When the triennial general election took place in the summer of 1931, the issues as usual were personal and local, and the results did not to any extent alter the character of the Legislature, the Nationalista-Consolidado Party remaining in power. Later in the year Governor-General Davis returned home on leave of absence, and at the beginning of 1932 he resigned.

On the 9th January Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, eldest son of President Theodore Roosevelt, and at that time Governor of Puerto Rico, was appointed Governor-General in succession to Mr. Davis, and on the 29th February he arrived at Manila. After Colonel Roosevelt's appointment, and on the assumption that independence would be granted, further Filipinization of the Insular Government and services took place.

On his arrival at Manila Colonel Roosevelt found the situation critical because of the great fall in prices of the chief Philippine commodities. The Secretary of Finance advised him that the revenue for January, the first month in the financial year, had fallen by 1,500,000 pesos. Colonel Roosevelt at once called together the Council of State. As the previous Legislature had empowered the Governor-General, in case of emergency, to reduce all appropriations by ten per cent., the Council advised him to take this action. In addition to this, all salaries and allowances were reduced, the larger by ten per cent. and the smaller by a less amount. 'Every branch of the Government then undertook a careful survey to determine what activities could be discontinued . . . and what other measures could be instituted to bring justifiable economies.' Before the Legislature met in July it was possible to make economies amounting to 6,100,443 pesos, which represented a saving of about twenty per cent. on six months' working.1 These economies, along with an unexpected gain in customs revenue due to increased imports in anticipation of higher tariff rates, led Colonel Roosevelt to believe that the year would end with a surplus; but, as it turned out, the Insular Auditor's report showed a deficit of 5,000,000 pesos instead of the hoped-for surplus of 2,000,000.

Early in his term of office Colonel Roosevelt made a tour through forty-eight provinces, quickly gaining popularity and earning the name of 'the poor man's Governor'. 'For the first time since these islands have been an American possession', it was reported, 'a Governor has appealed directly to the people for support.'2

2 The New York Times, 13th June, 1932.

At the opening of the new session of the Legislature on the 15th July Colonel Roosevelt urged the necessity of practising economy and balancing the budget. Like previous Governors, he emphasized the importance of agriculture. He also urged reforms in education. As might be expected, American rule had brought with it a great desire for popular education. (The department of education had been put, and kept, under the control of the American Vice-Governor.) The Filipinos were said to be enthusiastic in their desire for knowledge, but here, as among other peoples suddenly exposed to the impact of an alien civilization, it was feared that book-learning often merely succeeded in unsuiting the student for the type of life that he must lead in an agricultural community. In his opening address Colonel Roosevelt emphasized the importance of a practical education and suggested that the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources might help the Bureau of Education in determining suitable courses for agricultural schools, and that the Bureau of Commerce might give similar help to vocational schools.

By December 1932 the halcyon days of Colonel Roosevelt's rule were passed. He was obliged to call a special session of the Legislature because excessive appropriations had left the budget unbalanced. Charges of illegality and irregularity were made against the Legislature, but 'the President of the Senate and the Acting Speaker of the House decided to absolve the Representatives of any blame for "mistakes" occasioned by the clerical force of the Legislature'.1 On the 8th December Colonel Roosevelt was defeated when he wished to adjourn the special session until January so as to give time to redraft the Bills which were said to have been illegally altered. A good deal of criticism was levied against the Legislature, and Colonel Rocsevelt did not altogether escape, being blamed for his unwillingness to veto bills.

In the summer Colonel Roosevelt had thought of returning home to help Mr. Hoover in his presidential campaign, but had abandoned the idea at the request of Mr. Hoover himself. When Mr. Hoover's term of office came to an end in March 1933 and he was succeeded by Mr. Franklin Roosevelt, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt handed in his resignation according to the American constitutional custom.2

^{1 &#}x27;The original gross appropriations for 1932 were 71,900,000 pesos, of which 10,640,000 pesos represented such irreducible items us the service of the public debt.' (Governor-General's Report, 1932.)

Ibid, 8th December, 1932.

² Before his resignation could take effect the banking crisis was in full swing in the United States. Colonel Roosevelt was reported to have foreseen the danger of a similar disaster in the Philippines, and to have 'called bankers and business men into repeated conferences, outlined policies and made strong statements to Washington which resulted in keeping the banks open in the Philippines' (ibid., 16th March, 1933).

Colonel Roosevelt was said to have been the most popular Governor-General that the Philippines had ever known, though the American community was unsympathetic with his general policy. Perhaps the judgment of The Bulletin, the sole American newspaper in Manila, was not altogether unfair when it said that Colonel Roosevelt's administration illustrated 'the weakness of American policy, under which short-term political appointees rule and it is necessary for the Governor-General to make a spectacular bid for popular acclaim in order to make political capital during his short incumbency'.1

In March Mr. Homer S. Cummings, the acting Attorney-General of the United States, was appointed to succeed Colonel Roosevelt; but on the 7th April Mayor Frank Murphy was nominated in his stead, the President having decided to keep Mr. Cummings as Attorney-General at Washington. Mr. Murphy was a lawyer by profession and the first Roman Catholic to be appointed to the Governor-Generalship. On the 3rd November Professor Joseph Ralston Hayden, of the University of Michigan, a writer of many articles on the Philippines, was nominated Vice-Governor.

(c) THE QUESTION OF INDEPENDENCE

All political parties in the Philippines were united in their desire for independence. Presidents of the United States from McKinley onwards were said to have pledged their country to a renunciation of American sovereignty at some future date, and the preamble to the Jones Act of 1916, which framed the constitution of the Philippines, was also cited as evidence of the American promise. The policy pursued by General Wood, and the long period of non-co-operation between the Executive and the Legislature, had given the Filipino independence movement extra force. But, in spite of the susceptibility of the American people to waves of political idealism, the movement towards independence would perhaps hardly have been successful if it had not been that, for once, the service of God proved compatible with the service of Mammon.2

The two problems which led large economic interests to the support of independence were economic competition and Filipino immigration. In his report for 1928 Mr. Stimson had referred to the disturbance in cordial relations arising from the demands in the United States for tariffs against Philippine goods, which, since 1909, had been entering the United States duty free. (American goods had similar advantages in the Islands.) The American agitation for an anti-

* See p. 546 above.

Philippine tariff did not come only from the home producer but also from the American capitalists who had sunk capital in Cuban sugar plantations,1 whose imports into the United States were subject to taxation. In 1928 it was proposed to limit the amount of sugar which might be introduced into the United States from the Philippines duty free. Senator Smoot, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, had stated that three-quarters of the Philippine sugar output was produced by concerns financed with non-American capital-a statement which was challenged by Mr. Guevara, the Philippine Resident Commissioner at Washington. In the June of the following year the United States Beet Sugar Association pleaded before the Senate Finance Committee for at least a limitation in the quantity of Philippine sugar importable free of duty; and the Association took care to point out that, as the Islands would lose the free market on the attainment of independence, they might as well prepare for this eventuality. This agitation was one of the reasons which led Governor-General Davis, while insisting on the importance of an open American market, to urge the Filipinos to cultivate a greater variety of crops.2

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It was after these discussions that on the 9th October, 1929, the Senate of the United States, in dealing with the Tariff Bill at that time under consideration, defeated an amendment proposed by Senator King in favour of independence and authorizing the Philippine Legislature to call a constitutional convention to draw up a plan of government. His object, said Senator King, was not to defeat the Tariff Bill, but to get the question of Philippine independence considered. This was the first step in a campaign which rapidly gathered speed. In November 1929 Representative Knutson introduced a Bill (H.R. 5182) to grant independence, and his main reason for doing so was because he considered that 'the Philippine Islands to-day constitute the greatest drawback to agricultural rehabilitation that we have to contend with '.3 On the 4th January, 1930, a Filipino Independence Delegation arrived in Washington. In the same month Senator Bingham proposed that the President should appoint н commission to study the political and economic status of the Philippines; and on the 13th January Senator King introduced a Bill (S. 3108) 'to enable the people of the Philippine Islands to adopt a constitution and to form a free and independent government'. Two days later, on the 15th January, the Senate Committee on Territories and Insular Affairs began hearing evidence. Shortly afterwards Senator Vandenberg introduced yet another Bill.

¹ The New York Times, 16th March, 1933, forecasting a Bulletin editorial.

See section (iii) of Part III of the present volume.

See p. 551 above. * The United States Daily, 15th November, 1929.

The fact that the desire to grant independence was largely due to selfish interests was brought out by the evidence heard before the Senate Committee. Thus Mr. Gray, representing the American Farm Bureau Federation, emphasized the point that what his association wanted first of all was protection from Philippine competition. He said that, if Congress did not pass a Tariff Bill subjecting Philippine products to rates of duty equivalent to those imposed on goods from other countries, his organization would advocate complete independence.1 Mr. Loomis, Secretary of the National Dairy Union, declared 'that the honest and sincere way to get this tariff protection which the oils and fats producing industries of the United States must have if they are to be saved from ruin, is by giving independence'. The more quickly tariff autonomy was granted the better it would be liked.2 Mr. McDaniel, Chairman of the Cordage Industry, avowed that he appeared before the committee for purely selfish reasons.3 The real question was: Could Filipino competition be met otherwise than by the grant of independence? For Mr. Stimson's statement that so long as the United States retained the Philippine Islands under her flag, she was in duty bound to give them the advantage of trade with the home country, seems to have been accepted in most quarters.

Selfish interests were by no means the monopoly of the promoters of independence. Thus Mr. Howard Kellogg, speaking on behalf of the Philippine cocoanut and copra-crushing industry, stated that the large investments of American capital in the industry would be a total loss if economic barriers were erected against the free importation of these oils into the United States. Mr. Orth, President of the Philippine-American Chamber of Commerce of New York, held that the Islands 'should not be made independent and consigned to chaos and hardship, which will undoubtedly be the case if independence is given now'. He submitted that it was the duty of the United States to place the Philippines on a proper economic basis.⁵

By this time the dread of Filipino competition in production had been reinforced by the fear of Filipino immigration. It was no doubt largely due to the economic depression that both these questions had become so acute. Now that other Oriental races were practically excluded from the United States, their place in California and the Western States was largely filled by Filipinos. In his evidence before the Senate Committee Mr. Hushing, the representative of the American Federation of Labour, not only referred to the American

Declaration of Independence, which he believed to be inconsistent with Philippine dependence, but also stated that there were 5,000 Filipinos in Hawaii and 80,000 in California, and that there was nothing except disease to prevent the 13,000,000 Filipinos who lived in their native land from migrating to the United States.1 Meanwhile, the antipathy and jealousy towards the Filipinos had passed beyond the leisured conduct of a Senate Committee. At the end of January 1930 there were several riots in California directed against the immigrants. At Stockton a club-house belonging to Filipinos was bombed, and at Watsonville a mob of white men swarmed through their quarter and killed one man. In San Francisco five attacks on Filipinos were reported within twenty-four hours. In December 1930 Representative Welch of California introduced a Bill (H.R. 13535) limiting the migration of Filipinos into the Continental United States to students, visitors for business or pleasure, merchants, government officials, their families, attendants, servants and employees. In 1931 the number of Filipinos in the Continental United States was estimated at 60,000, of whom nine-tenths were said to be males and four-fifths under thirty years of age. Apparently only one in five ever returned home. To add further to the racial difficulty, the Filipinos, who were Malays, had been ruled for centuries by the Spaniards who were innocent of race-feeling. They claimed 'to be treated as social equals by Americans, including American women. Thus race-sentiment' in the United States was 'challenged; and even people who' were 'above vulgar race-prejudice' had 'to ask themselves whether they' wanted 'a considerable Asiatic strain introduced

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All the Filipino witnesses who appeared before the Senate Committee at Washington urged the grant of independence—and this the sooner the better. The Hon. Manuel Roxas, the Speaker of the Philippine House of Representatives, favoured an immediate grant for economic as well as for political reasons. For twenty years, he said, the Americans had compelled the Filipinos to develop their country subject to American tariff laws, and for this reason, he submitted, a sudden change in the relationship between the two countries would mean a shock to the economic structure of the Philippines; but it would be preferable, he argued, for it to come now, when it could be withstood, than later. In his view, however, it did not matter what the sacrifice was, since the Filipinos were prepared to make any

¹ Senate Committee, p. 70. ² Ibid., p. 104. ³ Ibid., p. 104. ⁴ Ibid., p. 191.

¹ Ibid., pp. 114, 115.

² The Manchester Guardian, 13th April, 1931.

⁴ Senate Committee, p. 15.

sacrifice in order that they might be free.1 Mr. Roxas did not foresee any danger of foreign interference, as the Islands should be protected sufficiently by the Kellogg Pact and the League of Nations; but if the United States were anxious on this account, then, he suggested, she should secure the collaboration of Great Britain, Japan and France in a guarantee of the Islands' neutrality and integrity. Mr. Roxas did not admit belief in the existence of the so-called Japanese menace. He suggested that Japan was a nation 'showing a real desire for peace and a desire to scrupulously maintain and respect the rights of other nations'. He added that there could be no inducement for the Japanese to conquer the Philippines, since the Japanese people showed no desire to settle in tropical countries, and he mentioned the case of Formosa to prove his point.2

The international aspect of independence was also referred to by Mr. Nicholas Roosevelt when he appeared before the Senate Committee in opposition to any immediate grant. He submitted that the United States, by taking possession of the Islands, had introduced a new factor into the situation in the Far East, and that by withdrawal she would create another.3 He held that the withdrawal of the United States from the Philippines would produce serious repercussions in Korea, India and Netherlands India; and he saw a 'danger of a slowly starting and widespread political disturbance throughout the East which might very well cause some kind of political outbreak, and possibly even war, throughout the Far East'.4 He also suggested that a withdrawal would involve a serious loss of American prestige.

Mr. Roosevelt suggested that, in any act of Congress providing for the eventual independence of the Philippines, the period of delay prescribed should be defined as a minimum and not as a maximum. He also referred to the great mass of the Filipino people. He was not anxious, he said, about the governing class. 'They are protected; they are competent; they are educated; they are capable.' But the care of the mass of the people had been the duty of the American

1 Senate Committee, p. 16.

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Ibid., p. 347.

* Ibid., p. 348.

⁶ Ibid., p. 362.

Government. There was nothing in the term 'collective public opinion' in the Islands to correspond to what there was in the United States. Illiteracy was so great that newspapers did not reach very far. He did not question the sincerity of the Filipino political leaders when they spoke of independence, but, according to his contention, it did not change the point that he was raising 'as to whether we have not got obligations to people other than the political class'.2 Mr. Roosevelt stated that a number of Filipinos had told him in confidence that they were opposed to immediate independence, but he would not mention names. He did, however, express the doubt whether even the intelligent Filipinos, when they spoke of independence, meant independence 'with no American protection, no financial guarantees, no aids of any sort', but just being turned loose to be treated by the United States as a foreign country.3 Finally Mr. Roosevelt raised the question of the Moro minority.4

The problem of the Moros was again referred to before the Senate Committee when the Hon. Camilo Osias, Resident Commissioner from the Philippines at Washington, appeared to rebut the anti-independence evidence. He submitted that the enmity between the Christian and Muslim Filipinos was a fetish and that the supposed friction between the two communities was no more vocal or pronounced than the fight going on in the United States between the 'wets' and the 'drys'. The real attitude of the Muslim Filipinos, he argued, was revealed by the fact that the Muslim Senator and representatives, nominated by the Governor-General, had consistently voted for independence.6 Mr. Osias also referred to the loss of prestige that had been foretold if the United States parted with the Philippines. 'We believe', he said, 'that what will make America's prestige suffer is the non-fulfilment of her plighted word." On the

Ibid., p. 476.

