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PREMIER KERENSKY CONFERRING WITH MILITARY LEADERS

Preparations for the Putting into Force of the Blood and Iron are Proceed- ing---General Petain's Forces Re- pulse German Attacks.

Having retreated a distance of approximately one hundred miles from where Kerensky, the iron man of Russia, carried them in his personally conducted drive early in the present month, the Russian army in the centre of the line in East Galicia is again on Russian soil on both sides of Husiatyn, and is still being followed up by the forces of the Teutonic Allies.

Likewise the armies to the north and south continue to fall back before the enemy, at a few points only standing to offer a semblance of resistance, and then only for short periods.

Wherever those of the faithful troops attempt to give battle they are harassed by numerically stronger forces of the Teutons and compelled to give ground, receiving no assistance from their recalcitrant former brothers-in-arms, whose main effort continues to be to get out of striking distance of the foe.

KERENSKY BACK AT THE FRONT.

So fast has been the retirement of the Russians and the advance of the enemy toward Bukovina, that already an arc-like formation has been thrown westward of Czernowitz, the capital, with the northern end rising on Woelawice, 25 miles distant, and the southern end to the east of Kutly, on the western border of the crown land.

Evidently the preparations for the "blood and iron" policy of the government against the disaffected troops is being put in full force, for Minister of War Kerensky has gone to Russian headquarters, there to confer with the military leaders to formulate plans to stay the retreat and compel the troops to stand and face the foe as the Russians in the southern Carathian region are doing.

Down along this latter front the Russians, aided by Roumanians, continue to force the Teutonic allies to cede ground, especially in the upper Putna Valley.

FRENCH SNUB OFFENSIVE.

Again the French troops fighting in the Aisne region of France, have turned in vicious counter attacks against the army of the German Crown Prince, put down an offensive it had started between Hutebise and La Bovelie, and made good gains against it all along the line. Several attacks by the Germans in the Verdun region, notably against the much fought for ground in the sector of the Avocourt wood and Hill 304, also were repulsed by General Petain's forces.

Meanwhile the great artillery duel in progress in Flanders for more than a week, continues unabated. The visitation of German shells on Nieuport is tremendous, and the British guns are replying almost shot for shot against the German line. To the south, around the Vimy Ridge and Lens, and at Armentieres the duel continues of great proportions.

GREAT BATTLES IN THE AIR.

Simultaneously in the air the fighting machines of Great Britain and Germany are carrying out manoeuvres of proportions never before seen, with both sides sustaining losses in aircraft shot down or sent hurtling earthward out of control.

HEAT WAVE WITH PROSTRATIONS AND DEATH IN EASTERN STATES

BOSTON, July 30.—One death and nearly a score of prostrations today constituted the toll of the hottest wave that has spread over Greater Boston in the last five years. On Boston Common the government kiosk instruments registered 103 degrees in mid-afternoon. The weather bureau man said no cooler weather was looked for until late in the week.

The Hottest Yet in New York.

New York, July 30.—With a maximum temperature of 95 degrees, maintained almost three hours this afternoon, New York and vicinity suffered the hottest day of the season. There was much suffering.

Philadelphia Records Broken.

Philadelphia, July 30.—With a maximum of 97 degrees, all heat records for the past two years were broken today. One death by heat was reported.

Suffering in Chicago.

Chicago, July 31.—Chicago suffered in the hottest weather of the year today, the thermometer reaching a maximum of 98 degrees. The same west wind that came with the heat sent the surface water out into the lake. It was too hot to stay on shore and too cold to go in the water.

Affiliated With Headquarters.

The Fredericton Branch of the European War Veterans' Association has received a communication from Serg. Major Steele of Ottawa, secretary of headquarters of the E.W.V.A., stating that the Fredericton Branch had been affiliated with headquarters. So far 16,000 returned soldiers have joined the Association and more are joining all the time.

Coming of Circus Postponed.

The European War Veterans' Association at its meeting last night received information to the effect that the circus which the Association is bringing to Fredericton will not arrive at a date as early as expected but will be here to begin its engagement either August 27th or September 3rd. The use of Queen's Square has been secured by the Association.

PROVINCIAL HIGHWAYS ARE IMPROVING

The Bangor Automobile Club in its report on road conditions, issued July 24th, states that the New Brunswick Government is doing good work on the highways of this province, and that improvement is noticeable.

