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**JAMES STOTT****War News.****Messages Received Previous to 9 A.M.****OFFICIAL.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. The Governor, Newfoundland, report hostile shelling of Loos and Ypres. The enemy made determined attempts to occupy the craters, capture Artillery, after stubborn bombing contests. They were repulsed, losing heavily.

General Munro succeeds General Haig in command of the First Army. Elsewhere in France, bombardments were successful. At Hartmannswerkopf, the French attacked and captured a considerable portion of the enemy's works, with 1,200 prisoners, including twenty-one officers.

Unofficial reports says that Russian warships with sixteen transports have been captured near Varna. The Russians have captured Kum, the rebel centre in Persia.

BONAR LAW.

**MURRAY SUCCEEDS MUNRO.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. General Sir Archibald Murray has been appointed to succeed Sir Charles Munro, as British Commander at the Dardanelles. Sir Charles Munro has been appointed in command of the First British Army in France, in succession to Sir Douglas Haig (now Commander-in-Chief in France and Flanders). Lieut. General Sir William Robertson, now Chief of the General Staff in France, will become Chief of the General Staff in England with the temporary rank of General, and with Major General W. W. Higgins as his deputy. Major General L. Baggall, now Assistant Chief of the Imperial General Staff, will become Chief of the General Staff of Sir Douglas Haig.

**VOTE FOR ADDITIONAL MEN AGREED TO.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. The debate on the supplementary estimate of the Government providing for the raising of a million extra men for the army, continued until 5.30 a.m. at which hour the vote for additional men was agreed to, and the House adjourned.

**HEAVY LOSSES IN MESOPOTAMIA.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. Comparatively heavy losses have been inflicted on the British Army in Mesopotamia, in the severe fighting near Kut-el-Amara, following the retreat of the British to that point. The Secretary for India announced in the Commons to-day that the total casualties of General Townshend's forces since the return to Kut-el-Amara, was 1,127, including 200 deaths.

**McKENNA'S STATEMENT.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. The British Treasury advanced £200,000,000 to enable the Government to enable them to meet their obligations during the early days of the war. In giving this information in the Commons to-day, Ronald McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, added that 82 per cent. of these advances had already been repaid, only thirty-five million pounds being outstanding on November 30th last.

**DERBY'S RECRUITING CAMPAIGN.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. Apparently there is no prospect of the results of Earl Derby's recruiting campaign becoming known until Parliament reassembles on January 4. Derby's report was under consideration by the Cabinet to-day, but Premier Asquith told the Commons that he would be unable to make any statement regarding it before adjournment to-morrow, adding that the information would first be given to Parliament.

**LIFE OF PARLIAMENT PROLONGED.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. The Commons to-day passed a bill prolonging the life of the present Parliament. An attempt was made to introduce an amendment, the effect of which would be to bury the plurality voting bill, but on the plea of Bonar Law, the motion was withdrawn and the bill passed without division.

**WISH OF THE U.S. GRANTED.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. The British and French Governments have consented to give safe conducts to Captains Boyed and Von Popen, the German attaches recalled from the States, "in deference to the expressed wish of the United States Government." Lord Robert Cecil stated in the Commons to-day. The Under Secretary's statement was in reply to a question implying condemnation for granting safe conducts, the questioner suggesting that by this the attaches would be enabled to "direct their energies towards injuring this country nearer home." To a suggestion that the "release" of the German officers might be made the occasion of the release of Colonel Napier and Captain Arthur Stanley Wilson, taken off a Greek steamer in the Mediterranean, Lord Robert announced it was not a question of the release of Germans, but whether they would do more harm in the United States than in their own country.

**POLITICAL UNREST.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 22. A cable to the Tribune from London says, fundamental government changes may take place in the immediate future, if the information received to-day is borne out by events. It cannot be denied that political unrest exists in several quarters against the Government. Begun the first of the month it has grown to such considerable proportions that it is just about ready to launch its attack. I learn that at a recent meeting of a considerable number of peers

opposed to Premier Asquith and Sir Edward Grey, they took no formal steps, but frank and free discussion ruled, and the general sentiment was for a change at an early date. While the peers were meeting, the opposition leaders in the Commons were debating the same question. There is no doubt there is much mature intellect in this Government, but little masculine decision. The fatal habit of procrastination on the part of the Government is generally regarded as a new phenomenon, but it is really only an extension of the practice obtaining before the war.

