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## NEW BRITISH BLOW IN BELGIAN DRIVE

SPADES A RE TRUMPS.

## ORGAN OF FRENCH CLERGY WOULD KILL CONFEDERATION; WANTS QUEBEC INDEPENDENT

La Croix, Journal of French-C anadian Priests, Makes Furious Attack on English-Speaking Canadians, and Wants Quebec Province To Secede.

Montreal, June 15.-La Croix which circulates almost solely amongst the French-Canadian elergy, comes out boldly for the destruction of confederation. The editor-in chief, Joseph Begin, writes that the confederation has been fatal for fifty years to French-Can-

'We have been exploited and bled white, as this political machine in the hands of the English majority has been absolutely disastrous. From being the pioneers of this beautiful country, we have become the valets of a race which pretends to be "superior," but which is nothing more than the modernized produc of the rapacious Jew. What advantage, minimum though it be, have we got from confederation? We have we got from contederation? We have worked hard, and it has all gone to enrich the Anglo-Saxoos. We are already crushed by an enormous debt, and today they wish to impose by force a law as unconstitutional as it is anti-Canadian, which will send our sons and bro

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Renewal of Activity.

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MUNITIONS FACTORIES

spondent of the Times writes as fol- month,

plow the soil and to sow this im-mortal grain has come." Foresters To Vote on Increasing Rate;

so many cattle, whose one use is to satisfy the appetite of its master.

Wants Separation. "And no one speaks of breaking this odious regime which binds us

to the charlot wheels of the con-queror. In fact, no one seems to have thought of it. How sweet it would be, in fact, to live in a Lower Canada separated from Upper Can-

ada, yet subject as at present to the British crown. The qualities of our race would then develop normal-

on the banks of this beautiful St

Lawrence, in a country extending from the Ottawa to the Atlantic, and administered by a French-Canadian majority possessing the power to make all our laws, to treat freely with foreign countries, to fix our customs tariff to control our impi-

customs tariff, to control our immigration, our navigation, and our means of transportation.

"This is not a hasty movement without head or tail, but a new po-

litical constitution based on our superior interests and our inalien-able rights. The time, therefore, to

BUT HUNS CANNOT WIN WITH U-BOATS Allies Are Raiding Lairs of ace their organizations on an acturial

#### lows concerning the submarine situaon: "It can surprise no one who has fol-OF NORWEGIANS SENT heavier than in the previous week. "The notion that good progress had DOWN BY SUBMARINES

rne notion that good progress had been made in dealing with the U-boats was fairly widespread. The weekly returns recently have somewhat supported this viey. It is too soon, however, to expect that each return will be an improvement over the last. The reasons against any such indulgence in overconfidence have been frequently set forth in this column, nor can the authorities be accused of misleading the public in this matter. Continued Wholesale Destruction of Norse Merchant

met. Not the least among these is the offensive against the submarine lairs on the Belgian coast. From Zeebrugge and Ostend many submarines, especially mine layers, have put out from these ports, and these attacks should go a long way toward baffling the enemy, it has been pointed out, however, that in order to tackle these places effectively, military co-operation is necessary. It may be fairly claimed that the threat of the victory at Messines was

the victory at Messines was influence in clearing the rom Ostend. The official temperatures for the published by the French haval authorities continue, both in regard to the comsmall number of shps sunkinger number which escaped (ck.)

TOMORROW-FAIR AND WARMER. o west winds; fair and comparatively Saturday—Fair and KEPT AT PETROGRAD

resolution passed by the work-

men added that the only means of settling the relations between capital and labor was by the assumption of power by the soldiers' and workmen's body.

George Plekanhoff, the Socialist who recently returned to Russia after 25 years' exile, has been elected to represent the employees of the state railways in the Soldiers' and Workmen's Council.

### IRISH TAKEN PRISONER IN LATE REVOLT TO BE FREED

British Govt. Announces General Liberation Will Be Made.

London, June 15 .- It was announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that the Government had decided to release all the prisoners taken in the Irish rebellion of Easter Sunday, 1916.

#### TINO'S DEPARTURE FROM HIS CAPITAL WITHOUT DISORDER

Supporters Howl Their Displeasure, But Do Not Fight.

New Payment Rule ALEXANDER TAKES OATH

Deposed Monarch and Family May Reside in Italy or Denmark.

