

OVER A MILLION WOMEN WORKING FOR MEN IN BRITAIN

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

LONDON, May 24.—The number of women who are acting directly as substitutes for men in the field, office and workshop has passed the million mark, according to figures printed by the Board of Trade Labour Gazette. Allowing for displacements from other industries and domestic services, it is estimated that 800,000 women have gone out to work who did not do so before the war.

Women have been substituted for men in various kinds of employment as follows: Industries, including controlled firms, but excluding all kinds of government establishments, 376,000; government works, including arsenals, dockyards and national shell filling and projectile factories, 139,000; agriculture in Great Britain, 23,000; transport, 52,000; finance and banking, 42,000; commerce, 278,000; professions, 17,000; hotels and theaters, 31,000; civil service, 73,000; local government, 40,000. The total is 1,071,000. Substitution has been carried out most extensively, in relation to the numbers employed, in government controlled establishments; the civil service, banking and finance and transport.

BISSING FAVORED KEEPING BELGIUM

LONDON, May 24.—A memorandum written by the late General Von Bissing, governor general in Belgium, which, it is assumed, was prepared for submission to Emperor William, represents the policy of a reconciliation between Germany and Belgium as illusory and argues for the absolute necessity of the annexation of Belgium as a preparation for another war against Great Britain. The memorandum declares that no guarantees, however strong, would prevent Belgium from being swept into the enemy camp and that therefore Belgium must be conquered, the Belgian dynasty abolished and the country held with an iron hand, so as not to repeat the mistake made in Alsace-Lorraine and in German Poland in attempts at conciliation. Pointing out how the province of Limburg, in southeast Holland, is a thorn in the side of the present German offensive, the memorandum contends that the same would happen with a neutralized Belgium and that the advantages Germany gained would accrue to her enemies in the next war by their possession of the whole of Belgium.

EX-QUEEN OF MADAGASCAR DIES AN EXILE IN ALGIERS

ALGIERS, May 24.—Former Queen Ranavalona of Madagascar, is dead at her home here.

LES DARCY, CHAMPION AUSTRALIAN PUGILIST DEAD FROM PNEUMONIA



Les Darcy

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 24.—Les D'Arcy (the Australian pugilist), died at a hospital here this afternoon from pneumonia. He has been ill more than a month.

D'Arcy died about 1:45 o'clock. Fred Gilmore and Mick Hawkins, his manager and trainer respectively, being at the bedside. Gilmore sent a cablegram to the dead man's mother in Australia and the body will be held here pending instructions from her.

D'Arcy had enlisted in the aviation reserve corps here shortly before he was taken ill. At that time he was

pronounced by Captain Christie of the medical corps as the most perfect specimen of manhood that had ever applied for enlistment in the corps.

RESTORATION OF NATIONS SOUGHT

STOCKHOLM, May 24.—The restoration of Belgium, Serbia, Montenegro and Rumania was demanded by the Bulgarian socialist delegates in a conference with the Dutch and Scandinavian committee. They also declared themselves in favor of a national reunion of Bulgarians as a step to give permanent tranquility to the Balkans. The Bulgarian delegates further declared that the right to settle their own affairs should be extended to all peoples, such as the Armenians and Poles. They expressed the hope that the problem of Alsace-Lorraine be settled on these lines. The convocation of a general socialist conference was also advocated.

HOOVER PLANS FOOD CONTROL

WASHINGTON, May 24.—Control of food exports to the European neutral countries was discussed at a conference today between Herbert C. Hoover and Secretary Redfield. The commerce department probably will be designated to administer the export limitations act pending in congress and also the trading with the enemy act to be introduced later. Supervision over food shipments to the allies and to countries contiguous to Germany will be put directly into the hands of Mr. Hoover, who will ascertain their needs and turn over cargoes to the commerce department for licensing. Mr. Hoover later in the day saw President Wilson.

NO PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCE BY IRISH SINN FEIN

DUBLIN, May 24.—The Sinn Fein conference today unanimously resolved to decline to participate in any conference "called by the English government to settle the Irish question," until the following conditions are fulfilled:

First—That the terms referring the question to the conference leave it free to decree the complete independence of Ireland.

Second—That the English government publicly pledge itself to the United States and the powers of Europe to ratify the decision of a majority of the conference.

Third—That the convention consist of none but persons freely elected by the adult suffrage of Ireland.

Fourth—That prisoner of war treatment be accorded the Irish prisoners arrested during the recent revolution.

