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GOMPERS OPENS WAR ON DRY ACT

Labor Chief Speaking to New York Crowd, Says Fight Will Be Waged to Finish

PROMINENT MEN ON STAGE

Says Volstead Act is Boon to Distillers, Bootleggers

RAPS ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

FINDS SO-CALLED REFORMERS HAVE DONE MUCH TO UNDERMINE MORALITY AND TEMPERANCE OF WORKERS

NEW YORK, May 3.—Samuel Gompers, veteran president of the American Federation of Labor, speaking tonight to a crowd that jammed Madison Square Garden, in a mass meeting called by the New York branch of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, declared that "Labor must make the fight now and we will never stop fighting until the rights of the people have been restored to them."

He was cheered by crowds both inside and outside the big pavilion, for those who could not get into the hall heard the various speakers through voice amplifiers. The meeting was largely attended by members of union labor, representatives of more than thirty labor organizations being present. There also were many men prominent in the city's business and financial circles who occupied places on the stage. A large part of the audience was composed of women.

Favor Beer and Light Wines

"I and the federation I represent," Mr. Gompers said, "are in favor of beer and light wines and against any attempt to force sumptuary laws aimed at the personal liberties of our people.

"I have always had faith in the future of my country, but with prohibition I am apprehensive of that future. Temperance was the rule of the great mass of organized labor, but the prohibitionists and the so-called anti-saloon leaguers have done more to undermine the morality and temperance of the working man than any other agency I know.

"I have traveled all over the United States before prohibition, including its so-called dry territories, and today as I pass through these sections I have found more drunkenness than ever before."

Great Boon to Bootleggers

"There are no stronger or more powerful supporters of the Volstead act than the distillers and bootleggers," Mr. Gompers declared, to the accompaniment of vociferous applause. "With the Volstead act and prohibition replaced by a little light wine and beer bill, the bootleggers would go out of business."

Mr. Gompers declaring that there are no greater violators of the Volstead act and the prohibition amendment than those who voted for the enactment, brought his talk down to localities, saying that in New York's 21 members of the house of representatives, more than 20 were absent "from their posts of duty" on the day the 18th amendment was voted on.

Holland Expresses His Displeasure

Further dissatisfaction with the liquor laws was expressed by James P. Holland, president of the State Federation of Labor.

Mr. Holland declared that if the representatives in congress from New York did not listen to the demands of the people "others would be put in who would.

"The congressmen of this state," he said, "must listen to the demands of the citizens of New York, who insist on a modification of the Volstead act."

The speaker was given volleys of applause when he said the 18th amendment would never "have been put over if we had had congressmen with backbones and congressmen who stayed awake."

James Speyer, banker, who opened the meeting, said what he personally disliked more than anything else about the Volstead act was that "it is fast degenerating into class legislation, favoring the well-to-do as against the less fortunate ones of our citizens."

He was opposed, he said, to any kind of class legislation.

Hudson Maxim, another speaker, said that "the blue law fanatics of prohibition are a new priesthood, as intolerant and merciless as the priesthood of the Spanish inquisition."

TRUCE IN ERIN PATCHED UP

DE VALERA ORDERS OPPOSING SIDES TO CEASE FIRING

DUBLIN, May 3.—On motion of Eamonn De Valera the dail eireann late today adopted a motion ordering the opposing sides in the Irish republican army conflict to cease firing immediately and arrange a truce.

Grimth pressed De Valera for a definite assurance, and the latter said couriers should be sent to establish an immediate truce. Grimth urged that De Valera should speak at the Four Courts in Dublin, the headquarters of the dissident army faction.

Richard Mulcahey seconded De Valera's motion for the order to cease firing and arrange a truce, and after its adoption the house at 5:05 o'clock adjourned until Friday.

(By the Associated Press)

KILKENNY, May 3.—The battle in Kilkenny ended this evening. At 9 o'clock, Ormonde Castle, the last stronghold held by the irregulars, was stormed and captured by the Free State troops.

