

Day's Messages.

GENERAL REVIEW.

Reports from Russia indicate that the Bolshevik Government is not keeping its engagement to ratify next Tuesday the compact agreed upon at Petrograd. Evacuation of Petrograd already has begun, and the Foreign Minister has announced that the leaders of the revolution are prepared to fall back even to the Ural Mountains, which separate Russia from Siberia and protect it from a possible German advance. It is clear that the Bolsheviks are making every effort to make their position as strong as possible. It seems that the Germans have not yet decided their operations against the Bolsheviks, for Krylenko, the Bolshevik commander, has sent a protest to the German commander, asking whether steps had been taken by him to prevent the evacuation of Petrograd. A like protest was despatched to the Austrian Commander. The reaction to the latter communication, however, is not apparent, for the former Dual Monarchy are said to be clearing little Russia of Bolsheviks, in order to carry out their plan to aid Ukrainians in establishing a republic. Whether Japanese are to invade Siberia and put disorder there, and also make great stores of all kinds that are in the harbor of Vladivostok, has not yet been determined. Japan, political parties are in favor of Japanese intervention. The leader of the majority in the Diet, for instance, has expressed the use of Japanese troops in the eastern part of the Russian Empire, unless conditions there were proved a menace to the peace of the Far East. Roumania is on the point of effecting peace with the Teutonic Allies, and the hard demands of the latter are exacted, in return for a cessation of hostilities into the little kingdom now is absolutely isolated from the Allies. A preliminary peace has been signed and armistices have been discussed on a number of points. Among the demands of the enemy is the evacuation of Dobruja, ratification of the Austro-Rumanian border for the Central Powers, and the transport of troops of the quadruple alliance through Moldavia and Rumania to Odessa. American troops have taken up another position on the front in France and their usual business-like methods have frustrated an attempt by the Germans to raid their trenches. The position is somewhere in the middle of the front, and the lines of trenches are now being held by the Americans on the West Front. From Flanders to the Swiss frontier, the line of more or less trench warfare is taking place on various fronts, and here and there raiding parties of both sides are frequently engaged. The British have carried out successful forays against the Germans, east of Bullecourt, and in which latter sector the Germans are shelling them. Although the war has ceased there has been

but little activity on the chief American sector northwest of Toul. The men of both sides have kept to their trenches, and there have been only spasmodic exchanges of shells. German reinforcements continue to be sent up behind their lines in Belgium and France. According to General Maurice, Director of military operations at the British War Office, at present, although the enemy has 16 more divisions than the Allies along this front, the Allied troops are numerically stronger and also hold the upper hand in rifles, guns and aircraft, but that this superiority is diminishing. The major preparations of the enemy for a big offensive are now more or less complete and the Allies must watch for local preparations, which signalize the approach of an attack, General Maurice said. German submarines or mines were responsible last week for the sinking of 18 British merchantmen, 12 of which were 1,600 tons or over; for the previous week 14 large and 4 small merchant ships were destroyed.

SPEED UP WORK.

LONDON, To-day. Baron Incheape, speaking at a meeting of the Chamber of Shipping to-day of what he termed the unpromising outlook, said that not a sound had been heard along the Clyde since noon last Saturday. It might be suggested that no war was going on and that no ships or destroyers to hunt submarines were required. He said, he thought, that more information about shipping losses might be given the people, to make them appreciate the gravity of the situation, adding, our tonnage is being sunk at a rate of which people have no conception and there is a curious lack of realization in many parts of the country as to the grave situation with which we are faced.

TRIBUTES TO REDMOND.

LONDON, To-day. Tributes were paid Redmond by Premier Lloyd George, former Premier Asquith and leaders of labor of both Welsh and Scotch parties. The last words Mr. Redmond said to the Premier, Mr. Lloyd George said, during his remarks, were a plea for concord between the two races that providence has decided should work together for the common ends of humanity. The tributes were acknowledged by John O'Connor, on behalf of the Nationalists and members of Mr. Redmond's family. Lt. Col. Sir Jas. Craig, Unionist member of Parliament, for the east division of Down, said, "With profound sorrow I have learned of the death of Mr. Redmond. Throughout my Parliamentary career he has been the leader of the Nationalists and consequently I have always differed with him. I was captivated by his charm of manner, and I never shall forget the generous tributes he paid to the gallantry of the Ulster division or the cordial letter of sympathy he wrote me when my brother was wounded and taken prisoner. He lived a strenuous life always for Ireland and what he believed to be for her welfare. He probably had the most difficult task of any party leader in the House of Commons, especially during the past seven or eight years. His death undoubtedly was hastened by the state of affairs in Ireland, and all that we, his colleagues can say, is that a great Irishman has passed away. God rest his soul."

BOSTON.—Resolutions on the death of John Redmond were adopted by the United Irish League of Boston to-day. The resolution says: "He was the foremost statesman and diplomat of our race since the death of Charles Stuart Parnell. A copy of the resolution is to be forwarded to Redmond's family."

REDMOND'S LAST WORDS.

LONDON, To-day. "I am a broken-hearted man," This, according to Father Bernard Vaughan, who was a close friend of Redmond, was one of the last utterances which fell from the lips of the Irish Nationalist leader.

