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DESPATCHES OF THE DAY

Telegraphic News From Many Cities Condensed for Our Readers

Winnipeg: Wheat pit operations may be prohibited until the end of the war.

Calgary: Labor leaders have called upon the striking coal miners to resume work. In case of their refusal the government will take immediate action.

Ottawa: Reorganization of the Borden cabinet is likely to bring surprises. Prominent business men and Liberal representatives may be asked to join the ministry. It is rumored that Sir Clifford Sifton is likely to take a portfolio.

Ottawa: The Balfour party received a magnificent welcome here on Monday. Premier Borden assured the British mission that Canada was prepared to assume her full share of the war burdens and maintain the high ideals of the Allies.

Montreal: "Purge politics to win the war" was the motto of the National Unity conference, which passed resolutions urging nonpartisan methods in all spheres and calling for national organization. The delegates declared for control of food supplies and prices and punishment of illegal hoarding.

Washington: Thirteen interned German naval and merchant vessels were transferred to the American service yesterday, by order of the president.

The U.S. naval commission has recommended the establishment of submarine bases at San Diego, Los Angeles, Mare Island, Port Angeles, and a point on the Columbia river, as well as six aviation bases on the Pacific coast.

Amsterdam: Prof. Delmar, formerly head of the English department of Berlin University, who has just arrived from Germany, declares the spirit of the German people is kept up solely by the hope that the U-boat campaign against Britain will win the war. Otherwise the people are prepared to admit that Germany is beaten. Germans feel that they have been deceived by Wilson, who is now the object of the Germans' greatest hatred.

Patriotic Contributions

The annual report of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, just issued, shows the following contributions for the last fiscal year: Hazelton, $1880.55; Telkwa, $1600; Smithers, $791; New Hazelton, $427.95.

Turner Takes Charge

London: Hon. J. H. Turner, former agent-general for B. C., succeeds Sir Richard McBride temporarily.

Methodist Church

The regular evening service will be held tomorrow evening, beginning at 7:30.

Monday being a public holday, the postoffice will be open for general delivery and registration only between 4 and 5 p.m.

ITALIAN FORCES PUNISH ENEMY

GAIN TERRITORY AND INFLICT GREAT LOSS--- NEWS FROM VARIOUS THEATERS OF WAR

Rome: Italy's great and successful offensive has already cost the Austrians 300,000 in killed, wounded and prisoners.

The Italian forces are now consolidating their gains and reinforcing their line with new troops. Positions taken from the enemy are being re-fortified. Our troops continue to inflict frightful losses on the enemy by repelling innumerable counter-attacks.

London: The number of German prisoners falling into the hands of the French between April 15 and May 24 was 31,859, of whom 28,045 were unwounded.

Many tons of bombs were dropped by British airmen who raided Ostend, Zeebrugge and Bruges, fortified by the Germans.

Paris: Violent counter-attacks by German artillery and infantry in two sectors of the French front were repulsed.

In the region of Moulin Laffaux, on the California plateau, and around Chevreux enemy artillery kept up a bombardment throughout the night.

Guynemer, the famous French aviator, brought down five German airplanes, making his record to date 43, and surpassing the record of Ball, the British airman who destroyed 41 enemy machines before being taken prisoner.

Copenhagen: Germans expect another sea battle soon.

Austrian despatches indicate the likelihood of the dissolution of parliament and a general election. Thousands of workmen ceased work and held a peace demonstration at the opening of parliament.

The Hague: Germany has abandoned hope of a separate peace with Russia. The press warns the people of the end of tne unofficial truce on the eastern front.

Christiania: Norway is turning against the Huns. The nation cannot remain friendly with a country which relentlessly sinks peaceful shipping.

New York: There have been numerous arrests for treasonable utterances against conscription and for conspiracy against the government on the part of the objectors.

The shipping world was startled yesterday by an order closing New York harbor for the greater part of the forenoon.

London: The Spanish government has seized a cargo of Argentine wheat at Bilbao. The grain was consigned to Switzerland.

Soldiers rioted in Barcelona. Numerous officers were imprisoned.

British losses in cereal-carrying vessels has been only six per cent.

Baron Devonport, British food controller, has resigned on account of ill-health.

Three American steamers were sunk by German gunfire.

OVERSEER NORRIE VISITS DISTRICT

Stewart Norrie, of Prince Rupert, fisheries overseer for this division, is here this week, preparing his subordinates for their season's work. Fred. Johnson returns to Babine lake; L. H. McLean goes to Babine East, while James Latham will cover the Hazelton district and W. J. Goodwin the Terrace section.

