

To-Day's Messages.

CANADA GETS REPRESENTATION.

OTTAWA, May 5.
Canada will be represented at the second International conference, called under the auspices of the League of Nations. The conference is due to open in Genoa, Italy, on June 15.

TWO OPINIONS.

PARIS, May 5.
Despite official claims that the general railroad strike in France is virtually broken, Labor leaders to-day maintained an optimistic attitude, claiming that the outlook was favorable for the ultimate success of the movement. From railroad headquarters came reports of the movement of passenger traffic, characterized as satisfactory, with a marked increase in the number of freight trains running, thus relieving freight congestion.

HAREM OFFERED TOWNSHEND.

MONTREAL, May 5.
Major General Sir Charles Townshend, who addressed the Canadian Club to-day, said that during the fighting at Kutelamara, he had been told that he would not have to advance without a force of forty thousand men, but later he received orders to the contrary, which compelled him to go forward without sufficient strength. Later he received orders to surrender on the best terms he could get. The British soldiers were then forced to go on long marches by German officers, who were with the Turkish forces, and were anxious to humiliate the English before the surrounding country. The Turks were gentlemen in battle, clean fighters and honorable opponents, even to defeated and captured enemies, said the General. As an instance of their hospitality the General said that while in captivity in Constantinople, Enver Bey sent an officer to him with an offer to establish a private Harem fitted with Circassian beauties to help him while away his captivity. The offer was refused.

RELEASED ON BOND.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 5.
John Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers of America, surrendered to the U. S. Marshal here late to-day on a Federal indictment, charging him with violating the Lever Act, and was released on a ten thousand dollar bond.

NEW ZEALANDERS ENTHUSIASTIC.

WELLINGTON, N.Z., May 5.
The Prince of Wales had a great reception on his return to-day from his tour of North Island. The procession, in his honor, occupied an hour in traversing two miles of decorated streets leading to Government House, so great was the assembly along the route.

QUEBEC JURIST DEAD.

QUEBEC, May 5.
Hon. Sir Louis Amable Jette, formerly Chief Justice of the Court of Kings Bench, and Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Quebec and father in law of Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux died here to-night.

BOUNDED THEM UP.

COBLENZ, May 5.
Fifty Communist workmen, from the vicinity of Dueseldorf, entered the British occupied area last night, after a brief but sharp encounter with a detachment of the Reichswehr occupying Dueseldorf, who were stationed a few miles south of that city. Several Reds were killed in the encounter and three men and a child

NOTICE.

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Marine Engineers' Association will be held to-night (Thursday), May 6th, at 8.15 o'clock. All members are requested to attend.

By order of the President.
WALTON H. MARTIN,
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were wounded. The Reds were caught in the British zone and interned. Reichswehr are out gathering arms and arresting leaders of Reds.

RESTORED TO DENMARK.

COPENHAGEN, May 5.
Danish troops to-day occupied Northern Schleswig, the people of which on February ten last, in a Plebiscite provided for in the Peace Treaty, voted by a large majority for the return of this part of territory to Danish nationality. Enthusiastic scenes accompanied the arrival of the Danes at Sonderberg. There the entire population, among them a number of aged persons, who still remember the raid of German shells on the town, and about fifty veterans of the war of eighteen sixty four, were out to cheer the soldiers when they landed.

IN CASE OF NECESSITY.

WASHINGTON, May 5.
Recognition of Carranza's rapidly diminishing power in Mexico, was admitted by Government officials to-day, but the dispatch of a flotilla of destroyers to Southern waters was not taken to indicate that foreigners are in any immediate danger. Six destroyers, which sailed from New York will arrive at Key West to-morrow, and will be used along the East Coast in the event of necessity arising.

HUN DELEGATION IN LONDON.

LONDON, May 5.
A German delegation, headed by Dr. Zeelinger, has arrived in London to settle with the Maritime section of the reparations committee the question of the remaining ships to be handed over to the Allies.

POLICE CONFISCATE "HINDY."

BERLIN, May 5.
Colossal Hindenburg War Statue, standing in front of the Reichstag, which after the war passed into private ownership, has been provisionally confiscated by the police. This action was taken, it is declared, in order to prevent the possibility of disorders in the event of its being removed from Germany.

EVADING THE QUESTION.

LONDON, May 6.
The Russian Bolshevik Minister of Foreign Affairs, in his reply to the British note requiring definite assurance regarding treatment of Denikin's troops in South Russia, has not, says the London Times, condescended to answer the plain question, but again resorts to Polish Hungarian questions. These questions, Great Britain in a previous note said, were side issues.

TURKS DELEGATES ARRIVE.

VERSAILLES, May 6.
Turkey's delegation to the Peace Conference arrived here shortly after midnight this morning.

SHORTAGE EXPLAINED.

PARIS, May 6.
Shortage of foodstuffs in France is attributed by many persons to the loss of a million farm workers, as a result of the war and the drafting of an additional six hundred thousand more into the services of the Government and cities.

The Man of Sorrow

Epstein's Great Statue of Christ.

There is no greater sin than to make beautiful things seem vulgar, and noble things trivial. Men inherit beautiful and noble possessions in literature and the arts and in the records of human lives, and each generation adds to the store. These possessions (that are common to us all) are to be counted against the disappointment and sorrows and the selfishness and the meanness that combine to make living hard and sometimes almost unbearable. To mar the beautiful is, therefore, to commit a grievous sin. To make the beauty more apparent is the work of a public benefactor.

The Conventional Figure.

Whether or not one accepts the orthodox Christian faith, the character and the life of Jesus Christ are certainly among man's spiritual assets. The life of the Man who went about doing good is at least beautiful. His simple teaching is a social inspiration. The more completely one realizes the beauty, the more compelling must be the inspiration.

