

against the Soviet. They took up the first of Russia's proposals—a large international bank to finance the reconstruction of Russia.

The Soviet delegation was informed this was impossible. In the first place, the Allies had no great amount of cash to loan. In the second, that was not their idea of assistance to Russia.

ALLIES BLAMED BY RUSSIANS FOR BLOCK AT GENOA

Chicherin Says Opposition to Nationalization Idea Is Cause of Clash.

GENOA, April 25 (Associated Press).—Foreign Minister Chicherin of Soviet Russia declared to the Associated Press this morning that it was Allied resistance to the Russian principle of nationalization which was blocking the conference here.

GENOA IS NOTIFIED U. S. KEEPS RIGHTS IN RUSSIAN LOANS

Ambassador Child Tells Heads of Conference America Yields Nothing.

AMERICAN CRUISER HURRIED TO CHINA

The Huron Ordered From Manila as Peking Is Isolated by Revolution.

MANILA, April 25.—The flagship Huron of the Asiatic Squadron has received rush orders to sail to China because of disturbed conditions there.

14 BARRELS OF KICK SEIZED BY DRY MEN

Three Agents Follow Wagon and Make Arrest at Manhattan Bridge.

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TRANSIT BOARD ACTS TO COMPLETE 14TH ST. SUBWAY

Orders Ten Contracts Advertised After Estimate Board Rejected Them.

At a formal meeting of the Transit Commission to-day, it was unanimously decided immediately to re-advertise the ten contracts for the completion of the 14th Street-Eastern subway which the Board of Estimate rejected yesterday and returned to the commission with a view to obtaining current market prices.

The ten contracts amount to about \$200,000 and are for track work, ties, station finish, rails and kindred materials. It will require a week to re-print the advertisement, two weeks more to advertise and the bids will not be received until late in May.

Commissioner Harkness in moving to re-advertise the contracts said: "I move that counsel be directed to prepare for re-advertisement of the contracts returned by the Board of Estimate. The Board of Estimate has finally been forced to act. I believe it has acted unwisely. Nevertheless, action is what is wanted. If the Board of Estimate insists on further delay in subway construction to save a few dollars by re-advertising and lose many dollars in interest charges, the responsibility belongs to it."

Chairman McAneny said that in all fairness to the residents of the Eastern district of Brooklyn and particularly those who daily crowd the Canal Street subway station, the immediate thing to do is to hasten in every possible way completion of the work.

When it was drawn to Chairman McAneny's attention that the physical contracts are still in the possession of the Board of Estimate, he said: "If the board had been disposed to alter its action at any time, a mere resolution calling the contracts from the files would have been sufficient."

ATTACKS MARRIAGE OF REAM HEIRESS TO FACTORY HAND

Relatives Amazed When Woman Claims She Is Pole's First Wife.

The greatest surprise was expressed to-day by members of the family of the former Mrs. Marion Buckingham Ream-Stephens, now the wife of Anastase Andreivitch Vonslatsky-Vonslatsky, a Pole, twenty-two years her junior, over cables from Paris announcing the appearance there of a woman claiming to be the first and still lawful wife of Vonslatsky-Vonslatsky.

Norman B. Ream, her brother, and co-heir with her in the \$40,000,000 estate left by her father, the late Norman B. Ream, of Chicago, lives at No. 25 East 94th Street, this city. He said to-day that he was greatly surprised by the news, and the same surprise was expressed by the present Mrs. Vonslatsky-Vonslatsky's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kammer, of Short Hills, N. J.

Girl Thought Murdered May Have Been Frightened to Death



Juanita Miller's "Lily Love," Whom She Wed in Burlap Gown, Turns Out to Be Water Lily

Daughter of "Poet of the Sierras," Deserted by Husband, Horse and Goat, Plans Divorce—He Bathes Too Often, She Says.

OAKLAND, Cal., April 25.—Juanita Miller, daughter of the eccentric "poet of the Sierras," will lay away her wedding gown of burlap and, donning a neat tailored suit, file suit for divorce within two months, she said to-day.

For Juan Miller, her "Lily Love," she said, has proved a water lily. "He just floats on the surface of our love like a lotus flower on the lily ponds," she explained.

The crowning offense of a long list, Juanita said, was his insistence on bathing. "He knew I wanted to sleep 'til 10 every morning, but he would get up at 7 and take a bath," she said.

FACTS were Juanita's excuse for her little left excepting a eucalyptus trimmed burlap wedding gown and shrine in the wigwam where burned "the candle of faith," casting a ghostly glow over the skull of the Miller family cow, dead these forty years.

