

RUSSO-GERMAN PEACE VOID
FIGHTING CONTINUES; JAMBURG RETAKEN FROM TEUTONS
Eleven Lives Were Lost in Air Raid on London

HUN OFFER FOR PEACE REJECTED

Montenegro Stands by Allies - Refused to Treat with Central Powers

ASSURANCE GIVEN

Peace by the Sword Foreseen by Kaiser After Russ Peace

By Courier Leased Wire

London, March 8.—Niko Haidoukovich, Montenegrin minister of war and interior, who is now in London, in a letter to the Daily Chronicle, in the name of his king and government, denies that Montenegro will make a separate peace with the Central powers.

The letter adds that if Montenegro had contemplated a separate peace, she could have obtained it. Minister Haidoukovich asserts that an offer of peace reached King Nicholas since he took up his residence in France. He adds:

"The offer was put forward formally by the Central powers and was subject in terms of content and indignation."

Austrians Cheered

Basel, Thursday, March 7.—An announcement of the conclusion of a preliminary peace treaty with Roumania was received with cheers in the Austrian lower house. After the outbreak of enthusiasm, Dr. Winter, minister of finance, arose and spoke of the necessity of the Chamber granting additional war credits to the government.

Explains Treaty

Amsterdam, March 8.—Explanation of the preliminary peace treaty with Roumania is made in a statement issued to the Austrian press at Vienna. It says that the Drodzja was transferred to the Central powers as a whole in order to make the decision easier for Roumania.

The frontier adjustments in Transylvania, in general, means the protection of the iron gates and the Petrozoni mines as well as precaution against fresh surprise attacks. The new frontier, however, will not go deeply into Roumania.

The economic demands relate particularly to imports of petroleum and agricultural products and the evacuation of Austria-Hungary by Roumanian troops affects a strip of Bukovina.

Finally, the statement says, the stipulation that Roumania must give transport facilities for the troops and transports of the Central powers to Odessa appeared necessary in order to safeguard the shipping of large grain supplies from Odessa by way of the Volga, Dnieper and Danube Rivers to the Central empires.

Amsterdam, March 8.—In reply to congratulations from Philip Heinen, director of the North German Lloyd Steamship Line, Emperor William has sent the following telegram:

"The German sword is our best protection. With God's help it will also bring us peace in the west and, indeed, the peace which, after much distress and many troubles, the German people need for a happy future."

The Emperor detailed his gratitude at greater length in a message to the vice-president of the Reichstag, saying:

"The complete victory fills me with gratitude. It permits us to live again one of those great moments in which we can reverently admire God's hand in history. What turns events have taken in the disposition of God."

The heroic deeds of our troops, the successes of our great generals and the wonderful achievements of those at home have their roots in moral forces and in the categorical imperative which has been incalculable."

Weather Bulletin

Toronto, March 8.—Fair weather

now prevails in all portions of the Dominion, with temperatures well below zero in the western provinces.

Forecast Fair to-day and on Saturday; not much change in temperature.

ELEVEN KILLED WHEN LONDON WAS RAIDED

Seven or Eight Aircraft Shared in Attack, Which Was Made by Light of Stars—Material Damage Very Light

By Courier Leased Wire

London, March 8.—Eleven persons were killed and 45 others were injured in last night's raid upon London, according to the latest police reports, says an official announcement to-day. It is feared that an additional six bodies are in the ruins of houses wrecked.

London, March 8.—German airplanes crossed the east coast of England at 11 o'clock Thursday night and proceeded toward London. An official statement says the raid is still in progress.

London, March 8.—Seven or eight German airplanes made a raid over England last night. One of them reached London and dropped bombs in the northwest district of the city.

Another raider dropped bombs in the northern district of London, demolishing several houses.

The following official announcement was made: "Last night's raid was carried out by seven or eight airplanes. One reached London and dropped bombs in the northwest and southwest district. Another raider, after dropping bombs to the north of London, proceeded southward and dropped bombs in the northern district. Several houses were demolished."

