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LATEST HUN MOVE IS STIRRING UP THE SWEDES

Germans Take Aland Islands; Give Notice of Intent To Occupy Whole of Finland

Land Grab Under Guise of Purpose To Restore Order

PROTEST MADE BY SWEDEN

Word Received in Washington—Petograd Announces Signing of the Peace Treaty With Germany—Huns Issue List of Captures Made in Russia

Christiana, Mar. 4.—(British Admiralty, per Wireless Press)—The Aland Islands were occupied at noon Saturday by the Germans, according to a telegram received here.

Washington, Mar. 4.—Germany's occupation of the Aland Islands is only a preliminary to the total occupation of Finland. Official despatches to the Swedish legation today say Germany has announced to the Stockholm foreign office her intention to occupy Finland and that Sweden has protested.

Germany advised Sweden, the despatches say, that it was necessary, temporarily, to occupy Finland to restore order, but gave assurances that she had no intention to take permanent possession of the territory. Sweden protested also against the Aland Islands being placed in the war zone.

The occupation of the Aland Islands, the despatches say, is to make them a base for supplying the German occupation of Finland. There are 500 Swedish troops on the islands for police purposes. Their commander was notified by the German commander of his intentions, and while so far there has been no clash reported, the Swedish troops have not been withdrawn, and the feeling is described here as being very tense.

GERMAN REPORT ON SUCCESSES

London, Mar. 4.—(British Admiralty, per Wireless Press)—Eastern theatre: "Operations initiated after the lapse of the armistice have led to great successes. Troops under Colonel General Count Kirchbach have hastened in their victorious march through Livonia and Estonia, to the support of the oppressed inhabitants. They were accompanied by detachments of troops from the Baltic islands, which were advancing across frozen Moon Sound, and also by Estonian regiments.

Reval and Dorpat have been captured. Our troops have arrived before Narva. The armies of Kirchbach and Eichhorn continued in their uninterrupted advance by way of Dyvinsk and Mitau, and after hard fighting captured Pskov, Polotsk and Borisoff. At Bobruisk a junction with the Polish divisions was effected.

"Detachments of the army group of General Von Linington, with the approval of the Ukrainian government, have opened fighting on the railway line from Linnica via Horochow, on the Dnieper, as far as Gomel, and have had several engagements. Other divisions under General Von Knorren have cleared the roads leading from Kiev and the Kiev-Smernicka railway line of the enemy, after breaking his resistance. In cooperation with the Ukrainians, Kiev was captured. German and Austro-Hungarian troops have entered Shernikau.

"The booty taken from the enemy cannot as yet be even approximately established. According to reports at hand there are in our possession 6,800 officers and 57,000 men. In booty we have taken 2,400 guns, more than 5,000 machine guns, thousands of vehicles, including 5,000 motor cars, eleven armored automobiles, 200,000 boxes of artillery ammunition, 12,800 rifles, 800 carriages and 8,000 railway trucks.

"The booty taken at Reval was 200 guns, twenty-two airplanes and a lot of rolling stock. Thirteen officers and 500 men were taken prisoners.

Parliament Likely To Meet Mar. 20

Ottawa, Mar. 4.—An official announcement as to the date on which parliament will assemble is likely to be made by the government this week. It is thought that with the result of the overseas soldiers' vote all in hand it may be possible within the next few days for the government to fix a date for the opening which would allow sufficient time for the completion of all the necessary preliminary formalities. Wednesday, March 20, is still the favorable date.

MORE MASSACRES BY THE TURKISH TROOPS IN ARMENIA

London, Mar. 2.—The Copenhagen correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company says information has been received there to the effect that Turkish soldiers have committed new massacres in the district of Armenia which has been deserted by the Russians. The despatch adds that Hjalmar Branting, editor of the Social Democrat, has telegraphed two German Socialist parties to make energetic representations to the German government.

USES KNIFE ON BOILER ROOM HAND

Woman Who Shot Husband, Kills Man Who, She Said, Insulted Her Stepmother

Moscow, Com. Mar. 3.—Alleging that her ten-year-old stepson, Mrs. Paul Lucien, aged thirty-five, today stabbed to death John McCarthy, forty years old, at a local woollen mill, where he was employed as a boiler room helper.

ITALIAN WAR LOAN PROVES A SUCCESS

Rome, Mar. 3.—The current Italian war loan now aggregates more than five billion lire. Finance Minister Nitti told the senate yesterday that when he decided to float the loan and asked for six billion lire, eminent financiers objected that on account of special circumstances it would not bring so much as previous issues, which had never exceeded three billion lire. The minister, however, decided to appeal to the public and contributions exceeded the five billion, and the success of the loan was secured. Minister Nitti said this demonstrated the country's resolution and power. The nation, he said, had risen to the occasion because it knew that the sum of six billion lire was required.

BRITISHER TO AID OF AMERICAN IN DISTRESS

An Atlantic Port, Mar. 4.—Calls for assistance from an American tank steamer, which reported that she was disabled by machinery trouble, were received here today. Later, however, British freighter reported that she had proceeded to the tanker's aid, and that it would not be necessary to dispatch a government vessel.