NO WORLD WAR, SAYS PERSHING, IF WE HAD BEEN READY

Weeks Also Pleads for Army Adequate for Safety of the Nation.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The United States, "with adequate military preparations and under strong leadership," could have prevented the occurrence of the World War, Gen. Pershing declared to-day, in testifying before the Senate Military Committee in behalf of the War Department's plea for an increase in the military establishment over that proposed by the House.

"There is no doubt," Gen. Pershing said, "that the Civil War might have been prevented had the country been equipped with an army of reasonable size ready for immediate use. A measure of preparedness such as contemplated under the law of 1920 would probably have kept us out of the World War. At least it would have saved us the humiliation of depending upon the Allies to hold back the enemy for more than a year before we were even partially prepared."

"As a matter of fact, with adequate military preparation, there can be little question that the United States, under strong leadership, could have prevented the World War altogether." Gen. Pershing advocated a "Regular Army in keeping with our position among the nations" and declared that a regular establishment of 150,000 men and 8,000 officers was "barely of sufficient strength" to meet minor emergencies, garrison overseas possessions and provide a minimum of instruction for citizen forces.

FT. WORTH DEAD, 11; 1,500 HOMELESS AFTER 9 N. RAIN

Whole City Under Water, Trolley Service Abandoned and Lights Cut Off.

FORT WORTH, Tex., April 25.—Eleven persons are known to have drowned and at least 1,500 are homeless, according to relief agencies. The city water plant is out of commission and other utilities endangered. The flood followed a heavy storm last night and this morning. The Red Cross has sent word that it is rushing relief to this city from St. Louis.

A levee back of the Panther Baseball Park broke this morning. The depth of the water was half way up the right field grand stand and the high board fences cannot be seen. Water rushed around Arlington Heights and the north side and left those districts marooned.

The river rose 29.7 feet in twelve hours to within 1.1 feet of the stage of the disastrous 1908 flood. Observers said that flood never produced the raging torrent which to-day followed the destruction of the levee above Panther Park. The spillway of Lake Worth, reported to have gone out, was said to be holding and in no danger.

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25,000 MEN FIGHT GREATEST FLOOD IN MISSISSIPPI

From Cairo to Delta Stupendous Struggle Is Waged to Save Levees.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 25 (Copyright).—The most stupendous struggle between man and nature is being staged successfully to-day along the Mississippi River from Cairo, Ill., to the Gulf. The "father of waters," in the worst rampage in his history. One flood record after another is being broken.

A force of more than 25,000 men, directed by army engineers, rushed from all over the United States, is working frantically, strengthening the weak links in the levees that protect from overflow the acres of rich alluvial soil. To date victory has been won with man. There have been some breaks, but so far not of serious extent.

Just below Hickman, the Reelfoot levee, protecting the game preserves known as Reelfoot Lake, sustained the full force of the flood and some sections were washed over. Near Tunica, Miss., a vagary of the river diverted the current squarely against the secondary bank designed to protect the main levee. The old earthenwork gave way and the current was eating into the main levee when discovered. Hundreds of Negro farm hands, each with a board lashed about his waist to give him a chance if thrown into the swirling waters, were set to building a new dike to send the water back into the river bed. The engineers to-day believed they would prevent serious damage.

In Arkansas a neck of land protected by a circular levee was completely flooded, but the people of the district were saved. Still further south, at Luca, the levee guard reported the bank weakening. Thousands of sand bags, rushed by special train, were placed and after a battle of days the levee was saved.

At Scott, in Bolivar County, Mississippi, it is believed the danger point has been passed, but ever since early last week every man who could be secured has been employed. All male inhabitants were called on, and whites and Negroes, wealthy plantation owners, small share croppers and professional men worked side by side. Yesterday there were 7,000 of them. They added more than two feet to the levee and reinforced every yard of the main bank. They were aided by the arrival of thousands of sand bags—Government trench shanks originally designed to protect Yankee soldiers from Hun bullets in France—which were filled with soil tamped into place and securely anchored.

Below New Orleans there were a couple of dangerous breaks, but they have been controlled by the same methods and it is believed to-day that the gravest danger is past.

INDEPENDENT CEMENT PRICE BELOW "TRUSTS"

Witness Tells Experience in Building N. Y. Dam.

In the trial of the nineteen corporation and forty-four individuals of the Cement Manufacturers' Protective Association for violation of the Sherman Law, to-day in the Federal District Court it was brought out in testimony showing that Hugh New, a Boston contractor, who failed to get a considerably lower price on cement from a non-member than from an association company.

New testified that in 1915, his firm undertook the construction of the Gilman dam in New York State, using a total of about 500,000 barrels of cement. One contract with the Nassau Portland Cement Company, a member of the Protective Association at a price of \$3.05 a barrel, whereas the Whitehall Portland Cement Company non-member, charged at \$2.85.

