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NATIONS MEET AT GENOA CONFERENCE

Gathering Opens With Clash Between the Russian and French Delegations.

Genoa.—The Genoa economic conference was formally opened Monday in the historic palace of St. George by Premier Facta of Italy.

Every nation that participated in the World war was represented with the exception of the United States and Turkey.

A clash over a disarmament proposal by George Chitcheris, the Russian minister, which occurred between Chitcheris and M. Kellam took the note, walked toward the pigeonhole mail box and later resumed his seat.

Russia, the status of which is one of the most important questions to be decided by the conference, came to the forefront soon after the opening of the great assembly.

Speeches had been made by the presiding officer, Premier Facta of Italy; M. Barthou, representing France; Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain; Dr. Wirth of Germany and spokesmen of Japan and Belgium, all of a conciliatory nature and voicing adherence to the Cannes resolutions, upon which the present gathering is based.

George Chitcheris, the Russian soviet foreign minister, in speaking for his delegation, announced their adherence to the resolutions and then declared that Russia was ready to support any proposals that would avoid war or lighten the burden of armament.

Mr. Barthou immediately protested and declared with some heat that France would absolutely refuse to discuss the question of disarmament at this conference.

Mr. Lloyd George hastened to intervene, and in his contention that disarmament could not be taken up, certainly not before a peace basis had been reached at Genoa, he was supported by Signor Facta.

Eventually the discussion on this point ceased and Mr. Chitcheris said the Russian government would bow to the collective will of the conference.

Admission of the Russian and German representatives to the principal committee of the economic conference was strongly opposed by both French and Belgian representatives. Premier Lloyd George, together with Premier Facta and Foreign Minister Schanser of Italy, intervened, however, and their conciliatory attitude finally resulted in the admittance of both the Russians and the Germans.

Efficiency. It is a convenience when making preserves, after they are put away in a closet, to make a list of what you have and fasten it on the closet door with a pencil attached; then when you take a jar out cross it off.

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AW, WHAT'S THE USE



SCHEME PROVED A NUISANCE

Office Force Refused to Allow Methodical Man to Overlook Letter Written to Himself.

The methodical Mr. Kellam grunted acknowledgment when Kessler, an office assistant, presented him with a note, according to the New York Sun. "Found this in the 'K' mail box. It's addressed to you," said Kessler. Kellam took the note, walked toward the pigeonhole mail box and later resumed his seat.

FEDERAL JUDGE BILL PASSED BY SENATE

Washington, D. C.—The bill to provide a score more federal judges, advocated as a measure to relieve congestion in federal courts, and opposed as a political patronage "pork barrel," was passed by the senate and sent to conference with the house.

Twenty-three more federal district judges distributed throughout the country and one more judge for the fourth circuit are provided by the senate bill, as against 22 district judges under the original bill passed by the house last December.

The senate vote on final passage was 44 to 21, with party lines broken. The bill provides for an annual fall conference of circuit judges at Washington, with the chief justice and attorney-general of the United States, to make a comprehensive survey of judicial business of the country bench assignments. It provides also for assignment by the chief justice of judges to districts where there is congestion or where the public interests generally require such assignment.

Famous Rocking Stone. Of the rocking stone, just west of the buffalo range in Bronx park, New York city, tradition says that sachems and medicine men of the various Indian tribes built their council fires about this colossal cube of pinkish granite.

528 BANKS CLOSED DURING PAST YEAR

Washington, D. C.—During the calendar year 1921 a total of 528 state and private banks in the country were closed, according to a statement issued by Comptroller of the Currency Crisinger, summarizing bank failures for the year. However, he added, 163 of these banks were able to reopen or otherwise liquidate their liabilities.

The southern geographical division, Mr. Crisinger declared, was the most seriously affected in respect to the number of bank failures, there being 131. Failures to the number of 43, with liabilities exceeding \$13,600,000, occurred in the Pacific states.

Failures in states in which the depositors' guaranty system is in operation were: Mississippi, six; Texas, 36; North Dakota, 34; Nebraska, 22; Kansas, 11; Oklahoma, 22; Washington, 11.

The calendar year 1921, Mr. Crisinger said, was the third most disastrous year with regard to number of failures of national banks in the history of the national banking system, there being 37 national bank failures with liabilities of \$23,877,367. The most disastrous year in this respect was 1893, when 65 failures occurred, and the next was 1897, when there were 38 failures.

MOVE TO DEPORT SEMENOFF

"Butchery" of Americans By Russian General in Siberia is Charged.

Washington, D. C.—Chairman Borah of the senate labor committee, declaring that he had received charges that American men, women and children had been "butchered" in Siberia by General Semenov, announced he would endeavor to bring about deportation of the anti-bolshevik leader, now under bail in New York after arrest in connection with a civil suit.

Senator Borah said the charges had been laid before him by officers and enlisted men of the American expeditionary force that served in Siberia and were supported in part if not fully by an official report to the American government by Major-General William S. Graves, who commanded the expeditionary force.

Easy to Tap Vein of Humor. John Kendrick Bangs, the humorist, long enjoyed the reputation of being one of the most consistent quality producers of jokes in the trade. "I've trained myself so that I can get up from the dinner table, lock myself in my room, and write 25 jokes any evening," he once told a friend.

Opportunity. A missed opportunity is like the sun in the heavens. At midday, when it is nearest us, we cannot perceive it sufficiently clearly; the white glare is too much for our eyes. It is only when it is passed, when it is already sinking, that it looms large, its details magnified and the whole suffused in golden splendor.

SHELLS USED AS CURRENCY

Probably the Earliest Form of Money of Which There is Any Real Knowledge.

The earliest tribes did not need money because no individual in the tribe owned anything personally. All property belonged to the tribe as a whole and none to any one person. Later on the tribes met there across the custom of barter or trade, the simplest form of which was the exchange of articles possessed by one tribe for those owned by another. For instance, some of the Australian tribes had a rough green stone which was valuable for making hatchets. Members of another tribe, seeing these green stones hatchets naturally wanted them. They had no money, as we know it today, but they had red ochre with which they painted their bodies. Thus it developed that the tribe owning the green stones wanted some red ochre, and each article became a kind of money—each became valuable for trading purposes.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE CALEDONIAN-AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY

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Raven Always Mischievous. The raven can be taught to articulate. It is mischievous when tamed showing a disposition to hide things, like its cousin, the crow.