GIRL KILLED IN AN AUTOMOBILE RACE

Stockton, Calif., Mar. 3.—Nina Vitagliana of Los Angeles, was killed here today when a fire flew off her car during a woman's automobile race. Five others were injured. One of these, her mechanic, R. N. Curry, sustained a fractured skull.

NEW ACTING CHIEF OF THE U. S. GENERAL STAFF

Washington, Mar. 4.—Major-General Peyton C. March today formally took over his new duties as acting chief of the United States general staff, relieving Major-General Bidwell, assistant chief, who has been directing staff affairs since General Bliss, the chief of staff, was assigned to the supreme war council in Europe.

TRAIN AND TROLLEY IN CLASH; TWO KILLED

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Mar. 4.—Telephone advices from Kingston, N. Y., indicate that two persons were killed and a dozen others seriously injured when a train on the West Shore Railway crashed into a loaded trolley car.

Dies While Praying. Sherbrooke, Que., Mar. 4.—S. Hackett, deputy protonotary of the supreme court, died yesterday while praying in St. Patrick's church.

French Tribute To The British Army

London, Mar. 4.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—A special correspondent of the Paris Temps at the front pays a high tribute to the British army. "Those who have come in contact with its various contingents, note the extraordinary morale of their troops from all parts of the world, the solidarity of their defence, their confidence in their leaders, the comparative comfort of their quarters. The abundance and variety of food are equally important factors in this happy state of mind."

AMERICANS WIN HONOR FOR WORK ON WESTERN FRONT

Paris, Mar. 3.—(By the Associated Press)—Premier Clemenceau visited the American troops today and reviewed the soldiers who repulse the German attack on Friday. The premier left Paris on Saturday evening and returned this evening, when a semi-official war dispatch, congratulating the American troops in the sector where they have just repelled "brilliantly a strong enemy attack."

ANOTHER DISPUTE OVER NO. 5 SHED

City Engineer Says Contractors Should Install More Braces; Contractors Disclaim Responsibility

There is every prospect that there will be another dispute between the city and the contractors regarding the work of reconstructing No. 5 warehouse in West St. John. The shed has been in use since last December, but the city engineer asserts that the work is not complete and that, in its present condition, the proper margin of safety has not been provided. His contention is that more braces are required and that these braces are called for in the specifications.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—A great storm prevails over Newfoundland, while a severe cold wave is spreading over the western provinces, attended by snow. During Saturday night and Sunday a cold wave travelled southwards from Hudson's Bay over Ontario.

Forecasts. Lakes and Georgian Bay—Generally fair and milder today, showers tonight and on Tuesday.

Ottawa and St. Lawrence Valleys—Fair and turning milder, sleet or rain on Tuesday.

Gulf and North Shore—Fair and cold today, milder on Tuesday.

Milder, With Showers. Maritime—Fair and cold today; Tuesday, increasing southerly winds, milder, showers by night.

Superior—Local snowfalls; strong winds and colder on Tuesday.

Manitoba—Local snowfalls and decidedly colder; Tuesday, fair and decidedly milder.

Saskatchewan and Alberta—Light local snowfalls or furies, but mostly fair and decidedly cold today and on Tuesday.

New England—Cloudy, probably rain late tonight and Tuesday; warmer; moderate south winds.



Protection For St. John Harbor

Government Action in Matters on Which Messrs. Elkin and Wigmore Made Representations

Ottawa, Mar. 4.—The government has taken action regarding the protection of St. John harbor, concerning which representations were made some time ago by Messrs. Elkin and Wigmore, the "Huntley" M. P. for St. John. As was made known at the time, the committee of public safety for the port is the "Huntley" M. P. for St. John. The committee are the senior member of the committee, the chief of police and the officer directing overseas transport.

British Drive For Half Billion Dollars

War Bond Campaign Opened With a Rush in London—Help to "Pound" the Germans

London, Mar. 4.—A war bond campaign of a week to raise £100,000,000 began today with a rush. The two largest individual subscriptions were for £1,000,000 each. The newspapers give prominence to the campaign, with such headlines as "Help to 'Pound' the Germans."

ROTARY CLUB ENDORSES CITIZENS' COMMITTEE

The Rotary Club at today's luncheon adopted a resolution endorsing those passed at the public meeting in the Seaman's Institute relative to the New Brunswick Power Company's application for increased rates.

ELOQUENT PLEA FOR A CLOSE PARTNERSHIP

New York, Mar. 4.—The Most Reverend Cosmo Gordon Lang, D. D., C. C., Lord Archbishop of York, the first of the eighty-nine archbishops of York to cross the sea to America, delivered an eloquent plea for a close partnership between the United States and Great Britain during and after the war in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine here yesterday. The archbishop's text was "And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came."

