



1—Opening of the first meeting of the League of Nations assembly in Geneva. 2—Dr. Alejandro Cesar, new minister to the United States from Nicaragua. 3—Boy scouts on pilgrimage to grave of Col. Theodore Roosevelt.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Ruling on Unanimity Clause May Cause Argentina to Quit League of Nations.

WILSON WILL HELP ARMENIA

Entente Warns Greece Not to Restore Constantinople to Thrace—D'Annunzio Declares War on Italy—President-Elect Harding Home.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD.
Comparative harmony, forced by circumstances, marked the doing of the League of Nations assembly during the early part of the work, and then came discord that threatened to result in the withdrawal of at least one important member nation—Argentina.

fighters into regular army units, and he recently added to his equipment a quantity of artillery obtained from the Soviet Russians.

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GOV. HARDING FAVORS SCHEME

Money He Would Advance Is the Government's Share in Profits of the Federal Reserve Banks, Payable Next Month.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Immediate loans of \$60,000,000 from government funds to aid farmers in the face of falling prices of their products is proposed by Senator Hitchcock (Dem.) Nebraska, in a bill drawn after a conference with Governor Harding of the federal reserve board.

Senator Hitchcock plans to present the measure when congress meets next week. The money which Senator Hitchcock would have advanced to the farmers is the government's share in profits of the Federal Reserve banks, payable next month, and which under the law would be used to increase gold reserves to amortize the federal loan.

Loans would be made through the federal land banks on chattel mortgages or warehouse receipts with agricultural products or live stock as security. Loans on grain would be limited to six months and those on live stock to one year.

It is reported that the government would not ask admission to the League of Nations, but would be ready to take up any substantial amount of Liberty bonds as compared with the amount outstanding.

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First Oil Refinery

France is engaged in developing her oil industry, which has long been neglected. It is said that the very first efforts to refine petroleum were made at Pecelbronn. These commenced four centuries ago. It is a great extent they were failures, but it is positively stated that for 180 years a refinery has been in operation at that place.

Certain amendments to the covenant had been proposed by the Scandinavian delegates and the commission of amendments had reported against them and any other amendments at this time. In the assembly there was a motion to refer the amendments to a special committee for a report next September. Delegate Puyrevel of Argentina also opposed this, and since the covenant requires a unanimous vote for the carrying of any motion, apparently the proposition was blocked.

When, and if, the Armenian affair is settled, Greece evidently must pay the price. Kemal must be placated, and this can be done only by a radical revision of the treaty of Sevres. At this writing the plans for such revision are being arranged in London by Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain and Legation of France. The most important changes in the pact doubtless will be made at the expense of Greece's newly acquired territory in Asia Minor and Thrace. Since the Greeks ousted Venizelos and prepared to restore Constantinople to the throne their ambitions have reduced smaller consideration by the great powers. Already, it is understood, Great Britain, France and Italy have agreed that the Smyrna region shall be internationalized and policed by locally recruited gendarmes officered by an international officers' corps.

It is certain that Kemal will not be satisfied with this Smyrna concession, for his growing power is causing his demands to increase. Newspapers of Athens, who he makes his headquarters, say he asks that Thrace be given autonomy, Constantinople be evacuated by the allies and the allied and interrelated lines of conflict and influence in Syria and other parts of the Turkish empire be abandoned. It is probable some of these demands will be rejected, and equally probable that some of them will be granted. Kemal's military strength is worth consideration and his popular support is widespread. Sixty German officers have been making over his hands of

If the Greeks recall Constantinople to the throne, they will forfeit the good will and support of Great Britain, France and Italy. These three powers, it was decided at a conference in London, should so warn the new Greek government, and a note to that effect was drafted. The restoration of the former king, says the warning, "could only be regarded as a retrograde step, hostile acts" during the war. This policy by the entente is a victory for the French point of view.

D'Annunzio having refused to accept the agreement between Italy and Yugoslavia, the Italian government sent General Cavaglia to invest Fiume. This he did, and sent to the poet warfarer by airplane a proclamation announcing the intention of the government to enforce the conditions of the Rapallo treaty without delay and calling on the regency of Fiume to withdraw all its forces behind the frontiers. He next invited D'Annunzio's troops to leave him and re-enroll in their old units, and threatened a severe blockade of the city. D'Annunzio, seemingly undaunted, responded in a declaration of a state of war with Italy, effective December 3. General Cavaglia is doing all he can to avoid bloodshed and his troops did have to fire on their brother Italians, but if it comes to actual warfare the result cannot be in doubt. D'Annunzio would soon be crushed.

