

to a question put by Commoner Joseph King, the spokesman of the British Government in the house of Commons, A. Bonar Law, modified this declaration by fixing the standpoint of the British Government as being that, if Germany wanted peace, she, first of all, must declare herself willing to evacuate the occupied territories.

Charge Against France We possess clear proofs that the gives assent to a declaration going even further than that made by Sir Edward Carson. You all know that detailed information regarding the reads:

enled up to the present. It would be of the greatest importance for the enlightenment of the cially whole world regarding the true reasons for the continuation of the san-

Questions Asked. I ask the French Government this

question: Does it deny that Premier Briand and Premier Ribot in the present Deputies Moutet and were Couchin who had just returned from Petrograd, were forced to admit that France shortly before the Russian, revolution had come to an agreement having in view vain plans of con-quest with a government which Premier Lloyd George describes in his last speech as a "corrupt and nar-row autocracy?" I ask if it is true that the French ambassador at Pet-July 29. - Numerous raids, which toby him to Paris, received advice to mentions as having been conducted at mign a treaty prepared in advance by Douget, with the Russian minister. combatants, undoubtedly appear Is it true or not that the French premier formally entrusted the signing tiny

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near Burlington

Take in Year, Hundred and these Untrepid advantations back is in-valuable. The war along this front Seventy Thousand Prisoners.

London, July 29 .- (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency) .-- Summarizing events on the western front since the battle of the Somme in July. 1916, Reuter's the British have been no less vigorous correspondent at French headquarters in reply. shows that the Anglo-French armies during the twelve months took prisoner 170,000 of the enemy, of whom 8500 were officers. We also captured, he says, 948 guns, 780 trench mortars and 2500 machine guns and forced the Germans to abandon 100 miles of fortified front. The superiority of the Anglo-French armies has steadily increased, while recent combats have

keen as ever.

of other bombing raids, as well as "Our bombing squadrons, moreover, much photographing and artillery carried out many raids and bombed work were successfully carried out. four of the enemy's airdromes. Some "In the air fighting, sixteen German machines were brought down and of our machines came down to very low altitudes at a distance of over

fourteen others were driven down out forty miles behind the enemy's lines. of control. Two hostile observation Fifteen German machines crashed to balloons were brought down in flames. earth, sixteen others were driven Thirteen of our machines are missing." The official report from British down out of control. Three of our

machine are missing." headquarters in France last night British troops last night made a

detailed information regarding the reaus: French plans of conquest, approved "In the course of patrol encounters by Great Britain and Russia, has been in the neighborhood of Ypres we cap-circulated for weeks past in the neu-tral press and that it has not been discussed. There has been considerable according to the official statement isartillery activity on both sides at varsued today by the British war office. ious points along our front, espe- Many casualties were inflicted on the north of the River Lys. enemy, and a number of prisoners "Yesterday morning the aerial ac- and machine guns were taken.

INFANTRY RAIDS MARK since fallen into our hands. I refer fo reports of the secret debate on June 2 in the French Chamber of Deputies. **OPERATIONS OF BRITISH**

wurse of that secret sitting, at which High Tension Exists on Western Front With Violent Artillery Duels----Shelling Often Reaches Intensity of Drumfire.

By R. T. Small, Staff Correspondent of The Associated Press. reaches the intensity of drumfire, which is heard for miles back of the lines. With the British Armies in France,

GREAT ACTIVITY.

London, July 29. — (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency).—The representative of Reuter's at the headquarters of the various points along the front by both British army in France, telegraphing distant readers as inconsequential in this greatest of world wars. But these on Saturday, says: "The week has been one of intense

recconditring thrusts which daily heat, furious gunfire, incessant recon-naissance work and much sharp local have been growing in number late, are, in truth, highly significant in themselves, for they are a surface indication of the great tension exist-ing along these nerve centres of the fighting. There has been tremendous artillery firing north of Armentieres

and near Lans, causing the Huns great anxiety and heavy casualties. western theatre. The material damage which small The wind has been generally favorraiding parties inflict is of little con-sequence, comparatively speaking, to either side, but the information that these tintrepid advantures into No

