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STARTLING NEWS COMES FROM PERSIA

The Turks Finding Their Way to Trans-Caucasia Blocked by Armenians Have Made a Road Through Neutral Country as They Did Through Belgium. They Occupy Tabriz and Will Take Baku.

(Special to The Guardian)
LONDON, June 18.—Startling news comes from Persia. It is officially announced that the Turks occupied the Persian city of Tabriz under pretence that this is necessary to protect the flank of their army operating in the Trans-Caucasian region. The truth is that, finding their way to the Caspian and the rich Baku oil field blocked on the Trans-Caucasian front by the stubborn resistance of the Armenians,

Turkey's German masters have done in Persia what they did in Belgium—made a road of a neutral country. From Tabriz to the Caspian, there is good going, with few high mountains to negotiate. The occupation of Baku will follow in due course. The enemy has the scent of a bloodhound when it comes to loot. The rugs of Tabriz and the oil of Baku are more to the German liking than a wrestle with the British army for the possession of the Tigris Valley.

ALLIED AGREEMENT NOW WITH SWEDEN

Allies to Secure Service of Swedish Ships. Provision Made for Granting Credits to Allies in Sweden.

(Special to the Guardian)
LONDON, June 18.—For months past negotiations have been in progress in London between representatives of the Allied governments including the United States, and representatives of the Swedish government. The negotiations are now completed, and an agreement between the Allies and Sweden is signed and ratified by the Swedish government. Provision is made for Allies to secure the services of Swedish shipping to the extent of thousands of tons of deadweight. The agreement

also provides for the granting of credits to the Allies in Sweden, and regulates the export of Swedish iron ore as between the belligerent group. The import of Swedish paper pulp to this country is also arranged. The Allies, on their part, undertake to facilitate the importation into Sweden of stipulated quantities of foodstuffs and commodities required for Sweden's trade industries, subject to control, and guarantee against re-export either of the imported articles themselves or of their products or articles of a similar character.

SIR ROBERT BORDEN BUSY IN LONDON

Visited Canadian Convalescent Homes, Addressed 2,000 Men After Sunday Service. Imperial Cabinet is Now Complete.

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LONDON, June 18.—Sir Robert Borden spent a busy day on Sunday and the evening attending a dinner given at Middle Temple by the beneficiaries of the Canadian convalescent homes, which, says the Premier, are excellent. After service 2,000 men were addressed by Sir

Robert Borden and Sir Edward Kemp. The earnestness and attention of the men were most marked. Their response to every appeal was most inspiring. The Canadian ministers have conference amongst themselves each morning with the arrival of Messrs. Hughes and Cook, Australian representatives, the war cabinet is complete.

IRISH RECRUITS CHEERED

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LONDON, June 18.—Sixty recruits for the Royal Irish Rifles, mostly fishermen from the Irish coast, paraded through Dublin en route to Devonport, accompanied by a naval guard of honor and a military band. They were cheered by a large crowd. They carried a banner inscribed, "The Germans are sinking Irish ships and murdering Irishmen. Join us and revenge their crimes. We are Beatty's boys. Brother Irishmen come along, you are wanted!"

FUEL SHORTAGE IN CANADA

(Special to the Guardian)
OTTAWA, Ont., June 18.—There is every possibility that Canada will be placed on fuel rations next winter. No action will be taken until the cold weather arrives and the fuel conflagration can size up the exact situation, but despite its every effort to secure an adequate supply for the winter, there is likely to be a shortage which, if there is another winter as last, will be serious unless the country is put on rations and the supply available is equitably divided up.

THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, June 19.—Moderate north and northwest winds fair and moderately warm.
The tide will be high this morning at 7 and tomorrow at 7.49; it will be high tonight at 8.16 and tomorrow at 9.16.
The sun sets this evening and tomorrow at 9.02; it rises tomorrow morning and Friday at 4.36.
The moon sets tomorrow morning at 2.33.
The first quarter of the moon was on Sunday, June 16th, at 9.12 a. m.
There will be a full moon on Monday, June 24th at 6.38 a. m.
The length of today will be fifteen hours and twenty-five minutes.

PROGRESS ON THE WESTERN FRONT

French are Re-capturing Bit by Bit the Ground Lost Between the Aisne and the Oise. In Number of Counter-Attacks the Enemy Has Been Repulsed, the French Capturing 370 Prisoners and Many Guns.