A prominent member of the Oddfeilows stated this afternoon that payments would be made monthly instead

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thens, and their presence around the The picture will be published in The ity is almost unnoticed. Senator Advertiser tomorrow, for they are eight onnart, the French envoy, has inform- of the cars to be given in the grand

NO RIOTING.

London, June 15.—A long series of belated dispatches from Athens confirm the reports that the abdication of King Constantine and his departure from the Greek capital was unattended by any serious disturbance. There was much excitement and noise among the for-

the larger classes have increased by twelve. Only twice before has the week's return shown a heavier figure in ships over 1,600 tons, and this was in the weeks of April 22 and 29, when the figures were 41 and 39.

Raiding the Lairs.

"In spite of the unsatisfactory character of the present return, there are noticnos that the menace is being midications that the menace is being offensive against the Not the least among these is the offensive against the Beigian coast. From Zeebrugge and Ostend many submarines, especially mine layers, have put out from these ports, and these attacks should go a submarine larger classes have increased by twelve. Only twice before has the teeder of the constitution in the present constitutio company says that King Alexander It issued a proclamation declaring that I will carry out his father's mandate "the spirit so brilliantly traced for hin by Constantine, and expressing the coviction that the people will contributheir share toward extricating the country from its difficulties.

TO SERVE ON BOARD WITH COL. CHURCHILL

o west winds; fair and comparatively solutions of col. Winston Spencer Churchill is a perplexing one. The paper says that the position of Col. Winston Spencer Churchill is a perplexing one. The paper says that the premier wishes to appoint him convictions to a m. today:

Stations. High. Low. Weather. Clear Stations. High. Low. Weather. Clear Winnipeg 62 38 Clear The Weekly concludes the article. leading politicians refuse to serve with the former head of the Admiralty.

The Weekly concludes the article with a prediction that if Col. Churchill receives no appointment he will probably join the Asquith party and become one of the lieutenants of the former premier.

WILSON

TAKING THE VOTE AT PETAWAWA CAMP

1918 Model Touring Cars Secured by The Advertiser For the Big Prize Contest

Watch for Announcement Tomorrow-Interest in Great Event Becoming Keen Throughout Western Ontario.

Outside a well-known Canadian of votes in the entire territory. Other factory eight touring cars lined up a prizes may be announced at the same Athens, June 13, via London, June 15. few days ago and had their pictures time, but the complete list will not be -No disorders followed the departure of taken. They had just passed their final made known until later.

tion that the theatres are closed and the They were something entirely new, earnest, and it will only en for this factory which has been submitted its resignation to King turning out cars for several years. They selves in every part of Western On- at Montreal. He was greeted by m

Government that freights held up popularity contest being conducted by t Salamis will be delivered immedi-tely, and that ships bound for Piraeus vith wheat, maize and cod will be redered to proceed to their destinations The city of London.
 Lambton and Middlesex Counties (excepting London).
 Essex and Kent Counties.
 Elgin and Norfolk Counties.
 Brant and Oxford Counties.

Renewal of Activity.

'It was only Saturday that Kennedy Jones warned the country that there might be a renewal of submarine activity. Premier Ribot, the day before, told the French Chamber of Deputies that in well-informed circles in England he found expectation of a recruicescence of energy on the part of the II-boats.

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'Nevertheless, just as it would be unwise to iminitize the gravity of the angel, according to this information to II-boats, it may indicate the beginning of another wave of energy or it may have been due merely to a strike of ill-fortune. It is scarcely sufficient to warrant the German people in helleving that their alleged anticipations are any more likely to be fulfilled. They may continue to worry us, but their aim is as easily met as before by got back to the worst figures of April.

SENATE IN THE DARK

AS TO EXTENSION BILL tondon, June 15.—The sinking of several more Norwegian vessels with considerable loss of life is reported by the increased by the increased by the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodsked or ricing of the so-called reservists, but no boodske AS TO EXTENSION BILL

Alexander Takes Oath.

The day prior to Constantine's departure, Alexander took the oath of featly to the constitution in the presentary. Senator Cloran asked when the layer than the princes with the various ministres at holds. The

> OPEN INQUIRY INTO ROGERS' COMPLAINTS

Montreal, June 15.—The McLeod-Teler commission, which has been aposed of young men of 17, 18 and which had injected itself into the ovestigate the complaints of Hon. tobert Rogers, minister of public works gainst the Galt commission, which resented a report on the Manitoba Agleultural College to which the minister over the control of the manitoba agreement of t

Cloudy Cloudy prevails prevails es, while Provinces ool, at
Pembroke, June 15.—Representatives of both political parties in Saskatchewan have arrived at Petawawa Camp to take the votes of the Saskatchewan soldiers in training there.