enemy shelled our rear communication is far from being stalemate, but these at intervals with high velocity guns,

are not days for prophecy. Despite the inactivity of the infan-try destructive artillery duels are of but his firing on our battery areas was rather promiscuous, being chiefly carried out during the darkness. Our great violence and are ever-increascounter-battery work was most suc-cessful, direct hits being obtained on dozens of gun-pits, while numerous ing in volume. Along the coast region, the German guns have been youring an unprecedented stream of shells into

ammunition dumps were exploded. "The infantry of both armies was unusually active in raiding, and the fact that the Germans are thus in-

south, Vimy and other dulging in a species of warfare which points overlooking Lens, as well as Armentieres, are the object of unrethey dislike shows the anxiety of the lenting Teuton wrath and the shelling enemy to learn what is happening from the guns of both sides at times opposite to him."

STERN ORDER OF KORNILOFF

Petrograd, July 29.-General Korniloff, the commander-in-chief in shown that the morale of the French is as high and their fighting spirit as price. will be tried as traitors.

in the new cabinet, who is here seen (in auto) reviewing troops at the front.

FIVE DEAD, MANY HURT two fresh divisions into a night at-tack on the Hurtebie-Laberelle front on which the attack was made by the Fourteenth Prussian divi-IN WRECK IN ALBERTA with the Third Bavarian divi

sion with the third bavarian diff. sion in support. Elaborate Preparations "Three regiments of the Fourteenth division, namely the 16th, 56th and 57th, attacked side by side and in two waves each, three battalions strong. Excursion Train in Head-On Collison With Freight The third battalion of each regimen

was formed in a first reserve. The battalions had been brought to maxi-mum strength for the operations. Every man, including cooks ond or derlies, had to go over with his company. All the officers, including the colonels, had to be present in the departure trenches. The first two waves were to pass the French front line

and occupy the second line. The re-serve battalions were intended to take possession of the first trench line. Still another division, the 51st Bavarian, was in readiness to relieve the shattered regiments of the 14th division in the French trenches as soon, is the operation was completed. "For five minutes before the attack.

the trench mortar batteries, below the crest, maintained a flerce drumfire of bombs on the French front line. De-spite the elaborate preparations of the Germans, the attack broke down. The greater part of the two-mile front Marion Dow, clerk.

was involved under the French fire and the assaulting companies either never reached the French front line G. Hackett, clerk; A. Morden King, e. short distance. or were unable to hold it. By eve-

try fire turned into a complete failure.

the front.

more seriously and probably fatally injured and a large number of others

FRENCH MAKE ADVANCE ning nothing remained of the Ger, man gains except a few yards of trenches south of Ailles. This was the 44th attack which the enemy had made on the Chemin des Dames."



Rumor That M.P. Is Missing Not Believed at Ottawa.

By a Staff Reporter. Ottawa, July 29.—The report that Lieut.Col. Sam Sharpe, M.P. is miss-ing at the front is not confirmed by any The wind has been generally favor-able for the use of gas and we profited by this condition to repay German devilment to the fullest extent. Even during the night, artillery activity diminished but slightly, increasing to its most intense fury at dawn. The of the Monument.

three o'clock in the afternoon, preceded by a violent bombardment, the Germans delivered on Hurtebise an attack which our artillery and infan-

WASHINGTON ANNOUNCES WAR INDUSTRIES BOARD

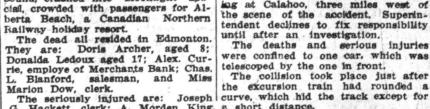
Washington, July 29,-Reorganization

Washington. July 29.—Reorganization of the government's war purchasing sys-tem was 'announced last night by the council of national defence, including the creation of a war industries board wicese members are Frank A. Scott, chair-man: Licut.-Col. Palmer E. Pierce, rep-resenting the army; Rear Admiral Frank, F. Fleicher, the navy; Hugh Frayne, Bernard M. Baruch, Robert S. Brook-ings and Kobert S. Lovett.

