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RUSSIANS MOVING BACK TO BREST-LITKOVSK LINE, LEAVING STRONG GARRISON AT NOVO-GEORGIEVSK

Siege of Novo-Georgievsk May Prove Another of Important Features in Eastern Campaign—Army Corps Could Hold Fort Against Besiegers for Months—Russians Destroy Bridges as They Cross Vistula—Von Buelow's Advance in Baltic Provinces a Serious Menace to Grand Duke's Army—Germans Fail in Series of Attacks Along Western Front.

London, Aug. 6.—With the exception of the great enterprise of Novo-Georgievsk, the Russians have evacuated the whole line of the Vistula river. Inaugurated, the southern fortresses having fallen into the hands of the Austro-German army, the Russians are now making their way eastward to the Brest-Litovsk line.

The decision of the general staff to leave the garrison at Novo-Georgievsk is announced in Petrograd despatches. The object is to deprive the Germans of the use of railway communications and of the Vistula river for bringing up supplies for their armies.

Novo-Georgievsk is situated at the junction of the Vistula, Narew and Wkra rivers, to the northwest of Warsaw. It has two powerful bridges, eight citadels and twenty-four redoubts, containing eleven and twelve inch batteries. It is calculated by military observers here that an army corps could hold out there for many months, as the camp is protected by massive earthworks.

The laying of siege to Novo-Georgievsk may prove one of the most interesting operations of the war, as it doubtless will show whether earthworks are less susceptible to the fire of high explosives than are cupola forts.

An even more serious menace seemingly is General Von Buelow's advance in the Baltic provinces. While, according to Petrograd, the Germans have been thrown back immediately south of Riga, they have made a further advance east of Poulwesch toward the Drinsk-Vilna-Petrograd railway.

Some critics believe this move means that the Germans, unless they succeed in smashing the Russian army, intend to make an effort to advance further into Russia and endeavor to force Emperor Nicholas to accept a separate peace. With the history of previous invasions of Russia before them, however, it is believed in other quarters that the German staff would hesitate at such a tremendous undertaking.

Along the western front the Germans have made a series of attacks, but all of them, according to the French report were repulsed.

In diplomatic circles, great interest attaches to the negotiations that are going on in the capitals of the Balkan States. The Ministers of the Quadruple Entente Powers at Nish, Serbia, following the example of their colleagues in Athens, have had a conference with the Serbian government. Simultaneously Sofia has denied the repeated reports that an agreement had been reached between Bulgaria and Turkey.

Russian Report

Petrograd, via London, Aug. 6.—The following official communication was made public by the War Office tonight:

"There is no appreciable change in the situation. Between the Dvina and Niemen rivers we yesterday repulsed the Germans."

"There was desperate fighting throughout the night of the 4th and all of yesterday on the left bank of the Narew, on the Rozan-Ostroienka-Ostrov roads. A series of vigorous counter-attacks by our troops held up the enemy along an extended front. At a distance of about ten versts (about six and a quarter miles) from the river we captured several hundred prisoners. Violent fighting continued."

"Along the Middle Vistula all is quiet since our retreat to the right bank."

"Warsaw was evacuated in order to save the town from the effects of a bombardment."

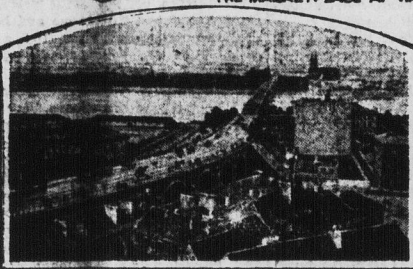
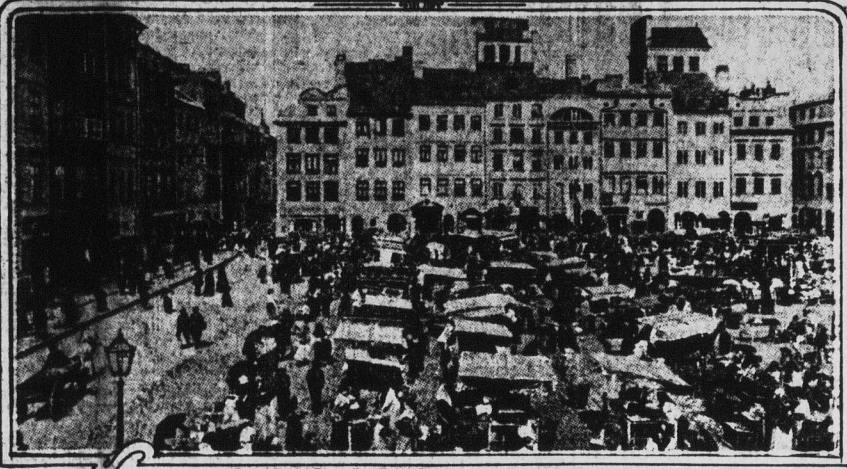
"The fruitless attempts of the enemy to extend the zone in his occupation is only being continued in the region of Matzievitz."

