

EUROPEAN NOTE IN BANKER TALK OF PROSPERITY

Leaders of American Association Foresee Good Year Ahead.

New York, Dec. 31.—Business prospects for 1922 are, in general, hopeful, according to statements by prominent bankers made public by the American Bankers association.

"The future of business and finance in the United States is encouraging," said Thomas B. McAdams, president of the association.

said that, although some leading politicians and newspapers opposed extending aid to Europe at this time, "future prosperity depended on the way financial America answers the call."

"This must be remedied," he added, "It is apparent, also, that strikes for higher wages are certainly not in keeping with the present order of things. Labor must bear its fair share in future deflation."

Bank Growing Stronger.
John S. Puelicher, vice president American Bankers association, said the trend was towards easier money rates and there was nothing to indicate that this could not continue.

"The strongest factor in the present situation is the growing strength of the banks," he declared.

\$1,477,000 MAIL THEFT REVEALED BY ARREST OF MRS. ABE ATTEL, 2 MEN

Attempt to Collect on Liberty Bond Arouses Bank Suspicion; Securities Cancellation Had Been Chemically Erased.

New York, Dec. 31.—A mail theft of \$1,477,000 in bonds on July 18, 1921, became known Saturday with the arrest of Mrs. Abe Attel, divorced wife of the former pugilist, Sam Gold, and Harry Cohen by postoffice inspectors and members of the police bomb squad.

The bonds, with a face value of \$1,477,000, were stolen somewhere on route from the federal reserve bank, New York, to the treasury department in Washington.

Some had been cancelled by perforation and others were stamped "paid," but the stamp was removed with chemicals and many of them passed, inspectors said.

TAXICAB BUMP FATAL TO ROSEN

Former Russian Ambassador Dies in New York Hotel.

New York, Dec. 31.—Baron Rosen, former Russian ambassador to the United States, who was recently knocked down by a taxicab in this city, died Saturday at a local hotel.

Baron Rosen, one of the peace envoys who settled the war between Russia and Japan, for more than four years had been an exile from his native land.

A one-time world-famous diplomat, he spent the last years of his life in the United States, where he engaged in writing for magazines and newspapers. He came of very old Swedish stock, was born in 1849 and educated at the University of Dorpat and the Imperial Academy of Laws in Petrograd.

Academy of Immortals and was perhaps, at one time, the greatest authority on Arabia.

Baron Rosen, because of his scholarship and desire for world peace, was a trusted advisor of the late Emperor Nicholas. He had been a state councillor, chamberlain of the imperial court and a knight of the Order of St. Vladimir, St. Ann and St. Stanislaus.

A talented musician, he spoke English, French, German, Italian and Japanese. For many years he was in the foreign service of Russia.

He first entered the Russian department of justice and later in turn became Russian vice-consul at Yokohama, secretary of legation at Tokio and consul general at San Francisco. He was Russian charge d'affaires in Washington from 1886 to 1889 and Russian consul general in New York in 1894.

He declared that it was the "deadly poison of bolshevism" which brought on the defeat of Russia.

BACK TO THE BENCH.
It is rumored that Judge Landis, the baseball commissioner, intends to relegate Babe Ruth to bench duty next season for insubordination.

WOMEN ALONE COMPOSE THIS B. AND L. ASSOCIATION
Trenton, N. J., Dec. 31.—Articles of incorporation for the Betsy Ross Building and Loan association of Newark, the first of its kind in New Jersey, composed solely of women, were approved Friday by the state banking and insurance commissioner.

BRITISH BOOZE SHIP SEIZED OFF N. C. COAST
Washington, Dec. 31.—Seizure of the British schooner, *Messenger of Peace*, with a cargo of liquor off the North Carolina coast, is reported to assist Secretary of the Treasury Clifford by the coast guard station at Elizabeth City, N. C.

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