The warning issued by the British government, that the Irish were about to carry the "war" to England, was justified. To date the chief weapon used in this new development of the conflict is arson. A large number of incendiary fires were started simultaneously along the Liverpool waterfront and several big cotton warehouses were destroyed. The incendiaries worked in small groups and some of them, being interrupted by the police, killed one officer and wounded several others. At the same time the London police said they had foiled a plot to start fires in the metropolis on a large scale. Elaborate precautions were taken in all the large cities of England.

charge d'affaires for the United States, was among those present. Provisional President De la Haerta, who sat at General Obregon's right as he was sworn in in the chamber of deputies, was the first to embrace the new President, and as the succession of retiring and newly appointed cabinet ministers, congress and other officials greeted President Obregon moving picture machines clicked and photographers kept up a fusillade of flashlights. It is understood Mr. Summerlin intercepted by Poland. According to these, the Sixth German army headquarters at Breslau was to equip an expedition. One detachment of this was to proceed into Silesia in the guise of demobilized soldiers, and there spread propaganda. Other detachments were to mobilize 12 days before the day of voting and to wait at various points of vantage. If the plebiscite favored Poland, these forces were to wreck factories and other industrial institutions. The aid also was to be given the Ger-

man cause by a secret league of former German officers and soldiers known as "Sprea." The plebiscite in Silesia has again been postponed indefinitely, said a dispatch from Warsaw, under date of November 10. Some newspapers in Warsaw had predicted war between Germany and Poland if the plebiscite gave Upper Silesia to Germany; but these were declared by the French foreign office not worthy of consideration.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—The Henry C. Frick estate, through the register of wills of Allegheny county, sent to the state treasury \$2,000,000 inheritance tax in partial payment. The sum of \$7,000,000 is in contest and the payment made was subject to disposition of the court.

Lumber Prices Cut Again. Milwaukee, Dec. 4.—Lumber prices took another tumble when Milwaukee dealers announced a cut ranging from 10 to 15 per cent. The total reduction in the top price now reaches 25 per cent.

Britain Signs Trade Pact. London, Dec. 4.—Leonid Krassin, Bolshevik minister of trade and commerce, already has been handed the draft trade agreement, which has been signed, says a wireless message from Moscow.

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Baron's Death Report Denied. London, Dec. 4.—Reports that Baron Desborough died suddenly Wednesday evening at Birmingham, which were published here by a London newspaper proved to be incorrect. The baron is in the best of health.

Mixed Jury Out All Night. Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 3.—A jury of ten men and two women, which heard the case of Mrs. Maybelle Coulter, charged with the murder of McBoyle, Graydon, was locked up all night after reporting disagreement.

7,433 Negroes in East St. Louis. Washington, Dec. 3.—The negro population of East St. Louis, Ill., was announced by the census bureau as 7,433, an increase of 1,551. The white population numbered 69,800, an increase of 6,090, or 12.7 per cent.

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Public Debt Up \$112,646,571. Washington, Dec. 4.—An increase of \$112,646,571 in the public debt during the month of November was certified by the treasury. The total gross debt on November 30 was \$24,175,156,244.4, as compared with \$24,062,509,672.96 on October 31. The increase of \$229,000,000 in treasury certificates in November 15 was responsible for the increase in the debt, according to treasury officials who explained that the certificates maturing during the month amounted to only \$94,000,000.

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NEW PRESIDENT IN OFFICE

Alvaro Obregon Installed as the Chief Executive of the Republic of Mexico.

Mexico City, —Gen. Alvaro Obregon was inaugurated President of Mexico. The simple ceremony of taking the oath of office marked the fourth time in the republic's history of 99 years that the executive power has been transferred peacefully. Gen. T. Summerlin

TO OCCUPY UPPER SILESIA?

Polish Newspapers Claim Germany Is Plotting Force if Plebiscite Should Go Against Her.

Warsaw.—Evidence that Germany has planned armed occupation of Upper Silesia if the proposed plebiscite in that territory should favor Poland, is said that have been given the allied governments by Poland. Newspapers here have published copies of documents said to have been