Washington, June 15.—President Wilson today signed the three-billion-dollar war budget bill which carries appropriations for the new army and other war preparations. It is the largest single appropriation measure ever enacted by any government.

After today the contest will be on in Alexander, but this was merely a formality, and the ministers will meet later to frame a decree of political amnesty.

No foreign troops have entered Athens, and their presence around the substituting out cars for several years. The picture will be published in The selves in every part of Western Ontario, Owing to the fact that there are actually eight contests, with identical montreal. He was greeted by many old friends and will be in the city until more contained by tario. Owing to the fact that there are actually eight contests, with identical montreal. He was greeted by many old friends and will be in the city until more contained by the published in The selves in every part of Western Ontarios, and their presence around the selves in every part of Western Ontarios, and in the city until more contained by the published in The selves in every part of Western Ontarios, and their part of Western Ontarios, and in the city until more contained by the published in The selves in every part of Western Ontarios, and their presence around the selves in every part of Western Ontarios, and in the city until more contained by the published in The selves in every part of Western Ontarios, and in the city until more contained by the published in The selves in every part of Western Ontarios, and in the city until more contained by the published in The selves in every part of Western Ontarios, and will be in the city until more contained by the published in The selves in every part of Western Ontarios, and in the city until more contained by the published in The selves in every part of Western Ontarios, and the city until more contained by the city until more contained by the published in The selves in every part of Western Ontarios and will be in the city until more contained by the city until more contained by the contained by the city until more contained by the contained by the city until more contained by the contained and so on, giving scores of contestants an opportunity to win something of value. In the district capturing the grand prize automobile, the other touring car will go to the second highest candidate. The winner of the grand prize car will also receive a check for

organization. One thousand dollars in cash will also be divided among the other winners of cars, to be used for 6. Perth and Huron Counties.
7. Wellington and Waterloo.
8. Bruce and Grey.
A picture of another car will be printed—the big touring car which is to be one of the grand prizes going to the person getting the largest number vert will have the advantage. the person getting the largest number work will have the advantage,

> MARSIL STOPS CLASH BETWEEN SUPPORTERS AND THE BOY SCOUTS

Situation Saved by Coolness of Anti-Conscription Leader.

conscriptionists narrowly avoided a clash with Boy Scouts during a mass by Tancrede Marsil, a band of Boy ing in St. Marys, will be in the city over Sunday. He is making arrangebugles, the Scouts marching throug again. Young heads in the audien There was one little gathering, composed of young men of 17, 18 and so or posed of young men of 17, 18 and so on, which had injected itself into the meeting as a unit, armed with anti-conscription banners, and this body began to break away from the mass, and tovent a meeting between the Boy Sc

#### HAIG SMITES AGAIN GOING **AHEAD FOR THOUSAND YARDS** ALONG SEVEN-MILE FRONT

LIBERTY LOAN A MIGHTY SUCCESS

Washington, June 15. — The Liberty Loan has been oversub-scribed by many hundreds of millions of dollars. Treasury officials estimated at 11 a.m., an hour before the books closed, that the total of subscriptions would be at least \$2,500,000,000, an oversubscription of 25 per

Indications based upon telephone and telegraph reports from all sections were at that hour that every federal reserve district in the country, with the possible exception of two, would subscribe its minimum quota, and that many of the districts would over-subscribe the maximum.

MR. INKSTER TELLS OF DRAMATIC NOTE IN GREAT ASSEMBLY

Delegates Guided Divinely to Forego "Fight to Finish"

IN CITY FOR FEW DAYS

Will Address Old Congregation and Speak to Rotary and Canadian Clubs.

pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, this city, now pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Victoria,



REV. J. G. INKSTER.

After the War-What?" Mr. Inkster has had a remarkable success since going to Victoria, having added 1,200 members to the congregation and increased the gross receipts from \$5,000 to \$20.000. He was active at the assembly, and regards it as the discontinuous control of the state of the Continued on Page Three. PREACHES HERE SUNDAY .- Rev

Dr. Emett. organizer for Evangelists Hanley and Fischer, who are now working in St. Marys, will be in the city over Sunday. He is making arrangements concerning the proposed union evangelistic campaign which may be held in the city this winter. Dr. Emett will preach in the Wellington Street Methodist Church in the morning, and in the Askin Street Church in the evening.

