BRITAIN LAUGHS AT INSPIRED TALK ABOUT EARLY PEACE

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INVENTOR AND MUZZLE

THAT WILL DEFEAT GAS

### PEACE TALK IS TWADDLE FOR BRITISH

Any German Overtures Would Be Thought Premature.

GERMANS MUST RETREAT

No Dealings Until They Are On Own Soil.

**'DECISIVE VICTORY IS NEEDED** 

British and French United in This, Whatever the Cost.

[BY ED. L. KEEN.] [Special Cable to The Advertiser.]

London, June 17.-Although an fficial statement is not procurable, I am authoritatively informed that the Allies, especially Great Britain, would regard any German peace overtures at this time as premature.

Great Britain is determined to conat least until Germany is back upon her own territory. Any peace talk that has reached the United States certainly has not had its origin either in London or any other capital of the Allies.

Great Britain in particular intends to osecute the war until the German upon Belgium and Northern

France has been shaken. Military men here agree that the final verdict will be won, not by brilliant dashes, but by a long drawn-out endurance struggle. They base this belief upon the strength of line after line of strongly fortified works on both sides of the Flanders-France

battle line. And Great Britain is certain that the longer the struggle, the more certainly will the great resources of the Allies ultimately overwhelm the

The people of France unquestion-ably would resent an attempt at had been received until this morning. peace negotiations at this time. No other nation in Europe can boast of more whole-hearted support from its and when the war, broke out they citizens, and the fiery patriotism of wanted to enlist in a Highland regi-France demands not compromise, but decisive victory.

The British were slow in becoming aroused to the seriousness of the struggle. But once aroused, they are determined to stay in with bull-dog enacity. There is no sentiment here for a peace agreement, no matter what it gives to the Allies, until Germany has first been decisively beaten on the field of battle.

### **ALLIES DOMINATE VALLEY OF FECHT**

Now Masters of Commanding Line of Heights in Vosges.

GAIN GROUND TO SOUTH

Steady Progress of Past Few Weeks Is Still Being Maintained.

[Canadian Press.] June 17 .- The French war office this afternoon gave out a statement on the progress of hostilities' which reads as follows:

"In the Vosges, the progress made by us yesterday rendered us complete mas-ters of the line of heights which dom-inate the valley of the Fecht River, to the north of Steinbruck and Metzerald. To the south also we have gained und between the two branches of

ground between the two pranches of the upper Fecht and along the heights which separate the valley of the Fecht from the valley of the Lauch. "Regarding the rest of the front, there is nothing to add to the announce-ment made last night."

GERMAN ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCES U-14's LOSS

### BRITAIN HAS 2,550 AIRSHIPS READY TO DEFEND OR ATTACK

Some To Be Used For Beating Off German Raiders, Others To Bombard Enemy Towns Where Munitions Are Made-London and Large Centres in the United Kingdom Believed Amply Protected.

war spectacle before many weeks.

piplanes designed to give Britain su- air. oremacy in the skies. Publication of mal announcement from the war office poses.

in the House of Commons yesterday. It was learned today that the British air fleet now comprises 2,500 biplanes and monoplanes, and about 50 dirigibles, equipped for bomb-hurling raids. New air pilots will include many from

To challenge Great Britain's super-

London, June 17.—Sky battles on a rapidly as they could be manufactured will lend a new thrill to the European German admiralty, according to reports received here, has placed less replane factories here and in the United poses, and now has less than 2,000 States have been turning out scores of Taubes to meet British attacks in the

Many of these are in use along the this fact was not permitted until for- Russian battlefront for scouting pur-

> Defence Nearly Perfect. Great Britain's fleet of 2,500 aeropartly for defensive and partly for offensive action. Despite the admission

Zeppelins have been turned out as | reach central districts. While part of the nation's air forces scale the world has never dreamed of, at Friedrichshafen factory, but the will continue to patrol the coast to meet German dirigibles, it is understood here that several flotillas are Within the past six months aero- liance on aeroplanes for battle pur- shortly to join the French, who have been making successful raids on German ammunition factories and chem-

> Factories Destroyed. Dispatches received here today said

that several ammunition factories at Karlsruhe were destroyed in the recent French raids, and that more than 200 planes and seaplanes was recruited persons were killed, including a number of guards at the ammunition works.

