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TELEGRAM

TO-DAY'S Messages.

11.00 A.M.

KING PETER AT SALONIKI.

LONDON, To-day.
King Peter of Serbia, who reached Italy last week from Albania, it said by Reuter's correspondent to have arrived at Saloniki. A French battleship accompanied him with several Serbian Ministers and Officers.

ASQUITH'S HARD TASK.

LONDON, To-day.
For the English Cabinet, Wednesday will be a red letter day, for on that day Premier Asquith will introduce compulsion, and the Premier probably has never had a more difficult task than he will have in engineering this measure. His speech in presenting it to the House is expected to be one of the finest efforts of his career.

MINING ON WEST.

LONDON, To-day.
British Official.—The enemy yesterday morning sprang mines in front of our trenches east of Guinchy, but did not occupy the crater. During the afternoon we exploded three mines near LaPoiselle. Our artillery and trench mortars co-operated. Our artillery also bombarded hostile trenches north from Elles east of Ypres. To the former bombardment, the enemy replied vigorously, but without doing damage. Elsewhere there has been a normal activity only.

IRELAND INCLUDED.

LONDON, To-day.
According to an announcement made by the Press Association, Ireland is not to be exempted from compulsory recruiting bill.

NARRATIVE OF SURVIVOR FROM THE TORPEDOED PERSIA.

LONDON, To-day.
The Peninsular and Oriental steamship Co. to-night received the following telegram from C. C. Bigham, who was among the survivors of the Persia disaster: "A torpedo struck the ship on the port bow at 1.05 this afternoon, when about 40 miles south of the east end of the Island Crete. No warning was given nor any attempt made to assist. Within five minutes the ship sunk. It is impossible to lower the starboard boats owing to a heavy list. Five or six boats were lowered on the Port side. I did not see this myself as I was washed overboard when the boat capsized. The conduct of the passengers and crew was splendid. There was no struggling and no panic. Four boats after 80 hours at sea were picked up by a warship."

168 SURVIVORS OF S.S. PERSIA.

LONDON, To-day.
168 survivors have arrived from Persia. The survivors comprise the chief officer, the second officer, seven engineers, twenty-seven seamen, 63 lascars and fifty-nine passengers.

CAPTURED CZERNOWITZ HEIGHTS.

LONDON, To-day.
The Russians have captured the heights northeast of Czernowitz, Bukovina, according to a despatch from Reuter's Telegram Company, Petrograd. Eight hundred and seventy prisoners fell into the hands of the Russians.

CHURCH DESTROYED.

SYDNEY, N.S., To-day.
The parish church at Lev Point, was destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. It was valued at twenty thousand dollars. The insurance is nine thousand dollars.

PATRIOTIC ACTION OF AMALGAMATED ENGINEERS.

LONDON, To-day.
An account of the conference held on Friday evening between Premier Asquith, David Lloyd George, Minister of Munitions and a delegation from the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, which is the most influential trade union body and includes most of the trades concerned in the manufacture of munitions, was issued last night by the Press Bureau. It shows the Government has decided to acquiesce in all the demands of the trade unionists in return for their consent to the immediate introduction of Lloyd George's scheme of labor dilution. The Press Bureau's account is made up for the most part of excerpts from Asquith's remarks to the deputation at life conference which has been in session for the last three hours, but it includes also a statement that the deputation agreed before the conference closed to accept on behalf of the membership of their society the scheme dilution and to co-operate actively therefor. A bill covering the union demands will be pushed through Parliament as soon as possible. The demands mainly concern matters of pay and conditions of labor for unskilled workmen and women introduced under the dilution scheme. The Government has already agreed to restore the status quo after the war. Premier Asquith's appeal to the delegation was along the familiar lines from the point of view of the State. He said the great point I want to impress on you is the importance of putting this dilution into effect at once. It is an urgent matter and the most necessary of the war. It is important also that the output of munitions should be as far as possible be domestic, not foreign, because the financial problem before us is very serious, especially the obligation to pay either in exports or gold to America and other countries like her for munitions which we are getting there. Thus your immediate consent to the dilution scheme means an enormous gain in military efficiency and financial stability. No doubt it is difficult to persuade men who regard the privileges and privileges of skilled labor as almost gospel to forego for a time those privileges and admit unskilled men into a class work which skilled men have been in the habit of doing. These have natural fear that when the war ends it will be impossible to re-establish old conditions that all elaborate safeguards built up by generations of trade unionists will have been undermined. The only way that these suspicions can be eradicated is by unions exerting all their force to influence their members.