* Ibid., p. 477.

7 Ibid., p. 470.

² Ibid., p. 28. Three years later, in 1933, it was noted that there was an agricultural colony of 12,000 Japanese at Davao and that they had played the chief part 'in turning a wilderness into the most important hemp-producing centre in the World'. This group of Japanese pioneers was 'closely organized, amply supported, and ably directed'. Their welfare was watched over by the private interests concerned and by the Japanese Government. 'At every step the Japanese Government continues its support and assistance through a capable Consul and scientifically trained agricultural experts.' A regular weekly service was maintained with Japan by two steamship companies. (See Ralston Hayden: 'China, Japan and the Philippines' in Foreign Affairs (New York), July 1933.)

¹ Ibid., p. 365. * Ibid., p. 367. * Ibid., p. 372. The feud between the Moros and the Catholics in the Archipelago was still rife. In January 1927 a fight took place when the constabulary attacked Datu Tahil's stronghold on the island of Jolo; and on this occasion 35 Moros were killed. Datu Tahil made his escape but was later captured and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment and a fine of 20,000 pesos (£2,000). Fighting was again reported in May 1930, when the police failed in an attack on a fort near Dansalan held by outlaw Moros. Later in the same month attempts to dislodge outlaws established in a fort near Lake Lanao were repulsed. The constabulary tried to attack by means of motor-transport, but the Moros destroyed the bridges and, while the troops retired, they evacuated the fort. In 1927, in the Sulu Archipelago, also inhabited by Moros, the Coast and Geodetic Survey had to be protected from pirates by constabulary guards, though the mere presence of the policemen was effective and no attacks were made, and in fact there seems to have been a greater danger from onslaughts by crocodiles.

On the 10th March, 1930, Senator Hawes' Bill (S. 3822) was added to the record and taken into consideration along with other Bills before the Senate Committee. It aimed at the renunciation of the sovereignty of the United States over the Philippines and at providing for a convention to frame a new constitution and a plebiscite of the

Philippine people on the question of independence.

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Strong opposition to the whole movement came from the Cabinet as represented in the persons of Mr. Patrick J. Hurley, Secretary of War, and Mr. Stimson, Secretary of State. Mr. Hurley considered that it would be 'inexpedient and hazardous to attempt to anticipate future developments by fixing any future date for ultimate independence', and he held that 'no commitment, legal or moral, exists as regards immediate independence or independence within any specific period of years'.2 Mr. Stimson concurred with Mr. Hurley. He thought that independence would be disastrous to the Filipinos because they were quite unprepared for it either politically or economically. He believed that the removal of American control would lead either to anarchy or oligarchy, whereby a small class of Filipinos would exercise arbitrary powers over the ordinary individual, and in this small class he placed money-lenders and local politicians. He held that the future of the United States in the Far East depended upon its reputation for justice, and he pleaded for fair dealing towards all Filipinos in an enlightened and far-seeing way,3

In June the Committee reported to the Senate. A majority favoured the Hawes Bill (S. 3822); but there were four dissidents, of whom the chairman of the Committee, Senator Bingham, was one. The minority held that a five-year period as an interval for readjustment was far too brief a time, and that the prescription of this period was tantamount to a grant of immediate independence.4 They were convinced that the Filipinos were not yet prepared for the grant, and, not unnaturally, they gave great weight to the evidence submitted by the two members of the Cabinet. It was beside the mark, said the report, 'to argue that the Filipinos . . . should be taken at their word and given that for which they were clamouring; namely, immediate

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independence. Action to that end would mean an abandonment and

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Mr. Nicholas Roosevelt was appointed Vice-Governor of the Philippines. After his adverse criticism before the Committee, and his hostile book,2 it was not surprising that the Resident Commissioner at Washington protested against the appointment, and so bitter was the opposition, leading to the burning of his book by a mob, that in September Mr. Roosevelt resigned and was immediately appointed United States Minister to Hungary. Next year, in 1931, there were further outbreaks of violence by Filipinos desirous of showing their zeal in the cause of independence. In July the grounds of the Army and Navy Club at Manila were invaded by a mob, and officers and their wives were stoned.

In May 1931 the Filipino politicians were rumoured to have abandoned their demand for immediate and complete independence; and this report was said to have encouraged the Hoover Administration in its belief that independence would be an injustice to the

Islanders. But if the rumour was welcome in Government circles it was disconcerting to Senators and Representatives of the Farm Bloc. Representative Knutson, the chairman of the House Committee on Insular Affairs, summed up the opinion of the beet-sugar and dairy States when he said that, whether or not the Filipinos wanted to be free from American rule, an effort to grant them independence would be made in Congress when it met in the coming December, and he

control Filipino immigration into the Continental United States. Meanwhile, the fashion had set in for studying the Filipino question on the spot. Thus in July 1931 Senator Hawes made his appearance in Manila, prepared to encourage the independence movement. He

also declared that an attempt would be made at the same time to

¹ Senate Committee, 472. ³ Ibid., 23rd May, 1930.

² The United States Daily, 19th May, 1930.

a repudiation of our obligations as guardian of these people.' Mr. Roxas had acknowledged that the Filipinos were quite aware that a sudden disruption of economic relations with the United States would produce serious embarrassment for the Philippines, though he and his colleagues were quite willing to take that chance; but 'the signers of this minority report' declared that they were 'not prepared to place in grave jeopardy the well-being and economic and political prosperity of 13,000,000 people who' had 'been wards of the United States for a generation and for whom' the American people had 'undertaken an altruistic experiment which' was 'yet but half accomplished."1 Within two months of the presentation of the Committee's report

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^{*} Nicholas Roosevelt: The Philippines. (London, 1927, Faber & Gwyer.)

At Washington Mr. Hoover was doing his best to discourage the independence movement. He declared that it was a problem of time and argued that 'independence to-morrow without assured economic stability would result in the collapse of Philippine Government revenues and the collapse of all economic life in the Islands'.2 He contended that economic independence must be attained before political.

In December 1931 Congress met. On the 11th two Bills to grant Philippine independence were introduced into the House of Representatives. In January 1932 a Philippine Mission arrived in Washington. On the 18th January Senator Vandenberg introduced a Bill granting independence in twenty years. The House Committee on Insular Affairs began hearing evidence; but much of this evidence was a virtual repetition of that heard two years before. Thus Commissioner Guavara once more demanded immediate freedom and declared that the desire for independence sprang 'from the innate longing of all nationally conscious people'. But he also stated that the agitation in the United States, which had been carried on now for three years, to abolish the privileges enjoyed by the Philippine Islands in the American market in exchange for reciprocal privileges granted to American products in the Philippines, had cast a cloud of uncertainty over Philippine economic conditions and was checking development. At the same time, he challenged the belief that the Filipinos had abandoned their demand for independence and would be satisfied with a grant of autonomy.

When Mr. Hurley appeared he again spoke out strongly against the grant of independence. He thought that the political chaos in the Orient made the whole question inopportune. And, like Mr. Hoover, he held that, as a first step towards economic separation, legislation should be passed to prevent excessive shipments of

Sect. vii THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS AND THE U.S. sugar and other Philippine products to the United States on a dutyfree basis. He did not believe, he said, that an unrestricted admission of Filipino labour into the Continental United States was in the best interests of either the American or the Filipino; but he added that immigration regulation ought not to be based on racial grounds. He favoured increased participation by the Filipinos in local government, but not a surrender by the American Government of any of its authority. 'No final solution', he declared, 'of the political relations between the United States and the Philippine Islands can be undertaken at the present time without grave danger to both peoples.' On the following day, the 11th February, Mr. Hurley gave evidence again, this time before the Senate Committee on Territories and Insular Affairs, and on this occasion he described the Hawes-Cutting Bill (S. 3377) as 'cowardly'.2 It aimed, he said, at tearing down in five years what the United States had built up in thirty. He raised the question of national defence on the part of the Philippine Islands and pertinently remarked that 'treaties are not as effective as we thought they were six months ago'. If the Philippines must have independence, he preferred the King Bill which aimed at granting immediate independence. He was opposed to the time-limit and thought it better to impose conditions based on economic factors. 'I am trying', he said, 'to build the Philippines into a nation, and your Bill would prevent the possibility of their ever becoming so.'3

On the 20th February the Senate Committee agreed to the 'principle' of a fifteen-year independence programme. A new Bill was drawn up on similar lines, except for the time-factor, to the Bill sponsored by Senators Hawes and Cutting,4 and on the 1st March this new Bill was reported to the Senate. It provided for the creation of a 'Commonwealth of the Philippines' during the interim period. A new constitution was to be drawn up for this period by a Filipino Convention, and at the end of the fifteen years the Filipinos were to vote by means of a plebiscite on the question of independence. For the first ten years of this period Philippine goods were to be admitted into the United States duty-free; then, for five years, duties were to be imposed and gradually increased. Immigration, likewise, was to be restricted on a graduated scale.

On the 4th March another Bill (H.R. 7233) was favourably reported to the House of Representatives. It aimed at granting independence

¹ The New York Times, 28th July, 1931.

² The United States Daily, 28th October, 1931.

The United States Daily, 11th February, 1932.

1022 Ibid., loc. cit. ² Ibid., 12th February, 1932.
³ Ibid., loc. cit
⁴ Bill S. 3377, usually referred to as the Hawes-Cutting Bill.

of retaining military and naval bases. On the day on which this Bill was passed there was published a letter, dated the 15th February, 1932, from the hand of Mr. Stimson, the Secretary of State. The writer expressed particular interest in the effect of independence on foreign relations. Whether we yet realize it or not, we are already a great Pacific Power,' he wrote, and as such will sustain a constantly increasing interest in the affairs of the Pacific.' The Americans, he recalled, had tried to establish among an Oriental people the practices of Western economic and social development and the principles of political democracy. 'The Philippines to-day', he went on, 'represent an islet of growing

to be recognized, though the United States was to reserve the right

1 The Manchester Guardian, 7th April, 1932.

Western development and thought surrounded by an ocean of Orientalism; they are the interpreters of American idealism to the Far East.' The Islands were a base for American influence-political, economic, and social. Progress there depended on two things, American leadership and a free market in the United States. If these were withdrawn he believed that economic chaos and political and social anarchy would result, followed ultimately by the domination of some foreign power, probably either China or Japan. He did not think it mattered under what verbal professions the act of withdrawnl was cloaked; the United States would be held to have abandoned wards whom they had undertaken to protect. An American withdrawal would upset the balance of power ('political equilibrium'); and it would be against the interest of World Peace. As a result of his residence in the Islands, Mr. Stimson had formed the conviction that a solution of the 'problem could be achieved, with the full consent of the Filipino people, which would not only satisfy their aspirations for self-government, but honourably and justly safeguard the interests of the United States both at home and in the Far East.' But Congress showed no signs of heeding the warnings of members of the Government. On the 29th April the Senate gave consideration to its Committee's Bill. In a debate on the 25th May it was urged to take action on independence before the end of the session. On the 13th June the Senate debated the Bill (H.R. 7233) which had been sent up from the House of Representatives, but no action was taken nor were amendments considered. On the 29th June another debate took place, this time on the Hawes-Cutting Bill, which was substituted for the House Bill, and amendments were moved, but on the 1st July the House adopted a motion by Senator Robinson of Arkansas to postpone further consideration until the next session, in December.

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Meantime, in the Philippines, opposition to the Bill was appearing. In the summer Mr. Manuel Quezon declared that what the Filipinos wanted was freedom, but that they did not believe that this could be attained from the United States without independence and that an autonomous state with dominion status was probably impossible. He said that the attitude of the Congress at Washington had changed during the last few years and that it was no longer thinking of its relationship with the Philippines and the Far East but rather of how Philippine sugar affected beet-sugar growers and how Philippine oil affected American farmers. On the 6th November, after five months' discussion, the Philippine Legislature again demanded independence

1 The United States Daily, 5th April, 1932.

and sent fresh instructions to its Mission at Washington. The delegates were ordered to accept no lower figure than 1,500,000 tons for a maximum of Philippine sugar imports into the United States; to insist on a reciprocal tariff clause; to accept no plan involving a delay of more than ten years; to oppose a provision for a plebiseite; not to agree that English should be the language in the public schools; and to stipulate that no American High Commissioner should live in the Governor's Palace.

When Congress resumed its sittings in December 1932, the first business before the Senate was the Philippine Independence Bill (H.R. 7233) which had already passed the House of Representatives. On the 8th December the debate began and lasted for eight days. On the 17th the Bill was passed with amendments. On the 19th December the amendments were rejected by the House of Representatives; but a joint conference was called, and on the 21st December a compromise was reached and was endorsed by the Senate immediately, and by the House of Representatives on the 29th December.

In its final form the Bill, which was known as the Hare-Hawes-Cutting Bill, provided that, within one year of its enactment, the Philippine Legislature should summon a Constitutional Convention which was to formulate and draft a constitution for the Commonwealth of the Philippine Islands. The constitution must be republican in form and must contain a Bill of Rights, and until the final renunciation of sovereignty of the United States it must comply with the following conditions. All citizens of the Philippine Islands were to owe allegiance to the United States; every officer of the Government of the Philippine Islands was to take an oath of allegiance to the United States; absolute toleration of religious sentiment was to be secured; property owned by the United States (cemeteries, churches, &c.), and all lands used for religious, educational, or charitable purposes, were to be exempt from taxation; the public debt of the Philippine Islands was not to exceed limits fixed by the Congress of the United States, and no loans were to be contracted in foreign countries without the approval of the President of the United States; obligations of the existing Government were to be assumed by the new Government; provision was to be made for the establishment and maintenance of an adequate system of public schools, primarily conducted in the English language; acts affecting currency, coinage, imports, exports and immigration were not to become law until approved by the President; foreign affairs were to be under the direction and control of the United States; all acts passed by the

Legislature of the Commonwealth were to be reported to the Congress of the United States; the Philippine Islands were to recognize the right of the United States to appropriate property for public use, to maintain military and other reservations and armed forces in the Philippines; the decisions of the Courts of the Commonwealth were to be subject to review by the Supreme Court of the United States; the United States might, by Presidential proclamation, exercise the right to intervene for the preservation of the Government of the Commonwealth, for the maintenance of government as provided in the constitution, for the protection of life, property and individual liberty, and for the discharge of government obligations in accordance with the provisions of the constitution; and the authority of the United States High Commissioner was to be recognized.

After the drafting and approval of the constitution by the Constitutional Convention, the constitution was to be submitted within two years to the President of the United States, who was to determine whether or not it conformed with the provisions of the Act. If satisfied, he was to inform the Governor-General of the Philippines, who would then advise the Constitutional Convention. In the opposite event the President was to instruct the Governor-General, stating where he considered that the law had not been complied with, and the Governor-General was to hand on the message to the Convention. After approval, and within four months, the constitution was to be submitted for ratification or rejection to the qualified voters of the Philippine Islands.

