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IRISH PARTY SERVES NOTICE IT WILL OPPOSE CONSCRIPTION

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APPEAL FOR MILLION MEN OPENS CONSCRIPTION ISSUE

Redmond and Dillon Declare Irish Party Will Not Submit to Forced Service—Sir Edward Carson Criticizes Asquith's Statement on Dardanelles Operations.

LONDON, Dec. 21, 9 p.m.—Premier Asquith made his long expected statement of the allied military position in the house of commons today in connection with the introduction of a "supplementary estimate" providing for the raising of the numerical strength of the British army from three million men to four million men.

The house was crowded and the premier's speech was listened to earnestly and silently. In the peer's gallery, Lord Fisher, the former first sea lord, and Sir John Dufferin, director of recruiting, occupied the most prominent position above the clock.

The prime minister, as usual, got to the heart of his subject by opening sentences, and declared that although the British fighting forces in the various theatres now amount to more than 1,250,000 men, the war's demands were such as necessitated calling out the empire's "recruiting maximum."

Although the premier did not put himself on record as either for or against conscription, John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists, at the close of Mr. Asquith's speech, flung a bombshell by declaring that the Nationalists would oppose conscription by every means in their power.

The premier's statement of the need of the army for "every fit man" in the empire was warmly received by the soldiers, and he took pains to mention particularly "the men eager to be selected who have made application from far distant parts of the empire."

FRANCE TO PUT CURB ON PRICE OF SUGAR

Maximum Mark to be Fixed—Threat to Close the Bourse. PARIS, Dec. 21, 6.40 p.m.—For the first time in months raw sugar, No. 3 white, was not quoted on the bourse today, the government believing the high price was due to speculation.

DUTCH MAKE PROTEST OVER MAIL SEIZURE

British Government Asked to See That Incidents Are Not Repeated. LONDON, Dec. 21, 7.15 p.m.—A despatch to Reuters' Telegram Co. from The Hague, says: "The foreign ministry announces that the Netherlands Government has sent a protest to the British Government against the seizure of Dutch mail bags on the steamers Noordam, Frisia and Rotterdam, and demanded an immediate return of the mail. The hope was expressed in the protest that the incidents would not be repeated."

NEW CHIEF FOR GENERAL STAFFS

Sir William R. Robertson Succeeds Sir Archibald Murray.

SIR IAN GIVEN REST

Sir Archibald About to Receive Important Command, Premier Announces.

SPECIAL Cable to The Toronto World. LONDON, Dec. 21.—Sir William Robertson, chief of staff, has been recalled from France to become chief of the imperial staff at the headquarters of the British army in London, succeeding Sir Archibald Murray, who is about to receive an important command. It was announced by Premier Asquith in the house of commons this afternoon. The premier also replied to a question of Sir Edwin Arnold Cornwall as to the disposition to be made of the commander of the expeditionary force at the Dardanelles, as follows:

"Sir Ian Hamilton is not returning to the command in the near east. If any other duties are assigned to him, announcement will be made in due course." Sir Archibald Murray, who is to be appointed to an important command, was formerly chief of staff for Sir John French at the front. He was transferred to the head of the imperial staff some time in the summer, when he was succeeded at the front by Sir William Robertson. Sir Archibald had established a reputation for gallantry in the present war and he was twice commended for his service in the despatches. He was inspector of infantry from 1912 to 1914.

HYDRO RADIAL SCHEME BEFORE BOARD OF TRADE

Sir Adam Beck Outlines Plans Which Are to Be Voted On. LONDON, Dec. 21.—Summing up the government's war policy, Premier Asquith said: "In order to win the war we want an adequate supply of trained men to reinforce and augment the army in the field. We want next an ever-growing supply of munitions. We want further such a stewardship of the economic resources of the country as will enable us to lift and carry the financial burden which we are called upon to bear in behalf of ourselves and our allies."

QUESTIONS ARE ASKED Carry Radial Bylaws Like Hydro Was Put Thru is Speaker's Advice.

Notwithstanding the fact that some questions submitted portended just a little opposition to the hydro radial scheme, and Toronto's share in that undertaking, it was a great reception which the members of the board of trade accorded Sir Adam Beck when he spoke yesterday in the Royal Bank Building. Sir Adam's remarks were not just as explanatory of the proposal as some of the members of the board expected, and he partially explained this in answer to a question after his address, when he told them he realized the time between now and voting day was too short for the voters to gain minute knowledge of the many details of the proposal.

GERMAN WORKS TAKEN BY FRENCH IN VOSGES

Bombardment and Infantry Dash Gives Important Results in New Advance. MESSIN HILL SHELLED

Salient of Enemy on Ripont Heights Suffers From Destructive Fire. PARIS, Dec. 21.—An important part of the German works was captured by French infantry at Hartmannsweilerkopf in the Vosges, after an artillery preparation today. The French troops attacked in strong force and captured many German works, which were unable to escape. German field works at the Messin knoll, in the Vosges, were bombarded with good effect, and satisfactory results were derived from a destructive fire poured on a German salient on the Ripont height, north of Pont-a-Mousson.

