

## TROOPS FROM GALLIPOLI TO AID SERBIANS?

## ITALY PLANS A GREATER PARTICIPATION IN WAR

Premier Salandra Lays New Plans of Campaign Before King Victor and Italian Chief of Staff.

Udine, Italy, Oct. 11, via Paris. — Italy's enlarged participation in the war, according to a report current here, is certain and imminent. Premier Salandra, during the course of his recent visit to the Italian front, it is understood, laid before King Victor Emmanuel and General Cadorna, Italian chief of staff, various plans of campaign before the final decision was taken.

London, Oct. 11. — The possible transfer of allied forces from the Gallipoli peninsula to meet the Teutonic advance in Serbia is hinted by the Globe, which says that the government is divided on the subject.

The Globe considers it vital that the Germans plan to link up the central powers with Turkey, he first of all, and that to this end all other considerations must momentarily be subordinated.

Sofia, Oct. 11, via London. — Serbian troops that had been occupying the Albanian towns of Shkoll and Kaya have been withdrawn and are being rushed northward.

Seven divisions of the Serbian army, which had been concentrated along the Bulgarian frontier, also have been hurried to the north to meet the Austro-German offensive.

## STERLING DOWN TO \$4.67 1-2

Foreign Exchange Rates Slump to Lowest Since Sept. 15 — Sir Edward Holden and Wall Street Bankers Confer.

New York, Oct. 11. — Foreign exchange rates went down again today in the face of the successful flotation of the \$500,000,000 credit loan to Great Britain and France, to their lowest point since Sept. 15. So disquieting was the situation deemed that the three hour meeting, attended by Wall Street bankers and Sir Edward Holden, a member of the Anglo-French financial commission, was held in the late afternoon at the National City Bank for the reported purpose of devising some new method to bolster the value of the English pound sterling.

Today sterling sold down to \$4.67 1/2, although too far below par to make continued buying of American exports desirable from the British point of view, in the opinion of some New York financiers.

The meeting held today, it was reported, was primarily to reach an understanding as to the best available method of using the \$500,000,000 to stabilize exchange, and also with a view to arranging a private agreement between New York bankers, on one hand, and London bankers, on the other, for credits which would tend to send the value of sterling up in this foreign exchange market. A supplemental credit of \$250,000,000 it is said, was discussed.

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## OPENING OF GREEK PARLIAMENT—VIEW OF ROYAL FAMILY



A new photograph of the King of Greece taken since his recent illness. Left to right—Queen Sophia, Princess Katherine, Princess Helene, Princess Irene, Prince Christopher and the King.

## TRAGIC DEATH OF SYDNEY WOMAN

Mrs. J. F. McNaughton Dies of Bullet Wound—Dies Without Making Explanation of Occurrence.

North Sydney, N. S. W., Oct. 11. — The death of Mrs. J. F. McNaughton of Sydney, occurred at the residence of her mother, Mrs. J. W. Peppet, here on Saturday, under very tragic circumstances. The facts appear that death was due to the discharge of a revolver, the bullet entering near the heart and proving almost immediately fatal. While Mrs. McNaughton retained momentary consciousness, she was unable to make any statement as to how the occurrence came about, and she passed away about a half hour after the shot was fired. The inquest begun by Coroner A. R. Forbes on Saturday evening was adjourned after the hearing of a couple of witnesses till this evening. The witnesses heard were Mrs. Totten and Mrs. Alex Hood, who were employed in the house on Saturday. Mrs. Totten stated in effect that she was on the second floor sewing, that about noon Mrs. McNaughton, with nothing unusual in her manner or appearance, went to the bathroom for a towel, and while she was absent a revolver shot was heard. Mrs. Totten called Mrs. Peppet and Mrs. Hood, who were downstairs, and the three went to the bathroom where they found Mrs. McNaughton lying on the floor.

Doctors also were at once summoned and found on examination that the bullet had penetrated the breast causing death very quickly. Mrs. McNaughton, who was formerly Miss E. Peppet, was well and favorably known both here and in Sydney, and her death will be greatly regretted by a wide circle of friends. She leaves two small children besides her husband. She is also survived by her mother and one sister, Mrs. Holling of this town, and one brother, Claudet Peppet, who is with the 40th Regiment at Valcartier. Mr. and Mrs. McNaughton resided at 111 Park street, Sydney.

Mr. McNaughton, who is general sales agent of the Dominion Steel Corporation, was in Montreal when the news of his wife's death reached him. He returned home on Monday. The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon.

## MEN WHO RUN THE HUGE BETHLEHEM STEEL BUSINESS



These are the men who, working together for a common purpose, have risen in a few years from poverty to the possession of millions. They are the directors of the Bethlehem Steel Company. To be sure, Charles M. Schwab is the head of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, at South Bethlehem, but although his impress is stamped upon the conduct of the entire business these "boys," as he delights to call them, officer and actually operate the great South Bethlehem plant and exert a large influence in the management of the corporation's other affairs. Mr. Carnegie instituted a profit sharing system among employees in the steel industry more than a quarter of a century ago. In the crop of millionaires produced as a result of that innovation was Mr. Schwab. Just as Mr. Carnegie had smiled upon him for his genius and persevering industry, so Mr. Schwab, when he acquired the Bethlehem Steel Company, determined to reward purpose, ability and cultivation of opportunity wherever he found these attributes combined. The result has been a second edition of millionaires steel men far exceeding numerically the Carnegie output. The incomes of these "boys," only one or two of whom have reached the half century divide, range from \$100,000 to \$1,000,000 a year. Their salaries—the standard stipend which their positions pay—are only \$100 a week. The disproportionate remainder is a premium on the production or the economical management of their respective departments.

## THE HOME SECRETARY DEFENDS PRESS BUREAU

Says Censors at the Front Largely Responsible for Acts Which Have Been Laid at Door of Press Bureau.

London, Oct. 11.—Sir John A. Simon, the home secretary, tonight issued a statement in which he defended the Official Press Bureau against the recent bitter attacks on its methods of censoring the news and places a large measure of the responsibility for the trouble on the special censors at the front who were appointed by Field Marshal Sir John French. It was disavowed.

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