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### To-Day's Messages. 10.30 A.M.

#### THE GREAT PARIS CONFERENCE.

PARIS, To-day. The list of representatives from the different nations to the Conference are: France—Geo. Clemenceau, Premier and Minister of War; Steph. Picon, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Louis K. Lote, Minister of Finance; Georges Leygues, Minister of Marine; Etienne Clementel, Minister of Commerce; Louis Loucheur, Minister of Munitions; Victor Boret, Minister of Pensions; M. Le Bon, Minister of Blockade, and Invaded Regions; Andre Tardieu, High Commissioner to the U. S.; Jules Cambon, General Secretary to the Foreign Office; McDemargerie, Director of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Great Britain—David Lloyd George, Premier; Arthur James Balfour, Secretary for Foreign Affairs; Sir F. Bertie, Ambassador to France; Sir Eric Campbell Geddes, First Lord of the Admiralty; Gen. Sir Wm. Robertson, Chief of the Imperial Staff at Army Headquarters; Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, Chief of Naval Staff; Sir Maurice Hankey, Secretary of the Committee on Imperial Defence. United States—Wm. Graves Sharp, Ambassador; Col. E. M. House, Chairman; Admiral W. P. Benson, Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, Chief of Staff; Oscar T. Crosby, Assistant Secretary to the Treasury; Vance McCormick, Chairman of the War Trade Board, and Thos. Nelson Perkins of the Priority Board. Italy—Prof. Vittorio E. Orlando, Premier and Minister of the Interior; Baron Sonnino, Foreign Minister; Francis Sornini, Minister of the Treasury; Count Botta Lupo, Ambassador; Signor Bianchi, Minister of Transportation; Gen. Alfredo Dailio, Minister of Munitions. Japan, Belgium, Serbia, Roumania, Greece, Portugal and Montenegro, Brazil, Cuba, Russia, Siam and China will also be represented, although the delegates from the last named country were not named in this list given out to-day. The Conference is to be held in the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

#### NO REPORT FROM BERLIN.

BERLIN, To-day. A supplementary statement from headquarters this evening says that there is nothing of special importance to report from any front.

#### GERMAN FORCE SURRENDERS IN AFRICA.

LONDON, To-day. An official statement on the operations in East Africa tells of the unconditional surrender of the German force under Colonel Tafel, consisting of 12 German officers, one hundred Germans and 3,400 natives. The force had advanced southward from Mahenge area to Newala, apparently in ignorance of the British occupation of Newala.

#### SHIPPING FIGURES.

LONDON, To-day. The Admiralty statement follows: Arrivals 2058; sailings 2122; British merchantmen over 1600 tons sunk by mine or submarine, including one previously, 14; under 1600 tons, 7; fishing ships, sunk, none. British merchantmen unsuccessfully attacked, including one previously, eight.

#### BRITISH OFFICIAL.

LONDON, To-day. A British official statement issued this evening says: On the Cambrai battlefield nothing of special interest occurred during the day. Early this morning the enemy attempted raids against our trenches in the neighbor-

hood of Arion, south of Lens, but were repulsed in both cases. On the Ypres front the enemy's artillery activity continues; it has been heaviest east of Ypres. We have secured a few prisoners in patrol encounters.

#### HOLLAND TO STAY NEUTRAL.

THE HAGUE, To-day. Premier Vanderlinden, during the budget debate in the second chamber to-day, said the Government was entirely united upon its foreign policy and would continue to exercise the strictest neutrality, even should the consequences be other than hitherto thought. Its policy on international questions wouldn't be regulated by for but by the desire not to slide towards war. The Swedish Government, he said, had notified Holland that for the present it didn't intend to call together envoys from neutral countries for a discussion of economic interests.

#### TO CONTROL IMPORTS.

WASHINGTON, To-day. President Wilson to-night extended to imports the same measure of control by Government which since early in the war it has exercised over exports, by issuing a proclamation requiring the licensing of most of the chief import commodities. This action was taken under the authority of the Trading with the Enemy Act, which gives the executive power to prescribe such regulations governing imports as public safety requires. Import licensing will be put in the hands of the War Trade Board, which under the authority given the President in the Export Control Act issues all licenses for exports.

#### FISH SHIPMENTS TO U. S.

OTTAWA, To-day. Fish merchants on the Atlantic Coast of Canada will be enabled to ship supplies to American and other points promptly under the new regulations of the Food Controller through the authorization of Collectors of Customs at points of exit. The information was contained in a telegram sent from the Food Controller's office to-day to Collectors of Customs in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

#### AVIATION REPORT.

LONDON, To-day. The following statement dealing with aviation was issued to-day: Although on Tuesday there was a very high wind with rain most of the day a few important reconnaissances were carried out successfully by our airplanes. A little artillery work also was done and the enemy troops in the trenches were engaged with machine gun fire from the air. During the night in boisterous weather over a ton of bombs were dropped on Menin Railway Station. One of our machines is missing.

