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Break Down of Premier's Conference.

British Cabinet Refused to Agree With French Proposal -- Bonar Law Will Explain in Commons -- Prohibition in United States a Failure.

MAIN WILL NOT CO-OPERATE.

LONDON, Dec. 11. The Premier's present Conference ended on the British refusal formally to condemn the French project for the partial occupation of Ruhr industries. The British Cabinet this afternoon registered its refusal to co-operate with France in its measures.

CONFERENCE BREAKS DOWN

LONDON, Dec. 11. The Conference of Allied Premiers, held to arrange a basis for the Allied Financial and Reparations Conference to be held in Brussels has broken down, it was announced today. The Premier has taken an afternoon to January 2 at Paris. The adjournment, Premier Poincaré said "is finished." It was stated in an authoritative quarter this afternoon that the chief hope of bringing the British and French together during the period then imminent to the adjournment, rested with the United States. It was said by this authority that Great Britain will probably ask the United States Government, if it is willing to cancel the French debt to the United States, providing Great Britain, in turn, cancels the French debt to Great Britain, and at the time enters upon a definite agreement with the United States Government to ultimately pay the British debt to the United States. This suggestion was made informally last evening to a certain important American now in London and will probably be presented to Mr. Hughes, United States Secretary of State, in the course of the present week.

FORCE VS. FORESIGHT.

LONDON, Dec. 11. Mr. Bonar Law, who has remained

a sphinx throughout the three day's convention between the Allied Premiers, is not expected to unseal his lips until he appears in the House of Commons on Thursday to speak of the foreign policy in general; but the British official circles do not express optimistic views regarding the breakdown of the conference. Mr. Lloyd George will speak after the Premier. Throughout the conference, the policy of force clashed with that of foresight and the reparations issue, according to the British, with the result 1922 will end with almost as great an Allied discord as did 1921. It is pointed out that the French attitude has considerably altered since the summer: they no longer expect to exact six billion six hundred million pounds sterling, as set by the first reparations plan, but there is still wide difference regarding the methods of obtaining a third of this sum that is now considered possible to obtain. There is said to be hope of further concessions on the part of France before the continuation of the conversations at Paris, otherwise there appears no certainty that the British and French can accommodate their viewpoints. A wider branch than now exists has been prevented by the recent hardening of the British attitude toward Germany. The Germans, in the British opinion, continue their worst enemies. Violations of agreements, outrages against Allied officers and various pin pricking measures against foreigners in Germany, have so irritated the British that should the French insist upon carrying out coercive measures and occupying Ruhr it is declared there will be no prohibition enforcement.

test issued from London. Six months ago the British would have formally protested such action, but now they merely look on, believing French action to be unwise, and likely to foment economic and social disturbances. It is stated that the attitude of the United States does not enter into British plans, and again it has been declared that the American claim would be paid at the same time Great Britain would cancel French debts, if the American debts are funded satisfactorily. Moreover, Great Britain is willing to accept her share of the reparations payment in category C, which is considered a virtual cancellation of reparations, unless Germany proves able to pay much more than now expected.

PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT FAILS IN U.S.A.

New York, Dec. 11.

Following President Harding's statement that the Prohibition enforcement machinery in the United States had broken down, the Tribune this morning announced the result of a survey it has made of the conditions in the principal cities and states. The newspaper says in introduction: "virtually all reports from enforcement centres show the Volstead Act is openly and flagrantly violated. California alone reports no change for the better or worse. The investigation reveals a picture of some cities, such as Boston officially flouting the whole idea of prohibition, with saloons running wide open and in full blast."

FRANCO-CANADIAN TRADE AGREEMENT.

PARIS, Dec. 11.

Canada gets all the commercial advantages possessed by the United States in the new trade agreement which has been negotiated by Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance, and Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, for Canada, and M. Drot, French Minister of commerce, the Canadian Press was informed today. The agreement will probably be signed tomorrow. The Dominion also gets additional benefits in connection with the exportation of pulp, farm implements and asbestos.

WILL BUILD TWO NEW BATTLESHIPS.

LONDON, Dec. 11.

Premier Bonar Law announced in the House of Commons today that the government had decided to begin the construction of two new battleships allowed under the Washington Navy Treaty.

NON-AGGRESSION PACT AGREED TO.

MOSCOW, Dec. 11.

The Non-Aggression Pact, providing for an arbitration board, has been fully agreed upon by the Limitation of Armaments Conference here, attended by delegates of Russia and the Border states of Russia.

SHIP ON FIRE.

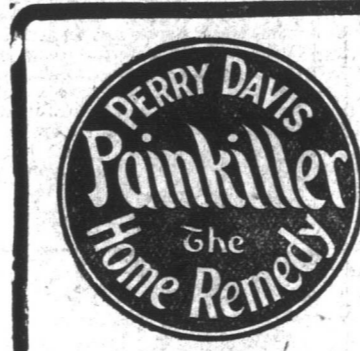
ST. VINCENT, Cape Verde Islands, Dec. 11.—The United States steamer, Eastern Glade, from New York, for Table Bay, Cape Colony, is on fire at sea, according to a wireless despatch from the liner Almazora, which picked up a wireless from the burning ship. The fire is reported to be gaining rapidly. The Glade registers 3521 tons net, and has a general cargo.

