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LEAGUE AGREES ON REPARATIONS

Allied Powers Reach Agreement on System of Indemnities From Germany.

PAYMENTS RUN 42 YRS.

Proposed Scheme Provides for Annuities on a Sliding Scale From 2,000,000,000 to 6,000,000,000 Gold Marks.

Paris—Solution of the problem of German reparations was reached tentatively by the committee of experts appointed by the Allied supreme council. Confidence was expressed that the council would approve the solution.

The proposed scheme provides for the payment of annuities on a sliding scale of from 2,000,000,000 to 6,000,000,000 gold marks over a period of probably forty-two years and also a 12½ per cent ad valorem tax on German exports, so that her creditors will be paid according to Germany's increasing prosperity.

The sudden ironing out of differences came after two days of a continually widening breach that threatened to break up the conference, it being virtually suspended except for private conferences. Official French circles give the Belgian delegation credit for the success in reconciling the British and French viewpoints.

Germans to Be Invited.
The project in its final form, when approved by the council, will be submitted to Germany for acceptance as an agreement outside of Article 233 of the peace treaty which entrusts the reparations commission with the task of fixing the amount of the indemnity. Then another conference will be called to which the Germans will be invited.

The committee of experts was in session at midnight considering the question of shortening the period of the payments to thirty years, for which the treaty of Versailles specifically provided. But it is expected that the period of forty-two years finally will be adopted, as the longer period of payments will make the task easier for Germany.

Briand Meets Lloyd George.
Conferences between small groups of the delegates continued in an effort to clear up the tangle in the situation which had arisen. M. Briand, the French premier, after leaving the British premier, Lloyd George, consulted with his colleagues of the cabinet and later returned for another talk with Lloyd George.

Meantime, Lloyd George had received the British and Belgian representatives on the special reparations committee and after some discussion, these representatives returned to the session of the committee. After the consultation with Lloyd George the members of the committee seemed more hopeful. Much of the discussion bore upon an ad valorem tax of from 10 to 15 per cent that it had been proposed Germany should place on exports.

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THE GRAND MARAIS LIGHT AND POWER PLANT

Poles and Wire in Readiness for the Engines and Dynamos.

Adolph K. Setterstrom of the Benson Electric Company, Superior, who had charge of setting the poles and putting up the wire for the electric light company, has gone home. He expects to return when the balance of the equipment arrives.

The poles are in place now and the wiring is about completed. The gas engines and dynamos are expected at any time now and it is thought the plant will be delivering current some time during the present month.

The International Service shop will be the headquarters for the apparatus for the present. After the plant is installed there will be a stockholders' meeting, at which new officers will be elected and a plan mapped out for the further conduct of the business.

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RAIL MEN WOULD CUT WAGES

Atterbury Committee Expected to Ask U. S. Board for Pay Reductions.

Chicago—Representatives from several railroads met with the labor committee of the American Association of Railway Executives to consider steps looking toward a general reduction of wages on all member roads of the association.

The committee, of which W. W. Atterbury of the Pennsylvania is chairman, met pursuant to a resolution adopted by the association January 7. This resolution referred the matter of rates, pay and working conditions to the labor committee "for early consideration and report as to appropriate action."

It was predicted in railroad circles that the committee would recommend placing the situation before the United States Railroad Labor board with a request for a general reduction of wages.

RIVER APPROPRIATION IS CUT

Only \$500,000 Provided for Upper Part by Committee.

Washington—Instead of the \$2,000,000 asked for Upper Mississippi River improvement by the Twin Cities and other interested in reviving river navigation, the House sub-committee of the appropriation committee on rivers and harbors reported a bill carrying only about \$500,000 for that purpose.

The bill reported is for a lump appropriation of \$15,000,000, a reduction of \$41,846,915 from the estimates submitted by the War department engineers.

Barcelona Reds in Exodus.
Barcelona—The police report the exodus from Barcelona of numerous syndicalist extremists because of fear of arrest. They say also that a score of undesirable foreigners have been conducted to the frontier.

Irish Use Machine Guns.
Dublin—One constable was killed and Divisional Commissioner Holmes and five constables were wounded in an ambush near Castle Island, county Kerry. The attacking party used machine guns.

BLAST DESTROYS GOLD SPRING DAM

Rekindling of Thirty-Five Year Village-Farmer Dispute Seen in Wake of Wreck.

POSSES RUSH TO SCENE

Several Hundred Pounds of Dynamite Believed Used on Wrecking Concrete Construction—\$2,000 Reward Offered.

St. Cloud, Minn.—The Cold Spring power dam, about twenty miles from here, was blown up, two turbines destroyed and the village of Cold Spring cut off from electrical energy when a violent explosion of suspicious origin tore out a twenty-foot section of the dam at 1 a. m. Sunday.

Several residents are reported to have been hurled from their beds by the force of the blast, which is said to have reached the proportions of an earthquake in the vicinity.

