

TO-DAY'S Messages.

10.00 A.M.

COMMENT ON PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

LONDON, To-day. Although the text of President Wilson's message of Congress did not reach London in time for the morning papers to comment fully, all devote considerable space to the American situation. The Daily Chronicle says editorially, it is difficult to suppose the German Government, elated by submarine successes of the past few weeks will accept President Wilson's terms and diplomatic relations between Berlin and Washington will be broken off. The resulting situation will not be a state of war but may easily develop into war. This is obvious by both parties. Wilson has counted the cost. Presumably the Kaiser has also counted it. If Germany decides that continuation of submarine is worth a diplomatic breach with America, it will also probably decide it is worth war too. If the Kaiser decides to avoid war with America, he would naturally make his concessions at a stage when they would also avoid breaking off of relations.

WHOLESALE MASSACRE OF THE GREEKS.

LONDON, To-day. Wholesale massacres of Greeks at Adrianople, Constantinople and Smyrna are reported by a Salonika despatch to the Morning Post. In Adrianople and Demotica Turks and Bulgarians are acting together, says the despatch and killed 400 and wounded 200 Greeks. After pillaging the houses in the Smyrna district, several Greek villages were raided, 200 persons killed and many wounded. Constantinople was likewise a scene of serious massacres, no figure pertaining to which, adds the correspondent, are available. All the massacres occurred on April 11.

MORE HUN FALSEHOODS.

BERLIN, To-day. The Foreign Office transmitted yesterday to the American Embassy a supplementary note in regard to the Swiss, containing affidavits sworn to by a Swiss passenger on the Sussex, that the steamer was not torpedoed.

and also a statement to the same effect from an American passenger.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

LONDON, (Official) To-day. Last night the enemy exploded a small mine east of Neuville, at St. Vast, our trenches were not damaged. During the night the enemy attempted to bomb our posts, craters and quarry in the sector, but were driven off. During the day there was heavy shelling northeast of Carney about Carnoy, St. Eloi and Vermelles. The enemy was also active in the quarry sector. We shelled the enemy's trenches at Masnes.

CABINET CRISIS STILL VERY GRAVE.

LONDON, To-day. After ministerial conferences last evening more hopeful feeling that the break-up of the Government will be avoided prevailed in the Parliamentary lobbies. Based on nothing tangible, the general opinion among the public, owing to the unexpected grave nature of Asquith's statement in the Commons is that the life of the Ministry hangs by a thread. Lloyd George, Minister of Munitions, controls the situation and according to best information declines to reconsider his position, unless it can be proved to him that the needful men for the service under colors can be secured without compulsion. He submitted to the Cabinet a proposal of a universal conscription bill to be put in operation only if fifty thousand men per month are not forthcoming under the voluntary system of untested married men. The Labor Party met last night and resolved to ask the Government to hold a secret session of Parliament to discuss the recruiting problem. Parliament still being in the dark as to the number the military authorities consider essential. In the event of the conscriptionists carrying the day and breaking up the Government it is possible that Asquith might attempt the reconstruction of the Cabinet with Liberals and Laborites or he might appeal to the country by a general election. On the other hand, Asquith and Ministers favouring voluntarism might retire and recommend the King to summon Bonar Law to form a Cabinet. In some quarters a Unionist Ministry with David Lloyd George as Premier is considered not impossible.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT NOTE TO GERMANY.

WASHINGTON, To-day. Copies of the American Government Note to Germany will be sent immediately to other neutral nations, on the assumption that they are as much interested as the United States in the protection of neutral rights. For the present the document will not be given to the representative of Austria or Turkey or the Entente Allies, although it will reach them in time in the usual way. The controversy is regarded as being solely between the States and Germany.

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SURVIVORS ARRIVE AT SHIELDS.

SHIELDS, Eng. To-day. The survivors of the British steamer Chic, recently torpedoed, while on a voyage from Halifax for Manchester with a cargo of pulp, arrived here. In an interview with the Daily Gazette the men say the steamer was fired on without warning by a German submarine, two shots taking effect. The submarine then submerged. Seventeen members of the crew of the steamer took to lifeboat which capsized. One man was drowned. The seamen say while the Capt. and officers and part crew were still on board the steamer when the submarine came up again, close to the vessel and without warning them of her intention discharged a torpedo and again submerged. The Chic immediately began to sink and those aboard took to the zig. The gig became separated from the lifeboat with other members of the crew during a storm and is still missing.

BUDGET OF WAR NEWS.