The irregular garrison surrendered and was marched, with its arms and ammunition, to the military barracks.

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The Weather

Oregon—Thursday, probably fair except showers northwest portion; moderate southerly winds.

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LAMONT HELD FOR ROBBERY

PAINTER AT LA FAYETTE ACCUSED OF COMPLICITY

DENVER, Co., May 3.—Following his arrest in connection with the looting of the First National bank of LaFayette, Col., this afternoon, Frank Lamont who claims to be a painter of LaFayette, was released and subsequently ordered rearrested tpnding investigation of the case, four bandits are known to have been implicated in the robbery in which the bank safe was blown at an early hour Tuesday morning and cash and securities between $15,000 and $20,000 taken. Seven thousand dollars of this sum was in cash and the balance in liberty bonds.

All members of the Colorado state ranger force have been notified of the robbery and surrounding roads are being watched. The only clue left by the bandits was a $10 gold piece found on the road leading eastward out of LaFayette.

Strike-Breaker is Attacked

PORTLAND, Ore., May 3. — Another instance of violence in the longshoremen's strike occurred today when Ernest Crump, who has been employed several days at Municipal Terminal No. 2, was attacked by a band of men. He was taken to the emergency hospital suffering from blows on the head. Police later arrested a man whom Crump picked out of a crowd as one of his assailants.

JILTED LOVER KILLS GIRL

IRVIN BENKER SHOOTS MISS REBECCA NELSON

NORTHWOOD, Iowa, May 3. — Contending that his sweetheart, Miss Rebecca Nelson, of Northwood, jilted him after their wedding date had been set, Irvin Benker, 21 years old, farmer boy of Manly, shot and killed the girl in the doorway of her school house, four miles west of Manly, while pupils who witnessed the shooting, fled through the windows.

Following the shooting, Benker sped in his automobile to Manly where he made an unsuccessful attempt to hold up the Farmers Savings bank. He was captured when the bullet he was aiming at Cashier H. J. Schulte, failed to explode.

The growing belief that Benker was temporarily insane when he did the shooting is believed to preclude the likelihood of mob violence which appeared to be threatening earlier in the day.

WARNS OF CHIEF'S WILES

MISS KEPPIE UNWITTINGLY WEDS PAGO PAGO WARRIOR

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 3. — Young ladies traveling in the South sea islands were advised today by Miss Catherine Keppie to "Volstead any cocoanut milk that may be offered them by an island chieftain," and to accept no string of seeds from such chieftain under any condition.

Miss Keppie said she accepted an invitation from a Pago Pago chief to quaff a bit of cocoanut milk and later was presented with the seed string. As she was about to leave she was informed that she had gone through a marriage ceremony with the chief, whereas she thought it was only a light lunch. She managed to escape, however.

OLD CONVENTION FORM HELD NEED

Oregon League of Republican Clubs in Drive to Restore Nominating Sessions

CANDIDATES ARE 'FELT OUT'

Object is to Get Bill Through 1923 Legislature

PRIMARY TICKET IS HINTED

LEAGUE PURPOSE HELD MOVE TO FRAME SLATE BASED ON REPLIES RECEIVED FROM ASPIRANTS IN FIELD

PORTLAND, Ore., May 3.—(Special to the Register.)—Under the auspices of the Oregon State League of Republican clubs a drive is being conducted for restoration of the political party nominating convention. The league intends trying to get such a bill through the 1923 legislature and to that end it is now circularizing all Republican candidates as to their feelings in the matter. The symposium of opinions is to be published in the organ of the league prior to the primaries. Letters to candidates are signed by Edward A. MacLean, secretary; J. J. Crossley, president; Mrs. Clara B. French, treasurer, and the executive committee is composed of L. E. Schmidt, H. L. Ganoe, C. E. Lockwood and Mrs. Harriet Hendee.

Accompanying the inquiry to candidates is a pamphlet setting forth the position of the league of clubs, in which it is said:

Believe Party Ready for Change

"We believe the Republicans of Oregon are ready to press the demand for regular legal provisions for getting together—for convening, for holding conventions in order to counsel together on the big questions that need the judgment of more than one mind in order to have them settled rightly for the welfare of our state."