The Russian Sikorsky biplane, after from the admiralty yesterday that 40 persons were killed by Zeppelins in raids on the northeast coast on June done heavy damage along the German 3 and June 15, it is believed here that front in Poland. Because of its size iority in the skies, German aeroplanes the aeroplane defence of London and dirigible factories have been other large cities in so nearly perfect Mourometz, after a fabulous Russian

for Germans.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE TRENCHES RECAPTURED WIRED TO WINNIPEG

ish Ministers Consult With Lansing.

By Bond P. Geddes.

[Special to The Advertiser.] from the authorities at Ottawa this morning to the effect that her son, Pte. Washington, June 17 .- Signs of intervention, or at least participation by European neutral countries in this since April 10 no word of them Government's submarine warfare negotiations with Germany developed toretary of State Lansing and Scandinavian diplomats here gave a new tinge to the German-American exchanges.

Some of Topics.
Lansing refused to divulge the subjects discussed by Swedish, Norwegian and Danish ministers. It leaked out. however, that torpedoing of Scandi-navian fishing vessels and merchant ships by German submarines was one of the topics. There was well-grounder belief also that Nortnern European neutrals may be contemplating independent action against Germany in the form of joint or several protest against the detruction of their shipping.

Before President Wilson today were onfidential reports with clippings from Jerman newspapers from Ambassade Berard regarding the Lusitania reception at Berlin. A detailed and lengthy mail report is promised by Gerard. He will also advise the state department from time to time of the pro

## **OPENED IN STATES**

Russian Documents Have Frequently Been Tampered With-No Complaints.

[Canadian Press.] Washington, June 17 .- None of the illied embasies which has experienced nterferences with its mails had made interferences with its mails had made any complaint to the postoffice department and none, so far as could be learned today, has any plans for doing so. In allied quarters it was said the Russian embassy has suffered most interferences, and in six specific instances has found evidence that its mail had been opened on a United States railway mail car United States railway mail car Mail to practically all the embassies from abroad has borne evidence of inspection, but there is no way of determining if it happened in United States or in Europe. Whether the postoffice department would take cognizance of the charges on its own account was undeter-

WANTS JOINT COMMISSION.

warsaw have now taken the offensive," says the announcement from the news newan Government would Governments of Manitoba, British Columbia with a ling the commission to in
"German and Austrian forces are at"German and Austrian forces are at"German and Austrian forces are at-

Swedish, Norwegian and Dan- On Dniester River Fighting Continues To Advantage G. N. W. Manager Admits This of Ally.

ther south in the region east of Mariamnol is admitted by the Russians in a statement issued last night at the war day, Conferences between Acting Sec- office. It is claimed, however, that the invaders suffered severely in futile atground lost north of Przasnyz has been

The great battle along the San in West Galicia is reported to be continuing fiercely, with fresh Austro-German forces constantly entering the The statement follows: Hundreds Sabred.

"German attacks for the past three days around the village of Litzkoff, near the Windau River, have been unsuccessful, and the fighting on Tuesday ended the village of Litzkoff at Winnipeg yesterday beful, and the fighting on Tuesday ended the village of the village of Litzkoff at Winnipeg yesterday beful and the fighting on Tuesday ended the village of Litzkoff, near the village of Litzkoff, in our favor. In the region of Pop our troops crossed the Venta. In purenemy our cavalry sabred hundreds of Germans, and made some

ozens of prisoners.
"The fighting near Shavli continues fell into the enemy's hands. There have been artillery duels on the Dubysa. mid-Niemen, the enemy has sustained heavy losses in the past two days in fruitless offensive efforts of the vessel they travelled in were half-lowered nearly all the time. This, no

fruitless offensive attempts.

Villages Lost.

"In counter-attacks in the region east of Mariampol some villages were occupied by the enemy, and on Tuesday night the enemy began a bombardment of Ossowetz, but about 2 o'clock in the morning the fortress got the upper "Along the Narew-Omulew valley

Trenches Taken.