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LONDON, June 18.—The French continue to take back bit by bit the ground they lost between the Oise and the Aisne during the recent German advance. North of Hautebraye, yesterday, they improved their line, and later repulsed enemy counter-attacks. The operations yielded them 370 prisoners, 25 machine guns and 8 trench mortars. For a week now the Germans have been losing ground here and there between the Marne and the region west of Soissons, and with it a good many prisoners. Their failure to counter-attack in strength enough to restore their lines proves that their storm troops have been removed from the Aisne region and are probably getting put into position for a "show" somewhere else.

BRITISH FRONT ABNORMALLY CALM

The British front remains abnormally calm. Save for a small outpost affair north of Albert there has been no infantry activity during the past twenty-four hours.

FIELD MARSHAL HAIG'S REPORT

LONDON, June 18.—Field Marshal Haig's report from British headquarters in France today says: "The enemy raided a British post last night east of Bebuterne. One man was missing. Another hostile raiding party attacked our lines north of the same early this morning but was repulsed. "We carried out a successful raid last night east of Arras, and captured a few prisoners," says the war office report. "A raid attempted by the enemy yesterday morning in the neighborhood of Givency was repulsed. "For a short period during the night the enemy's artillery heavily bombarded positions northwest of Albert. Beyond the usual artillery activity in both sides, there is nothing to report."

AMERICANS HOLD THEIR OWN AGAINST GAS ATTACKS

WITH THE AMERICAN FORCES ON THE MARNE, June 17.—The Germans today began using gas to a greater extent along this front than they have done heretofore. The Bois de Delleau came in for its share, but despite the heavy gas and other shellings, the American lines remain intact. An American patrol crossed the river Marne last night east of Chateau Thierry, and at once established contact with the Germans. After an exchange of shots the Americans recrossed the river safely by means of boats. In the region of Chateau Thierry we local attacks made by the enemy during the night on the line Bouches-Bois de Belleau were easily broken up. Artillery on both sides continues very active in this region and in Picardy.

BRITISH DEMAND REPRISALS FOR HOSPITAL RAIDS

LONDON, June 18.—The British parliamentary air committee tomorrow at a meeting will demand that the government take action to stimulate the production and output of aircraft in this country. They insist that the Air Minister and Minister of Munitions attend the meeting and also demand as a reprisal for recent German air raiding of Red Cross hospitals that the British air force completely destroy one Rhine town.

IN THE MACEDONIAN THEATRE

PARIS, June 17.—The official statement regarding the Macedonian theatre says there was artillery activity on the greater part of the front. Several Bulgarian reconnoitering detachments attempted to reach the Allied lines, but were repulsed with heavy losses. Two enemy airplanes were brought down. There were patrol encounters in the Struma valley and artillery activity between Lake Doiran and Ochrida.

A FOOLISH GERMAN THREAT

WASHINGTON, June 18.—Boasting and threatening comment of the German newspapers on the appearance of submarines off the American coast is summarized in a statement issued today by the State Department. One paper, not named in the summary, declared the present raids were but the beginning, and added: "There would be a scene in the United States that will make the marrow in Wilson's bones run cold."

COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

There will be a meeting at McDonald's Women's Institute on Thursday afternoon, June 20th, at 2.30. Important business.

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MORE WAR VETERANS RETURN

Three more gallant sons of Prince Edward Island set foot on their native soil once more yesterday, after gamely playing a brave part in the great war being waged for the liberty of the world. Two of these, Private Eugene Croken, of Charlottetown and Pte. John J. Currie, of South Shore, arrived in the city last night while the third, Pte. Anthony J. Perry, proceeded west to his home, in Miscouche.

The two who came to Charlottetown, were cordially welcomed upon the arrival of the train by Mayor Wright on behalf of the citizens and by (Rev.) Major Fullerton on behalf of the Province generally, and after cheers were given for them by those gathered at the station they were conveyed to their destination in a barouche driven by a handsome pair of greys owned by Mayor Wright.

Pte. Croken, whose home is at 24 Queen Street, was wounded in the left arm at the battle of Vimy Ridge. Part of the bone and muscle were shot away. Pte. Currie, also took part in the battle of Vimy Ridge and escaped without a scratch, only to be severely wounded in skirmish fighting later on when he was shot through the hip and rendered a cripple, and suffered a great deal.

Both were under treatment in various hospitals in England before leaving for Canada. They have orders to report at Halifax July 1st.

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Some ten pig clubs have been organized at the school fair centres. To encourage this class of work Messrs. Davis and Fraser have offered to pay a premium of from a half cent to a cent a pound to members of pig clubs who properly finish their hogs. About fifteen poultry clubs here also have been organized in connection with the school fair centres.

The P. E. Island Poultry Association assisted very materially in the promotion of the poultry clubs in the selection of eggs for the members of the club. Both these organizations are doing excellent work.

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