"Between the Vistula and the Bug the battles of the 5th to the east of our trench guns have been so stubbornly contested. The enemy concentrated the fire of his massed artillery and our troops were obliged to retire a little to the north."

"There is no change in the situation on the right bank of the Zlota Lippa or on the Dulester rivers."

London, Aug. 6.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company sends the following: "A Berlin despatch states that General Von Keasel, military commander of Berlin, ordered a salute of sixty 'victory shots' fired at noon today in honor of the taking of Warsaw."

Scenes in Fallen Capital of Poland



ALLIES BRINGING PRESSURE TO BEAR ON BALKAN STATES

Urging Burying of Political Differences and United Front Against Teutonic Allies—Pressing Serbia to Accede to Bulgaria's Demand as Price of Her Entry Into War.

London, Aug. 6.—Pressure is being put on all the Balkan nations by the four Allied powers—Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy—to have them settle their differences, reconstruct the Balkan League, and join the Allies in their war against the Austro-Germans.

On Wednesday the ministers of these four powers called together on Premier Gounaris of Greece, and though no announcement of the outcome of their visit was made, it is known that they urged the speedy settlement of political questions there and access to power of the Venizelos party, which swept the country in the elections of June last. What further representations were made on the entry of Greece into the war is not known.

Today, a despatch comes from Nish, the war capital of Serbia, stating that the ministers of the Allied powers there called on Premier Pachitch, and it is believed they urged Serbia to make the concessions of Macedonian territory demanded by Bulgaria as the price of her entry into the war on the side of the Allies. The Allies would then probably guarantee compensations for Serbia elsewhere.

OPPOSITION TO CALLING OUT LANDSTURM BETWEEN THE AGES OF 42 AND 45

Zurich, Aug. 6, via London.—Despatches from Vienna state that the public manifestations of joy over the fall of Warsaw, which were intensified by the later news of the occupation of Ivanogorod by the Teutons, far exceed any jubilation since the outbreak of the war. Public buildings and private houses were decorated with flags, and great crowds promenade the street. The ring-Strasse in front of the ministry of war was blocked by people cheering the armies of the central allies. The demonstrations continued until the early hours this morning.

According to private reports from Berlin the calling up of the untrained Landsturm, between the ages of 42 and 45, in various towns, generally, is meeting with virulent opposition on the part of manufacturers, who have held several conferences with the military authorities. Until now these classes have only been called from the rural districts.

OFFICIAL REPORTS AUSTRIA

Vienna, Aug. 6, via London, Aug. 7.—The following official statement was issued here:

"Northwest of Ivanogorod our allies have made progress. Between the Vistula and the Bug rivers the pursuit battles continue."

"In East Galicia the situation is unchanged."

"The daily repeated attempts by the Italians to attack always terminate in complete failure. Where the Italian infantry assumes an attack the movement either is repulsed by our artillery or thrown back, with heavy losses by our infantry. Even well trained guns and thorough artillery preparation have proved unavailing in altering this course of events."

"Thus failed on the night of the 5th and yesterday several attacks—one directed from Sagrado and another against the heights of Podgora, where the field was covered with the bodies of Italians. There were also unsuccessful attacks on the Piava sector and in the Krn district."

"An Italian captive balloon was shot down near Monfalcone."

"In the Carnian Alps our troops in the vicinity of Monte Paravla, occupied some favorable heights positions on Italian territory."

"On the Tyrolean front an enemy battalion's attack against Colidiana, Buchenstein, was repulsed."

"Inside the Valley of the Ortler district (Tyrol) one of our patrols attacked a hostile half company, causing it considerable losses."

WILL PRESENT EIGHT MACHINE GUNS

Straiford, Ont., Aug. 6.—Perth county council, at a special session this afternoon, decided to buy eight machine guns for the Canadian troops. The purchase will be made through the militia department.

