

War News.

Messages Received Previous to 9 A.M.

McKENNA'S BUDGET.

LONDON, April 4. The Commons met shortly before 3 o'clock to hear the fourth budget speech of the war, and the second since McKenna took over the Chancellorship. There was a full attendance of members, and the galleries were well filled, chiefly by business men, who had direct interest in the new taxation proposed. Despite the fact that the new taxation will make the annual bill of the people of Britain the largest in the history of the country, and that there is in plain view a national debt of £3,500,000,000 with a debt charge which will double the annual expenditure and taxation for a generation, the general public took little interest in the occasion. McKenna said that generous allowance would have to be made for the difficulty of framing exact estimates in view of such questions as shortage of tonnage and restriction upon foreign trade. He had assumed the war would last during the whole financial year. The actual expenditure during the past year was £1,529,000,000, or £31,000,000 below the estimate, said the Chancellor. Britain's Allies had been assisted to the amount of £264,000,000; her dominions to the amount of £52,000,000. The Chancellor was able to open his speech in a cheerful strain, as the figures published on March 31st showed that the revenue exceeded the estimates by £31,000,000, while the expenditure had been over-estimated by almost the same figure. The Treasury, consequently, was £62,000,000 better off than it was expected at the end of the last financial year. McKenna said that the maximum income tax would be five shillings in the pound. The Chancellor estimated the revenue at £509,000,000, and the deficit at £1,323,000,000. He said the deficit would be made up by borrowing.

There were over one hundred questions to the Ministers on the question paper, so it was late in the afternoon before the Chancellor rose. He is a clear and concise speaker. Although his speech was filled with figures, which would have staggered the assembly before the war, the members followed his exposition of the financial situation with the deepest interest. The Chancellor said he proposed putting a tax on amusements, including theatres, moving picture establishments, football matches and horse races. The tax on these would be graduated according to the charge for admission. A tax of one penny on railway tickets costing between ninepence and one shilling, with a penny tax for each additional shilling; an additional tax of half a penny on sugar. This, it was calculated, would produce a revenue of £7,000,000. There would be an increase in duties on motor licenses, which are trebled on high-powered cars, and doubled on those below sixteen horsepower. These taxes would produce £800,000. The tax on war profits is increased by from 50 to 60 per cent., and would amount to nearly £65,000,000. The Chancellor said it had been decided not to resort to any general tariff measures; that it had been preferred to deal with the imposition of duties by stopping them altogether. Other taxes, he announced, were an additional duty imposed on cocoa from three and a half pence to six pence a pound; upon coffee and chicory from 3 pence to 5 pence a pound, these taxes yielding £2,000,000; a match tax of four pence per thousand, yielding £2,000,000; mineral waters, four pence per gallon when prepared with sugar, and eight pence per gallon for other sorts, producing £2,000,000.

The Chancellor anticipated a reduction in beer revenue of £3,000,000, and in spirits revenue £2,000,000. The recently imposed taxes on tea and tobacco would continue throughout the financial year. The question of further taxation on these commodities would then arise, and in any case, he said, the existing taxation would be continued. By the present scale of taxation, continued the Chancellor, the Government was making ample provision for services after the war, and when peace came the country would have considerable margin for a reduction in taxation. The figures proved Britain's ability to continue the war with unabated vigor.

T. J. Edens

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ST. PIERRE BULLETIN. PARIS, April 4. In the Argonne we shelled the German works, especially in Montaucon and Malancourt district. East of the Meuse the situation was quiet. The Germans did not attack. The Vaux-Department front is now re-established by our counter-attacks. Our batteries were particularly active battering at the enemy positions in this district. The enemy only replied faintly. East of Le Pretre wood a strong German reconnoitering party was dispersed. In Alsace our batteries managed to shell enemy convoys travelling on the road from Thann to Mulhausen.

FIRE IN POWDER FACTORY CAUSES EXPLOSIONS.

LONDON, April 4. The following statement is given out: The Minister of Munitions reports with great regret that during the week-end a serious fire broke out in a powder factory in Kent which led to a series of explosions in the works. The fire was purely accidental. It was discovered at midday and the last of the explosions took place shortly after two in the afternoon. The approximate number of casualties is 200.

WHO BROUGHT DOWN THE ZEPPELIN?

LONDON, April 4. Answering a question in the Commons to-day, Mr. Tennant said it was impossible to establish with certainty who was responsible for bringing down Zeppelin L-15, which was wrecked during Friday's night's raid and fell into the Thames Estuary. Tennant said, he believed the hits had been made by different batteries. The Under Secretary said that the new arrangements for the defence of London and munitions establishments around the city from aerial attacks, had proved successful. More than one attack, he said, had been thwarted without the people of London being aware of it.

EARL DERBY APPROVES OF SEGREGATION.

