

TO-DAY'S Messages.

11.15 A.M.

LONDON, To-day.

The Entente Allies have demanded that Greece either join with them and fulfill her treaty obligations to Serbia or demobilize, and to impress King Constantine that they mean what they say the Allies have declared a commercial blockade of the Hellenic Empire. According to despatches from Athens, there is no confirmation of these statements available here; but it is very certain Lord Kitchener, British War Secretary, who had an hour's audience with the King of Greece on Saturday, afterwards saw Premier Skouloudis took a firm stand and told them what the Allies could and would do, unless the demands were conceded. The Greek Cabinet met to consider the situation and a few hours should show what Greece's future attitude will be. The Greek Government again has affirmed its friendliness to the Allies but has not yet taken the steps required to prevent Greece from being counted among the friends of the Central Powers. The Entente Allies will not permit any delay. The position of the Serbian army makes any prolongation of the present uncertainty impossible. Already the Serbians are making what may be their last stand in the Plains of Kasso. The Bulgarians it is true, are being held up by unfavorable weather conditions, but they must be almost at the gates of Macedonia by this time, while the Austro-Germans and Bulgarians are slowly but surely pressing back the Northern army. The Germans announce to-day the capture of Novi Basar and are therefore on the direct road to Mitrovitz, which has been the Serbian capital since Nish fell into the hands of the Bulgarians. Other armies are pressing in from North, Northwest, Northeast and East. Even the Montenegrins who held their positions for so long are being forced back. Of the French and British troops on the South no news have been received. Apparently they are only holding their positions and cannot longer hope to render assistance to the Serbians except by keeping a large number of Bulgarians engaged. According to German reports an effort will be made by the French and British to save the Serbian armies by sending troops through Montenegro and Albania, but with the poor road it will take a long time for them to reach the battle field. There is no change on other battle fronts. Italians are still fighting for Gorizia, and the Russians regaining ground which they lost along the Styx River last week. Czartorysk, a little village unknown before the war which became famous for bitter fighting that has occurred around it is again in possession of the Russians who evidently left the Germans enter and simply shelled them out next day. The German effort which met with initial success was doomed to final failure as the country is a great marsh, and in the opinion of Petrograd the offensive was taken for political not military purposes with the object of impressing Rumanians. In Courland the weather enforced idleness upon both armies.

VENIZELLOS WILL NOT FIGHT ELECTIONS.

LONDON, To-day. The leaders of the Greek Party of Eleutherics, Venizelos, who twice resigned the Premiership on account of King Constantine's opposition to his policy of entering the war on the side of Serbia and the allies, held a meeting at Athens yesterday to decide upon their attitude in regard to the forthcoming general elections. Reuters correspondent at Athens wires the leaders decided to urge the party not to participate in the election inasmuch as men serving the colours will have no opportunity to do so.



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Moreover it is considered doubtful whether in the event of another victory at the polls for the Venizelos party, it would be able to put its policy into effect. General press despatches from Bucharest says the British forces have arrived at the Serbian city of Monastir and are being reinforced. A telegraph from Constantinople by way of Bucharest says the first contingent of German troops reached that city and that Field Marshal Von Mackensen is expected there next week.

KITCHENER CONFERS WITH GREEK WAR STAFF.

PARIS, To-day. An Athens despatch to the Havas agency says after Premier Skouloudis called on Lord Kitchener at the British Legation yesterday. The Field Marshal had two hours conference with General Dousmanis, Chief of the Greek General Staff, and Colonel Metaxas, Chief Assistant of the General Staff, at which officers accompanying Lord Kitchener were present. Great importance is attached to this conference in political circles. The Government organ Embros affirms the King and the Greek Government yesterday gave Kitchener formal assurances that Greece in no case would take measures of hostility to the Quadruple Entente, and that a conciliatory solution to present differences would be reached. The Embros adds these who had an opportunity of seeing Earl Kitchener after his visit to the King and Premier Skouloudis brought away the impression that the questions now in suspense have lost much of their acute character. The statement made by Embros are not confirmed from any official source. Kitchener and his staff left Athens late on Saturday night.

