



RUSSIA ORDERS MOBILIZATION OF ARMY; GERMANY TO FOLLOW

CHICAGO, PEORIA AND ST. LOUIS RAILROAD IN RECEIVERS' HANDS

Failures of Large Concerns All Over Country Due to European Situation

FLOWER AND CO. SUSPEND Firm. Among Oldest in New York Exchange Decides to Quit Business

By Associated Press Peoria, Ill., July 31.—The Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis Railroad went into receivers' hands to-day. The action was brought by the Bankers Trust Company of New York following the failure to pay interest on its bonds. The amount is part of a \$15,000,000 issue largely taken by English investors in July. In its answer to the plea for the receivership the road admits insolvency. The road operates 251 miles of main line between Peoria and St. Louis, with a branch line between Peoria and Jacksonville. To-day is the third time the road has been in the hands of receivers. According to statements of officers of the road this morning, the purpose of the action is to secure a bedrock reorganization of the road.

Homer Howe and Co. Quits in Philadelphia

By Associated Press Philadelphia, July 31.—Announcement was made by the Philadelphia Stock Exchange to-day that Homer Howe & Co., of this city, had announced its inability to meet its contracts.

Old Member of New York Exchange Quits

By Associated Press New York, July 31.—Flower & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, assigned to-day, the firm is one of the oldest on the exchange.

Drinker Pleased With National Reserve Corps

By Associated Press Washington, D. C., July 31.—President Henry S. Drinker, of Lehigh Valley head of the Society of the National Reserve Corps, established by student bodies of the great universities to build up a reserve in this country, was here to-day after a tour of the summer camps of students located at Monterey, Mexico, Michigan and Burlington, Vt. Dr. Drinker, who wound up his tour with a visit here, expressed himself as greatly gratified with the showing made in the camps. Additional interest is lent to the efforts of the society in view of the threatened continental war in Europe, with all of the powers calling upon their army reserves.

METAL EXCHANGE CLOSED

By Associated Press New York, July 31.—The New York Metal Exchange was closed to-day until Tuesday. The London Metal Exchange was also closed.

RAISE DISCOUNT RATE

By Associated Press Berlin, July 31.—The rate of discount of the Imperial Bank of Germany was raised from four to five per cent. to-day.

Late News Bulletins

FRONTIER GUARDS REPEL ATTACK Vienna, July 31.—Austrian frontier guards to-day repelled a strong attack by Servians near Klotovatz on the Bosnia frontier without sustaining loss. The Servians lost one officer and 22 men.

POLICE DISPERSE MOBS Barcelona, Spain, July 31.—Street manifestations in favor of Serbia were organized here to-day but were dispersed by the police.

Brussels, Belgium, July 31.—The German Imperial Railway administration to-day informed the management of the Belgium State railways officially that all international trains into Germany had been suspended.

Berne, Switzerland, July 31.—The Federal Council to-day ordered the mobilization of all men between 20 and 48 years of age capable of bearing arms.

GARLAND HEADS MOOSE Milwaukee, July 31.—Mablon M. Garland, of Pittsburgh, was to-day elected supreme dictator of the Loyal Order of Moose at the convention here. The name of the military branch of the order was changed to "Moose Defenders."

WARBURG NOT LIKELY TO APPEAR Washington, July 31.—Chairman Owen of the Banking Committee, received a message from Mr. Warburg to-day and said that while it was not conclusive he did not expect the banker to come before the committee. This was interpreted to mean that Mr. Warburg would not take the nomination.

JACKSON'S AID DIES Warrenton, Va., July 31.—Captain William Fitzhugh Randal, for many years Stonewall Jackson's aid, who was with the noted Confederate leader when he received his death wound, died here to-day.

SUFFRAGE MELTING-CALDRON SEETHING WITH MANY RICHES

Valuables Pouring in, Army Worm Poet Finds on Seeing Mrs. Jones

ALAS FOR GRANDPA'S WATCH V. For W. Enthusiasts Hold Nothing Sacred in Quest For Gleaming Gold

Double, double, without trouble, Fire burn and caldron bubble. Battered bracelets, antique bangles, Silver plate and twisted spangles, Watches that have ceased to go, Side combs high and top combs low, Lids of jewel boxes nifty, Stared away by persons thrifty; Odds and ends make up the lot That go into the melting pot.

