

## To-day's Messages.

### ROOTS PLANK ADOPTED.

CHICAGO, June 10.

A rescuing party, by an eleventh hour compromise from the threatened split on the League of Nations issue of the Republican National Convention to-day, adopted a platform and then then adjourned to nominate a candidate to-morrow. Harmony on the League was reported after many hours of heated negotiation revolving about the sub committee on the resolutions, but bringing into the consultation, first and last, virtually all the big men of the party. In the end irreconcilables and mild reservationists accepted the treaty plank drafted by Elihu Root, before his departure for Europe several weeks ago, but revised in some details to meet the views of contending elements. After impatiently marking the all day for the resolutions committee to complete its work, the tired convention received with cheers the reading of a platform by Senator Watson of Indiana, Committee Chairman, and adopted it was a great chorus of cheers. The relative chance of the Presidential candidates, apparently was little affected by the platform agreement and on convention eve there was in evidence no development which changed the situation, with Wood, Johnson and Lowden leading, but without any of them having delegates to nominate them.

### RADICAL SUGGESTIONS.

TORONTO, June 10. Union of the Roman Catholic and Protestant churches was suggested as a possibility at the Toronto Methodist Conference, by T. W. Duggan, a law delegate from Brampton. Mr. Duggan had other rather radical suggestions to offer, among them being the proposition that Sunday nights at church should be made as attractive for the masses as a week night at the movies.

### "PORT SUNLIGHT" STRIKE.

LONDON, June 11. Nearly five thousand workers at Lord Leverhulme's "Port Sunlight" Soap Works are on strike through a dispute between rival unions, concerning which should represent the workers in wage negotiations. The strike is being conducted with good temper, a good many of the strikers going away on holidays.

### UNOFFICIAL SEIZURE.

NEWARK, N.J., June 11. Three men, whom the police say, posed as government agents, and by displaying badges held up and seized two trucks transporting twenty thousand dollars worth of whiskey Wednesday night, were arrested here yesterday on charges of larceny. The men followed the trucks from Baltimore, according to the police.

### RETURNED MANDATE.

BERLIN, June 11. The Inter-Allied Plebiscite Committee in Eastern Silesia has returned its mandate to the Supreme Council on the ground that the task cannot be fulfilled under prescribed conditions, according to a report here yesterday. The Commissioners are understood to have made known the impossibility of taking a plebiscite in Eastern Silesia for a long time.

### WHO WILL BUY?

WASHINGTON, June 11. Bids for the sale of the Leviathan, the largest ship in the American Merchant Marine, will be opened on June 30th by the Shipping Board.

### WHAT A COME-DOWN.

BERLIN, June 11. It is understood that the reduction of the German Army to two hundred thousand men has been accomplished. This is in accordance with the Versailles Treaty.

### UP AGAINST IT.

OTTAWA, June 11. While stocks of Canadian newspaper companies are soaring as much as ten points in a day, reflecting unprecedented prosperity of the Canadian newspaper industry a group of Canadian publishers is still in Ottawa struggling to prevent the extinction of their news-

paper properties, through inability to get newspaper supplies in a country that is exporting six times as much newspaper as it requires for domestic consumption.

### RENEWAL ACCEPTED.

HONOLULU, June 11. The Japanese Diplomatic Council has accepted the terms of the renewal of the Anglo-Japanese offensive and defensive alliance, a complete agreement having been reached in the negotiations at Tokio, according to a Tokio cable to Nippon Jih, Japanese language newspaper here.

### TO BE RETURNED.

MEXICO CITY, June 11. All property seized by the Government during the previous administration will be returned on the simple presentation of title to property confiscated, according to newspaper reports, quoting General Alvarado, Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

### GERMANS IN COMMAND.

PARIS, June 11. Polish troops are pursuing retreating Bolsheviks between the Dvina and Upper Beresina Rivers, according to a Havas despatch from Zurich, which says there is confirmation that Bolshevik shock troops, which won local successes since May 14, were exclusively commanded by German officers.

### AUSTRIAN CABINET RESIGNED.

VIENNA, June 11. The Austrian Cabinet, headed by Dr. Karl Renner as Chancellor, which has been administering country affairs for the greater part of the time since the armistice, has resigned office.

### LINGUAL DEFIANCE.

DUBLIN, June 11. A manifesto, pledging support for Dublin railwaymen and dockers in their refusal to handle munitions, has been issued by the Executive of the Irish Labor Party and Trade Union Congress. The manifesto defies the King and the British Government, saying "Not all the armies in the Empire will compel us to become traitors to our own nation: we will not shrink from the consequences of that view, although the whole fabric of the commonwealth be convulsed."

## Why Dogs' Noses Are Cold.

When your faithful old dog pokes his nose into your hand, even your affection cannot prevent a little shiver, because the nose is so cold. Why is it? When the body of a dog is so warm, why should this one spot be different from all the rest of him? The old fable tells us when Noah tried to get all the animals into the ark some of them were troublesome, and he had to get a dog to help him drive them in. Because of this the dog was the last to enter the ark. There was no room left, so he had to stand in the doorway, with his nose outside in the wet, and it has never been warm since.

Science gives quite another explanation of the matter. The coldness of a dog's nose is due to the fact that it must be kept moist all the time in order to sharpen his sense of smell. And, of course, as the moisture is evaporating all the time, it keeps his nose cold.

A dog depends a great deal on his powers of smell, especially in the wild state, and it is because of his keenness of scent that he is valuable to man for hunting purposes. In addition to the olfactory or smelling nerves inside a dog's nostrils, the whole black membrane around the nose is very sensitive, but this sensitiveness can only be retained by moisture. Thus it is when a dog's nose is dry and warm he is ill and needs doctoring.