"North of Przasnysz, by energetic all the counter-attacks, we occup advanced trenches which the enemy had held since his attack on June 12. "In West Galicia the battle on the San cintinues with increasing flerceness, the enemy continually

fresh forces into the fight.

"On the Dniester the fighting along the Tismenitza and the Stry continued Monday and Tuesday to our advantage.

"South of Jidatcheff, near Bereznitza and the Stry continued and the Stry continued Monday and Tuesday to our advantage. and Kroulevska, we captured another 500 German prisoners, including 14 officers, and also four guns."
SAYVILLE'S REPORT. [Canadian Press.]
Berlin, June 17—Via Wireless to Say-

ville.—According to the Overseas News Agency, a decisive battle, from which Agency, a decisive battle. From which important results are expected, is now in progress all along the Russian front. "German forces along the Rawka River (Central Russian Poland), west of Warsaw have now taken the offensive."

in Connection With Man-Petrograd, via London, June 17.—Occupation by the Germans of additional

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WON'T SHOW MESSAGE itoba Trouble. Denies It Referred To Certain Telegrams-C. P. R. Holds Them Longer. [Canadian Press.]

Toronto, June 17 .- President Z. A. Lash and General Manager George D. Perry, of the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company, were seen this morning regarding the official order regardfore the royal commission.

Mr. Perry stated that there had been no instructions to Mr. Padington, the local manager in Winnipeg, to strip town, but are compelled to take up the files of certain telegrams. Mr. Perry's attention was called to the in the evening return them again. question raised before the commission On the voyage across the Atlantic, as to why the instruction related only Mr. Thomas says that the lifeboats of

factorily. "The instruction was sent by wire?

"Yes we use the wire more in con-Would Not Show Telegram. He declined to show the telegran

containing the instructions.

Mr. Lash was asked as to the refront there have been unimportant encounters.

"In the Orzyc valley on Tuesday night the enemy opened an intense artillery fire against Jedorojetz village, throwing thousands of shells within a short time. The enemy several times tried to attack our positions, but his efforts ended with the occupation of only a part of the completely destroyed trenches of our regiment.

Mr. Padington Ported statement that Mr. Padington had stated that he had instructions to strip the files of certain telegrams.

"I didn't communicate with Mr. Padington, "replied Mr. Lash, "I don't know what Mr. Padington said, neither do you. I have seen some newspaper reports in connection with the matter, which I myself know to he incorrect. From whom instructions went to Mr. Padington Mr. Lash declined to say.

Contract With C. P. R. of telegrams it is pointed out that the system, does not find it necessary to destroy telegrams so speedily as the G. N. W.'s new rule requires. The C. P. R. rule reads: "70—Each month's telegrams will be retained for a period of six months, at the end of which time, unless otherwise ordered, they will be destroyed, or mutilated in such a manner that it will be impossible for any persons to read them, providing, however, that no business should be destroyed until all outstanding error sheets are destroyed."

son why we cannot collect the destroyed until all outstanding error sheets are destroyed."

RETREAT, SAYS BERLIN. [Canadian Press.]

Berlin, June 17-Via London,-The

### EVERY ABLE MAN SHOULD ENLIST

Canon Tucker's Striking Note

From Rev. Canon Norman Tucker's address to the Synod: "I am a man of peace and have never raised my hand against mortal man, but if a man came into my house and assaulted or outraged my womenfolk, I should try to get hold of a poker or some similar weapon and dash out his brains."

### British "Sub" Sinks 3 Turkish Transports

[Special Cable to The Advertiser.]

Athens, June 17.—A British submarine on Wednesday sunk three Turkish transports full of troops for the Dardanelles operations, according to a dispatch from Mudros today.

### MECHANICS AT WORK 30.000 ON WARSHIPS IN BARROW SAYS LONDON MECHANIC PAUL NEWMAN, Russian inventor,

Wound Is Slow To Heal and

Must Have Six Months'

Rest.

Pte. Hugh McCrimmon of Oxford

street has written to friends here that

he expects to be invalided home as the

some weeks ago has been slow to heal.

and the doctors declare he will be unfit

tute student who left with the first con

Have Slaughtered Re-

volting Civilians.

