

New York, May 16th.—Further advances were recorded in the local raw sugar market early today, with Cuba's for prompt shipment, selling at 5.84 duty paid and June shipment 30,000 bags were sold at 5.90 to local operators. Active commission house buying in raw sugar futures was influenced by the firmer offer in spot market and prices advanced 13 to 16 points. Midday prices were off several points from the best, but still six to nine points above the previous close. No changes occurred in refined prices, which ranged from 7.25 to 7.50 for fine granulated. A good inquiry was reported at the lower figure. Refined futures were nominal.

London, May 16th.—Speaking at Colne Valley today, the Chancellor of the Exchequer after reviewing the Government's accomplishments since assuming office, particularly in the direction of removing the hardships pressing on the unemployed, foreshadowed the introduction of a policy of taxation of earned increment on land. The Chancellor accused the press of carrying on a campaign against the abolition of the McKenna duties and declared that he was not going to be bullied into sacrificing principles of national interests under the terrorism of the newspaper press. He acknowledged the generous and wholehearted support of the Liberals in regard to the budget, but added that there could be no such thing as coalition, or an arrangement between Liberals and the Labour Party.

Peshawar, B. I., May 16th.—A small force of constabulary has been ambushed by a gang of 100 natives in the vicinity of Tank, eleven of the constables were killed and three wounded. The natives are believed also to have suffered casualties, but details of the attack are lacking. Reinforcements were sent from Tank. It is believed here that the attack was in retaliation for the recent defeat of native raiders by constabulary in another part of the Northwest frontier province.

Copenhagen, May 16th.—A news agency despatch from Constantinople declares that secret Russian mobilization is proceeding on the Bessarabian border.

Berlin, May 16th.—The Communist Leader Botenhardt, wanted by the Pomeranian States Attorney on a charge of treason, for whom the Berlin Police declared they were searching when they raided the Russian Soviet Trade Mission here recently, was arrested today in the flat of the Russian Trade Delegation, it was reported by a news agency.

Dusseldorf, May 16th.—The municipality of Dusseldorf recently presented General Degoutte, the French Commander in Chief in the Ruhr, with the sum of one thousand trillion marks for the mess fund of the "poilus" who aided in the installation of the German Sample Fair in Dusseldorf. General Degoutte politely asked the municipality to devote the sum to the City's charities in the name of the French

soldiers, because the army regulations forbid the acceptance of such gifts. The exchange value of the sum is approximately 46 pounds.

Pekin, May 16th.—A box, which an unknown messenger brought today as a gift to Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese Foreign Minister, exploded and critically injured the servants the Minister had ordered to open it. Dr. Koo, who was in another room of his residence, was unhurt.

Washington, May 16th.—Imports of wheat from Canada last week fell to 240 bushels and is attributed by Commerce Department Officials to the increased tariff rate placed upon imports recently in the Presidential proclamation invoking the flexible provision of the tariff law. Weekly imports before the increase became effective averaged nearly a half million bushels.

Trinidad, May 16th.—At the request of the Associated West Indian Chambers of Commerce the following telegram has been transmitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies by the Trinidad Government. May 13th. Associated West Indian Chambers Commerce protest against Chancellor of the Exchequer's speech sugar amendment which states preference only benefit West Indian Planters. Preference encouraged spending large sums improving restoring industry. Reduction must have very serious effect population.

New York, May 16th.—America's 1924 tennis invasion of Europe got under way today when the top ranking stars Miss Willis, National Champion and Mrs. Mallory, who lost the title to the Californian girl after having won it seven times, departed for abroad. Upon Miss Willis rests the country's chief hope of international laurels, for the Western Star plans a campaign which she hopes will lead to a match with Mill Suzanne Lenglen, wonder woman of the courts in the Olympic Games at Paris. Mrs. Mallory, despite her long residence here and marriage to an American, is lost to the United States for the Olympic, in which she will compete for her native land Norway.

Rome, May 15th.—Successful military operations by the Italian forces against unruly tribesmen in the Libya are reported in an official communique issued by the Government yesterday. The operations were carried out by a native expedition of Italian colonial troops on Shebel-naghir Plateau. They lasted several weeks and for the most part were in the territory of the Abid and Bassa Tribes. The Italian casualties were 23 dead and 134 wounded, all coloured troops. The tribesmen lost 500 dead and a great number wounded. The rebels abandoned 300 camels and quantities of arms war material and foodstuffs. "Our troops," adds the communique, "pursued the rebels to the edge of the desert and dispersed several bands. Several tribes submitted,

Washington, May 16th.—The United States and Germany next week will sign a liquor treaty identical with that which has been negotiated between this country and Great Britain, it was learned here today. Negotiations over the pact have been brought to an end and Secretary Hughes and Ambassador Wilfong are expected to sign the document formally as soon as the document is put in shape. After ratification by the Senate and Reichstag the treaty is immediately effective for a period of one year, after which it is automatically prolonged unless abrogated.

Deal England, May 16th.—C. A. Whitcombe, of Landsdowne, Bath, who was among the leaders in the 1914 Open Golf Championship with a card of 302, yesterday broke the British record for 72 holes over a championship course with a score of 28, in winning the professional golf tournament for prizes totalling 1,000 pounds offered by the London Daily Mail. Four rounds were played yesterday and today over the Royal Cinque sports course, Whitcombe twice set new records for the course, getting 70 yesterday when he "went crazy" and sank three ship shots, and a brilliant 69 this afternoon in the final round. The competitors included most of the well-known British professionals, among whom were Abe Mitchell, Geo. Duncan and James Braid. Whitcombe tied Duncan for sixth place in the 1923 open event.

NEW YORK, May 17th.
Flour, (hard winter clears \$4.50.
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Meal, Kilndried per 100 pounds \$2.20
New Season's Pork per barrel \$37.00
Heavy Mess Pork per brl. \$26.50
Sugar—Crystals maximum per 100 lbs.
\$5 78
McClasses Sugar 89 maximum 4.75
Cotton, Middling, Upland, at Liverpool
per lb. 17 36-100d.
Exchange, New York and London, 60
days' sight \$4.34½
Exchange New York and London, sight
\$4.36½

LONDON, May 17th.
Sugar, Demerara Crystals, nominal per
cwt. 39s. 0d.—42s. 0d.

OLDEST DOG DEAD.

What was probably the oldest dog in the country has gone where all good doggies go. Queenie, a Whippet, with a string of winnings that reads like a fairy tale, died on February 16th at the age of twenty years. She was owned by Mrs. Dorothy Hagenah, and in years past was one of the most famous show dogs of that breed, having gone to winner in strong competition at the age of fourteen. There may be other dogs twenty years old, but we have not heard of them, and but for the fact that oldster was so well known, would hardly credit it.—*The Dog Fancier*, April 1924.