

# War News.

## Messages Received Previous to 9 A. M.

### BRITISH RECRUITS IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, June 12. The first contingent of British recruits gathered in the City for Overseas duty, 2,000 strong, left last night for Canadian training camps. Before their departure they were told something of a British soldier's duties by General W. A. White, Chief British Recruiting Officer, who addressed them at a luncheon.

### THE LOSS OF THE NJORD.

ST. PIERRE, Mia., June 12. The burning of the British steamer Njord, coal laden, was reported yesterday when her captain, Jos. Turner and crew were landed here by the British sloop, E. R. Walters. The Njord was bound from Sydney for St. John's, N.F. She was abandoned 40 miles east by north of this Island.

### REFUSE TO TAKE SOCIALISTS TO RUSSIA.

LONDON, June 12. The holding up of the Socialist labor delegation to Russia by the Seamen and Firemen's Union is causing a good deal of comment and occupies considerable space in the papers. There is a sharp conflict of opinion, and Ramsay MacDonald and Frederick W. Jowett, the heads of the Delegation, have received strong support from the Glasgow Trades Council. The Trades Council has telegraphed to the Premier, the Shipping Controller, the Foreign Minister and the Labor Party protesting against the hold up of the delegation and saying among other things "the action of the Seamen's Union may cause labor unrest." Meetings were held throughout Glasgow last evening at which the attitude of the Council was endorsed. Several morning papers confirm the report that MacDonald and Jowett have signed a guarantee that they would insist upon restitution to Allied merchant seamen for murder and destruction committed by German submarines. The papers say, however, that the labor delegates opponents declare their action has come too late. It is reported, but cannot be confirmed, that MacDonald and Jowett have gone to another port. The Union has ordered a strict watch on all harbors. Another rumor is that the delegates will cross the North Sea in an airplane.

### KING CONSTANTINE ARBITRATES IN FAVOR OF SON.

ATHENS, June 12. King Constantine has abdicated in favor of his son, Prince Alexander. Alexander, the new King, is the second son of the Monarch who has just abdicated. The Crown Prince was Prince George who was born on July 19, 1890. Prince Alexander was born August 1st, 1895. He was a captain in the first Regiment of Artillery in the Greek Army.

### BRITISH MAKE ANOTHER ADVANCE.

LONDON, June 12. Another advance of the British forces on a front of nearly two miles east and northeast of Messines and the capture of the village of Gaspard is reported in a British official statement issued to-night. The communication says: Our troops gained further ground to-day east and northeast of Messines, on a front of nearly two miles, and occupied the hamlet of Gaspard. We advanced our line slightly early this morning astride the Souchez River, and captured 17 prisoners and three machine guns. The enemy's artillery has shown considerable activity during the day northeast of Gouzeaucourt, north of the Scarpe and in the neighbourhood of Lens and Ypres. Our airplanes were active yesterday, although weather conditions were not favorable, and much useful work was done. One of our machines is missing.

### RUSSIAN OFFICIAL.

PETROGRAD, June 12. The official statement issued to-day by the Russian War Department says: Western Front—Our batteries shelled the village of Merahki, three miles north of Tveretsch, and caused a big fire. The military staff of the enemy quartered there fled, pursued by artillery fire. Near the village of Nikovitchi southwest of Pinsk our artillery successfully shelled assembly waggon, and explosions were heard. On the rest of this front there were fusillades in certain sectors.

### BELGIAN CIVILIANS DIE OF STARVATION.

HAVRE, June 12. The death by starvation within 3 months of 500 interred Belgian civilians in Germany, is reported in a semi-official report given out here to-day. According to information received by the Belgian Minister of War, the statement says, Belgian civilians interned in the German camp near Lunenburg refused to work. Out of the 2,000 interred, 500 died of starvation in three months. The condition of the survivors is described as pitiful.

### GRAVE CRISIS IN GREECE.

LONDON, June 12. Belated despatches from Reuter's correspondents at Athens were received in London to-day, and report the visit by Senator Jonnart, of France, to Salonika, and indicates he was expected later to visit Athens. Senator Jonnart represents France, England and Russia as High Commissioner of the Powers protecting Greece. The purpose of his trip to Athens, as stated in the despatches, was to make final diplomatic efforts to establish an understanding with the Royalists in Greece. The messages seem to show that Greece is now passing through a grave crisis. The possible failure of Senator Jonnart's mission is hinted at.

