

TODAY'S PRICES.

Mexican bank notes, state bills, 75/100; pesos, old, 11.00; new, 25/100; Mexican gold, 50/100; national, 25/100; grain, strong; livestock, low; stocks, strong; bar silver, H. & H. quotation, 11.33; copper, 18 1/2 @ 19 1/2.

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Senate Subcommittee Cross-Questions Attorney General On Federal Action In Ending Strike; Declares Termination Came Not by Settlement But by Complete Victory for Government; Miners Obeyed All Orders.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—Termination of the soft coal strike was not accomplished by a victory for the government, attorney general Palmer today told the senate subcommittee investigating the strike. "The government has won its fight," Mr. Palmer said. "There was no settlement. In fact, the men and the union officers have complied with our demands and returned to work."

Mr. Palmer said department of justice action in the coal strike began with the prosecution of indictments against officials of the miners' union under the Lever law. "We sought to prevent the strike by the use of the Lever law," he said. "By compelling the union officers to return to work, the strike had already been broken."

"You never changed your mind that the strike was a breach of law," Senator Townsend, Republican of Michigan, inquired. "I never have," Mr. Palmer replied. "The strike was a breach of law and it is still in effect."

When the order was issued, the miners were obeying the order of the court. "Did they always obey it?" Senator Townsend asked. "The letter of the court order was obeyed from the first," Mr. Palmer said. "The miners returned to work as usual."

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43 OF BRITISH CREW PERISH WHEN SHIP SINKS IN MID-OCEAN

Experts Fail to Agree to Demands on Germany for Fleet's Sinking.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 19.—Forty-three members of the crew of the British steamer Maximian were drowned yesterday when their ship foundered in mid-ocean, according to a radio from the British steamship British Isles picked up here today. The rest of the crew, numbering more than a dozen, has been picked up by the British Isles, which is due in New York Monday.

The message said that among those lost were the captain, first mate, fourth engineer and wireless operator. The rest of the officers, including the chief steward, were saved. Misfortune is believed also to have overtaken the coasting schooner Louis A. Maud. A wireless message today from the tanker British General, which left here yesterday, stated that she had picked up two men of the Maud's crew.

Allied experts are not agreed as to what demands should be made on Germany as reparation for the sinking of the interned German fleet at Scapa Flow, according to the Maritime Commission. Some are disposed to demand newly constructed ships from the Germans, while others would require the immediate delivery of Germany's light cruisers. It is probable, the newspaper says, that a compromise will be reached.

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RISH MOB FALLS TO ASSASSINATE LORD FRENCH

Bullet Aimed at Diplomat Kills Citizen and Injures Nearby Policeman.

DUBLIN, Ire., Dec. 19.—An attempt was made at 1 o'clock this afternoon to assassinate viceroy French, the lord lieutenant of Ireland, as he walked through the city streets. Lord French was driving between the Ashion gate of Phoenix park and the Vice Regal lodge when a shot was fired. A civilian nearby was struck and instantly killed by the bullet.

A policeman was wounded at the same time. Lord French, however, escaped the bullet. Several shots were fired from a crowd of about 100 persons. The viceroy returned to the vice-regal lodge unharmed. The assassin was shot dead. His body lay by the roadside.

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CONFERENCE CALLED FOR MANUFACTURERS OF WEARING APPAREL

Planned to Go Over Whole Process of Clothing Making From the Producer of Raw Material to the Consumer; Attention of Public to be Called to Ways and Means of Meeting High Cost of Living.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—Steps to check the rising price of clothing will be discussed at a conference here early in January of persons interested in the production of wearing apparel, from the producer of raw materials to the consumer of the finished product.

The calling of the conference was announced today by assistant attorney general Fox, who said that in addition to effecting economies in operation, it was planned to provide for the production of standard goods at a reasonable price as an inducement to the public to check extravagance in clothing.

Producers' Bureau Conference. Suggestions for the conference came from producers of wearing apparel, and a committee of 17 leading business men will be represented in the conference.

Mr. Fox said it was generally agreed among the producers that one essential for reducing the cost of clothing was to have manufacturers develop their own designs, instead of buying the type of clothing purchasable by the average man. Some clothing manufacturers were said to believe that men's suits now selling for \$100 could be sold at a profit for \$50. If an arrangement could be worked out between mills, manufacturers and retailers whereby a certain percentage of business could be devoted to goods of standard quality to be turned out in quantity, the price of the suits would be reduced.

There is no doubt as to the desirability of the plan, Mr. Fox said, and the standard goods under consideration would be standards in quality rather than in price.

Committee Is Called. The department of justice is taking steps to turn the attention of the public to the lower priced goods neglected in the reaction from war prosperity. Mr. Fox has suggested to the national bureau of economic research that a "committee" be established by the association of producers of wearing apparel to study the conditions of the clothing industry.

Teuton Commission Expected to Reach Paris Tomorrow for Final Plans.

PARIS, France, Dec. 19.—(Havas).—It is declared in diplomatic circles that no official steps have been taken by the French or British governments in getting into touch with United States political leaders concerning reservations to the Versailles treaty of peace.

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DEMOCRAT CHALLENGES CHARGES OF FRAUD IN ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—So many speeches are made in the house of representatives that few of them ever get notice and with the coal strike and treaty controversy and railroad legislation in focus with the "end of the world" in frightened folk, a good old fashioned rough and tumble speech of the kind which makes American politics appetizing passes on to the obscurity of the record unless those who chance to have heard it spread the word that it is worth reading.

