

Flying Ebony lead at the quarter, Captain Hal at the half, and three quarters, but was passed on the home stretch by Flying Ebony.

Louisville, Ky., May 16.—Fifty-one year old Kentucky's first derby won by Aristides in 1875 for a stake of \$25,000, was witnessed by more than four thousand patrons of the turf.

In 1924 more than 75,000 spectators saw Black Gold capture the derby winning \$52,000.

Today Colonel Matt J. Winn, general manager of the Kentucky Jockey club figures on an attendance of \$9,000 to 100,000 for the fifty first running of America's outstanding turf classic. The prize to the winner, provided 20 horses start is \$53,475.

The event of a mile, and a quarter carry a cash value of \$53,475 to the winner, provided twenty horses go to the post; with \$6000 going to the horse finishing second; \$3000 as the prize for third place and \$1000 for fourth. Quintrain, winner of the New Orleans derby, remained the outstanding favorite in the early waning of odds of five to 2. Captain Hal was quoted at 8 to 1, while the four horses headed by Chantey, representing the Whitney entry, were listed in the wagers. The price on Kentucky Cardinal was 6 to 1.

Quintrain will be ridden by Jockey Benny Browning, a comparative novice, without the skill and daring of Earl Sande, but chosen because the colt seemed to work better under Browning's guidance than any other rider. Sande, rated as America's premier jockey, will have the mount on Flying Ebony, while Mack Gant, the leading jockey in the west, will be astride Kentucky Cardinal.

Soon after the rising sun started casting its rays on the Ohio river, Louisville started filling up with the throngs of thousands. Most street intersections were impassable because of traffic jams. A steady stream of dust covered automobiles poured into the city and thence to the Churchill Downs course.

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