

To-Day's Messages.

PRESIDENT'S OFFER ACCEPTED.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 27. The offer of President Wilson to appoint a commission to arbitrate the Anthracite wages dispute was accepted here to-day by an overwhelming vote of the tri-district convention of hard coal miners. The mine workers, however, ask the privilege of selecting a practical man to represent them on the commission. The convention adopted a resolution declaring that the miners were forced to accept the commission as industrial class legislation makes it almost humanly impossible to wage a successful strike. In accepting the President's offer the miners agreed to continue at work under the retroactive understanding reached by operators and miners, and reiterated by the President, which will protect the men workers in wage increases as from April first.

HUGE BERG.

NEW YORK, May 27. A large iceberg the size of which was given at about half a mile long, and seven hundred feet high, and being of similar shape to the rock of Gibraltar was observed on May sixteen in latitude forty three, nineteen, long, forty five, fifty three, it was announced in shipping circles here to-day.

RUSSIANS TALK BACK.

LONDON, May 27. A recent communication sent by Sir Eric Drummond, Secretary of the League of Nations to the Russian Soviet Government expressing regret that the Moscow authorities had set up conditions tantamount to a refusal to allow the Committee of the League to visit Soviet Russia, has been answered by M. Tchitcherin, Soviet Commissary for Foreign Affairs. A Moscow wireless despatch, to-day, says Tchitcherin stated in this reply that the Soviet Government felt compelled to express astonishment to the character of the League of Nations, which while declaring that its object was the restoration of justice and peace, had granted one of its members, Poland, "full freedom to violate peace and strangle justice, by trying to convert the Ukraine into a Vassal state." The commissary declares that other members of the League are affording Poland assistance, both directly and indirectly, and at the same time were giving help to anti-Bolsheviks in the Crimea. The most elementary requirements for the safety of the Republic, adds Tchitcherin, makes it impossible, under these conditions, for Soviet Government to take any other decision.

BETTER SALARY FOR THE CLERGY.

TORONTO, May 27. Every Methodist minister in Canada and Newfoundland henceforth, is to be paid a minimum salary of fifteen hundred dollars a year, with parsonage and horse keep in addition, according to a decision arrived at here to-day by the general Conference special committee. Rev. Dr. Chown, General Superintendent of the Methodist Church at the outset spoke in favor of advancing the minimum from twelve to fifteen hundred dollars, which he said was necessary in view of upward trend of the prices of food and commodities, and the members of the Committee agreed with him.

POLES DEFEAT BOLSHIEVS.

WARSAW, May 27. Bolsheviki, in strength, forced the passage of the Beresina River, South of Borisov, but the Poles by a concentration attack, recrossed the river cutting off the enemy's retreat and taking hundreds of prisoners, says a despatch issued to-day. The remainder of the enemy took refuge in the forests behind the Polish front, the communication adds.

URGES GENERAL ELECTION.

OTTAWA, May 27. R. S. Maxwell of Winnipeg, Dominion Press Agent of the Great War Veterans Association, has been here for several days investigating the political situation, to-night issued the following message to seventy-seven branches of the Association throughout the Dominion: "From a knowledge gained of political and economic conditions in Canada during the three years efforts on the part of the Great War Veterans Association to obtain equitable reconstruction legislation, I deem it my duty to urge upon you the necessity of an early general election. Parliament has confessed its inability to redeem its former pledges and to restore to returned soldiers and dependents, in a substantial measure, those economic conditions they would now enjoy but for war service. Parliament has shown a reluctance to offset such failure by general measures for the improvement of living conditions throughout the country, whereby returned men might more readily regain a secure foothold in national life."

QUEENSTOWN, Ireland, May 27. A Government steamer from Woolwich, loaded with munitions, arrived here Tuesday, but was unable to discharge. The dockers and railwaymen refused to handle the cargo and the steamer now lies in the harbor alongside a destroyer. A meeting of railwaymen of all grades held in Cork unanimously declared not to handle any munitions in that city.

NOT ANXIOUS, BUT COMPELLED. LONDON, May 27. Far-reaching possibilities hinge on

the success or failure of the conferences about to take place between members of the British Government and representatives of Soviet Russia, some of which are already in London. There is a distinct air of hostility to the proceedings among officials of the Foreign Office, especially among the Conservative element. These men are insistent that before opening any negotiations the Russians must agree to the following five demands by Great Britain: Amnesty for the fragments of Denikine's Government; repatriation of all prisoners; hands off in Persia and the Near East; cessation of international propaganda and no invasion of Poland. Although, generally speaking, Great Britain is not over-anxious to deal with Russia, there exists a feeling of apprehension that Germany and Italy may resume relations before England, and thus obtain a prior foothold unless some agreement is reached.

NOTHING DOING.

WASHINGTON, May 27. After a three-hour wrangle the House Foreign Affairs Committee adjourned until to-morrow, without taking any final action on the resolution providing for the virtual recognition of a Provisional Irish Republic.

WILL ASK CONFIDENCE OF CHAMBER.

PARIS, May 27. Premier Millerand, on Friday, will answer interpellations in the Chamber of Deputies on the fixing of German indemnity. The Premier will be obliged to ask for a vote of confidence on the method he shall follow for execution of the Treaty of Versailles, and will request the Chamber to express clearly, in an order of the day, confidence in the Government, giving him full authority to pursue the negotiations.

RUSSIA RECOGNIZES LETVIA.

LONDON, May 27. The Lettish and Bolshevik Peace Delegations, which have been sitting at Moscow, have reached an agreement by which Russia recognizes the complete independence of Letvia, according to a statement from an official source in London.

FOR FOOD ONLY.

KINGSTOWN, Ireland, May 27. The railwaymen have withdrawn their refusal to forward a military supplies train, which was held up for several days because it was believed to carry munitions. It was disclosed, however, that there was nothing aboard except a hundred tons of fresh beef.

DETERMINED ON VIOLENCE.

TRALEE, Ireland, May 27. The Ballyheigue Coast Guard Station was attacked by armed men last night. The six Coast Guards resisted, but were forced to surrender. Their arms and ammunition were taken and their wives and children turned out, after which the building was burned.

SHORT WHEAT PRODUCTION.

WASHINGTON, May 27. The wheat crop of New South Wales has been so disastrously affected by drought, that the yield probably will not be sufficient to meet domestic consumption in Australia, said a report to-day from the American Consulate at Sydney, N.S.W.

CANADA'S REPARATION BILL.

OTTAWA, May 27. Canada's claim against Germany for reparation for losses sustained by that country and individual citizens during the war, has been forwarded to England for presentation at the conference of representatives of all parts of the British Empire, soon to be held in London, and subsequently at an inter-Allied conference at Spa. This bill rendered by the Dominion is for total of one billion, eight hundred and seventy-one million dollars.

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