

JANGLE STARTS AT CANNES OVER INDEMNITIES

French Disputes With France
Relative to Priority
Rights.

PAYMENT CONDITIONS

By FRANK E. MASON.

CANNES, France, Jan. 5.—When the allied experts met today to work out details of the agenda for the supreme council meeting beginning Friday, it became apparent that Belgian priority in the matter of distributing German indemnity was going to be one of the stumbling blocks threatening the success of the conference.

It is understood the British will request Belgium to renounce her priority rights to a share of the first two billion gold marks paid by Germany.

In compensation the Belgians would receive a promise that Britain and probably America would not press for payment of sums to Belgium which had been guaranteed by Belgium's priority indemnity rights.

Your correspondent is able to give the outline of a tentative program arranged at London covering the distribution of German reparations. It was planned to use this program as a basis for discussion, changing it from time to time as the necessity arose. Under its terms France would secure her share of Germany's first billion, the allies agreeing that the income from the Saar Basin not be counted toward defraying the cost of French military occupation. It was expected that in view of this concession, France would consent to delay further German payments.

Under the August agreement it was held that France's income from the Saar Basin with its rich coal mines would cover the cost of her army of occupation.

THE LONDON PROPOSAL.

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It was suggested that Germany pay \$60,000,000 gold marks for the month of January, February, March and April 15. Then Germany would be given a respite until 1923. Added to the original billion paid by Germany, the total—\$1,500,000,000 gold marks—would be divided as follows:

England, \$60,000,000; France, \$60,000,000; Italy, \$60,000,000; Belgium, \$60,000,000.

One condition would be that France get her cash immediately. The French senate and chamber of deputies have been heckling Premier Briand, insisting that Germany be made to pay in full and that France get her share of the indemnity gold at once.

Premier Lloyd George is said to be insisting that the submarine disarmament question and reparations are closely linked. France is countering with the demand that, under the principle of the Versailles treaty, England should enter a close defense alliance with France.

QUESTION OVER NEAR EAST.

Despite M. Briand's insistence upon closer relations between France and England it is certain that some friction will develop with the Near East is likely. And the British foreign minister, Marquis Curzon, begins seeking light upon the French treaty with the Turkish nationalists.

The British and French premiers had hoped to work out the agenda for the supreme council but found themselves running upon obstacles which made it impossible. Consequently the task was turned over to the experts.

London experts believe it is necessary to discuss the general European economic crisis if the reparations problem is to be solved. The British premier is expected to make a long exhaustive speech at the opening of the supreme council meeting outlining a world economic program.

It is believed Lloyd George hopes to rival the effectiveness and prestige of Secretary Hughes' great naval reduction speech at the opening of the Washington conference.

The British and French premiers already have discussed the proposal international economic conference with Russia and Germany participating and experts will begin immediately arranging the program for it.

POSITION OF PRESIDENT BRIAND.

President Briand is going to concentrate his efforts upon the confirmation of an Anglo-French alliance. He has succeeded where Clemenceau failed. If Briand is able to bring about the treaty he will be in a position to crush the opposition of Clemenceau's followers in the chamber of deputies.

It is learned from a reliable source that France does not expect any support from George Harvey, the American observer, during the supreme council meeting. The French believe the Americans were angered by France's submarine demands in the Washington conference and will throw their weight with England in any issues involving the interests of any of the three powers.

Married 4 Years,
Still an 'Infant.'

WOOSTER, Jan. 5.—Although she was married to Clarence Mowrer on Jan. 13, 1918, nearly 6 years ago, Mrs. Mabel McGregor Mowrer is still an infant in the eyes of the law. Her petition for divorce was filed by her mother, Mrs. Mowrer is still under 18 years of age. She was married when she had just passed her fourteenth birthday.

Arrest Breaks Up Counterfeit Gang

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Federal authorities here believe they have broken up a huge counterfeiting ring with arrest of Aaron Silver, who is charged with engraving and printing \$10,000 in \$20 Federal Reserve notes. He is held for Justice agents said Silver had connections in Russia and that the band was of international scope.

200 OFFER BLOOD.

ROME, Jan. 5.—In response to an appeal for volunteers to give their blood to a woman patient more than 200 people applied at a local hospital. Twelve young men were selected. In addition to those voluntarily appearing several scores sent letters or telegrams.

SATES SISTER, BUT DIES.

GLASGOW, Jan. 5.—A hand in hand from school, Jane Jones, aged 12, and her sister Megan, aged 4, failed to see a motor car until it was upon them. Jane threw her little sister to one side, but was herself struck the next instant and killed.

WHO OWNS THIS DOG?

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Some city employee who took his dog to the city hall and kept the "pup" in his office is going to lose his job. The dog slipped out and bit Jewell Kriesman, but escaped without the identity of his master being known.

Two Start Round World in Schooner

Find Remains of Prehistoric Whale

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5.—Steve Daniels and George A. Johnson, mariners and explorers, have started from Los Angeles harbor in a 30-foot schooner on a trip around the world. The voyage is expected to last two years.

The little schooner has an adequate spread of sail for ordinary voyaging, but is equipped with a gasoline engine for use in calms and in entering and leaving ports. The vessel is called Los Amigos.

JAP GIRL SLAYER.

OXFORD, England, Jan. 5.—Ota Sakabe, the first Japanese girl ever tried in this country for murder, has been convicted. She was sentenced to be sent to an asylum as insane. She was brought here from Shanghai as a nurse for the baby of Dr. Hay Bolton, and killed the child with a pair of scissors.

