

FRESH GAINS FOR ROUMANIANS

Austria Prepared and Anxious for Peace Upon Terms of the Reichstag

Manifestations of Weakness in Speeches of Chancellor Michaelis and Count Czernin

Newly Launched Offensive Meets With Success

ANNEXATIONS DISCUSSED IN THE BRITISH PRESS

Would Not Deprive Germans of Genuine German Territory, Unless to Indemnify France and Belgium For Their Losses at Hand of Foe

Six Villages Together With Many Prisoners and War Materials Captured by Victorious Roumanian Army in Advance on Friday Last--The Polish Situation

By Courier Leased Wire. London, July 30.—Six villages were taken in another advance on the part of the Roumanian troops, according to an official statement issued by the Roumanian War Office. The statement reads:

"On the 27th, between the valleys of Casin and Putna we again advanced some kilometres and occupied the villages of Soveia, Dragoslav, Negriita, Valegares, Topca and Colacul. We again took prisoners and some motor batteries and war material."

Blood and Iron

London, July 30.—The correspondent of the Times at the Russian southwest headquarters after describing the desertions and panic of the Russian troops says General Korniloff's measures against indiscipline have been approved and that he is executing deserters by wholesale.

Amnesty To Poles

London, July 30.—The editor of the Polish Review, published in London, has received from A. R. Lednitsky, chairman of the committee appointed by the Russian provisional government to settle affairs in Poland, a telegram saying that the government has granted amnesty to Polish prisoners of war, who are Russian subjects and who fought against Russia in the Polish legions and that they will not be treated as rebels.

All Polish civilian prisoners, including Prussian and Austrian subjects will be treated as subjects of foreign states which are not at war with Russia and they will recover personal and property rights. The telegram also gives details of various privileges granted Polish war prisoners.

Polish Problem

London, July 30.—A Zurich despatch to Reuters, Limited, says that telegrams from Cracow report that not merely single units of Polish legends refused to take the military oath, but whole regiments, including four infantry, one cavalry, one artillery and parts of other regiments, are agitating a majority of all the forces. Unless General Pilsudski is released immediately it is believed that serious consequences will ensue. The Polish party intends to bring up the question at the next setting of the Reichstag.

WHERE IS LENINE?

By Courier Leased Wire. Petrograd, July 30.—Nikolai Lenin; peace agitator and alleged German spy, has disappeared from his usual haunts in Petrograd and his whereabouts is not known to the government authorities. The stories published that Lenin had been seized by the police at Ozeck; Finland; on the Polish region has been arrested by German authorities while attempting to leave Poland on a false passport. General Pilsudski's flight marks the culmination of the differences between the Poles who desire to form an independent Polish army and the German authorities who insist that the Polish forces be under German control.

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CITE DU MOULIN IN CANADIAN HANDS

Successful Union Operation on Lens Front Results in Advancing of Canadian Front to Depth of Over Four Hundred Yards--Positions Won Consolidated

By Courier Leased Wire. By Stewart Lyon, special Canadian Press correspondent. Canadian army headquarters, France, July 30.—By a minor operation last night the Canadian front was advanced in the region east of the Reservoir Hill into the Cite du Moulin, the only suburb lying between Reservoir Hill and Lens. The losses of the Canadians were inconsiderable and the advance gives them possession of a stretch of difficult country, extending about one thousand yards north and south, with a depth easterly from our former front of over four hundred yards. The gain this morning was made as a result of careful scouting. By close observation it was learned that to lessen the heavy losses from our artillery, which has been pounding Cite du Moulin steadily for the past two weeks, the enemy withdrew men holding the line among its ruined houses during the day and only manned the positions at night when he believed from former experience that Canadian methods an attack in force was likely to be made. That was good tactics; but the obvious method of catching the enemy napping was to send an attacking party in daylight while our bombardment was still in progress. This was done. The range of our guns increased as the men went over, and so out the enemy outposts off from their supports.

BRITISH CRUISER IS SUNK

By Courier Leased Wire. London, July 30.—The British Cruiser Ariadne, of 11,000 tons, has been torpedoed and sunk, according to an official statement issued to-day by the British admiralty. The Ariadne was an old British cruiser, having been built in 1908. She was 450 feet long, 60 feet beam and had a maximum draft of 27 1/2 feet. Her complement consisted of 677 officers and men. The Ariadne carried sixteen 6-inch guns, twelve 12 pounders and a number of smaller guns. She also was equipped with two submerged 18-inch torpedo tubes.

AUSTRIA PREPARED FOR ANY HONORABLE PEACE

Duel Monarchy Anxious For Close of War, Says Foreign Minister, But Will Remain Loyal to Teuton Cause if Entente Declines German Terms

By Courier Leased Wire. Vienna, July 29.—via Copenhagen.—Reiterating that Austria-Hungary was ready to accept an honorable peace, but that the dual monarchy, in conjunction with its allies, would fight to the last extremity if the Entente Powers declined to enter negotiations on the basis of a peace by understanding as recently outlined by the German imperial chancellor and the Reichstag, Count Otto Karl Zinnin von Chudenitz, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister in an interview to-day, discussed at length peace possibilities.

The Austrian statesman took occasion to reply to the speech made by David Lloyd George in London, July 21, when the British premier characterized the address delivered in the Reichstag by Dr. Michaelis, the German chancellor, as a sham. The Count said Mr. Lloyd George was mistaken when he represented the Reichstag peace resolution to be "a piece of bluff."

The chancellor and the Reichstag, the foreign minister said, declared that Germany was conducting a defensive war and that the German people only asked for an honorable peace by means of an understanding.