Double, double, there's no trouble To make the melting pot to bubble. —Army Worm Ballad.

Contributions to Harrisburg's melting pot, from which gold and silver bullion will be sold to the Philadelphia.

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Civic Club to Measure Swatted Flies Tomorrow

To-morrow a committee from the Civic Club will measure the flies brought in to 11 North Market Square. The committee will be on hand from 9 to 12 o'clock and will give \$5 to the one turning in the greatest number of flies and \$2.50 as a second prize.

Other prizes also will be awarded aside from the nickel which will be paid for every pint. The committee will consist of Mrs. Robert Hatfield Irons, chairman; Miss Eleanor Shunk, president of the Civic Club; Miss Rachel Pollock and Mrs. Mabel Cronise Jones.

JUNE-JULY WEATHER BREAKS ALL RECORDS FOR FREAK CONTRASTS

Temperature This Morning Drops to 55; Coldest July 31 Since Bureau Was Established

When the thermometer this morning reached a point lower than on preceding days of this week, it came close to establishing a new cold weather record for July in this region, and reached the lowest point of any July since 1890. It did make a record as the coldest July 31 ever recorded since the establishment of the bureau here. But on July 22, 1890, the mercury stood at 50 1-2, while this morning at 6 o'clock it was 55, one degree lower than yesterday. By 8 o'clock it had climbed to 59. The past sixty days have been full of all sorts of weather singularities, with some close approaches toward breaking records, both for rainfall.

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LATE WAR NEWS

Germany Believes War Is Certain

Washington, July 31.—Diplomatic dispatches from Berlin late today say that the German opinion is that a general European war seems certain. They also report that the British garrison in Gibraltar has been mobilized.

Warsaw-Vienna Railroad Bridge Blown Up

Berlin, July.—Official confirmation of the reported blowing up by Russian troops of the railroad bridge between Granica, Russian Poland, and Szozakova in Galicia on the railroad from Warsaw to Vienna was received here this morning.

All Russian Reservists Called Out

St. Petersburg, July 31.—An imperial proclamation calling all the army reservists in St. Petersburg to the colors was placarded today.

LOOK TO SAFETY OF AMERICANS

Washington, D. C., July 31.—American consuls throughout Europe soon will receive instructions to get into close communication with all American residents and travelers in their districts. If a general war breaks out they will serve notice that Americans should remove themselves and their property from localities which may become dangerous.

RUSSIA REFUSES TO HALT MOBILIZATION

Paris, July 31.—The Temps to-day relates details of the conversation between Count Von Pourtales the German ambassador and the Sergius Sazonoff, the Russian foreign minister, in St. Petersburg yesterday. Count Von Pourtales first asked whether, in case Russia were assured Austria would not retain any territory conquered in Serbia, Russia would stop her mobilization. To this M. Sazonoff replied: "No," and said that Russia could not permit the "execution" of Serbia which had been announced by Austria. Count Von Pourtales then asked Sazonoff what conditions Russia would demobilize. M. Sazonoff announced that any question of this sort must first be raised at Vienna.

European War Situation Causes Stock Exchanges Everywhere to Close

New York Exchange Suspends and Is Quickly Followed by Others in Many Parts of World; No Time Has Been Set For Reopening

By Associated Press New York, July 31.—The New York Stock Exchange was closed to-day on account of the European situation. The Consolidated Stock Exchange and the New York curb market also ceased business. This was followed immediately by announcements of closing of exchanges in other chief cities throughout the country. This official announcement was made by the secretary of the Stock Exchange.

Peace Near at Hand in Mexico Is Belief

Washington, D. C., July 31.—Administration officials to-day expressed conviction that as soon as Provisional President Carranza's envoys arrived at Saltillo to confer with Carranza peace plans for Mexico would move speedily forward. They believe that the contentions of each faction will be satisfied and conditions agreed upon for the transferring of government. President Wilson described the peace prospects as "entirely encouraging." The President told his advisers he believes that Villa, the Constitutional general, will subscribe to the peace program of his chief, Carranza. Recently there have been disquieting reports over Villa's attitude. While the Constitutional armies to-day continued their movement toward Mexico City, yet it was understood that the first result of the Saltillo conference would be the declaration of an armistice.

DOWNAGER EMPRESS TO RETURN

London, July 31.—Dowager Empress Marie Feodorovna of Russia, who has come to England intending to pass some weeks with her sister, Queen Mother Alexandra, has decided to return direct to Russia to-morrow, cancelling her usual visit to Denmark.

