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# KERENSKY IN MANIFESTO PROCLAIMS RUSSIA A REPUBLIC

## BRITISH TAKE IMPORTANT POSITION NORTH OF INVERNESS IN BELGIUM

### RUSSIA MAKES AN ATTEMPT AS A REPUBLIC

Rebellion Is Quelled, But Danger Great, Says Kerensky's Manifesto.

### DISCIPLINE ENFORCED

Political Disputes in Army and Fleet Not to Be Tolerated.

Petrograd, Sept. 16.—The Provisional Government on Saturday issued a manifesto proclaiming Russia to be a republican state. The proclamation follows: "General Korniloff's rebellion has been quelled. But great is the confusion caused thereby and again is the danger threatening the fate of the fatherland and its freedom."

"Holding it necessary to put an end to the external indefiniteness of the state's organization, remembering the unanimous and rapturous approval of the republican idea expressed at the Moscow state conference, the provisional government declares that the constitutional organization according to which the Russian state is ruled, is a republican organization and it hereby proclaims the Russian republic."

(Signed) "Minister and president, Kerensky. Minister of justice, Yarusimov."

In Hands of Five  
The title "minister and president" affixed to Kerensky's signature, probably refers to his position as president of the ministry, rather than as president of the republic.

The provisional government today announced that all the affairs of state had been entrusted to five members of the cabinet. The following official communication was issued: "Pending the definite constitution of a cabinet, and in view of the extraordinary circumstances, all affairs of state have been entrusted to Kerensky, premier; M. Terestchenko, minister of foreign affairs; General Verkhovskiy, minister of war; Admiral Verdevskiy, minister of marine, and M. Nikitin, minister of posts and telegraphs."

Election of the constituent assembly again has been postponed because the work of organization throughout the country has not been completed. Elections to the assembly now are fixed for Nov. 12, and the members are to convene Nov. 28 (Russian calendar).

Insists on Discipline  
Premier Kerensky, in an order of the day to the army and the fleet, and stating that General Korniloff's revolt had been quelled, ordered the cessation of all political disputes in the army, which must do everything in its power to restore its fighting force.

The premier instructed the soldiers to resume the transport of troops according to orders of the general staff, to stop arresting their commanders, to do nothing which might lead to the judicial authorities; not to remove their commanders from their posts, and not to form voluntary detachments on the pretext of fighting for the counter-revolutionary movement.

Country's Only Salvation  
The order of the day concludes with the assurance that the army, which showed its complete fidelity and trust in the provisional government during the recent troubles, will realize that the country can only be saved by the re-establishment of army discipline and by the close union of all elements.

General Yaluvoff, commander-in-chief of the western Russian front, in an order of the day issued to his army, says: "The enemy does not sleep. On the contrary, he is intoxicated by his Riga success and is, according to reliable reports, preparing attempts to break thru the Russian front at Dvina and Drinsk. Should he succeed, the liberty secured by the revolution will be lost."

"I exhort you to leave to the government the solution of internal questions and to devote yourselves only to the maintenance of discipline and fighting efficiency." Surrender.  
The surrender on Saturday of Gen. Korniloff took place without bloodshed, but only after prolonged negotiations, during the course of which a collision seemed inevitable. When the governmental army under Gen. Korotkiy was marching from Orsha to Mohilev, Gen. Korniloff was negotiating with Gen. Alexieff, chief of staff, who had already reached Mohilev, but was unable to effect Korniloff's arrest owing to the fact that part of the local forces was emphatically for Korniloff and prepared to defend him to the last.

Korniloff and Lokomsky laid down conditions under which they were willing to surrender their swords, the nature of which has not been reported. Both showed considerable obstinacy and negotiations broke down.

### SESSION MAY BE ENDED THURSDAY

Movement Is on at Ottawa to Speed Up Prorogation.

### ATTENTION ON SENATE

Dubious Outlook for Bill to Amend the Railway Act.



Late Harry Ryrie, secretary-treasurer of the firm of Ryrie Brothers, who died Sunday morning.

### CANADIANS REPEL GERMAN ATTACK

Attempt to Capture St. Laurent Outpost Completely Fails.

### LENS AGAIN GASSED

Enemy Reduces Garrison in Town Owing to Intolerable Conditions.

By Stewart Lyon.  
Canadian Headquarters in France, Sept. 15.—Early this morning, Sunday, after a heavy preliminary bombardment with trench mortars and artillery, the Germans attempted to capture one of our outposts in the St. Laurent sector, but were driven off. A large part of our front was subjected to intense shell fire, and a second attempt was made to drive in our outpost line, but without success.

### TORPEDO NARROWLY MISSES BIG LINER

Mechanism Goes Wrong When Missile Is About to Hit Ship.

An Atlantic Post, Sept. 15.—The Associated Press says: A submarine attack on an American steamship, one of the largest liners, in transatlantic service, was reported by several of the 400 passengers, which included United States army officers, on the vessel's arrival here today. The mechanism of the torpedo fired by a U-boat went wrong just before the missile seemed about to hit the ship. The torpedo leaped into the air, was deflected from its course and passed to the stern of the steamship. The attack took place two days after the liner had left a European port.

