Tokio Concerning Note to

FOE BRISKLY BOMBARDS FRENCH CAPTURE CANADIAN FRONT AGAIN

Battalion Holding Reservoir Hill Receives Bulk of Ally's Troops Carry Import-Shellfire—Troop's Improve Defences, Obtaining Better Shelter.

Canadian Headquarters in France, via London, June 18.—The enemy artillery, which for several days has been little in evidence at this part of the front, has again become fairly active. Much of the shelling is in the vicinity of Reservoir Hill. This is a miniature reproduction of Vimy Ridge, and lies to the northeast of the electric station. The battalion now holding this portion of the line has been industriously improving the trenches, thus lessening the casualties, Some occur despite the best precautions.

Around this heap of war's desolation bloomed a rose garden that must have teen the finer feelings of the men are not blunted by daily contact with death. Three bodies of victims of the enemy artillery lay on a mortuary truck awaiting removal to the cemetery behind the lines. Each was wrapped up in his blanket, which is the universal substitute at the front feelings. Some bloomed a rose garden that must have teen the pride of its owner. A refugee far from the roses she had tended with still evident care, the woman of the rose garden would find consolation in the thought that her flowers had lain on the breasts of men who came from the surf-beaten shores of Canada to redeem her garden with their life blood.

universal substitute at the front for winding sheet and coffin. A companion of the dead lads, himself a young fellow, barely out of his teens, had risen early and gone out into the wood of the present line if the day of trial came.

Operate Mines, Allowing Own-

Ottawa, June 18 -It is understood

that the efforts made by R. F. Green,

will arrive in the cantal tomorrow

night to make a report to Hon. T. W.

ers Margin of Profit.

FERNIE COAL STRIKE

SUBMARINE SINKS BRITISH TRANSPORT Government Commission Will

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Sixty-Three Persons, Including Captain, Lost in Mediterranean.

London, June 18 .- The British trans port Cameronian with a small number sunk by an enemy submarine in the eastern Mediterranean on June 2, it lowing the mine owners a fair margin was officially announced tonight, and of profit. 63 persons, including the captain of the transport, are presumed to have Invite Smuts to Attend been drowned.

The Cameronian which is on record as belonging to F. Leyland and Company of Liverpool, was a vessel of 5861 tons, built in 1913 at Einswaren. She was orginally the Kamerun, a country. Chancellor Bonar Law told the house of commons today this action had been taken in order to enable the country. of the interned German steamers taken the cabinet to avail itself of the special military experience of Gen. Smuts.

have to go into winter quarters.

Roman province of Asia.

* WAR SUMMARY *

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

are establishing a new base for operations, besides the congested port of Salonica, and that they are effecting a concentration somewhere in touch

with the Italians from across the Adriatic, in order to make a thrust into

older Serbia from Grecian Macedonia, instead of striking up the Struma

towards Sofia, in order to carry the war first into Bulgaria. It will take

considerable time to prepare a new base, with hospitals, depots and war

for a few weeks yet, but owing to the difference in climate they will be

able to proceed with an autumn campaign when the forces in France will

belongs to Europe, it is from Asia that the Turks derive their power. The

occupation of Constantinople, as it were, gives them the required prestige to rule over the many subject races of Anatolia, Syria and Palestine. To

strike at the root of their power, the allies have to overrun the greater

powers in Asiatic Turkey the problem of bringing Turkey to her knees

presents some knotty questions for the allies first to settle among them-

elves. The problem of guarding the Holy Sepulchre, for example, is one

extreme difficulty, by reason of the fact that so many denominations Christians and Mohammedans pay reverence at that shrine. Soldiers

we to guard the place on Easter Day to prevent bloodshed among the

officer Christian rivals. It is not improbable that the allies will internationalize the holy land. France has large interests in Syria. Italy has

