

TO-DAY'S Messages.

10.30 A.M.

WILL STRIKE BEFORE END OF JUNE.

LONDON, To-day. Before the end of June the Allied armies will strike simultaneous blows with the object of bringing the Kaiser to his knees and ending the war before Christmas. This combined offensive, it was held in London yesterday, is certain to result from the great council of the Allies which closed at Paris on Tuesday night. The Allied forces may begin to move before the Crown Prince ceases his offensive movement on Verdun. The Allies' drive may be preceded by other German attempts to break the western front. It is believed here, and there are persistent rumors, that the Germans have used the long hill at Verdun to shift troops for a blow on some other sector of the French front. No further statement of the results of the War Council session at Paris has been given out, it was stated authoritatively yesterday.

BRITISH HAVE EXTENDED LINE.

LONDON, To-day. An official having revealed the fact that the British armies have taken over the length of line previously held by the French, says the Reuter's correspondent at the British headquarters in France, I am permitted to make reference to it. The new dispositions were carried out with great success and secrecy, and the result of them has been to release large French forces, who were manifestly of great value in another area. At the British are probably holding something like one-fourth of the entire length of the western front, extending in an unbroken line from the Yser to Nemme. Although the hour of the British army may be at hand it is not yet, nor is there any reason to believe the Germans will succeed by their attacks on Verdun in upsetting the pre-arranged strategy of the great coming offensive.

INSANE ACT OF OFFICER.

LONDON, To-day. The members of the Commons were shocked yesterday afternoon when an army officer who was sitting in the strangers' gallery jumped over the railing into the distinguished strangers' gallery, then climbing over the outer railing hung suspended for a moment over the floor of the House. He dropped thence to the house floor without apparently receiving any injury, although the drop was from a considerable height. His incoherent remarks proved he was not responsible for his act. He was quickly led out of the chamber. The object of the officer apparently was to call attention to the supply of helmets for the army, for he cried out as he dropped to the floor, "ask you to protect the heads of British soldiers against shrapnel fire."

CALLING UP MARRIED MEN.

LONDON, To-day. The last class of unmarried men, those who have reached the age of 19, since their attestation, appeared in large numbers at the recruiting offices yesterday to join the colors. There is now only one proclamation out in connection with enlistments. It calls on the first eight groups of married men to present themselves on April 7th. This is the proclamation which has caused so much dissatisfaction throughout the country, it being felt that all single men who are enlisting in various ways should be called up before married men who are compelled to serve.

SALONIKI ASKS FOR PROTECTION

SALONIKI, To-day. Mayor of Saloniki has telegraphed to King Constantine asking that the population of the city be protected against future raids. The funerals of victims of the aerial attack were marked with shouts of "Down with the barbarians and criminals!" One of the bombs fell in front of the house of General Meschepoulos, Commander of the Greek forces at Saloniki.

INVESTIGATING RAILROAD WRECK

CLEVELAND, Ohio, To-day. With a toll of at least 30 persons dead and 40 or more injured, the Federal State officials of the railroad company began yesterday the investigation into the cause that led early yesterday morning to one of the most disastrous wrecks that has occurred in this State in a dozen years and one of the worst in the history of New York Central system.

S. S. KILBRIDE SUNK.

LONDON, To-day. The British steamer Kilbride was sunk by an enemy submarine on March 1st, says an announcement made by Lloyd's this evening. She was 3,712 tons, built 1901, and owned by Connell Bros., Ltd., Glasgow. The available shipping records do not show thing recent movements of the

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GOUT, RHEUMATISM, GRAVEL, BRUISES, BACKACHE, BRIGHT'S DISEASE, DIABETES, ETC.

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TAILOR & CLOTHIER
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steamer. It is probable she was on the British Government service.

A QUIET DAY.

LONDON, To-day. A British official last night reads: It was a quiet day generally on the whole front. The enemy sprang a small mine this morning west of Bethune without damage. South of St. Etienne we consolidated all the ground gained on the 27th.

CREW SAVED.

LONDON, To-day. The British steamer Lavinia Westell, was sunk but the crew were saved. The last report of the Lavinia Westell shows she sailed from Savona, Italy, on March 9th for Almeria, Spain. She was a vessel of 3,131 tons and owned by James Westell, of Sunderland.

TURKS BEATEN OFF.

PETROGRAD, To-day. In the Caucasus Coast sector our detachments which had occupied the heights of the left bank of the River Ogden held sustained during Monday night a series of desperate enemy counter attacks. All of them were repulsed. The Turks suffered terrible loss and a retreat, leaving behind prisoners and guns. We also took prisoners in the direction of Erzdzan.

MINNEAPOLIS AFLOAT.

LONDON, To-day. The British steamer Minneapolis, which was torpedoed without warning in the Mediterranean last Wednesday, remained afloat, according to Reuters despatch from Malta. Attempts are being made to tow her into port. About 200 of the crew of the Minneapolis were landed at Malta. Ten men are missing.

ATTACKED BUT NOT SUNK.

LONDON, To-day. The British steamer Berwindvale was attacked to-day but not sunk. The Berwindvale is a vessel of 5,222 tons. She sailed from Valveston on February 24, for Newport News, and on March 2nd for Avenmouth, according to available shipping records.

STRUCK MINE.

LONDON, To-day. The Captain of the Gornia Westall says his vessel struck a mine on Tuesday.

UNARMED STEAMER SUNK WITHOUT WARNING.

