

FINANCES FRANCAISES.

Chronique de quinzaine de M. Poincaré.

M. Raymond Poincaré, dans sa chronique de quinzaine de la "Revue des Deux Mondes" sur la situation financière de la France, parle d'une façon optimiste de l'avenir des exportations. Il insiste sur la nécessité de secouer la torpeur industrielle et d'un ravitaillement suffisant en combustible pour les industries de la nation.

M. Poincaré parle surtout du succès qui ont remporté les moyens empruntés par l'Allemagne, même avant le commencement des troubles dans la région de la Ruhr, pour diminuer l'expédition de charbon et apporter des aides, surtout la Grande-Bretagne et les Etats-Unis, sur l'état des industries allemandes.

"Nous ne devons pas passer sous silence," dit l'ancien président, "l'effort que nos amis font pour nous aider, l'Angleterre et en Amérique ces efforts pour tourner l'opinion publique sont regus avec faveur par une grande partie du public, où certaines personnes croient que les familles allemandes meurent d'envie à cause de leurs poches, et que toutes les usines sont fermées. Ces vantes font une certaine impression sur nos alliés."

M. Poincaré explique également

les méthodes employées par les Allemands auprès des fabricants français dans les régions dévastées. Il dit que si on offre de payer les Allemands en marks, ils considèrent ceci comme une insulte; certains insistent pour être payés en francs suisses ou français. La maison Krupp va encore plus loin; elle exige le paiement en francs. Mais, ajoute le président, ce n'est pas tout. Le paiement est exigé en espèce et d'avance, contre de simples déclarations que les marchandises sont en route. De sorte que celles-ci sont expédiées aux risques des acheteurs et dans aucun cas une demande de remboursement n'est admise. Les Allemands refusent de donner des garanties en ce qui concerne la date de livraison, le prix ou la qualité.

Pour terminer, M. Poincaré fait allusion aux événements de la Ruhr comme étant de la "stratégie-médecine" et approuve comme absolument nécessaire l'énergie montrée par les Français dans leur conduite dans cette région.

Les agents du gouvernement fédéral ont saisi 250000 livres de sûre à Omaha, Neb. Autant d'enlevé des mains des spéculateurs.

Le 1er Mai, jour choisi par les radicaux de par le monde pour faire des démonstrations populaires, c'est passé assez calmement. A Paris il y a eu des émeutes où plusieurs personnes ont été tuées et blessées. Aux Etats-Unis il n'y a presque rien eu de sérieux.

Tous certains de tonnes de fruits et de légumes, venant de l'île de Cule, entassées sur les quais de Brooklyn, ont été détruites définitivement. Les décapareurs ont préféré les laisser pourrir que de les mettre sur le marché, crainte de faire baisser leurs prix. Les décapareurs ne perdent rien par leur malencontreuse opération. Ce sont les planificateurs cubains qui perdent.

On vient d'annoncer en France la découverte dans la partie française du Maroc de gisements de phosphates d'une valeur incomparable, dépassant de beaucoup tous les gisements connus, non seulement en quantité, mais surtout en pureté. Les ingénieurs qui ont fait l'étude de ces gisements affirment qu'ils représentent une valeur de quelque milliards de francs.

A PHILIPPINE TRAVELOGUE

THE ROMANTIC ISLANDS OF THE FAR EAST. PICTURES OF THEIR NATURAL BEAUTY AND HISTORIC SPOTS—BECOMING A MECCA FOR TOURISTS AND A POPULAR WINTER RESORT.



The Zigzag on the Way to Baguio, Summer Capital of the Philippines.

All aboard! Let's go! We're starting from Manila, the great picturesque, Americanized Oriental city, and will travel by automobile 200 miles to the north to Baguio, the summer capital of the Philippines. The trip can also be made by train.

