

INTENSE ARTILLERY WORK ON PART OF THE GERMANS

British Parliament Re-Assembles After Easter Recess

MAYOR APPOINTED FUEL CONTROLLER PRO TEM

Council Gave Two Readings to Bylaw Authorizing Municipality to Enter Into Purchase and Sale of Fuel; Sanction of Railway Board to be Obtained - Increase For Civic Officials

Mayor-1 123456... Purchase and sale of fuel authorized by a by-law introduced by Ald. Clement, chairman of the Fuel and Food Committee, at yesterday afternoon's session of the City Council. The by-law was given two readings and laid over pending authorization by the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board.

Many Minor Matters... Before the printing of the auditor's report, the council will have a general discussion with the auditor upon the city's financial status. Eight loads of coal weighed by the inspector showed a total of city pounds overweight and seventy pounds over weight.

Wm. Ridd, caretaker of the waiting room on the Market square.

BRITISH HOUSE REASSEMBLES WITH TWO QUESTIONS UPON ITS HANDS

New Military Service Bill Will Raise the Age Limit by Eight Years; Some Talk of a New Home Rule Measure.

By Courier Leased Wire. London, April 9.—Parliament re-assembles to-day after the Easter recess with two questions of great importance upon its hands. The first is the new military service bill which raised the age limit eight years and makes those born after a fixed date in the spring of 1867 liable to bear arms.

The deepest attention is commanded by the conscription bill because it vitally affects the interests and destinies of hundreds of thousands of men and families in that portion of the United Kingdom east of the Irish Sea.

Premier Lloyd George will make the opening speech and will expound the military situation which confronts the nation. He will "create the atmosphere" as one writer phrases it, and it is anticipated that he will make one of those stirring explications for which he has a special gift.

Several of the morning newspapers say there is reason to believe that Premier Lloyd George intends to foreshadow in his speech to-day the introduction shortly of a home rule measure which would set up an Irish parliament in Dublin with due safeguards for the Protestant minority and a compromise on the much discussed customs question.

HUN ARTILLERY DEVELOPED ON BRITISH FRONT

The Germans have encountered unfavorable weather for the big attack they were apparently contemplating against the British front and no infantry action had developed when the reports were despatched from headquarters this forenoon.

BRITISH OFFICIAL. London, April 9.—The German artillery developed great activity early this morning on the British front on the line from La Bassee canal to south of Armentieres, according to to-day's war office announcement.

FRENCH OFFICIAL. "There was great activity on the part of the artillery on both sides at numerous points along the front north of Montdidier and between Montdidier and Noyon. No infantry action occurred.

"On the left bank of the Oise there were intermittent bombardments. Advanced French troops, in conformity with orders which had been given, carried out a withdrawal to prepared positions southwest of the long forest of Coucy and south of Coucy-le-Chateau.

"Two German raids northwest of Rheims were repulsed. Other German efforts against small French posts near Eparges, in the sector of Reillon and north of Bonhomme achieved no greater success.

"Everywhere else the night passed in quiet."

GERMAN ASSISTANCE OF FORCES IN FINLAND

Is Part of Plan to get Control of Northern Russia. Move on Ports is Part of the Plan

Moscow, Monday, April 8.—German assistance of the government forces in Finland is part of a plan to gain control of northern Russia and cut the interior of European Russia off from the Arctic and the Baltic. This is the view of the Finnish situation of Oscar Tokol, former premier of Finland and a commissioner for the Finnish rebel government.

FRENCH AVIATORS Are Now Tackling the Long Range Gun.

By Courier Leased Wire. Paris, April 9.—French aviators have discovered the location of the big gun with which the Germans have been bombarding Paris at long range and the continual bombardment of the spot by the French artillery and bombing by the airmen have made the handling of the piece difficult. This explains the intermittent fire of the long range weapon. The piece is mounted at Crepy-en-Laonnois, near the road from La Fere to Laon.

MOST CRITICAL PERIOD Has Now Been Entered Says British Premier

During His Speech to the British House To-day.

By Courier Leased Wire. London, April 9.—Premier Lloyd George announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that the Irish convention had been laid on the table to-day. He also told the House that when the battle on the Somme front commenced, the total combatant strength of the German army on the western front was approximately equal to the total of the Entente Allies.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Toronto, April 9.—The area of high pressure is now centered in Northern Ontario, while a storm which will probably move up the Atlantic coast is centered near North Carolina. The weather is very cold in Ontario and Quebec and comparatively warm in Western Provinces.

IN TONES OF THUNDER GERMAN GUNS Are Roaring Along a 100 Mile Front

Infantry Actions Have Not Yet Developed

By Courier Leased Wire. In preparation for another heavy infantry attack against the Allied lines in Picardy in an attempt to reach Amiens, the German guns of all calibres are roaring in thunderous tones along a front of more than 100 miles from north of Arras to north of Soissons.

ENROLLMENT IN IRELAND

By Courier Leased Wire. London, April 9.—The report of the Irish convention was adopted by a majority only and therefore the Government would take the responsibility, the Premier said, for such proposals for self-government as were just and could be carried without violent controversy.

SENDS CONGRATULATIONS.

By Courier Leased Wire. Mexico City, April 9.—President Carranza sent the following message to King Albert of Belgium yesterday on the occasion of the King's birthday: "I have the honor to express to Your Majesty, in the name of the people and government of Mexico, my most cordial congratulations on this day upon which the anniversary of your birth is commemorated, and I am pleased to extend my best wishes for the peace and liberty of Belgium for your personal happiness and that of your august family."



Zimmie

Strong northeast winds, fair and cold to-day and on Wednesday.

Days... Railway... NE EAST... WEST... RAILWAY

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SALE... music cabinet, music cabinet, music cabinet