AGREE ON COMPENSATION FOR THE RAILROADS

Washington, Mar. 4.—Agreement on compensation of railroads while under government control, based on the average of their net income for the three years ended June 30 last and substantially in the form approved by the senate, was reached today by the conferees on the administration railroad bill.

Norway's Losses Heavy in Ships And 39 Men Gone

Washington, Mar. 4.—Norway continues to suffer heavily from German submarine operations and other war losses. Twelve vessels, aggregating 16,228 tons, and valued at about \$4,000,000, were sunk during February, and nineteen seamen lost their lives, while twenty men are missing, according to a cablegram to the Norwegian legation today.

AUSTRALIANS AND ENGLISH RAID ENEMY TRENCHES WITH DISTINCT SUCCESS

INDIA HEART AND SOUL IN THE WAR

Remarkable Recruiting Figures And Some Princely Gifts For War Work

London, Mar. 4.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—A despatch from Delhi says that in the last few months India's keen interest in the war has been growing remarkably. All her strength has been brought in to assist the empire and the Allies. Slight inconveniences of war are being cheerfully counteracted by the women of India, who are ever playing a more useful part in all war work.

OTTAWA MAN NEW BARONET

Descendent of Hon. Joseph Howe Succeeds to Title in England

Ottawa, Mar. 4.—The cable brings word that Vice-Admiral Sir Charles George Frederick Knowles, baronet, died on Sunday at 3 Merton road, Oxford, England.

SONG WRITER TO JAIL FOR LONG TERM ON ABDUCTION CHARGE

Chicago, Mar. 4.—Henry W. Petrie, sixty years of age, composer of "Asleep in the Deep," was sentenced to an indeterminate term of from one to four years in the Joliet penitentiary on Saturday upon his plea of guilty to the charge of abducting Laura Hanson, sixteen years of age.

GERMAN IS SENT TO JAIL IN MONCTON

Moncton, Mar. 4.—In the police court here this morning K. Muhl, a German suspect, who was taken into custody recently at Shediac and handed over to the local authorities, was sentenced to three months in jail and \$100 fine. In default of payment of the fine he must spend six months in jail. He was prosecuted under the enemy aliens act.

GERMANS GET EVEN SILKS BY ROUTE THROUGH SWITZERLAND

Rome, Mar. 3.—Not only cotton and silk, but foodstuffs as well, have been exported to Germany by way of Switzerland in the last two years, according to the latest charges involving Italian deputies and merchants acting as agents for former German firms. It is pointed out that exports to Switzerland in 1917 amounted to 407,000,000 lire as against 886,000,000 in 1916 and 814,000,000 in 1915.

THE \$100,000 FOR ST. JAMES' CHURCH IN SIGHT

Montreal, Mar. 4.—Because Sir John Eaton has contributed \$10,000 and Mrs. Timothy Eaton and Major W. P. Eaton \$2,000, only \$85,887 is required to complete the total of \$100,000 wanted for clearing off the debt on St. James' Methodist church and thoroughly renovating the church, so Major the Rev. C. A. Williams, pastor of the church, announced at the service, and intimated that by next Sunday Major Williams would probably have good news to announce with reference to the \$100,000 fund.

German Guns Boom In Vicinity Of Lens

AMERICANS ON THE LINE

London, Mar. 4.—Successful raids were carried out by us last night on different parts of the front," says today's war office report.

General Perhing's Troops Take Over a Sector North-west of Toul—"Momentum of Battle Increasing, Says Washington"

"Australian troops entered German trenches near Warstein and, after killing at least fifty of the enemy and destroying several dugouts, brought back eleven prisoners and a machine gun.

SENSATION ATTACHES TO ARREST OF ACTRESS

Paris, Mar. 4.—The arrest of an actress named Sany Despey, who has played a minor role at Sarah Bernhardt's theatre, on charges of maintaining relations with the enemy, has caused a sensation because of the importance in the connections of her alleged accomplices. One of them, an Austrian named Rosenberg, who was prominent on the Paris Bourse and whose Paris bank, under sequestration, fled to Switzerland at the opening of hostilities. He organized a bank there, according to the Matin.

The Matin also says that another of the accused, Louis Bordiner, of Paris, formerly director of the Casino at Lago, was followed into Switzerland by French detectives to the doors of Rosenberg's establishment in Zurich.

RESOLUTIONS OF CANADIAN WOMEN'S WAR CONFERENCE

Ottawa, Mar. 4.—Resolutions adopted by the war conference of Canadian women, which will be considered by the government, read with:

1.—The expression of appreciation of the place given women in Canada by the war cabinet's invitation to confer with it in Ottawa.

2.—The opinion of the conference that all milling should be done in Canada so as to prevent foodstuffs being used for alcoholic liquors in Britain.

3.—Approval of the appointment of a woman to the regional board.

4.—Approval of prohibition in Canada. Other resolutions call for the provision of ways and means for mobilizing women so that unemployment difficulties may be obviated, and consideration of the employment and pay of women generally. The section on public health suggested that women should get the same wages as men in certain lines.

Greetings were sent to Sir Arthur Currie and the Canadian troops.