

TELEGRAMS.

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London, Feb. 25th.—Mr. MacDonald stated in the House of Commons tonight that the Government has no immediate intention of revising the Treaty of Versailles as Mr. Arthur Henderson, Secretary of Home Affairs, had indicated in a speech last Saturday evening. The statement was drawn from the Premier by Mr. Lloyd George and he made it clear that Mr. Henderson's declaration was made on his own responsibility and did not represent a decision of the Cabinet. The attitude of the Government has already been expressed in statements I have made to this House," said Mr. MacDonald, "and no change has taken place." Mr. Henderson's statement that all of us who value world peace and desire to see the inauguration of a new era of international co-operation and goodwill must insist, as an absolute essential, upon the revision of the Treaty of Versailles with all the expedition possible," apparently was considered an indiscreet expression for earlier in the day the Foreign Office had denied that the Government had any intention of throwing the treaty overboard.

Moscow, Feb. 25th.—Count Gastano Manzoni, the new Italian Ambassador to Russia today presented his credentials to the Soviet President, Mr. Kalinin following the recognition of Russia by Italy. Similarly Mr. Robert M. Hodgson, the British Charge d'Affaires, handed over his credentials to the Foreign Minister M. Tchitcherine yesterday.

London, Feb. 25th.—The Greek Government, headed by Premier Ofendaris, has fallen according to an Athens despatch to the Daily Express, in consequence of its refusal to accede to the demand of the Extremists for the establishment of a Republic before a plebiscite was taken. The fall of the Government came as a surprise, as it was thought up to the last hour that the Extremists would be defeated.

London, Feb. 25th.—The Colonial Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, announced in the House of Commons tonight that the Government had abandoned the idea of an Imperial Economic Standing Committee, which was recommended by the Economic Conference when meeting in London last November. The proposed standing committee was to have representatives of all the Dominions, as well as the Mother Country, and was to have been created to promote trade with the Empire, chiefly by dealing with trade questions submitted to it during the intervals between the sessions of the economic conference. Mr. Thomas has as his chief reason for dropping the committee idea, that the Dominions were not unanimous on the question of establishing such a committee.

London, Feb. 25th.—A rumour published in a provincial paper this morning of the engagement of Mr. Ramsay

MacDonald and Lady Margaret Sackville, had gained enough publicity by this afternoon to draw a denial from authoritative sources. Lady Margaret is the youngest daughter of Earl De La Warr.

Columbus Ohio, Feb 25th.—Governor James H. Cox, of Dayton, the Democratic Candidate for President in 1920, today filed with Secretary of State Brown, official authorization for candidates for delegate to the Democratic National Convention to use his name as their first choice for President. At the same time former Governor James E. Campbell, of Ohio, filed authorization for candidates to name him as their second choice for President, which is to conform to Ohio Law.

Paris, Feb. 28th.—The British Prime Minister has sent a note to the French Government on the necessity of the resumption of inter-Allied military control in Germany and the conditions under which it could be exercised most comprehensively. The note will be discussed at an early meeting of the Ambassadors.

London, Feb. 23th.—What will probably be the largest assembly of war vessels, away from home waters, since the great war, will be seen when the Atlantic and Mediterranean Fleets, or the Royal Navy join at P. Leansa Bay, Majorca, on March 10th next, for combined exercises. From the 11th to the 15th all available vessels under the command of Admirals Sir John De'Robeck and Sir Osmond Brock will be over this island. A contributing factor to the size of the gathering is the fact that no ships are now on detached duty in Turkey. According to the present arrangements all six ships of the fourth battle-squadron, five of the third light cruiser-squadron, (the Comus being absent) and 16 vessels of the third and fourth destroyer flotillas (the Woolsey and Woolston being away), will accompany Admiral Brock to Pollenas. On the conclusion of the exercises while the bulk of the Atlantic Fleet returns to Gibraltar, the first submarine fleet is to accompany the Mediterranean Fleet to Malta.

London, February 26th.—The people of Great Britain are well able to look after "their own" in the Hebrides, declared the Lord Mayor of London in an interview with the Daily Mail denying the report that he had appealed for funds from the United States to further the work of relief. His office, he said was merely cooperating with the Lord Provost of Edinburgh and Glasgow, and he strongly depreciated extending the appeal to the United States or any other foreign country. He was mystified as to how his name became attached to the appeal in America. An official attached to the department of the Secretary for Scotland said evidently the mistake arose through the appeal made by the Sulgrave Institute. The official attitude,

according to this authority, is that members of the Sulgrave Institute are "perfectly free to give assistance, if they are particularly keen to do so." He added, that the response in Great Britain had been excellent and that large supplies already had been sent to the Hebrideans, but money was still needed.

Quebec, Feb. 26th.—Damage estimated at \$5,000,000 was caused by a fire which broke out in the Union Bank Building this morning in the heart of the business section of the City. The firemen succeeded in preventing the blaze from spreading.

New York, Feb. 26th.—An easier feeling developed in the local raw sugar market today, under increased offerings. Prices declined 1/8 cent to the basis of 7.28 duty paid for Cubas. The sale included 5,000 bags of Cubas at 7.41 duty paid 21,000 bags at 7.24 and 4,000 bags at 7.28 all of New Orleans. Sugar futures were weak, under heavy money limit liquidation, largely due to the easier tone in the spot market and the decline abroad. The settlement of the Cuban railway strike and private cables stating that Germany will probably authorize the exportation of another 100,000 tons of sugar also had some effect. Final prices were at the lowest and from 15 to 17 points below the previous day. March and May close 5.51, July 5.54, September 5.52. Business in refined was checked by the unsettled feeling in the spot market. Prices were unchanged at 8.90 to 9.15 for fine granulated Refined futures nominal.

Paris, Feb. 26th.—(Reuters). Unusually wintry weather is being experienced at present throughout the South of Europe, from the Pyrenees Mountains to the Alps. Communications by telephone between Paris and Marseilles and between Paris and Nice has been interrupted by storms.

Rome, Feb. 24th.—A semi-official statement issued by the Stefani Agency today denies that Spain has withdrawn from the Naval Disarmament Conference in progress here.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26th.

Flour, (hard winter clears \$4.90.
" hard winter straights \$5.40
Meal, Kilndried per 100 pounds \$2.35
New Season's Pork per barrel \$37.00.
Heavy Mess Pork per bri. \$26.00
Sugar—Crystals maximum per 100 lbs. \$7.41
Mclasses Sugar 89 maximum 6.38.
Cotton, Middling, Upland, at Liverpool per lb. 16 79-100d.
Exchange. New York and London, 60 days' sight \$4.27 1/2
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LONDON, Feb. 26th.

Sugar, Demerara Crystals, nominal per cwt. 62s. 0d.—65s. 0d.
" Muscavado nominal per cwt. 52s. 56s 0d
" White Java's cif United Kingdom 34s. 0d