The section of the Bill which dealt with trade relations fixed the maximum duty-free imports of Philippine sugar into the United States at 50,000 tons of refined and 800,000 tons of unrefined sugar each year, and similarly laid down maximum figures for free imports of cocoanut oil and manila hemp. The full American duties would be imposed on sugar, oil, and hemp imports in excess of these quantities. After the Commonwealth had been in existence for five years a tax rising gradually from five per cent. to twenty-five per cent, of American rates was to be imposed on all exports to the United States—the proceeds from this tax being used to form a sinking fund for the liquidation of Philippine bonded indebtedness. With these exceptions, trade relations between the Philippines and the United States were to continue to be governed by the existing laws, and the arrangements under which American goods were admitted free into the Islands and the Philippines were denied the right of concluding reciprocity agreements with neighbouring countries would therefore remain in force. Trade relations between

the Philippines and the United States after the former had attained to full independence were to be discussed by a Conference which was to be held at least a year before the end of the transitional period.

In regard to the immigration of Filipinos into the United States, the annual quota during the transitional period was fixed at 50; and it was provided that, after the attainment of independence, the Asiatic exclusion clause of the United States immigration laws should apply to the Filipinos in the same way as to the other inhabitants of the barred zone.

The Chief Executive of the Commonwealth was required to make an annual report to the President and Congress of the United States. A High Commissioner was to be appointed by the President, to hold office during his pleasure and to represent him in the Philippines. He was to have access to all records of the Government and was to be furnished with such information as he required. If the Philippine Government failed to pay any of its indebtedness or interest, the High Commissioner was to report the fact to the President at Washington, who might then direct him to take over the customs offices and apply the necessary part of the revenue derived therefrom to the payment of overdue indebtedness and for the fulfilment of contracts. The High Commissioner was to be paid the same salary as the Governor-General had received, and was to have a similar staff of assistants, including a financial expert, but all these salaries were now to be paid by the United States. The Government of the Philippine Islands was to provide for a Resident Commissioner in the United States. He was to have a seat in the House of Representatives and the right of speaking, but not the right of voting.

On the 4th July immediately following the expiration of a period of ten years from the date of the inauguration of the new Government,² the President of the United States was, by proclamation, to withdraw and surrender all right of possession, supervision, jurisdiction, control, or sovereignty then existing and exercised by the United States in and over the territory and people of the Philippine Islands (except such land or property as had previously been

designated by the President of the United States for military and other reservations and which might be re-designated by the President within two years of the date of the proclamation); and on behalf of the United States he was to recognize the independence of the Philippine Islands as a separate and self-governing nation. A clause in the Bill requested the President to enter into negotiations with foreign Powers with a view to concluding a treaty of perpetual neutralization.¹

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Thus the Bill, as finally passed, did little to meet the demands made by the Philippine Legislature in November 1932.² At Manila no enthusiasm was shown for the Bill. Senator Quezon branded it as a joke, and the Independence Commission sent a message to its Mission at Washington declaring that it upheld Senator Quezon's rejection of a proposal to urge Mr. Hoover to sign the Bill, but at the same time was 'willing' that the President should sign it, in order that the Filipinos might be able to give expression to their feelings.

On the 3rd January, 1933, the Bill reached the White House, and was referred by Mr. Hoover to Mr. Hurley, the Secretary of War and Minister for the Islands. Mr. Hurley still declared himself strongly opposed to the Bill, holding that it was no solution of the problem and would merely accentuate the difficulties. On the 13th Mr. Hoover returned the Bill without approval to Congress. After a debate lasting one hour, the House of Representatives, by 274 votes to 94, overrode the President's veto, and on the 17th January, after a rather longer debate, the Senate followed suit, 66 votes being cast for the Bill and 26 against. Thus the two-thirds majority necessary to make the Bill law was obtained in both Houses.

In vetoing the Bill Mr. Hoover had pointed out that in granting national independence to the Filipinos the United States had a triple responsibility: to the Philippine people, to the American people, and to the World at large. In finding a method of granting independence to the Filipinos the United States should not project them into economic and social chaos. The American people were entitled to be assured that Philippine separation should be 'accomplished without endangering' the United States 'in military action hereafter to maintain internal order or to protect the Philippines from encroachment by others, and above all that this' should 'be accomplished so as to avoid the very grave danger of future controversies and seeds of war with other nations. We have a responsibility to the World that,

See the Survey for 1924, p. 477.

The following time-limits were specified in the Bill in connexion with the inauguration of the new Government. The constitution was to be submitted to the President of the United States within two years of the enactment of the Act; it was then to be submitted to a plebiscite in the Philippines within four months; within one month the Governor-General was to issue a proclamation ordering the election of officers of the Government, and the election was to take place within six months. It will be seen that the length of the transitional period which was to elapse between the enactment of the Act and the attainment of full independence was likely to be between twelve and fourteen years.

¹ The text of the Bill was published in *The United States Daily*, 30th December, 1932.

² See pp. 565-6 above.

having undertaken to develop and perfect freedom for these people, we shall not by our course project more chaos into a World already sorely beset by instability.' The President argued that the present Bill failed to fulfil these responsibilities. He pointed out that for ten years after the adoption of a constitution the United States would have responsibilities without means of control, and after the establishment of full independence the United States was to retain the right to maintain military and naval bases in the Philippines, though at the same time the President was asked by Congress to begin negotiations with other Powers for the neutralization of the Islands.

Meanwhile, at Manila, on the 16th January, 1933, the Philippine leaders had determined not to accept the Bill, even if it overrode the President's veto. The Mission at Washington was informed that, if it could secure no other legislation, then the present Jones Act should be maintained in force until another, granting immediate independence, could be obtained from the incoming Democratic Administration. Nevertheless, at the opening of the new session at Manila, a great display of cordiality between Governor-General Roosevelt and

the Legislature was said to be apparent.

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During the summer of 1933 the Philippine Independence Mission that had been working in Washington returned to Manila, and on the 31st July a majority in the Legislature, headed by Senator Quezon, repudiated both the leaders of the Mission, Senator Osmena and Mr. Roxas, and deprived them of their offices. On the 7th August it was decided that a new Mission should be sent to Washington; but on the 17th October, before the Mission had left the Islands, the Legislature adopted a resolution rejecting the terms of the Hare-Hawes-Cutting Act. At the same time both the principal political factions indicated that they did not consider the rejection definitive. Senator Quezon let it be known that, if President Roosevelt could give an assurance that the United States Congress would consider amendments to the Act, he would be ready to recommend that the Philippine Legislature should withdraw their veto and formally adopt the Act before the 17th January, 1934—the date which would mark the expiration of the period of one year from the date of enactment within which the Constitutional Congress was to be summoned in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

On the 4th November, 1933, Senator Quezon sailed once more for the United States as the leader of the new Mission, and by the beginning of January 1934 he had prepared counter-proposals at the request of President Roosevelt. No decision had been taken, however, when the Hare-Hawes-Cutting Act lapsed on the 17th January.

Thereafter, on the 2nd March, President Roosevelt sent a special message to Congress recommending the revival of the Act, but with an important amendment relating to the United States military and naval bases. Mr. Roosevelt's recommendation was that the military bases should be relinquished simultaneously with the attainment of independence, and that the new Bill should provide for 'the ultimate settlement' of the question of naval bases 'on terms satisfactory' to the Governments of the United States and of the Philippine Islands. He did not believe that any of the other provisions of the Bill need be changed, since he was confident that 'where imperfections or inequalities' existed, they could be 'corrected after proper hearing and in fairness to both peoples'. 'Our nation', he declared, 'covets no territory and desires to hold no people over whom it has gained sovereignty through war against their will', but to grant independence 'without allowing sufficient time for the necessary political and economic adjustments would be a definite injustice to the people of the Islands little short of a denial of independence itself. To change at this time the economic provisions of the previous law would reflect discredit on ourselves."

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The President's proposals encountered no opposition in Congress, and on the 19th March, 1934, the amended Bill passed the House of Representatives without a division, after Representative McDuffie, who was in charge of the Bill, had informed the House that Senator Quezon had given an assurance that the Bill, in its present form, would be ratified by the Philippine Legislature without delay. The Bill passed the Senate, where its sponsor was Senator Tydings, on the 22nd March, and on the 24th March it received the President's assent.

Thereupon, the Philippine Mission announced that the Tydings-McDuffie Act would be accepted by the Philippine Legislature on the 1st May, 1934; and although signs of uneasiness, especially in regard to the economic consequences of the Act, were manifested in the Philippines in the following weeks, the pledge which had been given by the Philippine Mission was duly honoured. On the 1st May a resolution accepting the Tydings-McDuffie Act, which had been drafted by Senator Quezon in co-operation with Senator Osmena (the former leader of the Independence Mission, who had been deposed in July 1933), was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Philippine Legislature. The first definite step in the direction of the attainment

¹ The reference in the last sentence was presumably to the proposal that the new Revenue Bill should impose a tax on cocoanut oil imported from the Philippines (see pp. 572-3 below).

of independence was taken on the 10th July, when the members of the Constitutional Convention were elected; but the preparation for the election was said to have been carried out in an atmosphere of the 'greatest apathy', and interest continued to be centred on the economic aspect of future relations with the United States.

Since the enactment of the Philippines Independence Act, two other pieces of legislation which affected the economic relations between the Islands and the United States had been passed by the Congress at Washington and received the President's assent. The Costigan-Jones Sugar Act, which passed the House of Representatives on the 4th April and the Senate on the 20th April and was signed by the President on the 9th May, provided, inter alia, that the United States Secretary for Agriculture should fix quotas for sugar imported into the United States from Cuba, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Philippines. The quota for the Philippines was expected to be 1,037,000 tons a year; and, since the total imports of Philippine sugar into the United States during the seven months beginning on the 1st November, 1933, amounted to 1,216,071 tons, it was clear that producers in the Philippines would have to restrict their output considerably. An additional difficulty was created by the fact that the Act was retroactive, and the Philippine producers, who had not been expecting this, were faced with the prospect of having to pay for the cost of warehousing the surplus over and above the quota which they had already shipped to the United States.

The Costigan-Jones Sugar Act did not actually override the provisions for the duty-free importation of sugar which were included in the Tydings-McDuffie Independence Act, since the quota to be fixed by the Secretary of Agriculture would be larger than the quota specified in the Independence Act, but the Revenue Act which was signed by President Roosevelt on the 10th May did run counter to the Independence Act. For the Revenue Act provided for the imposition of an excise tax on all cocoanut oil imported into the United States, regardless of the fact that the Philippines Independence Act stipulated that no duty should be imposed on any imports from the Philippines until after the establishment of the Commonwealth and that thereafter, for five years, an annual quota of 200,000 tons of cocoanut oil should be exempt from duty. On the 24th March, 1934, when the Revenue Bill was under consideration by the Senate Finance Committee, President Roosevelt wrote to the Chairman of the Committee, Senator Harrison, expressing the opinion that the imposition of a tax on cocoanut oil would be 'a violation of the spirit"

1 Sec The New York Times, 10th July, 1934.

of the Philippines Independence Act, and suggesting that the provision for such a tax should be eliminated from the Bill. On the 11th April the Senate acted contrary to the President's recommendation by adopting, by 59 votes to 17, the proposal for a tax on all imported vegetable and fish oils, though at the same time they accepted an amendment put forward by Senator Norris providing that the proceeds of the tax on Philippine oil should be returned to the Philippine Treasury. In the final form of the Bill, as it emerged after the Senate's amendments had been considered by a joint conference of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the Norris amendment was retained, and the tax on Philippine cocoanut oils and copra was fixed at 3 cents a pound, compared with 5 cents a pound on imported oils and fats from other sources. In this form the President signed the Act. Although the amendments had done something to meet the objections to the original proposal, they did not alter the fundamental fact that the Revenue Act imposed restrictions upon Philippine exports of cocoanut oil which were not in accordance with the 'spirit and intent' of the Independence Act. On the 28th May President Roosevelt sent a special message to Congress asking that the provision for a tax on Philippine oil might be reconsidered. He gave three reasons for making this request: first, because the tax implied the 'withdrawal of an offer made by the Congress of the United States to the people of the Philippine Islands'; second, because 'enforcement of this provision at this time' would 'produce a serious condition among many thousands of families in the Philippine Islands'; third, because 'no effort' had 'been made to work out some form of compromise which would be less unjust to the Philippine people and at the same time attain, even if more slowly, the object of helping the butter and animal-fat industry in the United States'.

No further action had been taken in regard to the tax on cocoanut oil when, on the 17th July, in an address at the opening of a new session of the Legislature, Senator Quezon indicated the course of action which the Philippine leaders intended to follow in economic matters.

It appears clearly [he said] that we are now dependent upon the United States for the continued prosperity of our people and the ability to meet the burdens of progressive government. It should then be our first concern (1) to try to secure elimination of the provisions of the Tydings law which impose a progressive export tax after the fifth year of the Commonwealth; (2) to raise to a higher figure the limitation imposed on our right to export free of duty certain articles and products; (3) to make this arrangement in our trade relations with America permanent, or at least for a great number of years after independence is granted.

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Senator Quezon added that it was impossible to state whether this programme could be carried out, but he expressed the opinion that the United States might be prepared to accept proposals on these lines if the Philippines offered sufficient inducements for American trade. It appeared, therefore, that recent developments had not caused the Philippine leaders to abandon the hope that the attainment of political independence might not prove incompatible with the retention of some at least of the economic advantages which the Islands had enjoyed as a dominion of the United States.

APPENDIX

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS, 19331

N.B. The following abbreviations are used in the references to the published texts of the treaties and documents: $Cmd. = British\ Parliamentary\ Paper;\ D.I.A. = Documents\ on\ International\ Affairs;\ E.N. = L'Europe\ Nouvelle;\ F.F. = Feuille\ Fédérale\ (Switzerland);\ F.N. = Financial\ News;\ I.I.I. = Bulletin\ de\ l'Institut\ Intermédiaire\ International;\ L.N.M.S. = League\ of\ Nations\ Monthly\ Summary;\ L.N.O.J. = League\ of\ Nations\ Official\ Journal;\ L.N.T.S. = League\ of\ Nations\ Treaty\ Series;\ N.Y.T. = New\ York\ Times;\ Ov.F.S. = Överenskomster\ med\ Fremmede\ Stater\ (Norway);\ P.C.I.J. = Permanent\ Court\ of\ International\ Justice;\ S. = Staatsblad\ (Netherlands);\ S.Ö.F.M. = Sveriges\ Överenskommelser\ med\ Frammände\ Makter;\ T.I. = Treaty\ Information\ (U.S.A.);\ U.S.D. = United\ States\ Daily;\ U.S.E.A. = United\ States\ Executive\ Agreements;\ U.S.P.R. = United\ States\ Press\ Releases.$

Abyssinia

1933, May 24. Friendship and commerce treaty signed with Switzerland and Liechtenstein (F.F. June 21, 1933).

Afghanistan

1933, Nov. 8. Assassination of King Nadir Shah. His son Muhammad Zahir Khan succeeded him.