According to street gossip, the league intends doing more than agitate a return to the conventions. It plans to recommend a ticket for the primaries, presumably based on the replies received from candidates as to whether or not they are friendly to the convention idea. The ticket is said to be now partly completed and about ready for distribution.

Favor Action by Legislature

"We declare in favor of action by the next legislature for the establishment of party conventions for sound reasons, among which might be mentioned that under our present primary system Oregon loses one of the most valuable features of the party system of government—that is, the discussion of the most important public questions in party counsels and the framing of constructive public programs in the platforms of party conventions and the election of public officers properly pledged to carry out the platforms approved by the people.

"Such party conventions would take nothing away from the present direct primary system. They would simply add to it. The voters in the primaries would have the absolute power of decision, the same as now," reads a portion of the resolution of the league sent to candidates.

M. McCARRELL SCOTT DIES

EDUCATOR INAUGURATED NORMAL SYSTEM IN JAPAN

HONOLULU, May 3.—Marion McCarrell Scott, retired educator who inaugurated the normal school system in Japan in 1871 and played a prominent part in other educational measures there, died here today. He had been principal of McKinley high school here.

Marion McCarrell Scott was an educator who left his imprint on the Far East, Hawaii and California. In Japan he organized the first normal school, which was the forerunner of the present school system of the Japanese empire. He was decorated twice by the late Japanese Emperor for his services in the cause of education in Nippon.

Professor Scott was born at Fauquier, Va., August 21, 1843. Following the completion of his education in the old dominion he went to California in the sixties where he became principal of an Oakland school and later member of the state board of school examiners.

SEEKS HIS OWN IDENTITY

M. BOHLMAN OF S. D. THINKS HE IS BOY'S FATHER

OMAHA, Neb., May 3.—Randall Scott Perkins, 18, of Portland, Oregon, who came here recently to find out who he is, plans to leave here for Ramon, S. D., to see M. Bohlman of that place, who believes he is the boy's father. Mr. Bohlman has sent a check to the Portland youth to defray expenses of the South Dakota trip.

Young Perkins was given in adoption here in his infancy. He came here after writing from Portland to the Omaha registrar of deeds, saying his foster mother, Mrs. Harry Arthur Perkins had been married three times, changing his name each time she wed.

"Can you find out who I am, if my folks are still living and my own name?" he asked.

Oregon Soldiers Lie in State

PORTLAND, Ore., May 3. — The bodies of the last Oregon soldiers to be borne from France will lie in the municipal auditorium Friday. A resolution authorizing the mayor to declare a half holiday on the funeral day was presented to the city council today. The exact time of the arrival of the bodies is not known but Mayor Baker said he had been informed they left New York April 27 and could be expected here almost any time.

SENATOR NEW CONCEDES NOMINATION OF BEVERIDGE

DEFEAT OF INCUMBENT INDICATED BY RETURNS

In Democratic Senatorial Contest Samuel M. Ralston, Former Governor is Easy Winner

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 3. — Senator New tonight concedes the nomination of former Senator Beveridge.

In a statement to the Associated Press, Senator New said:

"There is no doubt that Mr. Beveridge has been nominated for the senatorship. I do now as I always have done, take off my hat to the winner."

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 3.—Defeat of United States Senator Harry S. New, Republican candidate for renomination, was virtually certain early tonight when the unofficial compilation of the vote at yesterday's primary election gave a majority of 18,235 to former Senator Albert J. Beveridge, with less than one-tenth of the total vote missing.

For 3,010 of the 2383 precincts in the state, Mr. Beveridge had a total of 179,936 against 161,710 for New. For Beveridge a claim of 25,000 votes was made by his campaign manager, Clarence R. Martin.

