THE BUDGET.

VARIOUS PRESS OPINIONS.

APPROVAL OF PREFERENCE.

("Gazette's" Special Service.)

LONDON, May 1.

The Budget is described in the Lobby as clever.

Conservatives consider it Radical because of the large increase in death duties which was not expected.

Radicals and Labour members consider it Conservative because the income tax is not touched and a levy on capital has been avoided.

One member summed up as follows: "It is a manufacturer's not a country gentleman's Budget."

The papers emphasise the Preference features.

The "Morning Post" says these will be hailed with enthusiasm everywhere in the Empire as a symbol of the new policy of mutual help.

The "Daily Telegraph" says that Empire preference is an important and welcome innovation.

The "Daily News" denounces: "The grotesque absurdity of an adventure into a log of protection."

The "Daily Chronicle" says: "We sincerely respect the feeling of many Liberals who dislike Preference as the thin end of the wedge but the end is a very thin one and we need not be unduly nervous about this hypothetical wedge."

The "Daily Graphic" says it would be wiser to postpone Preference as the Dominions have not urged immediate action.

The papers concur in regretting that the Government should not have shown an example in economy by reducing the expenditure of the spending departments. It is officially stated that the Government has approved of a scheme whereby Imperial and Overseas ex-officers and men, including those who have served in the Imperial Forces will be eligible for financial assistance to pursue their courses in higher education at Universities, in Agriculture and also in offices and works in the United Kingdom or elsewhere. The Overseas Forces included are the South African contingents the British West Indies regiment, the Newfoundland Forestry Corps, the Indian Army Reserve of officers and temporary officers of the Indian Army. The maximum assistance will be £225 yearly, with an additional allowance for wife and children. The committee of management established, includes representatives of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and Newfoundland. The Committee has arranged for tours for officers and men of the dominions forces to educational establishments, Agricultural, fishing, industrial, mining and other centres all Public Departments, many large businesses and other organisations co-operated heartily in endeavouring to provide facilities for overseas officers and men.

RACING IN FRANCE.

PARIS, May 6.

Horse racing has been recommenced at Maison Lafitte. The Pari Mutuel takings reached the sum of 1,600,000 francs.

Havas.

THE ITALIAN MARINE.

ROME, May 5.

An Italian syndicate has purchased a certain number of British ships to the amount of 115,000 tons burthen.

I.O.T.B.

WATCH ON THE RHINE.

PARIS, April 6.

According to the "Echo de Paris" British and American contingents will take part for two years in the occupation of the line of the Rhine.

KING OF THE HELLENES.

ATHENS, May 6.

King Alexander arrived yesterday at Salonica and received the authorities; he also visited the Agricultural Orphanage and School.

Hellenic Agency.

AMERICA AND ITALY.

ROME, May 3.

The American Senator, M. Lodge has sent a cable exalting Italy's sacrifices and declaring that Italy deserves to have the domination of the Adriatic.

I.O.T.B.

ROME, May 3.

Senator Ruffini, former Minister and President of the Italo-American League, wired to a similar association in New York asking it to stand with Italy in the present international differences.

I.O.T.B.

The restoration of pre-war conditions in Venice is proceeding rapidly. The damage caused by raids has been repaired, and the traffic on the canals is even greater than before hostilities.

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BOLSHEVISM.

HUNGARIAN SOVIETS' COLLAPSE.

ALLIES IN BUDAPEST.

LONDON, May 5.

Reuter learns that the army invading Hungary under General Humbert is progressing rapidly and has probably already reached and occupied the suburbs of Budapest.

The Roumanians, who are participating, comprise six divisions with two French. They have been involved in heavy fighting. The Czecho-Slovak troops are following the right wing of the Roumanian army.

The situation is satisfactory in Bessarabia where there are four Roumanian, two French and two Greek divisions. There are further Roumanian divisions in Moldavia, hence practically the whole of the Roumanian army, whose spirit is magnificent, has been mobilised.

The military situation in Roumania is regarded as absolutely safe. After the occupation of Budapest the Roumanians will be ready to advance against the Bolshevists in any direction.

Reuter.

PARIS, May 5.