her interests in Smyrna and the regions round about, and in the old

field, the British second army made another step in crushing the Ger-

man force caught in the triangle of the River Lys and the Ypres-Comines

Canal. Since they have their heavy artillery trained on the canal and

the river and since they bombard all the forts and bridges, they have

put the Germans west of these obstacles in a dangerous predicament. The

enemy had withdrawn his heavy guns from the rear of the Messines ridge

artiflery is searching every bit of cover, as well as throwing barrages along

the waterways, so that the Germans have hardly a chance of getting their

now in the Messines salient, then on Vimy ridge, next in the Ypres area

or the La Bassee Canal zone. This work is done largely by efficient aerial

observation and by weighty and well-directed gunfire, so that the process

is long and tedious. So far as the west is concerned, the allied military

leaders cannot promise anything else than this slow grinding away until

right near the end. The end, they all agree, will come suddenly, almost

like the flash from a great explosion. The real significance of the fighting is that it is eating up the German reserves at a rapid rate. The attrition

of the German armies is proceeding at a much faster pace than it ever

The British are following the policy of crushing the enemy in detail

war material out of the trap and of saving it before its destruction.

on the day of the assault, but the British came on too rapidly, it is believed, for the foe to get them across the river and the canal. The British

In gaining further ground toward Warneton, from the Messines battle-

HE French and the British are rapidly overrunning Thessaly, in

northern Greece, and the British have withdrawn from some vil-

ant System of Trenches in Champagne.

FOE SHELLS RHEIMS

GERMAN SALIEN

out Opposition.

unication issued tonight reads: "Marked artillery activity was displayed in the region of Laffaux, Pantheon, and the sector of Craonne-Chevreux.

"In Champagne we carried out this norning a local operation which rendered us masters of a system of German trenches which formed a salient in our lines on a front of about 500 metres between Mont Carnillet and Mont Blond. In the course of this action we took 40 prisoners, one them an officer.

"The Germans, without reason, continued to bombard the town of Rheims, on which 2000 shells were tired today. One civilian was killed

M.P. for Kootenay, to bring about a settlement of the coal strike in the Fernie district, has failed. Mr. Green

London, June 18 .- The war cabinet has invited Gen. Smuts, formerly the Welcomed.

> Washington, June 18. - Russia's war mission, whose coming is awaited with more than ordinary interest because of the internal situation facing the new Russian democracy, will reach Washington at noon tomorrow to dis-

ernment at Petrograd.

The mission, it is understood, will have full powers of negotiation, and will serve as a Russian counterpart to the American mission now in Petrograd, under the leadership of Elihu be su Root. Since its departure about five weeks ago from the Russian capital, it has kept fully in touch with the situation by cable and wireless of the sunicient of all ranks available in England for estimated requirements for some time. No further applications by cable and wireless of the sunicient of all ranks available in England for estimated requirements for some time. it has kept fully in touch with the tions for commission situation by cable and wireless and is will be received. fully enough informed to discuss the situation in detail.

material ready to hand. They may not therefore be ready to strike hard BUTCHER BLUE SHIRTS SCORE'S-SPECIALLY PRICED

This is a very special offering in a line of shirts which so many men will only need a hint The landing of Italian troops at Port Said to take part in the coming of to show the invasion of Syria stiggests that it will be an international expedition to most practical crush Turkish power. The Constantinople sits on the Sea of Marmora and a 10 dozen lot of Zephyr Shirts in solid butcher blue-and the part of their dominions in Asia. Owing to the many interests of allied butcher blue ground with

narrow hairline stripes-they're beautifully made garments—have French cuffs—every one bad. The of them tailor-made by our own shirt emperor." makers for our exclusive men's trade. Regular \$2.75-on sale this morning for \$2.15—See our east window display of them. R. Score & Son, Limited, tailors and haberdashers. 77 West

King street. United States Will Buy Coal, Steel and Oil at Fixed Rate

Washington, June 18. — Secretary Daniels has ordered coal and oil producers to supply the enormous quantitles needed by the navy at prices to the fixed later by the president when the federal trade commission has de-termined a fair rate. The navy will use 1,750,000 tons of coal and 50,000,-000 barrels of oil purchased under this application of the authority ranted by congress.
Similarly, steel for the entire navy building program is being bought at a rate fixed when Secretary Daniels

makers as too high. Believe Japanese Flotilla

ejected the proposals of the steel

of the Japanese flotillas in the Mediterranean on the evening of June 12 incountered an enemy submarine and immediately attacked it with, it is believed, good success and probably sank it.