REPAIRS AT PORT STANLEY.—

Three thousand dollars will be spent by the Government in repairing the groynes at Port Stanley, according to D. Marshall, M. P., of Aylmer, who has notified Controller J. M. Moore to that effect. This means that all danger to the harbor at Port will be averted. Seven new groynes, which are similar to crib work, will probably be erected to replace those washed out last fall.

#### **BORDEN CALLS IN BLONDIN** AND NATIONALISTS TO SAVE HIM IN HIS PRESENT FIX

ear, and moved quickly enough to preit will hold private organization are meeting between the Boy Scouts
in the Ritz-Carlton Hotel for a few days.

EXPLOSION WRECKS

POWDER FACTORY AT

U.S. SOUTHERN CITY

Birmingham, Ala, June 15.—An explosion occurred at the plant of the
Actina Powder Company, on the cutskifts of the city, about 11 am. today.
All telephones to the plant are out.

WILSON SIGNS VAST

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All Objectives Gained in New Plunge in Belgium Last Night, Which Places British Troops Astride Ypres-Comines Canal-All Enemy Positions From River Lys to River Warnave Now Occupied.

Berlin, June 15 .- Via London .- Retirement of the German forces at two points on the front in Beigium is reported in today's official statement. The Germans were pressed back by the British between Hollebeke and the region of the River Douve and also southwest of Warneton

London, June 15 .- The British struck another blow last night on the front near Messines, the war of fice announces. They gained all their obectives, advancing south and east of Messines and astride the Ypres-Comines Canal.

The British now occupy the former front trenches of the Germans from the River Lys to the River Warnave. As a result of last night's operations and the constant pressure exerted, the British have advanced their lines from 500 to 1,000 yards on a front of seven

ASTRIDE THE CANAL.

The text of the official announcement reads:
"Our troops attacked yesterday evening south and east of Messines and astride the Ypres-Comines Canal. The enemy's resistance was quickly overcome, and the whole of our objectives were gained in both localities. We captured more than 150 prisoners, one howitzer and seven

OCCUPY WIDE AREA "As the result of these operations and the constant pressure maintained by our troops since June 7, we now occupy the German front trenches from the River Lys to the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line from 500 to 1,000 yards on the whole front from the River Warnave, and have advanced our line front front front front front front front front fron nave to Klein Zillebeke, a distance of about seven miles.
"We made a successful raid last night north of Lens. Many Ger-

mans were killed in hand-to-hand fighting, and a few prisoners were ABANDONING DEFENCES. MAY JOIN WITH

Possibly Will Adopt Referendum Policy on Conscription
COULD WRECK THE BILL
Company from headquarters in France says:

"The enemy's withdrawal in the visible of the Messines ridge is extending somewhat farther southward. The German heavy shells are generally reported as falling at the extreme range, which means that the enemy has withdrawn his big guns as far as possible, short of actually putting them out of action.

Plebiscite Amendment Expect-

ed To Be Moved by Verville.

Ottawa, June 15.-It appears like that a referendum policy is the one Liberals and anti-conscriptionist Liberals, and labor representatives will are now talking of the referendum as "a way of avoiding trouble in Canada" and will evidently support it. The referendum of course threatens to wreck the compulsion bill. A referen-

dum amendment will probably be representative. It is therefore obvious that unless a substantial body of Liberals vote egainst Verville's plebiscite there is Priest Told Parishioners It genuine danger of a Government de-

as the Liberals were returned, they would be

REPAIRS AT PORT STANLEY.

The British contact patrols are har

"The British contact patrois are narrassing the enemy as much as possible and the artillery is maintaining a steady bombardment of his new positions.

"The country across which the Ger-

**USED CONFESSIONAL** 

TO FIGHT ELECTION

OF TOWN'S MAYOR

Was Mortal Sin to Vote

for Doctor.

tion for \$500 damages, brought by Dr.

Arthur Lefebvre, mayor of St. Philippe

de la Prairie, against Rev. Father J. B

obin, cure of the parish, was begun be-

Dr. Lefebvre claims that during a period of two months after he was