Bela Kuhn, the leader of the Hungarian Soviets, surrendered at discretion before the Czecho-Roumanian forces under the command of General Berthelot which have encircled Budapest. Ugron, a friend of Count Karolyi has taken over the Government.

I.O.T.B.

BASLE, May 6.

A telegram from Vienna confirms the capitulation of the Hungarian Government.

Havas.

PARIS, May 6.

According to the latest news the Roumanian troops have entered Budapest.

I.O.T.B.

HORRORS IN MOSCOW.

BERLIN, May 5.

The "Deutschetages Zeitung" says 4,000 persons were recently shot or bayonetted in Moscow owing to hunger disturbances among workmen. It appears that a mass meeting raised the cry "Away with Lenin, Trotsky and the Hunger Republic whereupon the Red Guards drove the demonstrators into squares and butchered them.

Reuter's Special Service.

ANOTHER BOLSHEVIK THRUST.

COPENHAGEN, May 5.

Owing to the German coup d'etat in Liban weakening the left front, the Bolshevists have been able to transfer considerable forces to Esthonia where there has been sanguinary fighting with numerically superior Bolshevist forces. Armoured trains and motor-cars participated on both sides. The Bolshevists did not capture the town of Narva which was their objective and which was almost destroyed by their violent bombardment but the Esthonians evacuated the town of Rujen.

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MUNICH MASSACRES.

BERLIN, May 5.

The "Lokal Anzeiger" says that 150 persons, including those executed by court martial, were killed in the fighting in Munich on Sunday. Among the executed is the Communist leader, Sontheimer. The Red Guard leader, Seidl, who instigated the shooting of hostages, was beaten to death by Wurtembergian soldiers. The "Tageblatt" states that there have been 5,000 arrests, including the Bolshevist Doctor Levien.

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ITALY'S WAR LOSSES.

ROME, May 5.

The Ministry of War publishes the latest figures regarding war casualties from which it is seen that 507,160 soldiers died for their country.

I.O.T.B.

ITALIAN WARSHIPS AT SMYRNA.

ATHENS, May 5.

It is announced from Mitylene that an Italian dreadnought and destroyer have arrived together with a strong British squadron.

Hellenic Agency.

FUTURE OF THESSALY.

ATHENS, May 5.

According to the papers the Minister of Agriculture states that the agricultural question in Thessaly will shortly be solved. Within two years there will not be a single landless peasant in Thessaly.

The Admiralty is arranging for the repatriation or deportation from Australia of over 4,000 Germans and other interned persons, says a Melbourne telegram.

GROCERIES, SPIRITS, etc.
DUTCH STORES.
5, Sharia Maghraby, CAIRO.

PEACE CONFERENCE.

ITALIANS RETURN TO PARIS.

TEXT OF TREATY GOES TO GERMANS TO-DAY.

PARIS, May 3.

M. Clemenceau, Mr. Lloyd George and President Wilson twice today discussed the situation which would be created by the absence of the Italians at the time of the signature of Peace. The discussion was characterised by the friendliest spirit towards Italy. It was decided to make a communication to Rome, the precise terms of which will be settled to-morrow. Meanwhile the Italian Government has been informed of the intention of the Allies shortly to convoke the Austrian and Hungarian delegates to Paris to receive the peace terms. The "Echo de Paris" says that the future status of Germany has been definitely settled. Henceforward it will be impossible for Germany to push eastward by means of a Russian alliance, while Austria will be made a neutral republic and forbidden to enter into alliance with Germany.

Reuter.

PARIS, May 4.

The drafting of the preliminaries of peace was completed this evening. It is expected that they will be communicated to the Germans on Thursday or Friday.

Reuter.

PARIS, May 4.

Signor Orlando sent a long telegram dealing with the position of Italy to the Foreign Ministry. No information will be given on the subject until the heads of the Allied Governments have considered the telegram.

The Austrian delegates yesterday were convoked to attend the Peace Conference. The Hungarian delegates will be convoked shortly.

The "Echo de Paris" states that after yesterday's meeting of the French Cabinet, at which the peace terms were submitted, several French ministers expressed complete satisfaction with the terms.

