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GRAND DUKE'S ARMY MAY SOON MAKE STAND ON NEW AND STRONGLY FORTIFIED FRONT

London, Aug. 28.—Gen. Polivanoff, Russian Minister of War, announces that Russia is raising another 2,000,000 men and that the fate of the campaign will not be decided before some time next year, according to the Petrograd correspondent of the Times.

VON HINDENBURG'S ARMY REINFORCED MAY TRY AGAIN TO CUT OFF RUSSIAN RETREAT

Military Authorities, However, Believe Now Too Late to Succeed in the Attempt—Germans Found Russians Gone from Brest-Litovsk and Olita When They Entered Towns and Everything of Use Removed—Grand Duke Has New Line Fortified and Ready for Opportunity to Resume the Offensive.

London, Aug. 27.—The Germans, in full possession of the entire Brest-Litovsk line, have resumed the offensive in the Baltic provinces, and are pressing the Russians both in the districts southeast of Mita and to the east of Kovno, in an effort to reach the main line of railway which passes through Vlna and Dvinsk to Petrograd. This may in time prove the most important of the German operations, although at present they are using more troops in the pursuit of the Russians who are retiring from Brest-Litovsk and the line on either side of the fortress.

It is expected, however, that with the fall of Brest-Litovsk, which has been followed by that of Olita, south of Kovno, the armies of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg will be reinforced and make another attempt to cut off the retreat of the Russians. It is believed here, however, that it now is too late to accomplish this purpose.

The Russians apparently had evacuated both Brest-Litovsk and Olita before the Germans arrived, as the latter make no claim as to the capture of guns or booty. The Austrian official report states that Archduke Joseph Ferdinand found the town of Kamieniec-Litovsk in flames when he arrived. There are indications, therefore, that the Russians still are carrying to the rear everything movable that might prove of use to the invaders, and burning what they are unable to take with them.

The intimation that the Russians have fortified another front, pending an opportunity for a renewed offensive, has received some confirmation. It is stated that the new line is being strengthened by all the latest methods known to military engineers. The Russian armies still are intact, with virtually all their guns and prospects of a more plentiful supply of ammunition. For this reason military writers here are of the opinion that Grand Duke Nicholas now should be able to make a stand, as the Austro-German losses must have been very heavy, especially during the three weeks which intervened between the fall of Warsaw and the occupation of Brest-Litovsk.

The capture of several German positions in France, as well as munitions factories across the German border. There has been no further news from the Dardanelles or the Balkans, but it is now certain that Serbia is prepared to make the necessary sacrifices to satisfy Bulgaria and gain her co-operation in behalf of the Allies. It may be several days, however, before the Serbian reply to the representations of the Entente Powers is received. The vote of the Serbian parliament was only upon the principle involved and negotiations now are proceeding between Serbia, Greece and Rumania regarding the exact nature of the concessions to be made Bulgaria.

Wales is threatened with another coal strike, as the result of dissatisfaction among the miners with the way in which the settlement recently arranged by David Lloyd George, Minister of Munitions, is being interpreted by the mine owners. Some 10,000 men already are out, contrary to the advice of their leaders.

Attack on British and Russian Consuls at Kenghever, Persia.

London, Aug. 27.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Petrograd, says:

"A telegram received here from Tiberan, Persia, reports that the Rus-

Danger of Germans Menacing the Russian Capital Very Remote

Would Have To Be In Undisputed Control of Baltic Sea—Retirement of Russian Army Covers the Approaches to Petrograd.

Petrograd, Aug. 27, via London.—Weighing the likelihood of a German advance on Petrograd, the Hetch points out that the Russian retirement covers the approaches to the capital and that it is extremely doubtful whether the Germans, without undisputed possession of the Baltic Sea, and particularly of the Gulf of Riga, could undertake the risks attaching to operations against Petrograd this autumn.

Moreover, on the whole front from the Dvina to the Upper Bobr, it is noted, the Germans have only two armies—that of General Von Buelow and Courland and that of General Von Eichen on the Niemen.

Munitions Depot of Enemy Destroyed By French Artillery Fire

Paris, Aug. 27.—The War Office tonight made public the following official communication:

"On a great many points of the front our artillery has concentrated on the German positions a very efficacious fire. To the north of Arras, German trenches have been upset and a munition depot destroyed.