AMERICAN AMBASSADOR REPORTS ATROCIOUS CONDUCT OF GERMAN TO BRITISH PRISONERS.

LONDON, To-day. The British Press Bureau published the report of James W. Gerard, American Ambassador to Germany, and a member of the Embassy Staff at Berlin, relative to the conditions of British prisoners in the war camp at Wittenberg, Prussia. Littgow Osborne reported his whole impression of camp authorities was utterly unlike that which he had received in every other camp he visited. Instead of regarding their charges as criminals, whom a Regime of fear alone sufficed to keep in obedience. All evidence of kindly human feeling between the authorities and prisoners was lacking, said Osborne, and in no other camp have I found signs of fear on the part of prisoners that what they might say to me would result in suffering afterwards. The following extracts are taken from Ambassador Gerard's report: "I regret to state after a careful examination and long conversation with prisoners, my impression is even more unfavorable than I had been led to expect. Upon my arrival at the camp I was not received by the General who acts as Commandant but by the Major. There are over four thousand prisoners in the camp, of whom 278 are British. Among these I found only sixteen overcoats. The men told me that one of the British medical officers in camp recently was struck by a German non-commissioned officer. This fact proved to be true. Many prisoners complain that dogs were brought in by German soldiers at night and that in certain cases prisoners had their clothes torn by these dogs. He asked the authorities whether they considered dogs necessary for the preservation of order, saying that at no other camp had I seen dogs for this purpose. They informed me that they considered it absolutely necessary that dogs were needed to protect German soldiers on duty. I was shown half a dozen of these dogs, which were of the usual police type. Two prisoners informed me that conditions in the camp had unquestionably improved greatly the last few months, that last year when an

epidemic of spotted typhus existed in the camp, the conditions were indescribably bad. They said they implored the German authorities to put the British soldiers in barracks by themselves, as this was to prevent an outbreak of the epidemic which had been brought to camp by the Russians. This request was refused on the ground that the British should learn to know their allies better. Largely because this, fifty British military prisoners and nine civilians died of the disease. The attitude towards British prisoners seems to be based on suspicion they had no opportunity for playing games or for exercise except walking. I am sending a cheque for two thousand marks to Captain Vidal to be spent for immediate relief. Sir Edward Grey after commenting severely on the facts mentioned says he much appreciates Ambassador Gerard's action on visiting the camp personally and asks Walter Hines Page, the American Ambassador in Britain, to convey to Gerard his cordial thanks for the reports.

2.00 P. M.

CONSTANTINE STILL DALYING.

NEW YORK, To-day.

The London correspondent of the New York Herald, referring to Kitchener's visit to the King of Greece, says the King must now declare for the Central Empires and give to the Allies a satisfactory guarantee of continuance of benevolent neutrality, or by immediate action prove that he is willing to submit to the wishes of the great majority of the Hellenic people by honoring the treaty with Serbia and ranging his army and navy on the side of the Entente, thus making for Greater Greece. The Greek Cabinet forewarned of a vigorous policy to be initiated by the Quadruple Entente, was in continuous session from nine o'clock on Friday night till three o'clock on Saturday morning, and information that it was unable to agree upon any definite course was followed by a manifesto of the Entente Powers. There is only one member of the Cabinet, said to be Mr. Gounar, who threatened to disarm the Serbians and the French-British forces. This led to the Allies to give the warning that Greece must intervene in behalf of Serbia or demobilize. He favored casting the lot of the nation with the Central Empires. The King and other Ministers insisted on maintaining a policy of benevolent neutrality, but they would not agree to give the definite guarantee demanded by representatives of the four great powers. An immense crowd that witnessed the arrival of Kitchener at the Palace, cheered Britain's War Secretary, as heartily as it did Denys Cochon, Minister of France, thus evidencing that the heart of the Greek people is with the Allies. Despite the pessimistic tone of the British newspapers, there is still hope that the King will go with instead of against the people. If he does, Mr. Venizelos will be immediately recalled. Whatever the outcome is to be, and we shall not have long to wait, a great Franco-British fleet is where it can strike hard and protect the Allies' troops in Serbia from the Greek attack by treachery. Of the French and British troops no news has been received.

