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War News.

Messages Received Previous to 9 A.M.

NO PEACE OVERTURES.
LONDON, Aug. 24. "No peace overtures have been made to Britain," declared Lord Cecil in the Commons to-day. This statement was made in response to a question by Sir Jas. Henry Dalziel, Liberal, in regard to peace rumors and the situation in the Balkans. "No overtures have been made for peace," said Lord Cecil. "There is only one way in which they could be made, and that is from an enemy Government of this country. If any such overtures were made, the first thing we should do would be to consult with our Allies, but no communication has been received." Referring to the Balkans, Lord Cecil said the most important factor consisted in the operations from Salonika which had been made.

BRITISH ADVANCE.
LONDON, Aug. 24. A further advance by the British in the region of Thiepval is recorded in a British official issued this evening, which says that 200 yards of German trenches were captured there. Silencing German artillery at three points is also told of.

THE ORDER-IN-COUNCIL.
LONDON, Aug. 24. The United States have made an inquiry in regard to the Order-in-Council issued last week restricting the entrance to Ireland, and the British Government has given assurance that the Order is not directed against Irish-Americans, but intended merely to exclude those persons who might disturb the peace. The Order empowers the Government to prohibit from entering Ireland any person, not a British subject, or who, being a British subject, has come recently or may come hereafter to the United Kingdom from Overseas.

BERLIN CLAIM DENIED.
LONDON, Aug. 24. An official from Berlin, reiterating the claim that a British battleship was struck by a torpedo in a North Sea fight, has met with an emphatic denial. The British Admiralty issued the following: There is not a particle of truth in this fantastic story. Not a ship was struck, except the Nottingham and Falmouth, whose loss has already been officially announced.

GERMAN BATTLESHIP HIT.
LONDON, Aug. 24. That the German battleship Westfalen was hit and slightly damaged on Saturday by a British torpedo, was admitted by a semi-official telegram from Berlin to-day, according to Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent. The

Westfalen, it declared, continued capable of manoeuvring, and will shortly be repaired.

NO HEAVY FIGHTING ON MACEDONIAN FRONT.

LONDON, Aug. 24. Bulgarian troops which advanced in northeastern Greece, recently, seizing positions in the Valley of the Struma River, are entrenching on this line. No heavy fighting is underway on the Macedonian front at present, so far as is indicated by the official statement to-day, concerning this theatre of war.

PREMIER OF CHINA.
PEKING, Aug. 24. Parliament has unanimously approved the appointment by President Li Yuan Ung of Tuan Chi Jue, as permanent premier of the Chinese Republic.

NO CHANGE.
PETROGRAD, Aug. 24. There has been no change on the Western Russian and Caucasian fronts says an official this evening.

SERBIAN SUCCESS.
LONDON, Aug. 24. Successful operations by Serbian troops in the Norichovo sector about 60 miles northwest of Salonika, are reported in an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Athens. The Serbians captured 150 yards of Bulgarian trenches near Kaimakcalan.

THE NORTH SEA INCIDENT.

LONDON, Aug. 24. The second torpedo launched against the Westfalen, missed her, a message asserts. The British official announcement yesterday told of an attack by the British sub. E-23 on a German battleship of the Nassau class in the North Sea. The sub commander reported that while the ship was being escorted back to port in a damaged condition, he attacked again and believed she was sunk. The Westfalen is one of the Nassau class, displacing 18,600 tons. She was first reported sunk in the Jutland naval battle last May, but afterwards was declared by the German Admiralty to be safe in port. The admission by Germany that the Westfalen was damaged by a British torpedo in the recent fight in the North Sea has gratified the British public as proof that the British were not left at such disadvantage in the most recent naval fighting, as appeared from first reports. The first account of the clash gave Britain the loss of two light cruisers, the Nottingham and Falmouth as against the destruction of one German sub and damage of another. The fact that Germany withheld the news of some of her losses in the official account of the Jutland battle is used by newspapers as an argument to discount late statements of Berlin. Denial by the British Admiralty of German claims is accepted without reservation. The account now stands as figured on the British

side, the loss of the Nottingham and Falmouth, whose crews were miraculously saved, as against certain loss by the Germans of a big battleship damaged, and, according to the belief of the commander of the attacking submarine, possibly sunk, one sub sunk and another damaged. There is great rejoicing here over the exploit of Commander Turner of E-23. His successful attack and fight in the open sea is taken as disproving the contentions of those who question the utility of the submarine in such warfare.

