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PROVINCES ORDERED TO REPRESS RISINGS

Troops at Front Appealed to Rally to Support Provisional Government.

London, Nov. 8.—A Reuter despatch from Petrograd, dated Wednesday, says the Kerensky Government had invested Minister of Public Welfare Kishkin with extraordinary powers to re-establish order in Petrograd. One of the first measures undertaken was the removal of Colonel Polkovnikov as governor of Petrograd and the ap-

pointment in his stead of General Bagratuni, chief of the garrison staff. Bagratuni, however, refused to accept the post.

The minister of the interior, the correspondent adds, drew up a circular to all government commissaries in the provinces, informing them of the disorders and requesting them to take all measures to suppress uprisings in their districts. Minister of Trade and Industry Konovloff at the same time appealed to the troops at the front to rally round the provisional government and oppose the workmen's and soldiers' delegates' movement.

MAXIMALISTS SEEK PEACE FOR RUSSIA

Proclaim Intention of Putting an Early Stop to the War—Arrest Five Government Ministers.

Petrograd, Nov. 8.—The general congress of workmen's and soldiers' delegates of all Russia was convened here last night with 560 delegates in attendance. The chairman declared that the time was not propitious for political speeches, and the order of business of the congress approved was as follows:

First: Organization of power.
Second: Peace and war.
Third: A constituent assembly.

The officers elected comprise 14 Maximalists, including Nikolai Lenin, the radical Socialist leader, and M. Zinovief, an associate of Lenin, and Leon Trotsky, leader of the extreme left executive committee of the Petrograd council of workmen's and soldiers' delegates.

In addition seven revolutionary Socialists were appointed. A delegation was named to initiate peace negotiations with the other revolutionary and democratic organizations, with a view to taking steps to stop bloodshed.

The Official News Agency today made public the following statement: "The congress of workmen's and soldiers' delegates of all Russia, which opened last evening, issued this morning the three following proclamations:—

"To all provincial councils of workmen's and soldiers' and peasants' delegates:—

"All power lies in the workmen's and soldiers' delegates. Government commissaries are relieved of their functions. Presidents of the workmen's and soldiers' delegates are to communicate direct with the revolutionary government. All members of agricultural committees who have been arrested are to be set at liberty immediately, and the commissaries who arrested them are in turn to be arrested."

"The second proclamation reads as follows:—

"The death penalty re-established at the front by Premier Kerensky is abolished, and complete freedom for political propaganda has been established at the front. All revolutionary soldiers and officers who have been arrested for complicity in so-called political crimes are to be set at liberty immediately."

"The third proclamation says:—

"Former Ministers Konovloff, Kishkin, Tereschenko, Malantovitch, Nikitin and others have been arrested by the revolutionary committee. M. Kerensky has taken flight and all military bodies have been empowered to take all possible measures to arrest Kerensky and bring him back to Petrograd. All complicity with Kerensky will be dealt with as high treason."

"Nikolai Lenin has introduced by the congress an old comrades, whom we welcome back."

"Now we have a revolution. The government is in the enemy control. This is only a preliminary step toward a similar revolution everywhere."

Well Known in America.

New York, Nov. 8.—Leon Trotsky, president of the central executive committee of the Petrograd council of soldiers' and workmen's delegates, was

FIGHTING ITALIAN RETREAT CONTINUES

Cadorna's Rearguards Galantly Cover Withdrawal From the Livorno.

Rome, Nov. 8.—Withdrawal of the Italian line was continued yesterday. The larger units retired unimpeded. The text of the statement reads:—

"During yesterday we continued the withdrawal of our line. The larger units have retired without being molested by the enemy."

"Numerous engagements took place between the hills of Vittorio and the confines of the Monticane and the Livorno, in the course of which our brave soldiers have succeeded in detaining the enemy's advance."

"In spite of strong resistance on the part of hostile machines, our aviators renewed their bombardments of enemy troops along the Tagliamento between Tolmezzo and Gemona and on permanent fortified works of Monte Saini Simonsa."

Berlin Claims More Prisoners.

Berlin, via London, Nov. 8.—The text of today's communication follows:—

"Italian front: Our detachments advancing on the mountain roads, have the resistance of the enemy rearguard. By an out-flanking movement our attacking columns cut off the rear of the enemy troops still holding out on the middle Tagliamento between Tolmezzo and Gemona and on permanent fortified works of Monte Saini Simonsa."

"Up to the present, 17,000 Italians, among them a general, with eighty guns, have been surrendered."

"The total number of prisoners captured has now been increased to more than 250,000 and the booty in guns to more than 2900."

WAR SUMMARY

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

Unhappy Russia is in the midst of another revolution. The extreme socialists retrograde, Kerensky has fled, and his retreating forces have set out for the front. The Russian revolution is in its infancy, it seems, as the restoration of the death penalty to the Russian army, a remote cause war the enemies of Socialist agitators. These won over the soldiers' and workmen's councils to arrest Kerensky and to set out for the front. The Russian revolution is in its infancy, it seems, as the restoration of the death penalty to the Russian army, a remote cause war the enemies of Socialist agitators. These won over the soldiers' and workmen's councils to arrest Kerensky and to set out for the front.

The Petrograd extremists demand a speedy peace. They also demand the abolition of discipline and the death penalty in the Russian active forces. They are converts of Kerensky and German agents have taught them that Great Britain and France have caused the war by their unprovoked attack on innocent Germany. Russia, like Mexico, may become the victim of contending factions. Petrograd, in brief, is the hub of the Russian first day or two of the Sinn Fein rebellion.