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PARIS, May 5.

A message from the Italian Ambassador informed President Wilson of the impending departure of Signor Orlando and Baron Sonnino from Rome. They arrive in Paris on May 7.

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PARIS, May 5.

The situation may be summed up as follows: The Council of Three sees that if Italy is to return to the Conference certain fresh assurances must be given her. These will be discussed to-day. The Council of Three is now sitting.

The "Matin" calls upon the Council of Three to assign Fiume to Italy without other formality.

Havas.

ROME, May 5.

The conversations of yesterday and today form a supreme effort for the purpose of making the return of the Italian delegates to Paris possible. What exactly happened has not transpired but it is known that Italy insisted upon Italian aspirations with regard to Fiume. It appears that the Council of Three is trying to find a way out of the Adriatic difficulty with a view of bringing it to an end. France and Great Britain support the Italian claims.

PARIS, May 5.

The final drafting of the Peace terms is completed. They will be presented to the Germans on May 7, at the Trianon Palace.

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VERSAILLES, May 6.

The Economic Conference met in the Trianon Palace. Delegates from Great Britain, America and France and the German delegates were present.

Havas.

PARIS, May 6.

M. Clemenceau received Mr. Wilson towards the end of the afternoon.

Havas.

ROME, May 6.

Messrs. Orlando and Sonnino have left for Paris.

Havas.

PARIS, May 6.

The credentials of the Italian delegation were handed to the German peace delegates this morning.

Havas.

YUGO-SLAVS' ATTITUDE.

PARIS, May 6.

The Jugo-Slav papers recognise the importance of the Italian attitude and are very reserved in their forecasts as regards the issue of the present situation. The semi-official Sanoupravа foresees an arrangement.

I.O.T.B.

GABRIELE D'ANNUNZIO.

ROME, May 4.

Gabriele d'Annunzio has been promoted lieutenant-colonel.

I.O.T.B.

At the meeting of the London City Guardians on April 16 it was reported that there had been no meeting of the Distress Committee for the last two years. The Clerk said that the reason was simple enough—there had been no distress. The committee was reappointed.

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BELGIUM'S CLAIMS.

HOPES OF REALISATION.

HUGE SUM DEMANDED.

PARIS, May 4.

The negotiations of the Council of Three with the Belgian delegation on the subject of Belgian claims continue actively. M. Hymans returned to Brussels yesterday taking two definite proposals with him, one providing for Belgium's prior claims to 2,500,000,000 francs out of the first payments made by the Germans, the other providing for the suppression of the Belgian war debt amounting to 5,000,000,000 francs, all reservations and conditions previously made being withdrawn. The Belgian Cabinet meets this evening to consider the proposals.

Reuter.

BRUSSELS, May 4.

The Crown Council unanimously decided (to accept) the Peace Treaty after four hours' deliberations, in the course of which M. Hymans explained the peace terms. He was of opinion that the terms offered to Belgium in the present circumstances were honourable and satisfactory. The Council decided to represent to the Allies the necessity of their fullest assistance in the economic restoration of Belgium.

It was decided to request the support of the Allies in opening as speedily as possible negotiations with Holland with a view to settling such questions as the freedom of the Scheldt and the freedom of riverine communications in East Belgium and with the Rhine.

Reuter.

ITALIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.

ATHENS, May 6.

It is reported from Rome that according to information received from Paris Mr. Venizelos and Mr. Balfour will be elected members of the Academies des Sciences in place of the late Messrs. Roosevelt and Mitchailovitch.

Hellenic Agency.

GREEK MUSIC.

ATHENS, May 6.

The national musical medal was presented to the composer Kolomiris today in the presence of the ministers and a number of other important personages.

Hellenic Agency.

AUSTRIA AND THE TYROL.

PARIS, May 5.

German-Austria has protested against the assigning of the Tyrol to Italy and threatens to form an alliance with Germany.

I.O.T.B.

A WAR MARVEL.

MECHANISM THAT GAVE OUR AIRMEN VICTORY.