NEW YORK, To-day. Germany must immediately cease her present methods of conducting submarine campaign on pain of severance of diplomatic relations between that country and the United States in unequivocal terms President Wilson in a Note to Germany has so told that country, and at a joint session of Congress reiterated the statement that the only way that Germany and the United States can continue their diplomatic intercourse is for Germany to bring her underwater attacks within the law of nations. Both passenger and freight carrying vessels are embraced in the President's demand. Appended to the Note is a statement of facts concerning the disaster to the cross Channel steamer Sussex which the United States Government considers prove absolutely that the boat was torpedoed, despite Germany's contention that none of its underwater craft was responsible for the explosion which killed a large number of persons and injured several Americans. Should Germany acquiesce in the demand of President Wilson, he is willing to discuss the question how her submarine warfare may be brought within the bounds of International Law and humanity, but no discussion will be undertaken until Germany has fully complied with the President's demand. The Germans near Houdremont, northeast of Verdun, in a bayonet attack in which heavy casualties were inflicted on the French, have captured a stone quarry, around which they gained a footing on Monday. There has been considerable artillery activity west of Meuse on Hill 204 and the French first line between Deadman's Hill and Cumilleres at Les Eparges. The Germans after three attacks entered the French trenches front about 200 yards but were immediately expelled from them, suffering serious losses. Artillery duels are still in progress on the Russian front, but there have been no important changes in positions. The Russian attack against the Austrian positions on Upper Sereth River, Galicia, was repulsed. The Italians captured Monte Fume Pass from the Austrians and have taken the extreme western peak of Monte Ancora, where the Austrian trenches were shattered with heavy casualties to their occupants. Still another defeat of the Turks in the region of Erzerum is recorded by the Russians. Near Asch-kaca in a night attack, captured strongly organized hills and inflicted severe casualties on the Turks who left hundreds of dead on the field of battle.

YOUTH WINS AMERICAN MARATHON.

BOSTON, To-day. The victors' honor in the annual American Marathon Road Race, were won to-day by Arthur V. Roth, a youth of slight build, who ran for Dorchester Club of this city. From the fourth mile of the 25 miles' course his speed kept in his wake three-score of the sturdiest distance runners of this country and Canada. Less than 11 seconds separated Roth from the sprinting second man at the finish, Villar Kyronen Millrose, A.A., New York, having run almost to the heels out of place in the race at half way stage. Roth's winning time was 2 hours, 27 min., 16 2/5 seconds, eleven seconds behind the record for the event.

CARRIED OFF GREEK VILLAGERS.

LONDON, To-day. A Salonika despatch says the enemy detachments carried off a number of Greeks from the villages between Dorian and Akilale, on Wednesday, but did not molest Turkish or Bulgarian inhabitants.

ON THE BRINK OF WAR.

NEW YORK, To-day. Commenting on the President's note

to Germany, the Herald says: "This is no time for division, anywhere in the United States. The country is on the brink of war. The President is right. He speaks for the nation."

11.30 P.M.

COUNTRY BEHIND PRESIDENT.

NEW YORK, To-day. Editorial opinion expressed by the leading newspapers throughout the country strongly support the President's action. Exceptions are noted in the comments by German language newspapers and a few others in certain sections of the west, where large German-American populations are the rule. For the most part, however, the comment shows that the entire country is overwhelmingly behind the President.

11.30 A.M.

FRENCH ON OFFENSIVE AT VERDUN.

PARIS, To-day. French troops took the offensive last night in the Verdun region on the right bank of the Meuse. A War Office announcement of this afternoon says they captured parts of German trenches, occupied a redoubt and took several prisoners.

EARTHQUAKE ROCKS HOUSES.

FUERTEVENTURA, Canaries, To-day. An earthquake lasting 12 seconds, rocked the houses of this island to-day.

FATAL TORNADOES.

KANSAS CITY, To-day. Eleven persons are dead and scores injured in a succession of tornadoes which swept through the central portions of Eastern Kansas and Western Missouri last night. The property damage was heavy.

MEMBERS BACK PRESIDENT.

NEW YORK, To-day. A Washington despatch says: Senators and representatives to-day generally expressed hearty approval of the President's course with regard to Germany. Republicans and Democrats united in saying that although they deeply regretted that such a decision should be necessary, there was nothing else the President could do. There were a few exceptions to this rule.

German Stowaway on Charge of Piracy

Took Possession of British Ship and Crew at Sea.

