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TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

London, May 4th. —The Berlin correspondent of the Times understands that Chancellor Fehrenbach and Dr Simons, the Foreign Ministers, have resigned, but that the rest of the Cabinet remains. He also says that the suggestion of Dr Sthamer as the new Foreign Minister has been dropped at his request. It is believed in Berlin that Dr Gustav Stresemann, leader of the people's party, will be in the new chancellor and that Dr. Mayer at present ambassador at Paris will be the new Foreign Minister.

Oppeln, May 4th.—Colonel Bond British Control Officer at Gross Strehlitz reported to British Headquarters here tonight that he opened artillery fire on 2,000 to 3,000 Poles attempting to occupy the city. The Poles brought up light field pieces and were replying. Colonel Bond, who has approximately 200 Italian troops, also reported that he probably could not hold out long. A crowd of Germans attacked a Pole in the streets, of Oppeln and beat him to death before the Police could interfere. No reports have been received from Rybnik. In Kattowitz crowds are parading the streets but there is no fighting.

London, May 4th.—Replying to a question regarding the situation in Upper Silesia, in the House of Commons this evening, Mr. Harmsworth said the most unfortunate disturbance had broken out there. He added that a plebiscite had been held in Upper Silesia, under conditions of the strictest impartiality, but that the demarkation of the boundaries had not yet been settled. That was a question for the Supreme Council. The present trouble appeared to have arisen

from rumours in the Polish newspapers that the Allies already had arrived at a decision with regard to the portions of the territory to be allocated to Germany and Poland. No such decision had been reached, he said. The outbreak was widespread, and had developed into something like a rebellion in different parts of Silesia and the insurgents had come into collision with Allied forces. He said his latest information was that the Allied commission in Silesia had issued a statement that it would take every step open to it to restore order. Then he trusted the Allied Govts. would proceed to the demarkation, of boundaries, which was so necessary in the interests of peace in Silesia. He wished to emphasize that no operations arising from the peace treaty had been more fairly conducted than the plebiscite in Silesia. Every kind of consideration had been shown both to the Germans and to the Poles, Mr Harmsworth said he trusted order soon would be restored and a final settlement of the dispute reached, without delay.

London, May 4th. —The Hasings election brought about by the resignation of Mr. Laurence Lyon, who was adjudged bankrupt, resulted as follows. Lord Eustace Percy, Coalition Unionist, 12,685 Mr Davis, Labour 5,407 Mr Blackman Liberal, 4,240.

London, May 4th.—Both House's of Parliament today confirmed the continuance of the emergency regulations to meet the coal strike risks. The regulations include the power to add an hour to the present hour of daylight saving at present in force.

New York, May 3rd.—Although there was no business done in raw sugar during the morning, the market appeared to have a steadier undertone, which may have been due to an indication of a better demand for refined as well as the possibilities suggested by the marine workers strike as affecting the movement of sugar. It is estimated that there are at the present in port unsold at least 150,000 bags largely Porto Rico's, the presumable effect of the strike upon which would be the enhance of their market value by cutting off further shipments from primary points. However the latter consideration did not appear to be impressive to the buyers. On the other hand, no attempt was made by holders to press business, and at noon the situation appeared to be stand-off. Porto Rico's might have been bought at 4.89c. cif and might have sold at 4.77

cif but there was no indication in buying or selling quarters of a desire to get together. There was no change in the situation during the afternoon, and the market closed without any evidence of selling pressure or of buying interest. It was understood that the sugar finance committee is making no quotation and is practically out of the market for the present. Private advices from Cuba were to the effect that the marine workers strike does not appear to have affected Cuban shipping, vessels leaving the ports of the island yesterday as usual with full cargoes.

London, May 5th.—Members of the Supreme Allied Council shortly after ten o'clock this morning signed an ultimatum to be despatched to Germany which embodied the definite reparations terms of the entente gave details of the guarantees to be expected and demanded that Germany accept or reject the Allied terms before 12th. Dr. St. Hamar, German Ambassador here, was immediately summoned to Downing Street and upon his arrival was handed a document containing the ultimatum to Germany. While the ultimatum and the protocol signed by the Council today were in the form of one document, only the former was given. The German representative. The Allied reparations commission, however, will deliver the whole document to the German war burdens commission in Paris tomorrow. If Germany fails to comply, the ultimatum says the Allies will proceed on May 12th to occupy the Rhur Valley and this occupation will last as long as Germany continues her failures to fulfill the conditions.

London, May 5th.—Nearly two million people are out of work, according to the unemployment statistics issued by the Labour Dept. of the Board of Trade this week.

London, May 4th.—It is officially stated that the recent prohibition poll in Scotland cost nearly 30,100 pounds. 509 areas voted no change 35 voted for limitations, 30 for license. 708,727 persons voted no change and 453,278 for no license.

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