## NINETY MORE MEDALS FOR CANADIAN VALOR

Winnipeg Lance-Corporal Accounts for Six Germans by Sniping—Westerner Holds Trench After Death of Comrades

By Stewart Lyon.  
Canadian Headquarters in France, Sept. 15.—So numerous were the cases of extraordinary courage, resourcefulness, or self-sacrifice during the battle of Lens that it has been found necessary to recognize them by awarding an exceptional number of Military Medals to the men who so distinguished themselves. The corps orders yesterday contained the names of almost 90 men from western Canada thus honored. In Manitoba battalion those awarded the Military Medal are: Lance-Corporal George W. Coombs, Private Monsieura Brothers, George Petrie, Samuel Twigg, John James Williams, Corporal Ernest Hardcastle, Robert Duncan Scott, Charles Brown, Master, John Finnigan, John Brown.

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By a Staff Reporter.  
Ottawa, Sept. 15.—Altho Sir Robert Borden some days ago announced that parliament would prorogue on Saturday, September 22, there is a movement on foot among the members of both houses to hasten the event, and, if possible, to close the session on Thursday next. The house has practically cleaned up its order paper but the senate has yet to dispose of the federal franchise bill and the bill to amend and consolidate the Railway Act. The former measure will not take a great deal of time, altho it will no doubt be bitterly assailed by members of the opposition. The second reading will be passed tomorrow and the bill might be passed thru all of its stages in time to receive the royal assent on Thursday.

### THE REAL FIGHT

The real fight will centre around the government bill to amend and consolidate the Railway Act, and especially around that clause of the bill which rescinds the perpetual franchise now enjoyed or at least claimed by the Toronto-Niagara Power Company in the streets of Toronto. The opponents to the clause are found on both sides of the red chamber, and while it might be expected that the vote, every effort will be made to have the bill lost in the jungle. The senate railway committee, which has the bill in charge, will vote on the Toronto clause tomorrow; but there is little doubt that the opponents of the bill, if defeated in the committee, will attempt to defeat it in the floor of the senate. The government is not anxious to have the bill promptly reported, as its consideration may be used to obstruct the passage of the federal franchise bill. On the other hand, if the railway bill does not come up for third reading in the senate until Wednesday, it can be used to obstruct the passage of the federal franchise bill.

### SWEDEN SEEKING TO MAKE AMENDS

Seriousness of Situation Realized, Says Foreign Minister Lindman.

### STOPPAGE OF LEAKS

Germany Asked for Explanation of Abuse of Privileges Extended.  
London, Sept. 15.—A Stockholm despatch says: Sweden realizes the seriousness of the situation created by the recent disclosures at Washington regarding the transmission of German despatches, and expects to take all steps possible to put matters right. Foreign Minister Lindman told the Associated Press during an informal talk. All transmission of German despatches has been stopped. He said, and Germany had been asked for an explanation of the abuse of the privilege formerly extended.

### ENEMY OFFERS REWARD FOR TAKING AMERICANS

German Commander Promises Four Hundred Marks for First United States Soldier Brought In, Dead or Alive.

By the Associated Press.  
British Headquarters in France and Belgium, Sept. 15.—German military authorities on the western front have shown concern about the imminence of the American army's entry into the fighting by offering rewards for the production of the first American prisoner. The general commanding the 11th reserve division recently put the price of 400 marks on the first American soldier brought, dead or alive, into his lines.

### WAR CREDITS BILL PASSES U. S. SENATE

Largest Measure of Its Kind in History of the World.  
Washington, Sept. 15.—The war credits bill, authorizing new bonds, and certificates aggregating \$1,538,000,000 and the largest measure of its kind in the world's history, was passed by the senate late today without a roll call or dissenting vote. It has already passed the house.

### ARGENTINA PROHIBITS HUN WIRELESS PLANT

Attempt to Receive Messages From Station at Nauen Is Balked.  
Buenos Aires, Sept. 15.—The government has withdrawn permission granted to a German wireless company to attempt to receive wireless messages from the German station at Nauen.

### REGENCY COUNCIL HAS AUTHORITY IN POLAND

Amsterdam, Sept. 15.—A decree published at Lublins on Sept. 12 transfers the supreme authority in Poland to a regency council of three members appointed by the monarchs of the occupying powers, says a Vienna message today. All the decrees of the council must be countersigned by a responsible premier. The legislative power is to be exercised by the council.



King George and Queen Mary pay a visit to some of the United States troops now in England.

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### RUSSIANS JOIN FIERCE BATTLE IN RIGA DRIVE

Petrograd Says Army Shows Great Firmness and Stability.

### TAKE GALICIA WOOD

Ally's Forces Also Repel Hostile Attacks on Rumanian Front.

Petrograd, Sept. 16.—Stubborn fighting is in progress on the northern end of the front in Russia. Today's official statement says the Russian troops are fighting with determination, repelling German assaults. Attacks on the Rumanian front were beaten back. The communication follows:

"Western front: In the direction of Riga and on the Pskoff road, in the region of the Zverovo R. Front, a stubborn battle is proceeding. Our troops are showing great firmness and stability, repelling attacks. In the region north of Lake Petich, our scouts found the burned remains of a German airplane which our fire had brought down. On the remainder of the front there was no incident."

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Allies Win Success on Southeastern Edge—Aircraft Bombards Austrians in Ravenna Area, East of Monte San Gabriele.

Rome, Sept. 15.—Italian troops gained ground yesterday along the southeastern edge of the Bainsizza plateau, it is announced officially. More than 400 men were captured. The statement follows:

"On the Bainsizza plateau yesterday the gallant Sassari Brigade with splendid dash gained ground at the southeastern margin, capturing 17 officers, more than 400 men and some machine guns."

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