NO DOMINION MINISTER TO HAVE CABINET SEAT

Proposal to Admit Representatives in Imperial Government Not Considered Practicable. Canadian Associated Press Cable. LONDON, Dec. 21.—Premier Asquith was asked in the house of commons today if he would consider the proposal to admit Dominion representatives to the imperial cabinet. He answered: "I do not think that the proposal is practicable. The colonial secretary has already intimated to the dominions that they will be consulted in connection with the terms of peace, and that the government will welcome any prime minister who finds it convenient to come here to discuss fully and frankly questions of imperial policy."

PROMINENT BRITISH POLOIST IS WOUNDED

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Captain Leslie Cheape, of the British polo team that played in the United States, is reported among the wounded of the British Mediterranean force.

VARNA, IN RUINS, IS OCCUPIED AND HELD BY RUSSIAN TROOPS

FOUR GREAT ESSENTIALS TO WIN WAR FOR ALLIES

Men, Money, Munitions, Increased Unity and Strategic Control Are Requirements, Declares Premier Asquith.

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MOBILIZATION SCHEME OF DOLLAR SECURITIES

Only Those Will Be Accepted on Which Regular Interest Has Been Paid. TAKE CANADIAN BONDS

Dominion, Provincial and Municipal Will Be Used to Raise Money. LONDON, Dec. 22.—The London Gazette publishes today a government invitation to holders of American and Canadian dollar securities to place them at the disposal of the treasury, either by sale or loan. The accompanying memorandum says that no purely sterling securities will be accepted, and that it is essential that all securities tendered be expressed in either American or Canadian currency, or if expressed in sterling that they shall be convertible at the holder's option into dollar securities.

GERMAN VESSELS SUNK BY BRITISH SUBMARINE

Exploits in Sea of Marmora Reported in Despatch From Athens. LONDON, Dec. 21, 10.08 p.m.—An Athens despatch to Reuters' Telegram Co. says that a British submarine has sunk the German steamer Lerios and other craft in the Sea of Marmora.

Bulgaria's Chief Black Sea Port Bombed Until All Guns Were Silenced and Town Laid in Ruins—Russian Infantry and Artillery Then Landed Without Loss in Sufficient Force to Hold it Against Any Bulgarian Attack.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Daily Chronicle reports the capture of Varna, Bulgaria's chief Black Sea port, by the Russians. It says the bombardment of the Russians silenced the Bulgarian guns and laid the town in ruins, the garrison suffering heavily. The Russians then, according to the report, landed infantry and artillery without loss and in sufficient force to hold the town against Bulgarian attack.

An earlier report, by way of Athens, stated that a Russian cruiser and two destroyers, conveying sixteen transports filled with troops, had arrived off the Bulgarian coast and were bombarding Varna vigorously. Varna is on the Black Sea, a few miles south of the Roumanian border. It is a railway terminus, and is the chief Bulgarian Black Sea port. On several previous occasions Russian naval demonstrations have been carried out there, but no troops were landed.

TWO AND ONE-HALF MILLIONS GERMANY'S ADMITTED LOSSES

Figures Given in Official Lists for Prussia, Saxony, Bavaria and Wurttemberg—Naval Casualties Are Not Included. LONDON, Dec. 21.—Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under-secretary for war, made the statement in the house of commons today that the total number of casualties published in the official lists for Prussia, Saxony, Bavaria and Wurttemberg, up to Nov. 30, were 2,524,450. Of this number, Mr. Tennant added, 484,228 men were killed or died of their wounds, 354,198 were severely wounded, 27,674 died of disease and 381,149 were missing. Naval casualties, he said, were not included in these figures.

MILLION AND HALF ENROLLED IN WEEK

James O'Grady, M.P., Says Total Enlistment Was Two and a Half Millions. LONDON, Dec. 21, 4.32 a.m.—(Delayed.)—James O'Grady, member of parliament for East Leeds and a member of the joint recruiting committee, contributes an article to The Daily Sketch recording the progress of enlistment under Earl Derby's scheme.

LIGHT VOTE IN GREECE TRIBUTE TO VENIZELOS

Appeals to Rally to King's Support Met With Poor Response. PARIS, Dec. 21, 4.50 p.m.—One-third of the 700,000 Greek voters cast ballots in the parliamentary elections, says a Havas despatch from Athens filed by the correspondent there today. Out of 38,267 voters in Saloniki, 4,000 voted. The partisans of former Premier Venizelos considered the result a personal triumph for him, the despatch says, because he asked the supporters not to vote. On election morning, according to the correspondent, every voter received a circular reading: "Venizelos wished war. The king does not wish it. The king asks counsel of the people." The circular concluded: "Will you save the country? Will you save your king? Come and vote."

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