Bomb Attempt on Railway Bridge Owned by Britishers

Buenos Ayres, June 18 .- An attemp was made today to blow up a railway bridge owned by British interests. No casualties were caused by the explos-

LIEUT .- COL. KING KILLED preferred to so to the front.

BRITISH MAKE GAIN HAS NOW SUBSIDED TOWARD WARNETON United States First Consulted

> Continue Progress From Messines Battlefront -Lively Gunfire.

> > Prisoners.

of our main new position, which we still hold, on Infantry Hill.

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COUNT PLUNKETT

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BOMB RUSSIAN BASES

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general and counsel in the case refused

WELCOMED IN DUBLIN

MANY SOLDIERS RETURNING.

vidual Irishmen.

GERMAN AIRPLANES

Tokio, June 18.—In explaining to leading members of parliament the action of the United States in despatching a note to China regarding the restoration of domestic tranquility. Viscount Motono, the foreign minister, said today that the United States had consulted Japan on June 6. STILL RETAIN HILL Progress of Sarrail's Forces tions be made to China. Japan deemin Thessaly Continues With-Sir Douglas Haig's · Troops Beat Off Germans, Taking responding. The foreign minister understood Great Britain would take the same view as Japan, which was that is was undesirable at present to make representations which might prove to be an untimely intervention. The attitude of France, the foreign London, June 18 .- The official report rom British headquarters in France minister said, probably was the same as that of Great Britain. Japan there-fore decided to adhere to the policy onight, reads: We captured 21 prisoners this morning in the course of the

gain his lost positions on Infantry Hill. Our troops gained ground slightly last night on the Messines battlefront, in the direction of Warneton. It is likely that Japan's feply to United States will be in this tenor The agitation in Japan over the action of the United States has sub-Artillery activity continued today on both sides in the neighborhood of Lens

PRINCIPLES OF POWERS ARE STILL UNALTERED

Premier Ribot Addresses Venizelos Concerning France's Mis-

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To ARRIVE TODAY

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Sion to German People.

Paris, June 18—Premier Ribot has sent the following measure to Eleutherical the provisional government at Salonica; from the validation, 12 kilometres from the whole front. Thessaly: The movements of our troops continue to be carried out without difficulty. All the communes to the strict, has failed. Mr. Green ve in the cantal tomorrow make a report to Hon, T. W., minister of labor. It is likely government and have in stalled new civil authorities."

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CANADIAN OFFICERS RETURNING TO CANADA

No Further Applications for Commissions Will Be Received by Headquarters.

erican officials.

Banking officials of the state department will meet the envoys at the railroad station and accompanied by a cavalry guard, will escort them to their headquarters. Every effort will be made to have the welcome reflect the American nation's deep sympathy and confidence for the struggling government at Petrograd.

London, June 18.—Struck off the struck off the strength as surplus to establishment and returning to Canada: Lieut.—Cols. C. C. Ballantyne, A. L. Bonnicastle, L. Bonnicastle, J. H. Hearn, A. J. Oliver, Sir W. Price, J. L. Youngs, Majors W. J. Douglas, D. C. Morton, D. McLennan, G. W. Pink, G. P. Richardson, A. J. Taylor, Capiains A. E. Burgess, W. L. Major, organized as a first commons today was asked whether the Irish political prisoners had been released on condition that the Sinn Fein party should participate in the forthcoming Irish convention. He replied that the prisoners had been freed unconditionally. The chancellor Bonar Law was asked whether the Irish political prisoners had been released on condition that the Sinn Fein party should participate in the forthcoming Irish convention. He replied that the prisoners had been freed unconditionally. The chancellor Bonar Law was asked whether the Irish political prisoners had been released on condition that the Sinn Fein party should participate in the forthcoming Irish convention. He replied that the prisoners had been freed unconditionally. The chancellor Bonar Law was asked whether the Irish political prisoners had been freed unconditionally. The chancellor Bonar Law was asked whether the Irish political prisoners had been freed unconditionally. The chancellor Bonar Law was asked whether the Irish political prisoners had been freed unconditionally. such a way that any person or per-sons could speak authoritatively for those engaged in it, and that the gov-ernment did not think the holding of