Preserving Time

"Preserving time" is still hot, tiresome work, but not nearly so hard as it used to be. Many utensils have been invented to make it easier—many things to lessen the heat and lighten the labor. Many of these are standard trade-marked articles. Most of them are to be found in the better stores of the town. From day to day women will find welcome hints in the advertising of the Telegraph as to how to make "preserving time" easier. Only one of many reasons for reading the advertising to-day.

Going on a Vacation?

Don't forget to have the Telegraph sent you while you are away. You will have plenty of time to digest its happenings. The cost is just the same as when you are home. Six cents a week. A postal addressed to the Circulation Department will bring you the next issue.

England Sees Little Hope For Peace in Europe

Resumption of "Conversations" Between Russia and Austria Brought Brief Hope That Was Quickly Dissipated; Germans Active on French Border; Servians Successfully Resist Austrians; Big Liners Held in Europe; German Government Forbids Sailing

LONDON, JULY 31.—THE MOMENTOUS ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE BY PREMIER ASQUITH IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TO-DAY THAT RUSSIA HAD PROCLAIMED THE GENERAL MOBILIZATION OF HER ARMY AND FLEET AND IN CONSEQUENCE MARTIAL LAW HAD BEEN PROCLAIMED IN GERMANY AND A GENERAL MOBILIZATION IN GERMANY WOULD FOLLOW.

Premier Asquith's statement was as follows: "We have just heard, not from St. Petersburg, but from Germany, that Russia has proclaimed the general mobilization of her army and her fleet, and that in consequence of this martial law is to be proclaimed in Germany. We understand this to mean that mobilization will follow in Germany if the Russian mobilization is general and is proceeded with. In these circumstances I prefer not to answer any further questions till Monday."

LONDON, JULY 31.—A CENTRAL NEWS DISPATCH FROM PARIS SAYS TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION FROM FRANCE AND GERMANY HAS BEEN INTERRUPTED SINCE 4 O'CLOCK THIS AFTERNOON.

LONDON, JULY 31.—A CENTRAL DISPATCH FROM BERLIN SAYS THE RUSSIAN TROOPS TO-DAY BLEW UP THE FRONTIER RAILROAD BRIDGE OF THE WARSAW VIENNA RAILROAD.

ST. PETERSBURG, JULY 31.—THE EMPEROR OF RUSSIA TO-DAY GAVE AN AUDIENCE TO THE GERMAN AMBASSADOR AND SUBSEQUENTLY PRESIDED OVER A FULL COUNCIL OF MINISTERS ATTENDED BY THE CHIEF OF THE ARMY GENERAL STAFF.

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, JULY 31.—SEVERAL AMERICAN NAVAL OFFICERS ON LEAVE IN SWITZERLAND WERE RECALLED TO-DAY ON ORDERS FROM WASHINGTON. THE SWISS GOVERNMENT HAS ORDERED A PARTIAL MOBILIZATION AND TROOPS ARE READY TO DEFEND THE NEUTRALITY OF SWITZERLAND. FOOD HAS RISEN IN PRICE FROM 10 TO 20%.

"Conversations" were resumed to-day by the Russian and Austrian governments.

Martial law was proclaimed throughout Germany. Stock exchanges were closed everywhere. Several encounters between Austrian and Servian troops resulted in the Servians successfully resisting the invaders' advance. The great German liners Imperator and Vaterland were taken off the trans-Atlantic service.

Wild patriotic enthusiasm prevailed all night in St. Petersburg. Vienna has been kept in ignorance of events at the front and Germany has imposed a rigid censorship on dispatches, which are greatly delayed.

London, July 31.—Official announcement of the resumption of the "Conversations" at St. Petersburg and Vienna came to-day at a moment when pessimism had taken possession of all Europe. The hope that it might lead to a peaceable solution was grasped with desperation, but the news was offset later by the proclamation of martial law in Germany which was regarded as a preliminary to the mobilization of the German forces for war.

Everybody then seemed to settle down to wait the news. THE GREAT EUROPEAN POWERS HAD EVIDENTLY DECIDED TO ENGAGE IN A STRUGGLE FOR SUPREMACY. THERE WAS NOTHING TO GIVE THE PUBLIC HOPE THAT A GENERAL WAR MIGHT BE AVERTED.

