

## Battle is Still Raging Upon the Western Front Terrible Losses Inflicted Upon Enemy Airmen

### SPAIN IS FACING CRISIS

Situation Still Left Undecided After Session of Cabinet Council

DISCONTENT IN ARMY Officers Dissatisfied With Conditions and Demand Reforms

ECONOMIC TROUBLES Unrest Among Working Classes May Precipitate Trouble

Madrid, via Paris, June 9.—The cabinet council today from which important results were expected, left the situation still undecided, although the ministers profess optimism. The government is faced with grave difficulties both military and economic. The direct cause of the trouble is the discontent among army officers who have formed an association to obtain a betterment of their conditions. The body formed by infantry officers at Barcelona brought matters to a head by presenting a petition for reforms which amounted virtually to an ultimatum. Underlying everything is the economic difficulty with its consequent unrest among the laboring masses and which threatens to take the form of a general strike. The reluctance of members to step in the shoes of administration further complicates the situation. Former Premier Dato, and the moderate conservatives are unwilling to take office and former premier Romanos is declared to be out of the question. The only alternative, if Premier Prieto decides to retire, seems to be a constitution headed by the Duke of Alba. Stung by newspaper criticism of his administration, Premier Prieto announced today that in the future he will withhold all information from the press. After the cabinet meeting Premier Prieto said that public opinion required profound transformations in the life of the country. He said that he considered that the problem should be exhaustively discussed by parliament which could then not only bring about necessary modifications, but apportion the responsibility for the present situation, which he maintained fell in no way upon the existing administration. The Spanish parliament adjourned on February 26 in the midst of a crisis which resulted in the resignation of the Romanos cabinet. A demand for the reassembling of the cortes has been a leading factor in the agitation which has convulsed Spain.

NARROW ESCAPE London, June 9.—Queen Wilhelmina, of Holland, had a narrow escape from injury in a train wreck Tuesday, Reuter's correspondent at the Hague reports. Four cars of the train in which the Queen was returning to the Hague were derailed at Houten, near Utrecht. The queen, who was unhurt, proceeded to the capital by an ordinary train soon afterwards. A Central News dispatch says that immediately after the accident the Queen attended a number of injured passengers, giving them first aid, and not resting until she had ascertained that they were cared for.

STOCKHOLM'S TAXES. (Associated Press.) Stockholm, June 9.—Taxes in Stockholm for the year 1916, amounting to \$26 a person. Taxation has increased 346 per cent in sixteen years.

Weather Bulletin Toronto, June 9.—A shallow depression covers Missouri, while another one of more importance covers the western provinces, also in Alberta, and they have occurred locally in Ontario and Manitoba. Forecasts: Moderate, variable winds, fair and moderately warm. Sunday—Some local showers but for the most part fair.

### SETTLEMENT IS POSSIBLE

Political Strife in China Can be Cleared Up, Thinks Chang Shun

By Courier Leased Wire Peking, June 9.—General Chang Shun has reached Tien Tsin, with 5,000 troops. He received almost royal honors and was guarded closely. General Chang Shun will confer with the military governor in Peking on Sunday. Three thousand of his troops already have reached the Chinese capital. General Chang Shun declared that a settlement of the present political strife is possible providing the great party element is dissolved.

### TO PUNISH REBELS OF KRONSTADT

Commission Appointed on Matter Includes Soldiers' and Workmen's Delegates

GEN. GUERKH RESIGNS Is Appointed by Minister of War a General of Division

BALFOUR LANDS SAFE Arrived at British Port This Morning, Home From the U. S.