New methods of taking spring salmon are reported by Mr Norrie, who says the fishermen are now trolling with spoons and making good catches. They are receiving an average price of eight cents a pound, and as their equipment is less expensive than when nets are used, they are doing well. The sockeye season opens on June 20, but there is reason to fear that the run will be diminished again this summer, as has been the case for some years past. Mr. Norrie expresses the opinion that measures for the conservation of salmon will be necessary to prevent depletion.

Dominion Day Picnic

Preliminary arrangements for the annual picnic to be held on July 2 at the Hospital recreation grounds will be made at a meeting of the Red Cross executive to be held on Tuesday evening.

Miss Hogan Goes Overseas

A large number of friends assembled at the station on Wednesday evening to bid Godspeed to Miss May Hogan, who left to join the overseas nursing staff of the Canadian forces. For several years Miss Hogan has been matron of Hazelton Hospital and superintendent of the nurses' training school, making a host of friends, who will wish her success in her war work and a safe return to Hazelton.

Improved Phone System

The new switchboard system of the Northern Telephone Co is being installed by Harry Kirk, a telephone expert from Vancouver, who expects to have the work completed by Wednesday. Subscribers will have the option of private lines, two- or four-party lines, and the number of phones will undoubtedly be increased as a result of the improved service.

A Farewell Dance

District Forester R. E. Allen will take his family to Prince Rupert next week, his office now being located in the coast city. On Monday evening the people of the town will tender Mr. and Mrs. Allen a farewell dance in Assembly Hall, beginning at nine. There will be a large attendance of townspeople to give the popular Allens a good sendoff.

POLITICAL POT BOILING IN EAST

Toronto: A federal election or coalition is predicted. A summary of political conditions in the east shows much diversity of view. Borden's reconstruction has not yet assumed shape. The attitude of Laurier and the Liberals has not been made known.

The final draft of the conscription bill is ready, but the act is not likely to be effective for a couple of months, as it will take that long to register the manhood of the country.

Major McHugh Killed

Monday's casualty list contains the name of Major A. L. McHugh, killed in action. "Tony" McHugh was one of the best-known railroad contractors in the north, having been associated with the building of the G.T.P. through this province. He was on duty with a Canadian railway battalion at the front.

New Methodist Parson

Rev. M. Pike is expected to return from the coast this evening. He will be here for two weeks before leaving for his new station in the Okanagan district. Rev. F. C. Scott, a brother of Rev. W. M. Scott, has been assigned to Hazelton. He comes from Howe Sound.

LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHS

Items Of General Interest From Hazelton and Surrounding District

H. Gray, of Vancouver, is here this week.

County court will be held in Hazelton on June 9.

J. T. Freed, of Vancouver, was among the week's visitors.

J. Schneider and C. Smith came down from Endako on Sunday.

J. G. Millichamp, of Vancouver, was in town during the early part of the week.

M. J. Somers, of Edmonton, and E. Pugmire, of Winnipeg, were among Tuesday's arrivals.

The sum of $2000 is to be spent in improving the Manson trail, under the direction of W. B. Steele.

Miss Agnes Grant went to Prince Rupert this week, to resume her duties in the forest branch office.

Dr. Wrinch and R. Langlands have returned from Victoria, where they attended the Methodist conference.

Chief Constable Taylor has notified the Indians that they will not be allowed in the town after nine in the evening.

Monday, King George's birthday, having been proclaimed a public holiday, the government offices will be closed.

Dr. Maclean left on Wednesday for a visit to Vancouver, via G. T. P. and C. N. R. He will return by the coast route.

A number of forest fires have been burning in various parts of the district, but have done little damage and are now under control.

Miss Jean Grant, of the Union Bank staff, has been transferred to Smithers, her place in the local branch being taken by Miss Constance Goddard.

Forest Ranger Chettleburgh returned from Prince Rupert on Wednesday. He reports fine weather and good business conditions in the coast city.

Private James Hevenor, one of Hazelton's returned soldiers, has gone to Toronto, to take a course in telegraphy in the military vocational training establishment there.

Mining Recorder Kirby has issued 190 free miners' certificates in the Hazelton office. The deputy recorders have not yet reported, but it is believed the number of licenses issued in Omineca for the season will at least equal last year's figure.

W. B. Steele, deputy mining recorder at Manson Creek, returned from Victoria on Wednesday, accompanied by his brother, E. V. Steele. Billy has regained his health, and is ready to buckle down to work on his placer mine when he reaches the gold camp.