#### THE FIRST THREAT TO THE BOL-SHEVIST.

WASHINGTON, To-day. There will be no formal announcement for the present of the United States and allied nations towards the Bolshevik regime at Petrograd. The American Government is waiting both official information about the relations of the Bolshevik leaders with Germany's army officers and for further developments in the tangled situation throughout Russia. In the meantime the only official expression has been made in a statement to the Russian General Staff by Lieut. Col. Hudson, Head of the American Military Mission, giving a warning that the logical outcome of the movements for an armistice and peace will be the cutting off of American supplies. This statement was made without instructions from Washington but officials said to-day that it "summarized the situation accurately."

### 1.00 P.M.

#### WHAT ABOUT "OURS"?

LONDON, To-day. General Mewburn, Minister of Militia for Canada, having cabled that he had not time for electrifying because he felt his supreme duty was getting twenty thousand men overseas, General Turner, V.C. Commander of the Canadian Forces in England, has replied: "I cannot express to you the deep appreciation of all ranks

overseas for your statement that you are working day and night to secure twenty thousand reinforcements, beginning this year. We know only too well over here that the fifth division will indeed be wiped off the slate in order to reinforce the divisions in France if large drafts are not immediately forthcoming."

#### CANADIANS ESCAPE FROM GERMANY.

LONDON, To-day. Four more Canadians have escaped from German prison camps. They are Kennedy Merriam, W. L. Waters, R. Paula and S. G. Wood.

#### A GOOD STEP.

OTTAWA, To-day. Speaking last night, A. E. Fripp, K.C., stated that General Mewburn, Minister of Militia, had informed him on Tuesday that if 100,000 men were obtained by conscription the men of the first division were to be given furlough.

#### PRaises ITALIAN ARMY.

LONDON, To-day. General Maurice, discussing the situation on the various fronts with the Associated Press to-day, said the passing of the crisis on the Italian front was due entirely to the efforts of the Italian Army, adding, Anglo-French troops are now available in sufficient quantities to satisfy us that the situation is secure. On the western front he said: "The Italian Army is still in the melting pot. The attack was a great success. The British in this case had no definite objectives. We intended to go as far as we could, and I can tell you we established ourselves a deal further than we had expected. The actual positions captured were very interesting, showing the tremendous amount of work put in on the triple Hindenburg Line by the German soldiers." General Maurice declared that the British position in the Cambrai salient was one which would be of the greatest service in the further operations against the Germans.

#### CARNAGE AT FONTAINE.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS. IN FRANCE, To-day. Fontaine Notre Dame was to-day virtually a No Man's Land, over which swirled a never ending deluge of machine gun bullets from the ranks of the opposing forces drawn up on either side of the blood drenched little hamlet. A bright warm sun was shining down from an almost cloudless sky but it brought little cheer to the battle-weary German and British troops, for it only served to throw

into bold relief the awful picture of desolation and carnage within the confines of this village, through which all day grim death had stalked among the contending warriors. It is probable that some parties of Germans were still clinging to their secret stronghold among the cellars at various points, but for the most part Fontaine Notre Dame was a place of the dead. They lay about the streets to tell the story of the cruel tragedy enacted about them. German prisoners, from a guards division and the 46th Regiment, were in British cages this morning as a result of the battle, and among the captives was a battalion commander who was caught with many of his men in the rush of the British through the village. In addition to five hundred taken in Fontaine, upwards of one hundred were captured in the fighting yesterday in the vicinity of Bourlon Village, where the English troops, co-operating with the tanks, made some advance. Tanks also were employed in the assault on Fontaine, and it was behind these "great engines" that the British Guards battled forward until they had reached the eastern side of the village. A German counter attack with a fresh corps, which resulted in the British being pushed back through the hamlet, gave the enemy a claim to the re-occupation of the place, but it has been stated the Germans were unable to remain in Fontaine in force, so that to all intents and purposes they lost Fontaine although the British did not gain it. The fighting at Bourlon Village yesterday was very severe. The British began their attack about this place in face of extremely heavy machine gun and rifle fire. Bourlon was strongly held and was crowded with rapid fire, which held all the approaches. The tanks worked to the southeast of the village and drove a hole in the enemy defences. Here they were closely followed by infantry. The machine gun output, however, prevented the infantry from working their way further north on the western side of the place. The attack, however, progressed well on the eastern side of the village and the British rushed forward to the north-east corner, thereby drawing the still closer about the hamlet. At the same time that the Germans hurled their counter attack against Fontaine, a large force of new troops against the advancing British about Bourlon and hard fighting ensued. This attack, however, was beaten off and this morning the British appear to have a footing in the southeastern outskirts of the village. A heavy machine gun and rifle fire was proceeding to-day throughout this section.

#### ONE SENSIBLE RUSSIAN PAPER.

PETROGRAD, No. 26.