Canadian headquarters notify that on completion of the present course turn of events in Greece they are not only shifting about their front, but are establishing a new base for operations, besides the congested port of Salonica, and that they are effecting a compact of the officers' training corps there will be sufficient of all ranks available in England for estimated requirements.

> Vatican Refuses to Recall Bishop of Trent as Demanded

Paris, June 18 .- A Havas despatch from Rome states that the Vatican has announced that it has finally refused to recall the Right Rev. Coelestin Endrici, Bishop of Trent, as denanded by the Austrian Government. The effort to dislodge Monsignor Enfrici dates from the beginning of the war, when the Austrian Government because of his avowed pro-Italian sentiments, attempted to force from him Monsignor Endrici replied: "Christ said: 'Render unto Caesar that which is Caesar's.' We must obey

declaration of loyalty to Austria, Monsignor Endrici replied:
"Christ said: 'Render unto Caesar' that which is Caesar's.' We must obey our governments, even if they are bad. That is why we submit to the emperor."

The Austrian Government construed this base. All our airplanes returned." our governments, even if they are this language as rebellious, and sought

Baron Rhondda Will Have Wide TO CARRY AIR WAR London, June 18.—Invited to make a statement as to his intended policy as food controller, Baron Rhondda yesterday told the press that it would be obviously premature to enter into details, but he could say that the government had given him ample powers, even should it be

British Government Also Prevent Raids on England.

London, June 18.—Replying to a series of questions in the house of commons this afternoon as to whether the British Government had decided upon reprisals for the German air raids on England. Andrew Bonar Law, member of the British War Council, said the government intended to take steps not only for damaging the enemy, but for preventing raids on England.

It was a mistake, he said, to assume that air raiding was confined to the

Sank a German Submarine

London, June 18. — An admiralty announcement reads: "The Japanese naval attache communicates that one of the Japanese flotillas in the Medical Sank a German between the said of the said to assume that air raiding was confined to the enemy. The British air force in France had important military objectives behind the inexpense of the Japanese flotillas in the Medical Sank and the increase of the British air forces and the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had important military objectives behind the increase of the British air force in France had im To Stand Strain of Trial Today Winnipeg, June 18 .- The summe assizes open here tomorrow noon and it is possible the cases of Sir Rod-With the increase of the British air forces and the improvement of aeroplanes, raids against objectives at longer range were becoming more practicable. The government was in consultation with Franca and the military authorities at the front as to the most effective means of meeting the situation. ond Roblin, Hon, G. R. Coldwell and Hon. James H. Howden will be called second time. Sir Rodmond is far from strong and not able to stand the strain of a trial.

to make any statement as to whether the prosecution is to be dropped. King is Outspoken in His Appreciation of Loyalty Shown

London June 18.-Large crowds gathered in Dublin this morning to welcome London, June 18 .- Via Reuter's Otered in Dullin this morning to welcome the released Irish prisoners, all of whom, with the exception of Countess Markie-wicz, arived at 8 o'clock. Men with ban-ners escorted the former prisoners to their homes. There was much singing of Irish songs and a great deal of cheering, but there were no signs of disorder. tawa agency-The King in a farewell message to the Lord Mayor of Newcastle, in concluding a visit to the

northern industries, says:
"The outspoken sympathy of the citizens of the northeast coast fills me with courage and confidence. I was never more convinced that the indus-London, June 18.—Lieu'.-Col. W. A. Ring, Royal Engineers, killed, was late trial army of the nation is strong in of the Ceylon civil service, and was loyalty, fortitude and devotion which appointed to a Canadian military prohave built up the empire and will, unSPANISH CRISIS OVER:

Army is Satisfied and Prospect of Revolution Fades Away.