Petrograd, via London, June 9.—The Provisional Government has approved the action of M. Tseretelli, minister of Posts and Telegraphs, and M. Scoboleff, minister of labor, in arranging the surrender of Kronstadt which recently declared its independence in agreement with Knutole Amanoff, President of the Kronstadt council of soldiers and workmen delegates. The minister of justice has been directed to appoint immediately a mixed commission including representatives of the soldiers' and workmen's delegates at Kronstadt, to inquire into the cases of persons arrested in that city. Those held for trial by the commission will be sent to Petrograd and the others will be liberated. Guerkh Resigns. Petrograd, via London, June 9.—General Guerkh's request for permission to resign as commander on the western front has been answered by an order from Minister of War Kerensky, relieving him of his command and appointing him General of Division. General Guerkh's request was made after Minister Kerensky has issued an order prohibiting the resignation of any officer. Balfour Home. London, June 9.—Foreign Secretary Balfour arrived at a British port this morning on his return from his trip to America at the head of the British mission. Mr. Balfour at once departed for London, arriving here this afternoon. "Miss Fearless & Co." Tuesday at the Grand. On April 1 there were 3,586 deliveries routes in operation, serving 165,043 homes. When the present Government came into power there were 614 routes and 18,915 boxes. Fly a flag! Decorate! Get your flag at Wick's, Opp. Post Office. Windsor civil servants hear that the government will announce a plan for compulsory retirement of all civil servants who have been in service more than thirty-five years. Their places to be filled by returned soldiers. Fly a flag! Decorate! Get your flag at Wick's, Opp. Post Office.

### German Flying Officers Paying Terrible Price in Combatting Supremacy of the Air Against Franco-British—Germany Claims Total of 3,000,000 Prisoners of War

By Courier Leased Wire Copenhagen, June 9.—Via London.—The death notices in the German papers indicate what a terrible toll the western battle is taking among German aviators. Scarcely an issue of the Berlin, Hamburg or other papers which circulate among officers, appears without at least two or three and often eight or ten notices of deaths in the flying corps. Occasionally there is a noteworthy one, like today's announcement of the death of Lieutenant Schaefer, who was mentioned in despatches on Tuesday for bringing down his thirtieth enemy airplane. Lieutenant Schaefer was lately given command of a fighting squadron on the Flanders front. Death notices of captures of submarines are also as prominent as the aviators.

Hun Claims Amsterdam, May 15.—(Correspondent of the Associated Press.)—The Central Powers now hold nearly 3,000,000 prisoners of war, according to official figures published in German newspapers: Germany has 1,639,363 prisoners, including 17,474 officers; Austria-Hungary 1,092,055, Bulgarian, 67,582; and Turkey 23,903, a total of 2,874,271 prisoners of whom 27,620 are officers. This total is made up of the following nationalities:

Name	Total Number	In Germany
Russian	2,080,699	1,212,007
French	368,367	367,724
Serbian	154,630	25,879
Italian	98,017	none
Roumanian	79,033	10,157
British	45,241	33,329
Belgian	42,437	42,435
Montenegrin	5,637	none

The British prisoners of war not in Germany are divided between Bulgaria and Turkey.

French Official Bulletin, Paris, June 9.—(No on)—The Germans made four fruitless attacks on French positions along the Chemin-des-Dames last night, according to an official statement issued by the French war office today. The attacks were delivered in quick succession northeast of Cerny.

### FRANCE INCREASES BUDGET TO BATTLE WITH U-BOATS

More Ample Credits to be Allowed for Campaign of Anti-Submarine Measures; Discussion in Chamber of Deputies Over Marine Losses Leads to Action in the Matter

Paris, June 9.—After a two days' session, during which Admiral Lacaze, Minister of Marine, and the conduct of the navy were under fire, especially on account of merchant marine losses, the Chamber of Deputies voted last night confidence in the government by 310 to 178. The bulk of the attack in the closing session centered on the alleged lack of measures taken to combat submarines, including reproaches that the budget did not provide sufficiently for anti-submarine measures. Premier Ribot, in defence of the navy, declared that submarine war had surprised the navies of all the allies. He did not deny the peril, and asked for increased credits to meet this new form of warfare. "There is much to do," he said, including the rejuvenation of the navy departments' methods. The Premier agreed to the creation of a department of submarine defence. While the debate was proceeding in the Chamber, the Senate unanimously adopted a bill revising the budget of the minister of the navy, so as to include more ample credits for anti-submarine measures.