IRISH ARMY LEADER IS SLAIN BY REBELS IN ATHLONE STREET

Brig. Gen. Adamson Is Halted, Told to Put Up His Hands and Shot Down.

DUBLIN, April 25 (Associated Press).—Brig. Gen. Adamson, commanding the Athlone Brigade of the Regular Irish Republican Army, was shot dead to-day near the headquarters of the Independent Republican forces in Athlone.

An official communique issued from the headquarters of the regular army in Beggar's Bush Barracks, this city, says: "Brig. Gen. Adamson of the Athlone Brigade was shot dead in the streets of Athlone. The General was returning to the barracks, near the hotel where the mutinous troops have their headquarters. He was suddenly confronted by a group of armed men who ordered him to throw up his hands.

"The General, being alone, complied and, while his arms were raised, the assassins deliberately fired into him. Several of the mutineers' officers were arrested."

The official report further states that one of the mutineers put a revolver to Gen. Adamson's ear and shot him through the head.

Gen. McKeown, hearing the shot, rushed into the street and found Gen. Adamson lying in a pool of blood. He was taken to barracks, where he lingered ten hours while crowds outside prayed for the dying man.

The hotel in which the unofficial troops were quartered was surrounded and its occupants arrested. After the shooting Gen. McKeown drew a cordon around Athlone and sent a demand for surrender to Commander Fitzpatrick, commanding the Independent troops, occupying the Royal Hotel. He allowed fifteen minutes for a reply, giving notice that at the end of that time he would open fire.

Fitzpatrick replied immediately. He repudiated responsibility for the murder and agreed to surrender. He and his men were then brought to the barracks of the regular troops, where they were detained pending an inquiry.

(Athlone was a military center of Ireland. It is situated in the heart of the island being the central point north and south, east and west. It is the birthplace of John McCormack, the noted tenor.)

BELFAST, April 25 (Associated Press).—Insurgent Republican Army troops to-day attacked a lorry carrying Republican Army Regulars at Mullingar. Several shots were exchanged, marking the first fighting between the two factions. The regular troops were reinforced and made six arrests.

FOLLIES GIRL WINS DIVORCE FROM SON OF ASBESTOS KING

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(Special to The Evening World.) PITTSBURGH, April 25.—Florence E. Manville, chorus girl wife of Thomas F. Manville Jr., son of Thomas F. Manville, asbestos king, was granted a divorce here to-day.

Signing of the decree was the final chapter in the shattered romance, although Manville declared that there is "no woman I love as much as Florence." His defense for his associations with other women was that "I love the chickens and I have to run around with them, and I simply can't be happy myself."

The Manvilles were married June 2, 1911. They formerly lived at the Waldorf-Astoria, No. 629 Riverside Drive and at the Times Court in New York.

Florence E. Huber awns the "Follies" girl young Manville married after a romance and a courtship which began in the lobster palace of this city. She was in the "Follies of 1911" when the heir to the Manville asbestos millions, then seventeen years old, met her. They went through marriage ceremonies in both New York and New Jersey to be able to defy the expected family assault. He declared he would go from State to State until the gasoline in his car ran out in order to have his marriage iron-clad. A license was refused him in Maryland.

He ran away from home at sixteen and wound up as bellhop in a hotel in Boise, Idaho. Then he was brought back home by his father and a year later started out on the lobster palace trail. After the marriage the Manville family refused to have anything to do with him, but his wife stood by him and later his mother came to his assistance, giving them an apartment in Pittsburgh and a small income.

But the bride had eventually to get to work and the bridegroom took a job in the asbestos works at \$15 a week. She did the household work and stood by the family ship for a time, and then she sued for separation. Young Manville disappeared and was found later acting as chauffeur for a Wall Street broker.

ARCHDUKE NO PAUPER SWITZERLAND DECIDES

New-Kern Living in Vienna as a Translator, Spurred by Allies.

VIENNA, April 25.—Leopold Wolfing, formerly the Austrian Archduke Leopold, who applied for poor relief in Switzerland and did not obtain it, is living in a Vienna suburb, earning what he can by his skill as a translator. He humbly explains that his income of \$3,000 a month, or less than two shillings, would "hardly support a worm." He is a citizen of Regensdorf, in the Swiss canton of Zurich, but prefers to live in Vienna, though both Social Democrats and Monarchists regard him as "not one of us."

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DALLAS, April 25.—Five inches of

Tak-hom-a Biscuit The Sunshine Soda Cracker. Splits-in-two—Then What? It's just the right size for a cracker sandwich. Anything that makes a good sandwich with bread makes a good sandwich with Tak-hom-a Biscuit—the Sunshine Soda Cracker, always sold in the red package. LOOSE-WILES BISCUIT COMPANY Branches in Over 100 Cities. Sunshine Biscuits