

INVASION OF RUSSIA IS HALTED

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SMALL HOPE OF SPEEDY PEACE

Germany Sees Little Probability of General Peace Following Chancellor's Speech--Approves Wilson's Terms, But Declares Entente Will Not Subscribe to Them

By Courier Leased Wire. Amsterdam, Feb. 28.—Chancellor von Hertling's denial of any intention by Germany to establish herself in Estonia and Livonia, says The Frankfurter Zeitung, excludes misunderstanding. It adds: "It must now be assumed that there is no fundamental difference of opinion between the chancellor and President Wilson and peace discussion based on President Wilson's principle might begin immediately. It is important, however, for the President to induce his allies to recognize his principles. As they seem to be hopelessly entangled in their own plans, while President Wilson himself is not free and a league of nations is not in existence to offer aid, there is slight hope that the chancellor's appeal will in fact be successful."

By Courier Leased Wire. Zurich, Feb. 28.—A Vienna despatch to The Munich Neueste Nachrichten says that Imperial Chancellor von Hertling's speech meets with the general approval of the Viennese press. Even The Arbeiter Zeitung agrees to most of the chancellor's utterances. "Political circles note," adds the despatch, "that Germany at this moment is developing her greatest strength and is giving clear proof of her love for peace. No German could have spoken more frankly than von Hertling."

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GERMAN ARMY ORDERED TO STOP ADVANCE INTO RUSSIA

ITALIAN LOSSES NIL

By Courier Leased Wire. Rome, Feb. 28.—Italian shipping was immune from German submarines and mines in the week ending February 27. One steamer attacked and best off a submarine which menaced it. During the week 419 ships entered Italian ports and 338 cleared, exclusive of fishing and other small vessels. Not one ton was lost. ONE SMALL VESSEL LOST. Paris, Feb. 28.—No French vessels of more than 1,600 tons were sunk by enemy mines or submarines during the week ending February 27. One vessel under that tonnage was lost, but no fishermen were sunk. Four merchantmen fought off submarine attacks. Entries into French ports aggregated 916 and departures 901.

TEUTONS REFUSE TO GIVE UP POISON GAS

Would Require Change in Both Attack and Defense Schemes, Is German Plea; Willing for Discussion on New War Methods.

By Courier Leased Wire. Copenhagen, Feb. 28.—(By Mail)—The Central Powers have no intention of giving up the use of poison gas, as recently was suggested in an appeal from the International Red Cross at Geneva. The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger, a copy of which has been received here, says: "In the opinion of German experts, it would be difficult to carry out such a suggestion, because both attack and defense schemes would have to be re-considered. This the army command is hardly inclined to do. But if an armistice could be arranged, there would be opportunity to discuss all the new technical war methods introduced since the war began."

NO RAY OF PEACE YET DAWNING ON HORIZON

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Invading Forces Halted by Command From Military Headquarters

SURRENDER ACCEPTED

Halting is Interpreted to Mean Renewal of Peace With Bolsheviks

FRESH CALL TO ARMS

Russ Council of People's Commissioners Denounces German Socialists

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Feb. 28.—The German army has received orders to stop its advance into Russia, according to the Petrograd correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company, who has received information to this effect, which he regards as reliable. When the Bolshevik Government agreed to accept German peace terms last week the commander-in-chief of the Russian army inquired of the Germans if the previous armistice would be renewed and the German invasion halted. He did not receive an immediate reply and the German advance continued. A despatch from Petrograd Wednesday said that General Hoffman, the German military representative at Brest-Litovsk, had replied to the Bolshevik communication by declaring that the German advance would continue until a treaty of peace was signed and carried out along lines laid down in the German peace terms.

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FRANCE CHARTERS GERMAN VESSELS

Appropriation Voted To Make Use of Interned Teuton Ships

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LAWLESSNESS IN IRELAND REPORTED

London Hears of Disorders For Which Sinn Feiners Are Blamed

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Feb. 28.—The newspapers continue to print reports of seizures of land and other acts of lawlessness by Sinn Feiners in Ireland. The police are said to be unable to prevent these acts. Among the minor incidents is a report that Sinn Feiners seized American flags which two boys were carrying in a street in Galway and tore and burned them.

INTERN RAIDERS

By Courier Leased Wire. Copenhagen, Feb. 28.—The German crew and a Spanish officer have been landed from the German converted cruiser Igoz Mendil, which sought refuge in Danish waters. The Spanish flag is now flying from the vessel. A detachment of Danish soldiers escorted the Germans to Skagen, where they have been interned.

SEVEN NURSES ARE REPORTED MISSING

Death Roll on Glen Artcastle Will Likely Total Nearly 144

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Feb. 28.—The hospital ship, Glen Artcastle, had 182 persons on board, it is stated unofficially when she went down Tuesday in the British Channel. Three parties aggregating 38, have been landed at Swansea, Milford and Pembroke. None of the others have been heard from. The missing include about seven nurses. "The survivors of the Glen Artcastle landed at Swansea, declared the ship was torpedoed by a submarine. No submarine was seen, but a dim light was seen on the surface of the water before the ship was shaken by an explosion."

ACTIVITIES IN SIBERIA BY JAPAN AND U.S.

Flowery Kingdom Contemplating a Policy of Military Intervention

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Feb. 28.—The Japanese and American activities in Siberia, as reported from Paris as to Japan's possible activities, in view of the German advance into Russia, are given prominence by the morning newspapers. The Times says it understands that the statement of the Japanese foreign minister is regarded in well informed quarters as an authoritative declaration of Japanese policy. In its editorial comment the Daily Mail says: "General Foch's appeal to Japan and the United States to co-operate in confronting the German in Siberia, is answered by Viscount Motono as far as Japan is concerned. If an allied expedition in which Japan and America would necessarily have leading parts, could control the Siberian railroad, and with it the rich food raising and mineral bearing districts of Siberia, a good counter-stroke would be dealt to Germany's advance. Japan's services in the allied cause already is considerable. It is not impossible that she will soon add to it."

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WASHINGTON HEARS NEWS

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VOTE FROM ENGLANDS FOR UNION

Government Gains Two More Seats as Result of Soldier Ballots

MAJORITY NOW 64

No Change in Quebec Standing; Three Unionists Only

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