

further advance of 3/32 in the local raw sugar market on Saturday, with offerings light. Prices are now quoted at 6.65 for Cuban's, duty paid. Sales of 23,700 bags of Cuban and 13,000 bags of Porto Ricans were reported for middle April shipment to local refiners. Raw sugar futures advanced 9 to 12 points on covering and scattered commission house buying. Influenced by the advance in spots and reports of an increasing demand for refined. Trade interest and houses with Cuban connections sold on the upturn and partial reactions followed, with the close 5 to 10 points net higher. May 4 97, July 5.12, September 5.03, December 4.57. No changes occurred in refined prices, which are quoted from 8.20 to 8.40 for fine granulated, but a better inquiry was reported. Refined futures nominal.

Adelaide, Australia, April 6 h.—Returns of the South Australian State Elections held yesterday are still incomplete but the result of the count to date shows the Labour Party has obtained 26 seats in an assembly of 46, while the Liberals have secured 18 seats and the Country Party two seats. The counting of the country vote however is expected to altar this standing.

Prince Rupert, B. C., April 6th.—The United States army planes, on a flight around the world arrived at 4.54 this afternoon.

Sydney, N. S. W., April 6th.—Commander Goble and flying officer Mc Intyre, who started from Melbourne at dawn this morning in a Fairley seaplane on a flight around Australia for defence investigating purposes, reached here after a flight of ten hours and twenty minutes. A fairly straight course around the headlands would involve a distance of from seven to eight hundred miles.

Athens, April 5th.—A bloody fight between Albanian Irregulars and Serbian troops is reported from Monastir. Five Albanian Irregulars disguised as women, entered Monastir, but a hack driver suspecting their identity warned the police. The police surrounded the house in which the five took refuge and a battalion of troops was thrown around the entire quarters, the Governor of Monastir ordered the irregulars to surrender and they asked him to enter the house, to discuss the terms. When he entered with an orderly, he and his aid were assassinated. The troops then began firing into the house attempting to toss grenades through windows, while the Irregulars shot back from loop holes and the roof. Serbian soldiers finally set the house on fire, burning up three of the Irregulars. The other three were arrested.

Washington, April 6th.—The first units of the Coast Guards new prohibition navy probably will be able to put to sea within a few weeks. With an additional \$18,000,000 available under a recent congressional appropriation, Coastguard offi-

cials have drawn up a detailed plan for the acquisition of some large and small vessels equipped to chase rumrunners away from United States shores and for an enlarged personnel to man them. The nucleus of the force will be twenty destroyers, which Congress authorized the Coastguard to purchase from the navy.

London, April 5th.—The story of the recovery of Austria should convince the most sceptical and most cynical that the League of Nations is capable, not only of great disinterested effort for a common world, but that through it alone can the peace and prosperity of the world object be guaranteed. Lord Balfour said in addressing the first meeting of the Anglo-Austrian Society which is composed of Englishmen and Austrians in London interested in the reconstruction of Austria has grown out of the successful efforts of these people to float the Australian loan in England. More particularly the society is interested in promoting good relations between England and Austria in matters of art, science, commerce and education and to help Vienna to resume the leadership in those arts which she formerly held. Lord Balfour, as chairman of the finance committee of the League which in November 1922 investigated the possibilities of stabilizing the Austrian currency and reconstructing the country, is accredited with having drawn up the plan which within 15 months has made the country one of the most stable and prosperous on the continent. The Earl declared that the League of Nations had firmly fixed itself as a necessity, but its capable carrying out of its Austrian policy with wisdom, with caution and with courage, "the League has justified its existence once again," he said.

Washington, D. C., April 5th.—The President favours another International Conference to consider further limitation of armaments, proposed by Senator Borah of Idaho and by a House amendment to the naval appropriation bill. The only thing holding him back from a direct invitation to the Powers at this time, is the information that has reached the State Department that France does not want such a conference and would throw such obstacles in its way as to make its work practically useless. It was learned today that the President and Secretary Hughes are considering the advisability of an initial step to "feel out" the big Powers on the subject this Summer. The agitation of the question in Congress will probably afford the administration the opportunity it has been seeking.

Melbourne, April 6th.—The death is announced of Sir John MacKay, speaker of the Victorian Legislative Assembly.

Atlanta, Ga., April 6th.—Great Britain triumphed over the United States in an unofficial golf match for the world's championship here yesterday, when Arthur Havers, British Open Champion,

defeated Bobby Jones, youthful United States Open Champion, two up and one to play on the links of East Lake Country Club. Jones playing on his home course, fought valiantly for the match but in the final holes of the game was unable to overcome the commanding lead which Havers piled up, due to Jones erratic start. Playing consistent gold throughout, although slightly out driven by his opponent, Havers never was headed after he had taken the lead.

London, April 7th.—What the Labourite press describes as a "political crisis of first class importance" has arisen out of the Government's determination to protect unemployed tenants from eviction. A special cabinet meeting was convened last night to consider the course to be adopted when the adjourned debate on the evictions bill is resumed in the House of Commons today. The Premier shortened his weekend vacation at Chequers' Court to attend the meeting and the Health Minister, Mr. Wheatley, cancelled a speaking engagement at Glasgow and hastened to London to participate. Adjournment until this morning was taken after prolonged discussion, which is taken to indicate that the Government has not yet decided to deal with the situation. The political reporters agree that the Government has already resolved that some means must be adopted to enable the unemployed persons to retain possession of their homes whether they pay rent or not, but indecision and even disagreement is said to exist on how this is to be managed. According to one account, Mr. Wheatley inserted in the evictions bill, on his own initiative, the clause to which the Opposition objected, acting on this occasion as he did before with regard to the poor relief in popular, which action set the Cabinet at variance. He is supported by the left wing of the Labourites, but it is asserted that the more moderate members of the Government are not prepared to endorse his action. When the debate was adjourned it was understood that the Government proposed to put the onus of finding the rent money upon the poor law authorities, who in turn looked to the Government for the reimbursement. Thus taxpayers would be responsible for the housing of the unemployed. If this proves to be the Minister's plan, it seems certain that they will be defeated in the Commons, although it is not supposed they would regard this as reason for resigning office.

London, April 7th.—Official announcements is made that the Prince of Wales will sail from Southampton on May 3rd on the Arundel Castle, on his tour of South Africa. The Prince is scheduled to arrive at Capetown on May 19th. He will spend three weeks in Cape Province and then will visit the Orange Free State, Basutoland, Natal, Swaziland, Rhodesia and Bechoanaland, sailing homeward from Capetown on August 1st.