"Between the Somme and the Oise, German encampments have been shelled."

Grand Duke Decides To Evacuate Grodno

London, Aug. 27.—The Russians apparently have decided to evacuate Grodno, the one important stronghold on their principal line of defenses which they still retain.

A message from Petrograd to Reuter's Telegram Company quotes the Russian invalid as stating that Grodno will be given up when the retreat of the defenders has been covered. This message indicates that the fall of Brest-Litovsk, announced in Berlin yesterday, was not known publicly in Petrograd at one o'clock this afternoon the time of the filing of the message. The Russian invalid said that preparations were under way for the evacuation of Brest-Litovsk, adding that five German-Austrian armies were striving to surround it and cut it off from the Lovel district.

German and British consuls and their military escort have been attacked at Kenghever by an armed band led by M. O. Schuesemann, the German consular agent at Tabriz. The Britteners defended themselves with rifles but suffered some losses.

"A cabinet meeting was held, with the result that a request was sent to the commander of a Persian brigade of Cossacks who were encamped four days march from Kenghever to send a detachment there immediately."

FINISH TENTH SUBMARINE FOR GREAT BRITAIN

American Shipbuilding firm completes its contract to build 10 under-seas boats to be delivered to England after the war.

Quincy, Mass., Aug. 27.—With the launching today of the submarine H-20 the Fore River Shipbuilding Corporation completed its contract with Great Britain for ten under-sea vessels to be delivered after the war is ended. The trials will be held soon in Massachusetts Bay. Though not officially confirmed, it is generally understood that a representative of the United States navy department will be on board when the submarines are tried out.

KING GUSTAVE HAD CLOSE CALL

Train started as he was stepping into car—Foot jammed between platform and car.

Stockholm, Aug. 27.—King Gustave had a narrow escape from serious injury yesterday at Jerna. As he was entering his car to proceed to Stockholm the train started with a sudden jerk throwing him down. His foot was jammed between the car and the platform and he fell heavily. He was picked up quickly, however, and assisted into his car. Except for a slight lameness he is little the worse of the accident.

SERBIA MUST BE WILLING TO MAKE THE SACRIFICE

Should Agree With Entente Powers' Request, Semi-official Paper Says.

Nish, Serbia, Aug. 27, via London.—Commenting on the vote of confidence in the government by the Serbian National Assembly, the semi-official Samoupravna says in a leading article: "To realize the sacred ideals of civilized humanity, still further sacrifices must be made. These sacrifices will be agreed to and supported by all the Allies, and consequently by Serbia too."

"When it is sought by asking Serbia, Greece and Rumania to sacrifice previous gains so that they may achieve in the main their national ideals by the extensive compensation which they will receive, it would be lack of foresight and a showing of incompetence not to agree to such sacrifices."

GULLEY CHOKED WITH ENEMY'S DEAD AFTER THE DESPERATE BATTLE FOR SARI BAHR HILL

FIREMEN BURIED UNDER DEBRIS AND INJURED

Bricks and Timber of Burning Building in Montreal Entomb Eighteen Firemen—One May Die.

Montreal, Aug. 27.—Eighteen firemen were buried in the debris of a fire in the building occupied by the Consumers Sack Supply Company, corner of Wellington and Ann streets, today, and were all more or less injured. The most seriously injured is Fireman Gordon, who is suffering from an injury to his spine, and his condition is regarded as critical. The accident to the firemen occurred just about as the flames were brought under control. They were buried under a pile of bricks and timbers from the rear wall of the building, which fell out, and were all rushed to hospitals. The loss on the building and contents is estimated at nearly \$50,000.

CHINA TO GET 100 SUBMARINES FROM STATES?

New York, Aug. 27.—Financial circles here were interested today in a rumor that the Chinese commission of naval experts recently sent to this country were negotiating for the purchase of 100 submarines at a total cost of \$75,000,000. While the representative of one New England submarine building company admitted that some of the Chinese had inspected his plant he denied that any contract had as yet been signed.

It was reported that Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, had been authorized by the Chinese government to place orders with American submarine builders. It was said that Mr. Schwab has also been given charge of the manufacturing end in this country of China's vast naval programme.