In the Democratic senatorial contest, Samuel M. Ralston, former governor was the winner over four opponents by a landslide within the limits of his party vote. For 1764 precincts has total vote was 96,444, while his nearest opponent, Dr. Jesse Sanders, running on a platform favoring beer and wine, had 13,497 votes, Daniel W. Sammis was pressing Sanders for second place, having 13,224 votes, with B. B. Shively running fourth with 11,481 and Charles P. Howard, last, with 6,930.

MATHILDE LOVES MAX OSER

REPORT OF ESTRANGEMENT IS DENIED BY GIRL

CHICAGO, May 3.—There is no estrangement between Mathilde McCormick, daughter of Harold F. McCormick, and Max Oser, Swiss riding master and absolutely no foundation for reports that any cablegrams from Oser had been ignored, it was declared today by Howard W. Colby, intimate friend of the McCormicks.

Miss McCormick made positive denial she had broken with Oser and declared the marriage was definitely set for June.

"I love Max Oser more than anybody else in the world, and I'm going to marry him," was the statement Mr. Colby gave out, speaking for Miss McCormick.

Miss McCormick and her father, Harold McCormick, will sail for Europe early in June and the wedding will take place soon after their arrival in Switzerland.

"There is absolutely no truth to the stories that Miss McCormick's and Mr. Oser's engagement has been broken."

MEDFORD MEN QUIT LEGION

RESOLUTION CONDEMNING LAWLESSNESS DEFEATED

MEDFORD, Ore., May 3. — Six members of the Medford post of the American Legion publicly announced their resignations from that organization today following a meeting last night in which a resolution condemning lawlessness and violence was defeated by a close vote. The resigning members in a public statement declared one of them had been threatened supposedly by the Ku Klux Klan for supporting the same resolution at a previous meeting, and that under the circumstances they felt they could not consistently retain membership in an organization which refused to go on record for what they regarded as the fundamentals of good citizenship and true Americanism.

According to some members of the legion who opposed the resolution, they did so not because they approved of the Ku Klux Klan but because they believed the organization should not take any stand on such a controversial question.

BANKER TO PLEAD GUILTY

J. E. WELLER SAYS HE IS READY TO SERVE HIS TERM

UKIAH, Cal., May 3.—J. E. Weller, who is alleged to have embezzled more than $250,000 of the deposits of the First National and First Savings banks of Fort Bragg, while cashier of the institutions, announced in court today that he wished to plead guilty as soon as possible, turn over his property to the authorities and go to prison.

His declaration was made before Justice of the Peace J. C. Hurley, when he appeared to answer to a charge sworn out today by Sheriff R. R. Byrnes, accusing him of embezzlement of $60,820 from the banks. Weller said he wanted to get through the proceedings as soon as he could so as to go to Fort Bragg, assist the inspectors in checking over the books and give up his property for the benefit of the depositors before going to prison.

POISON SUSPECT BOASTED

WOMAN SAID SHE HAD $7000 COMING IN TWO WEEKS

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 3.—Much significance was placed by County Prosecutor Edward C. Stanton on information furnished him today that a woman poison suspect had boasted that she had $7000 coming within a couple of weeks.

The remark, the prosecutor said, was made several weeks before the sudden death of the woman's fifth husband, according to his informant. The woman, three of whose husbands died under mysterious circumstances, is now under investigation. She is suspected of having committed the murders in order to collect $11,000, but is being held on another charge not connected with the murders.

The woman under suspicion was subjected to another severe grilling by the county prosecutor today but she continued to maintain her innocence.

WU IS REPORTED SLAIN IN BATTLE

Followers of Chang Declare Central Chinese Leader Fell in Artillery Fire

FIGHT SHIFTS TO MACHANG

Duels of Great Guns Are Waged Over a Wide Front

AIRMEN BOMB CHANGSTIEN

ADMIRAL STRAUSS, COMMANDER OF AMERICAN FLEET ORDERS GUNBOAT TO STEAM TO TIENTSIN WATERS

(By the Associated Press)

PEKING, May 3.—It was announced at General Chang Tso-Lin's headquarters today that General Wu Pei-Fu, the central Chinese leader, had been killed in action. The announcement has not been otherwise confirmed. The foreign legations here are investigating.