TELEPHONE BURGLARS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Numerous burglars recently reported indicate that a gang of "telephone burglars" is at work in various sections of the city. Occupants of apartments are called away by bogus telephone messages, and then the burglars enter and work at their leisure.

KILL 1, WOUND 2 AND NAB \$10,000

Pay Roll Bandits Slay Presi- dent of Chicago Suburban Bank.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—John Sofel, presi-

dent of the Maywood State Bank, was shot and killed and Arthur Benson, a clerk of the bank, and Louis Sweeney, chief of police of Maywood, a suburb, were wounded in a battle with automobile bandits today. The bandits fled with \$10,000 in currency which Sofel, Benson and Sofel Sweeney were taking to the plant of the American Can Company in Maywood. The money represented the company's pay roll.

WHEAT CROP QUICKLY SOLD.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 5.—Only 21.3 per cent of this year's wheat crop of 128,101,000 bushels remained in the farmers' storage houses on Nov. 19, in comparison with 35 per cent of the 1920 crop a year ago, according to a report issued by J. C. Mohler, secretary of the State board of Agriculture. "Seldom, if ever, has the wheat crop been marketed so promptly," declared Mohler.

ROULETTE DANCE.

BERLIN, Jan. 5.—Roulette dancing has become a craze here. The floor is divided into tiny squares, all numbered. While the music plays, a small indicator is spun over a large numbered dial. When the lights go on again the couple on the square corresponding with the number at which the indicator stops gets a prize.

L:S:AYRES & Co.

Close
At
5:30

Announcement

Patrons frequently ask re-
garding the date of some sales
of periodical recurrence. In
answer to these questions we
announce several important
events scheduled for January.

This week.
The January Linen Sale

Week of January 9th
**The January Sale of
Undermuslins**

Week of January 16th
**The Semi-Annual
Furniture Sale**

Week of January 23rd
**The Infants'
Outfitting Sale**

Our newspaper advertising
will carry details of these spe-
cial events.

Interesting Supplementary News of the

Bedding in the White Sale

Bleached Pillowcases

At \$1.00, six pillowcases,
made of soft finished muslin,
size 42x36 inches.

At 12¢ the yard, 36-inch,
fine bleached muslin.

At 39¢ the yard, 31-inch,
full bleached sheeting.

At \$1.35, 10-yard mill
lengths of Canton flannel, 27
inches wide.

Red Seal Pillowcases

Made from fine soft-finished
muslin, free of dressing.

At 33¢ each, 36x36-inch
pillowcases.

At 35¢ each, 42x36-inch
pillowcases.

At 37¢ each, 45x36-inch
pillowcases.

Mattress Slip Covers

At \$2.00, 42x76 inches;
twin bed size.

At \$2.98, 54x76 inches;
double bed size.

Bedspreads

Scalloped dimity spread,
with cut corners—
72x90-inch, at \$3.00.
72x89-inch, at \$3.75.
90x100-inch, at \$4.25.

Satin Marseilles spreads,
hemmed—
72x90-inch, at \$3.75.
77x87-inch, at \$3.98.
86x96-inch, at \$5.00.

Scalloped edged, cut-cornered
spreads in full bed
sizes—
86x94-inch, at \$5.50.
88x98-inch, at \$5.75.
88x98-inch, at \$8.75.

—Ayres—Bedding section,
second floor.

Nainsook and Longcloth

10-Yard Length Priced for Money-Saving Purchase
Conspicuous Among the Many Features of

The January LINEN SALE

Spring Sewing

In so far as the making of under-
wear is concerned, will proceed
to advantage with bountiful supplies
of nainsook and longcloth at hand.
Foreseeing this, we call your special
attention to these sale offerings:

Longcloth

10-yard bolts, a yard wide.....\$1.68
10-yard bolts, a yard wide.....\$1.95
10-yard bolts, a yard wide.....\$2.35

Nainsook

10 yards of fine, sheer Nagasaki nain-
sook for \$3.95.

10 yards of superior quality 40-inch
nainsook for \$3.75.

10 yards of fine sheer Oyama nainsook
for \$4.85.

Linen Towels

One lot of hemstitched huck
towels at 55¢ each.

One lot of hemmed and
hemstitched huck towels at
55¢ each.

One lot of hemstitched
huck towels at \$1.25 each.

All-Linen Damask

Bleached satin damask of
beautiful quality at prices
that add much to their de-
sirability.

Clotches 66 inches square,
\$2.95.

Clotches 70 inches square,
\$3.95. \$4.95 and \$6.45.

Clotches 70x88 inches, \$5.95

66-inch widths, at \$1.85
the yard.

70-inch widths, at \$2.15,
\$2.45. \$2.95 and \$3.65
the yard.

71-inch widths, at \$4.95
the yard.

Napkins to match these
damask at from \$0.95 to
\$12.00 the dozen.

Napkins, 21 inches square,
\$3.95 and \$4.95 the dozen.

Napkins, 22 inches square,
\$6.95 and \$8.45 the dozen.

—Ayres—Linens, second floor.

Tablecloths and Napkins of Linen

Pattern tablecloths of all-
inen satin damask are of-
fered in beautiful and low-
priced array. Values that
we can recommend without
qualification.

Clotches 66 inches square,
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Tablecloths, 88c

Of fine quality mercer-
ized material, 54-inch size,
round cloths with scal-
loped edges; squares, hem-
stitched.

—Ayres—Linens, second floor.

The Smallest Price Seen This Season on Such Tailored Topcoats!

\$29.50

Perfectly stunning new
topcoats—topcoats of man-
nish materials, in manish
styles and man-tailored—
not only extremely smart for women