

# SOVIET WILL SEIZE CHURCH TREASURES TO COMBAT FAMINE

Announcement Followed Appeal by Archbishop to Lend to the Lord—Probable Proceeds Will Not Amount to Great Figure.

Moscow, Feb. 15.—The Soviet Government has decided to take religious treasures for the benefit of the famine-stricken. The decision was announced today by the Central Executive Committee, at its session on February 15, to empower the Minister of Finance to seize the wealth of all religious institutions and to use the proceeds to combat famine.

The announcement followed an appeal by Archbishop Tikhon of Moscow, who has been urging the Government to take such measures. He said that the Church's treasures, which are estimated at 100,000,000 rubles, would be a great help to the famine-stricken.

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# WILL STOP SOON MALIGNING THE FRENCH GOVT

Admiral de Bon Declares Enemies of His Country Will Tire of Their Efforts.

New York, Feb. 15.—It is time that the legends which have been published about the intentions of France during the last three months were wiped out, Admiral de Bon declared today.

By the naval treaty, he said, France limits herself to one-third her normal sea power, while other countries reduce about one-third of the extraordinary power they gained by the terms of armaments to which they have applied themselves during recent years.

France has longer coast lines to protect, he said, than any other country, and in defending the French position regarding submarines.

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# GERMANY AGAIN HAS WIRELESS PROPAGANDA

Messages Flavor News, and Are Centered in the Far East—British Pick Up Items.

London, Feb. 14.—German wireless propaganda has again been put before the British people, together with a warning that it may do irreparable harm to the British Empire.

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# POPE FEARED SEASICKNESS WHEN IN PONTIFICAL CHAIR

Motion, Like That of Ship in Rolling Sea, So Distressed Pius X. That He Never Sat in It Again After His Coronation. Brother of Pius XI. Relates.

Rome, Feb. 14.—During the ceremony in the Basilica yesterday Francesco Ratti, the brother, Camilla, the sister, a nephew and four nieces, one with a Madonna-like face, sat in a small stand immediately to the right of the throne.

How does it feel to be the Pope's brother? asked the Associated Press correspondent as he stood near the seat occupied by Francesco.

"My feelings can not be described, it is just impossible for me to find words with which to express what I feel at the present moment," the Pope's brother replied in a perfect English.

Commenting upon the pale appearance of the Pontiff at the beginning of the ceremony, Francesco said: "I do not believe this was from emotion alone, although one might feel moved on a day like this. But my brother told me he feared he would be seasick, as the motion of the Pontifical chair was much like that of a ship in a rolling sea. Pius X. never once sat in the chair after his coronation, as he had been very sick at the time of his first appearance before the faithful."

# ARMAMENT DELEGATES WANT WORK JUDGED AS A WHOLE

In Report of Conference to the President, They Say This Is Only Way to Form a True Estimate of Its Value and Character—Results Closely Intra-Related.

Washington, Feb. 14.—In submitting the report of the Conference on Limitation of Armament to President Harding the American delegation makes the point that the work must be judged as a whole to obtain the true estimate of its value and character.

The delegates said that the work of the conference was not a series of isolated measures, but a whole, and that the results of the conference were closely intra-related.

# POLITICS SEEN IN THE STRIKES AT HONG KONG

Troubles Threaten to Reach Shanghai—Canton Government Said to be Instigator.

Shanghai, Feb. 15.—The Hong Kong shipping strike threatens to reach Shanghai if strike breaking continues here. Thus far disturbances have been confined to the Canton area, but the Canton government is growing annoyed over the reports of a strike in Hong Kong.

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# DANCE MUSIC RAISED TO THE STANDARD OF THE CLASSICS

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# UNHAPPY MARRIAGE ENDED BY SUICIDE

D'Angerville in Fever Throat—Sends Bullet Into His Brain.

Paris, Feb. 15.—The romantic marriage of Count d'Angerville in 1910, contrary to the wishes of his family, had a tragic sequel last night when in a jealous rage he committed suicide by firing two bullets through his chest.

For more than a year the couple had not been on the best of terms, the Count spending several months touring the Continent with his family, and the Countess remaining in Paris.

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