The raid demonstrated that German aviators no longer depend upon moonlight. It was the first time the enemy had attempted a night raid over London when there was no moon. The stars were out, however, and there was little wind.

Londoners were taken by surprise when the warning signals sounded. The theatres were just closing. The streets were soon cleared. The warning to avoid danger from strafing was generally heeded, everyone taking cover. For a time the gunfire was heavy.

The text of the official report reads: "The latest police reports state that eleven were killed and 46 injured in last night's airplane raid. It is feared that in addition to the above six bodies are still buried in the wreckage of houses. All the casualties occurred in London."

NARROW ESCAPE Several persons were killed by the destruction of private houses in northwestern London. The house of a vicar was partially wrecked, but the clergyman escaped. He is a special constable and had left home for duty when the warning came a few minutes before the explosion which damaged his residence. The clear working throughout the night assisting the wounded and homeless neighbors.

WEEK'S CASUALTIES. LOWEST FOR MONTHS

Total British Losses During First Week of March Were 3343—Artillery Activity is Reported From The West Front.

By Courier Leased Wire

London, March 7. (Delayed)—For the first week of March the British casualties were 3,343, the lowest of any week for several months. The official report for the week ending to-day was: Killed or died of wounds, officers, 63; men, 2,473. Wounded or missing, officers, 179; men, 2,473.

The lowest previous week for several months was last week of February, in which there were 3,571 casualties. The total casualties for February, a low month, were 18,961.

ARTILLERY ACTIVE

London, March 8.—"The enemy's artillery was active last night in the neighborhood of Rivercourt and the Scarpe Valley," the war office reports. "Considerable artillery activity developed also on both sides in the Ypres sector, between the Menin road and Houtholst forest."

With U.S. Forces

With the American army in France Thursday, March 7.—(By the Associated Press)—A half dozen bombs were dropped behind the American front in the sector northwest of Toul, last night by German airplanes which were looking for ammunition dumps. They did not succeed in hitting any of their objectives, however, and none of the bombs dropped caused any casualties.

Groups of German bombing airplanes, on the way to cities and towns far behind the lines, are passing over this sector almost continually. They are greeted by the hot anti-aircraft fire from the American batteries.

NO FREIGHT ALLOTMENT

By Courier Leased Wire Liverpool, March 8.—The local committee of the Cotton Association announces that no allotment will be made this month of freight space for cotton, owing to more urgent claims on available shipping. The Government, it is said, intends to provide sufficient tonnage during the rest of the year to meet the requirements of the cotton trade at a reduced rate of consumption.

ed in our people in a hard school. They will carry us through in a decisive and final battle to victory. "In the great tasks upon which the conclusion of peace reconstruction and the healing of the wounds of war will set us, I desire my people to rely on the old historical experience that unity means strength. May our people face the new time and its tasks with a strong sense of the realities, with unshakable faith in itself and its mission, and with strong, patriotic and proud joy in the fatherland bound to me and my house by old and proved bonds of mutual trust."

"I do not doubt that a rich, strong and happy people will arise out of the storms and sacrifices" of this time.

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RUSS FORCES RECAPTURE JAMBURG; HOLD KIEV ALSO

FRENCH LOSSES TWO SMALL SHIPS

No Vessels of Over 1600 Tons Sunk During the Past Week.

By Courier Leased Wire

Paris, March 8.—During the last week no French ships of more than 1,600 tons were sunk by enemy submarines or mines. Two vessels under that tonnage were lost. Four merchantmen were attacked unsuccessfully.

During the week ending March 2nd, 865 merchantmen entered and 748 cleared from French ports.

JAPAN READY TO LET CHINA COOPERATE

Would Welcome Aid of Fellow Orientals in Siberia

By Courier Leased Wire London, March 8.—Japan, according to a despatch from Peking to the Daily Mail, is reported to have intimated that she would welcome Chinese cooperation in the event that extreme measures were necessary in Siberia, thus desiring to de-monstrate her unsiftedness.