LONDON, To-day. The British naval officials point out that none of the British vessels armed or unarmed, torpedoed since the inception of the new German submarine campaign, received any warning, nor has the crew been removed, except where the torpedoed ship sank slowly. The report which has been made public shows four unarmed British merchantmen sank without warning. They included the Englishman from Avonmouth for Portland Maine and Fenay-Bridge, Manchester Engineer, both from Philadelphia for England. These vessels followed the general practice of British merchantmen engaged in trade with America in not even having a defensive armament.

GREECE PROTESTS.

ATHENS, To-day. The Greek Government has protested to the Central Powers against the air bombardment of Salonika last Monday.

FOUR GERMAN AEROPLANES DOWN.

SALONIKA, To-day. Four German aeroplanes were brought down in the air raid over



have been left on the disabled ship.

ELECTED A WOMAN.

WINNIPEG, To-day. Conservatives Kildonan and St. Andrews Constituencies have elected a woman, Mrs. Robt. Bullock, to the position of Vice-President of their Association.

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THE PRINCE AS CHAIRMAN.

LONDON, To-day. The Government appointed the Prince of Wales, Chairman of the National Committee to make permanent provisions for the care of the graves of British soldiers in France and Belgium.

PLOT TO INVADE CANADA.

NEW YORK, To-day. The military expedition to invade Canada which was halted by the failure to Buffalo, was asserted last night to be part of an alleged conspiracy to violate the neutrality of the United States upon which agents of the department of justice, secretly working in connection with the return here yesterday from England of horses, Von der Goltz, who it is said claims to have been the trusted agent of Captain Von Papan, former German Military Attaché in this country, was questioned at length by the U. S. District Attorney, Snowden Marshall and his assistant Roger R. Wood. Von der Goltz, according to Capt. William M. Offlay, Chief of the Local Bureau Department of Justice and Assistant Wood, told an impressive tale of a plot and counter plot; Von der Goltz went to England in the latter part of 1914, under the name of Bridgman Taylor, according to persons closely identified with the department of justice, recently arranged with the British authorities to be returned here to give testimony.

1.20 P. M.

CRITICIZES DERRY'S SCHEME.

LONDON, To-day. Sir Edward Carson, former Attorney General, strongly criticized the Government's proposal. He said the question of recruiting had never been grappled with in any proper or reasonable spirit. Lord Derby's scheme was a mistake. Before very long circumstances would compel them to resort to general conscription as the only way to bring about equality of justice to all classes. The present piecemeal method would only augment the present shortage of the married men. Sir Edward warned the Government that the public is taking up the question and would not accept the present situation.

SENSATIONAL STORY.

LONDON, To-day. The Central News says the Government has highly sensational evidence concerning the situation on the Clyde and the present shortage of the married men. Details of the devastation and disaster are coming to hand from various sources, but communication is too disorganized for any complete summary of the damage done by the elements; rivers at flood, railroad trains held up for hours by houses, gunboats, trees and telegraph poles blown down. This is the oft repeated story from many corners of the country.

BRITAIN SWEPT BY SEVERE BLIZZARD.

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NEARLY 20,000 SERBS HAVE PERISHED.

BERNE, Switzerland, via Paris 29. Of 30,000 Serbian refugees who followed the invasion of their country by the Teutonic allies, headed southward, only 800 succeeded in reaching Saloniki, all the others having perished of cold and hunger on the way, according to a report just received from Mile Comte, of Geneva, representative at Saloniki of the Swiss Red Cross.

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A Money-SAVING

Message From Devine's.

\$10,000 to \$14,000 STOCK

NEW, CLEAN, RELIABLE MERCHANDISE TO BE CLEARED AT COST PRICE.

REASON: J. M. Devine has decided to in future enter into the Wholesale Dry Goods business on a large scale, and with this object in view a company with an authorized capital of \$100,000 is being formed. We understand Mr. Devine finalized negotiations in this respect during his recent visit to America. But before changing and going out of the retail all his present large stock must be sold. So bargains there are going to be, sure, during the next month.

All Must Be Cleared in a Month REGARDLESS OF PRICE.

There are thousands of dollars' worth of New Crisp American Goods just in, as well as reliable Staple Goods of British production. This appeals to everybody—it is a splendid opportunity for the shopkeeper to purchase at a low price. The boy or man who wants clothing, there never was such a chance. The girl or woman who wants a complete outfit, now is the time. The housekeeper—the bargain hunter—all can be satisfied at this great and genuine Sale.

Sale Starts Saturday Morning! No Approbation--No Charging!

SOME OF THE BARGAINS:

Ladies' Black Cloth Suits

(Latest cut.) Just a limited quantity elegant goods, lined with Colored Silk. Bought at our own price. Sold at \$20.00 in New York City. Enter, inspect, the price we'll ask will agreeably surprise you.

CUSH CORDS. COMBS. TEA APRONS.

BELTS—See the Belts from 15c. to \$1.50.

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All goods must go. All goods at Cost Price. No approbation. No goods charged. Sale lasts until all is sold, which we hope to be in a month. Come early if you want the plums. You cannot buy as cheap elsewhere. We want to get rid of the goods—going out of the retail. You practically get them at your own price—it means a lot to you. Don't miss it. Bring along a suit case or some sort of receptacle and fill it up for little or nothing.

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To fit from 10 years up. We offer Boys' Suits with long pants in dainty Tweed effects; strong and serviceable, well made. Usually \$6.00. Now \$3.49. You never saw them so low before.

79 pairs Boys' Braces, strong as they make them. Usually 18c. at 10c. per pair.

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36 inches wide at 15c. You should see these lovely yard goods. You have been paying 25c. for same. Now comes your chance, buy a few dozen yards at 15c. yard.

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15 doz. White Lawn and Colored Blouses, a job lot bought at the lowest possible price, and positively cannot be repeated. Worth from \$1.00 up. Will sell the whole bunch at 49c. each.

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