ULSTERS AND MOTOR CAPS.

Motor caps and ulsters are a selling feature of the Dineen midsumme

sale. Imported English sennit straws and Panama hats greatly reduced in Dineen's exclusive English straws included in the clearing sale. Dineen's, 140 Yonge street. against the dual monarchy. The note was dated July 22.



Train Saturday Night--Victims All Ed-

monton Residents.

Edmonton, July 29.—Five dead, four nore seriously and probably fatally hjured and a large number of others head and spine and internal injuries;

Joseph Irving, internal injuries. The train crews of both engines requiring hospital care is the toll of Erzberger, one of the leaders of the currical centre in the German Reichs. the worst railway wreck that has ever jumped when they saw a collision was inevitable, and avoided serious inoccurred in the Edmonton district. tag, who has just arrived there. d?-It took place Saturday evening 21 clared to The Zuricher Nachrichten: "If I could talk with Lloyd George jury. Both crews insist that they miles west of the city, on the Canawere running according to orders dian Northern Railway main line, near but it is generally understood that the freight should have taken a sid-(the British prime minister) or Mr Villenuve, when a freight train, east-bound, crashed into "Moonlight" spe-Balfour (British foreign secretary). ing at Calahoo, three miles west of the scene of the accident. Superinwe could in a few hours reach an understanding which would enable official peace negotiations to com-

The deaths and serious injuries Herr Erzberger, who has taken a prominent stand with respect to peace during the last few months, asperts The collision took place just after that Dr. Michaelis, the imperial Ger-

man chancellor, is a peace chancellor



Disastrous Blaze Sweeps the Spruce River Valley in British Columbia.

Russians at Putna River.

of Kedzi-Vasarhely Rumanian troops continue their pursuit of the retir-

ing enemy, and have occupied the heights about five versts southwest of the villages of Monastirka, Koch-irul, Dragoslavo and Beresczi, and the heights to the southwest of

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Leader of Clerical Centre in

Reichstag Would Approach

Lloyd George.

London, July 29 - According to a Reuter despatch from Zurich. Mathias

OF ABILITY TO END WAR

ERZBERGER CONFIDENT

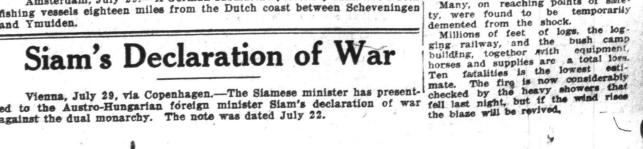
'Rumanian front: In the direction

Bovelle-Foe Attack Fails. Fernie, B.C., July 29.-Eight men Paris, July 29. --- Troops of the German Crown Prince at dawn are known to have perished and a number are missing in a fire that yesterday made a violent attack on the French position near Hurtebise swept the Spruce River valley fif-teen miles north of here on Saturday Farm on the Aisne front. The French official statement issued this afternoon says the German attack was repulsed and that the French, in retaliaafternoon. Sixty-odd men and some tion, later instituted an offensive between Hurtebise Farm and La Bovelle gaining ground at all points on this sector and particularly in the region twenty teams were trapped in Camp

of the Elk Lumber Com-Fourteen pany, which is situated ^win a blind valley, and their flight over the un-even mountain side was most diff:-'The artillery was active in the region of Cerny and Craonne. About cult.

Eight bodies have been picked up in the rear of the fire. Nick Rus-covich, a Russian, was found alive. "There was spirited artillery activity on the left bank of the Meuse, particularly in the region of Hill 304. The day was calm on the rest of his eyes burned sightless and suf fering inconceivable agony. His body was badly burned, but he bravely urged the rescuers to leave him and help men he knew to be beyond him. Without assistance he walked to the emergency hosrital and was Amsterdam, July 29.—A German submarine yesterday sank five Dutch death is hourly expected.

Many, on reaching points of safe-ty, were found to be temporarily



The official communication issued by the war office tonight, reads:

Huns Sink Dutch Vessels

fishing vessels eighteen miles from the Dutch coast between Scheveningen and Ymuiden.