THE DEUTSCHLAND.
BERLIN, Aug. 24. The merchant submarine Deutschland arrived at the mouth of the Weser on Aug. 23rd, according to the Overseas News Agency.

LLOYD GEORGE IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, Aug. 23. Lloyd George, Secretary of War, in the Commons to-day contrasted what he termed the extraordinary change in a couple of months in the relative positions of the Entente Allies, and Central Powers on all fronts, except Mesopotamia, where climatic conditions had kept the British forces quiescent. He said that criticisms of British operations on the Somme front on the ground of their failure to break through the German lines were unjustified. The Germans had alternatives, said Lloyd George, and chose the alternative of bringing troops and guns from Verdun to prevent the British from "breaking through." "That suited our purpose," the War Secretary continued. "It is believed the pressure on Verdun has prevented the enemy from pouring his forces into the Russian theatre to support the Austrians against General Brusiloff's thrust. German accounts of our losses on the Somme are ludicrous and exaggerated. Our losses, though deplorable, have been relatively low as compared with the Germans. The French and ourselves have captured positions on the Somme front, whence the course of the campaign is visible, and I think am satisfied we can see the end. France is equipped, Russia is rapidly becoming equipped. Italy's equipment has amazed her best friends; Germany misused her chance. It would be a mistake to underestimate the position, which requires all our resources, but surveying the whole situation, upon the advice of those more competent than myself to express an opinion, I do not hesitate to say that all that this country and its Allies have to do is march together steadily and work together loyally, as they have done in the past, to ensure that victory will rest on their banners."

MAKE FURTHER ADVANCE.

LONDON, Aug. 23. The British have made a further advance between Martinpuich and Basentin, where they captured 100 yards of German trenches, according to an official statement issued by the War Office to-night, as follows: Between Martinpuich and Basentin we gained a further hundred yards of enemy trenches. South of Guillemont we carried out a successful enterprise in the enemy's lines and captured one of his machine guns. Hostile artillery is quieter to-day along the front. As a result of yesterday's operations south of Thiepval near Mouquet farm, we took 104 prisoners. Further north on the British front there is nothing to report, except considerable artillery activity at Aix Neuville, south of the Ypres-Comines Canal.

FORTS CAPTURED.

PARIS, Aug. 23. The fighting on the Salonika front is becoming more general, says a Havas despatch filed yesterday at Salonika. In the Dorian sector Serbian troops have captured forts Kaimakedar and Caecurli.

THE GREEK SITUATION.

LONDON, Aug. 23. A correspondent of the Morning Post at Athens sends the following under date of Aug. 19: The Bulgarian offensive along the whole Macedonian frontier has created a great sensation here. Yesterday's prolonged cabinet meeting discussed at some length the situation thus created for Greece and three Generals commanding the Macedonian division, who are attending the annual army council here, were summoned to a cabinet meeting to give their views. The cabinet finally decided to await further developments before arriving at a definite decision. The military movements of the Entente Allies were hindered by the flight of the civil population before the Bulgarian advance. Kastoria is 25 miles south of Monastir on the extreme left of the Entente front in Macedonia. It lies about 90 miles S.W. of Florina and its occupation indicates that the Bulgarians are pressing southward their movement on the Allies left flank.

GREEK SOLDIERS KILLED.

LONDON, Aug. 23. The Greek commander at Seres has called to arms all the reservists in that locality, says a despatch. That

the fighting is of a stubborn character is indicated by the fact that a large number of Greek soldiers have been killed.

BULGARIAN ADVANCE.

SOFFIA, Aug. 23. Further advances for the Bulgarians in the Struma Valley on the Macedonian front are announced in to-day's official statement by the Bulgarian army headquarters. The Bulgarians also penetrated further southward from Florina on the western front, where they reached the Malakura ridge. The capture of strongly defended positions by the Bulgarians pushing from the east towards Florina on Nina Ridge, is likewise announced.

