

a capacity for 300 acres will extend only to the first principal wash (or "gut") to the west. These canals are to have a 3 inch plain concrete lining throughout.

67. In order to enlarge the drainage area into the reservoir two feeder canals are planned; the East Feeder which will divert the runoff from the first drainage basin to the east end which is a very effective area as its slopes are very steep and it drains the highest elevation on the island, or Mt. Eagle and the West Feeder which will pick up the runoff from the first basin to the west. The West Feeder could also pick up the second drainage basin by a short extension, but a possible objection may be raised to diverting this water so it is not included in the present plan. If this second basin were brought in it would increase the drainage area 0.78 sq. mi. or about a 24% increase, which would permit of a similar percentage increase in the area of the project. The matter of this possible extension should be carefully considered in the final studies of the project. These feeders are to be concrete lined and are planned for a capacity to carry a 100% runoff from a one inch per hour rain.

68. The estimated cost of the River project is \$369,100 or \$295.00 per acre for the 1,250 acres benefitted, which is well within the feasible limit. This is apparently the most feasible project on the island, and in case the runoff is found to be as favorable as estimated, the West India Sugar Co., whose lands only will be benefitted, could well afford to undertake its construction in case it can be financed; and it would appear that the financing should not be difficult when it is considered that the Company owns some 12,000 acres of sugar cane land and a sugar factory all of which could be offered as security.

To be concluded.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Mexico City June 17th.—(United Press) A peaceful settlement of the dispute between the British Diplomat Mr. Cummins and the Mexican Government appeared in prospect today. The Diplomatic Corps met at the British Legation and held a long discussion of the case causing a report that the Foreign Office probably will advise Mr. Cummins to ask for his passports and leave peacefully, in compliance with the demand of President Obregon. Mr. Cummins was still barricaded in the Legation this morning, with detectives and gendarmes patrolling the street around the building. The Union Jack floated defiantly over the Legation building. A man servant and a woman attendant who left the Legation yesterday, were not allowed to return. The Government, however, did permit Mr. Cummins a razor and a tooth brush, after intervention by the British Consul General,

al, who delivered the toilet articles in person to the embattled envoy. The Consul said he also managed to take in a cake of soap and other articles Mr. Cummins had requested. Telephone service was still cut off, however, and water was only allowed a few hours a day. The publication of Mr. MacDonald's statement in the House of Commons yesterday, in which he said the British Government considered Mexico's action a grave breach of international courtesy, brought only the reply here that the Mexican Government feels it is acting entirely within its rights.

Paris, June 17th.—The declaration of Premier Herriot's Cabinet, submitted to Parliament today, affirms that the Ruhr will not be evacuated until the guarantees provided in the Experts Report have been set up. Other features of the declaration include a pronouncement for the restoration of normal relations with Russia. The declaration calls for prompt ratification of the remaining treaties signed at the Washington Armament Conference and of the International Labour Convention and the conclusion of peace with Turkey. The Ministry stands for the disarmament of Germany by the Allies as soon as possible by the League of Nations. It would find a solution of the problems of France's security through guarantee pacts under control of the League of Nations. The declaration promises sincere application of the income tax, with a revision of the direct taxes, especially those on food and the business turn over in the next budget. Reduction of the floating debt by large consolidation operations is on the ministerial programme, as well as reorganization and reduction of the army and other internal measures of economy. The Cabinet promises amnesty to political offenders, with the exception of traitors and mutineers. Suppression of the French Embassy at the Vatican is another feature of the Foreign Policy.

Capetown, SA. June 17th.—Colonel Hugh Page Creswell, leader of the Labour Party, was returned for Denver in the elections for the House of Assembly for the Union of South Africa held yesterday. The standing of the Parties at midnight was as follows: South African Party 25, Labour 18, Nationalist 12, Independents 1.

Ottawa, June 18th.—The Dominion intends to float a loan of three hundred million dollars. Mr. James Robb, acting Minister of Finance, will shortly bring down legislation to give the necessary authority. Proceeds of the loan will be devoted entirely to refunding. A five year victory loan for \$107,955,000, issued in 1919, falls due on November 1st, and the proceeds of the new loan will take care of this and other maturing obligations. Decision has not yet been reached whether the new loan will be floated entirely in Canada.

Ottawa, June 18th.—Mr. King, the Premier, left Ottawa yesterday to receive the degree of L. L. B. at Yale. He is expected back on Thursday.

Brussels, June 18th.—United Press. The Belgian balloon pilot Demuyter, has been officially declared winner of this year's Gordon Bennett Cup. He achieved success in this event for the third successive season and becomes permanent owner of the trophy. Demuyter piloting the balloon "Belgian X" landed at the Saint Abbs, Berwickshire. He travelled the greatest distance from Brussels, where the race started on Sunday. The Frenchman Laporte was second.

New York, June 18th.—The raw sugar market was steadier today. Trading was limited to a sale of 10,000 bags of Cuban for June shipment at 5.28 an advance of 1/4 cents. Raw sugar futures were higher on trading and commission houses support, caused by the strength of the spot market and reports of a continued good inquiry for refined. Prices showed gains of six to nine points at best, but met increased offerings at these levels and reacted partially.

Mexico City, June 18th.—The British Premier having informed the Mexican Consul General in London that relations would be broken should Mexico expel Mr. Cummins, Charge of Archives before the arrival of a British Diplomatic Mission, says an official statement, the Consul General was instructed to reply that it was impossible to countenance Mr. Cummins' attitude any longer and that he must go. It is reported that he is ready to leave Mexico immediately upon the receipt of instructions from his government.

London, June 18th.—The Premier, through the Mexican Consul General in London, has made strong representations regarding the attempt of the Mexican Government to expel Mr. Cummins, British Agent. The Premier made it clear that Sir Thomas Holdier, recently named by Great Britain to go to Mexico to look over the situation, with a view to possible resumption of regular diplomatic relations, would not proceed with his mission if the Mexican Government insists in its present attitude. The Premier interviewed the United States Ambassador Mr. Kellogg this morning and reported that progress had been made in the Cummins matter. The United States Government is being kept fully informed by Great Britain in the Mexican incident. The Chilean Minister Don Augustin Edwards called at the Foreign Office in reference to the Mexican situation. It is stated in official quarters that the report that the Chilean Minister in Mexico City had advised the recall of Cummins was untrue. It was explained, however, that he has been doing his best to relieve the present situation. Minister Edwards would not discuss the details of his visit to the Foreign Office.