

Conciliating America.

Entente Willing to Compromise --
Afghans Approve Bolshevism --
Australian Government Win
Majority--Ship Collision Almost
Catastrophe--Berlin Government
May Yield to Allies Demand.

WILLING TO ACCEPT SOME RESERVATIONS.

PARIS, Dec. 13. As a result of conferences being held at London by Premiers Lloyd George and Clemenceau the United States Government will be notified that in order to facilitate a compromise between adverse parties in American Senate the Allies are willing to accept to as great an extent as possible some of the reservations to the Versailles treaty made by the Foreign Relations Committee, according to the Matin. It is said the Allies will "do everything in order that America may participate in future conferences." Important problems, the newspaper says, shall henceforth be settled by a Council of the Premiers of Great Britain, France and Italy. This Council will meet sometimes in Paris, sometimes in London, and will examine principally Russian and Turkish problems in the presence of United States ambassador Davis. It is said that Premiers Lloyd George and Clemenceau assured Victoria Scialoja Italian Foreign Minister, that there was a necessity for an early settlement of the Fiume problem and indicated that Great Britain would intercede with the United States for Italy. Signor Scialoja will leave for Rome today to lay the matter before his Government.

SATISFIED WITH BOLSHEVISM.

GENEVA, Dec. 13. The Ukrainian bureau at Berne says the Afghan delegation which had been conferring with Lenin, the Bolshevik Premier, left Moscow on Wednesday for home. Lenin and other officials saw the party off at the station. The Afghans, the announcement says were satisfied with their visit and expressed the hope that the Bolshevism would spread shortly to Afghanistan in order, they said, to get rid of the British influence. They expressed also that the Emir Government would be transformed into a Republic under Russian protection.

GERMANY'S REPLY NOT ACCEPTANCE.

PARIS, Dec. 13. Germany's reply to the Entente notes relative to the signing of the Peace Protocol does not constitute an acceptance, although couched in conciliatory terms, according to the Echo de Paris. It is said that the Allies will have to send a new note to Germany but belief is expressed that the Berlin Government will yield and that the Protocol will be signed about Christmas.

HUGHES WINS AGAIN.

LONDON, Dec. 14. Returns as yet incomplete for the Australian general elections show that a Government majority is assured. Premier Hughes and Ministers Ryan and Tudor are elected.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF GENERAL DARATOFF.

LONDON, Dec. 13. A Bolshevik communication from Moscow reports an attempt to assassinate General Daratoff. The General, says the despatch, was wounded

REPORT PROGRESS.

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STEAMER IN TROUBLE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13. The British steamer Messino to-day sent out an S.O.S. call which was picked up here. The steamship Maple Leaf answered saying she was making three knots an hour and would reach here in twenty hours. The Messino gave her position as Latitude 47.22 North and Long. 42.20 West.

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A CLOSE CALL.

HALIFAX, Dec. 13. That a marine catastrophe was narrowly averted when the German liner the Cunard Line, and the American freighter Maryland, collided off Cape Race, Wednesday evening, is evident from stories told by passengers of the liner on her arrival here this morning. The Cunarder was proceeding at half speed through a relatively calm sea, sounding her whistle regularly. At eight o'clock Wednesday evening the Maryland loomed up in the fog and darkness on a course that would have struck the Carmania head on at amidships. Orders were immediately given aboard the liner for full speed ahead, as the helm was put over hard to starboard. On board the Maryland the helm was put over hard to port but the momentum of the freighter was too great to avoid a collision and her bow scraped the starboard side of the Carmania approximately fifty feet from the stern post, smashing four port lights, ripping off the rivets and bending in the plates of the liner above and below the line of the main deck over an area of approximately twenty-five feet square. No one was injured.

WILL CONTINUE SALE OF THRIFT STAMPS.

OTTAWA, Dec. 13. The Government has decided to continue sale of thrift stamps and savings certificates at Banks, Post Offices and other Agencies, it is announced by the Minister of Finance, Sir Henry Brayton. However as a means of eliminating unnecessary expenditure the National War Saving's Committee and different paid provincial representatives and head office officials are relieved of their duties from January 1, 1920 and the cost of propaganda will be saved.

COAL FOR INDUSTRIES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13. All industries may be supplied with coal for their emergency needs as far as coal is available in any section for that purpose, under orders issued today by the Central Coal Commission.

NEW ARRIVALS in Boys' and Men's Clothing



We wish to call you SPECIAL ATTENTION to our MEN'S CLOTHING DEPT., which is well stocked with the best and leading patterns in MEN'S SUITS.

PINCE BACK—Plain and fancy stripes; all sizes, at the following prices:

\$25.00, \$28.00, \$30.00, \$35.00.

PINCH BACK—Blue Serge, latest styles; sizes from 3 to 7, at following prices:

\$35.00, \$45.00 to \$55.00

BLACK VICUNA—Plain backs, all sizes: Prices:

\$28.75 and \$30.00.