It was inevitable that a figure that has, for two thousand years, dominated the Western world should have attracted the brushes of innumerable painters. The medieval pictures of Jesus Christ, beautiful and worthy as they are, do not add much to knowledge. The artists saw Jesus as God, a being to move our wonder but to be worshipped from afar.

The Middle Ages created a conventional figure of Christ which has been copied and copied until it has become trivially pretty, and the pictures of Christ that now appear in children's picture books and religious almanacs are undignified and unworthy, and it is certain that they give an entirely false idea of the Man in his manner as he was. It would be difficult to conceive a finer service to his fellows than that any great artist could perform than to create for us a vision of Jesus that squares with the record of His acts and His words. And that is exactly what Jacob Epstein has succeeded in doing in the full-length bronze Christ that is now exhibited in the Leicester Galleries.

For Trafalgar Square.

If wisdom reigned in the tents of our rulers and if they really cared for the spiritual well-being of the people, this wonderful thing would be set up in Trafalgar Square (cleaned, of course, beforehand of its stone and marble absurdities), and the achievement of an inspired Jew would be among the chief glories of a professedly Christian city.

Epstein has never been interested in the creation of things that are merely beautiful. Look up at the figures at the top of the British Medical Association building in the Strand (how few ever do look up at them?), and you will realize that the sculptor is ruthless in his determination to be truthful. Sometimes he has been hard to understand. I confess to have been utterly bewildered by his Venus. But the most inexpert and inexperienced feel at once when looking at most of his work that his figures are men and women as the artist sees them, unidealized, uncamouflaged by any attempt to cover force or weakness, irregularity of feature or even sheer ugliness with the conventional prettiness of the fashionable portrait painter. The consequence is that one recognizes the Epstein busts as human, even as you and I.

The Amazing Eyes.

The sculptor has conceived Jesus as just risen from the tomb. He is

tall and very lean, and the funeral bindings are still round his limbs. The hands are large and well shaped, and in one of them is the wound left by the nail that held it to the Cross. The head is long and thin. The hair and beard are scanty. The forehead has the bulge that denotes intelligence, and there is a curious depression on the left side. The eyes (and it seems to me that they are the great technical achievement of the artist) are just amazing. They hold you. You cannot get away from them. You forget the maimed hand and the bound legs and you remain enthralled by the eyes, in which the genius of the sculptor has contrived to show the soul of Him, whom we remember as "the Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief."

For All to See.

A little room in a private gallery is no place for this splendid thing. One does not want to be jostled by fashionable ladies as one looks at it, and, moreover, one wants to see it very often. Therefore, decidedly Trafalgar Square! A few hundreds will see Epstein's "Christ" at the Leicester Galleries. All the busmen and the typists and the policemen and the errand boys ought to see it. It is only a little way from Green Street to the Square, and the move could soon be made. But, alas, the marble generals would first have to be carted away, and there are such a lot of them! And, besides, where could they be put?—PEM, in John O'London's Weekly.

Season, 1920.

First Ship to Navigate St. Lawrence.

Montreal, April 26.—Navigation on the St. Lawrence for 1920 was officially opened yesterday in the arrival of the s.s. Canadian Aviator. It is the first time in the history of Montreal port that a Canadian owned and Canadian built ocean steamer has led the way to the hundreds of vessels which are to follow during the season.

In addition to belonging to the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, the Canadian Aviator is captained by a Canadian ship master, Capt. H. S. Hilton, of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. Being the first captain to reach port he will be the recipient of the Harbor Commissioners' prize, and the award is a very popular one.

The Canadian Aviator docked shortly before noon yesterday and was met by prominent officials of the port and harbor, also by Mr. H. Millburn, local superintendent of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine. She is berthed at shed 12, facing Bonsecour Market.

Although she had an uneventful trip across the ocean from Glasgow, which she left on the 11th, the first incoming ship saw a good deal of ice outside Cape Race and some exceptionally heavy river ice in the lower Gulf.

Recent reports that the sealing season has been a failure this year were not supported by the facts as the crew of the Canadian Aviator experienced them. The ship passed through ice floes that were black with thousands of seals which dove or slipped off as the vessel came near. There was one notable exception however, a big bull seal that refused to budge off a cake of ice which the vessel had run into and brushed to one side. This seal looked decidedly blasé.

Coming up the river the ship made exceptionally good time. She was fairly high in the water, carrying only a few hundred tons of fire clay bricks, some paper stock and tea. She was constructed in Vancouver for the Canadian Government and made her first voyage to Liverpool passing through the Panama Canal. This is her third cargo. She is of 5,100 tonnage as compared with the 8,400 tons of the vessels constructed here at Canadian Vickers yard.

About Medals.

British War medals are being produced at the rate of about 67,000 per week.

The disc has to pass through twenty-seven processes before it is ready for forwarding to the War Office for issue.

The latest announcement is that only those who served overseas will receive the British War Medal and the Victory medal.

The work is being done entirely by men, most of whom are ex-soldiers; the processes usually carried on by men are being done by disabled men.

The plain silver discs are prepared at the Mint, together with the brooches; the remainder of the work is done at the Medal Factory, Woolwich Arsenal.

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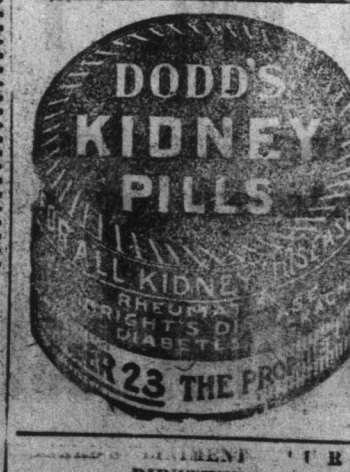
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