Hastily organized posses of heavily armed men rushed to the scene of the explosion, and determined after a cursory investigation that probably several hundred pounds of dynamite had been used in wrecking the concrete construction.

No clue has been unearthed and a reward of \$2,000 has been offered for the capture and conviction of those responsible for the explosion.

The dam has been the center of a legal battle for thirty-five years among farmers who have endeavored to reclaim approximately 1,000 acres of land, now inundated by backwater, and authorities are attempting to link the blast with some angle of this feud.

In Courts for Years.

Since the dam was built in 1886 it has been almost continuously in the courts, and about twenty years ago, farmers living north of the power site, petitioned the Stearns county district court to have the dam removed, on the ground that they were entitled to the land flooded by the dam. The petition was denied by the district court and the decision was sustained by the supreme court, which contended that the village of Cold Springs was entitled to the dam.

A few years ago a mill located at the dam was destroyed by fire and it was generally believed that incendiaries were responsible for the fire, although no one ever was seized in connection with the affair.

Ditch Project Rejected.

After the destruction of the mill property the board of county commissioners of Stearns county granted the farmers interested in the removal of the dam the right to lay a ditch along the creek which runs into the dam as a means of draining the land they wished to reclaim.

The Stearns county district court again held in favor of the village and enjoined the county commissioners from giving approval to the ditch project.

Temporary electrical service will be supplied in Cold Springs through emergency connections with power houses in St. Cloud. It is believed that more than a month will be required to repair the damage caused to the dam and power house by the explosion.

ELEVEN DIE IN HOBOKEN FIRE

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NEWS-ETTES OF GRAND MARAIS AND VICINITY

Geo. Drake of Colvill was a caller in town yesterday.

J. G. and Jack Scott, Jr., were in from their Colvill camp Tuesday.

Frithjof Wannebo lost a valuable horse last Thursday, from colic.

Peter Rindahl of Maple Hill was doing business in town Saturday.

C. W. Johnson of Colvill made one of his periodical trips to the village last Friday.

The Norwegian Ladies Aid will meet with Mrs. Matt Johnson Tuesday, February 8th.

Arvid Hager, of Duluth, arrived Monday by bus for a visit with friends and relatives.

Olof and Chris Nicholiasen, of Good Harbor Hill, were transacting business in town Saturday.

Aug. J. Johnson and son Victor motored to Duluth Friday, returning Sunday.

Edwin Sannes of Hovland attended to some business in Grand Marais Tuesday.

Ben Thorson and Herman Helmerston, who are logging at Lutsen, were in for load of supplies Tuesday.

John Soderstrom of Devilstrack Lake was a caller in town Monday. He reports lots of snow up his way.

P. J. Bayle left Friday for Bemidji to attend a meeting of the State foresters.

Among the callers in town Sunday were Carl Carlson, Helge Toftey, Chris West and Andrew Olson of Tofte.

Miss Edith Soderberg was confined to her home several days the past week with tonsillitis. She has recovered.

The County Board held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday. There was the regular amount of routine business.

Bertha Winger of Minneapolis arrived on the stage Saturday. She will visit at the John Winger home for a while.

Andrew Shold of Rosebush has purchased a Ford car, with which he is now delivering milk to town customers.

Chas. Amundson of Two Harbors drove to Grand Marais Friday. He was accompanied by A. Haugan, a Two Harbors grocer.

John Gustafson of Good Harbor Hill left last Thursday for Sweden to visit his mother. He will be gone three or four months.

Miss Inga Rindahl, assistant cashier of the Cook County State Bank, spent Saturday evening and Sunday with her folks on Maple Hill.

Henry Westerlund of Hovland has been in town for a few days, getting his tractor overhauled. He expects to leave for home today.

C. O. Johnson of Rosebush was in town on a business trip Monday. He is hauling pulpwood for Chris Johnson on Good Harbor Hill this winter.

Of particular interest to the children will be the presentation of the Fox special production "Evangeline" at the Princess Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon. This is Longfellow's poem visualized.

Alex Boostrom returned home Saturday from a two weeks' trip to St. Paul and a visit at his parental home at Milaca, Minn. While in St. Paul he purchased a new Oakland car and as announced in their ad, the Motor Inn has the agency for Grand Marais during 1921.

Fred Sjoberg and Simon Backlund and the Misses Grace Samskar and Alma Backlund hiked up to Backlund Bros.' camp on Maple Hill Sunday morning, returning in the evening.

Faith Blackwell celebrated the 11th anniversary of her birth last night at a progressive peanut and gum sculpture party. After a very interesting time, lasting from 5 till 8, she took her guests to the Princess theater, her mother and Mrs. G. W. Robertson escorting the juvenile brigade thither.

peror William of Germany, who arrives here in February to be put up for sale. The reserve price placed on the vessel is 9,000,000 marks.