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BOATS DRAWN DOWN BY SINKING STEAMER.

LONDON, To-day.
A despatch to the Times from Cairo says that two boatloads of people were drawn down with the steamer Persia, when she sank, as there was no time to cut the ropes. Four boats got away, but it was thirty hours before a trawler picked them up. Several ships passed by without assisting the refugees, being afraid presumably of decoys. Many passengers were thrown into the water when the vessel heeled over.

AUSTRIAN EMBASSY TRYING TO BE REASSURING.

WASHINGTON, To-day.
The anxiety over the news of the sinking of the British steamer Persia, increased in official circles here yesterday, when the consular despatch brought information that the ship had been torpedoed without warning and that at least one American citizen, Robert H. McNeilly, the new Consul at Aden, Arabia, was missing. At the same time officials were much gratified at the indication, emanating from Baron Erick Zweidnek, in charge of the Austro-Hungarian Embassy here that the Vienna Government would be quick to "satisfactorily" adjust the matter, should it develop that an Austrian submarine commander had disobeyed the instructions in regard to the torpedoing of a passenger carrying ship without warning. Judgment should be withheld, pending the receipt of the real facts, surrounding the sinking of the steamship Persia, said Baron Zweidnek. It may have happened in many ways. In the first place it is not yet proved that a submarine sank the Persia. If it was a submarine it must have to be determined whether the circumstances were such as to warrant the action taken. I am confident, at least I hope that the final explanation will be quite satisfactory. If the commander of the submarine disobeyed his instructions, I feel sure my government will not hesitate to satisfactorily adjust the matter. From the answer made to the last note on the Ancona alone, it is quite evident the Austro-Hungarian Government will not countenance any act which is wrong. Complete confidence prevails in Teutonic diplomatic circles that if any Austrian submarine sank the Persia without warning, the act would be disavowed promptly and reparation made for the Americans lost and the submarine commander severely punished.

SIR JOHN SIMON RETIRES.

LONDON, To-day.
The Chronicle announces definitely that Sir John A. Simon, Secretary of State for Home Affairs, retires from the Cabinet, thus breaking his brilliant ministerial career for conscience sake.

1.00 P.M.

THE COMPULSION BILL.

LONDON, To-day.
The statement that the new compulsory recruiting bill will also be applied to Ireland so far rests on the authority of the Press Association which, however, is often the medium of official intimations. Moreover, according to the Times' Parliamentary correspondent, the political situation is still tangled and there is a possibility of other resignations besides that of Sir John Simon, Secretary of State for Home Affairs, whose position can hardly be reconciled with the remaining Ministers. A revised draft of the compulsory recruiting bill was circulated to the members of the Government during the week end and was discussed at Thursday's Cabinet Council. According to the Times, Premier Asquith has still to satisfy Reginald McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, regarding the total strength of the army, and "the danger of the situation lies in the dangerous, but plausible compromise for the sake of retaining those two Ministers."

LITTLE HOPE OF MORE SURVIVORS.

LONDON, To-day.
The Cairo correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Co., sends the following concerning the sinking of the Persia: "Nobody aboard the Persia saw the torpedo. The second officer is under the impression that he saw the ripple of it. The survivors after thirty hours in boats were rescued by a warship. Six officers were saved. The liner

sank so quickly that there was no time to launch all the boats. The other boats which were seen to be launched are missing. It is thought that there is little hope that further survivors have been rescued.

KING CONSTANTINE WANTS ENTEENTE TO LEAVE SALONIKI.

LONDON, To-day.
The Athens correspondent of the Daily Chronicle states in a despatch that the King of Greece told him that he could not understand what the Entente Allies were supposed to be gaining in remaining at Salonika. The correspondent quotes King Constantine as follows: "I could understand their presence so long as there was a possibility of aiding Serbia, but now that the object of the mission has failed, why remain? No useful military purpose is now to be gained. It is fairly obvious that if the Anglo-French withdrawal to more profitable fields of operations, the armies of the Central Powers would withdraw also and the situation would solve itself." The King adds, says the correspondent, that he did not expect an offensive by either side, and that therefore a Balkan stalemate might reasonably be expected.