CAUSE OF JUSTICE, HUMANITY

Is Allied Cause in the War; Lansing on Menace of Militarism

By Courier Leased Wire. Madison Barracks, N.Y., July 30.—In a speech here last night before 1,700 members of the officers' reserve corps, Secretary of State Robert Lansing, emphasizing the peril of German imperialism to the United States and the world, declared his belief that the German people would not cast off the yoke of autocracy "until the physical might of the united democracies of the world have destroyed forever the evil ambitions of the military rulers of Germany."

"That," he added, "is the only way to restore the peace of the world."

Mr. Lansing sought to drive home to the student officers the righteousness of the cause for which they had volunteered to go to France and fight, asserting that the allies would win, "because our cause is the cause of justice and of right and of humanity."

ENEMY PLANE IS SHOT DOWN BY ITALIANS

Minor Successes Recorded on Trentino Front; Captives Taken

By Courier Leased Wire. Rome, July 30.—The official statement issued to-day 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 valley and on Monte Plans we took some prisoners. The artillery duel was accentuated in the Lagarina valley.

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

and an agreement offering the basis for a lasting reconciliation of the nations. The chancellor and the Reichstag solemnly replied that the German people desired no forced conquest and abhorred economic isolation and incitement to enmity between nations after the war.

"I must reply to Premier Lloyd George with the question: What are we to finally expect from the Entente. What we desire is quite evident from the well known declarations made in Vienna and from the demonstrations by the German people showing that a complete agreement exists to the very last detail between Vienna and Berlin.

"What the chancellor and the Reichstag declared is what I described months ago as an honorable peace, which the Vienna Government is ready to accept, and whereby it seeks a lasting reconciliation of the nations. But there also exists a complete agreement that we never shall accept a peace which is not honorable for us. If the Entente does not wish to enter negotiations on the basis which we have clearly indicated, we shall continue the war and fight to the last extremity.

"I don't care whether this admission is regarded as a sign of weakness or of strength. To me it seems only a sign of common sense and morality which revolt against the idea of prolonging the war. I am absolutely convinced the Entente will never succeed in crushing us, and, since in our position of defense we have no intention of crushing the enemy, the war will end sooner or later in a peace by understanding. But, to my way of thinking, the natural conclusion is that the further sacrifices and suffering imposed on all humanity are useless and that it is necessary in the interests of humanity to reach a peace by understanding as soon as possible.

"As we have fought in conjunction with our faithful allies, so we shall make peace in conjunction with them now or later, and we shall fight in conjunction with them to the last extremity unless the enemy shows a willingness to understand our viewpoint.

"I shall not put the question who was responsible for the war because it is useless to discuss the past in this connection. But I shall speak of the future, and I wish to express a desire that the world may succeed after the conclusion of peace in finding adequate means and expedients to prevent forever the recurrence of such a frightful war.

"Every man with any moral feeling must co-operate in this gigantic work. All states must unite in efforts to procure guarantees, which will make impossible in the future such a frightful disaster as the present world war. The road may be difficult, but it is not impossible."

Referring to the internal situation Count Czernin said: "The democratization of constitutions is the great demand of the times. Both in Austria and in Hungary, the governments are putting their hands to this great work, but they are against intervention from the outside. We do not intervene in the internal affairs of other states and we demand complete reciprocity in this matter."

GERMAN OFFICIAL

By Courier Leased Wire. Berlin, July 30.—German troops are advancing through the Suchava valley in the Austrian province of Bukovina, towards the town of Zoloty, it was announced officially to-day by the German general staff. The Germans also have pushed forward to the east of the Upper Colava valley. The statement says the Russians are holding the heights to the east of the River Zbroca, on the Russian frontier, which has been crossed by the Teutons at several points.

AT COPENHAGEN

London, July 30.—A Copenhagen despatch reports the arrival at Munich yesterday of the German Chancellor.

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WEATHER BULLETIN

One must expect to find a few new worms in a war garden. Toronto, July 30.—Showers have occurred from the Ottawa Valley eastward, also in Northern Alberta. The weather has been warm in Manitoba and Ontario. Forecasts Fresh southwest to west winds, fair and very warm to-day. Thunderstorms in some localities to-night and on Tuesday, then cooler.

ATTACKS OF ENEMY REPULSED

Heavy Artillery Fire Upon French Front, German Raids Failed

By Courier Leased Wire. Paris, July 30.—Last night there were violent artillery duels in the Aisne and Verdun regions of the French front. The official statement issued this afternoon says German surprise attacks at various points along the front were repulsed. The text reads:

"The night was marked by rather violent artillery actions, notably in the sectors of Bray-en-Lannois and Epine de Chevreigny, in the region of the monument at Hurbise, and on both banks of the River Meuse. Surprise attacks by the enemy at various points of the front were repulsed by our fire.

British Official London, July 30.—Except for small encounters between British and German patrols near Bullecourt and Acheville last night, there was nothing to report on the British front in France.

CENSORSHIP UPON SPANISH PRESS LIFTED

Only Restriction In Future Will Be Self Imposed By Editors

By Courier Leased Wire. Madrid, July 29.—The minister of the interior to-day called the editors of the principal newspapers together and announced the abolition of all censorship henceforth, except such as may be exercised by the editors themselves.

The minister said he would limit his control to criticism of individual papers, because the government was confident that the publications issued by Spaniards would realize that the internal situation in Spain was an extremely delicate one.

PETTY PRUSSIANISM

By Courier Leased Wire. Amsterdam, July 30.—According to the Het Volk the Belgian committee at The Hague, which provides a short holiday in Holland for poor children of Belgium, has been informed by the German authorities, that children over twelve years of age will not be permitted to leave Belgium. The Telegram says batches of German children Two hundred arrived Saturday and eight hundred are expected shortly.