But we have now arrived at Camp One. From this point the scenery rapidly changes as the elevation increases. We are traveling over the famous Benguet road, the construction of which through the mountains is a most remarkable engineering triumph. At places the road is blasted out of the solid granite. Riding on the edge of a 100 foot precipice makes one feel like

The first part of the trip is through typical small towns and then across the central plain of Luzon and through several rich and fertile provinces, where tropical vegetation is seen at its best. Here one is impressed with the great agricultural wealth of the Philippines, which represents one of the East's greatest producing areas, with the advantage of immense natural resources for the development of further production. It is regrettable that even in the United States there is far from any real understanding of the potentialities of the islands.

At some points rice fields, looking in the distance like the greenest of green lawns, stretch away as far as the eye can see. If you want color, if you want to feel the romance and mystery of an Oriental twilight, pass this way as the red eyed sun at the end of the dying day is slowly sinking behind the unending expanse of green fields. At first you cry out in ecstasy at the gorgeous scene. But as you ride along, your eyes fastened on the panorama of tints and colors, and with the impenetrably black Oriental night coming on fast, you become enthralled. You no longer try to express your feelings. You cannot. You realize that those now fast changing, colorful masterpieces in the heavens and in the landscape are pictures that no man can adequately describe nor human hands duplicate. So what's the use of trying!

True, these are but impressions, but the traveler considers himself justified in mentioning them, for they are a part of the trip to Baguio and return. Indeed, the gorgeous scenes in all parts of the Philippines leave an impression on the mind of the tourist that is everlasting.

We leave the palms and tropical foliage and enter the zone of rugged pine. We pass from the soft, incense laden air of the warm lowlands to the crisp, invigorating ozone of the temperate zone, all within a few hours' time.

For mile after mile the road now follows the tortuous course of a river, the road lying in the bottom or on the rocky sides of a granite canyon.

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LE TRAITE ET LES ETATS-UNIS.

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Sagesse réciproque, modération, équilibre.

Quant à la France elle-même, son devoir est tout tracé. Notre grosses affaires sont désormais la reconstruction, la restauration, en un mot tout ce qui peut consolider, dans l'unité, la confiance en nous, et par conséquent le crédit. D'abord, des budgets sains; en conséquence, la rentrée exacte et abondante des impôts. Que la Chambre se hâte! Elle bat les buissons, elle pend son temps. Déjà on commence à se demander si elle vaudra mieux, ou si, au contraire, ses dévancières, si demain, les statistiques officielles établissent que nous payons, sans trop de difficultés, nos vingt milliards d'impôts tout en faisant de sérieuses économies, dans les services publics, ou se tournerait vers un pays qui apporterait de telles révenues de son autorité suin-médecine de sa vitalité. Nous abandonnons le marché des affaires internationales, non plus avec des paroles, mais avec des actes.

Le développement méthodique de nos cultures, la rapide organisation de nos forces hydrauliques, un bon système d'échange de combustibles avec nos voisins, avec nos plus proches voisins: Espagne, Italie, Suisse, Belgique, Allemagne, de nos solutions particulières aux crises de travail par des arbitrages judiciaires, la répression de la spéculation, l'exemple de l'économie et de l'épargne venir de haut, la reconstruction méthodique et rapide des régions dévastées, tout cela donnerait au dehors l'impression que la France "fara de soi". De grands progrès sont déjà accomplis après une période d'atonie, suite du système de tout reporter au lendemain. Pas de lendemain: il s'agit d'aujourd'hui.

Si la France, si nos nouvelles générations, françaises, pleines d'ardeur, de dévouement, d'esprit de sacrifice et d'initiative, donnent cet exemple, alors les adhésions viendront vers elles et les traités seront non pas révisés (car cela, c'est encore des phrases), mais ratifiés par la plus puissante de toutes les sanctions, celle de l'opinion universelle, qui confirmera les actes de la France dans la paix, comme elle s'est associée aux actes de la France dans la guerre; car le but reste le même et l'Amérique ne peut s'en détacher: sauver le monde par la liberté.

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