American Survivors. London, June 9.—Three American survivors from the British steamer Manchester Miller, torpedoed on June 5, have been landed. They are John Hayes, Temple Street, Boston; John Morris, Brooklyn; and third Engineer Farrell, of Philadelphia. Two American firemen Ashley and Daniels lost their lives when the Manchester Miller was sunk. The vessel was laden with cotton. Pershing Received. London, June 9.—General Pershing was received this morning at Buckingham Palace by King George. He was presented to the King by Lord Brook, Commander of the twelfth Canadian Infantry Brigade. Philosopher Dead. Paris, June 8.—Professor Felix de Dante, Biologist and Philosopher, is dead. Prof. De Dante, occupied the chair of the Tropical Pathology in the University of Bordeaux. He was an opponent of Henri Poincare, Bergson, and Boutroux.

### TWO HONORED RESIDENTS CELEBRATE THEIR NATAL DAY IN GOOD HEALTH AND SPIRITS

Two old and honored residents of Brantford celebrated their birthdays this week—Mr. J. Y. Morton and Mr. George H. Wilkes. Mr. Morton is 82 years old today. He came to Brantford from Montreal in 1851, travelling by steamer "Passport" from that city to Hamilton, and thence by stage coach to Brantford, arriving at a hotel, which in those days stood on the corner of Market and Colborne streets, opposite the present Bank of Hamilton. Mr. Morton successfully engaged in business and his honorable career has always commanded the respect of all. Mr. Wilkes was 81 years old yesterday, and he is probably the oldest native resident of the city, as he was born here on June 8th, 1836, the son of the late James Wilkes, City Treasurer, and he has resided in the city ever since. During that period the place has grown from a village to its present proportions. In 1851 he was clerk on a steambot plying between Brantford and Buffalo, when there was transportation between the two places, via the Grand River and the canal. He also had an active business career before retirement. He was born in the frame house on Colborne street, below the Kerby house, which still stands in rear of some stores. Both Mr. Morton and Mr. Wilkes are still energetic and take a keen interest in public, municipal and other affairs. The many friends of both wish for them still further years of health and happiness.

### HYDROPLAÑES RAID U-BOATS

French Aircraft Make Attacks on Submarines With Good Results

By Courier Leased Wire Paris, June 9.—Official announcement is made that naval hydroplanes stationed at Boulogne have made several attacks with bombs on submarines recently. Boulogne is on the French coast near the eastern end of the English channel. It is one of the principal ports for traffic between England and France. Extraordinary precautions have been taken to keep submarines from these waters.

### FURTHER GAINS BY BRITISH

German Positions Entered Last Night on Front of Over 2 Miles

HEAVY CASUALTIES German Hatred Against the British Forces Reported Growing Daily

London June 9.—2.46 p.m.—The British attacked last night south of the Souchez River, and entered the German positions on a front of more than two miles, the war office announces. The German line was penetrated to a depth of more than half a mile. Heavy casualties were inflicted on the Germans. New York, June 9.—A special cable to The Herald says: A message to the Matin from the British front says German hatred against the British grows daily, and recalls the recent speech of the Kaiser during his visit to Douai, and Cambrai, when he said: "You must be pitiless to the odious nation that is responsible for all our evils. Never again shall we have relations with them."

### EIGHT MILE LIMIT FIXED

The decision of the Dominion Railway Commission in regard to the application of the City of Brantford to have the speed of the Grand Trunk trains at the Market street crossing and along Clarence street restricted, has been received by the City Clerk. Inspector Clark on May 30th, made a careful inspection of the conditions, and is of opinion that a rate of eight miles per hour would be sufficient to guard the safety of the public. Speaking of the Market street crossing, Inspector Clark says: "I found conditions at Market street to be what I consider somewhat dangerous, as trains were allowed to pass over this street at a high rate of speed."