77 Filipino Soldiers Sentenced.
Manila, P. I.—Seventy-seven enlisted men of the Philippine constabulary, adjudged guilty of sedition, were sentenced to ten years' imprisonment each, and to pay fines ranging from \$500 to \$5,000.

A MASS MEETING

TO THE PEOPLE OF COOK COUNTY:

Notice is hereby given, that a mass meeting will be held at the Village Hall of the Village of Grand Marais, Minnesota, on Saturday, the 12th day of February, 1921, for the purpose of organizing a Co-operative telephone company.

All interested parties from all parts of Cook County are urgently requested to be present at this meeting and participate therein.

At an informal meeting, held in Grand Marais last Sunday by a number of business men of Grand Marais and adjoining communities, it was decided to call such a meeting by publication of a notice thereof in the Cook County News-Herald. This notice is published and signed in pursuance thereof.

Dated at Grand Marais, Minn., this 31st day of January, 1921.

CLÁUS C. MONKER.

Card of Thanks

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Royal Neighbors and Macons, as well as to many kind neighbors and friends, for their sympathy and beautiful floral offerings during our recent sad bereavement, the loss of our darling daughter, Meredith Lorraine. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Winger.

MINNESOTA FARM BUREAU NEWS

Reduction of railroad rates put into effect in the United States as a result of the interstate commerce commission's emergency decision, granting increased revenue to carriers, is to be demanded by the organized farmers of the country through the American Farm Bureau federation.

Having demonstrated the power of the American farmers to help shape national policies, by fighting the increase asked by the railroads and obtaining from the commission a reduction of \$1,700,000,000 in the valuation set by the roads themselves, the federation has begun the assembling of data to be presented with its request for lower rates, J. R. Howard, president of the national federation, announced in a communication received by the Minnesota Farm Bureau federation. Repeal of certain provisions of the Cummins-Esch bill will be asked.

The federation's representatives, appearing practically as the sole spokesmen for agriculture in the rate increase hearings forced concessions and actually saved American shippers and consumers \$200,000,000 a year, Mr. Howard says.

"The farmers' share of that saving alone would run the American Farm Bureau Federation for 200 years," he says.

The federation's action on present railroad rates is to take the form of a demand for changes in sections of

DIED

Friday morning, January 23th, Meredith Lorraine Winger, age two years and seven months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Winger of this village. Nine days after the death of their little son, John Udell, occurred the death of the little daughter, the only surviving child, the result of a complication of diseases, following a week's illness.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon from the Lutheran church, Rev. H. F. Johnson conducting the services, during which two appropriate songs were sung by Miss Elizabeth Hicks. Interment was made in Poplar Grove Cemetery. The grief-stricken parents have the sympathy of the entire community.

TO ORGANIZE A NEW TELEPHONE COMPANY

An informal meeting was held Sunday by a number of business men of Grand Marais and adjoining communities, for the purpose of calling a mass meeting to organize a co-operative telephone company for Cook County. As we understand it, this is to be an enlargement of the Tofte company. The new company will absorb the old company, which would amount to the same thing. The object of the new company is to improve the local service and build a metallic line through to Two Harbors on the west and Port Arthur on the east.

The date for the mass meeting was set for Saturday, February 12. Signed notice is given in another column.

Adolph Erstgard accompanied Alex Boostrom to Grand Marais from St. Paul, via auto, last Friday.

Princess

Saturday and Sunday MIRIAM COOPER in EVANGELINE

added attractions Fox News, Mutt and Jeff Cartoons

Wednesday

The passing of Black Eagle, an O'Henry story. His Home, Sweet Home, Larry Semon comedy. The Veiled Mystery, chapter story.

the Cummins-Esch act which provides that the railroads may adjust rates to obtain 5½ per cent for equipment.

While this bill was up to congress, on behalf of the farmers I bitterly opposed these provisions, Mr. Howard said. However, the matter was compromised. The guarantee provision was passed at 5½ per cent for two years, when it expires by statute. The limitation was disappointing to the railroads and really a victory for the farmers. The one half per cent for equipment, however I have always contended to have been rank class legislation. It ought never to have gone through, and must be repealed at the earliest minute.

Last Year's Record Shows That Our

EMPRESS COFFEE USERS

have been preaching "EVENTUALLY, WHY NOT NOW." We sold enough EMPRESS COFFEE during the past year to make 250,000 cups of coffee.

One pound of EMPRESS COFFEE will make 40 good cups of coffee and we sold over 6,000 pounds of this DELICIOUS EMPRESS to make this outrageous sum of 250,000 cups of EMPRESS COFFEE.

Our EMPRESS COFFEE is the best friend your wife has in her cabinet or cupboard.

Ask your neighbor, she knows.

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Ed. Toftey & Co.

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Your castle in the air can be made real if you start a bank account



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Capital and Surplus, \$28,500.00