(By the Associated Press)

TIENTSIN, May 3.—The followers of Chang Tso-Lin declared that Wu Pei Fu was killed by artillery fire today. It is reported that General Chang rewarded his troops with a million dollars and ordered a general attack immediately.

No information other than favorable to Chang Tso-Lin can be obtained here. The police commissioner and acting governor, who formally professed neutrality, now openly espouses the cause of General Chang.

(By the Associated Press)

PEKING, May 3.—General Wu Pei Fu, commander of the Chinese forces, was reported this evening to have arrived near Machang, on the railroad south of Tientsin, to take personal command of the operations against the troops of Chang Tso-Lin on that section of the battle front.

Late reports are to the effect that Chang Tso-Lin is heavily reinforcing his troops in that region with men of all arms and indications are that Machang will soon be the center of intense fighting. Artillery duels have commenced over a wide front.

General Wu, if he actually takes command there, will have facing him the 25-year-old son of Chang Tso-Lin. Foreign military observers with the Chinese forces report that Wu Pei Fu recently has been directing the operations at Changstien in an endeavor to get some results out of General Tsao-Kun's poor troops, pending the arrival of General Feng Yut Siang forces which began to reach Pao-Ting-Fu, on the railway south of Peking Tuesday.

Wu's Own Troops Kept Out

The reports are to the effect that Wu Pei Fu's own troops have not participated in the fighting at Changstien.

The heavy bombardment that has been in progress at various points has depleted the stores of big ammunition and the fighting is now mainly with machine guns and rifles. At some places there has been a lull in the battle.

On the middle of the front the troops of Chang Tso-Lin have recaptured Kaun. Wounded men from that region say the fighting was heavy during the last few days, often at close quarters. The tide of battle was continually changing until the arrival of Chang's reinforcements turned the scales. A dispatch received here from Tientsin says reinforcements for Chang's army near Machang detrained midway between Peking and Machang and marched southward toward the Hun river, where fighting took place on the western bank of the stream. The cabinet here announces that it has received a message from the governor of Shantung saying that 20,000 Manchurian soldiers had landed in Shantung, having been transported from Manchuria by sea.

Admiral Strauss Visits Front

Admiral Joseph Strauss, commander of the American Asiatic fleet, accompanied by the naval attaches, visited the front in the foothills west of Peking today. The artillery fire was observable a few miles to the southward. Columns of smoke were rising from the town of Changstien, in consequence of an airplane bombardment there this morning.

Trains of camels were seen carrying munitions across the river. Evidence observed of the five days' of fighting were the carrying off the field of wounded and the burying of the dead. The observers noted the carcasses of camels with cannon strapped to their sides, having been killed while conveying the guns to the front.

(By the Associated Press)

TIENTSIN, May 3.—General Chang Tso-Lin has sent heavy reinforcements toward Machang. These included infantry, cavalry and artillery. His airplanes continued today to fly over Tientsin.

The American community has decided to form a volunteer organization and affiliate with the British.

Firing was audible today at the Tientsin race course. It is believed that skirmishes were in progress further to the south.

GENERAL PLANS TO CUT LINE

Success of This Move Would Isolate 40,000 of Chang's Men

PEKING, May 3 — Wu Pei-Fu's drive toward Tientsin is designed to isolate Chang Tso-Lin's forces by cutting their line between Tientsin and Taku, on the sea. Success of this move would also result in the cutting off of General Chang's 40,000 men north of Tientsin.

Meanwhile three Chinese cruisers

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REGROUPING OF FEDERAL BUREAUS IS EXPEDITED

PLANS TO BE CONSIDERED AT WHITE HOUSE PARLEY

Last Week Harding Transferred 57 Hospitals from Public Health Service to Veterans Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The plan for reorganization of the government departments will be considered at a conference at the White House tomorrow night between President Harding, Walter F. Brown of Ohio, chairman, and members of the joint congressional committee on reorganization.