2.00 P.M.

HUN CONSULS DISMISSED.

SALONIKI, Greece, Jan. 1st.
At the request of General Sarrail, Commander of the French forces here, John E. Kehl, American Consul at Saloniki, has taken charge of the Turkish and German interests. The Consulate will be delivered to him tomorrow.

JAP SQUADRON FOR SUEZ.

TOKIO, To-day.
The announcement is made by the Jiji Shimpo that a squadron of Japanese warships will sail for the Suez Canal presumably to protect Japanese shipping. It is said the armored cruisers Kessuga, Tokiwa and Chitose have been assigned for this service.

ACTIVITY ON THE WEST FRONT.

PARIS, Jan. 2.
Delayed. The War Office to-night issued the following statement: "In Belgium a bombardment by field artillery and French mortars against groups of the enemy in the region of the Dumes caused heavy damage. Two fires were started and two munition depots blown up. In the Argonne the fire of our batteries dispersed a body of Germans moving upon the road from Avercourt to Malancourt on the heights of the Meuse."

McMurdo's Store News

MONDAY, Jan. 3, 1916.
Many of our customers have been waiting for the new hair tonic, of which we were out of stock for some time. Salvia has now arrived and is on sale at the usual price, 50c a bottle.
McMurdo's White Pine and Tar will be found a good all round cough mixture, especially for the well known colds. Such, owing to the changeable weather are very prevalent just now, and a bottle of this preparation will be found useful in every house. It taken at the very beginning of a cold it will often cut the attack short. Price 25 cents a bottle.
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Amusements.

THE CHILD WONDER AT THE PANTHOM.
The great show at Roskelly's is the talk of the town and so it should be, for there never has been anything to equal this wonderful show, there are no less than twenty-eight songs and about fifteen different dances. The singings and dancing of the city girls is just perfect. Miss Madge Locke, as the Prince, is a positive treat, while Mr. Ballard Brown in his songs pleases all. To-day is infant wonder will appear and patrons will say they have in St. John's a little wonder. There is in preparation another wonderful new pantomime, "Jack and Jill", and to give all the children a chance to see the biggest and best show ever produced in this city, there will be admitted for five cents. A clean and refined entertainment.

Household Notes.

Nutmegs will grate more satisfactorily if started from the bottom end.
Vinegar and honey mixed in equal parts is a great relief for a cough.
To make perfect tea, remember—good tea, boiling water and a hot teapot.
A bit of vaseline will remove mildew or stains from any kind of leather.
Flour the cake pan after you have greased it to keep the cake from sticking.
Tooth brushes should be dried in the open air and the sun should shine on them.
Red currants added to the raspberries give raspberry jam a delicious flavor.

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WEDNESDAY—"EXPLOITS OF ELAINE."

FRIDAY—"CHARLIE CHAPLIN."

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Exeter's Peace Bell.

Exeter Cathedral will soon possess a unique memorial of the great war in the tenor bell of the cathedral chimes. Its predecessor was found to be cracked last year, but has been recast, and the new bell will shortly be rehanging in the tower. The Bishop of Marlborough, who made himself responsible for the expense of recasting, has written the following couplet, which has been inscribed round the rim of the bell:
Recast in war, I hope to herald peace,
When all shall love, and "Hymns of Hatred" cease.

In writing these lines, says the Westminster Gazette, the Bishop, perhaps, had in mind the poetic inscription which the vicar of Wooburn wrote for one of the bells of Wooburn Church, which, being cracked, was recast and rehanging at the time of King Edward's illness, which necessitated

a postponement of his Coronation ceremony. The inscription placed on the Wooburn bell runs:—

The King was ill,
And I was still,
The day his crowning fell,
My wound was healed,
And I was pealed
To tell the King was well.

Grenfell Hall, New Year's Soiree, Tuesday, Jan. 4th, at 8 p.m. Leading artists taking part. "The Suffragettes" &c. H. M. S. Calypso Band. Admission, with high-class refreshments, 30 cents.—dec31.21

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