Of the many astounding products of engineering, it may confidently be claimed that nothing evolved during the war transcended that piece of mechanism by means of which the Allied airmen were enabled to fire a couple of thousand machine-gun bullets per minute, not over, or under, or around, but actually in between the blades of their propellers, despite the fact that those propellers were rotating at any thing from 1,000 to 2,000 revolutions per minute.

To-day the secret is revealed, and this invention is discovered as that of M. George Constantinesco, a Roumanian savant, who entrusted the manufacture of the C.C. interrupter-gear to the hands of Dormans of Stafford, a firm who—until the Government took control of their works for the production of petrol and paraffin motors of all types, for use on the Allied fronts—had been known merely as manufacturers of internal-combustion motors.

THE TOBACCO POSITION.

The keenest interest in London has been aroused by the statement that an American agent has arrived in the United Kingdom to prepare for the import of tobacco into. No confirmation is available yet from the biggest English houses, who say that their agents are investigating the report. Nothing however, is known of the Tobacco Products Corporation, with a capital of seventeen million dollars recently reported incorporated in America for foreign trade. The Imperial Tobacco Company's capital equals twenty million sterling, and the Anglo-American Company twelve millions sterling.

According to the Amsterdam "Handelblad" the Belgian Government has sanctioned the import of 300,000 tons of coal to Holland.

SUMMER SERVICE SALE.
Such is the name of the sale which is now proceeding at Morum's Alexandria and Cairo establishments and offers so many worth-while money saving opportunities in all such present needs as summer wear.
The sale will continue in both cities until further notice. Watch Morum's advertisements.

DEMOBILISATION.

BETTER TIMES AHEAD.

LONDON, May 5.

In the House of Commons, replying to General Croft, Lt.-Colonel Amery stated that he was aware that there had been some unavoidable delay in the repatriation of demobilised officers and men to the Colonies and Protectorates owing to the shortage of shipping. He was informed that spare from the special transport to the British West Indies accommodation had been found for only 150 officers and men during the past three months, but a large proportion of the available space had been reserved by the Ministry of Shipping for returning officers and men and in view of the improvement in the shipping situation it was not anticipated that there would be any difficulty in future.

Reuter's Special Service.

PRINCE OF WALES A FREEMASON.

LONDON, May 2.

The Prince of Wales was initiated as a free-mason in the Household Brigade Lodge last night. The ceremony was conducted by the Duke of Connaught, assisted by Lord Ampthill.

Reuter.

EMPIRE DAY IN ALEXANDRIA.

We are asked to inform those British residents who intend to accept the invitation of Mr. H. E. Barker, Mr. R. C. Abdy and Mr. P. W. Carver to the children's fête which these gentlemen are giving in honour of Empire Day that it will take place on the Sporting Club grounds and not at Nouzha Gardens as previously announced and that the date has been changed to Friday the 23rd inst. owing to the Sporting Club grounds being required for a Race Meeting on the 24th inst., and Nouzha Gardens not being suitable for children's races. As regards the children's sports which are to be given on the occasion of the fête parents are requested to kindly send in their children's names, ages, and the events in which they wish to them to take part, as quickly as possible to Mr. W. Thomas, Box 388, Alexandria. No entries will be accepted which are posted after Friday 16. The different events are as follows:

100 Yards Race for Boys over 9 and under 14 years.—Three prizes.

50 Yards Race for Boys and Girls under 6 years.—Three prizes.

100 Yards Shipping Race for Girls over 8 and under 11 years.—Three prizes.

Three Legged Race for Boys over 9 and under 14 years.—Three prizes.

Thread and Needle Race for Girls over 11 and under 14 years.—Three prizes.

Boy Scouts Race Handicap.—Three prizes.

Egg and Spoon Race for Girls over 8 and under 14 years.—Three prizes.

Fancy Skipping for Girls under 14 years—Three prizes.

60 Yards Race for Girls and Boys over 6 and under 9 years.—Three prizes.

OUTRAGES ON WOMEN.

Last month M. Clemenceau received Mrs. Charles Farman, who, on behalf of the Committee for the Protection of Women in International Legislation, handed him a resolution signed by 5,000,000 American women, asking in agreement with the women of France, that all enemies guilty of outrages against women should be punished, and that all women who had thus been ill-used should be regarded as having been wounded in the war.

