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TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Copenhagen, June 9th.—Both Houses of Parliament yesterday by a big majority adopted a Government motion ratifying the commercial agreement with Russia. By this action Parliament grants de facto recognition to the Soviet Government.

Southampton, June 9th.—An announcement is made that on and after June 10th British vessels will carry, on the west bound voyage to the United States only sufficient alcoholic liquors to bring them to the three mile limit. They will make the return trip to Europe dry. The White Star Line steamer Majestic which will be the first vessel to sail under the new regulations, will have its liquor stores curtailed one half the usual quantity.

London, June 9th.—British women virtually have attained equality with men in the divorce courts, the House of Commons have adopted by a vote of 267 to 26, the third and final reading of a bill making the grounds for the divorce, the same for both sexes. The bill now goes to the House of Lords for approval and after the royal signature is affixed to the measure, misconduct will be sufficient cause for a wife obtaining a divorce the additional grounds of cruelty or desertion, which are now required of women being no longer necessary. Another bill forbidding publication of divorce court evidence which has long been a feature of British newspapers, passed its second reading and was referred to a committee.

London, June 9th.—His Majesty the King received Mr. B. Irish, winner of the Derby on Wednesday with his wife, at

the Palace yesterday. In past years, when the King has attended the Derby and given a Derby dinner the same evening, His Majesty has always included the winner among the guests. Owing to the grave illness of Princess Christian, the King's Aunt, His Majesty was unable to attend the race, or give a dinner this year. It is understood that the Government proposes to institute a prosecution in connection with the Otley Club, sweepstake, in which Mrs. Bellie Ford, a woman weaver, won the first prize of 32,000 pounds.

Bergen, Norway, June 9th.—It is now settled that Capt. Amundsen and his pilot Omdal will start on their fourth North Pole flight from Wainwright, Alaska, to Spitzbergen on or about June 20. The flight is expected to take about twenty-two hours. It is thought that the greatest danger of engine failure will arise after the machine has been in the many hours, that is to say, after it has passed the pole and is approaching the edge of the polar ice North of Spitzbergen. In Summer this ice pack is at a considerable distance North of the island. If Amundsen and Omdal are forced to land and abandon their airplane they will, if within reasonable distance of the ice edge try to reach it by ski. The Norwegian Government has assigned two naval hydroplanes and one fishing patrol vessel to assist Capt. Amundsen on his quest for the Pole. As soon as a message is received at Spitzbergen stating that Amundsen has started, the airplanes and patrol ship will at once proceed to the edge of the ice. The vessel which has already sailed for the island, will cruise along the ice rim, while the airplanes will continue a Northwestern flight toward the Pole to meet Amundsen and escort him home or to render him help should the explorer need it.

London, June 11th.—The West Indian XI played their seventh match against Essex on Saturday at Leyton. Essex went in to bat first, scoring 148 runs. Individual scores were as follows. O'Connor 46, Treglown 6, Spurr 9, Freeman 0, Douglas 29, Carter 19, Moule 0, Cooper 12, Eastmann 0, Marson 4, Sipkin 9 (not out), extras 14. Total 148. Bowling for the West Indians Francis took four wickets for 25, Browne two for 27, Constantine two 34 and Pascall two for 28. West Indians now batted and at the end of play had scored 86 for two wickets. Batting for the West Indian XI. Fernandes 5, Challenor 35 (not out)

Ince 15, Small 27 (not out), extras 4. Total 86. The match will be continued today.

Stockholm, June 9th.—Russian correspondents of the Stockholm Tidningen report that nearly four hundred persons have been drowned and 70,000 rendered homeless by floods in the lower Volga region.

Paris, June 10th.—M. Poincare's note on the subject of German reparations was delivered in London today, for presentation to the British Cabinet tomorrow. It expresses the hope that Great Britain will join France and Belgium in telling Germany that passive resistance in the Ruhr must cease. It says if Germany complies, France will be disposed to consider with her Allies a solution of the reparations question, provided the decision keeps within the limits of the French proposal of January.

Rome, June 10th.—The Italian Cabinet at a meeting held to consider means for alleviating the high cost of living, decided to abolish or substantially reduce the customs duties on the most important foodstuffs brought into the country.

Naples, June 10th.—Vesuvius, which recently has given signs of renewed activity, is in eruption now with incandescent lava, stones, cinders and smoke being thrown up in a column, which frequently reaches a height of several hundred feet. The eruption is causing violent local earthquakes.

Naconga, June 10th.—Damage estimated at \$1,000,000 was caused to Naconga by a storm that broke over this city. Nearly four inches of water fell in less than an hour and a half.

Hendaye, France, June 10th.—Pierre Loti, the novelist, died at his home today. The end came peacefully, with his bedside surrounded by his children and a few of his friends.

Dublin, June 10th.—Walter Hoover world's amateur single sculls champion left yesterday for New York, en route to London, England, where he will defend the diamond sculls trophy in the Henley regatta early in July.

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