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Allies Are Preparing For a Big Offensive in the West Helen K. McGinnis, the Young Daughter of James McGin-

All Signs Point to the Early Revolution of Fighting on a Greater Scale Than Ever---Tremendous Artillery Duel Now Reported to be in Progress.

All the familiar signs which herald a great offensive are reported from the British front in France, and everything points to the near approach of a resumption of fighting on a great ed. A search was begun and her hat scale on the western front. The thunder of the British guns increases day by day in volume Garden's Creek which runs through while trench raids and other feintings for position multiply in number.

The most interesting feature in the meagre official reports is the repeated announcement of a tremendous artillery duel in progress around the little Belgan village of Wyts- began. This resulted in the body be chaete, about five miles south of Ypres. From this point as far south as the famous Vimy Ridge, 30 miles away, the guns are roaring day and night, apparently indicating that General Haig has chosen this sector for the next big blow. In this connection it is recalled that Gen. Maurice, director general of military operations, predicted some weeks ago that the next British offensive would be on a vaster scale than any which preceded it.

Wytschaete marks the head of a short salient held by the Germans south of Ypres. This salient is roughly three miles deep, and averages about the same extent in width. Its great importance lies in the fact that it is the only high land between the British and Lille. Halifax, Leo, Gregory, Frederick and Once in the possession of the British their guns would command the broad plain between the plateau and Lille, a distance of about ten miles.

PARIS, June 5 .- The positions captured by the Germans northwest of Froidmontfair, High mass will be celebrated at St on the Aisne front, were retaken yesterday by the French, the War Office announces. Violent artillery fighting occurred in the Champagne district.

FRENCH CHAMBER DECLARES THAT PEACE MUST INCLUDE LIBERATION OF OCCUPIED TERRITORY

PARIS, June 5.—By a vote of 453 to 355 the Chamber of Deputies, in secret session, has adopted a resolution declaring that peace must include the liberation of territories occupied by Germany, the return of Alsace-Lorraine to France, and just reparation for damage done in the invaded regions. The resolution, which was accepted by the government, also favors the creation of a league of nations for the maintenance of peace. The secret session which adjourned from Saturday continued all yesterday afternoon and evening until midnight

President Poincare has signed a decree creating a Polish The Poles now serving in the French army will form the nucleus of the new force and all other available Poles will

RUSSIAN PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT WITHHOLDING

PUBLICATION OF AMERICAN REJOINDER TO NOTE

PETROGRAD, via London, June 5 .- It has been learned that the publication here of the rejoinder of the United States government to Russia's not respecting the aims of the United States in the war, is being deferred pending the receipt of similar replies from Great Britain, France and Italy.

A despatch from Petrograd on May 3 said the Russian prothe entente allied countries a note assuring the Allies that the change in the government of Russia could not afford a pretext for any slackening on the part of Russia in the common struggle for all the Entente Allies. The note said the government deemed it to be its right and duty to declare that free Russia did not aim at the domination of other nations, at depriving deemed it to be its right and day to decrease and unity of er defending stability, permanency and unity of er delivering stability, permanency and unity of er delivering must be prevented from delivering to the them of their national patrimony, at occupying by force foreign not make any apparent headway to- party overto Laurier and the Grits. territory, but that its object is to establish a durable peace on day. the basis of the rights of nations to decide their own destiny.

FRENCH LOST

Paris, June 3.—On twenty-eight occasions last month French merchantmen came in contact with submarines. Six vessels escaped from torpedoes and twelve from gunfire. Eight torpedo attacks and two attacks with guns resulted in the sinking of vessels resulted in the sinking of vessels and two attacks with guns resulted in the sinking of vessels resulted in the sinking resulted in the sinking resulted r

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Mrs. Richardson is entertaining this in the city.

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PERSONAL.

Miss Jennie Campbell left yesterday on a visit to Halifax.

Miss Freda Wren of Montreal, is in the city visiting her brother, Sergt. Wren of the 236th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Scovil and Miss Helen Scovil of St. Stephen are in the city.

Miss W. P. Smith of St. John, is in the city.

Miss Huest of Sussex, is here for

ns, Drowned at the Hermitage.