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SOLDIERS LEARNING TO FARM

While Private Citizen Smith and Private Citizen Brown are discussing and wondering "whether the returned soldier will go in for farming," Private Soldier Smith and Private Soldier Brown are—doing it.

Not till the able-bodied men return can we tell what number of soldiers is likely to take up land and farm it. The chances are that it will be large, if the men are convinced that the schemes for helping them will be so developed and worked as to offer a clear hope of success.

A census is now being taken among Canadian soldiers overseas and on this it should be possible to base an estimate of the number agriculturally inclined. The card issued for the purpose by the National Service Commission includes spaces to be filled up with each man's name, age, unit and rank, regimental number, P. O. address before enlisting, and province. Each soldier is then asked the following questions:

"Which are you, married, single, or widower?"

"Name and address of last employer before you enlisted?"

"How many dependents have you? State relationship, sex and age of each."

"What were you working at?"

"Have you any trade or profession? If so, what?"

"Is your old position open for you on your return to Canada in fit condition?"

"Do you wish to take your discharge in Great Britain?"

"Do you propose to make your home in Canada after the war?"

"Do you wish to take up farming as an occupation?"

"Have you ever worked on a farm? If so, how long?"

"How much money do you expect to have at your disposal on your return to Canada?"

"Do you desire to take advantage of any available scheme of assisted agricultural settlement?"

"If so, what province do you desire to settle in?"

"And would you, if necessary to gain experience, work for prevailing wages on a farm on your return, providing your dependents were in the meanwhile given the same support as they now receive?"

Meanwhile, the men already back among us are those who have been invalided home. Men recovering from an illness, or disabled seriously enough to prevent their return to the firing line, do not at first feel like taking up the strenuous life of a farm.

Nevertheless, the vanguard of the military farming force is already on the spot.

Today, the records of the Military Hospitals Commission show 75 men have had their applicationsgranted for agricultural training, besides those passed by the Disabled Soldiers Training Boards and awaiting the Commission's approval. Of these 75 as many as 37 are in Alberta, 22 in Saskatchewan, 14 in Manitoba and the other two in British Columbia. A considerable proportion are specializing in farm mechanics.

The training board, it may be explained, consists of a vocational officer, a medical officer, and a third member, generally representing the provincial commission established to help returned soldiers find employment. When a man is found unable, owing to any effect of his service, to take up his former occupation, he may claim the privileges of the government's re-education scheme. That is, he is entitled to receive free training for a new occupation, along with free maintenance for himself and his family while the training lasts and for a month longer.

The number of returned men who have gone out on the land independently is unknown, but is probably large.

To provide for the increasing number of returned soldiers who desire an agricultural training, the government of Alberta has arranged to keep one of the provincial schools of agriculture in operation throughout the year. In the ordinary course these schools are closed from April 1 to November 1.

The school chosen is situated at Olds, 58 miles north of Calgary, on the Edmonton line. There the men will receive twelve months' instruction, with the object of taking it either continuously for a summer and a winter, or in two winter courses separated by an interval which they can spend on a farm.

The great re-education center for Ontario, at Guelph, just taken over as a going concern by the Military Hospitals Commission from the provincial government, is fully equipped for the most thorough agricultural training. The property covers 850 acres, nearly all available for this use, and a great proportion of it already under cultivation. There is a large greenhouse, for gardening under glass; a model dairy barn; up-to-date machinery; and live-stock of all kinds complete the equipment for animal husbandry.

Preserving Vegetables

We have become so accustomed to using vegetables from cans (or fresh) that we no not realize that they can be successfully preserved in palatable forms by other methods.

Professor Cruess, of the University of California, says that the scarcity of tin cans and glass jars makes it imperative that these other methods be used this season if any great quantity of vegetables is to be kept for use next winter. He describes several methods, which, while not new, and probably not generally known, are simple, cheap and effective, whether applied on a small or large scale.

Drying is the most common method of keeping vegetablees, aside from canning.

All root vegetables, such as potatoes, carrots, turnips, beets, etc., can be dried successfully by exposing them on trays to the sun. The vegetables should first be washed, peeled if necessary, cut into pieces about one-fourth of an inch thick, spread on trays or sheets of paper, and exposed to the sun until dry. Potatoes, carrots, turnips and beets will dry in this way in two to four days. Onions require longer.