**AUSTRALIANS DETERMINATION NOT LESSEND.**

MELBOURNE, Australia, via London, Dec. 22. George Foster Pearce, the Australian Minister of State for Defence, in a speech delivered here said that the Australians did not cavil at the withdrawal of the British troops from the Anzac Cove, Suvla Bay region of the Gallipoli Peninsula. He declared that this move would neither lessen the determination of the Australians to see the war through nor affect a new effort to raise men.

**"TRUTH" ON LLOYD GEORGE.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. The speech of the Commons on Monday by David Lloyd George, is characterized by "Truth" as the last word in the keen struggle of the preceding months between him and Kitchener. The newspaper continues: "It obviously provokes or discloses the Ministerial situation. It is not easy to see how, after this speech, Lloyd George and Kitchener can remain in the same Cabinet." "Truth" holds that Lloyd George's references to shortage in machine guns and explosives are implied reflections on Secretary Kitchener, but adds that this does not exonerate the Cabinet. It continues: "For more than six months before June, Lloyd George himself served on the Munitions Committee, and, if he did not know about machine guns, he ought to have known."

**WOUNDED FELDERS AT HALIFAX.**

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 22. The distinguished gallantry which marked the fighting of the 1st Newfoundland Battalion at the Dardanelles, and the circumstances attending the death of Capt. Wighton and the wounding of Adj. and Lieut. Rendell, all of Newfoundland, was told this morning upon the arrival of the steamer Caribbeian with four wounded Newfoundland men. The steamer is from Glasgow, and included in her passenger list of forty-two the following invalided Newfoundland soldiers: Phillip Grouchy, leg wound; Ralph Gough, wounded in foot; Charles Magamman, leg wound; Robert Hackett, wounded in several places.

**HUN FACTORIES BLOWN UP.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. According to advices from the Amsterdam Telegraph, forwarded by Reuter's correspondent, a powder factory and several munition depots at Muenster, Westphalia, have been blown up. Great damage was done to the town, the newspaper adds.

**THE U. S. AND THE ANCONA.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22. The United States will not argue with Austria any of the points involved in the sinking of the Ancona. In the second American note to Vienna, made public to-day by the State Department when it was delivered to the Austrian foreign minister in Vienna. In this the government states that it must "renew the definite, but respectful, demands made in its communication of the 6th of December." This second note is extremely brief, is friendly in tone, but leaves no doubt as to the determination that Austria shall make full reparation for the American lives lost, and the punishment of the Austrian submarine commander, whose culpability is, in any case, established, and whose act, details of which were given in the Austrian admiralty statement, is held to be a willful violation of the rules of international law and the principles of humanity.

**GERMANS TRY TO BRIBE CONGRESS.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 22. A carefully worked out plan on the part of Germans to bribe enough members of Congress to insure the enactment of legislation prohibiting the exportation of war supplies for the Allies, is under investigation by the Federal authorities here and in Washington. That an American college graduate was hired at \$1,000 a week to undertake work and that he had unlimited funds at his disposal, spending almost \$1,000,000 before he was called off, are the facts said now to be in possession of the Department of Justice. It is hinted that the man who served as the agent for German interests and who became involved in their affairs in many ways, is now ready to tell his story, and in fact it was asserted here to-day that this man already had visited the United States District Attorney Marshall.

**BERLIN REJOICES.**

LONDON, Dec. 22. The withdrawal of the British forces from Gallipoli Peninsula has evoked great enthusiasm in Berlin, and is being used as a lever to force Greece and Roumania to join the Central Powers, according to the Rotterdam correspondent of the Telegraph. Berlin's seizure of the opportunity to influence neutral Balkan States is indicated, says the correspondent, by a semi-official German agency statement which announces that the victory of the Turkish forces made a colossal impression in Greece and Roumania, and an immediate clearing of the Balkan situation is to be expected. All doubts have been converted, the statement says, and have reached the conviction that to join the Central Powers can only be to their advantage. At Berlin it is looked upon as settled that after this fiasco of the Entente Powers and after the victory of Gonnaris in the Greek elections, the Greek military power will not suffer any longer a foreign policy of adventure with Greek territory at Greece's cost.

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