A colored pastor announced to his congregation the following subject: "Brethren and sisters, I've gwine to preach a powahful sermon dis mornin'. I've gwine to define the undefinable, I've gwine to explain the unexplainable, and I've gwine to unscrew the unscrewable."

YOUR GOAL.

"There is no goal that is as near as it appears to the hopeful or as remote as it seems to the timid," says Lloyd George. But, always, there is a goal, it we but hope. The goal is on the road of hope, just over some hill, and while we keep going, it draws nearer. Keep going!

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR WARTS.



TAKE IT FOR
CRAMPS—COLIC—DIARRHŒA
APPLY IT FOR
BRUISES—SPRAINS—SORE THROAT

Europe's Toy States.

THEY HAVE MINIATURE ARMIES AND STAND VERY MUCH ON THEIR DIGNITY.

Do you know which are the four smallest States of Europe? Probably you would include Montenegro and Luxembourg in the list, yet their countries, small though they are, seem large and powerful in comparison with the following States.

The smallest of all is the Principality of Monaco, with an area of eight square miles. It has also the world's smallest army, consisting of seventy-five guards, seventy-five carabinieri, and about forty firemen—quite a formidable force for such a small territory.

The Principality includes the beautiful towns of La Condamine, Monaco, the capital, and the world-famed Monte Carlo. A handsome revenue is derived yearly from the visitors to the latter town, and taxes are not heavy in consequence. Palms, olives, oranges, and other tropical and semi-tropical plants flourish in the pleasant climate.

Another of Europe's pigmy States, and the smallest independent Republic in the world, is San Marino, in Northern Italy, surrounded by the Appennine Mountains. The area of the entire Republic is just thirty-eight square miles, and this area supports a contented population of 11,500 persons.

The capital, San Marino, boasts of 1,700 inhabitants, and there is a national army of 1,000 men, commanded by a marshal.

Still another tiny State is the Republic of Andorra, in the Pyrenees. It has been independent since A.D. 790, since when it has never owed allegiance either to France or Spain, between which it lies. Its area is 154

square miles, and the total population is about 12,000.

Finally, there is the little Principality of Liechtenstein, situated in the Tyrol between Vorarlberg and the Upper Rhine. The Prince of Liechtenstein rules over some sixty-five square miles of territory, and his capital is the town of Vaduz. The population of this queer little State numbers 9,500, the smallest population of any country in Europe.

All these little countries are naturally enthusiastic supporters of the rights of small nations, and are intensely proud of their independence which they have all enjoyed for so many years. They have the advantage of being so small that they are never likely to be the cause of any European war, which is more than can be said for Luxembourg or Albania.

Cub Cigarettes are appreciated, not only by the smoker but by those in his company.

If we carried a lot of insurance on our life, here are some of the gifts we would make: For the Butcher, whose head we have bought time and time again. A scale with enough electricity charging through it to knock him on his ear every time he as much as put a finger on it. For the Milkman, a pair of wings, so we wouldn't have to listen to his horse-like foot falls coming up the back stairs in the wee hours of the morn. For the Janitor, a pocket Radio outfit, so we could locate him once in a while. For the family upstairs, a steam trip-hammer to enable them to shake the foundations of the building in more efficient style. For our neighbor's cat, an unhealthy dose of Chloroform. It sleeps all day and warbles all night with nary a let-up. And last but not least, for friend wife, Maxim Silencer, to be put on at regular intervals so that she could come up for air once in a while.

THE DANCE of the SEASON

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Music by The Mae Edwards' Players Full Dance Orchestra, assisted by The C.C.C. Orchestra.

The Mae Edwards' Orchestra are noted for their dance music, and the dancers of St. John's will for the first time have the privilege of dancing to an outside orchestra. On this occasion they will have their full team, and will render all the very latest dance numbers, therefore do not miss this dance—Thursday of this week, 4 days from to-day, C.C.C. Hall.

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If the man doesn't use it, get this 10-Day Tube for him. Then watch the results. See what changes will come in a week.

That dingy film

Most people who brush teeth in old ways have film-coated teeth. A viscous film clings to the teeth, cures crevices and stays. That film becomes discolored, particularly with men who smoke. Then it forms dingy coats. Tartar is based on film.

Film also holds food substance which ferments and forms acid. It holds the acid in contact with the teeth to cause decay. Germs breed millions in it. They, with tartar, are the chief cause of pyorrhea.

No old-type tooth paste can effectively fight film. So all these troubles were constantly increasing, and beautiful teeth were seen less often than today.

New discoveries

Dental science, after long re-

search, has found two ways to fight that film. One acts to curdle it, one to remove it, and without any harmful scouring.

Many careful tests proved these methods efficient. Then authorities endorsed them, and dentists everywhere began to advise their use.

A new-type tooth paste was created, based on modern research. The name is Pepsodent. Then these two great film combatants were embodied in it for daily application.

Not film alone

But Pepsodent brings other great results which research proves essential. It multiplies the alkalinity of the saliva. That is there to constantly neutralize the acids which cause decay.

It multiplies the starch digestant in the saliva. That is there to digest starch deposits on teeth which may otherwise ferment and form acids.

Those are Nature's great tooth-protecting forces in the mouth. Every use of Pepsodent gives them manifold power.

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Some fifty nations use it now

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