### MERCHANT MARINE.

NEW YORK, June 12. An Associated Press despatch from an Atlantic port to-day says: Eleven large steamers aggregating 103,000 tons, six of them being under the American flag with a total tonnage of 77,274 tons reached here within the last day or two, as announced by the International Mercantile Marine, owners of the ships. Among them was the Minnesota, 20,518 tons, being the largest merchant ship afloat under the Stars and Stripes. The other American ships were the St. Louis, St. Paul, Philadelphia, Manchuria and Finland. The largest of the eleven arrivals was the British ship Justicia, a new vessel, 32,234 tons. She is the biggest steamer to come into port in this country it is stated, since the Olympic left in 1914. Other British ships belonging to the company to arrive were the Adriatic, Celtic, Raphael and Glenfield.

### CONSIDERING CONSCRIPTION.

OTTAWA, June 12. The Liberals held a lengthy caucus on the conscription Bill to-day, and adjourned until later in the week. In the meantime a committee will prepare a resolution recommending to caucus a course it believes the party should take on the measure. It is understood considerable diversity of opinion was voiced on the Borden Bill the chief opposition, of course, coming from the Quebec wing of the party. The debate in the House is expected to begin about Thursday.

### ANOTHER NORWEGIAN SUNK.

CHRISTIANIA, June 12. The Norwegian barque Deveron, 1,362 tons, has been sunk, and four men lost including one Canadian. The captain and another man were wounded.

### REDMOND'S DEATH.

LONDON, June 12. According to official details supplied to his relatives the late William Redmond who was killed in action had a post with a staff division which justified his remaining at headquarters. Mr. Redmond earnestly insisted that it was his wish to accompany his regiment in the advance and the General reluctantly consented. Redmond was leading his men in an attack in Wytchaeve Wood when he was wounded; he did not recover consciousness and died a few hours later in an Ulster Field Hospital. His body was taken to a little village of Leoc where it was buried Saturday at the urgent request of the Nuns in a private garden of their convent. The funeral service was conducted by Chaplains of the Ulster and Irish Divisions. The grave was decorated with flowers by children of the village and the volley fired over it by a mixed company from Ulster and Irish Divisions.

### REGRET BYNG'S RETIREMENT.

OTTAWA, June 12. The Governor-General has sent General Sir Julian Byng a message of regret that his association with Canada's forces had terminated.

### LLOYD GEORGE ON PROFIT MAKING.

LONDON, June 12. Addressing the newly appointed Commissioners of Labor at their residence to-day, Premier Lloyd George announced that he had already started a searching investigation on the subject of profit making and hoped shortly to make proposals directed to substantially reduce the cost of some of the necessities of life. Referring to the urgency of measures for the remedying of the labor unrest, the Premier said the Government was anxious, not only that the Commission investigate the causes of unrest, but that they make their own recommendations as to the best way of dealing with the question. He hoped that they would be able to make their reports by the first week in July.

### TO-DAY'S Messages.

9.30 A. M.

### CONSTANTINE'S ABDICATION.

ATHENS, To-Day. The fall of Constantine, King of the Hellenes, has come in response to the demand of the protecting Powers, France, Britain and Russia. He abdicated to-day in favor of his second son, Prince Alexander. This climax of affairs in Greece was brought about through the agency of the French Senator, M. Jonnart, who has held posts in several French Cabinets and who arrived in Athens only a day or two ago on a special mission as the representative of the Entente. Jonnart had previously visited Saloniki and other points and he lost no time in getting into conference with the Greek Premier, Alexander Zaimis. The demands of the Powers respecting the abdication of King Constantine also specifically eliminated Crown Prince George as his successor. The Crown Prince being included among those Greeks in official life who were considered strongly pro-German. Both the former King and Prince George, it was announced to-day by Premier Zaimis, intend to leave the country immediately. It is reported that they will embark on British warships and proceed to Switzerland by way of Italy. It is presumed that Prince Alexander will take up his king's duties with full acceptance of the ideas which the protecting Powers desire to be put into effect by the Government of Greece during the present war.