The conference will consider the tentative report on this subject and will go over that part of the report on which administrative officials are as yet divided.

The three departments on which agreement has not yet been reached are said to be interior, agricultural and commerce. The tentative report as submitted by Mr. Brown, who was appointed on the committee by President Harding, it is understood, provides for the transfer of the bureau of forestry from the agriculture to the interior department. The report, it is also understood, provides for the shifting of various bureaus from one department to another.

Plans Regrouping by Executive Order

Regrouping of the various activities of the government departments by executive order to avoid as far as possible the necessity for further legislation and to enable a more expeditious reorganization of departmental functions, was understood tonight to be under consideration by the administration.

Steps along the line of regrouping have already been taken. Last week President Harding transferred 57 hospitals from the public health service to the veterans bureau by executive order and both Secretaries Mellon and Hoover are understood to have approved the issuance of a similar order transferring the statistical section of the customs service located in New York.

Another transfer declared to have been under consideration would place the coast guard in the navy department to link the federal activities under one head.

KLAN LIST IS SUBMITTED

MANY IN FRISCO ARE FEDERAL OFFICE-HOLDERS

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3.—A list of approximately 150 alleged members of the Ku Klux Klan in San Francisco, most of whom hold offices under the federal government or in the police department, has been submitted to officials of the department of justice here by Thomas Woolwine, district attorney of Los Angeles county, it was learned today. The names were obtained from the state headquarters of the klan in Los Angeles.

No announcement of the names will be made here until those on the list have been questioned, it was announced by department agents. Announcement of any action that might be taken also was withheld.

The list names 28 employes in the federal postoffice building, approximately 50 holding other federal positions, 22 employes in the city hall and 25 members of the police department, it was learned.

MENACE UNIFIES GREEKS

FIGHT WITH TURKISH NATIONALISTS BINDS ALL

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 3.—The menace hanging over Greece in her fight with the Turkish nationalists in Asia Minor is tending toward the unification of all Greeks who are sinking party differences in the face of the common danger, it is reported in Greek quarters here.

Although there has been no recent unison between followers of former Premier Venizelos and the present Athens government, efforts are being made for a settlement of the patriarchal question which has been dividing the Greek church. Patriarch Meletios Metaxakis, of Constantinople has started a propaganda tour among his various parishes, preaching the union of all Greeks and urging all men of military age to join the army.

In response to the patriarch's appeal, volunteers are being recruited.

SHIELDS URGES LOAN TILTS

MAKES PLEA FOR 75 PER CENT OF APPRAISED VALUE

SALEM, Ore., May 3. — That the appraisal of the board of three appointed by the veterans' state aid commission to fix the value of land offered as security in making loans to soldiers under the state bonus and loan law should be binding, was the contention of Attorney Roy F. Shields today when the commission's attorneys appeared to show cause why loans should not be made to the full 75 per cent of the appraised value.

The law says that loans shall not exceed 75 per cent and it is the contention of representatives of the local post of the American Legion, who brought the suit, that a full 75 per cent is required by the law. Attorney Shields averred that to allow one applicant 75 per cent and another less is discrimination.

WIFE'S PARAMOUR IN TOILS

PLOT TO JAIL HUSBAND IS FRUSTRATED BY POLICE

PORTLAND, Ore., May 3. — A wife's plot to imprison her husband for a crime committed by another man was frustrated, police said, when they arrested Harry Hunnicut on a charge of robbing a jewelry store here.

The police said Mrs. A. L. Zuiderduin, of St. Helens, Ore., went to the jewelry store with a watch case and said her husband, a wood sawyer, had robbed the store. The police picked up the husband, but on questioning him were convinced of his innocence. Further questioning of the wife, they said, brought a confession from her that Hunnicut had induced her to accuse the husband. Hunnicut was then arrested. Mrs. Zuiderduin and her husband are held as witnesses.

