

ITALY HOLDS LINERS TO TRANSPORT TROOPS ON OUTBREAK OF WAR

Latest Moves by Rome Government Point to Speedy Opening of Long-awaited Hostilities Against Dual Monarchy.

ROME, April 21.

Events are moving swiftly, and decisive action by Italy may be expected at any moment. All Italian steamships engaged in transatlantic traffic have been notified not to sail for America until special permission is granted by the Ministry of Marine. They will be used as troop transports if Italy enters the war.

Minister of War Zupelli was summoned to the royal palace last night and conferred with King Victor Emmanuel several hours, then leaving the palace he hastened to the Ministry of War and remained there most of the night.

A special cabinet meeting has been called for Thursday afternoon. What action is to be taken can only be conjectured. A correspondent today sent a note to Premier Salandra, requesting a statement as to whether Italy intended to depart from its attitude of neutrality. It was returned with the stamped reply: "No answer."

So far as the army and navy are concerned, they are ready to strike at a moment's notice. Troops are concentrated at the strategic positions from which the first hostile movement against Austria must be made. The navy is ready in readiness to protect the Italian coast cities from any raid by the Austrian fleet which is still at Pola.

Excitement is intense in official circles because of the belief that war is inevitable. Despite this, however, Prince von Bülow, the German ambassador, is still working hard to prevent Italy entering the war. It has been at his request that Italy has withheld an ultimatum to Austria. He continues to assure the Government that Austria will make concessions that will satisfy Italy. And the Prince is leaving nothing undone to influence the Italian Government to maintain peace.

Advices from every section of the Austrian frontier tell of serious preparation. The Austrian military officials, at least, do not believe that concessions are to be made to Italy. They are massing their troops and their aeroplanes are reported flying close to Italian territory at a dozen different points. Troop trains are interfering with regular traffic on the main railway lines and great quantities of munitions are being massed ready for use.

Rome is quiet, the people seemingly having accepted the belief that war is certain to come, with the result that agitation generally has been abandoned. The Vatican is still working for peace, but with little hope of success.

Senator Carafa declared today that the negotiations between Italy and Austria were at a complete standstill and that he regarded a rupture of relations between the two countries as imminent. Prince von Bülow, it is stated, is all ready to leave Italy.

ITALY REQUISITIONS LINERS Ships in New York Service Taken Over by Government.

GENOA, April 21.—A number of American liners have been requisitioned because steamships, including the Italian liner America, on board which they had engaged passage, suddenly suspended their sailings for New York, owing to the fact that they had been taken over by the Italian Government. The America was to have sailed yesterday.

U. S. AND BRITAIN IN ACCORD ON OPEN DOOR IN CHINA

Japan Has Assured Both Governments It Will Not Violate Treaties.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Secretary Bryan again asserted today that the United States Government still stood firmly on the announcement at the beginning of the Wilson Administration of its purpose to support the policy of the open door and freedom of commercial opportunity in the Far East.

Sir Edward Grey's statement of a similar character in the British Parliament indicated to officials that Great Britain's position regarding the open door was unchanged and that the principle of the open door would continue to be the aim of the Powers.

The Japanese Government itself had given the United States as well as the other Powers assurances that it is not its plan to violate in any way either the open-door policy or China's territorial integrity.

RUSSIAN DESTROYERS RAID TURK TOWNS ON BLACK SEA

Concentration Camp of Ottoman Troops at Archave BombarDED.

Another naval raid against the Turkish coast positions in the Caucasus region was announced by the Russian Admiralty today in the following statement: "The first flotilla of our torpedo-boat destroyers in the Black Sea has bombarded the Turkish position at Archave and near the village of Soumivitz."

Archave is 35 miles southwest of Batoum, on the Black Sea coast. It has been used as a concentration point for the Turkish troops opposing the Russians in the Caucasus.

PORT OF PHILADELPHIA

Vessels Arriving Today. St. Delaware, New York, merchandise, Clyde Steamship Company. St. New York, Norfolk, merchandise, Clyde Steamship Company.

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ALLIES INVADE TURKEY; LAND 20,000 TROOPS

Continued from Page One. The greatest activity is noted among the English troops on the island of Lemnos, and that troop transports are arriving daily from Alexandria.