See also under Security, July 3.

Aggression, Definition of. See under Security.

Argentina. See under Bolivia, Feb. 1, Feb. 25, May 13, July 26; Colombia, Jan. 23; Cuba, Sept. 8; League of Nations, Sept. 25; Security, Oct. 10; Wheat; World Economic Conference.

Australia. See under League of Nations, Sept. 25; Wheat; World Economic Conference, June 12.

Austria

1933, Jan. 8. It was reported that rifles and machine-guns had been sent on Dec. 30 and 31 from Italy to a cartridge factory at Hirtenberg, Austria, and that some of these had since been sent to Hungary. Jan. 9, Austrian Government announced that the arms were of Austrian origin and had been returned for repairs. Representations were made on Jan. 10 and 11 by the French Minister in Vienna and on Jan. 11 by Little Entente representatives. Jan. 20, M. Cot told the Foreign Affairs Commission of the French Chamber of Deputies that Austria had infringed the St. Germain Treaty and that the French Government were ready to associate themselves

¹ In this chronology only a few treaties of political importance are included. For a full list of bilateral and multilateral treaties and conventions signed or ratified during the year 1933, see the supplementary volume, *Documents on International Affairs*, 1933.

Austria: cont.

with measures taken by the Little Entente. Jan. 24, Little Entente decided to appeal to League Council but later agreed to await result of Franco-British inquiries, which were made on Jan. 28 in Budapest and Vienna and on Jan. 30 in Rome. Feb. I, Dr. Dolfuss presented written reply (Temps, Feb. 17, 1933). Feb. 3, Little Entente postponed appeal to Council and on Feb. 4 asked France and Great Britain to make further démarche.1 Feb. 11, French note to Austria (with which Great Britain associated herself) demanding sworn testimony by customs officials that arms had been returned or destroyed. Feb. 17, Giornale d'Italia published French note. Feb. 20, Italian Government proposed to take arms back if signed statement were accepted as proof. Feb. 21, Dr. Dollfuss stated that his Government could not accept the demand for sworn testimony but was prepared to return arms when repaired. Feb. 26 and 27, French and British notes informing Little Entente Secretariat of settlement.1 March 1, Little Entente sent notes to France, Great Britain and League of Nations accepting settlement so long as it did not establish a precedent.1

Jan. 10. Government signed agreement with foreign creditors of Credit-Anstalt, but stated on March 30 that they could not undertake amortization payments. April 27, further agreement signed

postponing payments till March 1, 1935.

Jan. 12-14. Committee of Control considered conditions for issue of loan under Protocol of 1932. Jan. 28, League Council instructed its President to appoint trustees. Aug. 10, British, French and Italian issues of loans made. Sept. 23, Belgium deposited ratification of 1932 Protocol.

March 18. Dr. Frank, Bayarian Minister of Justice, broadcast a

speech to 'oppressed' Austrian Nazis.

March 31. Republikanische Schutzbund (Social Democrat defence force) dissolved.

April 11-17. Meeting between Dr. Dollfuss, Herr von Papen, Captain

Göring, and Signor Mussolini in Rome.

May 4. Certain political organizations, including Nazis, forbidden to wear uniform.

May 6. Speech on Anschluss by Bavarian Prime Minister, Herr Siebert.

May 13-15. Dr. Frank and Dr. Kerrl, President of Prussian Landtag, visited Vienna and Graz. May 15, Nazi demonstration at Graz forbidden and Dr. Frank ordered to leave the country.

May 26. Communist Party dissolved.

May 29. German Government imposed fee of 1,000 marks on all

tourist visas for Austria as from June 1.

June 2-6. Dr. Dollfuss again visited Rome, where he signed a concordat with the Vatican and discussed the Austro-German situation with Signor Mussolini.

June 11-13. Nazi agitators arrested, Brown Houses closed and all police placed under control of Major Fey, Minister of Public

¹ Text in L.N.O.J., March 1933, pp. 398-400.

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Security. Herr Habicht, Nazi 'State Inspector for Austria', detained at Linz.

June 14. Dr. Wasserbäck, Austrian press attaché in Berlin, arrested and made to leave Germany. Herr Habicht was expelled from Austria.

June 19. Austrian Government prohibited all activities of Nazi Party (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 386-7).

July 4. Conciliatory semi-official statement appeared in German Foreign Political Correspondence proposing coalition between Austrian Government parties and Nazis.

July 5. Herr Habicht broadcast a speech from Munich refusing any compromise (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 387-8). Throughout the summer Herr Habicht and others continued to broadcast encouragements to Austrian Nazis.

July 16. Upper Bavarian Nazis held demonstration near frontier at Kiefersfelden.

July 21. German aeroplanes dropped propaganda in Austrian territory. Other 'air raids' took place later.

Aug. 5. Italian Ambassador in Berlin asked German Government

for assurances regarding Nazi propaganda.

Aug. 7. British and French Ambassadors made verbal representations under Four-Power Pact to German Government, which replied that the Pact had not been contravened and that interference in Austro-German questions was inadmissible.

Aug. 9. Herr Habicht broadcast speech on 'Austria, Germany and

Europe'.

Aug. 11. Shooting incident at Klobenstein on frontier.

Aug. 14. Reichspost published alleged Nazi documents. Aug. 17, Aussenpolitisches Amt of German Nazi Party disavowed documents and dismissed two officials who were alleged to have written them. Austrian Government approved decree depriving Nazi agitators abroad of their citizenship and property.

Aug. 19-20. Conversations between Dr. Dollfuss and Signor Mussolini at Riccione (Text of communiqué, D.I.A., 1933, pp. 391-2).

Aug. 30. Austrian Government sent identic notes to signatories of St. Germain Treaty regarding organization of auxiliary military force. Sept. 1, British reply (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 388-91).

Sept. 11. Dr. Dollfuss made speech on proposal for corporate state

and reconciliation with Germany.

Sept. 21. Reconstruction of Cabinet. Dr. Dollfuss became Chancellor and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Public Security, the Army and Agriculture. Major Fey became Vice-Chancellor.

Sept. 23. Herr Habicht stated in a broadcast speech that an understanding might be reached between Nazis and the New Austrian Government.

Oct. 3. Unsuccessful attempt to assassinate Dr. Dollfuss.

Oct. 11. First Austrian broadcast in reply to German campaign.

Nov. 11. Government introduced death penalty under martial law for cases of murder, open revolt and malicious damage to property.

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Nov. 23. Reichswehr soldier killed by Austrian frontier guards. Nov. 28, Austrian Ambassador offered apology to German Government, as a joint commission of inquiry had reported that the soldier had not crossed the frontier.

Balkan States. See under Conferences, International, Nov. 5.

Belgium. See under Austria, Jan. 12; League of Nations, Oct. 26; Inter-Governmental Debts, June 15, Dec. 15; World Economic Conference.

Bolivia

1933, Feb. 1-2. The Foreign Ministers of Argentina and Chile met at Mendoza and drew up conciliation formula for settlement of Bolivian dispute with Paraguay regarding Gran Chaco.

Feb. 3. League Council discussed dispute and postponed sending of Commission of Inquiry during Argentinian-Chilean mediation.

Feb. 25. Argentina and Chile presented 'Mendoza formula' to Bolivia and Paraguay; formula was not accepted by either belligerent.

Feb. 25. British Government presented memorandum to the League on the supply of arms to both countries, which was considered by the League Council on Feb. 28 and March 2 at informal meetings. March 6, Committee of Three asked League Council to consider dispute under Art. 11 of Covenant. March 8, further Council discussion.

May 10. Paraguay declared that a state of war existed.

May 13. Neutrality declared by Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Uruguay;

declared by Peru on May 14.

May 15. League Council referred dispute back to Committee of Three, which drafted report recommending arbitration and despatch of a Commission of Inquiry. May 20, report adopted by Council and accepted by Paraguay. May 27, Bolivia rejected report.

June 8. Committee of Three made proposals to League Council for carrying out report of May 20. June 26, Bolivia accepted proposal regarding Commission of Inquiry. July 3, League Council definitely

decided to appoint Commission.

June 27. Washington Committee of Neutrals withdrew from mediation. July 26. Bolivia and Paraguay asked Committee of Three for transfer of mandate of Commission of Inquiry to Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and Peru (A.B.C.P. Group). Aug. 3, League Council agreed to this. Oct. 1, A.B.C.P. Group informed League that their efforts at mediation had failed.

Oct. 19. Commission of Inquiry left Europe, began work at Montevideo on Nov. 3, and then visited Bolivia, Paraguay, and the Chaco.

Dec. 8. Paraguayans won important victory at Fort Alihuata. Dec. 8. President Terra of Uruguay began conversations with Bolivian and Paraguayan delegations to Pan-American Conference. Dec. 15, Committee on Organization of Peace of Conference adopted resolution offering services of all Governments represented in settlement of dispute and declaring readiness to co-operate with League of Nations in application of Covenant.

Bolivia: cont.

Dec. 19. Armistice proposed by Paraguay came into effect till Dec. 30 and was later extended till Jan. 6, 1934.

Dec. 26. Pan-American Conference adopted resolution calling on both disputants to accept League mediation.

Brazil

1933, Jan. 27. Conciliation treaty signed with Poland. Ratifications exchanged Oct. 13.

March 21/23. Notes exchanged with Venezuela regarding frontier

delimitation.

June 29. Agreement signed between Federal Government, Banco do Brazil, and N. M. Rothschild and Sons, regarding transfer of foreign exchange arrears.

See also under Bolivia, May 13, July 26; China, Feb. 8; Colombia, Jan. 23, Feb. 14, Feb. 27, Oct. 25; Security, Oct. 10; World

Economic Conference.

British Empire. See under Conferences, International, Sept. 11; World Economic Conference.

Bulgaria

1933, April 6-14. League of Nations financial experts visited Sofia. Sept. 10, M. Charron arrived in Sofia on behalf of the League.

Sept. 20-3. Ismet Paça and Tevfik Rüstü Beğ visited Sofia. Sept. 23, Protocol signed renewing Bulgarian-Turkish neutrality treaty of March 6, 1929, for five years.

Oct. 3. King Boris of Bulgaria met King Alexander of Jugoslavia at Varna. Dec. 10-13, King Boris and Queen Ioanna visited Belgrade.

Canada, See under Wheat; World Economic Conference.

Chile. See under Bolivia, Feb. 1, Feb. 25, May 13, July 26; Colombia, Jan. 17; Cuba, Sept. 8; Security, Oct. 10; World Economic Conference.

China

1933, Jan. 3. Japanese and Manchukuo forces bombarded and occupied

Shanhaikwan.

Jan. 16. League Committee of Nineteen met to discuss Sino-Japanese dispute. Jan. 18, Japanese Government proposed amendments to draft resolutions of Committee. Jan. 21, Japanese Government rejected first draft resolution and Committee decided to prepare draft report on dispute. Feb. 8, new Japanese proposals made to Committee, which discussed them on Feb. 9. Feb. 14, Japan gave further information to Committee, which adopted draft report (D.I.A., 1932, pp. 384-9). Feb. 21, Special Session of Assembly met. Feb. 24, forty-two States voted for adoption of report, Siam abstained and Japan voted against and withdrew from Assembly (D.I.A., 1932, pp. 390-1). Assembly appointed Advisory Committee and communicated report to U.S.S.R. and to U.S.A., which replied on Feb. 25 (p. 510 above). Invitations to participate in work of Committee were refused by U.S.S.R. on March 7 and accepted by U.S.A. on March 11. March 15, Advisory Committee met and later

Colombia

China: cont.

appointed two sub-committees to consider question of export of arms to Far East and measures to be taken in consequence of non-recognition of Manchukuo. June 15, Advisory Committee addressed circular to all Governments on carrying out of non-recognition policy.

Feb. 8. Exchange of notes with Brazil, France, Great Britain, Netherlands, Norway and U.S.A. renewing Shanghai Provisional Court Agreement of Feb. 17, 1930, for three years from April 1

(Cmd. 4348).
Feb. 22. Japanese note to China demanding withdrawal of Chinese troops from Jehol Province. Feb. 24, Chinese reply. Japanese and Manchukuo troops advanced into Jehol and reached the Great Wall by March 5. March 10, Marshal Chang Hsüch-liang resigned command of north-eastern defence forces.

Feb. 27. Sir John Simon stated in House of Commons that an arms embargo could be applied to both China and Japan. March 14, embargo lifted.

March 29. Wang Ching-wei became President of Executive Yuan.

March 30. Japanese and Manchukuo troops entered Dolonor in

Chahar Province. During April and May they advanced south of

Great Wall, occupied Lwan River district and threatened Peiping

and Tientsin. May 31, armistice signed at Tang Ku (D.I.A., 1933,

p. 493).

April. Outbreak of revolt by Tungans and Turkis in Sinkiang (Chinese Turkestan).

April 17. Exchange of notes with the Netherlands regarding Boxer indemnity (I.I.I., Oct. 1933).

May 2. M. Bogomoloff presented credentials as Soviet Ambassador.

June 4. Reconstruction Finance Corporation (U.S.A.) announced the
granting of a \$50,000,000 loan to the Nanking Government for the
purchase of U.S. cotton and wheat flour.

June 28. Nanking Government asked League Council for the appointment of a technical agent to maintain liaison between China and League during reconstruction period. July 3, League Council discussed request. July 18, Dr. L. Rajchman appointed technical agent for one year.

July. Inner Mongolian princes met at Pai Ling Miao to discuss question of autonomy. Oct. 27, General Huang Shao-hsiung, Chinese Minister of the Interior, left Peiping to negotiate with Mongols at Kalgan and Kweihua.

Oct. 29. Mr. T. V. Soong resigned from posts of Finance Minister and Vice-Chairman of the Executive Yuan. Mr. H. H. Kung succeeded him.

Nov. 3. Japanese completed withdrawal from demilitarized zone south of Great Wall.

Nov. 20. Fukien Province proclaimed independent of Nanking. Nov. 21, People's Provisional Government set up under chairmanship of General Li Ch'i-sen.

See also under Japan, April 8; World Economic Conference.

1933, Jan. 4. Colombia presented memorandum to League of Nations regarding Peruvian occupation of Leticia on the Amazon.

Jan. 6. The commander of troops in Eastern Peru told commander of Colombian expeditionary force at Manaos that he would defend Leticia. Jan. 11, Colombian request to Peru to retire from Colombian territory. Jan. 14, Peruvian answer (Temps, Jan. 27, 1933).

Jan. 14. League Council appealed to both parties, who replied on Jan. 16. Further replies from Peru on Jan. 19 and 23.

Jan. 17. President of Chile made proposals for peaceful settlement.
Jan. 23. Colombian note to Kellogg Pact signatories (N.Y.T., Jan. 25, 1933). Jan. 24, Mr. Stimson consulted with representatives of Kellogg Pact signatories. Jan. 25, U.S. note urging Peru to accept formula already proposed by Brazil (N.Y.T., Jan. 26, 1933). Jan. 26, Argentinian representatives in Colombia and Peru instructed to state approval of Brazilian formula. Jan. 27, U.S.A. informed League of note to Peru, and Peru replied to U.S.A. Jan. 30, further U.S. note to Peru (N.Y.T., Feb. 1, 1933). Feb. 1, Peru replied.