The Chinese Government, it is added, is said to have obtained documentary proof that the Germans have made definite offers of assistance to Russian revolutionary leaders if they would cause trouble. The documents are reported to mention Germany's intention to release German war prisoners in Siberia against China's northern frontiers. China hopes to secure Japanese and American financial assistance to meet the expenses of the northern expeditionary forces.

KRYLENKO QUILTS London, March 8.—Ensign N. V. Krylenko, commander in chief of the Bolshevik army, has resigned, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Petrograd. The resignation was brought about owing to differences of principle between Krylenko and the Council of the People's Commissaries, as well as a disagreement with the latest actions of the council.

A Berlin dispatch received in London on February 25, reported that General Bonch-Brujevich had been appointed to succeed Krylenko as commander in chief, but there was no confirmation of this report from Russian sources.

TURKEY'S PLEDGE

Amsterdam, March 8.—Enver Pasha, in an address to the Turkish chamber, according to a Constantinople dispatch, said the Bolsheviks had proclaimed that self-determination was the right of all peoples, and that the Turkish government would not fail to recognize autonomous government already established in the Caucasus and other governments in the neighborhood of Turkey and would support them if necessary.

WANT HUN KING London, March 8.—The Finnish government has asked the German government to appoint Prince Oscar, the fifth son of the emperor, King of Finland. The Aften Tidningen of Stockholm, says it learns from diplomatic circles, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch.

RE-COUNT IN BRANT

Will Commence on Monday Before Judge Hardy.

In connection with the application for a recount in the riding of Brant, Judge Hardy at 2 o'clock on Monday of civilian ballots cast in the riding and of those of the soldiers on the North American continent, including the flying camp at Fort Worth, Texas.

BAD WEATHER ON ITALIAN FRONT

Infantry Action Is Halted, and Artillery Work is Greatly Hampered

By Courier Leased Wire Rome, Thursday, March 7.—The Italian war office issued the following statement to-day: "Unfavorable weather has hindered all infantry action and greatly minimized the activity of the artillery. Our batteries fired with some persistency on enemy troops in movement in the Val Branta and in the region of Col. Della Beretta. Reciprocal bursts of fire occurred in Val Lagarina and in the plain south of Ponte di Piave."

BOXER INJURED Milwaukee, Wis., March 7.—Eddie Moha of Milwaukee, who was taken to a hospital last night after being knocked out by Jock Malone of St. Paul in a ten-round bout, returned to consciousness shortly after midnight. Physicians said he was suffering from concussion of the brain and a possible skull fracture. Malone was released.

Capital of Ukraine in Hands of Revolutionary Forces—Russia Cannot be Bound by the Treaty Signed at Brest But Will Fight on, Declares Embassy at Paris

London, March 8.—A Russian revolutionary army recaptured Jamburg, 68 miles from Petrograd, on the morning of March 5, according to an official announcement made in Petrograd Thursday and forwarded by the correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

Kiev Still in Russ Hands. London, Thursday, March 7.—Kiev, the capital of the Ukraine, is still in the hands of Russian revolutionary troops and has not been occupied by the Germans, according to a statement issued Wednesday by the Russian Official News Agency in Petrograd. The previous message saying Kiev had been lost to the enemy, the statement adds, was due to the receipt of a wireless message which must have originated from enemy sources.

The German War Office in its official statement of March 3, said that Ukrainian and German troops had captured Kiev. Since then, however, there have been no claims of any advance beyond Kiev by the invaders.

Cannot Be Bound. Paris, March 8.—The Russian embassy here has handed to the foreign office a note expressing indignation at the "disastrous and dishonorable peace" agreed to at Brest-Litovsk. The note declares that Russia cannot be bound by such a treaty and says that even at the moment when the war seems finished for her, she will realize that she must begin a new struggle against German imperialism and that she cannot do so without the assistance of the Entente Allies.