By landing troops in European Turkey, the Allies have greatly strengthened their hand in their attempt to force the Dardanelles and capture Constantinople. Although but 30,000 men were disembarked at Enos, more are probably on their way to face the big Turkish army.

Should the Allies be able to hold Enos against the Turkish troops, which greatly outnumber them, the town will be used as the starting point of either an all-out offensive on the land side of the Dardanelles or a direct operation against Constantinople. Enos is on the Maritza River, to the valley of which runs a railroad communicating with the interior. It has been the favorite point for historic invasions of Turkey.

AWAIT SELECTION OF CELEBRATION LEADERS

Governor Soon to Name Important Committee to Direct National Fourth.

The personnel of the Executive Committee to direct the national Fourth of July celebration in this city will be announced this week by Governor Brumbaugh. It is believed, it is highly probable that this committee will be composed of Congressmen, Senators and other representative men of Philadelphia.

With the naming of this important body the work of planning the program for the celebration will get under way immediately. Added interest has been given to the proposed event because Philadelphia is seeking to have the Republican National Convention in 1916 and is also striving to attract several business organizations here for their annual meetings. The Independence Day celebration will be a fair test of the city's merit.

Men who have the interest of the city at heart point out that the coming Independence Day celebration, which also commemorates the 50th anniversary of the closing of the Civil War, should be an event that will live long in the city's memory.

The committee appointed by the Governor will work with the local committee and representatives of the various business organizations. In order to expedite matters, a number of business men organizations, which are desirous of co-operating in the celebration, will meet this week to discuss the subject and launch a movement to start a citizens' fund for entertainment. All are eager to have their plans made as early as possible in order to assure a large attendance of the city's prominent men on the big holiday.

The citizens' committee, which held a preliminary meeting during the last week, is greatly encouraged by the evidence of co-operation by organizations of all kinds. Up to the present time, the event has been endorsed by the highest executives of the city, State and nation, and aid in making it a success has been promised by industrial, business, historical and educational organizations. Right in line with the general spirit, the women's organizations have also come forward and will do their share in making the affair a success.

As there will be a decided spirit of thanksgiving in connection with the event, the plan is to have a religious day, or day of worship for the nation, in the city where it was born but met with much approval.

WHERE ALLIES LANDED MEN TO INVADE TURKEY



Twenty thousand troops have been landed at Enos, on the Gulf of Enos, at the mouth of the Maritza River, the valley of which affords communication with the interior by means of an important railroad line. Enos is at the northern end of the Aegean Sea and northwest of the Gulf of Saros, from which the Allies' fleet has been bombarding the Dardanelles forts.

BRITISH ADMIT TERRIFIC LOSSES IN YPRES BATTLE

Casualty List Exceeded Only by That of Neuve Chapelle.

LONDON, April 21.—Terrific losses were suffered by the British in the attack near Ypres, in which their lines were advanced three miles, as admitted in official reports from London.

The hill stormed by the British troops, after the way had been prepared by extensive mining and by an artillery bombardment, cost more in killed and wounded, from such accounts as have come in, than any movement on the western front since the battle of Neuve Chapelle. On the other hand, it is claimed by the Allies that, having fortified their hold on it, they are now in a position to dominate a wide range of territory toward Ypres itself.

The British assert that the German losses far exceeded their own, the Kaiser's troops being literally mowed down by machine gun fire, while hundreds died in a bayonet charge.

FRENCH RENEW ATTACKS ON ST. MIHEL WEDGE

Progress Made in Montmore Woods and Counter Assaults Repulsed.

PARIS, April 21. Progress in the forest of Montmore is claimed for the French troops in today's official communique from the war office. It is at this point that the French troops have resumed their attacks upon the German positions supporting their wedge at St. Mihel.

In attempts to recapture the trench they had lost, the Germans made two counter-attacks "Tuesday," but both were repulsed.

The communique also reports further operations by the Belgian aviators. They have bombarded the German aerodrome at Bruges and the German aviation grounds at Lissegwile.

GERMANS DENOUNCE FRENCH FOR ALSACE AIR RAIDS

Berlin Papers Say 22 Non-Combatants Killed by Aviators' Bombs.

