

RUMANIANS PREPARE DRIVE ON BOLSHEVIKI

Hope Offensive Will Pave Way for Union With Denikine in Southeast Russia

KRONSTADT IS BOMBARDED

By the Associated Press
Paris, Aug. 20.—Rumanian military authorities are preparing for an offensive against the Bolsheviki east of the Dniester river for the purpose of joining forces with General Denikine's army in southern Russia, according to the Echo de Paris.

London, Aug. 20.—(By A. P.)—Anti-Bolshevik forces have occupied Kherson, Nikolof and Cherkassy, on the Dnieper river below Kiev, according to an official statement sent out by wireless by the soviet army headquarters at Moscow.

The statement adds that on the eastern front Bolsheviki forces have occupied Hetski after a fierce battle. Hetski is about forty miles southwest of Oranienburg.

The naval battle in the gulf of Finland is connected here with a big combined Russian and Estonian offensive against Petrograd, inaugurated by General Yudenitch, and which was expected to be the outcome of the formation of a new government for northwest Russia.

The battle coincides with the arrival, reported from Stockholm, of a large number of British tanks and quantities of munitions at Reval.

The British naval forces in this region, said to be in the gulf of Finland, consist of three light cruisers, four large torpedo boat destroyers and one large battleship at Reval.

It is officially stated, however, that no British troops are engaged in the operations against Petrograd on the Pakov sector, on the railroad about 180 miles southwest of the capital.

Helsingfors, Aug. 20.—The non-Bolshevik Russian forces, assisted by the British are bombarding Kronstadt (the fortress defending Petrograd). The non-Bolshevik army of the northwest has begun an advance against the positions of the soviet forces southwest of Petrograd. The advance was preceded by a bombardment.

The Bolsheviki battleship Andreon-Perosvan, the battle cruiser Petropavlovsk, a transport and a guardship are reported to have been sunk during an engagement with the British fleet in the Gulf of Finland.

The British are said to have lost three motorboats and to have had eight officers and three men killed.

Omsk, Aug. 15, delayed.—(By A. P.)—Two thousand Bolsheviki and Magyars, who had escaped from prison camps at Krasnovarsk, were surprised on July 30 by Siberian troops, 200 being killed and the rest, with the exception of sixty, being recaptured, according to a Czech report.

The prisoners had planned to attack the prison camps from a hill, but were defeated. Czech troops prepared to cooperate with the Siberians against the Bolsheviki and Magyars, but their assistance was not required.

MARK FRANCIS NAPIER

President of Reuters Telegram Co. Dies in Inverness, Scotland

London, Aug. 20.—(By A. P.)—Mark Francis Napier, president of Reuters Telegram Company, died at Inverness yesterday of heart failure.

He was born January 21, 1852, being the son of the tenth Baron Napier and Ettrick. He was married in 1878 to Emily, youngest daughter of the seventh and last Viscount Ranelagh. He was educated at Cambridge and from 1892 to 1895 was member of Parliament for Roxburgh.

JAPAN'S RELATIONS WITH AMERICA NOT STRAINED, SAYS ISHII

Declares Thinking People of U. S. Are Satisfied With Far East Situation

Tokio, July 17.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—In an interview on arriving here, Viscount Ishii, Japanese ambassador to Washington, said that he held an entirely optimistic view in regard to the relations between the United States and Japan. He said that there was no collision of vital interests between the two countries, although occasionally propagandists may talk about a Japanese-American war, which may lead some people to believe that the relations between the two nations are badly strained.

He believed that America's vital interests are mainly in the European and Latin-American markets and not in the Oriental market. He thought that the United States is contented with the strict observance by the powers of the open door and equal opportunity principle in China and has never dreamed of an economic monopolization of the Chinese market.

To his mind, America's safety in the Far East lies in her developing China industrially and commercially hand in hand with Japan, as well as with the other powers.

Continuing, Viscount Ishii is quoted as saying that the "thinking people of the United States feel quite safe and satisfied with the present situation in the Far East." He believed that the American Government and the people are confident that Japan will not destroy the principle of the open door. He approved the American proposition for the financial consortium for China.

UPPER SILESIA PUT UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Offenders Against Law and Order Will Be Summarily Shot

POLISH UPRISINGS CONTINUE

By the Associated Press
Berlin, Aug. 20.—The situation in upper Silesia, though slightly improved in some sections, remained sufficiently serious to impel the commander of the Sixth army at Breslau and the state commissioner of Silesia at West Posen to issue a martial-law order, providing that offenders against law and order can be shot immediately. Striking is forbidden, and all strikers and persons who have been prevented from proceeding with their labors have been ordered to return to their places at once.

Polish uprisings continue. The revolutionaries were repulsed in some places after bitter fighting. At Schomberg the situation has become worse, the population being embittered by the discovery of the mutilated bodies of German soldiers.

State Commissary Narsing has issued an appeal to the people of upper Silesia, in which he declares that Spartans and Communists have been disturbing the quiet and order, operating with Polish money. Willing workers, he adds, have been prevented from laboring and women and children are suffering greatly.

General strikes are being induced by lies and deception. Factories have been shut down as a consequence of the complete coal shortage. No food can be cooked and workmen cannot earn wages and cannot buy food.

A railroad strike is threatening Breslau and the general state commissioner has taken measures to protect those

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ACCUSE EX-KAISER'S COUSIN OF HOARDING

Prince Friederich Leopold's Castle Filled With Food and Other Necessaries

SMUGGLERS REAP HARVEST

By the Associated Press
Berlin, Aug. 20.—At a meeting of the citizens of Teltow, a suburb of Berlin, there was discussion of the conduct of Prince Friederich Leopold, cousin of former Emperor William, who, unlike Count Hohenzollern, remained there instead of leaving the country.

Local authorities recently searched his castle, confiscating great supplies of food, but when they attempted to bring action against the prince they were told from authoritative quarters that he was immune, being a member of the royal family. Prince Friederich has also stored a huge quantity of coal and other fuel.

As a result of the continued downward trend of the German mark the food controller has ordered the discontinuance of purchases in Holland and Denmark.

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ARMEN CHASE SMUGGLERS

German Flying Police Overtake Train With \$5,000,000

Berlin, Aug. 20.—(By A. P.)—According to the newspapers, policemen using airplanes have frustrated an attempt to smuggle 20,000,000 marks (normally \$5,000,000) from Berlin to Switzerland.

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