MONTREAL COMPANY ORGANIZED WITH A CAPITAL OF \$1,000,000

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Aug. 27.—The incorporation of two companies in this week's list is evidently due to the war. One is the Excel Chemical Co. Ltd., of Montreal, capital \$1,000,000. The other is the Zinc Company, Ltd., Sherbrooke, Que., capital \$100,000. Only a few days ago the government announced a bounty on zinc production in order to ensure a supply at a reasonable price for the manufacture of shells. The incorporation of the Zinc Company include L. D. Adams, Oakland, Calif., mining engineer, and C. H. Maxey, Rutherford, N. J., mine operator.

Fight For Hill Which Colonials Captured, but afterwards Lost, One of Fiercest of Week's Struggle in Dardanelles—Lull Along British Front Follows Successful Operations—Irish Division Wins Glory in Charge on Enemy Stronghold.

London, Aug. 27.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from the Dardanelles, dated August 19, says:

"For the moment the severe fighting has come to a stop along the front of our new positions, after the week of battles which followed the landing at Suvla Bay. The most important advantage secured has been a large extension of the territory held by us on the northern shore of the peninsula. Resting upon Suvla Bay, with its left occupying the long ridge which follows the coast inland for several miles, our army holds the plain southward to where the heights of Anzac are situated. It is that we are in actual possession from the other side looking the full of Suvla Bay almost to Gaba Tepe."

Describing the charge of the Irish division on a Turkish hill to the left of the Suvla Bay position, the correspondent says:

"The Turks came out to meet them, and most exciting bayonet fighting followed on the saddle between the two crests. Bayonets were flashing and stabbing for several minutes before the Turks began to give way. Then they left the crest and ran down over the ridge, the Irishmen standing up and firing down on them, while at intervals British machine guns on the hills behind drowned the sound of the rifle fire whenever the gunners were able to get a clear view of the fleeing Turks."

The battle for Sari Bahr Hill, which the Australian and New Zealanders captured but were compelled to evacuate because the troops on their left did not advance far enough, was a most desperate one, according to the correspondent, who says: "The dead lie thick everywhere, and the stench is appalling. On the ninth, the Turks came down in great numbers from the ridge above and tried to sweep our men off the hill entirely. They themselves were driven back, however, with grievous loss. Being unable to bury their dead the Turks throw their bodies down the gully until they are stopped by the nature of the ground, while others thrown after them are stopped by the first. Consequently the whole gully is choked with Turkish dead."

The Australians and New Zealanders have gained another addition to their newly occupied territory. In their narrow position they now have elbow room, are in touch with our posts across the plain to Suvla Bay. And what is not their least important advantage, they have a supply of fresh water within their own position."

FRANCE EXPRESSES ADMIRATION OF AND CONFIDENCE IN RUSSIAN ARMY

Paris, Aug. 27, (10.50 p. m.)—A joint telegram, expressing entire confidence in the future, has been sent to Grand Duke Nicholas, commander-in-chief of the Russian army, by President Poincaré, Minister of War Millerand, and General Joffre, the French commander. The text of the message follows:

"Our thoughts turn toward your troops who, at the present moment, merit the confidence of the whole world by reason of the struggle they are making. With complete confidence in the final victory of your armies, we beg you to accept our respectful homage and fervent good wishes, together with the assurance that, more than ever before, our armies are happy and proud to co-operate with Your Highness and your valiant soldiers."

The Grand Duke replied: "The sentiments you express towards the Russian army are reciprocated. The close relations and common accord existing between the commanders of all the allied armies is a certain omen of the glorious end in which, with God's aid, we will participate."

MINERS' STRIKE CONDEMNED BY EXECUTIVE

London, Aug. 27.—The Mine Owners' Federation sent an urgent request to the Welsh strikers today to return to work at once. The executive council of the miners' organization adopted a resolution today condemning the new strike as unauthorized and urging the men to remain at work pending further negotiations. A deputation representing the council is on its way to London in an attempt to overcome Mr. Runciman's objection to re-opening the matter.

REICHSTAG ADJOURNS UNTIL NOVEMBER 30

London, Aug. 27.—According to a telegram received from Berlin, says Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent, the Reichstag has adjourned until November 30. President Kaempf was enthusiastically applauded when he announced that at the suggestion of Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, the Imperial Chancellor, the Reichstag building henceforth would be ornamented with a tablet inscribed "To the German People."