BERLIN, April 21.—Twenty-one non-combatants, 10 of them children, and four women, have been killed by bombs dropped from the French aeroplanes upon German towns during the last week, according to figures compiled by the Lokai Anzeiger from the official reports and published today.

The newspaper denounces the French aviators as "murderers who prefer to attack unfortified towns rather than risk their lives in deeds that would be of military benefit to their country."

The latest aerial raid reported occurred Tuesday. Three French aviators flying through the Rhine Valley dropped bombs upon the railway stations at Mulheim and Hahabell without doing any material damage. Later they shelled the unfortified and unarmamented towns of Kandern and Loerach.

Five bombs were dropped at Kandern. Four fell on the school building. One child was killed. At Loerach six bombs were dropped, killing one child and injuring four others.

HUNTING BRUTAL AUTOIST

Speeds on, Leaving Victim, Fatally Hurt, Helpless in Street.

The police are looking for an automobilist, who ran down a man on the Ashton road, near Welsh road, in Upper Merionide last night, and sped away leaving his victim unconscious in the street. The injured man is Elmer Maddock, 42 McCallum street, Germantown. He is in the Frankford Hospital with an injured back and the doctors offer little hope for his recovery. Maddock was found in the middle of the road by Jameson Titt, of 839 Frankford avenue.

FRENCH AIR SQUADRONS RAID ALSACE VILLAGES

Bomb Hits School at Kandey, Killing Child—German Supplies Burned.

AMSTERDAM, April 21. Aviators from Mulheim-am-Ruhr say that a French aviator yesterday dropped bombs on the villages of Kandey and Loerach. At the former place one bomb fell on the schoolhouse, killing a child. Six bombs were dropped on Loerach, killing one person and injuring four.

Proceeding north, they reached Mannheim at dusk and set fire to buildings containing fodder for 1600 cattle. Buildings and fodder were destroyed.

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"JITNEY" MEN WILLING TO PAY CITY LICENSE

Think P. R. T. Inspired Police Supervision Suggestion. Business Men's Committee Discusses Busses.

"Jitney" bus owners are not greatly concerned over the letter of Daniel T. Pierce, a former press agent of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit, written to Mayor Blankenburg, urging a strict control of "jitney" traffic. Officers of the Philadelphia Jitney Association expressed belief that the letter had been "inspired," and pointed to the writer's former association with the transit company and the fact that the company has been making a careful record of the number of "jitneys" and passengers. They stated that if continued for a year at the same rate, may have serious results.

The association does not oppose regulation, they said, and asserted that the greatest problem at present is guarantee of quick and regular service. They desire to achieve this more than any other result, and are co-operating with the police department in an effort to make the service at all times desirable and safe, they said. They have no serious objection to licensing, but they do not wish to be taxed beyond a reasonable limit, which will permit them to operate at a profit.

The police records compiled during the last week showing the number of cars in operation are being tabulated by

clerks in the office of Director... and will be made public in a few days. The list will be presented to Council... make some provision for the regulation of the "jitney" service. The suburban sections are... every effort to have "jitney" operation in their localities. Property owners... East Germantown have called a meeting for Friday, in the Vernon Building... it is hoped to obtain a guarantee... loss for the promoters of a "jitney" line from Germantown and Cheltenham... to Mount Airy by way of... Cheltenham avenue, Chew street and... Airy avenue. East Germantown has... complaining for some time that... being neglected by the P. R. T., and... anxious to have a "jitney" line... within the next two weeks. The Transportation Committee of the... United Business Men's Association... take up the matter of "jitney" service... the next meeting of the association... tomorrow afternoon, at 120 Chestnut... The committee will prepare a report... the possibility and feasibility of operating... into auto busses on the streets of this...

TEUTONS LOSE 18,000 MEN AS FOE RETAKES USZOK POINT

Slav Reinforcements Regain Lost Ground by Counter Attack.

GENEVA, April 21. The Russians last Saturday were forced to abandon several positions in the Pass, advices received here today said. Reinforcements, however, were sent to action and in a series of counter-attacks all of the positions were retaken.

The Austro-German losses are estimated at 18,000.

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