

News Review of Current Events the World Over

War Debts Injected in World Conference—Britain Pays Installment of Ten Millions—Final Doings of Congress Before Adjournment.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

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Delegates from all parts of the British empire are especially those from France were not surprised by MacDonald's action...

Mr. Roosevelt advised the British that as soon as possible they should make whatever arrangements for a revision of the debt they desire to offer...

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Secretary of State, head of the American delegation delayed the delivery of his address one day, and when he did speak he avoided any mention of the war debts. Mr. Hull called first of all for a renewal of the tariff treaty...

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President Accepts Installment in Silver.

Washington.—President Roosevelt announced that the British government was paying the United States \$10,000,000 war debt installment due June 15 and indicated he was receiving the part-payment without imputation of default and without prejudicing the freedom of either government in subsequent discussions of "the entire question of the debt."

The President made public an exchange of notes showing that the British had asked to be heard further on the subject and had been advised to "provide for such representations to be made in Washington as soon as convenient." Mr. Roosevelt will negotiate personally under his constitutional treaty-making powers and, he notified London, will submit any results of such a discussion to the next session of congress for its information or consideration.

This expedient was devised to obviate an approach to the extraordinary session of congress, then nearing adjournment, and a debacle at the outset of the London economic conference, although the exchange showed the President disagreed with a British contention that uncertainty about a "satisfactory settlement of the war debt" would hamper the success of the economic conference.

The British paid the installment in silver at 50 cents an ounce, this being authorized by the new inflation act. Italy and Finland likewise made partial payments. France, Belgium and other nations defaulted, as they did last December. The total amount due the United States on June 15 was about \$144,000,000.

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YOUNG LAD ADMITS MURDER OF MOTHER

Balfie MacDonald of Michigan Signs Confession.

Wint. Mich.—Arraigned before Justice Frank W. Calo on a charge of first degree murder, Balfie MacDonald, seventeen, who, police said, confessed a short time earlier to the slaying of his mother, wealthy society woman, stood mute. His attorney asked a hearing.

None of the members of Balfie's family was in the courtroom when the arraignment took place. Police gave out a 22 page statement they said Balfie had made in the presence of Prosecuting Attorney Andrew J. Trause and four officers, confessing the killing.

"I struck her after we had quarreled for about three hours about my associates and money matters," read the statement. "I was sitting beside her. I got mad and picked up a big book and that stood on a radiator cover. I hit her and she said, 'You ought do that to me.' I guess I hit her three or four times. She just lay over and over in the bed and 'Balfie'.

The bodies were discovered in a three-room apartment on East Sixty-fifth street. They apparently had been there several days. No clue to their identity was found.

Wheat Farming Co. of Kan. Placed in Receivership

Kansas City, Mo.—The Wheat Farming company, one of the largest agricultural corporations in the country, controlling 70,000 acres of western Kansas land, was placed in receivership in federal district court. Insolvency was not claimed, but the petition set forth that receivership would conserve the company's assets and prevent much litigation in threatened lawsuits.

95 Alleged Gold Hoarders With \$660,601 to Be Tried

Washington.—Attorney General Cummings said that 95 alleged gold hoarders would be tried in federal court at \$660,601 will be prosecuted. The 95 were those in a total of 1,638 cases investigated who refused to return gold at the request of Department of Justice agents.

Passenger Killed When Plane Falls; Pilot Hurt

Cleveland, Ohio.—John Myello, twenty-four, killed and Richard C. Foster, twenty-five, a private pilot, who injured when Foster's plane went into a spin and crashed near Cleveland airport. Myello was a passenger.

House Orders Investigation of Bankruptcy Receiverships

Washington.—A wholesale investigation into bankruptcy receiverships ordered by federal courts was authorized by the house when it adopted the long-pending Celler resolution.

Cows as Lawn Mowers

Toledo, Ore.—Cows will be used instead of lawn mowers on the high school grounds here this summer. School authorities granted Lloyd Commins permission to pasture his dairy herd on the grounds.

Noted Playwright Dead

Hartford, Conn.—Winchell Smith, who as one of the creators of "Lighthouse" and "Fresca" Billions," was a leading American playwright, died at his home, Mill Stream, Farmington. He was sixty-two years old.

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