THREATEN TO DETHROSE CONSTANTINE.

LONDON, To-day.

The economic and commercial blockade of Greece is heartily endorsed by all newspapers this morning. This vigorous action is being defended on the ground that the suppression of the constitution by the King in defiance of the will of the Hellenic people, and the sinister threats of Mr. Gounar and other pro-German Ministers that the Serbian and Franco-British forces would be disarmed and interned if they were forced to retreat into Greek territory, warrant not only a blockade but even more drastic measures to prove to Constantine that his treachery will mean the end of his reign. This is the attitude of the Conservative Telegraph, which says the Allies mean to have their way, and to rescue gallant Serbia and safeguard the lives of French and British soldiers who are fighting, where if Greece was honoring her treaty should have shown an embattled front, they will use all legitimate means to secure the objects at which they aim. The sooner the pro-German party in Athens realize the Allies' inflexible determination, the better it will be for the Kaiser's brother-in-law and the Hellenic Kingdom.

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Germany's "Fatherly" Will.

Under the fatherly government of von Bissing, the Belgians at present have cause to envy the Parisians of 1793, in the Reign of Terror. Not a person is sure of his life, and certainly not an honest and brave person, for the German Reign of Terror seeks by frightful examples to make the whole of Belgium a nation of traitors and cowards. Love of country which the Germans themselves claim to honor as the highest virtue, they punish in the enemy as the most frightful crime. The sentence executed by them has caused the whole civilized world to shudder with horror. We wrote once in this journal "Holland is incapable of shuddering any more." We were wrong; the death-penalty on a brave woman has caused the whole of this country to freeze with horror. The German nation has now given up all make-believe of respect for the laws of nations. Openly and unashamed she makes herself a nation of outlaws against whom in future every possible measure of reprisal must be counted as warranted.—Amsterdam Telegraph.

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FOUND IN BAGGAGE OF MAN RESISTING SEARCH.

Two sticks of dynamite, a form of dynamite, were found in the baggage of Abraham Cummings, a passenger about to sail on the American liner St. Louis, just before the ship started for Liverpool recently. Cummings, who said he was a British subject, had no passport. He said the explosive was harmless without a special fuse and that he had no fuse. He was arrested and taken to police headquarters. When Detective Edward Mallon of the American Line came to Cummings in his routine examination of the baggage of passengers, Cummings objected to the search.

Mallon at once ordered his assistants to be particularly thorough. There was nothing in his trunks, and he showed an anxiety to have them pass over a bundle tied with heavy twine. The detectives found in that package two sticks of a greasy substance ten inches long and an inch and a half in diameter.

Cummings at once began expostulating. He said he was a coal miner who had worked in the Pennsylvania mines for five years and did not know he had packed up the dynamite, left over from his stock of mining explosive, in the things he was taking home. The statement did not bear out his anxiety to avoid search and Mallon promptly turned him and the tunnelite over to Detective Lieut. Leeson.

Cummings had no passport or any other credentials to establish his identity as a British subject. He had rather more money than was warranted by his appearance and dress and a ticket to Liverpool. In spite of the man's insistence on the harmlessness of the explosive, Lieut. Leeson handled the tunnelite with the tenderest care. A further search of the luggage of Cummings was immediately begun at Police Headquarters to establish the truth of his assertion that he had no detonators.

The detectives said there was enough explosive, if handled by an expert, to blow the ship out of water. One theory was that there may have been a plot to put the dynamite in the coal and blow up the boilers.

The Dance in aid of the Patriotic Fund, which was to be held to-night in the Frontiersmen's Hall, has been postponed until to-morrow night.—nov22,11



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