The British Government has hopes that Kerensky will yet prevail. It receives prompt support he can cut communications between Petrograd and the rest of the country. Stavratoff will then speedily reduce the Maximalists. The railway lines, it is reported, have already been cut. The capital was half-evacuated some time ago, and Kerensky had transferred part of the government to Moscow. It may set up his provisional government in that ancient and more truly Russian capital. The populace of Petrograd consists of turbulent Jewish and German-speaking workmen.

In Mesopotamia, Sir Stanley Maude, in a brilliant action, has driven the Turks from Tehriz on the Tigris River, and has occupied the town. After his success at Dup he followed the enemy closely with his main force, and the Turkish line of attack on the Turkish troops before Tehriz. The Indian cavalry assailed the Turkish right flank, and the British guns posted across the Turkish lines of defence, the British Indian cavalry assailed the Turkish right flank, and the British guns posted across the Turkish lines of defence, the British Indian cavalry assailed the Turkish right flank, and the British guns posted across the Turkish lines of defence.

Laredo, Texas, Nov. 8.—Mistake United States Customs Inspector Rumsey for a cowboy caused the arrest today of Lieutenants Hans Berg and Alfred Loeschner, who, on Oct. 23, escaped with eight other Germans from the internment camp at Fort McPherson, Ga.

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THREE CANADIANS WIN HIGH HONOR

Victoria Crosses Awarded Major Learmouth, Sgt.-Major Hanna, Pte. O'Rourke.

FIRST-NAMED IS KILLED

Directed Defence, Tho Mortally Wounded, With Devotion to Duty.

London, Nov. 8.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa agency)—The London Gazette announces the award of the Victoria Cross to the following:—

Major O'Kill Massey Learmouth, M.C., late of the Canadian Infantry: "For most conspicuous bravery and exceptional devotion to duty. During a determined counter attack on our new positions this officer, when his company was momentarily surprised, instantly charged and personally disposed of the attackers. Later he carried on a tremendous fight with the advancing enemy. After an intense barrage fire and mortally wounded, he stood on the parapet of the trench and bombed the enemy continuously and directed the defence in such a manner as to infuse a spirit of the utmost resistance into his men. On several occasions this very brave officer actually caught bombs thrown at him by the enemy and threw them back."

Sgt.-Major M. Robert Hanna, Canadian Infantry: "For most conspicuous bravery in attack when his company met with most severe enemy resistance and all the company officers became casualties. A strong point heavily protected by wire and held by a machine gun had been the assault of the company with heavy casualties. This warrant officer, under heavy machine gun and rifle fire coolly collected a party of men and leading them against this strong point rushed thru the wire and personally bayoneted three of the enemy and brained the fourth, capturing the position and silencing the machine gun."

Private James O'Rourke, Canadian Infantry: "For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty. During prolonged operations for three days and nights Pte. O'Rourke, who is a stretcher bearer, worked unceasingly in bringing the wounded into safety. On several occasions he was hurled down and partially buried by enemy shells. Three times he went forward under heavy fire and each time secured a comrade."

The next of kin of the late Major O. M. Learmouth is given as Martha Learmouth, 45 Murray avenue, Quebec.

Fending further information as to the regimental number of Sgt.-Major Hanna and Pte. O'Rourke, the warrant officer is unable to give the next of kin's address, as there are so many soldiers of the same name.

CANADIANS ENJOY QUIET POSSESSION

German Counter-Attacks at Passchendaele Fail to Materialize.

By W. A. Willison.

Canadian Headquarters in France, via London, Nov. 8.—Hindenburg's orders to his troops to retake Passchendaele at all costs have not yet resulted in any enemy infantry activity before Passchendaele. Both yesterday and today have been exceptionally quiet, except for our artillery, which has been maintaining a harassing fire on all the routes of approach to the centre of activity in the enemy area. Reports of an eastward movement of enemy batteries possibly indicate that he may be preparing new positions to support an attack upon the ridge, but in the meantime the Canadians are strengthening their new positions and preparing for all emergencies.

"With such men I could go anywhere, do anything," is one captured officer's comment on the Canadians.

Notwithstanding the fact that commencing Monday eligible men will fall to register will be reduced to 200,000, there are still about 300,000 men in this city who have neglected to report for service or file exemption claims.

PRODUCE TO CAPACITY ORDERS COMMISSIONER

Sir Henry Drayton, chairman of the Dominion Railway Board, has ordered the Electrical Development Company and the Niagara Power Company to produce to their fullest capacity after Nov. 12. In the meantime they are to submit reports on power supplied with a view to enabling the electrical controller, to make reductions without interfering with war work. The Niagara Company is producing about 103,000 horsepower and the other company about 125,000 horsepower, while the Ontario Power Company, recently taken over by the Hydro-Electric Commission, has been producing 162,000 horsepower.

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HAMILTON NEWS

FORSAKE PARTY FOR PRINCIPLE

Anyone Who Doesn't Say Sir John Willison, Not Good Citizen

Hamilton, Nov. 8.—The women should take such a part in politics after the war as would be worthy of it and in keeping with the sacrifices that had been made and would be made so by Sir John Willison, the advice given by Sir John Willison to the members of the Women's Canadian Club this afternoon, during the course of an address on "Party Politics and People."

Commenting on the term "turncoat" Sir John stated that it had been his privilege to have been connected with both parties. At one time such a term, he claimed, placed a stigma on any one to whom it was applied. "But when such a stigma is placed on the present one, it is not a man or woman must follow their conscience, irrespective of political party or influence. Anyone who will not forsake their party for a principle is not a free citizen," concluded Sir John.

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