

the 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th and 7th. Mr. George Feekles won the 1st and 4th. The weather was fine and there was a large attendance.

The s. s. Baracoa from New York via St. Thomas arrived at this port this morning and is discharging cargo after which she will sail for Frederiksted.

The rainfall of yesterday measured 2½ lines.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

New York, July 1st.—Raw sugar was quiet today. No sales were reported on offerings made as previously quoted prices of 5.40 for Cuban, duty paid, but it was intimated that bids below this level might be accepted, reflecting the increased offerings in the spot market. Raw sugar futures were easier under liquidation and trade selling. Prices at midday showed declines of 5 to 7 on active positions. Refined sugar was unchanged at 7.00 for fine granulated. The demand was light. Refined futures were nominal.

Madison Square, June 30th.—The Democratic National Convention found no candidate in its first ballot today. On the unofficial figures McAdoo's total on the first ballot ran up to 431½ and Smith's total on the first ballot ran up to 395½. How far those figures represented maximum or minimum strength no one could determine. The remainder of the voting was scattered among the other candidates in the entered field of sixteen, with added starters Houston Thompson, of Colorado and Senator Kendrick of Wyoming.

Hongkong, July 2nd.—Major MacLaren left here at 9.30 this morning for Woo Chow, on his around the world flight.

Alibabad, British India July 1st.—The United States army world flight expedition arrived here today from Calcutta.

Paris, July 1st.—The Council of Ministers, acting on the recommendation of General Nollet as Minister of War, today named General Walsh as Chairman of the inter Allied Military Commission at Berlin to succeed General Nollet.

Capetown, S. A. July 1st.—General Smuts, ex-Premier of the Union of South Africa, whose South African Party was defeated in the recent election, was returned unopposed from Standerton, Transvaal, today. He had accepted the offer of Col. Gleason, member of the Assembly for Standerton, to contest for his seat.

Melbourne Australia, July 1st.—Reuters. In the House of Representatives on Friday afternoon Premier Bruce introduced the Defence Equipment Bill, which authorized a grant of 2,000,000 pounds for the construction of two light cruisers and a grant of 500,000 for the Defence Reserve Fund. Defence proposals will

be brought up later in the House. One of the cruisers will be built in England immediately, but it has not been decided where the second one will be constructed although the Government is anxious to have it built in the Antipodes. In introducing the bill into the House, Premier Bruce stressed the necessity of Australia having protection of her shores. She should not rely solely on Great Britain for defence. The cruisers, he added were needed as scouts in the event of danger.

Rome, July 1st.—Four portfolios in the Mussolini Cabinet have been turned over by the Premier to new ministers, it was officially announced. The changes were made in accordance with Signor Mussolini's promise to organize his cabinet with new and stronger elements giving satisfaction to the different shades of political opinion represented in the majority.

Ottawa, July 1st.—A resolution authorizing the Dominion Government to borrow a total of \$300,000,000 to meet maturing obligations was passed in the House of Commons tonight. The acting Finance Minister, Mr. Robb, said he expected to float the loan at less than five percent. The advantages of the New York money market were urged, during the discussion one member remarking that money was going begging there at 3½ per cent. Mr. Robb replied that authorities varied between domestic and an external loan. He would float the loan in the best market possible. A suggestion was made that the Dominion bond to its own treasury and issue necessary credits thereon. Dominion bond to this Mr. Robb replied that he did not propose to Russinize Canadian security.

Paris, July 1st.—It cannot be said that the reception given to Germany's reply to the Allied note regarding resumption of military control of her armaments, is marked by any cordiality in the morning press, but two newspapers as widely apart as "Le Main" and "L'Ere Nouvelle" make the same remark. "Germany accepts and that is the essential point". Germany's statement that France charges to be military preparations are merely the activities of athletic societies, is described as puerile and it is generally forecast that the request for a general military investigation, on condition that it be final and be concluded by September 30th next, will prove unacceptable to the Allies. "L'Oeuvre" the Government supporter, however says the Berlin's acceptance of this last act of control, which she hitherto refused, is a great step toward pacification and that anyone must be blind not to see in it gratifying success for the new foreign policy of France. Several of the newspapers notably the "Journal" and "Le Petit Journal" refer to the tone of the note as conciliatory but the "Echo de Paris"

dismisses the text as unintelligible and full of traps.

MOSS RULES ON FLOUR FOR VIRGIN ISLANDS.

(Bureau of The Journal of Commerce.)

Washington, June 5.—Flour manufactured in a customs warehouse of Class 6 may not be withdrawn for transportation to and consumption in the Virgin Islands, according to a ruling handed down today by the Treasury. The ruling was contained in a letter addressed to the Pillsbury Flour Mills Company, of Minneapolis, by Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Moss in response to an inquiry by the company.

He referred to the provisions of Section 4 of the act of March 3, 1917, under which flour manufactured in the United States from either domestic or imported wheat would be entitled to entry in the Virgin Islands free of duty "as a manufacture of the United States," but added that Section 311 of the Tariff Act of 1922, under which warehouses operate, permits withdrawals only for exportation in bond to foreign countries or to the Philippine Islands.

MASONIC CLERGYMAN HONOR REV. WHITEHEAD BY CONFERRING DEGREE.

At a special communication of Ashlar Lodge No. 124 of this city held last evening, there transpired a most unusual and unique event.

At the proper time the regular Officers vacated their stations, which were immediately filled by a new set of officers composed entirely of clergymen from Bridgeport, who had received their Masonic Degrees in Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania Indiana, New Jersey and other Masonic Jurisdictions, and who took this manner of showing their friendship and brotherly love for the Rev. Henry St. Clair Whitehead, who has recently come to Bridgeport and is identifying himself with the Fraternity.

Masonic records in Bridgeport show no other instance, where all official positions in a Lodge, were filled by clergymen, who united in bringing to "Masonic Light," by conferring a degree upon a brother clergyman. — Bridgeport Times.

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