NEAR EAST PERIL

ALLIES IN UNISON

TODAY'S CABINET MEETING

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AFRICA IN DEFECT

Refugees Sent to the Islands.

(AFRICA IN DEFECT) ATHENS, Sept. 13.

No stranger strange as Athens is located on the coast of the easternmost part of the island of Crete, where the air and climate are abnormally dry. The public services are in full swing, and at night the fashionable districts are crowded with people strolling in the open air, watching films, or listening to the band, though they are now accompanied by another noise—music from the bands.

A few days ago there was considerable anxiety for the safety of the refugees, but the formation of a new cabinet has done much to alleviate the situation.

Whether this calm will continue is a matter of considerable diversity of opinion. Some people are inclined to believe that the political situation is not entirely stable, and that the government is only trying to buy time to prepare for a new crisis. Others maintain that the situation is not as bad as it appears, and that the government is working towards a peaceful solution of the problem.

Meanwhile, General Haldane, in a speech on the situation in the Near East, said:

"The policy of the Allies is to secure a stable government in the Near East, and to prevent any further revolutions. This has been done by giving promises of aid, and by the appointment of a number of officials to work with the local authorities. The situation is not as serious as it appears, and the government is working towards a peaceful solution of the problem."

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VENICE TAKEN.

Venice has not yet declared whether he will visit Genoa, or not, and he has not yet notified his decisions to Lord Milford.

SYRMA BURNING.

MASSACRE FEARS.

FROM OUR FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT.

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CONSTATINOPLE, Sept. 10.

Five broke out in the European quarter of Smyrna and spread to the European quarter of Constantinople, and to several Turkish and Greek houses which had been destroyed. United States and Allied protests were issued, but were not serious enough to prevent the outbreak of the fighting.

ATHENS, Sept. 12.—According to a Greek newspaper, the Moslem population of the Moslem-dominated quarter of Athens has been destroyed.

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FIGHTING AT MUDANIA.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT IN THE DARDANELLES.

The fighting at Mudanias has continued throughout the night, and is expected to continue for some time.

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LORD YPRES'S BALKAN TOUR.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT (PARIS, Sept. 14).

The visit of Lord Ypres to the Balkan states has been a great success, and the military and political situation in the areas has been discussed in detail.

TURKS TURNED TO VOLUNTEER.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT (BOSNIAN, Sept. 14).

The number of Turkish volunteers in Bosnia has increased, and the Turkish military authorities are taking steps to ensure the security of the area.

BRITISH RELIEFS FOR THE STRAITS.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT (MALTA, Sept. 14).

The relief efforts for the Straits are continuing, and the situation is improving.

HIGH WOOD.


The battle of High Wood is still raging, and the situation is improving.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE FROCK FOR GERMANY.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT (LONDON, Sept. 14).

The Gloucestershire Frock for Germany has been started, and the situation is improving.

NEW YORK.

Mr. W. W. Wilcox, president of the New York Chamber of Commerce, has announced that the city will be off limits for the duration of the war.

LIVE BOMBS AT PECKHAM.

Four live bombs were found in an old arms factory at Peckham, and were reported to be dangerous.

NOVEL INSURANCE.

An insurance agency has started a new type of insurance for the working classes.

VICTORY COLLECTING.

A special campaign has been launched to collect money for the war effort.