New York, April 11.—Clarence Hudson, who under the name of Ernest Schiller, took possession of the British ship Matoppe at sea, was held for removal to Delaware by United States Commissioner Houghton to-day, to answer to a charge of piracy. His bail of \$25,000 was continued. His counsel declared he would seek a writ of habeas corpus to prevent his client's removal.

Counsel for Hudson decided late today not to resist his client's removal to Delaware to answer to a charge of piracy. The decision was based upon the discovery that there were grounds upon which Hudson could be deported to England, where he might be hanged for his exploit.

After Hudson's counsel had abandoned his plan of seeking a writ of Habeas Corpus, Judge Hand signed a warrant upon which the German sympathizer will be taken to Delaware tomorrow.

Household Notes.

One of the most popular sleeves is the bell effect.

Paraffine rubbed on the wrong side of a cushion tick will prevent the feathers from working through fine covers.

If you are short of baking powder, sift together one part of bicarbonate of soda and two parts of cream of tartar.

Lime mixed with a little sulphur and stirred into the soil about plants is said to be an antidote for fungus diseases.

To save the top of a stocking from being worn by suspender clasps, sew a piece of tape on the stock where the clasps come, and sew small tape loops on the pieces; then fasten the suspenders through the loops.

After washing the lamp chimney, polish it with dry salt to make the glass brilliant and prevent it from cracking.

The ground about a plant or shrub should be frozen to a depth of at least two inches before winter protection is applied.

See that the small child gets food which requires chewing; this will give his teeth proper exercise and they will grow strong.

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An Easter OPPORTUNITY

Ladies' Kid Gloves!

60 dozen of these just to hand, bright new fresh hand coverings just at a time you need them most, not only for comfort but to round off the completeness of Spring Outfitting. Can you afford to let pass this opportunity? Recollect that Kid Gloves have soared in price and are still soaring.

Sizes from 5 1-2 to 7.

Becoming shades of Tan, Grey, Fawn, Mole, Mahogany, Black and White. We bespeak a run on these. Better come early as sizes get depleted quickly.

What About the Price? **77c.** will be gladly tendered for every pair of these worthy Kid Gloves.

James Baird



Easter next Sunday

Are You Fully Prepared for the occasion?

Following the custom of years past, Sunday will be a day for the displaying of one's newest Spring apparel. This Store is fairly aglow with attractive wearables that will enhance your Easter appearance.



Ladies' and Misses Hats

in abundance, including a new shipment opened this week, representing the newest in London fashions.

Ladies' Blouses.

Dainty creations in Muslins, Voiles and Silks just opened.

Children's Wear.

Don't forget to buy something new for Baby. We have just opened a splendid assortment of Children's Coats, Bonnets and Frocks.



Ladies' Neckwear.

A very fine assortment of the latest styles.

ALEX. SCOTT

THE BIG VALUE STORE, 18 NEW GOWER STREET.

Open till 9 o'clock this Thursday Evening.

New Colonial Army

RAISED BY THE FRENCH.

London, April 10.—A writer in The London World says: "I understand that France is now employed in raising and training a new large colonial army for use on the western front this summer. Up to the present no fewer than 450,000 native troops have been raised by our ally for service in the various campaigns. The majority came from North Africa, and many have already fought in France and Gallipoli. A considerable force,

which has been engaged in the Cameroons, is now liberated for service in France. Forty thousand men were obtained from Morocco, while Indo-China has supplied between forty to fifty thousand men. Most of the latter have been employed for relief work in the French garrisons, but they have also been used for industrial purposes, notably in making aeroplane frames and munitions generally."

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What About Starchy Foods?

Aren't starchy foods all right? They certainly are. The starch of grains is one of the chief sources of food energy.

But some stomachs are not able to digest the starches as presented in ordinary foods, such as white bread and white flour products, which are often the unsuspected cause of digestive troubles—imperfect assimilation, fermentation and gas, biliousness, headache, constipation, anemia, and other common ills.

One food that supplies the valuable starch elements in easily digestible form is

Grape-Nuts

It is made of the energizing grains, whole wheat and malted barley, the starch cells of which are largely converted by long baking into dextrin and grape-sugar which are readily assimilated by even weakened digestive organs. Grape-Nuts digest in about one hour.

This food comes ready to eat, nourishing and delicious; and as it contains all the nutriment of the grains—including the mineral elements largely lacking in the usual dietary—it is a wonderful builder of well-balanced bodies, nerves and brains.

"There's a Reason"

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