

Svendsen could name. We are glad to get the information that cold sodas are kept at the theatre bar for facilitating the patrons merely, and this too gives us the opportunity of reminding the proprietor that at the last show when most the patrons patronized Mr. Ritzberg's cafe, only about five minutes were allowed for intermission which is announced for fifteen minutes. The people could hardly partake of their refreshments when the show started again, so contrary to when the theatre bar did all the selling and the intermission lasted very often for upwards of twenty minutes. We thank the manager of the theatre for the consideration shown us in the first case, and hope for no less kindness in the present.

Very truly
THEATRE PATRONS

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Washington, Feb. 4th.—Officials of the United States Treasury refused to comment on the statement of the British Chancellor of the Exchequer in an address at Birmingham, England, that the United States Govt. refused to accept British proposals that the inter-Allied debts arising from the war be cancelled. It was recalled tonight that Sir George Paish, the British financial expert, put forward such proposals while in the United States some years ago, but this mission was not regarded by the Washington Govt. as official, so his proposal did not receive official consideration. So far as could be learned tonight, no officials here are aware that the British Govt. has ever, through an official channel, proposed a remission or cancellation of the British war debt to the United States. Great Britain's indebtedness which is about \$4,000,000 and is far larger than that of any other of the Allied countries, but this is explained by the fact that Great Britain herself was the creditor and disbursed United States funds to her other allies. When Senator Knox, soon after President Wilson's return from Paris, introduced in the Senate, a resolution proposing a remission of the indebtedness of all the Allies to the United States, on the theory that the Allies had been greater sufferers from the war, British public opinion, it was understood here, was strongly opposed to such a move. So far as is known, this is still the British attitude.

Athens, Feb. 5th.—The Greek Cabinet formed on November 8th last by Premier Rhallis, resigned late last night. This action was the result of a controversy between the Premier and Minister of War Gounaris as to which will attend the near East Conference to be held in London late this month. Conferences with political leaders held today by King Constantine in an effort to solve the ministerial crisis which developed during the present week, culminated last night in the resignation of the Rhallis Cabinet.

It is believed that M. Gounaris, Minister of War, or M. Kalogeropoulos, Minister of Finance, would be asked to head the new Ministry. Premier Rhallis has insisted that he should head the Greek delegation which will attend the Near East Conference to be held in London beginning on Feb. 21st. M. Gounaris, on the other hand, claims the honour, being the Greek spokesman, citing his influence in Parliament and the adherence of the Greek Press as his qualifications. The friction between the Premier and his Ministers of war became so marked, that M. Rhallis decided to hand his resignation to the King. When M. Rhallis informed King Constantine that the Cabinet had resigned the King asked for time in which to consider the situation, and the Premier proceeded to the Parliament Building to announce the resignation of the Govt. M. Rhallis stated that he would explain the reason which prompted him to resign when a new Govt. had been constituted. He told the Associated Press that he had made a recommendation to the King that M. Gounaris be selected as his successor.

New York, Feb. 5th.—The market for raw sugar was firmer and while prices were unchanged at 3½ cents for Cubas, cost and freight, there was no fresh business today.

Athens, Feb. 6th.—Conferences lasting all day on Saturday between King Constantine and the party leaders, it was announced shortly after midnight that M. Kalogeropoulos, Minister of Finance in the Rhallis Govt, who had been entrusted with the task of forming a new Ministry, had completed its formation. Most of the members of the new Ministry served under the Rhallis Premiership. One of the New Ministers is M. Photoky, former Minister to Germany. In making the announcement M. Kalogeropoulos told the newspapermen that he was strongly with the Entente and that his colleagues would be of the same mind with him. As for interior matters, he declared he intended to institute many reforms, including the abolition of the censorship. Announcement that M. Gounaris, the Minister of war and head of the Parliamentary majority, had been designated as a new delegate to the London Conference on near eastern affairs has made an unfavourable impression in British circles and has caused considerable apprehension in political quarters generally. Speculation as to whether M. Gounaris would carry out his intention of attending the Conference despite objections to him is being freely indulged in.

Rome, Feb. 7th.—It is virtually certain that six or seven new Cardinals will be created at the next consistory. The names of those who are to be honoured with their Red Hat are not yet definitely known. It is not yet known whether the consistory will take place the first

fortnight in March, or if it will be held over until after Easter. It is expected that the date for the function will be made known at an early date.

London, Feb. 6th.—(Canadian Associated Press) The Rugby international game today between Scotland and Wales was won by the former by fourteen to eight.

Paris, Feb. 7th.—The highest importance is attached by the newspapers to a Franco-Polish declaration of the Community of interests uniting these two friendly countries. The understanding, it is explained, is "Not an alliance or a screen and for an alliance but for the maintenance of existing relations of friendship. These ties the 'Petit Parisien' calls stronger than a written reliance. It is also believed that the declaration means that France has accepted the assurance of her plebiscite that Poland has adopted a pacifist policy and is without aggressive intentions against her neighbours, thus justifying France in coming to her aid if she is attacked without provocation.

St. Thomas News.

ST. JOHN'S ASSISTANCE IN THE CHARCOAL SHORTAGE

Little St. John has shown up wonderfully well during the charcoal "famine". When the situation was at its acutest stage, the aid of St. John was requested, and so well did she answer the appeal that in one week, despite every difficulty, she sent down two hundred bags.—*St. Thomas Mail Notes, Feb. 3rd.*

A thief entered the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Watson, in the Garden last night and stole from them \$30 odd. Mrs. Watson saw a black man at the press and before she could summon the aid of her husband, the man took flight.

This morning the cash pan was found at the entrance with 12 cts. which the thief left behind. We trust the guilty person will soon be caught and the punishment he deserves be meted out to him.—*St. Thomas Bulletin, Feb. 4th*

Yesterday morning a thief entered the residence of Mrs. Isaac Peterson, at Smith Bros. store yard, and took away a small cash pan containing \$6.70. The pan was found near the door. We suppose that he must have a fine bank account by this time.—*St. Thomas Bulletin, Feb. 7th.*

LOST

on Thursday night (last) in the yard of the Christiansted Theatre. A NICKLE-PLATED WATCH, with initials W. R. A. on inside of back. Finder will be rewarded on bringing same to this office. Christiansted, St. Croix, Jan. 19th 1921