Dried vegetables must be kept in covered crocks or tight boxes or heavy sacks, to prevent insect injury. Before using for cooking the dried vegetables must be soaked in water about 24 hours. They may then be cooked and served in ways similar to those used for fresh vegetables. By proper seasoning and preparation dried vegetables can be made into palatable dishes. Their nutritive value is not perceptibly changed by drying.

Vegetables can also be preserved by the use of salt.

Wash, peel and cut the vegetables into pieces one-fourth of an inch thick. Weigh them. Weigh out one pound of salt to each three pounds of vegetables. Place a thin layer of salt in the bottom of a crock or barrel or wooden bucket in which the vegetables are to be stored. Then build the vegetables and salt up in alternate layers until the container is half full. Cover the vegetables with a layer of salt. Place a piece of wood on top of the vegetables and a heavy weight on the piece of wood. In 24 hours the vegetables will be found covered with a heavy brine formed by the salt and the juice from the vegetables. The vegetables will have greatly increased in bulk. More sliced vegetables and salt in the ratio of one pound of salt to three pounds of vegetables may be added to fill the jar or barrel and pressure applied again. Keep the vegetables immersed in this brine by means of a light wood weight until they are to be used. If they show signs of spoiling add more salt. Before cooking, soak out the excess salt as is done with salt fish, or parboil a short time for the same purpose. Do not use metal containers for storage of vegetables, because metal will dissolve in brine. Use crocks, barrels or wooden containers.

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SOME CAN FIGHT, SOME CAN WORK OR PAY --- ALL CAN SERVE

The World's Doings in Brief

News Notes from Many Sources

Typhus is sweeping over Turkey.

Australian losses in the war aggregate 60,793.

Chinese laborers may be imported into the U.S.

Six more Swedish ships have been sunk in the Baltic.

Premier Massey of New Zealand is visiting Winnipeg.

Leopold de Rothschild, the famous sportsman, is dead.

Nominations for Alberta's general elections are on June 7.

The Ocean Falls pulp mill began making paper this week.

Asquith has declined the chairmanship of the Irish conference.

Nearly 9000 Jews have been expelled from Jaffa by the Turks.

A force of Villistas is reported to be approaching the Texas border.

The King of Italy conferred decorations of five Canadian officers.

The Men's Federation urges prohibition of horseracing in Canada.

Americans in Canada will be amenable to the U.S. conscription regulations.

Voluntary food economy may render rationing in Great Britain unnecessary.

Germans in Brazil predict that Germany will declare war on that republic.

Wu Ting Fang, China's new premier, is expected to declare against Germany.

Germans in the U.S. are organizing a national propaganda for a German republic.

Vancouver Conservatives will not oppose Attorney-General Farris in the by-election.

Married men are not exempted from draft in the U.S. unless they have actual dependents.

Balfour and the British mission were given flattering receptions in Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal.

Resolutions urging Spain to join the Entente were passed at a great mass meeting in Madrid.

Russian Socialists have calledan international conference at Stockholm, to be held between July 15 and 30.

Federal statistics just published give B. C. a total of four hundred billion feet of commercial timber.

Naval Secretary Daniels says the U. S. is building as many destroyers as her shipyards can accomodate.

Over a million women are working in Great Britain. Of this number 800,000 did not work before the war.

Preparations are being made in Ottawa for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of confederation on July 1 and 2.

The enforced Belgian contribution for the maintenance of German forces is to be increased to 60,000,000 marks a month.

The U. S. secret service is trying to ferret out the spies who advised Germany of the departure of American destroyers for European waters. The Germans had the port of arrival mined four days before the vessels got there. British precautions defeated the Hun plans.

One hundred thousand deserters from the Turkish armies are said to have resorted to brigandage.

A big strike of rich copper ore on the Drum Lummon mine, 100 miles south of Prince Rupert, is reported.

The steamer Prince Rupert, which stranded on March 23, is expected to be in commission again on June 25.

Les Darcy, the Australian pugilist, whose flight to avoid conscription caused much comment, is dead of pneumonia, in Tennessee.

Dr. J. W. McIntosh, M. L. A., leader of the "purity" wing of the Liberal party in B. C., is going to the front as an army surgeon.

Serious color riots occurred in East St. Louis, Mo., this week, resulting in martial law being enforced. Many negroes were injured.

Ottawa despatches say Premier Borden will request the resignations of all his ministers as a preliminary to reconstruction of the cabinet.

Russian Jews in Copenhagen are planning an international conference of Jews, for the protection of their interests throughout the world.