London, June 18.—A despatch to The Times from Madrid says: "The crisis is past. The crux between the government and the army has been government and the army has been removed by the premier granting infantry officers the right to form committees of defence. The revolutionary movement, which seemed imminent a week ago, has thus been averted. The situation, however, has in no wise been cleared. The example set by the soldiers has given a dangerous stimulus to the elements of dis-

A Madrid despatch via Paris says: "The officers' defence committee demand briefly that rewards should be proportionate to service, and that pro-motion should be by merit, with due regard to the claims of seniority. British Front in France, June 13, via London.—Having been virtually driven from the air during the battle of Mes-Their action was, on the whole, well

and north of Armentieres.

Yesterday the air fighting went in our favor. Ten German machines were brought down by our airplanes and five others were driven cut of centrol. Two of our airplanes failed the more advanced Liberals and reformers among the other parties of formers among the other parties of the battles of the battles of the days have found as many and averaged the more advanced Liberals and reformers among the other parties of days have found as many and averaged the more advanced Liberals and reformers among the other parties of the days have found as many and averaged the more advanced Liberals and reformers among the other parties of the days have found as many and averaged the air fighting went in the more advanced Liberals and reformers among the other parties of the days have found as many and are found as found are found as fou the more advanced Liberals and re-formers among the other parties of the left. Internal and external dif-This afternoon's official statement follows: "Early this morning the enficulties arising from the war have served to heighten and increase it, and it had gained among the parties. Even former Premier Maura, leader of the Conservatives, agrees that there is ground for dissatisfaction. emy delivered a strong local attack, under cover of a heavy bombardment, upon the positions captured by us on the morning of June 14, east of Monchy the morning of June 17, east of molecular le Preux. After severe fighting our troops were compelled to fall back from certain advanced positions which had been established by us in front There is a growing movement in favor of reopening parliament."

> NO SASKATCHEWAN SEAT CONCEDED BY LIBERALS

But Conservatives, Nevertheless. Hope to Secure Small

British Authorities Release June 26.

BRITISH WITHDRAW LINE ON BULGARIAN FRONT Sofia Reports Voluntary Evacua-

tion of Several Villages on Vardar.

Sona, time 18.—An official statement issued by the war office today reads:
"Macedonian front: Along the Struma, in the sector between Lakes Buthove and Tahinos, the British abandoned the advanced position they had hitherto occupied, and returned to the bridgehead position on the left bank of the river. Our troops occupied Ormanli, Barakli, Juma Kumli, Berlin Claims Act Done in Re- Keupri, Prosenik, Kalendra, Beglik-mah, Salman and Kakarasha. On the rest of the front there was weak artillery fire, with successful reconnoitring by our troops, "Rumanian front: There was rifle firing on this front."

Berlin, June 18.—(Via London.)—An official statement says:

"Greater activity by Russian naval forces in submarine and mine warfare made necessary defensive measures on the German side, which had the following results: esults:
"On June 13 our airplanes dropped ex-

National Sacrifice Needed Secure Victory.

The National Service Board is appealing to the country for the exercise of thrift and the investment of every possible dollar in Government War Savings Certificates. A way to war service has been opened for every man and woman in, the Dominion. "You cannot have absolute equality of sacrifice in war" as Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George has declared, but as the Prime Minister of Great Britain said:
"You can have equal readiness of lam Denman, chairman of the federal could say that the government had given him ample powers, even should it be necessary to the extent of taking over the food supplies of the country and the adoption of strong measures to check all speculation in the necessities of life.