Jan. 24. League Council referred dispute to Committee of Three and after discussion on Jan. 26 telegraphed to both Governments, who replied on Jan. 28 and Feb. 2. Feb. 3, further discussion by Council and appeal sent to Peru.

Feb. 14. Colombian Government informed Peru that they considered that Brazilian offer of mediation was at an end. Diplomatic relations were broken off and Colombian forces reoccupied Tarapacá.

Feb. 16/17. Committee of Three obtained further information from Peru. Feb. 17, Colombia appealed to League under Art. 15 of Covenant. Feb. 21, League Council considered appeal. Feb. 25, Committee of Three proposed temporary control of Leticia by League Commission. Feb. 27, Colombia accepted this, and both parties agreed to refrain from hostilities.

Feb. 27. Mr. Stimson sent identic messages to both Governments in support of League proposals (U.S.D., March 3, 1933) and informed League Council of his action. March 1, League Council adopted proposals of Committee of Three. March 8, League Council decided that, as Peruvian counter-proposals provided no basis for solution, the Committee should prepare a draft report in accordance with Article 15 of the Covenant. March 18, League Council adopted report and set up an Advisory Committee. On March 18 and 24, U.S.A. and Brazil agreed to take part in work of Committee.

March 26-9. Fighting took place on Putumayo River.

March 30. Peruvian communication to Advisory Committee regarding hostilities. April 5, Colombian counter-reply. April 5-6, meeting of Committee.

April 17-20. Renewed fighting on Putumayo River.

May 3. Peruvian warships passed through Panamá Canal en route for Leticia.

May 10. Advisory Committee make recommendations, which were accepted by Colombia on May 12 and by Peru on May 24 after direct

Colombia: cont.

negotiations in Lima. May 25, both parties signed agreement with League Council (L.N.M.S., May 1933). June 9, League Administrative Commission appointed. June 23, Commission reached Leticia and arranged for the withdrawal of Colombian and Peruvian forces.

Oct. 25. Colombia and Peru began negotiations at Rio de Janeiro under the auspices of the Brazilian Foreign Minister.

Conferences, International

1933, May 29-June 2. Sixth Conference of Institutions for the Scientific Study of International Relations held in London.

Aug. 14-26. Fifth Institute of Pacific Relations Conference held at

Banff, Canada.
Sept. 11-21. British Commonwealth Relations Conference held at

Nov. 5-11. Fourth Balkan Conference held at Salonica. Resolutions were adopted regarding Balkan Pact and annual meetings between

Foreign Ministers.
Nov. 9. Statement issued regarding policy of United States at Seventh Pan-American Conference (U.S.P.R., Nov. 11, 1933).
Dec. 3, Conference opened at Montevideo. Dec. 12, Mr. Hull presented U.S. economic proposals (U.S.P.R., Dec. 16, 1933).
Dec. 15, Mr. Hull spoke on non-intervention and the organization of peace (U.S.P.R., Dec. 16, 1933). Dec. 16, resolutions adopted on economic policy and adherence to and ratification of peace instruments (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 486-90). Dec. 24, resolutions adopted on import restrictions and multilateral commercial treaties (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 490-2). Dec. 26, the following agreements were signed at a final session: (1) additional protocol to General Convention of Inter-American conciliation, 1929; (2) convention on rights and

duties of States (1,) (2) (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 482-6); (3-6) conventions

on nationality of women, naturalization, extradition and political asylum ((1-6) Pan-American Conference, 1933, Final Act, 1934).

See also under Disarmament; World Economic Conference.

Costa-Rica

1933, Oct. 31. Arbitration and conciliation treaty signed with Italy.

Cuba

1933, April 21. Mr. Sumner Welles appointed U.S. Ambassador to Cuba with instructions to carry out commercial negotiations and mediate between political factions. July 1, Mr. Welles began mediation.

Aug. 3. Road transport strike led to general strike throughout the Island. Aug. 11, army officers carried out coup d'état against President Machado. Aug. 12, Dr. de Cespedes became President.

Aug. 13. U.S. destroyers sent to Havana, but recalled on Aug. 14 and 18.

Sept. 4. Revolution carried out by army rank and file and Student Directorate. Sept. 5, de Cespedes Government replaced by Executive Commission. Cuba: cont.

Sept. 5-9. Thirty U.S. warships ordered to Cuban waters.

Sept. 6. President Roosevelt issued statement of policy after consultation with representatives of Latin-American States (see p. 383 above). Sept. 8, Argentine reply (N.Y.T., Sept. 9, 1933).

Sept. 8. Mexican Government requested A.B.C. Governments to join in urging the Cuban Government to maintain order. The Mexican Government also sent the Cuban Government a friendly message equivalent to recognition.

Sept. 10. Dr. Ramon Grau San Martin became President.

Sept. 11. U.S. Government made statement on conditions necessary for recognition (U.S.P.R., Sept. 16, 1933).

Sept. 29. Fighting between police and Communists in Havana. Oct. 2, Government forces overcame recalcitrant army officers in National Hotel.

Oct. 11. Cuban Government recognized by Peru; recognized by Spain on Oct. 12.

Nov. 8-9. Unsuccessful revolt by A.B.C. party in Havana.

Nov. 19. Mr. Welles discussed situation with President Roosevelt, who issued a statement on Nov. 24 regarding delay in recognition of Cuban Government and the recall of Mr. Welles.

Dec. 31. Cuban Government defaulted on public works obligations contracted during Machado régime.

Czechoslovakia

1933, April 8. Czechoslovakia made declaration withdrawing from Permanent Court of International Justice appeals from decisions of Hungaro-Czechoslovak Mixed Arbitral Tribunal. May 12, Permanent Court made order terminating case (P.C.I.J., Series A/B, No. 56).

May 9. Czechoslovakia appealed to Permanent Court from decision of Hungaro-Czechoslovak Mixed Arbitral Tribunal regarding the Royal Hungarian Peter Pázmány University of Budapest. Dec. 15, Permanent Court dismissed appeal (P.C.I.J., Series A/B, No. 61).

Oct. 11. Arbitration and judicial settlement convention signed with Latvia.

See also under: Austria, Jan. 8; Inter-Governmental Debts, Little Entente; Rumania, March 24; Security, March 18, July 3.

Danzig

1933, Feb. 15. Danzig Senate informed Polish Commissioner that they would no longer carry out provisions of harbour police agreement of Sept. 1, 1923. Free City police replaced Harbour Board police at Westerplatte. March 7, Polish Government asked High Commissioner to declare that this constituted 'direct action'.

March 6. Polish Government sent more soldiers to guard Westerplatte munitions depot. President of Danzig Senate appealed to High Commissioner, who referred question to League Council.

March 13. Agreement reached with Poland at Geneva on questions of harbour police and Westerplatte guard. March 14, League Council discussed both questions.

Danzig: cont.

May 12. Nazi storm troops and police occupied trade union headquarters. May 28, Nazi victory in Volkstag election.

July 3-4. President and Vice-President of Senate visited Warsaw. Aug. 5. Agreement signed regarding Polish use of Danzig harbour (L.N.O.J., Oct. 1933). Sept. 18, two protocols signed regarding harbour agreement and treatment of Poles in Danzig (L.N.O.J., Oct. and Nov. 1933).

Sept. 22. Polish Prime Minister visited Danzig.

Oct. 26. Mr. Sean Lester appointed High Commissioner as from Jan. 15, 1934.

Nov. 2. Vice-President of Senate stated that all police officials must be Nazis. Nov. 3, Protest from High Commissioner, who referred question to League Council on Nov. 6.

Denmark

1933, April 5. Permanent Court of International Justice gave judgment rejecting Norwegian claim to sovereignty over Eastern Greenland (P.C.I.J., Series A/B, No. 53). April 18, Denmark and Norway withdrew proceedings in South-Eastern Greenland case. May 11, Court made order terminating proceedings (P.C.I.J., Series A/B, No. 55).

April 13. Arbitration, conciliation, and judicial settlement treaty signed with Greece (Messager d'Athènes, Oct. 18, 1933).

Dec. 18. Ratifications exchanged with Turkey of arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement treaty of March 8, 1932.

Dec. 19. Arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement treaty signed with Venezuela.

See also under League of Nations, Sept. 25.

Disarmament

1933, Jan. 10. President Hoover sent message to Congress enclosing Stimson memorandum proposing ratification of 1925 arms traffic convention or legislation empowering President to declare arms embargo (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 454-8). Jan. 19, Senate approved embargo resolution (U.S.D., Jan. 20, 1933). Feb. 15, House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee reported similar resolution to House with amendment restricting embargo to American continent. April 17, House passed new resolution. May 27, Senate Foreign Relations Committee passed resolution with amendment applying embargo to all parties in a dispute (N.Y.T., May 28, 1933). Jan. 23-31. Disarmament Conference Bureau examined report of committee on supervision and conclusions of committee on chemical

and bacteriological warfare. Feb. 2-8. General Commission of Conference discussed French Plan of November 1932.

Feb. 9-10. Bureau considered British programme of work.

Feb. 13-March 6. General Commission discussed question of effectives. Feb. 22. French resolution adopted on standardization of armies. March 6, Committee set up to consider question of overseas effectives.

Disarmament: cont.

Feb. 14-March 2. Political Commission of Conference discussed declaration against resort to force (L.N.M.S., March 1933). March 4-7, draft pact of mutual assistance considered. March 10, discussion of Soviet proposal on defining aggressor.

March 1. M. Daladier, in speech to American Press Association in Paris, emphasized importance of supervision as guarantee of security.

March 9. General Commission began discussing land material. March 16. Mr. MacDonald submitted British draft convention to General Commission (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 144-94). March 24-7, discussion of convention.

April 13. Debate in House of Commons on disarmament and the Four-Power Pact.

April 25. General Commission began to examine British draft convention.

May 11. Article by Freiherr von Neurath on equality of status appeared in German press.

May 12. M. Paul-Boncour made statement to press and speech in Senate on application of Versailles Treaty if no agreement were reached with Germany.

May 13. Speech on war by Herr von Papen (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 406). May 16. Appeal by President Roosevelt to states represented at Conference (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 194-6).

May 17. Statement on disarmament and foreign policy by Herr Hitler (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 196-208).

May 22. Mr. Norman Davis made statement to General Commission on disarmament, security and consultation with other states (D.J.A., 1933, pp. 208-14).

May 24. Committee on security questions issued report (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 218-30.

June 7. General Commission adopted resolutions on (1) discussion of British draft; (2) defence expenditure ((2) L.N.M.S., June 1933). June 8, Commission adjourned during London Economic Conference. June 29, Commission again adjourned till Oct. 16.

July 10-23. Mr. Henderson, President of the Conference, visited Paris, Rome, Berlin, Prague, Munich and London.

Sept. 5. Mr. Norman Davis arrived in London for conversations with British Government. Sept. 12. Technical Committee of National Defence Expenditure

Commission resumed work.

Sept. 18. Franco-British conversations in Paris, followed by Franco-American conversations, and by negotiations at Geneva, in which American, British, French, German, and Italian representatives took part and which lasted till Sept. 29.

Oct. 6. German notes verbales to Great Britain and Italy (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 279-81).

Oct. 9. Mr. Henderson reported to Bureau on July negotiations. Oct. 10-12. Further conversations between the five Powers.

Oct. 14. Statement by Sir J. Simon on results of conversations (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 281-4). Germany announced withdrawal from Disarmament: cont.

Conference and from League. Herr Hitler and German Government issued statements and Herr Hitler made broadcast speech (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 285–98).

Oct. 16. Bureau agreed on reply to Germany (D.I.A., 1933, p. 286). General Commission approved reply and adjourned till Oct. 26.

Oct. 17. United States issued statement of policy.

Oct. 26. Bureau made recommendations for second reading of draft convention, which were approved by General Commission on Oct. 26.

Nov. 6. Revised draft convention circulated.

Nov. 6. Speech by Freiherr von Neurath on disarmament and League of Nations.

Nov. 7. Statement by Sir J. Simon in House of Commons (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 298-310).

Nov. 9-11. Bureau discussed preparation of draft convention for second reading, and set up committees on supervision and on effectives.

Nov. 11. Italian delegate stated that if technical discussions developed a political tendency, Italian experts would only take part in them as observers.

Nov. 19-21. Conversations between Mr. Henderson and American, British, French and Italian representatives.

Nov. 23. Bureau agreed to adjourn till Jan. 1934.

Dec. 18. German memorandum presented to French Ambassador in Berlin (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 328-32).

Dominican Republic. See under Permanent Court of International Justice.

Egypt

1933, Nov. 21. Ratifications exchanged with Uruguay of friendship treaty of Feb. 25, 1932.

Estonia

1933, June 28. Gold standard abandoned.

See also under Inter-Governmental Debts, June 15, Dec. 15; Security, July 3.

Europe

1933, June 4-6. Conference of Agrarian States held at Bucarest (Text of resolutions Messager d'Athènes, June 16 and 18, 1933).

Sept. 29. Italian memorandum presented to representatives of Great Powers and Successor States at Geneva regarding recommendations of Stresa Conference (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 410-14).

See also under Wheat.

Finland

1933, Jan. 27. Ratifications exchanged with France of conciliation treaty of April 28, 1930; came into force Feb. 27 (L.N.T.S., 139). Feb. 21. Ratifications exchanged with Persia of friendship treaty of Dec. 12, 1931.

See also under Inter-Governmental Debts, Jan. 24, June 15, Dec. 15; Security, July 3. Four-Power Pact. See under Security, March 18.
France

1933, Jan. 3. M. Henry de Jouvenel appointed Ambassador to Italy. July 18, he concluded his special mission and was afterwards succeeded by M. de Chambrun.

Jan. 29. M. Paul-Boncour's Government resigned. Jan. 31, M.

Daladier formed a Government.

Feb. 15. Ratifications exchanged with U.S.S.R. of non-aggression and conciliation treaties of Nov. 29, 1932 (E.N., Dec. 3, 1932).

May 13. Ratifications exchanged with Turkey of arbitration, conciliation and friendship treaty of Feb. 3, 1930 (E.N., July 8, 1933).

May 23. French and Greek Governments referred case of Ottoman Government concession regarding lighthouses to Permanent Court of International Justice.

Sept. 15-21. M. Pierre Cot, French Air Minister, visited Moscow.

Oct. 24. M. Daladier's Government resigned. Oct. 27, M. Sarraut formed a Government.

Nov. 16. Friendship and alliance treaty signed with Syria. Nov. 25, High Commissioner withdrew treaty from Syrian Chamber and prorogued Syrian Parliament.

Nov. 24. M. Sarraut's Government resigned. Nov. 27, M. Chautemps

formed a Government.

Dec. 15. Arbitral decision published regarding trade between Savoy Free Zones and Canton of Geneva, to take effect from Jan. 1, 1934

(Summary of award Journal de Genève, Dec. 16, 1933).

See also under Austria, Jan. 8, Jan. 12, Aug. 7; China, Feb. 8; Disarmament; Finland, Jan. 27; Germany (b), March 9; Inter-Governmental Debts; 'Irāq, July 21; Japan, April 8; Jugoslavia, March 9; League of Nations, Oct. 26; Rumania, Aug. 15; Saar; Security, March 18; World Economic Conference.