HEAVY TWEED and FINE WORSTED SUITS—Plain Coat and Cuff Pants; all sizes. Price:

\$11.75, 15.00, 20.00, 30.00 to 50.00.

NAVY SERGE SUITS—Plain back, well made, good trimmings; sizes from 3 to 7, at the following prices:

\$14.00, 23.50, 30.00, 35.00 to 50.00.

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BOYS' TWEED SUFFOLK SUITS

Patch Pockets, STRAIGHT and KNICKER Pants, both with sham vest; to fit age 4 to 13 years. Prices:

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HOMESPUT PANTS—All sizes. Prices \$8.00 to \$11.00 pair
CORDUROY PANTS—All sizes. Prices \$6.50 pair
KHAKI PANTS—All sizes. Prices \$2.40 to \$3.50 pair
SERGE PANTS—All sizes. Price \$8.00 pair
BLACK VICUNA PANTS—Price \$9.00 pair
FINE WORSTED PANTS—Prices \$4.50 to \$9.00 pair
COTTON TWEED PANTS—Price \$2.70 pair



BOYS' PANTS

TWEED PANTS—Short leg; 3 to 15 years. Prices \$1.60 to \$11.00 pair
SERGE PANTS—Short leg; 3 to 16 years. Prices \$2.10 to \$5.00 pair
CORDUROY PANTS—Short leg; 5 to 16 years. Price \$2.20 to \$3.20 pair
KHAKI PANTS—Short leg; 4 to 16 years. Prices \$1.30 to \$2.00
COTTON TWEED PANTS—Short leg; 4 to 15 years. Prices \$1.00 to \$1.40
WORSTED PANTS—Short leg; 5 to 12 years. Prices \$1.65 to \$2.30
BOYS' SINGLE TWEED COATS—All sizes. Prices \$7.80 to \$11.00

BOYS' BLANKET CLOTH CORDUROY AND SERGE OVERCOATS.

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England.

This order removed the restrictions which have denied coal to all industries except those in five preferred classes. The committee announced that companies must continue to make application to Boards which have been supplying them with fuel. It is expected that the new order will result in almost complete resumption of manufacturing next week.

Pithy Pars.

The Admiralty announces that the permission given for the use of grey flannel trousers by naval officers in uniform landing for recreation does not apply to officers in London, where naval officers in uniform must not wear grey flannel in any circumstances.

A toad has been found buried in a coal seam at Nethersea Colliery, near Burton-on-Trent. A collier was mining 200 yards below the surface and a mile from the pit shaft, when his pick struck into a pocket of clay, and out rolled a toad three inches long. It is being kept in the manager's office, and is recovering sight and moving about.

MAJESTIC THEATRE

Monday and Tuesday,
Gertrude McCoy

This screen idol has been posted amongst the missing for a long, long time: but she is very much alive, and will be seen to-day in a powerful Art Drama, entitled:

"The Lash of Destiny."

A dramatic story, whose equal in its own particular class has not before been screened at the Majestic.

NOTE.--The Orchestra has arranged a special programme for this masterpiece

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INTERRED YESTERDAY. — The funeral of the late T. Broderick, H.M. C. who died from injuries received, by being knocked down by a horse,

took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, Prospect Street. The place yesterday afternoon from done to the Reid Co's, pier at Piacen- tis, during the storm of last week. The pier was practically demolished and the coal stored thereon swept into the sea. It will be time ere reconstruction can be facted.

Chris

There is no
itude as the gift
Gifts and of cour

Dressed Dolls,
Air Ships,

Union Jack C

only a few

Side T by Ruth C

HOW TO MAKE IT

Here's hoping
you won't be in-
terested in what
I'm about to say.
A queer wish?
Well, then I'll
put it another
way.

Here's hoping
that you have
your Christmas
shopping already
done.

But if you
haven't, maybe
you'll be willing
to listen to a
few suggestions
as to how to make
it easier. Or should
I say less
difficult?

Hour in the Morning Worth Two
in the Afternoon.
First, go as early in the morning
as you possibly can—or better still
a little earlier. The hour from half
eight to nine is easily worth two
hours between twelve and half-past
two. You can get twice as much
done with half as much friction be-
cause you won't have the crowd to
try and hamper you. Moreover, you
do better at that hour and so do the
books.
If you have a hard thing ought to be done in
the first flush of the day's strength
before other tasks have taken the fine
edge off your energy, and surely
Christmas shopping belongs in that
category. What if you do leave beds
and dishes undone for once? It's
nothing to worry about.
Press lightly. Nothing tires one
more than carrying about too
many clothes. If necessary, wear
something extra to town, and check
as soon as you get there. In my
opinion your chance of catching cold
in getting over-heated in the shops
is much greater than from being too
tightly dressed in the shorter time
you spend on the street.
Be Sure to Have a Route.
Make out not only a list but a
route before you start. That is, at

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