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ed in entering French first line trenches, according to the French of-ficial communication issued this even-(Concluded on Page 12, Column 5). HAVOC CAUSED BY FIRE

IN STATION IN BERLIN statement, which follows: Series of Explosions Results, and Army Material is Destroyed.

Amsterdam, via London, May 25.— The Berliner Tageblatt, a copy of which has been received here, de-scribes a big fire in the Moabit freight station in Berlin. The fire stated in a railway car and spread rapidly. There were repeated explo-

sions of tanks of benzine, petroleum. oxygen and hydrogen, says the news-paper, and great destruction was wrought to the sheds and the goods The Berliner Lokal Anzeiger prints a

The Berliner Lokal Anzeiger pints a despatch from Breslau, saying that the small town of Osjory, near Grodno, Russia, has been destroyed by fire. A fire in the railway station at Stettin, near Halle, on the Saale, says The Telegraaf, resulted in the de-The Telegrant, resulted in the used struction of a quantity of baskets used in the forwarding of fruits and vege-tables. This newspaper adds that tables. This newspaper adds that there has also been another fire in a basket factory at Halle, and that inendiarism is suspected.

> **REACH AGREEMENT ON** DISPOSAL OF WHEAT

Canada is to Co-operate With the United States Thru Administration Bureau.

to be quoted, but they have no hest-Washington, May 25.—The British war mission left American soll and crossed into Canada today after six ment to handle. Course on this issue because a weeks of conferences, which reached ment to handle.

The government can pass conscripevery phase of American Mfs. and are expected to effect the future tion even the Sir Wilfrid Laurier and di this country, if not the world. Great Britain and the United States undoubled'v have been cemented on a coser basis of friendship than at any time since the separation, a century Quebec oppose the same, but it was their party colloagues against extenand a muarter ago. Munition purchases will be simi-ision, and it would be idle to pass conscription unless an extension of

The council of na- the parliamentary term were also seing committee. tional defence has charged itself with cured.

Disposed to Make Terms. o increasing manufactures as to provide for the American war army with-out cutting off supplies badly needed tion on the part of the government to thus dissolve the cabinet and recom- on the matter is largely dependent make terms with those Liberal mem-The United States is considering the bers of parliament who are favorable

invitation extended by the allies that all the allies send representatives to sit on the allied commissions in Lonthru parliament by a respectable madon, including those on wheat, muni-tions, shippings and general supplies. jority the extension resolution. No one pretends to quote Sir Rob-

ert Borden on the subject, but Sir Thomas White, Hon. Frank Cochrane KELLY OWES MANITOBA OVER MILLION DOLLARS and Hon. Arthur Meighen are mentioned among the ministers who are favorable to a coalition. Hon. Rob-

Winniper, Man., May 25-The long ert Rogers is said to be strongly op-Mepute between the Province of Mani- posed to it. Among the Liberal memtoba and the firm of Thomas Kelly and Sons over the phyment for work done by that firm on the provincial are Hon. George P. Graham. Fred toba and the firm of Thomas Kelly parkament bu'ldings was sett'ed today Pardee, ch'ef Liberal whip; Hugh by a decision of the umpire of the Guthrie, Dr. Cark of Red Deer, and Appraisal beard, Robert MacDonald, George E. McCraney of Saskatoon. In Mentreal, who finds that the Kelly is said that if the government reor-Company must pay back to the pro-ganizes, at least two prominent Lib-vince the sum of \$1.207,351.65, with erals will be called to the cabinet who interest from July 1, 1914, at five per are at present without scats in the cent., totaling about \$180,000 more. The decision as to costs in connec- Pardee and McCraney will be given decision as to costs in connec- Pardee and McCraney will be given ion with the appraisal was reserved. portfolios. The ministers likely to re-

"During the attack of the 22nd in-stant on the Vauclerc Plateau our troops captured three field pleces. "In the region of Chevreux the ene-my has contented himself with shell-ing the positions we continued vertex ing. The greater part of the captured ground later was retaken by the French in counter-attacks, says the

in an attack against a salient in our German battalions were almost anniline to the north of Chemin des Dames, hilated. Our losses were comparative-

We made, during the fighting, about thirty prisoners. "In the Argonne a sudden attack on

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The us to recapture most of the elements occupied by the enemy. "During the counter-attacks we cap-tured about fifty prisoners and two machine guns. "During the attack of the 22nd in-stant on the Vauclerc Plateau our "Stant on the Vauclerc P

from the overseas company of the 109th Regiment, under command of Capt. Harris, Lleuts. Cooper and Day received the guest with the general statement, which follows: "Following a very heavy bombard-ment of our trenches to the northwest of Braye-en-Laonnois, the Germans of Braye-en-Laonnois, the Germans my has contented in the enemy suffered dur-confirmed that the enemy suffered dur-goons, with Lieut. Warren in coming this attack very heavy losses. Two goons, with Lieut. Warren in command, was drawn up to the west o the station.