SOVIET LEADERS SPURN AID PLAN

Complaint Urged That Project of Powers Omits Mention of Loans, Recognition

PLENARY MEET BODES GOOD

Efforts to Bolster Finances of Europe Held Promising

MONETARY CODE WRITTEN

ESSENTIAL POINTS ARE LIMITING OF PAPER MONEY, FIXING PARITY WITH GOLD ECONOMIZING IN THE GOLD

GENOA, May 3.—The soviet plenipotentiaries "are not delighted" with the project of the powers for the reconstruction of Russia. Such is the brief summary emanating from soviet sources of the bolshevik views on the memorandum on which Europe's statesmen have worked so laboriously. The fact that the document does not mention recognition of the soviet government and ignores the suggestion of governmental loans, is said to displease the communist leaders who are conferring with Moscow. The memorandum was delivered to them only at 4 o'clock this morning, after a corps of secretaries had worked all night putting it into official shape. It was rushed to Santa Margherita by automobile and delivered to M. Rakovsky who received it dressed in his pajamas. Belgium has not signed the memorandum, and word was received here this evening that France had determined to stand by Belgium, but as yet there is no official announcement in Genoa of France's action. It is believed that the conversations between Premier Poincaire and M. Barthou, however, will have an important general effect on the conference.

Plenary Session Gets Results

All the leaders expressed satisfaction at today's plenary sessions, believing that it embodied the inauguration of far-reaching efforts to improve the finances of Europe. The financial code at Genoa has been written, declared Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, chairman of the financial commission, and he believed it would prove as important as the historic Justinian civil code, the basis of world jurisprudence.

The essential points are limitation of the issue of paper money, fixing parity with the gold, economizing in the gold and co-ordination of gold.

Expects U. S. Aid in Problem

The United States, said the chairman, with almost half the world's gold, could join in the future study of the problems without involving itself in political difficulties and could help Europe as well as herself.

The other speakers at the session were Signor Schanzer of Italy; M. Schulthess of Switzerland; M. Pickard of France; M. Chitcherin of Russia, and Dr. Rathenau of Germany. M. Chitcherin alluded to the rights of communism and declared that it was impossible for the Russian government to renounce its control over exchange operations, despite the fact that the financial committee characterized it as mischievous.

The financial report, like the memorandum of the powers to the Russians emphasized that assistance to disorganized countries should take the form of private, not governmental credits.

Insists on Government Loans

M. Chitcherin insisted on government loans, and in this endorsed the views of M. Rakovsky, who had publicly declared that the soviet as the Russian government expected a loan from the powers.

In conclusion, M. Chitcherin voiced the conviction that it was only by economic collaboration by two worlds whose policy is based on different economic systems, that mankind could move towards reconstruction and peace.

Dr. Rathenau declared that from the Genoa conference the world not only expected theories but hoped that the representatives of the great nation give evidence of energy and immediate co-operation with respect to economic and social needs of great urgency. He voiced a warning that ten million people were without work.

Oil Is One Live Topic

Oil was a live subject for discussion in conference circles today, with everybody denying that anything definite had been done about disposing of Russia's big oil fields or granting monopolies for the distribution of the oil produced there.

M. Rakovsky, spokesman for the Russian soviet delegation, declared that no contract had been signed with the Shell group of English oil companies, as widely published, while Colonel Boyle, representative of the Shell Transport and Trading company, issued a statement declaring it absolutely untrue that his company had made new contracts with the Russians.

(By the Associated Press)

PARIS, May 3.—France sticks with Belgium on the policy toward the Russian soviet and M. Barthou will return to Genoa Friday having the full approval of the government. This announcement was made this afternoon at the conclusion of the cabinet meeting. M. Barthou made a complete statement of the actions of the French delegation at the Genoa economic conference and the ministers went over the text of the memorandum to the soviet delegates.

When the discussion was ended it was discovered that the seeming divergence between Premier Poincare and M. Barthou had disappeared. This difference of opinion arose more from a misunderstanding of the method of procedure than from the principle involved.

M. Barthou has behind him the full cabinet in resisting any encroachments upon private property in Russia and his instructions to remain in complete harmony with the Belgian delegation.