Helen Kathleen McGinnis, daughter of Mr. James McGinnis, lost her life by drowning at the Hermitage yester off well. A party of the pupils of Grade VIII. of the Regent Street School were holding a private picnic on the Hermitage grounds. Helen Mc and coat were found near the bank of the grounds. It was then surmised that she had been drowned. An alarm ess and fell into the water. Where the body was found the water was not very deep.

The deceased was a native of Que-and eleven months. The father, six brothers and three sisters survive. The Gerald, at home. The sisters are Liz zie, Greta and Mary, at home.

The funeral will take place tomor-Dunstan's church by Rev. Father Carney. Interment will be made at the

ANOTHER CONFERENCE TO

Coalition Scheme is Still in Status Quo but Its Advocates Are Hopeful-. Both Sides Think That Suspense Ought to be Terminated.

both sides agree that the present suspense ought to be terminated with the briefest delay if parliament is not to sit all summer, with all that that means in the taxing of physical comfort and endurance.

SEASON'S RUN noon, when Dr. Clark of Red Beers thonal term, and with an appear to the asked for some light for the people of people to be faced sooner or later as the only real means of clearing the atmosphere and getting a fresh start. ent "deadlock" was to be solved, Sir atmosphere and getting a fresh start.

Liberal members say: "Why at thi late date, tie up Laurier and our part; Sir Robert Borden, when he left the parliament buildings for home tonight, said there was still "nothing to an please, with a partisan majority in the commons this after."

In the commons this afternoon, when Dr. Clark of Red Deer, tional term, and with an appeal to the

OF THE PRESENT CUNDITIONS IN RUSSIA

day afternoon. The sad fatality marred the holiday, which otherwise passed London Times Correspondent Says That Revolutionary Forces Now Languishing---An American Army in France Would Have Good Influence on Russia.

LONDON, June 5.—A correspondent of the Times who has been some weeks in Russia studying the situation, telegraphs an estimate of conditions which, however, he says he gives with great reserve. Some of his statements follow:

'I have an impression that all the revolutionary forces are somehow languishing. Even the extremist followers of Lenine show little energy. This perhaps may be explained by the absolute decadence of Czarism, which was so rotten that it simply fell by itself, without the possibility of resistance.

It is remarkable how order has been preserved in Petrograd, although the police have been removed and replaced by the Militia. In some cases expropriation occurred, but there was no strong anarchistic movements as there was after the revolution of 1905, this partly because Czarism is not there to foster anarchy as a means of provocation, and partly because row morning, leaving the house at 8.45. the war operates as a strong check on the mind of the people.

'Since Czarism neither taught nor encouraged the people to work, the administration and organization of the new gov-ernment cannot be very efficient. The coalition is not any organization of strong political individuality, but rather the organization of parties.

A Lack of Unity Noticeable.

There is noticeable a lack of unity. One minister speaks against other ministers, and in various departments, even military departments, new men who are thorough pacifists are appointed. "I have been from the first convinced that the strategical situation of the Allies demands the strengthening of France. If Joffre and Petain have asked for American soldiers they have rightly gauged the real situation. An American army n France is necessary for the energetic prosecution of the war on the western, Italian and Saloniki fronts, and a firm determination not to accept a premature peace will influence the Russian army and people and induce them to follow.

Not Hampering the Return of Exiles.

LONDON, June 5 .- To statements that Great Britain is from the Russian authorities, but will facilitate their return n every way possible.

GERMAN NAVAL BASE BUMBARDED BY BRITISH

Light Cruisers and Destroyers Shell Enemy Bases At Ostend With Good Results-One German Destroyer Was Sunk.

LONDON, June 5.-The German naval base at Ostend, on the Belgian coast, has been bombarded by British parships, the Admiralty annunces. The British forces were undamaged. The text of the Admiralty announcement reads: "The Vice-Adimiral at Dover reports that the enemy naval base and workshops at Ostend were heavily bombarded in the early hours this morning. A large number of rounds were fired with good results. The enemy shore batteries returned our fire, but our bombarding force suffered no damage. Commodore Lyrrwhitte also reports that early this morning a force of light cruisers and destroyers under his command sighted six German destroyers and engaged them at long range in a running fight. One of the enemy destroyers, the S-20, was sunk by our gunfire, and others severely damaged. Seven survivors from the S-20 have been picked up and made prisoners.