Tornadoes which swept Illinois, Kentucky, Kansas, Alabama, Arkansas, Indiana and Tennessee on Saturday caused 238 deaths and injuries to 1122 persons. Thousands are homeless and destitute.

German delegates to the Socialist convention profess a desire to follow Russia's example, but it is significant that they have the sanction of the Kaiser's government for their attendance at Stockholm.

Propose Change in Laws

At the mining convention held recently in Nelson, the following resolutions were passed:

"Whereas there are some 4400 Crown granted mineral claims in the province not being operated or improved upon,

"Resolved, that the provincial government be requested to devise a scheme of taxation that will enforce the development of Crown granted mineral claims within a reasonable time."

"Resolved, that the government be asked to amend Chapter 162, R. S. B. C., so as to allow any tributary mining claim to have ore or any other material transported through any tunnel, adit, shaft, or other mining development, and over any tramway used for mining purposes, now constructed, or hereafter to be constructed, upon equitable terms and conditions as now provided for in this chapter, at any and all times, when the owners of such tramway, tunnel, adit, shaft, or other mining development were not using such for their own purposes to fill capacity of same."

Addressing Soldiers' Mail

In order to facilitate the handling of mail at the front and to ensure prompt delivery, it is requested that all mail be addressed as follows:

(a) Regimental Number.
(b) Rank.
(c) Name.
(d) Squadron, Battery or Company.
(e) Battalion, Regiment (or other unit), Staff appointment or Department.
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THE MINER WAR BULLETINS

MONDAY, MAY 28

London: General Cadorna's brilliant offensive against the Austrians continues, with the Italian line projecting further down the Carso plateau towards Trieste. Prisoners captured by the Italians since May 14 now total 22,419.

The Austrians have been push further back in the Plava sector. Elsewhere the Italians have repelled counter-attacks and retain all ground gained.

The French announce further progress on the Champagne front and the repulse of two German counter-attacks against French salients east and west of Cerny.

German artillery is displaying increased activity against the British front in the sector of Arras from the Scarpe south to Croisilles.

Russian troops frustrated a Turkish attempt to dislodge them from the heights south of Van, on the Caucasus front.

Sixteen German air raiders showered bombs on the southeast coast of England. Seventy-six persons were killed and 174 injured. The victims were mostly women and children. Three enemy airplanes were brought down.

Germany announces that she will not respect the Red Cross flag, but will regard hospital ships as war vessels. The transportation of sick from Kalamata (southern Greece) to Gibraltar may be allowed safe passage only if the name of the vessel, speed and time of departure is notified six weeks in advance.

Petrograd : Strikes in all branches of industry throughout Finland are reported.

During the last few days German aircraft have dropped bombs on towns in the Danube region, inflicting many casualties.

Paris: An American corps including 150 doctors and 75 nurses received a warm welcome.

A French deputy, criticising the marine department, says German U-boats obtain oil in Spanish waters.

Seattle : Fourteen German submarines and three Austrian warships have been sunk in the Mediterranean by Japanese warships.

TUESDAY, MAY 29

Rome : Austria is massing every man of her reserves for the last desperate defence of Trieste. Meanwhile her troops on the left wing are gradually giving way before the irresistible Italian advance. Estimates from the front put Austrian losses since May 14th at sixty thousand men. The enemy is fighting bravely under the decimating fire and terrific smashes of the Italian infantrymen. According to word from the Carso, all the Austrian reserves are being concentrated close to Trieste, and the civil evacuation of the city has been ordered. All supplies are being hurriedly transported to inland cities.

London: German night attacks northwest of Cherisy and south of Lens were repulsed, the enemy suffering severe losses. The Germans may soon be forced to retire to the Meuse.

The French forces have been conducting victorious operations around Craonne for a week, a wedge being driven into the German lines. All observation points dominating the Aillette valley were taken. The French have advanced to Corberry. The enemy is making desperate but unsuccessful attempts to stem the advance.

Belgians are being slain like animals, a veritable reign of terror being caused by German secret police. One thousand are condemned each month and the people are murdered on slightest pretext.

Paris: A German raid with blazing fire sprays was repulsed at Mont Blond. Other attacks at Mont Casque and Teton were repulsed.

Petrograd: The shell supply is plentiful. Russia's need is food and renewed activity on the part of her armies and people.

Washington: Large forces of Japanese may be sent to the Russian front as the next move in the war.

New York: Prince Udine, head of the Italian mission, says Italy will have no part in separate peace plots.

London: Nine Swedish and two Spanish steamers have been sunk by U-boats.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30

London: There is no news today from the western fronts.