The report is as follows:
"Prolonged wet weather and a change of government at a time when road repairs should have been in progress, have conspired to place the New Brunswick roads in a poor condition. The new government, having got its road staff organized, is now doing effective work and a gradual improvement is noticeable. The road from the Maine border to St. John is in fair condition with the exception of that portion between St. Andrews and St. George. The rains have washed the soils off the hills and exposed the rocks in many places. Road repairing is being pushed along this section. From St. John to Moncton the roads are in fair order, barring a rough section between the city and Torryburn. The river road to Fredericton, which was damaged by heavy rains and river freshet, is being whiped into shape. Drivers should be careful going over this road, particularly at night, as diversions of the road which have been rendered necessary by the construction of the Valley railway, are not as well defined as they should be."

Caution to Motorists.

The Provincial Department of Public Works has issued notices to chiefs of police and others in authority calling upon them to take particular pains to enforce that section of the Motor Vehicles Act which prohibits boys and girls under the age of eighteen years from driving motor cars. This section, it is said, has been frequently violated.

U. S. TO MOVE TROOPS WITHOUT ANY PUBLICITY

Arrival of Troops on Other Side of the Water Will be Kept From the Public--No Explanation for the Change.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—The movement of American troops to France will be carried on absolutely without publicity if the present policy of the War Department remains unaltered.

Secretary Baker and some of his military advisers believe that no word should be published of the arrival of troops abroad, and it is probably that this will be made clear to all newspapers and press associations in forthcoming regulations under the voluntary censorship to which the press of the country has subjected itself.

No official explanation has been made of the reason underlying the decision to withhold from publication announcement of the arrival of troops. It is understood, however, Secretary Baker believes that with large troop movements in progress as the new army or the national guard is made ready for the front, it would be unwise to call the attention of the German authorities to what is going on.

Not all War Department officials agree with the new ruling. The Secretary is supported, however, by the opinion of some of the highest army officers, and there seems little doubt that the department is about to establish a system for the supervision of the press despatches to prevent the announcement of arrival of troop transports in France.

The objection of publication of troop arrivals is not expected to extend to properly censored reports of the activities of the American troops in France. It is possible, in fact, that a system of regular official announcement by the War Department on the military situation will shortly be inaugurated.

THIRTY-EIGHT LIVES LOST WHEN ARIADNE WENT DOWN

LONDON, July 31.—The British cruiser Ariadne, of 11,000 tons, has been torpedoed and sunk, according to an official statement issued Monday by the British Admiralty.

The Ariadne was an old British cruiser, having been built in 1898. She was 450 feet long, 69 feet beam and had a maximum draft of 27½ feet. Her complement consisted of 677 officers and men. She carried 16 six-inch guns, 12 twelve-pounders, and a number of smaller guns. She also was equipped with two submerged 18-inch torpedo tubes.

Thirty-eight members of the crew of the Ariadne were killed by the explosion of the torpedo. All the other sailors were saved.

ITALIAN OFFICIAL REPORT.

ROME, July 31.—The official statement issued Monday by the Italian War Department says:

"There was noticeable activity yesterday at several points on the Trentino front. Minor fighting resulted in our favor in the upper Val Furva. East of Lake Garda, in St. Pellegrino, and on Monte Plana, we took some prisoners. The artillery duel was accentuated in the Lagarina valley.

"On the Julian front there was considerable aerial activity. An enemy machine was brought down by one of our airmen east of Tolmino."

Germans Have Espionage Organization in Mexico

GRAVEYARD MYSTERY AT SUNNY BRAE

Moncton, July 30.—Residents of Sunny Brae are greatly mystified over some occurrences of a rather peculiar nature which are reported to have occurred in the eastern part of the town during the early hours of Sunday morning. About 1 o'clock Sunday morning people resident in the cemetery were awakened by the roaring of motors coming and going along roads in the immediate vicinity. Motor cars travelling at high speed were dashing along the Irishtown and McLaughlin roads, according to one man who saw the racket, they were travelling around at intervals without any lights, but what they were doing there at that hour in the morning is unknown.

It is stated that they circled the graveyard via the Irishtown, McLaughlin and communication roads no less than eight or ten times, not always in the same direction. Screams and cries were heard at intervals, and in fact the whole thing did not look like a crazy rehearsal for the movie drama. According to some of those whose attention was attracted, it looked as though the cars were racing, while to others it appeared that one or more of the cars were chasing another one. The fact that lights were out and the cars were dodging around in the dark is thought to bear out the latter theory. The police are looking into the matter.