(Canadian Press.)

saying that a traveller from Ghent.

Belgium, brings a report of a revolt

last Tuesday on the part of the in-

fired into the crowd, and the traveller

The Amsterdam correspondent says

lated by means of electrified wire

Retain Queen's Park

Hotel.

onsidered by this executive or board

either directly or indirectly, and, therefore, no action could possibly be

Furthermore, if any officials or direc-

the license they did so as private citi zens, which, of course, they had a per

tors signed any documents regardi

12:30 p.m. today.

respirator to Gen. Hughes. He gave this at the Institute of Public Health before Major A. V. Becher, staying in the gas Indication of British HUGH M'CRIMMON Workman's Delinquency

Mr. Thomas Forced To Live Nine Miles Out Because of Numbers.

Britain is rushing work in her naval wound he received while carrying disshops, according to a letter received to- patches during the fighting in France day here from D. Thomas, of Beacons-field avenue, one of the mechanics who left London to render his services to the

submarine shops in Barrow-in-Furness. He says that 30,000 men are employed in this centre in building dreadnoughts, submarines and other fighting craft.

Secret Submarine Work. As to the activities in the submarin shops, Mr. Thomas was not at liberty to say, but from inference it is understood that this department is rushing work

To offset the items of news that have from time to time appeared in the hostile press to the effect that the mechanics in Britain were dissatisfied. Mr. Thomas says, the men are putting regular time every day, and the majority German Soldiers Are Said To

To give an idea of the number of men working in Barrow-in-Furness, the writer says that he, and many other mechanics, cannot get lodgings in the special trains carry them to work, and

"We couldn't introduce it over the doubt, in readiness for any emergence whole system at once," said Mr. Perry. such as the sudden appearance of a Ger. "We had to find if it worked satis- man submarine or some other enemy."

### SUE COMMISSION NOW FOR GLAUBITZ' SALARY

Solicitors Issue Writ Against Public Utilities to Recover Back Salary.

Meredith & Meredith, acting as solicitors for H. J. Glaubitz, late general manager of the public utilities commission, issued a writ of execution today against the public utilities commiss newspaper reports in connection with to collect the wages they claim is due this matter, which I myself know to their client from the time he served as manager of the commission after his The writ, previously issued for the

same reason against the city, was thrown out when it was found that the mayor could not be held liable. "The writ that was issued today is

the one that tikes the place of the one issued against the city of London," said Dear Sir,—Will you kindly insert this Glaubitz, in-explanation of the situation. | short letter and the following resolution we will go through with this case in your valuable paper. This resolution." The writ is in tion was unanimously passed at an now," he continued. "The writ is in tion was unanimously passed at an Victoria the sheriff's hands, and there is no rea- executive committee meeting held at Calgary son why we cannot collect the money.

RE-ELECTED DIRECTOR given this association regarding the public that this matter has never been

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Buffalo, N.Y., June 17.—John M.
Daly of London was last night, at
the Hotel Statler, re-elected director
of the Canadian Retail Coal Dealers'
Association at the eleventh annual
convention. John C. Hay of Listowel
was also re-elected director, and Fred
Mann of Brantford unanimously re-

Address To Synod of Huron.

Canon Tucker Makes Stirring

THE CHURCH IS AROUSED

"Scatter Our Enemies" Verse Replaced in the Hymnal.

ALL CANADIANS LOYAL

Some Members Think Declaration To the King Is Unnecessary.

That it was the duty of every ablebodied young man in the country to respond to the call for volunteers in the present war crisis was the emphatic statement of Rev. Canon Tucker in the course of an intensely patriotic address which he delivered in moving a resolution expressing the synod's loyalty to Britain at this morning's sitting of

the Synod of Huron. War, he said, was a foolish way of settling disputes, but sometimes war was unavoidable, and Britain's part in the present conflict was a matter for pride, not shame. And Canada's part in it also was a glorious one. The memory of Langemarck would be an inspiration to the children of generations yet un-

born.