ALLIES ASSUME THE AGGRESSIVE.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 23. The official organ of the Russian General Staff describes the movement of the Bulgarians against the Allied ranks as repellent. In miniature, of the great Austro-German assault on the Russian front last year, and adds at the same time the Allies have assumed the aggressive against the "Teuton" centre. In the event of a break through by the Allies the Bulgarian army would be split in two, and at the same time, forced back a great distance, while the Bulgarian attack on the Allies' flanks may be expected to dash itself to pieces on the strongly prepared fortifications and the Allied heavy artillery at the Salonika positions. The Bulgarians can no longer hope to help the Germans or Turkish troops.

RUSSIANS PUSHING AHEAD.

LONDON, Aug. 23. Developments in the Balkans take the first place in both the news and editorial columns of the newspapers this morning. The papers display keen interest in the new Russian offensive, which is developing in Bukovina. According to unofficial despatches the Russians are pushing ahead with the greatest energy in Bukovina, close to the Rumanian frontier, and already have gained a very brilliant success.

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ROUMANIA.

LONDON, Aug. 23. Dealing with the intentions of Roumania, the Daily News says: We may be content to draw upon the German press, which is the authority for the statement that Roumania definitely has joined hands with the Entente, and is preparing to give Russian troops passage through her territory. It is difficult to conceive what more the Germans could have for circulating such a statement other than the belief that it is true.

WIN AND LOSE.

PARIS, Aug. 23. The Allied forces have captured a series of heights west of the Vardar River on the Salonika front, according to an official report issued by the War Office to-night. On both wings advance detachments have fallen back before the counter offensive of the Bulgarians.

ITALIAN SUCCESS.

ROME, Aug. 23. The Italians are making a strong and successful thrust on Austrian lines in the Alpine regions. On the extreme northern front, according to to-day's War Office announcement, Italian troops have carried strong Austrian positions in the Tofana area, in the Dolomites and in the Travanazas Valley.

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THE INNER TUBE.

The inner tube is a one-piece union suit which is worn inside of a rubber tire. It is one of the most expensive forms of underwear on the market, but that does not deter people who are four years behind at the grocery store from buying it.

The province of the inner tube is to hold air and anything else that it runs into. When an inner tube is bright as a new day it will hold a large quantity of air for a long time and cause the owner to gloat over people whom he passes on the road, engaged in changing tires with a deflated look. But when age creeps over the tube it is liable to rip open in some unexpected spot and allow its contents to evaporate with a deadly and vindictive hiss. There is nothing sadder in a life crowded full of brief and misfortune than to start out on a picnic with a party of loved relatives and cold chicken, and have a trusted inner tube let go of eighty pounds of free air with a long, mournful sigh.

One of the worst faults of the inner tube is its tendency to leak air and not say anything about it to the owner. This results in the crowning crime of the century, known as the slow puncture. Nobody objects to a decrepit inner tube which has run its course and is covered with the cruel stars of the amateur vulcanizer, when it explodes feet first with a yell of agony. But there is nothing more dastardly than the slow, clandestine escape of atmosphere from an inner tube, which stealthily allows the tire to squat on its hind legs in a deep bed of sand, far removed from a shade tree or a power pump.

It is a pleasing task to replace an exhausted inner tube with one which has had a good, long rest underneath the back seat. There is nothing easier, unless it is to oil a cone clutch while standing at the head of the car. Two strong, willing men who are not pressed for time and do not care to preserve their knuckles can insert a fresh tube by hand in less time than it takes to erect a hollow-tile silo. While doing so, however, most men relieve the women of the party to a safe distance, where they will not be contaminated by the sulphurous tenor of the conversation. By rights, the inner tube should be made of fourteen-inch armor plate, with a concrete base. This would make motoring both safe and pleasant and prevent many a man from falling from grace with a profane thud.

Wedding Bells.

CLEARY-BAKER.

The marriage of Miss Minnie Baker, daughter of Mr. Thomas Baker, and Mr. Richard C. Cleary, of the Reid Company, was solemnized at the Convent of Mercy Chapel, Military Road, on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Dr. Greene officiating. The bride, who was charmingly costumed, was given away by her father and attended by Miss Genevieve Cleary. Miss Marguerite Costello acted as flower girl. The groom was supported by Mr. Edward Baker, brother of the bride. At the conclusion of the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the groom's mother on New Gower Street, after which the bridal party entertained for Holyrood. The groom's present to the bride was a gold pendant; to the bridesmaids a set of pearl earrings and groomsman a gold stick pin. The Telegram extends felicitations.

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