MINING CORPORATIONS ARE GIVEN RELIEF

SALEM, May 24.—Corporation Commissioner H. J. Schulderman today issued the following statement for the attention of mining corporations:

"For the purpose of relieving certain mining corporations from paying fees in some instances claimed burdensome, the recent legislative assembly enacted a law for their relief. This law has given to each delinquent mining corporation the privilege, if taken advantage of on or before July 1, 1917, of filing all delinquent statements and paying a \$10 fee for each year of its delinquencies instead of the graduated license fees required by the general statutes of the state. The law requires every such corporation to furnish all the facts, data and information set forth in section 6713 of Lord's Oregon laws in the form of an affidavit and this affidavit should be accompanied by a fee of \$10 for each year that the license fee for the corporation filing the affidavit remains unpaid. Above all else, delinquent mining corporations should keep in mind that this concession is merely granted until the first day of July of this year and after such date the general statutes of Oregon will be operative."

SPEED-UP SUMMONS OF RUSSIAN ASSEMBLY

PETROGRAD, May 24.—The new Russian coalition government today ordered the summing of the Russian constituent assembly. The first meeting of a committee appointed to discuss arrangements for the election

of this body has been fixed for June 7.

SENATOR LANE DEAD.

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wish of the voters expressed at the election of November, 1912. At that election he was the nominee of the democratic party, having defeated a field of other democrats in the primary. In the election he defeated Ben Selling, republican nominee, and Jonathan Bourne, Jr., incumbent, who ran independently, after having been defeated in the republican primary.

Senator Lane was married September 5, 1882, to Miss Lola A. Bailey, an Oregon woman, who survives him, and do two daughters, Mrs. Nina Lane

McBride, of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Harriet Lane Hicks of Norfolk, Va.

Senator Lane's health failed early in the year of 1917. On April 7 he was reported seriously ill and went to a sanitarium near Washington for rest. A few weeks later he left for his home in Portland, but came via San Francisco, where he stopped in the hope of recuperating, and at which place he died tonight.

Family at Bedside

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23.—Mrs. Lane and other members of the family were with Senator Lane at the time of his death. He was conscious to within a few hours of the end, and had showed signs of rallying within

the past day or so, although the physicians had never modified their original statement that his recovery was impossible.

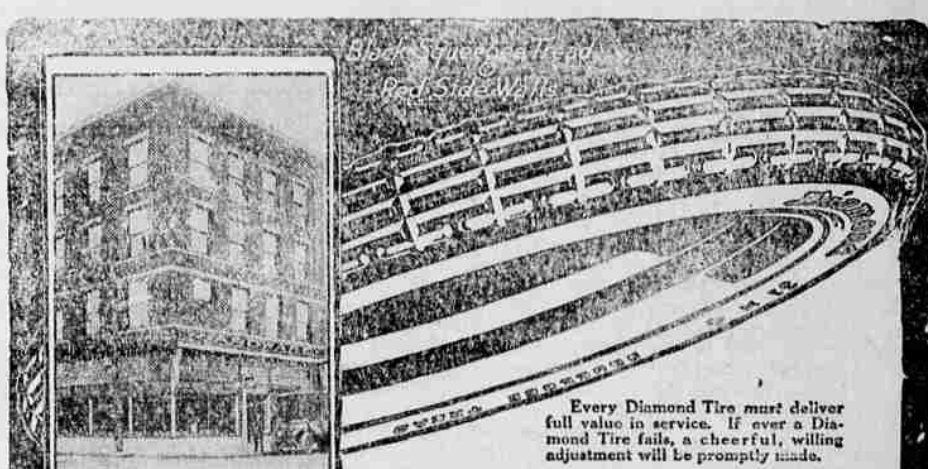
ITALIANS WIN BIG VICTORY

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field of the French offensive between Soissons and Auberive.

Haig's Forces Quit.

LONDON, May 24.—"We secured a few prisoners during the night as the result of patrol encounters east of Leverguier," says today's war office report on operations along the Franco-Belgian front. "Nothing else interesting occurred."



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<p>EMBROIDERIES</p> <p>10 and 12 1/2c Emby. and Insertions now 7c</p> <p>15 and 20c Emby. and Insertions now 10c</p> <p>25 and 30c Emby. and Insertions now 19c</p>	<p>HANDKERCHIEFS.</p> <p>These are days to test this store's ability to serve you.</p> <p>1 lot Handkerchiefs, col'd border, now dz 20c</p> <p>1 lot 15c Handkerchiefs now, 2 for 25c</p>	