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# War News.

#### Messages Received Previous to 9 A. M.

SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS.

LONDON, Feb. 17. Official reports from the British headquarters in France to-night reads Successful operations on both banks of the Ancre were undertaken by our troops this morning, and very considerable further progress was made. South of the river the enemy position opposite the village of Miramont and Petit Miramont were attacked and capture!. From about one and a and advanced our line within a few hundred yards of Petit Miramont. North of the Ancre an important enemy position on the upper slopes of a spur north of Baillescourt farm, was carried for about 1,000 yards. Hostile counter attacks were successfully driven off. In addition to the heavy losses inflicted on the enemy, 267 prisoners, including five officers, pass-

ed through our collection stations. We carried out two raids this morning south of Neuve Chapelle and north east of Ploegstcourt, where our troops reached the enemy's second line. A large number of Germans were killed, oners in each case. Hostile raiding he course of air fighting yesterday, tor. one German airplane was brought down in our lines, and two others were driven down damaged. One of

The official report from the British eadquarters in France to-night reads The prisoners we took in yesterday's operations on the Ancre now number 12 officers and 761 men. We captured a number of machine guns and trench forces attacked our new positions on the spur above Baillescourt farm. The enemy infantry advancing in three

ours is missing.

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and many dugouts and machine guns | Hostile raiding parties were repulsed | warfare. One of them is quoted as destroyed. We captured a few pris-during the night south of Ypres. We saying, "We made the whole world property from German submarines, sidered the difficulties which have ties bring the total of Germans killed, secured prisoners and inflicted a num- turn against us." Another, "All Am- was discussed by President Wilson on arisen in certain districts in connect those who field of woulds or sickness, parties west of Lens and east of Giv- ber of casualties. There was considerican countries are joining our ene- Saturday with Senators whom he callenchy were repulsed with loss. We erable mutual artillery activity to-day mies. This is sheer madness." Count ed into conference during a brief visit of potatoes under January 1. That since the war began to 4, 087,692. blew up two mines last night with in the neighborhood of Bouchavesnes, Karoly, the leader of the Hungarian to the Capitol. After it was indicated order was issued by the Food Controlgood results west of LaBassee. In in the Ancre area, and in Ypres sec- Independent party, the newspaper

#### IN MESOPOTAMIA. LONDON, Feb. 17.

Several important gains against the Turks in Mesopotamia are record ed in an official report made public to-night. In addition to forcing the Turks back on the Tigris river, the British captured 1,995 prisoners.

BERNE, Feb. 17. waves with bodies of supporting Three Budapest newspapers condemn troops in the rear, came under the the submarine warfare. The 'Pesti concentrated fire of our artillery and Naplo' attacks Count Von Reventlow were driven back with heavy losses. as the principal exponent of submar-Our lines were not reached at any ine warfare, and demands he be placpoint. We suffered no casualties. We ed in restraint. The Socialist organ, entered German positions during the 'Nepava,' attacks Admiral Von Tirpitz night southwest and also northwest and demands a cessation of what it of Arras, south of Fauquissart and calls murder at sea. The 'Pesti Hirnorth of Ypres. We inflicted many lap' publishes expressions from three took the offensive against the Ruscasualties on the enemy, blew up ma- members of the Chamber of Deputies sians near Kochava, southwest of chine guns and took 19 prisoners. who are opposed to the submarine Dvinsk, on the northern end of the

of the war into which we entered with step under consideration, because of shortage of supplies. Recent prothe declaration of the submarine war-

#### TURKS ADMIT RETIREMENT. LONDON, Feb. 17.

Two Turkish official reports received to-day admit retirement on the Tigris. A communication under date of Thursday says: After an enemy mortars. This morning strong enemy HUNGARIAN PAPERS AND THE attack against our right wing had been repulsed, part of our positions were evacuated according to orders to prevent needless losses. A second communication under this date reads:-

> GERMANS AGAIN DRESS UP. PETROGRAD, Feb. 18.

eastern front, and broke into the front Lloyd George then details the propos- and interrupted distributions; accord- tirely to the multiplicity of matters line Russian trench. Russian reby the war office, immediately drove could be called together again. out the Teutons. In the Carpathians Russian detachments surprised and captured without firing a shot a strongly fortified Austro-German position southwest of Okna. German counter attacks were repulsed.

#### EXPRESSIONS OF FRIENDSHIP.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18. Expressions of friendship for the United States and the hope that the friendly relations may continue, have been given to Ambassador Elkus by the Turkish Foreign Office. The despatch from the Ambassador makes no reference to Turkey supporting Germany's submarine policy or that

#### FRENCH RAID.

PARIS, Feb. 17. only patrol encounters.

### THINKING IT OVER.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17. The advisability of going before the possibility after adjournment that longed frosts have reduced stocks

#### FAMINE IN GREECE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18. The Greek Legation statement issued here to-day, says: Famine is resulting from the Entente blockade of the coast of Greece. The poorer classes are living on herbs and grass. It also is declared that despite compliance with the ultimatum of the Allies, there has been no relaxation of blockade measures.

#### MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS. NEW YORK, Feb. 18.

The Associated Press to-night sends she intends to apply it with the few out the following: Twelve steamers, submarines known to be under her one of them flying the American flag, sailed from here to-day, presumably for European ports, which will necesitate a passage through the "prohibited zone" announced by Germany, a severe curtailment of the railway French troops last night invaded Three vessels which came through the services and organization of India's a German trench at Bois le Pretre on restricted area, one of which was of industrial and natural resources with the left bank of the River Mosselle, American registry, arrived here. Two a view to increasing the output of near Pont a Mousson, and destroyed of the steamers departing to-day, the munitions. In addition an order has Teuton works and shelters. On the British liner Laconia for Liverpool, been issued forbidding all children to rest of the front in France, according and the French liner Roma for Mar- sait for England except for the most to the official statement issued by the seilles, are passenger ships. Whether urgent reasons. war office this afternoon, there were any American passengers are aboard is not disclosed.

### THE POTATO QUESTION.

tain that he be clothed with sufficient the Lord Mayor of Manchester the 534 officers and men, killed, wounded, power to protect American lives and following: The War Cabinet has con- prisoners or missing. These casualthe President had not made up his ler to insure the price was not inadds, said: "I regret deeply the phase mind on the question, but had such a flated unduly in consequence of a

some sudden emergency might arise als whereby growers are entitled to needing discussion. serves, says the official issued to-day necessitating action before Congress charge nine pounds a ton to dealers thereafter, while the selling price to

> ingly it has been necessary to read just the interest of all parties. The departments concerned, therefore, at my request, conferred with representatives of wholesale and retail trades and submitted proposals which were Commons, Right Hon. James William approved by the war cabinet. Premier

LONDON, Feb. 18. A Reuter despatch from Delhi says peace or any agreement, he said, to inthat among the new war measures sist it must be with a Government adopted by the Indian Government are afferent in essence and constitution

### HUN CASUALTIES.

The casualties in the German army, LONDON, Feb. 18. exclusive of Colenial troops, report- to ship-builders, to encourage the Premier Lloyd George, an official ed in German casualty lists for the construction of ship-yards and pro-Congress on March 4th to make cer- announcement says, has telegraphed month of Janutry, 1917, totalled 77,-

STIPPING LOSSES.

LONDON, Feb. 18. Lloyds Shipping Agency announce he British steamer Valdes, 2,285 tons gross, has been torpedoed and sunk without warning. The captain and others of the crew landed. The British steamer Worcestershire, 7,715 ity. tons gross, is reported sunk, and also the British steamer Romsdalen, 2,548

### DENIES ALLEGATIONS.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 18. Viscount Milner, Minister without War Council, took occasion at a re- new ministry is a coalition which will the delegates to the Entente Confer- Government. Hughes will retain the ence, to deny the allegations printed post of Premier and Attorney Generin Austro-German papers that the al. Joseph Hume Cook, the leader of prolonged sojourn of delegates in the Opposition, is given the portfolio Russia is due to a divergence of views of Minister of the Navy. among them. Lord Milner averred that complete harmony prevailed at the conference from the beginning, and that the protraction was due en- agreeable change.

#### NEW APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, Feb. 18. Sir Arthur Lee, member of Fareham March 31st and eleven pounds ten Division of Hampshire, has been apshillings thereafter. The price which pointed Director General of food prothe retailer may charge is three half duction. Sir Arthur Lee was British pence a pound to March 31st and one military attache with the United penny three farthings thereafter to States Army during the Spanish-

#### LOWTHER'S DECLARATION.

LONDON, Feb. 18. Lowther declared it was impossible for British statesmen to make any agreement with the German Government as now constituted. It would be necessary before signing any from the present one.

#### RUSSIA'S SHIPBUILDING. LONDON, Feb. 18.

A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Co. from Petrograd says the Russian Minister of Commerce has introduced in the Duma a bill under the terms of which the Government will devote 100 million roubles toward the creation of a Russian mercantile fleet. The money is to be employed in advances vide equipment for them.

### PARIS. Feb. 18.

James W. Gerard, former American Ambassador to Germany, was the guest of honor at a luncheon given at the Foreign Office by Premier Briand to-day. There was a distinguished ompany present including diplomatic epresentatives of all the Entente owers. Gerard was accompanied by the American Ambassador to France, William Graves Sharp. Both were recipients of many marks of cordial-

#### NEW MINISTRY FOR AUSTRALIA. LONDON, Feb. 18.

A Reuter Melbourne correspondent says the Australian ministry headed by Wm. Hughes tendered its resignation. The Governor-General commissioned Hughes to form another, portfolio, and member of the British which has now been sworn in. The ception held here to-day in honor of be known as the Commonwealth. War

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