Germany

(a) Financial Situation

1933, Feb. 17. Standstill agreement initialed regarding foreign shortterm commercial debts, replacing 1932 agreement as from March 1. March 2. Agreement reached regarding foreign short-term credits

to states and communes, to remain in force till March 15, 1934.

March 16. Dr. Schacht succeeded Dr. Luther as Chairman of Reichsbank.

April 5. Reichsbank announced immediate repayment of central banks' rediscount credit of 1931.

May 29. Conversations in Berlin between Dr. Schacht and representatives of foreign creditor banks. June 2, statement issued

(The Times, June 3, 1933).

June 9. Law passed declaring transfer moratorium as from July 1 for all payments except those covered by standstill agreement, 50 per cent. of interest payments to be made in Konversionskasse scrip. June 30, Reichsbank statement allowing transfer of Dawes Loan interest and sinking fund and Young Loan interest. July 12, further concessions announced (The Times, July 13, 1933).

Nov. 7. British Government made protest against German con-

Germany: cont.

cessions regarding value of scrip held by Swiss and Dutch bondholders.

Dec. 5-7. Conversations between Reichsbank representatives and

foreign bondholders. No agreement reached.

Dec. 18. Dr. Schacht told Reichsbank Central Committee that 30 per cent. only of interest could be transferred in future, except for the Dawes, Young and Potash Loans.

(b) Foreign Relations

1933, March 9. Nazis temporarily occupied barracks at Kehl in demilitarized zone. March 14, French Ambassador made representations to German Government.

March 11. Ratifications exchanged between Baden and Vatican of concordat of Oct. 12, 1932, and protocol of Nov. 7/10. Came into

force the same day (E.N., Dec. 30, 1933).

April 1. Nazi Party set up Aussenpolitisches Amt directed by Herr Alfred Rosenberg.

April 1 and 24. Prussian police raided premises of German-Russian Petroleum Co. ('Derop').

April 9-19. Captain Göring and Herr von Papen visited Rome. May 3. Polish Ambassador in Berlin had interview with Herr Hitler

(Communiqué, D.I.A., 1933, p. 423).

May 5. Ratifications exchanged with U.S.S.R. of agreement of June 24, 1931, prolonging agreements of April 24, 1926, and Jan. 25, 1929 (Soviet Union Review, June 1933).

May 5-14. Dr. Rosenberg visited London. May 19-21. Captain Göring visited Rome.

May 26 and 30. League Council discussed Herr Bernheim's petition regarding the Jewish minority in German Upper Silesia and referred legal points to Committee of Jurists. June 6, Council adopted jurists' report as to its competence to take a decision on the petition.

May 29-31. Dr. Göbbels visited Rome.

June 28-July 8. Herr von Papen visited Rome and discussed proposals for concordat. July 20, concordat signed. Sept. 10, ratifications exchanged and concordats came into force (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 442-52).

Sept. 15. Statement on foreign policy by Freiherr von Neurath to

international press (The Times, Sept. 16, 1933).

Oct. 11. League Assembly passed resolution on assistance to Jewish and other refugees from Germany. Oct. 26, Mr. J. G. MacDonald appointed League High Commissioner for such refugees.

Nov. 6-8. Captain Göring again visited Rome.

Nov. 12. Plebiscite held on foreign policy; 89.9 per cent. of electorate

voted in favour of Government.

Nov. 15. Conversation between Herr Hitler and the Polish Ambassador in Berlin regarding non-aggression pact. (Text of communiqué, D.I.A., 1933, p. 424).

Dec. 12-14. Signor Suvich, Italian Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, visited Berlin.

Germany: cont.

(c) Internal Affairs

1933, Jan. 28. General von Schleicher resigned Chancellorship. Jan. 30, Herr Hitler became Chancellor. Feb. 1, Reichstag dissolved.

Feb. 6. Prussian Government dismissed by presidential decree and its powers vested in Herr von Papen as Reichskommissar.

Feb. 27. Burning of Reichstag. Feb. 28, decree issued regarding suppression of Communism.

March 5. Nazis won 288 seats in general election and Nationalists 52 seats, gaining between them a clear majority. Nazis took over the Government of Hamburg.

March 6. Reichskommissars appointed for Hessen on March 6 and for Baden, Saxony and Würtemburg on March 8. March 9, General von Epp appointed Reichskommissar for Bavaria.

March 13. Dr. Göbbels appointed Reich Minister for National

Enlightenment and Propaganda.

March 21. Opening of Reichstag in Potsdam Garrison Church. March 23, speech by Herr Hitler (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 404-6). Reichstag adjourned.

March 24. Enabling Bill became law, giving Government legislative

power for four years.

March 31. Cabinet approved provisional law on Gleichschaltung of Länder and Reich by means of the 'Nazification' of federal parliaments.

April 1. One-day boycott put in force against Jews.

April 8. Laws promulgated regarding Nazification and Aryanizing of civil service and further Gleichschaltung of Länder by appointment of Reichsstatthälter.

April 11. Captain Göring appointed Ministerpräsident of Prussia.

April 27. Secret State police force Gestapo established in Prussia. Herr Seldte announced incorporation of Stahlhelm in Nazi organization.

May 2. Nazis took over free trade unions.

May 15. Confiscation of property of Social-Democratic Party and Reichsbanner.

May 17. Session of Reichstag.

June 22. Government dissolved Social-Democratic Party.

June 27. Herr Hugenberg resigned from Government. German Nationalist Front dissolved itself. Bavarian People's Party and German People's Party dissolved themselves on July 4 and Centre Party did so next day.

Sept. 21-Dec. 23. Trial of Van der Lubbe, Herr Torgler and three Bulgarians for causing Reichstag fire; Van der Lubbe condemned

to death, the others acquitted but not released.

Nov. 12. Reichstag election. 87.8 per cent. of electorate voted for Government.

See also under Austria, March 18, seqq.; Disarmament; League of Nations, Oct. 21; Inter-Governmental Debts, July 14; Permanent Court of International Justice, Feb. 4; Poland, Feb. 1, Feb. 4, Oct. 27; Saar; Security, March 18; World Economic Conference.

Great Britain. See under Austria, Jan. 8, Jan. 12, Aug. 7, Aug. 30; Bolivla, Feb. 25; China, Feb. 8, Feb. 27; Disarmament; Germany (a), Feb. 7; (b), May 5; Greece, Nov. 16; Hungary, March 13; India; Inter-Governmental Debts, July 14; Jugoslavia; Mascat; Persia, Jan. 24, Feb. 17; Rumania, Aug. 15; Security, March 18; U.S.S.R., March 11; World Economic Conference.

Greece

1933, Jan. 13. M. Tsaldaris's Government resigned. Jan. 16, M. Venizelos formed a Government.

Jan. 18. It was announced that Greek Government had transferred 30 per cent. of interest service of external loans to International

Financial Commission.

March 5. Popular Party gained majority over Venizelists in general election. March 6, General Plastiras attempted to declare a dictatorship but was compelled to hand over office to General Othonaias. March 10, M. Tsaldaris took office.

May 12. Ratifications exchanged with Spain of arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement treaty of Jan. 23, 1930 (L.N.T.S.,

139).

Sept. 11-15. M. Tsaldaris and the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and National Economy visited Ankara. Sept. 14, friendship and cooperation pact signed with Turkey (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 407-8).

Nov. 16. Agreement effected between Greek Government Council of Foreign Bondholders and League Loans Committee (The Times,

Nov. 17, 1933).

Dec. 9. Agreement signed with Turkey winding up Mixed Commission for the Exchange of Populations (Messager d'Athènes, Dec. 12, 1933).

See also under Denmark, April 15; France, May 23; Inter-Governmental Debts, May 10.

Guatemala

1933, Jan. 23. Frontier agreement signed with Honduras (L.N.T.S., 137). Oct. 12. League Council agreed to Guatemalan request that an expert should be sent to reorganize fiscal system.

See also under League of Nations, Sept. 25.

Haiti

Aug. 7. Treaty signed with U.S.A. regarding 'Haitianization' of services, evacuation of troops and financial questions (U.S.E.A., No. 46, 1933).

Honduras. See under Guatemala, Jan. 23.

Hungary

1933, March 13. It was announced that a new standstill agreement to remain in force till Feb. 1, 1934, had been effected with American, British and Swiss bankers' committees.

June 13. Ratifications exchanged with Italy of conventions of Nov. 12, 1932, regarding liquidation of Hungarian property and Mixed Arbitral Tribunal.

Hungary: cont.

Oct. 22. Protocol signed with Turkey prolonging arbitration and neutrality treaty of Jan. 5, 1929, for five years.

Nov. 2. Agreement reached regarding extension of Central Banks' rediscount credit of 1931 for three years as from Oct. 18.

See also under Austria, Jan. 8; Czechoslovakia, April 8, May 9; Inter-Governmental Debts, June 15, Dec. 15.

India

1933, March 17. British Government issued White Paper on constitutional reforms (Cmd. 4268). May 16-Nov. 17, Joint Select Committee on Indian Constitutional Reform met in London.

See also under Persia, Feb. 17; World Economic Conference, June 12.

Inter-Governmental Debts

1933, Jan. 20. Conference at the White House between President Hoover and President-Elect Roosevelt. It was decided to invite a British representative to U.S.A. to discuss war debts (Communiqué, U.S.P.R., Jan. 21, 1933).

Jan. 24. U.S. Government announced that Czechoslovakia, Italy and Lithuania had been invited to take part in discussions. Finland, Latvia and Rumania received invitations a few days later.

Jan. 24. Speech on war debts by Mr. Chamberlain at Leeds.

Jan. 25. British Government accepted U.S. invitation to discussions (U.S.P.R., Jan. 28, 1933). Jan. 29, conversation between Mr. Roosevelt and Sir R. Lindsay, British Ambassador in U.S.A. Jan. 31, Sir R. Lindsay left for England to discuss war debts.

Feb. I. Speech by Mr. Chamberlain to American journalists. Feb. 13. Statement by Mr. MacDonald in House of Commons.

Feb. 20, Sir R. Lindsay returned to New York and had further conversations with Mr. Roosevelt.

Feb. 21. Conversation in Washington between Mr. Roosevelt and the French Ambassador.

Feb. 27. Conversations between Mr. Cordell Hull and British and French Ambassadors.

March 24. Conversations began between British Ambassador and

Mr. Hull as Secretary of State.

April-May. Conversations on economic problems between representatives of U.S.A. and other states taking part in World Economic Conference. April 25, Roosevelt-MacDonald statement issued regarding war debts (U.S.P.R., April 1933). See also under World Economic Conference.

May 10. Greece failed to pay debt instalment to U.S.A.

May 11. French Government decided to ask Chamber of Deputies to authorize payment of Dec. 15 instalment if U.S.A. would agree to world debt moratorium during World Economic Conference and negotiations for final settlement. May 12, French Ambassador made this proposal to President Roosevelt, who rejected it. June 9. U.S. Government notified Great Britain that debt payment Inter-Governmental Debts: cont.

was due. June 13, British note proposing token payment. June 14, U.S. reply and statement issued in Washington. Mr. Chamberlain made statement in House of Commons regarding token payment of \$10,000,000, in silver (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 120-8).

June 15. Belgium, Estonia, France, Hungary, Jugoslavia and Poland failed to make debt payments to U.S.A. Czechoslovakia, Great Britain, Italy, Latvia and Rumania made partial or token payments. Finland paid in full (Correspondence, U.S.P.R., June 17 and 24, 1933).

July 14. Germany notified Belgium that payments could no longer be transferred under agreement of July 13, 1929, regarding German marks in Belgium. Oct. , agreement reached for payment in goods.

Oct. 5. Preliminary conversations began between British and U.S. representatives. Oct. 10-26, further conversations. President Roosevelt met British representatives on Nov. 1 and 4 without reaching an agreement. Nov. 6, exchange of notes (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 128-30). Nov. 7, U.S. statement issued noting British proposal for token payment in U.S. currency (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 130).

Dec. 9/12. Exchange of notes between Italy and U.S.A. regarding token payment.

Dec. 15. Belgium, France, Estonia, Poland and Hungary failed to make debt payments to U.S.A. Czechoslovakia, Great Britain, Italy, Latvia, and Rumania made partial or token payments. Finland paid in full (Correspondence U.S.P.R., Dec. 16, 1933).

Dec. 17. Jugoslavia issued communiqué regarding adherence to British proposal for prolonging Lausanne moratorium of 1932 till June 15, 1934.

'Iraq

1933, July 3. Frontier delimitation agreement reached with Syria at Geneva.

July 21. Bands of Assyrians crossed from 'Iraq into Syrian territory. July 31, Assyrian Patriarch appealed to League of Nations. Aug. 4-5, fighting took place between Assyrians and 'Iraqı troops on Syrian frontier. Aug. 6, 'Irāqī Government protested to League regarding action of Assyrians and of French authorities in Syria. Aug. 17, Patriarch appealed to League regarding alleged massacre. Aug. 18, Patriarch deported and deprived of 'Iraqi nationality. Aug. 31, League Committee of Three considered 'Iraqi petition. Sept. 15, French statement made to League regarding 'Iraqi protest. Sept. 22 and Oct. 14, League Council discussed question and set up Committee to arrange for settlement of Assyrians outside 'Iraq.

Sept. 8. Death of King Faysal, who was succeeded by his son the Amir Ghazi.

Irish Free State. See under League of Nations, Sept. 25.

Italy

1933, Jan. 3. Italian and Turkish Governments informed Permanent Court of International Justice that they wished to terminate proceedings taken under the arbitration agreement of May 30, 1929, regarding delimitation of territorial waters between Castellorizo and the Anatolian coast. Jan. 26, Court made order terminating proceedings (P.C.I.J., Series A/B, No. 51).

Jan. 7. Exchange of notes with Rumania prolonging friendship treaty of Sept. 9, 1926, till July 18. July 17, exchange of notes

prolonging treaty till Jan. 18, 1934.

April 29. Exchange of notes with Salvador extending friendship treaty of Oct. 27, 1860, till Dec. 31. Dec. 23, exchange of notes regarding further prolongation.

Sept. 2. Pact of friendship, non-aggression and neutrality signed with U.S.S.R. Ratifications exchanged Dec. 15 (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 233-6). Oct. 20. Ratifications exchanged with Luxembourg of conciliation

and judicial settlement treaty of April 15, 1932.

Nov. 8-14. Assembly of National Council of Corporations. Nov. 14, speech by Signor Mussolini on foreign policy, the League of Nations, the development of the Corporate State and the abolition of the

Chamber of Deputies.

See also under Austria, Jan. 8, Jan. 12, April 11, June 2, Aug. 5, Aug. 19; Costa Rica; Disarmament; Europe, Sept. 29; France, Jan. 3; Germany (b), April 9, May 19, May 29, June 28, Nov. 6, Dec. 12; Hungary, June 13; Inter-Governmental Debts, Jan. 24, June 12, June 15, Dec. 9/12; Security, March 18, Oct. 12; World Economic Conference.