### BANK TELLER DROWNED

L. R. Gregoire, Son of Dr. Gregoire M.P.P., Upset from Canoe. Hallsbury, June 8.—Louis Rosari Gregoire, teller in the Hallsbury branch of the Union Bank here, was drowned last night when he was upset from a canoe in Lake Timiskaming only a few feet from the dock here. He was unable to swim and sank almost instantly. He was a son of Dr. George S. Gregoire, M. P., of Lake Megantic, to which place the body has been taken for burial.

### TAX NOTICES

Tax notices are now being distributed, ratepayers who may not receive the notice should apply to the Tax Collector at once, as bills can not be secured during the week July 2nd to 6th, when the rush of payment is on. Fly a flag! Decorate! Get your flag at Wick's, Opp. Post Office. The Union League is trying to set a record among N.Y. clubs by getting 1,000 members to subscribe each for a \$1,000 liberty loan bond. A bill to raise \$60,000,000 by bonds to build good roads in Illinois is expected to be ready this week for Gov. Lowden's consent.

### AUSTRIAN PREMIER IS NAMED

Count Moritz Esterhasy, Strong Anti-German, to Form Cabinet

TROUBLE IN BERLIN Haytian Charge d' Affaires These Has Been Handed His Passports

PREMIER OF BULGARIA Radoslavoff Visits Berlin to Discuss Subsidy

By Courier Leased Wire. Amsterdam, June 9, via London.—A Budapest despatch says that King Charles has entrusted the formation of a new cabinet to Count Moritz Esterhasy. Count Moritz Esterhasy, who succeeds Count Tisza, as Hungarian Premier, is affiliated with the Liberal element which, under the leadership of Count Julius Andrássy, has been generally credited with anti-German tendencies. Break With Hayti. Amsterdam, via London, June 9.—The Haytian Charge d'Affaires at Berlin has been handed his passports according to a despatch from the German capital. The Haytian diplomat had previously handed to foreign secretary Zimmerman a note protesting against unrestricted submarine warfare, and demanding compensation for losses caused to Haytian commerce and life. The note also asked for guarantees for the future. A statement issued by the Berlin foreign office in regard to the incident says: "As the demands were couched in unusual form and demanded fulfillment within a period which would not allow even time for examination, the Imperial government deemed it proper to hand at once the charge d'Affaires his passports. Bulgar Premier. Copenhagen, via London, June 9.—Premier Radoslavoff of Bulgaria, arrived last night in Berlin, accompanied by Director Stojanoff, of his commission on public debt. The presence of Mr. Stojanoff is interpreted as meaning that the Bulgarian premier's mission, in addition to a discussion of peace terms with Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg and Count Czernin, the Austrian Foreign Minister, has to do with the German subsidy to Bulgaria. Germany has been advancing her southern ally 40,000,000 marks a month. This sum is believed to be increasing with the war loan, which Bulgarians, like the other belligerents, is staggering under.

Not Recalled. Berlin, via London, June 9.—The Vossische Zeitung denies a report that Almaraz Harris, the Mexican Charge d'Affaires, has been recalled. Dr. Harris is returning to Mexico this morning, but the paper says his trip is on private business, and he will return within three months. During his absence the Mexican affairs will be looked after by the Austrian charge d'Affaires. The Mexican military attaché will remain in Berlin.

GRAPHITE FOUND. (Associated Press.) Stockholm, June 9.—The discovery of extensive graphite deposits is reported from Ragunda, in the province of Jamtland. Outcroppings, as much as two feet in diameter have already been found. The newly found deposits are of great importance for Sweden as supplies of graphite have become very short. Imports from Germany ceased long ago. Matheson, Liberal candidate in South Qu'Appelle, Sask., will not oppose Lieut.-Col. Glenn, now overseas. This means that the Conservatives will permit Lieut. McBeth Malcom to take his seat in Hanley unopposed. A bill to raise \$60,000,000 by bonds to build good roads in Illinois is expected to be ready this week for Gov. Lowden's consent.

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