Prospects for settlement of the home rule issue are growing brighter. T. P. O'Connor takes a hopeful view of the coming Irish conference. The recent debate in parliament cleared the air, the situation being saved by Sir Edward Carson's friendly utterances.

Unemployed senior officers of the Canadians must revert to the rank of lieutenant or return to the Dominion.

The hospital ship Dover Castle was torpedoed in the Mediterranean on Sunday. Six persons are believed to have perished.

Germans are losing interest in the submarine campaign. Reports on the U-boat operations show a falling-off in results.

Rome: Italian troops, continuing their drive in the Plava sector, forced a group of Austrians into a small valley east of Gorizia, capturing one hundred.

Duino, the key to the city of Trieste, is now half surrounded by Cadorna's forces. Fighting of great violence continues, the Austrians being compelled to fall back before our relentless advance.

Petrograd: Kerensky is preparing Russia for action. The new minister of war is staking all on his ability to reorganize the army as a fighting force, and it is believed he will yet be successful.

Berlin: An attack by Russian and Roumanian forces is expected soon by German commanders.

Athens: One hundred and two Greek vessels, of a total tonnage of 300,000, have been torpedoed by the Germans. Only 149 vessels of Greek registry remain.

Washington: A campaign by German propagandists to align the republics of South and Central America against the U.S. was exposed by the state department. In Argentina, Venezuela and Colombia the propaganda is assuming menacing proportions, Argentina especially having become a hotbed of pro-German and anti-American intrigue.

Germans have been attempting to embroil the U. S. with the Allies by violations against foreign trading regulations. Lansing has asked for a restrictive act to curb alien enemies.

Ottawa: The conscription bill will be introduced on Thursday or Friday. Feeling against the measure grows in Quebec, many opposition meetings being held.

Blondin says if both parties agree on compulsion, there will be little trouble in enforcing it in the province of Quebec.

THURSDAY, MAY 31

Rome: General Cadorna has shifted the impact of his drive against Austria to a point north of Gorizia. Striking at a new salient in the enemy front, the Italians captured a tremendously strong position, which they are holding against all attacks. The lines have been extended west of Medezza. Furious fighting continues. The Italians are bringing up heavy artillery for a renewal of the assault along the coast line immediately threatening Duino and Trieste.

London: British raiders penetrated into German trenches south of Neuve Chapelle and inflicted casualties. In the neighborhood of Croisilles and west of Lens hostile raiders were repulsed. No major fighting is reported.

Paris: There has been a resumption of fighting, with fairly heavy mass engagements over many sectors of the French front. German assaults in Champagne were repulsed.

Continued success attends the French drive around Verdun.

South of St. Quentin there is violent artillery fighting.

Citizens of Allied nations living in France will be conscripted.

Syra, Greece: Former Premier Venizelos proclaims Constantine a traitor, saying there can be no reconciliation with the monarch. The present dynasty must be overthrown and the king turned bag and baggage out of Greece.

Washington: Hun plotters are causing worry, and U.S. officials are adopting drastic measures to squelch the anti-conscription propaganda.

New York: Austria apparently is in the grip of a peaceful revolution, the result of which may be as far-reaching as that of Russia. The pillars of the old system of dual monarchy are crumbling away, Tisza having already fallen. The emperor hopes to save his crown by smoothing the path of democracy.

A Russian mission of forty is on its way to the United States.

FRIDAY, JUNE 1

London: Field-Marshal Haig reports the resumption of fairly heavy artillery firing on both sides. South of Armentieres a hostile raiding party was driven off, leaving a few prisoners in our hands. There is considerable big gun activity in the neighborhood of Bullecourt and to the right of the Scarpe.

The weekly return shows eighteen British vessels of more than 1600 tons sunk by U-boats.

Both Britain and Germany celebrated the anniversary of the Jutland battle.

Paris: The Austrians are evacuating Trieste, the archives being sent to Vienna, while the banks have removed to Laibach. The enemy defences barring the advance of the Italians are rapidly crumbling, despite the 2000 big guns of the Austrians. Prisoners declare that the Austrians have ceased drawing men from the Russian front since Kerensky made the journey thither. An offensive by Brusiloff is expected.

Petrograd: Skobeloff, Socialist minister of labor, says Russians are walking on the edge of a knife across an abyss. The gravity of the situation is emphasized by all leaders. The food supply is short and the state of the country is confessedly bad. The tide of opinion is turning in favor of discipline. Kerensky was welcomed by the army.

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