The Vetchera, commenting on the statement made by the Allied Military Missions to General Duhonin, who was deposed for refusing to obey the orders to open armistice negotiations with Germany, that any break in the London agreement by Russia would bring serious consequences, declares that the threat is not only a form of speech but exists, and is a terrible one. From the moment the Allies break off relations, says the newspaper, the transport will cease, as it already has ceased from the United States, and all the frontiers of our late Allies will be closed to us. The newspaper says it has been declared that Russia cannot exist during the coming year without imports, and concludes ironically as follows: "Even friendly Germans will not be in a position to supply us with necessities." The Vetchera admits the impossibility of Russia carrying on the fight against Germany should so conducted as not to needlessly offend the Allies.

#### LIGHT ON NICK'S EAST HISTORY.

LONDON, To-day. Half a million members of the Gribz tribes were massacred by agents of the Russian Emperor in 1916, according to a correspondent of the Manchester Guardian who has been travelling in Central Russia. This was a punishment for rebellion against literary sense by the Central Asian Moslems.

#### FRENCH SHIPPING LOSSES.

PARIS, To-day. Three French steamships of more than 1600 tons and one of less than that tonnage were sunk by submarines during the week ending Nov. 25. One fishing vessel was lost. Three steamers were attacked unsuccessfully.

#### IMPORTANCE OF AMERICA.

PARIS, To-day. In discussing the inter-Allied conference in an interview in the Petit Parisien, Viscount Northcliffe says: "The unity of control which will issue from this conference is essential for more than one reason, but especially because it will permit the Allies to use to its full extent the generous trans-Atlantic Republic places at their disposal. The importance of American intervention only appears as yet but one reason, but especially because it is too difficult to imagine what is happening five thousand kilometres from here."

#### A CHRONIC STATE.

LONDON, To-day. Maximalist troops have occupied the Petrograd state bank, according to the Petrograd correspondent of the Daily Mail. He adds: "The people are going about their business in the most ordinary manner. Nobody is hurried and one would never imagine that another revolution is in progress. Scenes of political turmoil have now become epidemic here."

#### ANOTHER STATE DOCUMENT DISCLOSED.

MANCHESTER, To-day. The Manchester Guardian's Petrograd correspondent says that among the secret diplomatic documents published by Lenin's regime was one setting forth an agreement between Russia, France and Great Britain under which Alexandretta (Asiatic Turkey) was to be a free port and Palestine a protectorate under Russia and France, and Great Britain was to receive the neutral zone in Persia, except Isfahan and Yazd which were to go into the Russian sphere.

#### FRENCH REPORT.

PARIS, To-day. "Artillery actions occurred north of the Aisne and in the region of Sahonaul," says to-day's official report. "In the Champagne north of Camilleville the enemy last night after a violent bombardment undertook a raid in great strength. Our troops repulsed him, inflicting heavy losses. In the Argonne, west of the Aisne, we raided the German lines and brought back prisoners. Two enemy raids, one on the left bank of the Meuse in the region of Bethincourt and the other on the right bank northwest of Vaux Danu were completely repulsed. There was active artillery fighting in Upper Alsace."

CAME THROUGH BIG DRIVE. Mr. L. G. Chafe received a message from his son, Lieut. Eric Chafe, M.M., this morning stating that he had passed through the last drive unscathed.

#### Marine Notes.

(Halifax Mail, Nov. 24.)

Two schooners are coming from Newfoundland with three thousand barrels of herring for George E. Boak and Sons; the Acadia from Bay of Islands with 1,500 barrels and Marjorie Inkpen with a like quantity from Notre Dame Bay. Capt. Samuel Shaw has decided to make a trip to Newfoundland and back in his new purchase, the schooner Minnie M. Mosher, before placing the vessel in winter quarters, having accepted a charter to load salt and other cargo here for the west coast of the Ancient Colony and return with a cargo of dry fish. The Mosher is now at Parqhar's wharf.

Steamer Sun, 131 tons net, has been released by the admiralty, her time charter being up. She was engaged as a patrol boat and will now load freight for St. John's, Nfld., where she is owned by Hon. J. C. Crobie. She will haul down to-day to the wharf of H. R. Silver, Limited, that firm being the agents for the steamer. The Sun was on the weekly railway at Dartmouth this week to have her bottom cleaned and painted.

Schooner Athlete after her arrival at Bonne Bay, Nfld., from Gloucester via Halifax, went to Bay of Islands to load bulk herring for Gloucester. She called at Halifax for a load of salt. The J. J. Flaherty, which also called at Halifax for salt on her way from Gloucester, was getting her load of bulk herring at Bonne Bay. Another schooner which called at Halifax for salt on her way to Newfoundland, the Louisa R. Sylva, was getting her load of bulk herring at Woods Islands and she was the first arrival of the Gloucester herring fleet.

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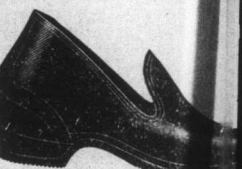
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