MOTOR SHIP FOR FAR EAST TRADE

The steel twin-screw motor ship Glenade, for the Glen Line (Ltd.), has been launched by Harland and Wolff (Ltd.) at their Govan Shipbuilding Yard. The vessel is specially designed for trading in the owners' service to the Far East. It has every facility for the rapid loading and discharge of cargo and also has comfortable accommodation for a number of passengers.

THE HEROES OF KUT.

The Prisoners in Turkey Committee are anxious to obtain for the survivors of the Kut garrison some public acknowledgment of their sufferings and endurance. No doubt the general public would gladd welcome Government action directed towards some adequate recognition of the services and endurance of the Kut survivors on the third anniversary of its fall.

70,000 STARVING ON AN ISLAND.

A telegram to the "Svenska Dagblad" from Libau reports that terrible news is arriving from Riga indicating the speedy and systematic annihilation of all the bourgeois elements there. The unfortunate victims are being taken to Hasen Island, in the Duna River, where it is reported there are now 70,000 persons, including women and children. No one is allowed to take either food or money with them. As a state of famine prevails at Riga, the sufferings of those interned there must be terrible.

The Y.M.C.A. has received one thousand and the Church Army five thousand applications for Army huts for social purposes in various parts of the country.

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EGYPT TO-DAY.

THE DELEGATES IN PARIS.

MORE GOODS TRAINS RUNNING.

PARIS, May 5.

During the lunch given to the British and American journalists the Egyptian delegation explained their claims.

Havas.

"Wady el Nil," yesterday, received the following telegram from its special correspondent accompanying the Egyptian Delegation in Paris.

"May 3,—5.35 p.m.—A big banquet was given to-day at the Continental Hotel to the representatives of the American and English Press. Saad Pasha Zaghloul thanked the guests and introduced Mohamed Pasha Mahmoud, who delivered a speech. M. Sheari Chanem (President of the so-called Syrian Central Committee) also spoke on the occasion. Mr. Reginald Hoffman spoke on beaff of the guests."

The E.S.R. has increased the number of goods trains which run daily between Cairo and other towns by eight and these are running every night from Monday, to the following stations. Three trains should leave Cairo Station one on the Gabbary line conveying goods for the stations situated on the Rosetta and Mariout lines; the second on the Port Said line, and the third on the Benha, Ismailia and Suez lines. Three other trains are leaving Gabbary, Port Said and Suez every night for Cairo. The seventh leaves Port Said for Suez and te eighth vice versa.

The other trains which left Cairo on Tuesday are as follows: A goods train for Luxor; a goods train for the stations on the Gabbary line; a passenger train for Assiout; two express trains for Port Said, one left at 7 a.m. and the other at 11 a.m., an express train at 9.15 a.m. for Alexandria; a passenger train at 9.30 for Alexandria and a goods train direct to Gabbary.

On Friday last the workmen of the Boulac workshops under the control of the Egyptian State Railways met and discussed the question of the workmen who were not permitted to resume work, also the bonus which they deserve according to the period they have spent in the service.

The workmen appointed a deputation to interview Maitre Zananiri who decided that the men should continue working, and he would interview the authorities in the matter. Maitre Zananiri visited Abdel Rahim Sabry Pasha, Governor of Cairo, and they discussed the matter.

The Military Court resumed its sitting yesterday morning under the presidency of Judge Sanderson, and tried several ordinary contraventions connected with the tariff and the orders of the S.C.B.

DIPLOMATIC PAPERS STOLEN.

A number of diplomatic valises was tampered with lately in the Paris-Marseilles mail train. The valise for Tangier was opened, and some of the papers in it are missing, but none of them is of importance. The affair was reported when the train arrived at Lyons, and was at once put in the hands of the police, who hope to make an arrest very shortly, as they have a clue in the shape of an article left behind by the robber.

The Brussels "Soir" says that, according to rumours emanating from Paris the Peace Conference is unanimously in favour of ceding to Belgium the late German East African territories of Ruanda and Urundi, which are adjacent to the Belgian Congo.

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