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TO-DAY'S Messages.

11.00 A.M.

NEW CHINESE AMBASSADOR.

WASHINGTON, To-day. Dr. Koo New, the Chinese Minister, presented his credentials to Secretary Lansing yesterday. No official notification of the Chinese change of the monarchical form of Government reached the State Department or the Chinese Legation.

RESCUED FROM CLIFFS.

ST. PIERRE, Miq. To-day. The officers and crew of the British steamer St. Kilda, which foundered off the west coast of Miquelon in a storm last week, were brought here to-day in a tug which went to their assistance after they escaped from the vessel and landed on the cliffs.

MORE HYPHENATED DESIGNS.

WASHINGTON, To-day. A Bill to prevent the carrying of passengers by ships with war munitions, and a resolution to put the Senate on record for raising revenues for national defence by taxing munition manufacturers, were introduced to-day. No action was taken on either.

A MATTER FOR CONDOLENCE.

PEKING, To-day. The Chinese Cabinet went to the Palace in a body to-day to congratulate President Yuan Shi Kai on his forthcoming accession to the throne. The President said condolences would be more in order, as he had assumed the gravest responsibilities for himself and family. The President discouraged any idea of holding entertainments or celebrating in other ways the re-establishment of a monarchy. He urged his ministers to redouble their efforts to better the conditions of China.

NOT TORPEDOED.

NEW YORK, To-day. The steamer Dante Alighieri, a trans-Atlantic Italian, has not been torpedoed. She is safe in an Italian port.

NO ALL ROUND REDUCTIONS.

LONDON, To-day. The Government does not intend to propose an all round reduction of ministerial and Parliamentary salaries, Premier Asquith announced in the Commons this afternoon.

LOOKING AFTER SERBIAN REFUGEES.

LONDON, To-day. The Allies' Governments have taken steps to provide for the needs of Serbian refugees as far as possible. Ample supplies of food and clothing and shelter are being provided, said Lord Robert Cecil in the Commons yesterday. There are great difficulties to be surmounted. In certain areas it is not known what the extent of the influx of refugees will be. I believe the numbers to be provided for will not be so large as at first supposed.

REDUCING GERMAN TRADE.

LONDON, To-day. The object of all these agreements with neutral countries is the reduction of all German trade, while preserving to neutrals their legitimate rights, said Asquith. He contended the agreements involved no change of policy and did not indicate the failure of the British blockade.

ADEQUATELY CONTRADICTED.

LONDON, To-day. Are you aware Sir Arthur Markham asked Grey, in the Commons yesterday, that the neutral press has stated repeatedly the Allies by sending troops through Greece have violated Greek neutrality the same way that Germany has violated Belgium neutrality? Will the Government take steps to make it known to neutral countries that Greece requested Allies to send troops? Lord Robert Cecil replied for the Foreign Secretary saying: "I am aware such statements have been made but they have been adequately ridiculed and contradicted."

NO NEED OF COMPULSORY LOANS.

LONDON, To-day. Mr. McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told the Commons yesterday he anticipated no difficulty in raising on voluntary terms such loans as the State may require. This was the Chancellor's reply to the request that he take steps to put an end to rumors that a compulsory loan might be necessary.

AIR DEFENCE UNDER ONE CONTROL.

LONDON, To-day. The anti-air craft corps of London is under the sole control of the

War Office, and Rear-Admiral Scott is no longer in charge. This announcement was made in the Commons to-day by Harold Tennant, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of War. Tennant explained the defence of London from aerial attacks heretofore had been responsibility divided between the Admiralty and War Office. This, he said, had been the basis of many criticisms.

FRIENDLY ARABS NOT TREACHEROUS.

LONDON, To-day. Asked regarding the German wireless reports of the treacherous attitude toward British of supposedly friendly Arab tribes in the recent fighting in Mesopotamia, Austin Chamberlain, Secretary for India declared in the Commons yesterday: "I have every reason to believe the reports are quite untrue."

TURKISH ATTACKS HAVE BEEN REPULSED.

LONDON, To-day. Turkish attacks on the British Mesopotamia army at Kutelamara have been repulsed, was announced in an official statement last night. British re-inforcements are being pushed forward.

RUSSIANS DESTROY ZEP.

PETROGRAD, To-day. Russian artillery destroyed a Zeppelin air ship on December 5, near Statira Kalka, on the Libau-Romir railway.

DEFEAT ARABS NEAR SINAI.

LONDON, To-day. A band of three hundred Arabs were routed on Saturday by a British reconnoitering force in the vicinity of Marrah, Sinai Peninsula. The Arabs, 35 of whom were killed and 7 captured, were driven eastward. British casualties were slight.

12 45 P.M.

IRISH GALLANTRY SAVES A DESPERATE SITUATION.

LONDON, To-day. How two companies of Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers and another Irish Regiment, forming a British division, which are making a fighting retirement from Serbia, sacrificed themselves to cover the retreat of the wounded, who had reached the British headquarters in Macedonia. The British, according to a correspondent of Reuters in a despatch from the British headquarters, were out-numbered ten to one by the Bulgars, who were supplied with guns and machine guns. Last Monday morning they were awakened by heavy bombardment by Bulgarians, who poured hail, shot and shell on them, the splintering rocks intensified the effect of their fire. The Bulgars infantry then advanced to the attack in massed formation and were punished severely, but the scarcity of British guns did not permit them to take proper toll of the advancing Bulgarians. The British emptied their rifles rapidly into the enemy and tried to stem the tide with bayonet, but were overborne by the sheer weight of numbers and the position was lost. Similarly a second line was lost and the British fell back on their third line of defence. Two Companies of Inniskillings, however, held on to the Ridge known as Kevils Crest and kept back the Bulgarians a whole morning, although they were supported only by rifle fire. Hardly a man escaped, but their stand impressed the delayed Bulgarians, thus giving the British the much needed time to complete defensive positions on the third line, where the Bulgars were finally held up for four days. The Bulgars, the correspondent adds, having suffered heavily, have since then attempted no strong offensive up to Sunday.

CONSTANTINE GIVES SATISFACTORY ASSURANCES.

LONDON, To-day. The King of Greece in the course of an audience accorded to members of the diplomatic body at Athens on Saturday, gave personal assurances which are regarded satisfactory. This information was conveyed in a despatch from Athens. (War messages continued on next page.)

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