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RENOVATING ROOMS.—The Nfld. Board of Trade Rooms are now undergoing repainting and renovation at the hands of Mr. L. Stone, contractor.

## Supreme Court.

### BEFORE JUSTICE JOHNSON.

Fisherman's Union Trading Co. vs. Evening Telegram, W. J. Herder and C. T. James.

A special jury consisting of Thos. Andrews, Geo. Rideout, J. B. Mercer, S. E. Garland, R. Simms, J. T. Nelder, A. H. Prowse, Chas. McKay Harvey, Alex. Morris were empanelled to try this case.

Mr. Mews for the prosecution opens the case by reading the libel complained of (Jan. 9) and calls Mr. Stirling, First Clerk of the Colonial Secretary's office. This finishes the case for the plaintiff. No witnesses were called for the defence. Mr. Mews addressed the jury pointing out that the charge was made in a paper widely circulated and when it sets out to check profiteering it has the whole world to make it to. In this case it picked out a company doing business in Newfoundland and the paper should be able to come to Court and prove the charges.

Howley, K.C., for the defence, addressed the jury briefly pointing out that the Libel has not the meaning which the plaintiff places on it. Justice Johnson charged the jury, and asked it to decide "does that article defame the position of the Trading Co. Do the words used refer to the plaintiff. Do the words mean what is set out in the statement of claim? What constitutes a libel was then explained by references. The jury retired and after a half hour's deliberation returned to Court with a verdict of \$500 for the plaintiff.

## Exaggerated.

The big seizure of "booze" referred to in this morning's News did not assume the huge proportions ascribed to it, nor did it possess the importance which naturally attaches to a raid. It is true that the police searched a certain house in the East End, but after making a thoroughly exhaustive examination of every room in the building, including the roof and cellar, the net results showed but two bottles of whiskey, which were for purely legitimate purposes, as were subsequently proven. It appears that a "dead set" is being made on a certain person by individuals who, having a grudge, give the police erroneous and misleading information.



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## A German Opinion of the British Navy.

The washing of dirty linen participated in by Secretary of the Navy Daniels, Admiral Sims and others at Washington, together with the disclosure of President Wilson's confidential correspondence in respect to naval matters, reminds one of the squabble which followed on the heels of the Spanish-American war. The difference being that this time the British navy is more or less personally interested, in view of the fact that the President expressed himself as being dissatisfied with the manner in which Britain's Sea Lords were conducting affairs. All of which makes doubly interesting a recently published volume by Commander Georg von Hase, the chief gunnery officer of the German battle-cruiser "Derfflinger," which vessel was in the thick of the fight at the battle of Jutland and which battle it will be remembered was reported an out and out victory for the Germans.

The book has received some editorial mention by the "Scientific American" and it from that publication I quote. In writing of the British gunfire at the battle of Jutland, Commander von Hase says:— "The British shot effectively and at a fabulous speed. So effective was the British gun fire that we stood powerless before the enemy, unable to return his fire!" The best work of the Germans was done in the earlier phases of the action, when the Queen Mary was sunk. To quote him again: "About 8.30 p.m. the Queen Mary met her doom. For two minutes our salvos had been straddling her repeatedly, and ten seconds after the last had fallen, we saw a huge red flame shoot up from her forepart. Then followed two prodigious explosions, and amidst the smoke we saw her great masses of debris rise in the air." After the loss of the two battle-cruisers Queen Mary and Indomitable, he remarks: "We were fighting an enemy at the second stage of the action, inferior in num-

bers, but superior in fighting power, which was depressing, nerve-racking and painful. Our only means of defense was to sheer out of line as soon as the enemy found our range." In his discussion of the last phase of the battle and the retreat of the German fleet, he writes: "Admiral Scheer had realized the perilous situation of his fleet. Our van was enclosed within a semicircle of hostile ships, and we found ourselves in the soup (in absolute darkness). The only means of escape was to turn the whole fleet about," that is, for each ship to execute a turn through sixteen points. "It was decided therefore to execute the manoeuvre unobserved and un molested by the enemy, and this could only be done by creating a diversion." The German battle-cruisers and destroyers were ordered to cover the retreat of the main body, and as Scheer signalled the main fleet to turn about, he ordered the battle-cruiser force to charge the enemy, which was done. "Now," he says, "there broke upon the Derfflinger, as leading ship, a perfect tornado of fire. . . . One 15-inch shell pierced the armor of C turret and exploded, killing seventy-three of the seventy-eight men, and setting the ship on fire at that part. Another 15-inch shell penetrated a roof of D turret, killing eighty men in all, instantly. With every moment, the British fire seemed to grow more intense and accurate. Another shell wrenched two armor plates from the bows of the Derfflinger and tore a hole twenty feet by sixteen feet. In the hull, through which the water poured whenever the vessel pitched. All her yards were shot away, the flag burned and searchlights wrecked, and all voicepipes and telephone cables shot away."

Again, in speaking of the German battle-cruiser Lutrow he says she was "shot to pieces by the British battle-cruisers and the Fifth Battle Squadron. She is reported to have received more than sixty heavy projectiles in the course of action." Von Hase tells us that after the German fleet had retreated toward their home under the

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shelter of the night, they were greatly relieved when dawn broke to find that the British fleet had been eluded, and when the British did turn up next day, the Germans were too badly wrecked to be sent out.

Coming from an enemy source as this does, and from an expert as well, it is doubly interesting, particularly in view of the fact that brother Daniels

and President Wilson were apparently of the opinion that Britain's seamen did not know their business.—Saturday Night.

**CAPLIN AT CARBONAR.**—A message received by the Telegram from Carbonar this morning states that there is a good sign of caplin there. One Lunenburg banker is taking a baiting of these fish.