Inspected Guard. Asked by General Logie if he would inspect the guard, Mr. Ballour said the German lines in the region of La that, not being a military man, he was not familiar with the procedure, but would do so if informed of the

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**BRITAIN PROHIBITS** 

**FOOD SPECULATION** 

Meats and Other Edibles Un-

der Ban With Lard

and Wheat.

PRICES NOT SETTLED

Britain is Waiting to See

Whether America Will

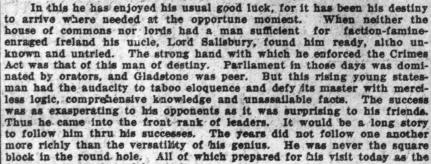
Establish Control.

By a Tornado in Kansas

Arthur James Balfour! Guest with a thousand welcomes! Loving-

cup bearer to Uncle Sam! War pilot of the empire! Man of mystery and citizen of the world! . Balfour, with his back to the wall!

Plain Arthur! For titles are mostly for men whom they fit. Lord This and Duke That wear their superlatives without a wrinkle. They match exactly. But a choice society of immortals have put away such finery. Witness the manly name-Arthur James Balfour!



neaven-sent prophet of humanity. It is a good wager that Arthur James Balfour had long ago no such dreams or visions. No doubt he had his own forecasts of treaty alliances with France, Russia and other allies. It would be his policy to deeper friendship with the United States. Furthermore, he must have shared with others the fears of war with the great aggressor and diplomatic tangles with neutrals. But he could be pardoned for not anticipating any disturbance in the old order of the world. With the victory no doubt he was ready, as in other days, to give the glories to czars and kings and princes, and of the residue to divide it according to the just claims of

those most deeply injured. This was the world that his ory had described, the northern front, spoke hopefully of where he expected to end his career. But without his knowledge he was predestinated to a greater calling, troops on that front. He said that and where he expected to end his career.

He is today pursuing it with his back to the wall. We can see now why ordinary titles did not fit and how he was spared their encumbrance. He shell supply, but that owing to local is citizen of the world. Britain's blood is being shed not for kings, but conditions an offensive on a large humanity; France is bleeding in a bigger revolution than made her a re- scale was impossible.

public; new-born Russia is already some of the first fruits of victory; and If the improvement continues and foodstuffs is to be prohibited immeacross, the tomb of Washington, Arthur James Balfour and Woodrow the Russian armies fulfil their Wilson shook hands as pledged men to defend freedom.

Speculation in lard and wheat has already been placed under the ban, and it is new proposed to include neats and other foods in the prohibi-tion. The new order will eliminate from dealings in food those not ac-tually engaged in the distribution of

of rock jutting out into either ocean. His name, on the contrary, natch-back to no particular episode in history. But it is a certificate of match-less service. He is ready to be modernized like every other of Britain's possessions in the win-the-war movement. It can be easily done. And possessions in the win-the-war movement. It can be easily done. And his past success has a prophecy in it for the future.

He has the reputation of being a clever fencer and an elusive con-testant. But his best work has been done when his back was to the wall. York on May 22 published a cable-That is what he did in Ireland. He saw that it was inevitable. Thus he gram from Petrograd which said that gave people a shock in boldness and resource. It was not expected of a roung diletiante who was a member of "the ghosts," a cynical group of young intellectuals. But he was not jostled away from his post of duty. He allowed no admittance for criminal license. He allowed no admittance for criminal license.

