

1871 PRECEDENT FOR TRUCE TERMS

Conditions of Armistice Severe, but Satisfactory, Says Maurice

ALLIES IN FULL CONTROL

To Humiliate Enemy Unnecessarily Is to Sow Seed of Future Trouble

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The terms of the armistice are so clear as to require little explanation. They obviously are based upon precedent, and in particular upon the precedent of 1871. They are severe and fulfill the essential conditions of any satisfactory armistice in that they make it impossible for the enemy to renew hostilities except by some such mad and desperate freak as a communist rising.

It is obvious that, seeing what the internal conditions of Germany are today and what they may be in the near future, we can relax no precautions. The Allies have now at their disposal a weapon to enforce the fulfillment of the engagements which the enemy has been called upon to take, such as no victor ever before possessed. With our troops in occupation of the Rhineland there will be no part of Germany which cannot be reached by our aircraft, which should serve as an adequate warning should any German be mad enough to try to raise the country against the Allies.

Occupation of the Rhineland and Lorraine gives the Allies control of the most important industrial districts of Germany, of her principal coal and iron mines and steel works, including the famous Krupp works at Essen. This is a further very substantial guarantee, while the stipulations regarding the transfer to the Allies of the large quantities of rolling stock in good order add yet another of the small important items. From the military point of view, then, there can be no reasonable cavil at the work of the Versailles conference. There may be those who are of the opinion that the Allies should have seen the German armies lay down the whole of their arms and Hindenburg compelled to surrender his sword to Marshal Foch, but the outward and visible signs of her defeat are sufficient to impress Germany for all time and to destroy forever the illusion which she formed in 1870 that war is a profitable business. To go further than this and humiliate the enemy unnecessarily is to sow the seed of future trouble.

GERMAN WARSHIP TORPEDOED

Rebels Are Reported to Have Attacked Training Vessel

By the Associated Press

Amsterdam, Nov. 12.—The German training ship Schlesien has been torpedoed by revolutionary warships, according to the Weser Zeitung, of Bremen.

The Schlesien, a pre-dreadnought battleship, but now used as a training ship, was reported sunk in the North Sea, near Kiel, when the sailors revolt broke out there. The vessel arrived at Marstal, a small Danish port in the Baltic, where it took on some supplies. It was reported that two German crewmen were waiting outside the harbor for the Schlesien. The ship was 413 feet long and displaced 13,000 tons.

"FIRES OF HELL PUT OUT," WRITES GIBBS

"My Last Message as War Correspondent, Thank God," He Says in Telling of Peace at Mons

By PHILIP GIBBS

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Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. With the British Armies in France, Nov. 12.

Our troops knew early Monday morning that the armistice had been signed. I stopped on my way to Mons. Outside brigade headquarters an officer said: "Hostilities will cease at 11 o'clock." Then he added, as all men add in their hearts: "Thank God for that."

All the way to Mons there were columns of troops on the march and their hands played ahead of them, and almost every man had a flag on his rifle, the red, blue and white of France, the red, yellow and black of Belgium. They wore flowers in their caps and in their tunics, and white champagne bouquets given them by crowds of people who cheered them on their way—people who in many of these villages have been only one day liberated from the German yoke.

QUARREL WITH KAISER LED TO BALLIN'S DEATH

Apoplectic Stroke Closed Career of a Leader in World's Commerce Before War

By GEORGE BENWICK

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Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. Amsterdam, Nov. 12.—Albert Ballin died of an apoplectic stroke at Hamburg on Saturday after a short illness. There is no little tragedy in the fact that his death comes virtually unnoted in the German press. The Wolff bureau did not telegraph abroad the news of the death of one who once occupied such a prominent position in the world's commerce.

Ballin was undoubtedly a victim of the great war. When it broke out, he has his doubts about the rightness of Germany's action, but, believing the war would be of short duration, he sided with the Entente powers and went far as to advocate that the peace terms should include German naval stations down the channel as far as Brest.

As the struggle dragged on, however, and as ruin stared his great enterprises more and more in the face, Ballin's views changed. Time and again he sought out the Kaiser and his advisers in order to use what influence he had toward bringing the war to a conclusion. He met with no success.