REDMOND'S DEATH A DISASTER.

LONDON, To-day. The death of John Redmond at the moment when the Convention which is to settle the future of Ireland is having its most momentous sessions, is considered in political circles to be almost a disaster. During the weeks in which the Irish Convention has been busy trying to find a solution to the Irish problem, to which he gave his life, Redmond exercised a great moderating influence, and if, a despatch from Dublin says, there is again a prospect of agreement, he must be given a great measure of credit for this state of affairs. The Irish Convention adjourned for two hours yesterday when it heard of Redmond's death. Later it passed a resolution of sorrow.

AND NOW CHINA.

LONDON, To-day. The Daily Mail to-day prints a despatch from Tien Tsin under Monday's date, which quotes a telegram from Port Arthur as stating that arrangements regarding Japan's intervention in Siberia have been made by the Allies. The Tien Tsin message contains further reports of disordered conditions in the border areas. Fighting is said to be proceeding at Chita

between Buriat Cossacks and Bolshevik forces, while numerous disturbing reports from the border provinces regarding the activities of the German intriguers, are being received in Peking. A Chinese Cabinet message states that China has definitely decided upon the fullest co-operation with Japan, and is sending delegates to Japan shortly, for consultation on military affairs. The Chinese Government, it is said, will also ask Japan to send military delegates to China. Owing to external danger, the message adds, it is expected that north and south China will cease their quarrelling and unite against the Siberian menace. Tuan Jua Tsi is said to be conducting the arrangements to this end. The military Government at Kirin, Manchuria, has telegraphed to Peking, begging that reinforcements be sent as soon as possible, as hostile forces are approaching Northern Manchuria. The despatch quotes a message to North China, from Harbin, reporting that the Bolsheviks have seized rolling stock on the Chinese eastern railway to the westward of Manchuria and are disorganizing the traffic.

WANT A DOLLAR AN HOUR.

WASHINGTON, To-day. Demands of the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers for a 45 per cent. wage advance, an eight hour day, and an increase in the number of holidays, were to-day given consideration by the Federal Commission in its inquiry, to determine paper price. If requests are granted, a basic wage scale of \$1.00 an hour will be established. The present wage agreement expires on May 1st.

JELICOE'S DISMISSAL.

LONDON, To-day. The dismissal of Admiral Sir John Jellicoe by the Admiralty, from the post of First Sea Lord, last December, was the subject of attacks on Sir Eric Geddes, present Sea Lord, in the House this afternoon. Sir Edward Carson, former First Sea Lord, termed it a national calamity. He asserted that the War Cabinet of which he was at that time a member was not responsible, and said that naval officers protested against it. Admiral Sir Hedworth Meux declared that Sir Eric Geddes had flouted the whole fleet. He drew Bonar Law, speaker of the House, into the discussion. The Government, explained how Premier Lloyd George had summoned him to the Cabinet Room, when Geddes was there, and said he had come to the conclusion that in the public interest there should be a change. Sir Edward Carson, interrupting Bonar Law, interjected, "If I had continued to be First Lord I would certainly have resisted the removal of Admiral Jellicoe. Bonar Law resuming said, Sir Eric told me at the same time that the subject had not been mentioned to him for two weeks, and that he had come to the conclusion absolutely on his own initiative. The first Lord here interrupted and said he thought that if the advice he gave was accepted by the Premier, it became a decision of the Government, and he would like to say that from the day he accepted office, until the day Admiral Jellicoe left the Admiralty, no suggestion had been put to him to make a change in the Admiralty."

MERE TALK.

PETROGRAD, Monday. Commenting upon the signing of the peace treaty, Izvestia, the organ of the soldiers and workmen's deputies says, "purpose of the League Government in agreeing to German terms was to give respite to socialist revolution so as to enable them to assemble its forces for a supreme struggle against imperialism, and to assist the proletariat of other European countries, to revolt against its oppressors." Prava comments in a similar vein. No

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Here and There.

Go to Dr. Campbell's Lecture to-night—mar7,li

TRAIN MOVEMENTS.—The incoming express is due at 6 p.m. to-day. Tuesday's outgoing express reached Port aux Basques this morning.

CURRENT EVENTS CLUB.—The regular Saturday afternoon gatherings of the Ladies' Reading Room will be discontinued for the remainder of the season.

M. C. L. I.—To-night at 7.45: "Resolved that the present war has lessened the influence of the Church as a moral and social force in the world." Leaders: Rev. Dr. Fenwick and Rev. H. Boyle.—mar7,li

Special to Evening Telegram.

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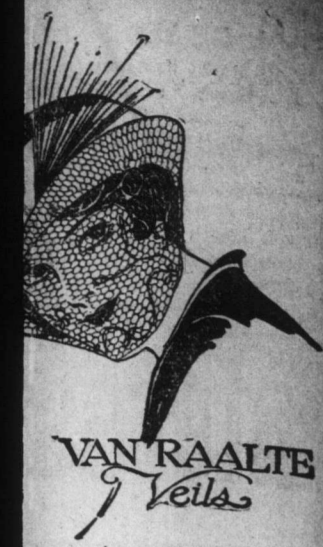
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