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GENERAL NEWS.

PARIS, Dec. 18. — One more boundary question was settled by the council today when it delineated the frontier between Galicia and Bukowina. Marshal Foch notified the council that German evacuation of the Baltic region has been completed.

LONDON, Dec. 18. — Japan was not a party to the "hands off" policy toward Russia, agreed upon by the other allies at the recent "unofficial peace conference" here, it was learned today. On the contrary, Japan is steadily increasing her forces in Siberia. Officials here declare that while they fail to understand America's policy of keeping troops in Siberia, they attribute it to a desire to watch Japan. Although the Japanese ambassador attended the conferences at which it was agreed to withdraw support from Denikine and Kolchak and let the Russians decide their own fate, it now develops he refused to adhere to the decision, thereby tacitly reserving to Japan the right to decide her own policy toward Russia. Persons in close touch with the international situation say they are unable to understand Japan's reason for increasing her forces, save for the purpose of securing a foothold in Siberia, while the other allies' attention is directed elsewhere. Other alleged reasons for strengthening the Japanese forces, now estimated at 60,000, are fears of the spread of Bolshevism into China, and the very apparent danger to the present forces as the result of Kolchak's retreat.

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 19. — Gen. Denikine has gained an important victory between Tsaritzyn and Kamishin, in the Volga valley, according to newspaper despatches received here. It is said he has taken 10,200 prisoners, besides capturing 5 cannon and 25 machine guns.

PARIS, Dec. 19. — Technical officers, who have been considering modifications of the military law to be submitted to the government have agreed upon a bill fixing the duration of military service at two years, according to the Eclair.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. — The senate foreign committee today, by a vote of 7 to 3, ordered a favorable report on the Knox resolution, declaring peace between the United States and Germany. The vote was strictly on party lines. Senator Lodge, chairman of the committee, who was instructed to report the resolution at once, went to the senate with it immediately.

PARIS, Dec. 20. — Allied and German peace makers today admitted they had little hope that the protocol would be signed and the Versailles treaty declared effective before the New Year. German naval technical experts have advanced new opposition to the much debated clauses in the protocol by which the allies demand compensation for sinking of the interned German fleet at Scapa Flow. This was assigned as the chief cause of delay. The German naval experts insisted Germany cannot now deliver the 400,000 tons of marine materials demanded without crippling herself economically. The five light cruisers demanded by France can also not be spared by Germany; she needs them for coast patrol duty. Germany asks to be allowed to build these materials and ships and deliver them upon completion. British delegates said they could not modify the original demands without instructions from London, but have asked for such instructions.

LONDON, Dec. 20. — Serious rioting occurred at Alexandria, Egypt, on Sunday. This is the first recorded disturbance since the arrival of the British mission, headed by Viscount Milner. The operations of this mission, correspondents declare, are wrapped in mystery and the people are reported as "becoming disgusted." Incipient disturbances occurred in Cairo on Monday and Tuesday.

Foreign News

LONDON, England. — The British army estimates for 1919-20 provide for the expenditure of £405,000,000. These figures, made public recently, foreshadow an army strength at the end of the fiscal year March 31, 1920, of 300,000 British troops and 100,000 Indian troops. These forces, however, will be reduced later. When estimates were made in March, 1919, an army of 2,600,000 men was provided for, of which 1,548,000 were in process of demobilization and since have been released.

—The danger to shipping from floating mines in the North Sea is increasing, according to the chief inspector of the Swedish mercantile marine for that district of navigation, who predicts that this winter the mines will constitute a greater menace than at any period since the mine fields were laid. So extensive were the mine fields and numerous the mines, that large numbers of them escaped destruction by the British and American mine sweepers, notwithstanding the energy and diligence with which they worked. More mines than ever before are said to be loose and drifting towards the Swedish coast. Efforts are made to sink such mines as are seen by shooting them, but it is impossible to cope with them all in this way. Along the Jutland coast in the course of a single day recently the skipper of one craft reported not less than 72 drifting mines.

LONDON. — In November 871 prosecutions for profiteering in food supplies were instituted by the ministry of food, and 816 convictions were obtained.

BERNE. — Dr. Giuseppe Motta was elected president of the Swiss Confederation by the federal assembly, succeeding Gustave Ador.

HALIFAX, Dec. 8. — The Morning Chronicle today states that L. R. Acker, proprietor of various theatres throughout Nova Scotia, was handed \$11,500 conscience money Saturday night by a Roman Catholic priest, who declined to state from whom the money was obtained. The Halifax Herald announces that the money was received from a man who said it had been stolen in a poker game.

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