Differences between Ensign Krylenko, commander in chief of the Bolshevik armies, and the people's commissaries are reported to have led to the resignation of Krylenko, who recently had urged the Russian people to use all the means at their command to resist the Central powers. This is the first split among the men who have composed the Bolshevik Government, although there have been reports from time to time that either Lenin or Trotsky or both, would resign.

German claims that the Ukrainian city of Kiev has been occupied, are denied in Petrograd, where it is said that the city is still in the hands of the Bolsheviks who captured it more than a month ago from the Ukrainian Rada, which later made peace with the Teutons. Berlin's announcement of the capture of Kiev was made just as Russia and Germany agreed to peace terms, and since then there have been no reports of military activity in that region.

In five days Germany has forced peace terms on three different governments—Russia, Roumania and Finland. The Finnish Government apparently submitted to the German terms in order to gain military aid against the revolutionists who hold much of southern Finland along the Finnish gulf. With Finland and Estonia under German suzerainty, the Gulf of Finland is taken from Russian control and great Russia has less than 150 miles of coast line along the gulf.

Although the Germans apparently will permit King Ferdinand to continue to rule Roumania, the victorious enemy has compelled his victim to agree to humiliating terms. Important wheat, oil and salt concessions are to be given Germany, which is to control the Roumanian railroads for fifteen years, and is to have a most favorable trade agreement with Roumania, which loses the Dobruja, and control of the Danube.

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LIBERALS FAVOR EQUAL FRANCHISE

German National Party Gives Majority of 19 For Suffrage Reform

By Courier Leased Wire London, March 8.—The central committee of the National Liberal Party, says an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen, quoting Berlin advices, has declared in favor of equal franchise by a majority of 19 votes.

This probably refers to the franchise reform bill for Prussia which has been pending for almost a year. In an Easter message last year the King of Prussia recommended a more liberal franchise and an equal suffrage bill was introduced in the diet, but last month the Conservatives put forward a substitute, emasculating the reform measure, which was accepted by the franchise committee of the lower house.

THEATRES MAY OPEN MONDAY

Heatless Days for Amusement Houses and Clubs At An End

ORDER IS REPEALED

Heatless Mondays Lasted For Only Half the Time Set

Ottawa, March 8.—Heatless days for clubs and amusement houses are at an end. An order has been rescinded annulling the original order and abolishing heatless days. Under the order paragraphs 6 and 7 of the original order (the paragraphs which were still in force) are repealed.

The paragraphs repealed are: (6) During the months of February and March, 1918, no folk, country, yacht, canoe or hunt club shall remain open except on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

(7) Theatres, moving picture houses, bowling alleys, billiard rooms, private or public dance halls and all other public places of amusement shall remain closed on each and every Monday beginning on February 18, 1918, and extending to Monday, March 25, both days inclusive.

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THE MERCHANTS CORNER

KING "H.O.L." The price of butter's going up. No longer can we eat it. And bread is twenty cents a loaf. Say, tell me! Can you beat it?

Eggs are now forbidden fruit. They're sixty cents a dozen. And sugar's fifteen cents a pound. Remember when it wasn't!

We've tasted beefsteak only once since Christmas-time last year. And all the canned-goods, large and small.

Are going up, we hear. And now—

We grind our CORN to make our bread.

We drink our coffee black. We wonder if the poor old days are ever coming back.

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AMESVILLE DEFAULTS. stock, Ont., March 6.—Fol- their defeat by Oshawa last 16 to 2 in the Intermediate Hockey Association semi-Hockey game, which was to have ayed here Friday night.

R AND RID ATIC RUST

should drink phosphated ore breakfast

RUST OF RHEUMATISM

vious day's accumulation of nd poisons; thus, cleansing, ng, and freshening the ementary canal, each morning putting more food into the

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ns of people keep their joints n these rheumatic acids by g this daily internal scintia class of hot water with a ful of limestone phosphate, before breakfast, is wonder- orating; besides, it is an e health measure because it the alimentary organs of waste, gases and sour ferons, making one look and feel wet and fresh all day.

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