It should emanate from the synod, he thought, that England, who drew the sword in defence of the right against the wrong, should never sheath it until the monster of iniquity, which Germany had proved herself to be, was utterly crushed and made impotent to repeat the atrocities of which the had been guilty since she plunged Europe into strife.

Would Defend Home He referred specifically to some of outrage offered to women, and he have never raised my hand against mortal man, but if a man came into my house and insulted or outraged my women-folk, I should try to get

hold of a poker or some simila weapon and dash out his brains." The motion was seconded by Canon Howard, who shortly expressed similar views to those of Canon Tucker. It was carried unanimously, every delegate standing and singing the two first verses of the National Anthem, the second being the one which a notice of notion given on the first day of the session suggests should be restored to the hymn, commencing "O Lord, our God, arise, scatter her enemies

Permits Atrocities.

The bishop, before putting the motion, referred to a book which, he said, could be purchased quite cheaply, an official German war book, issued by he German general staff, which authorized the committing of all kinds of atro-cities. This proved, he said, that the diers were not isolated cases resulting from excitement and "battle lust." A motion to cable His Majesty King George, assuring him of the synod's discussion. It was introduced by Rev. John Ransford of Clinton immediately opposed it on the ground that the lovalty of every Canadian was unquestioned

and did not need to be expressed in London, June 17 .- The Central News cable. Mr. Backus agreed with him and it was suggested that, rather than have the motion should be withdrawn. There habitants of Malines. German soldiers the King's name having been introduced the synod ought to go on to express it says seven hundred civilians were Ransford did not vote, and the bishould

The National Anthem. Rev. W. J. Doherty's motion to petino confirmation of this narrative has tion the General Sypod to restore the second verse of the National Authem Since this occurrence, according to was put and carried after his lordship the traveller, Malines has been iso- had expressed the view that the cours proposed was somewhat dangerous

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THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. SUPPORTING LICENSE

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 76; lowest, 49.

The official temperatures for the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 68; lowest, 56.

TOMORROW-FAIR Toronto, June 17-8 a m Forecasts.

Today-Fresh northwest winds: fair Friday—Easterly winds; fair at first, followed by rain before night.

Temperatures
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours

Gives No Comfort.

No word has been received as to their fate, the "missing" report affording little comfort to their mother, who is still unable to decide whether

her boys are safe.

John D. McCall was very well known

vertiser over long-distance son, Gordon, was as follows:

be sent when received.
ADJUTANT-GENERAL. FATAL ACCIDENT ON

# working overtime since last September. that Zeppelins will never be able to giant.

There are several reasons why No Comfort For Mother in the May Have Something To Say While Losing Some Villages, ORDERS TO BURN Regarding German Submarine Warfare.

LIVED IN THIS CITY Member of Orient Club Was

Employed by Messrs. R. C. Struthers & Co. Mrs. McCall of Parkhill received word

John D. McCall, was officially re-ported missing. Pte. McCall joined the 48th Highlanders with his brother Bruce Two Fine Young Men.

The boys are two of the finest young Scotch Canadians from this district



Northway Company of Toronto, and Bruce was at home in Parkhill. Both joined the 48th Highlanders (known as the 15th Battalion at the front), and were in the terrible fight which their battalion underwent, so terrible that almost the whole regiment was killed, wounded or made prisoners. The 48th were left to face tremendous odds at one time. They held their trenches to the last, and were liferally out to to the last, and were literally cut to pieces, after they had caused tre-mendous slaughter among the Ger-

in this city, having been employed with R. C. Struthers & Co., for some time as a traveller. He was a member of the Orient Club, the St. John's Athletic Club and the Y. M. C. A., and was the close friend and companion of many young Londoners.

Sincerely regret to inform you that No. 27086 Pte. John D. Mc-Call, 15th Battalion, has been reported officially as missing between April 26 and 29. Further informa-

CUYAHOGA RIVER BRIDGE

Cleveland, O., June 17 .- From two to six men are reported to have been killed the Sa and from 6 to 20 injured, when steel work on a new high level bridge being onstructed over the Cuyahoga Rive

### Photo by Staff Photographer. of Toronto, who came to London yes-terday to demonstrate his chlorine gas for six minutes with the contrivance, shown in the cut, over mouth and nos-