"The man who seeks to profit by the necessities of his country at this hour," said Lord Rhondda, "is nothing short of a blackmailer, and must be treated as such." up those they love best. Let the na-tion as a whole place its comforts, indulgences and elegances on a national altar, consecrated by such sac-rifices as these men made. The nation will be better for it-stronger mentally, morally and physically. It would The controller added that attention would first be directed toward the securing of a reduction in the price of bread, which was the urgent need of the mostrengthen its fitre and ennoble its spirit." So with Canada. The need of the time is economy. Save your money and lend it to your country. Buy War Savings Certificates.

GET BAPTISM OF FIRE.

Paris, June 18 .- The Portuguese forces on the western front, having been initiated into the art of modern warfare by progressive stages, have now received their baptism of fire. The Matin says that today they are perfectly organized and have proved heir worth in exemplary fash

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM Great Lakes Service, 1917.

Commencing Wednesday, June 20. Grand Trunk Railway will operate train from Toronto to Sarnia wharf, leaving Toronto 10.45 a.m. Wednesdays Saturdays and Mondays, making close Saturdays and Mondays, making close connection at Sarnia wharf with Northern Navigation Co. palatial steamships for Sault Ste. Marie, Fort William, Port Arthur and Duluth. Train will also be run from Sarnia wharf to Toronto immediately on arrival of Northern Navigation Co. Quebec, June 18.-A contingent of or C. E. Horni, agent, Toronto,

CONCESSIONS ARE GIVEN FOE AIRMEN FIGHT IN SOLID MASSES

> German Aerial Forces Make Attempt at Reasserting Themselves.

BRITISH CHECK MOVE

Royal Flying Corps Meets Enemy Formation in Like Fashion.

received by the public and brought attempting to reassert themselves durabout the downfall of the Prieto ading the past week by adopting the faministration. The example is being miliar old Teutonic tactics of mass followed all over the country. Defence committees of all sorts of professions and trades, as well as of goving the pass week by adopting the farming the pass week by adopting the farming the farming the pass week by adopting the farming the pass week by adopting the farming the farming the pass week by adopting the farming the farming the farming the farming the farming the pass week by adopting the farming the ernment servants, are springing up while occasionally they encounter an "A movement for a radical rebuild- from forty to sixty airplanes. None of these great formations has yet been able to cross the British lines,

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Royal Flying Corps prepared and numto 80 machines involved.

All these engagements have occur-

red well inside German territory and have been barely visible from the British line. The pilots engaged found the fighting so heavy that they had no time to reckon the losses inflicted upon the retreating Germans. Later, however, British machines flew low over the ground, counting the ma-chines which had been burned or After one of these general melees

ten enemy airplanes were seen smashed, while only two British filers had been compelled to quit the fight, one of these being able to land within his own line.

Majority.

Regina, June 18.—Hon. Wm. Martin and W. B. Willoughby, the leaders of the two political parties, gave statements in interviews totally expressing the utmost confidence in the victory of their respective parties at the political on the victory of their respective parties at the political on the victory of their respective parties at the political on the victory of their respective parties at the political on the victory of their respective parties at the political on the victory of their respective parties at the political or victory of their respective parties at the political or victory of their respective parties at the political or victory of the victory of t When he began hovering above Sinn Feiners—Liberation is Unconditional.

The Liberals refuse to concede a single seat to the opposition, but say that in half a dozen ridings the Conservatives have a fair fighting chance. The Conservatives have a fair fighting chance. The Conservatives ridicule this statement, saying they are confident of a small working majority in the next legislature, not counting candidates which non-partisans may elect. The non-partisans have eight candidates in the field, including one woman, Mrs. S. V. Haight, of Keeler, who will enter the lists in Thunder Creek. She is vice-president of the Saskatchewan Women Grain Growers' Association. In the house of commons today, Chancellor Bonar Law was asked whether the Irish political prisoners but with his machine considerably shot up by machine gun fire from the

