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THE EVENING TIMES AND STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 1918

London, June 28—(Via Reuter's Ot-hwa Agency)—Speaking at a luncheon diven by the London Chamber of Com-nerce yesterday, Premier Hughes of Australia referred to the economic sitution, recalling that, during his previous isit, he had urged the need of empire rganization and emphasized the folly of Great Britain's reverting to the fiscal uously relied so long. We longed for nee, but was Great Britain any better ree, but was Great Britain any better brepared for peace than it had been for war? But for the war Germany would have destroyed our trade by peaceful benetration, and reduced us and most of our Allies to a state of economic vastalage. The war had revealed that our industrial and commercial greatness was honeycombed by German influence and control.

Two things were necessary to enable as to hold our own: First, the ability to defend ourselves against our enemies; second, the ability to produce wealth and develop our economic resources of labor and capital, so as to support numbers of virile and happy people. (Ap-

Any policy ignoring the intimate reationship between national safety and acconomic welfare, said Mr. Hughes, was floomed, sooner or later, to destroy the nation adopting it. Hitherto, however, Great Britain had treated these two estates the same and the same an sentials as separate entities. A country's conomic safety and development rested Germany's progress under such a policy has been phenomenal. Germany was today preparing for peace as she did for war. Germany was the best organized nation. Great Britain's policy, except as regards the navy, was a policy of laissez faire. Nevertheless, we were superior to Germany in initiative and re-

source. Had Great Britain organized for pence? That was the great question now, said Mr. Hughes, unless Britain was to sink into a third rate nation after the war. He was glad to know that since he had last been here something had been done to organize our industries and prepare for peace. He was not criticizing what had been done. He knew the difficulties. But not enough had been done

done.

Mr. Hughes emphasized the danger in which British commerce and industry would stand after the war unless we were at least as well organized as other nations. After urging an incessant and most vigorous war against pacifists, who conspicuously or unconsciously were agents of the enemy, Mr. Hughes concluded by saying that effective action by the dominions must await the formation of a clear and definite economic policy by Great Britain. which should be declared without delay.

RECENT WEDDINGS

Leeman-Hibbert.

The wedding of George Leeman to Mt. Helen Hibbert was solemnized by Res. G. F. Dawson on Wednesday at the home of the bride's parents, 58 Erin street. Miss Hibbert wore a dress of white silk, with briday veil and carried a bouquet of white roses. She was attended by Miss Emily Whelpley and William Davidson acted as groomsman. Mr. and Mrs. Leeman left on the early train this morning for Albert county and on their return will reside at 256 Main street. A large number of presents testified to the popularity of the young people.

Lockhart-Thistle. The marriage of Miss Alice Thistle of Hillsboro, and J. Humphrey Lock-hart, of Sunny Brae, was solemnized in the Methodist Church, Hillsboro, on June 25 by Rev. Stephen Irving of Cayley, Alta, cousin of the bride.

Hallaren-McAfee. Announcement of the marriage of Miss Florence McFee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus McFee, Cookville, N. B., to I. W. Hallaren, Grand View, Man., is made in Winnipeg.

Miss Mary Ina Foran, daughter of W. J. Foran, trade instructor on the prison staff at Dorchester, was married in St. Eulalias church, South Boston, Mass., to Martin A. Moran, on June 8th, 1918. Chesley A. Foran, formerly of Moncton, now in the Flying Corps at Halifax, is a locality of the bride. The groom has been alled to the colors of the American army, and will go overseas in the near future. Moran-Foran.

The wedding of Miss Violet Edna Colwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.

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