U. S. SHIP TRUST RUMORED

Stockholm Hears of \$250,000,000 Corporation Being Formed

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Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. Copenhagen, Nov. 12.—According to a special to the Extrabladet from Stockholm, it is said that there is a great American trust to be formed, intending to raise shipping on the Atlantic and Pacific, with a capital of \$250,000,000. The power and influence of this trust will be much greater as American plants are now building 60 per cent of the world's tonnage.

RUSSIANS ARREST AMERICAN CONSUL

Roger Treadwell Held at Tashkent on Bolshevik Government Order

ALL ALIENS TO REGISTER

Officials of Enemy Powers to Be Imprisoned, Were Wireless Instructions

By CARL W. ACKERMAN

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Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. Omsk, Siberia, Nov. 12.

Roger Treadwell, the American consul at Tashkent, was arrested on October 27, according to wireless messages intercepted here. Treadwell is held under Bolshevik orders sent from Moscow.

The order contained in the Moscow radio at Tashkent instructed the officials there to compel all aliens to register, to imprison all subjects of the enemy powers, except women and children, to arrest all official representatives of foreign powers and to undertake decisive measures against Britishers, and especially Indian Colonel Goretzky, who is believed to be in the city.

SOLF'S PLEA LEAVES ENGLAND UNMOVED

London Times Calls Note to Wilson a "Contemptible Attempt at Michief Making"

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Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. London, Nov. 12.—The London Times editorial says:

"Plea like that which Solf has addressed to President Wilson leaves us quite unmoved, and we doubt not will leave the American quite unmoved. It is not three months since the man as Colonial Secretary in the Imperial Government was declaring that the Brest-Litovsk treaties came by agreement, denouncing the Czech-Slovak as lawless robbers, and demanding the return of the German colonies with a reiteration of Africa to suit German interests."

"Now he cries out that the fearful conditions of the armistice will lead to starvation in Germany, especially the blockade is to continue, and he appeals most solemnly and in earnestness to the President to avert the creation in Germany of feelings contrary to those upon which alone reconstruction of the community of nations can rest."

"This is a contemptible attempt at mischief making. Solf has but to look at the armistice in order to see that the Allies and the United States contemplate the provisioning of Germany during the armistice as shall be found necessary." That is both right and wise. It is our plain interest to do that. In his need to preserve stable government in Germany, if only in order to have some responsible authority with whom to deal.

BLOCKADE IS PROTESTED

German Socialist Appeal Calls It "Hunger War"

By the Associated Press

Copenhagen, Nov. 12.—A dispatch from the Wolff Bureau, the German semi-official news agency, says the German Socialists have telegraphed Hjalmar Branting, the Swedish Socialist leader, laying emphasis on the statement that the continuation of the blockade is causing suffering in Germany, involving women and children.

"The proletariat of all enemy countries protest against a hunger war," says the dispatch, which requests Branting to communicate the appeal of the Socialists to the international organization.

GERMANS ALARMED WHEN AMERICANS START BLASTING

High Command Sends Wireless Protest, but Is Reassured—Engineers Mending Roads—U. S. Troops Grim, but French Sing for Joy!

By the Associated Press

With the American Forces on the Meuse, Nov. 12.

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The message sent by wireless to the Allied high command was timed 2 p. m., and read:

On the front of Stenay-Beaumont, along the Meuse, Americans continue, despite conclusion of armistice. Please order the stopping of hostilities.

The American answer to the German message read as follows:

Receive your radio. Orders have been given for the American activities signaled on the Stenay-Beaumont front to cease immediately. The remainder of Monday afternoon, Sunday yesterday morning, however, they resumed their blasting.

DIRECTORATE IN POLAND

Regency Council Deposed and New Regime Established

By the Associated Press

Amsterdam, Nov. 12.—A dispatch from the Dusseldorf Nachrichten states that a directorate of the Polish people has been established at Warsaw under the leadership of Deputy Premier, leader of the Galician Socialists.

The dispatch adds that the regency council has been deposed.

House's Tribute Passed on to President Wilson

London, Nov. 12.

Colonel Edward M. House, special representative of the United States Government, sent the following message from Paris to David Lloyd George, the British Prime Minister, on the cessation of hostilities:

"Sincere congratulations. No one has done more to bring about this splendid victory than you."

To this the Prime Minister replied: "Many thanks for your generous telegram. Nothing contributed more to the victory than the prompt response of the President to the appeal I made to him for American help in those critical days."

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