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TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 16th.—The Australians, Anderson and Hawkes, won both their singles in straight sets here today in the final round matches of the Davis Cup competition. Australian veteran Anderson defeated the French schoolboy, Rene Lacoste, by 7-5 6-3, and 6-4. Hawkes was the victor over Jacques Brugnon, French veteran, having the Frenchman at his mercy all the way through the first two sets, but was hard pressed to win the third. The scores were 6-2 6-1, and 7-5. The showing of young Lacoste against Anderson was regarded as remarkable.

Berlin, Aug. 16th.—If Dr. Gustave Stresemann, the new Chancellor, actually is seeking to get in touch with the French Premier, M. Poincare, he very likely will find an "encouraging atmosphere" for informal pour parlers awaiting him, is the opinion of the political leaders here. These leaders assert that the path to the French Premier already has been tolerably passable for Dr. Stresemann through the "signaling back and forth" between groups of French and German unofficial personages, who, nevertheless, are not wholly without authority or prestige. It is taken for granted in Reichstag circles that German industrialists, from discouraging the new Chancellor from embarking on such an enterprise, would not hesitate to make use of their influence with the French industrialists and financial leaders, with the purpose of actively furthering any German attempt which aims to seek a dignified way out of the

Ruhr impasse for Germany. There has been a change for the better in the character of the news brought in from Paris by the Berlin newspapers during the past 48 hours and the instantaneous psychological effect of this on the popular mind has been to stimulate belief in an early rift in the black Ruhr clouds.

Dublin, Aug. 16th.—Eamon De Valera, who arrived under dramatic circumstances at Ellis yesterday, when he appeared to deliver a speech in the election campaign, will probably be brought from Limerick, where he is imprisoned at present, to Mount Joy jail within the next few days. The public safety act gives the Government power to detain him and it is considered likely that he will be kept in jail until the condition of the country is more peaceful. Events in the Free States during the next fortnight will probably influence the Government's action with regard to the Republican leader, whose arrest has created a profound impression in County Clare and throughout Munster. It is officially declared there is no foundation for the statement that the Government could have arrested De Valera at anytime during the past twelve months. He has been hiding and the Government forces were continually searching for him and took the first opportunity they had to arrest him, which was afforded by his appearance at Ellis, it is asserted.

The Hague, Aug. 17th.—The permanent court of International Justice today handed down a decision against Germany in the case involving the use of the Kiel Canal by foreign vessels. The court decided the German authorities were not justified in preventing the British steamer "Wimbledon" from entering the canal in 1921, during the hostilities between Poland and Russia and that Germany should make compensation.

London, Aug. 17th.—Acting upon cable advices from the Secretary of State Mr. Hughes, the United States Embassy officials in London have made it clear to the Foreign Office that the United States contemplated no departure from its policy on reparations as taken before President Harding's death. This disposes of any hopes on this side that President Coolidge's accession to office might result in a more active interest by the United States in Europe's problems. The reiteration of the policy of the United States was conveyed verbally and informally to the Government and not through a note.

Publication

SECTION 31 of the Ordinance concerning Public Roads in St. Croix, approved July 14, 1923 to take effect from July 1, 1923, reads thus:

"To provide for the maintenance and operation of the road machinery there shall be levied, assessed and collected by the Government from and after July 1, 1923, the following semi-annual fees which shall be payable on January 1st and July 1st respectively:

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| (a) For passenger carrying automobiles not exceeding 2,200 lbs. | Francs 40.00 |
| (b) For passenger carrying automobiles from 2,200 to 3,000 lbs. weight. | " 50.00 |
| (c) For passenger carrying automobiles above 3,000 lbs. weight. | " 75.00 |
| (d) For Auto Trucks or other freight vehicles under 3,000 lbs. | " 50.00 |
| (e) For Auto Trucks or other freight vehicles above 3,000 lbs. | " 125.00 |
| (f) For Auto Truck Trailers per ton capacity per trailer | " 25.00 |

In default of this tax not being paid it shall be collected in the same manner as provided in the Horse, Carriage and Boat Tax Ordinance.

New licenses issued within the period shall be paid for proportionately."

The taxes due according to the above section for the second half of 1923 became due on July 1, 1923 and will be payable at the Police Offices on September 1, 1923 in the same manner as the Horse, Carriage and Boat Tax.

Tax-lists will be distributed by the Police Department and are required to be correctly filled out and returned to the respective Police Offices 2 days after receipt in the towns and 4 days after receipt in the country.

Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States of America, St. Croix, August 3, 1923.

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