LONDON, April 4. Earl Derby has approved of a suggestion, placed before him by a deputation from the National Union of at-attested married men, that members of the union organize themselves into county committees to assist local recruiting officers in tracing single men and helping to secure the services of such men for the Army. This was officially announced to-day, following a meeting of the deputation from the Union with Lord Derby yesterday. The deputation further urged upon Lord Derby the desirability of pressing upon Premier Asquith the question of universal service as not only

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NO DAMAGE DONE BY ZEPPELIN RAID.

LONDON, April 4. No damage was caused by last night's Zeppelin raid. The official statement says: A Zeppelin is reported to have crossed the East Anglian coast at three o'clock on Tuesday morning. The airship does not seem to have been long over the land, although several explosions are reported, and fragments of bombs have been discovered, but up to date no damage was caused and no casualties have been reported.

NO INFANTRY ATTACKS MADE BY GERMANS.

PARIS, April 4. No infantry attacks were made last night by the Germans in Verdun region, the War Office announced this afternoon. The French continued their heavy bombardment along the Douaumont-Vaux front northeast of Verdun. The response was feeble. There were violent artillery exchanges near Avocourt and Malancourt.

FRENCH POSITIONS TAKEN BY GERMAN TROOPS.

BERLIN, April 4. Strong French positions southwest of Douaumont and in Callette Wood, southeast of Verdun have been taken by German troops. The War Office announced to-day the recapture by British of a mine crater at St. Eloi south of Ypres, which the Germans had been occupying. There is also recorded in the official statement, that British refused to release the thirty-three Germans, Austrians and Turks taken from the American steamer China, near Shanghai, was received to-day at the State Department. The British note is understood to insist on the right of that Government to seize enemy subjects returning to take part in the war. This, it is understood, the United States is prepared to vigorously dispute. The intention of the State Department is to demand the unconditional release of the prisoners according to many precedents.

HOLLAND CLOSES GERMAN FRONTIER.

ROME, April 4. Wireless reports from Zurich state that Holland has closed her German frontier and massed all her available forces there.

CABINET POSTPONES DECISION.

WASHINGTON, April 4. In absence of conclusive evidence as to "reëdit" submarine attacks on ships carrying Americans, President Wilson and his cabinet to-day postponed decision as to the course to be pursued by the United States. Cabinet members agreed that some steps should be taken to stop endangering Americans, but these steps will not be determined until additional information in the cases of the Sussex, Englishman and Manchester Engineer is received. Officials expect that Ambassador Gerard will be in a position to report definitely within a week whether Germany denies attacking the Sussex and other vessels. Britain's reply to American protests against mail seizures, and the detention of passengers on the steamer China, were also laid before the cabinet. Neither reply was satisfactory. Further steps in the China case will be taken soon.

PROFITS OF STEEL CO.

TORONTO, April 4. The annual report of the Steel Co. of Canada, shows profits for year ending December 31, 1915, after deducting charges for repairs, maintenance and improvements of \$3,230,452, or six times the profit registered in 1914.

ZEPPELIN RAID VICTIMS BURIED.

LONDON, April 4. The funerals of twenty-four victims of Friday night's Zeppelin raid took place to-day in an East Coast town. The entire town was in mourning, and business was suspended during the passage of the procession to the cemetery for interment of the bodies.

GERMAN MACHINE SHOT DOWN.

LONDON, April 4. An official this evening says that yesterday a German machine was shot down by one of our aviators behind our lines, south of Souchez. The pilot and observer were both killed. To-day artillery on both sides has been active about Souchez, Angres, St. Eloi and Ypres. There has been some mining activity about Neuville, St. Vaast, Hulluch and Hohensollern Redoubt.

Official.

Via Fogo-Erik and Samuel Blandford report their crews aboard and well. Via Cape Ray-Viking, Ranger, Diana and Seal report their crews aboard and all well. MR. ELLIS LEAVES.— Ex-Mayor Ellis leaves by the Stephano to-night for New York on business. He will be absent for several weeks. New is the sunburst veil, round in shape, with a border over a foot wide with radiating lines. Minard's Equipment Co. 150 Dufferin St. Toronto.

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Entente Powers will be held responsible for further bombardments of Salonika by German airships, in case the request of Greece is not complied with. Furthermore, it is said that refusal by the Entente Powers to comply with the wishes of Greece will be considered as an unfriendly act toward the Greek Government.

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BLACK BOX.

One in the fourteenth great serial story Quest in great disparity the death of Craig just to make the important of the public in eagerness to what will happen following chapter. All will untunity of seeing episode British Theatre this night where it will be the show. Cleo Madril favorite will be seen in a melodrama of society "Menace," and that fun-comedians Billie Ritchie a comedy "Billy's New programme is an excellent no doubt be well patron-

ELAINE AT NICKEL THEATRE.

Week programme at the has been specially arranged all classes of patrons. That sensational plots of Elaine" will be today's episode is entitled "The Wall" and is one of the fine chapters of the Another beautiful story which is a fisher folk very touching one. "Family" is a three-part perfectly acted and comedy is entitled "Mr. Ladies Cup" and is very picture that will put all humor. Don't fail to attend enjoy the programme.

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