WILL PUT GRAND DUKE'S SKILL TO THE TEST

London Post Issues Grave Warning Against Taking too Hopeful View of Situation in the East.

London, Aug. 7.—The Morning Post, in an editorial on the Russian situation says:

"We would warn the country that the situation is serious. Whatever professional apologists may say, it is certain that Russia has not fallen back from Warsaw for any other reason than the urgent dictates of necessity. The great enveloping movement of the German armies on the north is not yet over. It is at present being developed. It is a movement most dangerous and formidable, and it will take all the vigilance and skill of the Grand Duke and the magnificent steadiness of the Russian infantry to escape the tolls set for Russia's armies by the great strategists who direct the German offensive."

"The cause of the Entente Powers at present is on knife-edge."

"There is no assurance anywhere, save only in that faith which presses forward through dangers without looking to the right hand or the left. We are in front of a situation where the only safety lies in doing the very utmost of which a nation is capable."

WOMEN AS SAILORS ON VOLGA RIVER STEAMERS

London, Aug. 6.—The British consulate at Riga, the Russian seaport, which is being evacuated by the civil population, has been placed under

HAYTI ENTERS A PROTEST

Object to Occupation of Haitian Territory by Americans — National Assembly Meets Tomorrow to Elect New President.

Port Au Prince, Aug. 6.—The occupation of the port and the national palace at Cape Haitien gives the Americans the last positions held by the Haitians. The populace has been thrown into consternation by the operations of the Americans.

The president of the senate in the name of the nation, today cabled Sojan Menos, Haitian minister to the United States, a new protest against the occupation of Haitian territory by the American naval forces.

The American authorities have notified the diplomatic body and the consular agents that Col. Eli K. Cole, United States marine corps, and commander of the American expeditionary forces, is entrusted with the maintenance of order and the safeguarding of life and property.

Captain Edward L. Beach, chief of staff to Admiral Caperton, remains in charge of the work of settling any differences of an administrative nature which may arise with the Haitian authorities.

Dr. Bobo, leader of the revolution, arrived here today on board the United States refrigerator ship Celtic. On landing he was cheered by the populace.

A meeting of the national assembly has been called for Sunday to elect a new president.

American protection, according to the Petrograd correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Company.

The correspondent states that women are replacing the sailors on Volga river steamers.

POLES MORALLY AND DISTINCTLY SLAV TYPE

M. Chebeko Tells Council of Empire at Petrograd Fall of Warsaw Seriously Effects Poles.

London, Aug. 7.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Petrograd says:

"At a meeting of the Council of the Empire today the fatherly Warsaw evoked expressions of condolence from various Russian members and a stirring speech from M. Chebeko.

"The present event affects our country and all Poles to such an extent that it requires nerves of iron to bear the suffering sent us by Providence," declared M. Chebeko. "We Poles today feel the profound fraternal sympathy of the Russian people for our unhappy Poland, but in the midst of this misfortune we reflect the long series of historic facts that have welded the Poles into a people morally and distinctly a Slav type from which it is henceforth indivisible!"

REV. DR. BURKE IS NAMED CHAPLAIN WITH OVERSEAS FORCES

Ottawa, Aug. 6.—The Very Rev. Dr. Alfred E. Burke, D. D., LL. D., of Toronto, president and founder of the Catholic Church Extension Society, and for the past seven years editor in chief of the Catholic Register and Canadian Extension, has been appointed a chaplain to the Canadian overseas forces, with appropriate military rank, and will shortly proceed to England to take up his new duties.

THE NORRIS GOVT. RETURNED IN MANITOBA

Returns to Hand Give Liberals Good Lead—Sir J. A. M. Aiken Among the Defeated Candidates.

Winnipeg, Aug. 6.—The Norris government was tonight returned to power with the greatest phalanx of supporters ever known in Manitoba. Every member of the government was elected by a substantial majority. Out of the forty-six seats five can be safely placed in the Conservative column, and of those five there are four French-Canadians.

Sir James Aikins and W. H. Sharpe, his right hand man, were beaten by big majorities, while only five of the former supporters of the Roblin administration regained their seats in the house. The seats claimed by the Conservatives and conceded by the Liberals are:

Carillon, (A. Prefontaine); Iberville, (Aime Benard); Morris, (J. P. H. Roblin, (F. Y. Newton) and Ste. Rose (J. Hamelin).