The Stock Exchange in London and the big provisional cities as well as those on the Continent were closed.

ENGLAND RESOLVED TO SUSTAIN FRANCE The precautionary military and naval measures taken by the British government are almost completed. The prevailing public opinion here is determined that England must obey her unwritten obligation to assist France in her difficulties with Germany, but a small body of radicals continue to utter objections to England involving herself in the quarrels of the Continental powers.

The House of Commons met at noon and the King gave his assent to the finance bill, so that should the necessity arise the members of the house would be free to deal with any proposal of measure, financial or otherwise.

Dispatches from Nish, in Serbia, and from Vienna told of encounters between Austrian and Servian troops on the frontiers but authentic details of fighting were lacking. It seems certain that conflicts between the frontier guards have occurred, but military men here point out that stories of fighting with heavy losses such as that said to have occurred at Fochs are absurd, as it would be impossible for the Servians in the time of their disposal to cross the river and advance twenty miles within Austrian territory.

It is also argued that announcement that 500,000 Austrians were on the march into Serbia, is practically incorrect. It is said that Austria cannot have 500,000 men on the move in less than six weeks.

EMPEROR AND VATERLAND ARE HELD UP Americans visiting Europe received a shock to-day when it was announced that the sailing of the Imperator from Hamburg for New York had been cancelled owing to the unsettled situation. There was a rush to steamship offices to endeavor to book passage but few or none were to be had as all the ships were filled to capacity until the middle of September. Business men to whom it was imperative necessary to get back to America offered premiums for berths but even then could not get the lucky possessors to give them up.

In contrast to this rush for berths a lot of Americans applied at the United States embassy for passports, so that they might visit Continental countries. Over fifty applications were made including many from girls who declined to listen to the advice of embassy officials and were given their passports under the direction of Secretary of State Bryan who had given instructions that all Americans wishing to visit the Continent should be supplied with them.

State of War Has Been Proclaimed in Germany

London, July 31.—A dispatch from Berlin to Reuter's Telegram Company says that a state of war has been proclaimed in Germany. The "state of war" in Germany means in other words martial law under which the military authorities take charge of the situation in conformity with Paragraph 66 of the constitution of German Empire. The Kingdom of Bavaria, however, is excluded from the operation of to-day's proclamation and will have to issue a similar decree if it desires to do so, as it is an independent kingdom.

To-day's proclamation was signed by the German Emperor as king of Prussia. (Other War News Pages 13 and 16)

FRIENDS MEET AFTER QUARTER CENTURY IN VALLEY QUEEN CITY

This Is Contest Day in Chambersburg Old Home Week Celebration

By Staff Correspondent Chambersburg, Pa., July 31.—To-day is Contest Day here and this morning and this afternoon contests for visiting firemen and railroaders were held. These attracted many visitors here and made to-day an eventful one of Old Home Week. To-night the street carnival and parade will be held with E. H. Overpeck as chief marshal. The parade will be divided into three divisions and large prizes will be offered in each. To-morrow is Children's Day and everything on the program will be in the interest of the youngsters. An interesting incident occurred here yesterday when the Rev. B. F. Dice, a Methodist Episcopal minister of Kansas, met S. S. Wallick, of Chambersburg. The men were reared here together and early in life went to Kansas. There they separated twenty-five years ago and did not meet again until yesterday. An event not on the week's official program was the visit of little Miss Mary Culbertson McVaine, daughter [Continued on Page 15.]

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to-night and probably Saturday; slowly rising temperature. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night and probably Saturday; slowly rising temperature; moderate northeast wind. River The main river will fall slowly to-night and Saturday and will continue to fall indefinitely. A stage of about 1.6 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Saturday morning. General Conditions Local showers and thunderstorms occurred in the Atlantic States and in Southern New England in the last twenty-four hours, being mostly light except in New Jersey, Atlantic City reporting one inch; elsewhere east of the Mississippi river fair weather prevailed, except along the Gulf coast of Florida, where showers fell. Temperature: 8 a. m., 66. Sun: Rises, 5:02 a. m.; sets, 7:23 p. m. Moon: Full moon, August 5, 7:41 p. m. River Stage: 1.8 feet above low water mark. Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 72. Lowest temperature, 56. Mean temperature, 64. Normal temperature, 74.