He allowed no admittance for criminal license. He has been seen with his back to the wall in Westminster. But with the passing of his great antagonists and home rulers he had practically Russian capital to visit all the Russian take store to establish an interna-tional board. which will set uniform retired, when the war conscripted every patriot as it did every penny's war fronts.

worth of manhood and womanhood. At 69 years of age he is aroused as prices for food for all the allied nanever before. No longer as a past-master with lance and shield is he before us. Note the fact that he serves under Lloyd George. That he does

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so proves that it is Britain's back that is against the wall in a final struggle for life. Being so, there could be no other place for the Arthur James Balfours in historic Albion. Bravo, blood of the Bruces, surging with the Cecils, too! Before the walls of democracy he stands, giving no entry

to Hun barbarity. His back is against the wall. And he has visited Uncle Sam. The loving cup could not be more tempting when in his artistic hands. So he appeared before the people in congress. As pilot thru many dark waters of contention, no one can surpass his wheelmanship. All is safe so far, thank heaven. But he has been both at Washington and Wall street, and has put it up to the nation. In doing so the fine co-operation and compact was not accomplished by

side-stepping and shining armor. It was won with his back to the wall. Dineen's, 140 Yonge street.



lish Christys in complet variety in hard and soft felts. This is the best that is produced in the best of style, and always of superb quality. Make your choice from the Dineen assort-ment while the full selection is available.

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**MUCH IMPROVED** Gen. Ruszky Says Fraternizing With the Enemy Has Ended. NO LACK OF SHELLS

> He Predicts German Defeat by Autumn if Russia Does Duty.

Petrograd, May 25. via London.-General Nicholas V. Ruszky, who ar-rived here today after relinquishing the command of the Russian army on

there was no fraternizing with

toward their own country and their allies, General Ruszky believes the

and Hill 33, a kne south of Jamaino. Carry Strong Heights. "North of Jamaino, after heavy fighting, in which the Mantua brigade of the 113th and 114th regiments dis-tinguished itself, the strongy forti-fied heights, Hills 235 and 247, were carried and our positions extended as far as the outlying houses of Versic. "The enemy attempted to lighten our pressure on the southern Carso

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**RUSSIAN MORALE** 

started counter-attacks, which enabled wrought to the sheds and the goods NATIONAL GOVERNMENT FOR CANADA IN SIGHT Rogers, Roche, Crothers, Burrell and Blondin May Retire, and Graham, Pardee, McCraney and Two Other Liberals Enter Cabinet. tire are Messrs. Rogers, Roche, Croth-By a Staff Reporter. Ottawa, May 25 .- All signs point to ers, Burreil and Biondin. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has intimated to

the early formation of a coalition gov- no one what his position will be on ernment, and several ministers of the conscription, but it is said that he is crown have expressed themselves receiving many protests against the measure not only from Quebec, but openly in favor of an immediate cabfrom Nova Scotia, Alberta, British Coinet reconstruction. They do not wish lumpia and Western Ontario. Some of those near him believe that he could easily carry an election upon the con-

London, May 25 .- All speculation in number of English-speaking Liberals d ately by the ministry of food, Ken-

would support the government. He might, however, defeat the govern-ment on extension, and it is in the nedy Jones, director of food economy, hope of avoiding an election that the ading politicians on both sides, outside of Quebec, are geiting together in an effort to form a coalition government.

How far actual negotiations have proceeded no one is able to say, but there is little question that some ne-gotiations are in progress. One re-port in circulation is to the effect that tually engaged in the distribution of The question of fixing food prices

in Great Britain is still an unsettled

mend his excellency to call upon Sir up n whether control is established Thomas White to form a new govern- in America, since England is mainly Finally it is suggested that the gov-ernment may be defeated upon a mo-bere unless export prices are control-ied on the other side. If congress de-ied on the other side. If congress de-ied to fix export prices then Great ment. supplies and is unable to fix prices

Laurier would endeavor to form a na- Britain, in conjunction with France tional government and avoid an early and the other allies will immediately election.

**VOLUNTARY RATIONING** 

resorting to compulsory rationing in Great Britain before the next har-vest, according to Kennedy Jones, director of food economy. Mr. Jones states that figures available show a Wichita, Kansas, May 25 .- At least fifteen persons were killed and fifty injured late today when a tornado struck Andale, Kansas, fifteen ten per cent. reduction in the con-sumption of bread during the month of May as a result of the voluntary injured, the condition of at least six teniphic appeared honeless. The procampaign. This reduction, Mr. Jones tonight appeared hopeless. The pro-said, exceeded the expectations of the perty damage was large. Andale has food control departm a population of 287.