Japan

1933, April 8. 'Manchukuo' authorities broke off goods traffic from Chinese Eastern Railway to Trans-Baikal Line at Manchuli because of withdrawal of rolling stock to Soviet lines. April 16, Soviet Government made protest to Japanese Government regarding interference with the C.E.R. May 2, M. Litvinov offered to sell C.E.R. to Japanese Government. May 8, it was made known that French Ambassadors in Moscow and Tokyo had made representations regarding French financial interests in C.E.R. May 11, Soviet statement issued about proposed sale. May 15, Chinese note of protest to Soviet Government. May 23, Japanese Government decided to advise 'Manchukuo' to negotiate for purchase of C.E.R. May 26, Japanese reply to Soviet protest of April 16. May 31, Soviet counter-reply followed by other protests. June 1, goods traffic over Manchurian frontier broken off at Pogranichnaya. June 26, negotiations for sale of C.E.R. opened at Tokyo but were discontinued in October. Sept. 22, Soviet protest to Japanese Government regarding alleged plot for seizure of C.E.R. Sept. 24, Soviet officials of C.E.R. arrested. Oct. 8, Soviet Government published alleged Japanese official documents regarding plot. Oct. 9, Japanese Government denied allegations. Nov. 6, conversation on outstanding questions between Japanese Foreign

Japan: cont.

Minister, Mr. Hirota and Soviet Ambassador in Tokyo. Nov. 10, Mr. Hirota proposed demilitarization of Manchurian-Siberian frontier. April 19. Arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement treaty

signed with the Netherlands (S., No. 610, 1933).

Sept. 14. Mr. Hirota, formerly Ambassador in Moscow, succeeded Count Uchida as Foreign Minister.

See also under China, Jan. 3, Jan. 16, Feb. 22, Feb. 27, March 30, Nov. 3; World Economic Conference.

Jugoslavia

1933, March 9. French bondholders and Jugoslav Government signed agreement for three years' moratorium. Oct. 24, it was stated that the (British) Council of Foreign Bondholders had approved a similar agreement.

Nov. 27. Treaty signed with Turkey regarding friendship, nonaggression, arbitration, conciliation, and judicial settlement (E.N.

Jan. 13, 1934).

See also under Austria, Jan. 8; Bulgaria, Oct. 3; Inter-Governmental Debts, June 15, Dec. 17; Little Entente; Security, March 18, July 3.

Latvia. See under Czechoslovakia, Oct. 11; Inter-Governmental Debts, Jan. 24, June 15, Dec. 15.

League of Nations

1933, Jan. 10-25. International Labour Organization held Preparatory Conference on Reduction of Hours of Work.

Jan. 24-Feb. 3. Seventieth session of Council,

Jan. 30. Meeting of Committee on system of elections to Council. May 16-19, Committee met again and drew up report.

Feb. 21-24. Special session of Assembly met to consider Sino-Japanese dispute.

Feb. 21-March 18. Seventy-first session of Council.

March 27. Japan gave preliminary notice of withdrawal (D.I.A., 1932, pp. 396-8).

May 15 and 20. Seventy-second (extraordinary) session of Council on Bolivian-Paraguayan dispute.

May 22-June 6. Seventy-third session of Council.

June 8-30. Seventeenth session of International Labour Conference. Draft conventions were adopted regarding insurance and the abolition of fee-charging employment agencies.

June 19-July 1. Twenty-third session of Permanent Mandates Commission.

July 1. M. Joseph Avenol succeeded Sir Eric Drummond as Secretary-General.

July 3. Seventy-fourth (extraordinary) session of Council on Bolivian-

Paraguayan dispute. July 10-11. First meeting of International Relief Union at Geneva. Aug. 3. Seventy-fifth (extraordinary) session of Council on Bolivian-Paraguayan dispute.

League of Nations: cont.

Sept. 22-9. Seventy-sixth session of Council.

Sept. 25-Oct. 9. Fourteenth ordinary session of Assembly. Argentina returned to membership. Assembly approved creation of nonpermanent Council seat for 1933-6. Argentina, Australia, and Denmark elected to succeed Guatemala, Irish Free State and Norway on Council, and Portugal elected to new seat. Oct. 11, Convention opened for signature regarding suppression of traffic in women of full age.

Oct. 4-12. Seventy-seventh session of Council.

Oct. 21. Germany's preliminary notice of withdrawal from the League received.

Oct. 23-Nov. 4. Twenty-fourth session of Permanent Mandates Commission.

Oct. 26-8. Inter-Governmental Conference for Refugees. Oct. 31, convention on Russian, Armenian, Syrian, Assyro-Chaldean and Turkish refugees signed by France and Belgium.

See also under Austria, Jan. 8, Jan. 12; Bolivia; Bulgaria, April 6; China, Jan. 16, June 28; Colombia; Danzig, March 13, Nov. 2; Disarmament; Germany (b), May 26, Oct. 11, Nov. 12; Greece, Nov. 16; Guatemala, Oct. 12; 'Iraq, July 3, July 31; Italy, Nov. 8; Persia, Jan. 24; Poland, Feb. 1; Rumania, Jan. 28; Saar; World

Economic Conference.

Liechtenstein. See under Abyssinia.

Lithuania

1933, July 5. Non-aggression pact signed with U.S.S.R. Ratifications exchanged Dec. 14.

See also under Inter-Governmental Debts, Jan. 24.

Little Entente

1933, Feb. 14-15. Conference of Little Entente Foreign Ministers at Geneva. Feb. 16, statute signed providing for common foreign policy and permanent council and secretariat. March 1, statement by Dr. Benes to Foreign Affairs Committees of Czechoslovak parliament (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 415-23). May 30-June 1, Council met in Prague and decided to set up Permanent Economic Council. Sept. 24-7, Council met at Sinaia. See also under Austria, Jan. 8; Security, March 18, July 3.

Luxembourg

1933, June 23/27. Exchange of notes with Portugal setting up conciliation commission.

Oct. 2. Ratifications exchanged with Norway of arbitration treaty of Feb. 12, 1932. Came into force same day (Ov.F.S., No. 8, 1933). See also under Italy, Oct. 20.

Manchukuo. See under China; Japan.

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Mascat

1932, Oct. 27. South Africa (Natal, Orange Free State and Transyaal) withdrew from friendship treaty of March 19, 1891, between Great Britain and Mascat. 1933, Feb. 11, exchange of notes with Great Britain prolonging treaty for a year (L.N.T.S. 138).

Mexico

1933, Feb. 4. Mexico recognized Nicaraguan Government.

May 22, Agreement signed renewing diplomatic relations with Peru (Temps, May 28, 1933).

See also under Cuba, Sept. 8; Security, Oct. 10; World Economic Conference.

Monetary and Economic Conference see World Economic Conference.

Netherlands

1933, Jan. 27. Ratifications exchanged with Spain of arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement treaty of March 30, 1931 (S., No. 42, 1933).

March 12. Friendship and commerce treaty signed with Yaman

(S., No. 643, 1933).

March 23. Arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement treaty

signed with Norway (S., No. 23, 1934).

April 5. Arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement treaty signed with Venezuela. Ratifications exchanged and came into force Dec. 19 (S., No. 819, 1933).

Nov. 4. Ratifications exchanged with Turkey of arbitration and conciliation treaty of April 16, 1932 (S., No. 631, 1933).

See also under China, Feb. 8, April 17; Germany (a), Nov. 7; Japan, April 19.

New Zealand. See under World Economic Conference, June 12.

Nicaragua

1933, Jan. 1. Dr. Juan Sacasa and Dr. Rodolfo Espinoza inaugurated as President and Vice-President. Jan. 2, withdrawal of United States marines completed (Text of U.S. Communiqué, U.S.P.R. Jan. 7, 1933).

See also under Mexico, Feb. 4.

Norway

1933, July 4/8. Exchange of notes with Portugal setting up conciliation

commission. See also under China, Feb. 8; Denmark, April 5; League of Nations, Sept. 25; Luxembourg, Oct. 2; Netherlands, March 23; World Economic Conference, April 29.

Palestine

1933, Oct. 27. Disturbances caused by Arabs in Jaffa, Jerusalem and Nablus. Rioting at Haifa on Oct. 28 and at Jerusalem on Oct. 29.

Paraguay. See under Bolivia; Permanent Court of International Justice, Feb. 4; Security, Oct. 10.

Permanent Court of International Justice

1932, Oct. 14-1933, April 5. Twenty-sixth (extraordinary) session held. 1933, Feb. 1-April 19. Twenty-seventh (ordinary) session held.

Feb. 4. Ratification of the protocol of signature of the Statute of the Court was deposited by Dominican Republic on Feb. 4 and by Paraguay on May 11. Germany renewed previous signature of optional clause of Statute on Feb. 9. Ratifications of this clause were deposited by Dominican Republic on Feb. 4, by Germany on July 5, and by Paraguay on May 11.

May 10-16. Twenty-eighth (extraordinary) session held. July 10-29. Twenty-ninth (extraordinary) session held. Oct. 20. Thirtieth (extraordinary) session opened.

See also under Czechoslovakia, April 8, May 9; Denmark, April 5; France, May 23; Italy, Jan. 3; Poland, Feb. 1, Feb. 4, Oct. 27.

Persia

1933, Jan. 24 and 26. League Council considered Anglo-Persian Oil Company dispute. Feb. 2, provisional agreement reached between Great Britain and Persia after mediation by Dr. Beneš. Feb. 3, League Council approved report of settlement. April 30, agreement signed between Persian Government and Anglo-Persian Oil Company regarding new concession (The Times, June 1, 1933). May 26, League Council took note of settlement.

Feb. 17. Agreement signed with Great Britain and India on withdrawal of Indo-European Telegraph Department from Persia

(Cmd. 4275).

See also under Finland, Feb. 21; Security, July 3.

Peru

1933, April 30. President Sanchez Cerro assassinated. General Don Oscar Benavides succeeded him.

See also under Bolivia, May 13, July 26; Colombia; Cuba, Oct. 11; Mexico; World Economic Conference, June 12.

Poland

1933, Feb. 1. League Council considered question of application of agrarian reform to German minority in Poznán and Pomorze. July 3, German Government filed application with Permanent Court and requested interim measures of protection. July 29, Court made order dismissing request (P.C.I.J., Series A/B, No. 58).

Feb. 4. Permanent Court made orders on Feb. 4, May 11 and July 4 in the case of the Prince of Pless (P.C.I.J., Series A/B, Nos. 52, 54

and 57).

May 8. Professor Moscicki re-elected President.

June 9. Ratifications exchanged with U.S.A. of friendship, commerce and consular rights treaty of June 15, 1931 (L.N.T.S. 139).

Oct. 27. German Government informed Permanent Court that they wished to withdraw proceedings in the cases regarding agrarian reform and the Prince of Pless. Dec. 2, Court made order terminating case (P.C.I.J., Series A/B, Nos. 59, 60).

Poland: cont.

See also under Brazil, Jan. 27; Danzig; Germany (b), May 3, Nov. 15; Inter-Governmental Debts, June 15, Dec. 15; Security, March 18, July 3.

Portugal

1933, April 12. New constitution came into force, establishing corporate State.

Dec. 18. Ratifications exchanged with Sweden of arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement convention of Dec. 6, 1932 (S.Ö.F.M., No. 34, 1933).

See also under League of Nations, Sept. 25; Luxembourg, June 23/27; Norway.

Reparations. See under Germany (b); Inter-Governmental Debts.

Rumania

1933, Jan. 12. Dr. Maniu's Government resigned. Jan. 14, Dr. Vaida-Voevod formed a Government.

Jan. 28. Agreement concluded regarding technical advisory cooperation of League of Nations in financial matters. May 18, Rumania deposited ratification (L.N.T.S. 138).

March 24. Arrest of M. Seletzski, representative in Rumania of Skoda works of Czechoslavakia, on charges of espionage. Aug. 16, M. Seletzski sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

June 23. Conversation between MM. Litvinov and Titulescu. They were reported to have discussed the Bessarabian question.

Aug. 15. Transfer suspended of all Government debt, autonomous funds and public commercial monopolies. Protests were made on Aug. 18 by Great Britain and on Aug. 19 by France. Oct. 1, Rumanian Financial Minister issued statement (F.N. Oct. 3, 1933). Oct. 26, agreement reached with bondholders, associations.

Oct. 17. Treaty of friendship, non-aggression, arbitration and con-

ciliation signed with Turkey (T.I. Nov. 1933).

Nov. 12. Dr. Vaida-Voevod's Government resigned. Nov. 14, M. Duca formed a Liberal Government. Dec. 9, 'Iron Guard' (Fascists) dissolved. Dec. 20, Liberal Party successful in General Election. Dec. 29, M. Duca assassinated by a member of the Iron Guard.

See also under Austria, Jan. 8; Inter-Governmental Debts, June 15, Dec. 15; Italy, Jan. 7; Little Entente; Security, March 18, July 3.

Saar

1933, May 20. Governing Commission issued decree prohibiting political meetings and demonstrations. May 27, League Council adopted resolution regarding position of officials after plebiscite under German civil service law of April 7, 1933. July 20, proclamation issued regarding holding of plebiscite in 1935 (Temps, July 22, 1933). July 22, three inhabitants of Saar kidnapped by German Nazis and imprisoned. Representations were made to the German Government by the Governing Commission on July 25 and by the

Saar: cont.

French Ambassador on Aug. 2. Aug. 7, release of kidnapped persons. Oct. 17, decree issued prohibiting wearing of political uniforms and badges. Nov. 2, decree issued to prevent Nazis from influencing officials and intimidating the population. Nov. 13, decree issued restricting entry of Germans from Reich.

Salvador. See under Italy, April 29.

Sa'ūdī Arabia

1933, April 3. Messages of recognition exchanged with Transjordan.
July 27, friendship and bon voisinage treaty and arbitration protocol with exchange of notes concluded at Amman. Ratifications
exchanged of treaty in December.

Nov. 7. Provisional agreement signed with U.S.A. regarding diplomatic and consular representation, juridical protection, commerce

and navigation (U.S.E.A. No. 53).

Security

1933, March 18-20.1 Conversations in Rome between Mr. MacDonald, Sir J. Simon and Signor Mussolini regarding Italian proposal for Four-Power Pact. March 19, statement issued (The Times, March 20, 1933). March 21, Franco-British conversations in Paris (Text of statement, The Times, March 22, 1933). March 23, statement by Mr. MacDonald in House of Commons (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 250-1). March 25, Little Entente Council issued statement. March 26, revised Italian draft put forward. March 30, Belgian memorandum to French Government. April 14, French reply (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 257-60). April 1, British draft of pact drawn up. April 6, statement by M. Daladier in Chamber of Deputies (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 252-5). April 12, French draft and memorandum presented to British and Italian Governments (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 255-7). April 13, statement by Sir J. Simon in House of Commons. April 24, amendments proposed by Germany. April 25, statement by Dr. Beneš in Czechoslovak Parliament. May 21, provisional agreement reached between all four Powers on new draft of pact. May 24-6, Debate on pact in French Chamber and Senate Foreign Affairs Committee. French counter proposals published unofficially (The Times, May 27, 1933). May 26, statement in House of Commons by Sir J. Simon. May 27, British proposals presented to France. May 30, Little Entente Council accepted revised pact (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 261-3). June 7, final draft of pact initialled. M. Paul-Boncour gave Little Entente Governments assurances as to treaty revision (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 263-5). June 9, French declaration to Poland and Polish statement made (Temps, June 11, 1933 and D.I.A., 1933, pp. 265-7). July 15, pact signed (Cmd. 4342).