An Active Propaganda is Being Carried on Against the United States by Hun Agents---Attention of the Gov- ernment to be Called to It.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—So numerous have become the reports of German spy activities and propaganda in Mexico, that Ambassador Fletcher is prepared upon his arrival in Mexico City to call the attention of the Mexican government to the links in that country between Berlin and German agents in the United States.

Officials of the State Department do not question the integrity of the Mexican government, but the reports have left no room to doubt the existence of a German organization in Mexico whose machinations may be defined as a violation of Mexico's neutrality. The Carranza government is believed in fact to be disturbed by the abuse of its hospitality, and there is a feeling here that the time is not far distant when certain representatives in Mexico of the German Foreign Office may be officially questioned as to their activities.

GERMAN AGENTS THOUGHT TO BE FORWARDING

INFORMATION TO THE FATHERLAND BY MAIL

How extensive the work of the German agents has been in forwarding information to Germany by mail or other means has not been ascertained by American agents, but evidence of their tireless activity in propaganda has been produced.

When Carl Heynen was arrested a few weeks ago, on the charge of spy activities in the United States, it was not known this work extended to Mexico, but since then evidence has been produced to indicate that he was very intimately connected with the German spy system there and that the men who formerly reported to him are continuing their efforts.

One man whom the agents of the United States are watching is Richard Eversbusch, the German consul at Tampico. Mr. Eversbusch was the partner in business of Mr. Hynen.

GERMAN MINISTER HAS BEEN ON THE JOB AT

THE CAPITAL SINCE THE OVERTHROW OF HUERTA

While almost every other government has decreased the number of its consular representatives in Mexico, Germany has kept their full list and Minister Von Eckhardt has been at the capital since the overthrow of Huerta.

It will be pointed out to the Mexican government that in the event of reasonable proof of undue activities by any German consular diplomat, the reason for expulsion from the country can be found in the cases of Dumba, Von Papen and Boy-Ed.

The American government is not concerned so greatly at the suggestion that Mexico is used as a relay point for military information as it is over the constant and apparently uninterrupted German propaganda emanating from Mexico, and over the possibility of curtailment of the Mexican oil supply. The recent strikes in the Tampico oil region have caused some anxiety and it has been freely charged that they were caused by German agents working in some cases through the I. W. W.

CHILDREN REMOVED BEYOND REACH OF GERMAN ASPHYXIATING BOMBS

PARIS, July 30.—Four hundred small children, threatened with death by asphyxiating gas bombs, dropped by enemy aviators, were successfully removed today from a small French town near the firing line to a place of safety by the American Red Cross in response to the first emergency call received at the Parisian headquarters. The first word of the children's condition reached headquarters late Thursday afternoon, and the next day the Red Cross sent doctors and nurses and a truck-load of condensed milk, clothing and drugs for their relief.

The children were bathed, fed and provided with clean clothing. They were given medical attention and finally transferred to a safer locality.

As the German aviators are using gas bombs and it is impossible to equip children properly with gas masks, it has been considered necessary to take them out of the danger zone.

MARRIED AT CHATHAM

Chatham, N. B., July 30. — At St.

Michael's Cathedral, at seven o'clock this morning, Miss Mary Jeannette McCormack and Mr. Percy Louis Hanson were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. Fr. Martin, who celebrated the nuptial mass. The singing by the Children of Mary was splendidly rendered. The bride was beautifully dressed in sand shade silk voile, with Georgette crepe and Persian trimmings, with hat to match, and carried a beautiful bouquet of bridal roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Margaret Shea of Fredericton, wore a suit of navy blue gaberdine and carried a bouquet of roses. Mr. J. C. McCormack supported the groom. After the ceremony the bridal party returned to the home of the bride, where a sumptuous breakfast was served. The house was nicely decorated, the color scheme being white and pink. The many handsome gifts received, including cheques, cut glass and silver, showed the popularity of the bride. The happy couple left on the 10.20 for a short wedding trip. On their return they will reside in Fredericton, where the groom will occupy an important position. The groom's gift to the bridesmaid was a pearl necklace and to the groomsmen a gold cigarette case.

Mr. William Bowman, a well known and popular commercial man of St. John, is at the Queen Hotel today.