> BIG SHIPPING LOSSES SINCE LAST FEBRUARY

> Total Estimated at Almost One and Three-Quarter Million Tons,

New York, June 18.—An Associated Press despatch from Washington to-day says: The German submarine toll of British merchant ships since February 17, as shown in official British figures compiled here today, is 322 vessels of more than 1600 tons, and 35 of less than 1600 tons. British steam fishing vessels sunk numbered 78. Records for sailing vessels are incom plete, but a three weeks' total was 78. Submarines in the period given attacked 299 ships unsuccessfully, and the weekly percentage of unsuccessful attacks has ranged from 51 to 75. During the seven days ending with

The British figures do not give the tonnage of vessels sunk, but officials here say 5000 tons probably would be a fair average for vessels of more than 1600 tons destroyed. Computing the total at that average and putting the average of the smaller ships at 1000 tons, the total loss during slight-

"You can have equal readiness of liam Denman, chairman of the federal sacrifice from all. There are hundreds of thousands who have given, their lives; there are millions who have given, their lives; there are millions who have given up comfortable homes and are given up comfortable homes are first that the president. of thousands who have given their lives; there are millions who have given up comfortable homes and exchanged them for daily communion with death. Mu'titudes have given up those they love best. Let the name of the most important news, is the mounting figures on sinkings of British ships. The decrease in the sinkings the last two weeks are thousands and the most important news, is the mounting figures on sinkings of British ships. The decrease in the sinkings the last two weeks are thousands who have given the most serious thing," said in the most important news, is the mounting figures on sinkings of British ships. recalled her submarines to prepare them for expected sailings of American troop ships. Sinkings are again on the increase."

> **EXPLOSIONS DESTROY** FOE MUNITION DEPOTS

> Austrians Officially Report Destruction of Three.

Vienna, June 18, via London.—It is officially announced that an explosion has occurred in the military munition depots at the Steinfell, near Ueustadt, 31 miles from Vienna. The statement says that three of the depots have been destroyed thus far and that 100 persons are reported to have been

injured. Unofficial reports say six persons ere killed and 300 wounded Steinfeldt explosion, Great damage was done in Haschendorg and Sigersmen, espectave arrive Germany I thouse its rail the mathem and of mittel substitute. "The ide freed of I the idea coupying to two month idea repell "The peder for Gelations white the must do who after would have fit or glorgest ready their reversal am source the provoke was taken be the or pottain at least a itages. I congress rifices in equal to the Hohe up their their con-

MARRIED IN ENGLAND.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.
London, June 18.—The following marriages are announced in England:
At London, Lieut. A. Benyon, only son of J. A. Benyon, of Quebec, to Lily Stillwell. At Cashalton, Lieut. C. W. steamships Sundays, Tuesdays and Fridays, commencing Friday, June 22.
Full information may be secured from any Grand Trunk ticket agent, or C. E. Horning, district passenger F. C. Corfield, of Ormende Fields. Deragent Control of the late of the l

proceeded in the past. The German sands are running out, but how fast only a few German statisticians in a little room at Mezieres really and accurately know. It is unnecessary to say that they do not publish their returns. It is this fact, that Sir Douglas Haig has the full initiative, that he has the grip on the Germans so that they cannot escape his unrelenting, crushing process, that the Germans are striving by all the means in their nower and in the teeth of countless rebuffs to secure a separate peace, an armistice even, with Russia. Their very eagerness, which they find impossible to conceal, so great is their emotional agitation, betrays their desperation, It is assisting in the defeat of its own object. If Russia launches her offensive she will kill the German hopes of accommodation. She will perhaps create even a despair in Germany worth vast reinforcements to the allies. Germany, however, still remains uncrushed, and before she is the world will see desperate writhings and atrocities, perhaps, unsurpassed before.

The fierce fighting for Infantry Hill, east of Monchy, did not give Canadian Associated Press Cable. the Germans much advantage, for the British still hold the hill, and they took 21 prisoners in the fighting. When the Germans attacked them they had to withdraw from an advanced position or so owing to exposure to The enemy, however, failed to regain the high ground. He resorship directly before the war, but der God's guidance, help us to vicis finding the British possession of this hill a thorn in his side.

AGITATION IN JAPAN