

special training under retired officers of the army and that an organization will be formed that can be easily mobilized for internal security, or for the replacement of troops mobilized abroad. It is probable that after the debate, or the speech from the throne has ended, a provisional budget will be considered, which will be followed by the passage of various special laws and the approval of several treaties.

New York, May 23rd.—Another increase in the Cuban crop estimate to 4,674,000 tons representing a record production, with the decline in spots, led to heavy general selling in raw sugar futures. Stop loss orders were uncovered on the break, which carried prices 15 to 31 points below yesterday's finals, but there was a partial rally on covering, leaving closing prices 7 to 20 points net lower. July 3.61, September 3.71, December 4.20. Refined sugar was unchanged to fifty points lower, the list now ranging from 7.00 to 7.50 for fine granulated. Refined futures were nominal.

London, May 24th.—In the cricket match between the South Africans and Gloucestershire the former scored 162 runs in their first innings and the latter 92. In their second innings the South Africans scored 126 runs for eight wickets and declared. Gloucestershire then scored 19 runs for one wicket when the match was abandoned through rain.

San Juan, P. R. May 24th.—Mr. Zimmerman flying the "Morre Castle 2nd," left here yesterday morning on return trip to the United States. He landed at Antilla Cuba at 4 p. m. yesterday.

London, May 23rd.—An exchange Telegraph despatch from Vienna says the northern half of Albania has revolted and declared its independence as a "North Albanian State. Civil war is threatened and the army is affected," the report said.

London, May 23rd.—Canadian Press. The King and Queen will attend an empire thanksgiving service arranged to take place in the stadium at the British Empire Exhibition on Sunday May 25th and the Duke of Connaught will attend, to take the salute at the Empire Day celebrations on Saturday 24th. The Empire Day parade, organized by the League of Empire and usually held in Hyde Park, has been transferred to the stadium and the days programme will include the commencement of a series of massed military band performances on a large scale. Military bandsmen to the number of one thousand have been drawn from all regiments in the Kingdom and on the Rhine. The massed bands will be four times as large as the massed band of the brigade of guards which made an impressive show at the opening ceremony and the effect may be imagined.

Dublin, May 23rd.—The Free State Government will expedite the release of prisoners interned, on order sentence of imprisonment, with the exception of Ea-

mon De Valera and other Republican leaders who have not yet been tried. As a result of the debate in the Dail Eiremann on the motion to release the prisoners in the interest of peace and because of the approaching Irish Olympic Games, the Government declares its recognition of the willingness of average citizens to take the risk of the prisoners being released.

Washington, May 23rd.—United Press. Secretary of the Navy Wilbur's report, declaring that the United States Navy has fallen a full point below the Washington Treaty, was laid before the House today. The report gives impetus to the drive being made by the House Naval Affairs Committee for passage of the bill appropriating \$150,000,000 for a five year construction programme to restore the Navy's full strength. Mr. Wilbur said the position of the American Navy was four, in a ratio of 5-4-3, instead of being on a parity with Great Britain in the authorized ratio of 5-5-3. The report amplifying the report, recently made by Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt, informing the House of the deficiency of the navy, is as follows: 1. Thirteen of our first line ships are neither modern, nor of the highest efficiency. They require gun elevation and additional armour protection and six should be converted for oil burning. 2. In cruisers, the United States runs third after Great Britain and Japan, with a ratio of 5-5-3-1. 3. Thirty five of our submarines are out of commission. 4. We have no submarines capable of manoeuvring with the fleet. 5. The United States is ahead in destroyers though we lack flotilla leaders. 6. Great Britain is building two battleships, we are building none. 7. Great Britain is building two light cruisers, Japan twelve, France five, the United States two.

Paris, May 24th.—The Ministry of Aeronautics of the Government announce that the flight of Captain Doisy has ended. The aviator may complete his plan to fly to Tokio with a new plane, but officially his flight ended when he crashed at Shanghai. According to the Minister the Paris-Tokio flight should have been done in one plane and this no longer is possible in the case of Captain Doisy. It declares, however, that Paris to Shanghai less than a month is a French record.

London, May 24th.—A Central News despatch from Rangoon says that Major Maclaren may abandon his attempt unless favoured with a spell of good weather. Major Maclaren is still at Akyab, prevented from flying by terrific squalls and strong winds. At present, the despatch says, there is no sign of the weather improving.

NEW YORK, May 24th.

Flour, (hard winter clears \$5.00.
" hard winter straights \$5.25
Meal, Kildried per 100 pounds \$2.20
New Season's Pork per barrel \$37.00
Heavy Mess Pork per cbl. \$26.50

Sugar—Crystals maximum per 100 lbs. \$5 28

Melasse: Sugar 89 maximum 4 25
Cotton, Middling, Upland, at Liverpool per lb. 17 67 190d.

Exchange, New York and London, 60 days' sight \$132½

Exchange New York and London, sight \$134

LONDON, May 24th.

Sugar, Demerara Crystals, nominal per cwt 39. 0d.—42s. 0d.

" Muscavado nominal per cwt. 34s. 0d.—38s. 0d.

" White Java's cif United Kingdom 25s. 3d.

Demerara Rum per gal. nominal.

Trinidad Cocoa, good middling red per cwt. 55s. 0d.—56s. 0d.

Cotton, good medium West Indian Sea Is and at Liverpool, per lb. 26d. nominal.

Bank of England Rate of Discount 4s.

Consols 57½.

Three per cent. Rentes in Paris Fcs.52.95

BROADCASTING COMMUNION SERVICES.

The pastor of a New York Presbyterian church, Rev. A. Edwin Keigwin, has authorized his communicants to partake of the symbolic bread and wine at home as they listen to the services over the radio. A local prohibition enforcement agent announced that if the pastor decided to continue such services his communicants will be privileged to obtain sacramental wine for the services in the same manner as orthodox Jews. In such cases it will be necessary for the communicants to have certificates from their pastor. Dr. Lertius Van Dyke, another Presbyterian minister, declared that broadcasting communion services is a "very serious and dangerous innovation." Still another called the proposal "startling and astounding."—*The Pathfinder*, May 17th.

TRAIN RUN ON A MILK DIET.

An engine pulling a train of five cars containing 200 persons was run a distance of 20 miles by using dried milk as fuel. The milk was worked into lumps each about four inches in diameter. A "warmed up" engine was used in the test. Some 125 pounds of the dried milk was shoveled in. When the steam gauge registered 200 the locomotive started off. The experiment showed that the dried milk had about the same heat value as a medium grade of coal. In this way Dr. H. N. Bundesen, health commissioner of Chicago, demonstrated the value of milk as a fuel.—*Ibid*.

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