### AT THE HOUSE.

Though another brief sitting, there was more progress made at the House of Assembly yesterday afternoon than any other day since the opening of Parliament. The despatch of business being materially facilitated by the Opposition ranks.

### PAY THE FIREMEN.

Editor Evening Telegram. Sir—On all sides can be heard the greatest praise for the wonderful work performed by our gallant fire-fighters at the big conflagration on Sunday last. But, Mr. Editor, I do not intend to occupy space in your valuable paper in pouring forth praise on the firemen, praise of them counts but little in these times of high prices for food and clothing, increased house rents, etc., etc. What I do want is to appeal once more for an increase of pay for those men. Surely we ought to be well ashamed of ourselves to lavish cheap praise on them from the mouth out, and then be content to let them eke out an existence on the miserable pay of forty dollars and eighty cents a month.

### Here and There.

STAFFORD'S ESSENCE OF GINGER Wine only 15c. bottle.—may 1, ff

M.H.A.'S DINED.—A number of Members of the House of Assembly were dined by His Excellency the Governor at the Vice-Regal Mansion last night.

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HAD CLOSE CALL.—Mr. P. Morrissey, a workman of the East End, who has a record for narrow escapes, came within an ace of being killed yesterday while working along the water front. A large stand used for resting skids on, of several hundred pounds weight, fell from the rail of a steamer into a barge in which Morrissey was. It dropped beside him, but did not strike him.

THE CATHEDRAL GIRLS' CLUB Concert, under the management of Mrs. Cooper, will be held in the Synod Hall on Monday evening, June 18th, at 8.15. Tickets 40c. and 20c. Proceeds in aid of new Parish Hall.—June 13, 16, 18

A white tailored linen blouse is more becoming if bound in blue or rose.

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# The Greater Enemy!

In pre-historic ages man waged a stubborn fight with beasts ten times his size and won the right to till the soil and so provide the food necessary to his existence. To-day man may till the soil without fear of death, but he does not always reap the fruits of his labor, THE GREATER ENEMY contends his right to the harvest and frequently wins.

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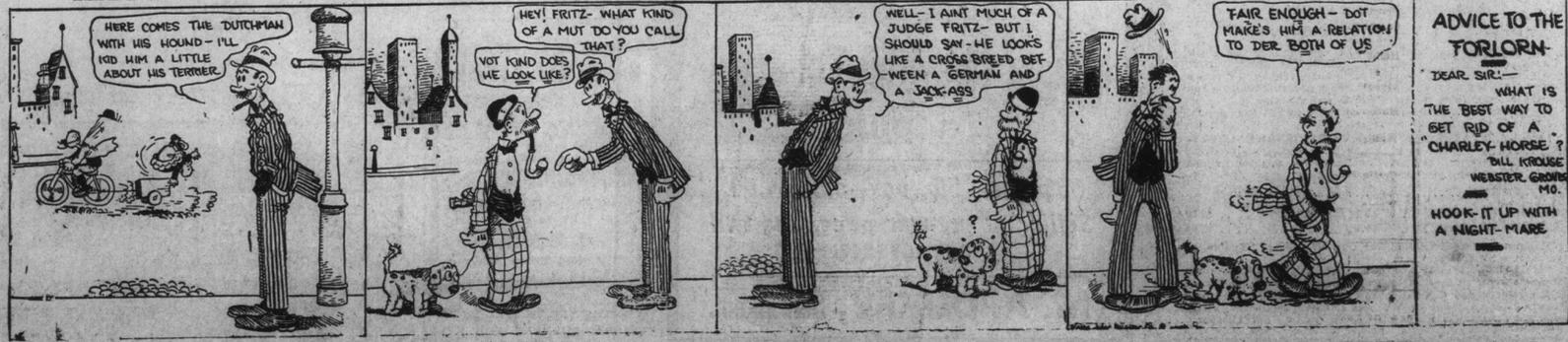
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