Such a speech has just been delivered by representative Philip Garrett, of Tennessee. Garrett, who has made a name for himself as a speaker, first among businessmen, who resent the sweeping imputation and generalizations that just because they did business with the United States during the war they must necessarily have defrauded the government and second, among the Democrats, who have been smarting under the attack of Republicans concerning the conduct of the war, and the attitude of some of their colleagues toward the health of president Wilson.

Gen. Donnell has raised an important question in the House. He has asked that the government should be held responsible for the sinking of the Maximian.

Mr. Garrett said he was willing to let the record speak for itself and then quoted the contents from the report of the committee on the sinking of the Maximian in which he said: "In closing this report, Mr. Secretary desires to express his deep appreciation of the unselfish and wise counsel."

Mr. Garrett closed with one of the most dramatic passages heard in the house in recent years, saying: "I resent the imputation of fraud which has been placed upon the name of my party, one of whose members happens to have been secretary of war throughout these great years. I want it in the name of friends in that department, men of different political faiths with whom I have been in contact, in whose integrity I have confidence."

"I want it in the name of the living millions of soldiers. I want it in the name of the mothers of the soldiers who died in France and who have their place in the warriors' heaven. You shall not at least without my earnest protest and my feeble dispute, endeavor to deliver the people and the country to a state of anarchy by the imputation of fraud upon the name of my party."

REDS EXECUTE 300 FOR PLOT

Arrest 900 Others, Including Many French and English. Helsinki, Finland, Dec. 19.—The discovery of an anti-Bolshevik plot is reported in Petrograd. Nine hundred persons, including several French and English citizens, have been arrested. Three hundred and fifty have been executed.

Estonia has agreed to participate in an attack on Petrograd if the allies and admirals Kolchak, of the Omsk government, recognize the independence of Estonia, according to news-papers dispatches received here. It is said he has taken 12,000 prisoners besides capturing five cannon and 25 machine guns.

Capture 5000 Russians. Berlin, Germany, Dec. 19.—Eight thousand Russian prisoners returned to Germany, according to reports received here. It is said he has taken 12,000 prisoners besides capturing five cannon and 25 machine guns.

Ukrainian Commander Flees to Polish Land. London, Eng., Dec. 19.—Gen. Petlura, the Ukrainian commander, has fled into Poland. It is asserted in Moscow wireless dispatch received here today. The greater part of Petlura's troops have been dispersed, the dispatch declares. Another message dated at Tachkent, Russian Turkestan, December 17, reports that the Ukrainian commander has fled to Poland.

PERSHING TO BE HERE 3 DAYS

Civil and Military Authorities to Unite in the Reception. Gen. John J. Pershing will remain in El Paso three days, unless his plans are unexpectantly changed, it was announced semi-officially Friday. He and his staff of 15 officers are due January 23.

Tentative plans for the general's reception include a review at Fort Bliss, a big democratic banquet to which everybody will be invited, and a dance which will also be open to the public. The reception will probably be in Liberty hall.

Wants Reception Public. The military, city and county officials will unite in arranging the celebrations in honor of the general. C. N. Bassett, president of the chamber of commerce, was named chairman. He will meet with Gen. H. L. Howe, commanding officer of the El Paso military district, either Saturday or Monday, and discuss further the arrangement for Gen. Pershing's visit.

Child Burned Playing With Christmas Candle. NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Six-year-old Lucia Spaulding, five years old, was fatally burned in the kitchen of her home, where she was playing with a candle her mother, Mrs. Josephine Spaulding, had bought for the family Christmas tree. Hearing the screams of her daughter, the mother ran to the kitchen, but before she was able to extinguish the child's flaming garments, she had been burned severely about the hands and arms.

Help Rescue Home Children To Have A Real Christmas. In keeping with its annual custom, The Herald today makes an appeal to its readers for a Christmas fund for the children at the Rescue Home. There are nearly a hundred of these boys and girls. The fund raised in the recent Salvation Army campaign for the maintenance of the Home is to be spent in building additions for the accommodation of the children and to clothe and feed them during the year. None of this money is spent for presents and for Christmas cheer. The Salvation Army is a business institution and it does not spend its hard earned money on dolls and toys. It arranges each Christmas to see that all the needy get warm clothing and good food. This will be true at the Rescue Home, but there will be no toys and no Christmas trees unless the good-hearted people, in their usual generous Christmas spirit, contribute to the fund. Either toys, fruit, nuts or money will be received with thanks by the Rescue Home board and management. Toys, fruits and nuts may be sent direct to the Home or to The Herald. Money should be sent to The Herald. If more money is received than enough for the Christmas tree and Christmas festivities, it will be used during the year for emergencies. There are times when extra milk is needed for the babies; when children come into the Home without sufficient clothing; when special things are needed for the young babies to make them comfortable or to preserve their health. The fund is used for these purposes. Contributions made to The Herald each year have been ample in the past to meet all these demands and give the children a really happy Christmas, too. The Herald feels that its readers will respond this year as generously as in the past. Send your contributions at once, as Christmas is not far away.

El Paso's Fortunate Must Not Neglect The Unfortunate At Christmas

Headliners In Today's Theaters. BIRD—All comedy hit. COLON—Bell family in vaudeville. "Lucky Doodle in Berlin." ELLANAY—A "Vicious Vamp" Constantine. GARDEN—At the Point of a Gun. Peto. HEAVEN—The Point of a Gun. Peto. IRELAND—Peggy. Riddle Love. REALITY—The Point of a Gun. Peto. SWEET DAYS—The Point of a Gun. Peto. WIGWAG—The Ace of the Saddle. Harry Carey. (Road Amusement Ads on Page 18)