

NEW PLAN TO CONTROL RUSSIA'S DEBT

Chief Justice Taft May Be Asked to Appoint Mixed Tribunal to Take Charge of Debts

Genoa, May 1 (By the Associated Press).—Chief Justice Taft of the United States supreme court will be asked to name the chairman of the mixed arbitral committee to be established for controlling the debts owed by the Russian government to foreign bondholders, according to the plan arranged today.

Mixed arbitral tribunals, one for every interested nation, will be set up to deal with the question of the property of foreigners which has been nationalized; the chairman of each will be named by the chairman of the mixed arbitral commission.

Labor day was a real labor day for the Genoa conference. The submission on Russian affairs rushed its consideration of the Russian reconstruction plans and came through late tonight with approval of the draft of the proposals.

Belgium alone held out on the question relating to the right to be given to the property of foreigners nationalized by the Soviet government. This is a vital point in the proposals and has been stubbornly contested.

Belgium stood firmly for the principle of restitution and went on record as protesting, declaring that the vested interests of Belgians in property in Russia amounts to 100,000,000 pounds and that Belgians will never again invest in Russia unless restitution is made.

Mr. Lloyd George opposed Mr. Barrere's amendment, saying that it added considerably to the weight of the already heavy article, and in addition, might well make the difference between settlement and non-settlement.

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Genoa, May 1 (By the Associated Press).—George Chicherin, head of the Russian Soviet delegation here, today sent Foreign Minister Skrimont, chief of the Polish delegation, another note reiterating the Soviet protest against Poland's action in joining the great powers on questioning to right of Russia and Germany to sign the peace treaty at Rapallo.

London, May 2.—The Pall Mall Gazette and Globe says it has learned that Raby, following in France's example, has made a secret German pact with the Turkish nationalist government of Ankara "behind Great Britain's back."

ALIED TERMS PRESENTED TO RUSSIA

Draft of Proposals for Reconstruction of Russia Amended by France and Sent to Soviet Delegation

Genoa, May 2 (By the Associated Press).—The draft of the allied proposals for the reconstruction of that country was sent to the Russian delegation tonight with an amendment offered by the French to the clause relating to restitution of or compensation for private property nationalized by Russia and with a French reservation declaring that the French delegation withholds its final approval until further instructions are received from Paris.

It was rumored that the French did not understand that the meeting was fixed for 4 o'clock, but when they arrived at 4:30 o'clock it was clear they had remained away for further consideration as to whether they would stand by the Belgians.

Finally, at Mr. Lloyd George's request, Mr. Barrere consented to propose an amendment to the nationalized property clause and allow the amended draft to be sent to the Russian delegation with the Belgians.

Belgium has stubbornly held out for more radical restoration and France has taken virtually the same position throughout the negotiations.

Mr. Lloyd George's opinion failure to agree might mean failure to achieve pacification in eastern Europe with grave consequences in the form of a reorganized property instead of free hold.

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Kilkenny, Ireland, May 2.—Sharp fighting is in progress here today, five state troops trying to recapture Ormond castle, which is held by irregulars.

Paris, May 2.—The financial commission report, containing nineteen resolutions was adopted.

FLOOD INVADES NEW TERRITORY IN LOUISIANA

Alarming Reports Reach New Orleans From St. Martin in Southern Louisiana

New Orleans, May 2.—Disquieting reports from flooded areas of the Atchafalaya river basin, especially from St. Martin in southern Louisiana, were received by Red Cross officials here today. A committee was dispatched at once to investigate conditions there.

The Atchafalaya river flood, which already covers large areas of rich farming land, threatening to break through the levees at a number of places, especially at Meville, is being augmented by flood waters coming from the Ferriday, La. crevasse.

Torrential rains which have been falling intermittently in the lower reaches of the river for the last 24 hours have handicapped the more than 20,000 workers at the levees. The rains have weakened a number of places, reports said, necessitating closer inspection to prevent dangerous developments.

Washington, March 2. H. G. Osteen, Sumter, S. C. The message you kindly sent on behalf of the Democrats of Sumter county has given me the deepest gratification.

At the recent meeting of the Democratic County convention, held in the court house on May 1st, upon a motion of John E. Duffin, a rising vote of sympathy was accorded Ex-President Woodrow Wilson and the following telegram was sent to him by H. G. Osteen, County Chairman, as instructed:

Relief workers in that area are facing an enormous task in taking care of the flood sufferers. Refugees brought out by boats are conveyed to the levee camps, but others who left their flooded homes voluntarily sought the nearest dry land.

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All Russians Aren't Starving



The popular belief is that no one in Russia has good clothing or shoes and that none are well fed. This photo of three Russian delegates to Genoa belies that impression. Left to right, Joffe, Litvinoff and Rondzutak.

WILSON ANSWERS MESSAGE

Of Sumter Democrats Expresses Prospect of Early Opportunity For Party to Again Render Service

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RADIO FOR UNIVERSITY

Columbia Chamber of Commerce Proposed to Raise \$12,000

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VOTE IN SENATE ON TARIFF BILL

First Test Comes on King's Motion. Utah Democrat Defeated in Effort to Pass Amendment

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Claim Opinion is Unconstitutional

Boston, May 4.—The Sheppard-Towner act providing for federal and state cooperation in promoting maternity and infancy welfare, declared an unconstitutional opinion had been given by the legislature by the state attorney general.

BONUS PLAN UP TO THE PRESIDENT

Senate Committee Completes Bonus Bill With Bank Loan Provision

Washington, May 4.—Chairman McComber of the senate finance committee has been authorized by the majority to present the bonus plan, with the bank loan provision, to President Harding as the committee plan.

GOMPERS AGAINST PROHIBITION

Labor Leader Speaks to Great Crowd in New York. Others Join in Fight

New York, May 3.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, speaking tonight to a crowd that jammed Madison Square Garden in a meeting called by the New York branch of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, declared that labor "must make the fight now and we will never stop fighting until the rights of the people have been restored to them."

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NON AGGRESSION PACT

French Cabinet Approves Geneva Text With Reservations

Paris, May 4.—The French cabinet has approved the Geneva non-aggression pact, which is under consideration at Genoa, with the reservation that it must not be interpreted as withdrawing from France any treaty right.

RELIEF SENT TO FLOOD SUFFERERS

Relief Organizations Working to Rescue Flood Sufferers in Louisiana and Mississippi

New Orleans, May 1.—Relief organizations were continuing to work today to prevent hunger, exposure and disease among the tens of thousands of homeless in the stricken flood zones of Louisiana and Mississippi.

Harrisonburg, La., far west of the big river in the flood zone continues to present the most serious problem. Food is the crying need of the thousands of residents and several thousand refugees who fled to that town or were brought there by their rescuers.

In southern Louisiana, where the river is continuing to spread through a crevasse in St. Bernard parish, refugees are being brought in from the states of New Orleans where better shelter, medical attention and food can be given them.

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COTTON FARMERS ORGANIZED

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AUTO ACCIDENT AT GENOA

Wife and Daughter Injured in Collision

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