Winnipeg went entirely Liberal, the six seats being secured by five Liberals and one Social Democrat, Alderman Rigg. The biggest majority polled was that secured by Hon. T. H. Johnson, who had over 4,200 votes the better of his opponent. All forecasts and pre-arranged ideas were jumbled up in the results. Seats historically Conservative and where it was believed no Liberal could possibly win, went Liberal. The result was startling even to the most optimistic supporters of the Norris government. To Premier Norris it came as a vindication of the people's acceptance of the findings of the Perdue Commission, exonerating from any wrong-doing as charged by C. P. Fullerton.

Sir James Aikins did not comment on the general result, but referring to his own defeat in Brandon, he said he would shake hands with his opponent and wish him well. He hoped yet to see the main planks of his platform carried out.

In the absence from the city of Premier Norris, who was at Brandon, Hon. Edward Brown addressed the Winnipeg crowd. "We recognize," he said, "that this is not a party victory, but the people have spoken in an unmistakable way and given their answer."

I want to say that the government will, at the earliest opportunity, carry out the promises made to the people of this province. We have promised a business administration, and we are going to give it."

Returns received up to midnight are as follows:

Arthur, complete—Williams, Liberal, 183 majority, unchanged.

Assiniboia, complete—Wilson, Liberal, 55 majority over Independent candidate; 25 majority over Haig, former member, Liberal gains.

Beautiful Plains, complete—Wood, Liberal, 207 majority; Liberal gain.

Birtle, one poll to come—Malcolm, Liberal, 414 majority, unchanged.

Brandon City, complete—Clements, Liberal 692 majority over Sir James Aikins; Liberal gain.

Carillon, two polls to hear from, Prefontaine, Con., 42 majority, Con. gain.

CLEARING UP DEBRIS IN ERIE

Property Owners and Volunteers in Flooded Pennsylvania Town Take Hand in Clearing Away Wreckage.

Erie, Pa., Aug. 6.—With every property owner and tenant in the flooded district and hundreds of volunteer workers and paid employees of the city clearing away the debris along the path of Tuesday's disaster, the ruins are now being pulled apart and a real start has been made towards clearing this up.

About \$2,000 has been raised by the citizens to meet the first expense of the crisis. Sanitary precautions are being taken, and the health officers say tonight that they believe an epidemic will be averted. State police have taken charge of the guard work in the district, and are being assisted by naval militia and members of the local police department. There has been very little looting today, and few arrests were made in the flood zone compared with yesterday and the day previous.

Three bodies were recovered today, which brings the number of known dead to 29, with many others unaccounted for.

PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE UNDECIDED ABOUT MEXICAN POLICY

Washington, Aug. 6.—The Pan-American conference considering means to restore peace to Mexico adjourned today, after having developed no divergence of opinion as to its general purposes, but leaving undecided the exact course to be pursued. It will reconvene in New York, probably early next week.

Bicycle Found

Mounted Policeman Moore found the frame of a bicycle in Rockwood park last evening. The frame is brand new, but the wheels had been removed. It is believed by the police that the bike has been stolen from some place and the thief having removed the wheels left the frame in the park.

Cypress, incomplete returns show election of Myers, Lib. Lib. gain.

Dufferin, complete, August, Lib., 264 majority, Premier Roblin's old seat, Lib. gain.

Deloraine, complete, Thornton, Lib., 295 majority, unchanged.

Dauphin, complete, Harrington, Lib., 192 majority Lib. gain.

Emerson, two polls to hear from—Baskerville, Lib., 632 majority, Lib. gain.

Elmwood, incomplete—Hamilton, Lib., 1,132 majority, Lib. gain.

Gilbert Plains, incomplete—Findlater, Lib., 560 majority, Lib. gain.

Glenwood, complete—Breaker, Lib., 455 majority, unchanged.

Gladstone, incomplete, Armstrong, Lib., 400 majority, unchanged.

Gimliho, only partly returned in, Independent elected.

Hamloka, complete, McConnell, Lib., 467 majority, unchanged.

Iberville, complete, Bernard, Con., 133 majority unchanged.

Killarney, complete, Hayden, Lib., 123 majority over Geo. Lawrence, Lib. gain.

Kildonan and St. Andrews, complete—Prout, Lib., 500 majority, Lib. gain.

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