July 3. Eight-power convention on definition of aggression signed in London by Afghanistan, Estonia, Latvia, Persia, Poland, Rumania,

¹ For synoptic table of British, French and Italian drafts, German amendments and final text, see D.I.A., 1933, pp. 240-9.

Security: cont.

Turkey and U.S.S.R. Finland adhered on July 22 and ratifications were deposited by Poland, Rumania and U.S.S.R. on Oct. 16, by Persia on Nov. 16 and also by Afghanistan. July 4, a similar convention was signed by Czechoslovakia, Jugoslavia, Rumania, Turkey and U.S.S.R. (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 230-3).

Oct. 10. Anti-war pact signed at Rio de Janeiro by Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Paraguay and Uruguay. Dec. 11, it was announced that Italy would adhere to the pact (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 475–80).

See also under Disarmament.

Siam. See under China, Jan. 16.

South Africa

1933, March 20. General Hertzog's Government resigned and a Hertzog-Smuts coalition (Nationalist-South African Party) took office. May 17, coalition successful in general election.

See also under Mascat; World Economic Conference, June 12.

Spain

1933, June 2. President signed Bill regarding religious orders.
July 28. Diplomatic relations established with U.S.S.R.

Sept. 8. Señor Azaña's Government resigned. Sept. 12, Señor Lerroux formed a republican coalition Government excluding the Socialists. Oct. 3, Lerroux Government resigned. Oct. 8, Señor Martinez Barrios formed a Government. Oct. 9, Cortes Constituyentes dissolved.

Nov. 5. Basque statute approved by referendum.

Nov. 19. General election resulting in gains for parties of the Right. Dec. 16, Señor Martinez Barrios resigned. Dec. 17, Señor Lerroux formed a Government.

See also under Cuba, Oct. 11; Greece, May 12; Netherlands, Jan. 27; World Economic Conference.

Stresa Conference. See under Europe, Sept. 29.

Sweden

1933, April 18. Ratifications exchanged with Turkey of arbitration, conciliation and judicial settlement treaty of Feb. 19, 1932 (S.Ö.F.M., No. 11, 1933).

See also under Portugal, Dec. 18.

Switzerland

1933, June 1. Protocol signed with Turkey modifying conciliation treaty of Dec. 9, 1928 (F.F. July 19, 1933).

See also under Abyssinia; France, Dec. 15; Germany (a), Nov. 7; Hungary, March 13.

Syria. See under France, Nov. 16; Iraq, July 3, July 21.

Transjordan. See under Sa'ūdī Arabia, April 3.

Turkey

1933, March 28. Protocol signed with U.S.S.R. prolonging frontier disputes convention of Aug. 6, 1928, for six months from its time of expiry.

See also under Bulgaria, Sept. 20; Denmark, Dec. 18; France, May 13; Greece, Sept. 11, Dec. 9; Hungary, Oct. 22; Italy, Jan. 3; Jugoslavia, Nov. 27; Netherlands, Nov. 4; Rumania, Oct. 17; Security, July 3; Sweden; Switzerland.

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
1933, Jan. 1. Beginning of second five-year plan.

March 11. Employees of Metropolitan-Vickers Ltd., including four British subjects, arrested on charges of sabotage. March 14, more arrests, including two British subjects. March 15, statement by Mr. Baldwin in House of Commons. March 17, M. Litvinov told British Ambassador in Moscow that British subjects would be sent for trial. March 20, British Government announced suspension of commercial negotiations. March 31, British Ambassador left Moscow for consultation in London. April 4, British White Paper issued regarding case (Cmd. 4286). April 5-6, Russian Goods (Import Prohibitions) Bill passed (The Times, April 5, 1933). April 12-18, Trial of Metropolitan-Vickers employees, Mr. Macdonald and Mr. Thornton sentenced to imprisonment. April 17, trade agreement expired. April 19, British Government proclaimed embargo against Soviet goods as from April 26. April 21, Soviet Government announced recall of chiefs of trade delegation in London, and on April 22 declared embargo against British trade. June 26, conversations began between Sir J. Simon and M. Litvinov. July 1, Mr. Thornton and Mr. Macdonald were released and both Governments withdrew embargoes.

Oct. 10. President Roosevelt asked M. Kalinin to send representative to U.S.A. for negotiations with a view to recognition. Oct. 17, Soviet Government accepted invitation. Nov. 7, M. Litvinov arrived in U.S.A. Nov. 16, exchange of notes effecting recognition (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 460-72). Nov. 17, Mr. W. C. Bullitt appointed U.S. Ambassador in Moscow. Nov. 19, Mr. Troyanovsky appointed

Soviet Ambassador in Washington.

Dec. 28. Speech on foreign affairs by M. Molotov to Central Executive Committee. Dec. 29, speech on foreign affairs by M. Litvinov

(D.I.A., 1933, pp. 425-42).

See also under China, Jan. 16, May 2; Disarmament; France, Feb. 15, Sept. 15; Germany (b), April 1, May 5; Italy, Sept. 2; Japan, April 8; Lithuania; Rumania, June 23; Security, July 3; Spain, July 28; Turkey; Wheat.

United States of America

1933, Jan. 13. President Hoover vetoed Philippine Independence Bill (Text of message to Congress, New York Times, Jan. 14, 1933). Jan. 13 and 17, House of Representatives and Senate voted to override veto of Bill which became law.

United States of America: cont.

Feb. 6. Twentieth amendment to constitution prohibiting 'Lame Duck' sessions of Congress became law.

Feb. 14. Bank holiday declared in Michigan; by March 3 all banks in the country were closed or under restrictions.

March 4. Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt took office as President (Text of inaugural address, The Times, March 6, 1933).

March 5. National bank holiday declared; President Roosevelt broadcast speech. March 6, Meeting of State Governors at White House to discuss relief and banking situation.

March 9. Extraordinary session of 73rd Congress opened, emergency banking legislation was passed and President empowered to suspend free export of gold.

April 5. President Roosevelt issued executive order to restrict hoarding and export of gold (N.Y.T. April 6, 1933.)

April 12. President made speech on Pan-America Day regarding good neighbour' policy of the U.S.A. (U.S.P.R. April 15, 1933).

April 20. Executive order issued forbidding export of gold not already earmarked.

May 12. Farm Relief Bill including 'Thomas' Bill for controlled inflation became law (Text of 'Thomas' Bill, F.N. May 29, 1933).

June 5. Resolution of Congress became law repealing gold clause in

public and private obligations (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 134-5).

June 16. Session of Congress ended. 'Glass-Steagall' Banking Bill and National Industrial Recovery Bill became law.

Aug. 29. Executive orders issued regarding sale, export and hoarding of gold (N.Y.T. Aug. 30, 1933).

Dec. 5. Twenty-first amendment to constitution became law repealing Eighteenth Amendment (Prohibition).

Dec. 21. Proclamation issued regarding purchase of silver (N.Y.T. Dec. 22, 1933).

Dec. 28. Speech by President Roosevelt on foreign policy.

See also under China, Jan. 16, Feb. 8, June 4; Colombia, Jan. 23,

Feb. 27; Conferences, International, Nov. 9; Cuba; Disarmament;

Haiti; Hungary, March 13; Inter-Governmental Debts; Nicaragua;

Poland, June 9; Sa'ūdī Arabia, Nov. 7; U.S.S.R., Oct. 10; Wheat;

World Economic Conference.

Uruguay. See under Bolivia, May 13, Dec. 8; Egypt; Security, Oct. 10.

Vatican. See under Austria, June 2; Germany (b), March 11, June 28.

Venezuela. See under Brazil, March 21/23; Denmark, Dec. 19; Netherlands, April 5.

Wheat

1933, May 10-17. Conversations between representatives of Argentina,
Australia, Canada and U.S.A. May 31, further meetings began.
July 5, agreement reached on principle of restricting production.
July 7, conversations began with European wheat-exporting
countries. U.S.S.R. joined conference on July 14 and European

Wheat: cont,

importing countries did so on July 18. July 27, conference adjourned till Aug. 21. Aug. 25, agreement signed (D.I.A. pp. 111-15). See also under Europe.

World Economic Conference

1933, Jan. 9-19. Preparatory Commission of Experts drew up draft annotated agenda for Conference (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 4-43). Jan. 25, meeting of Organizing Committee appointed by League Council.

April 6. President Roosevelt invited Mr. MacDonald to Washington to discuss preparations for Conference. April 8, U.S. State Department announced that invitations had also been sent to Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and Mexico. April 11, invitations sent to diplomatic representatives in Washington of other States taking part in Conference (U.S.P.R.

April 8 and 15, 1933).

April 21-6. Mr. MacDonald visited Washington for conversations with President Roosevelt (statements U.S.P.R. April 29, 1933). April 23-8, M. Herriot visited Washington (statement U.S.P.R. April 29, 1933). April 24-8, Canadian representatives visited Washington (statement U.S.P.R. May 6, 1933). May 2-6, Argentinian and Italian representatives visited Washington (statements U.S.P.R. May 13, 1933). May 5-12, Dr. Schacht and other German representatives visited Washington (statement F.N. May 13, 1933). May 6-19, Chinese representatives visited Washington (statement U.S.P.R. May 20, 1933). May 11-18, Mexican representatives visited Washington (statement U.S.P.R. May 20, 1933). May 18-25, Brazilian representatives visited Washington (statement U.S.P.R. May 27, 1933). May 23-7, Japanese representatives visited Washington (statement U.S.P.R. June 3, 1933). June 3, statement issued regarding conversations with Chilean representatives (U.S.P.R. June 3, 1933).

April 29. League Council Organizing Committee decided to convene Conference in London on June 12th. May 12, Tariff Truce proposal adopted by Organizing Committee representing Governments of Belgium, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Norway and U.S.A. May 24, League Council invited other States to join

truce. Forty-six had done so up to July 1.

June 12. World Economic Conference opened. June 15, Economic Commission and Monetary and Financial Commission set up. It was reported that British, French and American Central Banks had reached agreement on currency stabilization. June 17, President Roosevelt rejected banks' currency proposal. Mr. Hull made proposal regarding 10 per cent. horizontal cut in tariffs. June 19, Senator Pittman introduced currency stabilization resolution. June 22, American statement issued rejecting temporary stabilization (U.S.P.R. June 24, 1933). June 30, draft joint declaration by countries on the gold standard and off the gold standard presented to President Roosevelt and rejected by him in statement of July 1 (D.I.A., 1933, p. 43.). July 3, further statement by President

World Economic Conference: cont.

Roosevelt (D.I.A., pp. 43–5). July 5, U.S. delegation issued new statement. July 6, Bureau adopted resolution on work of sub-committees. July 26, agreement regarding silver signed by Australia, Canada, China, India, Mexico, Peru, Spain and U.S.A. (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 108–11). July 27, declaration of Empire monetary and economic policy signed by Australia, Canada, Great Britain, India, New Zealand and South Africa (D.I.A., 1933, pp. 115–18). July 27, plenary session and adjournment of Conference (Reports and resolution D.I.A. pp. 45–108).

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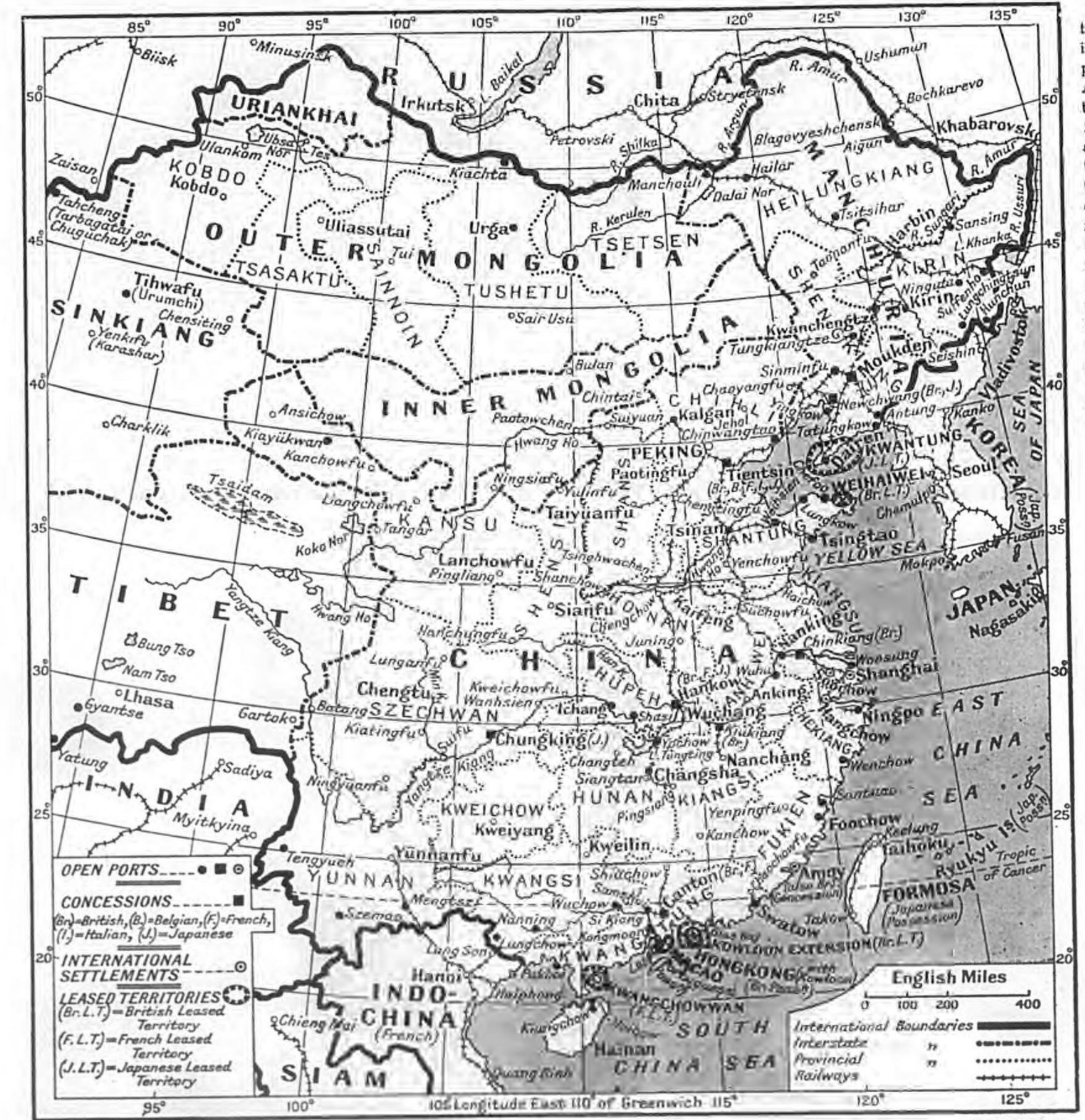
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