

Finland, Lacking Needed Aid, Yields to Russia

(Continued from page 1) Alliance with Russia. (Russia denounced the previous non-aggression pact just before invading Finland Nov. 30.) It was officially announced this afternoon that War Minister Niskanen and Minister of Education Hannula had resigned from the government because they opposed accepting the Russian terms.

Foreign Minister Tanner disclosed the terms to the Finnish people in a broadcast today, declaring Finland was forced to capitulate. The head of the Finnish army, Field Marshal Gustaf Mannerheim, was scheduled to speak to the nation tonight and President Kailla tomorrow.

"No Faith in Promises" Finland was forced to yield because she lacked arms and "had no faith in the promises of others" to aid in the unequal struggle against a foe 50 times her size, Tanner declared.

Great Britain and France yesterday offered to send 50,000 troops to Finland, but Tanner said, "the only possible route was through Norway and Sweden, who refused to let the troops through. This refusal proved an unconquerable obstacle."

"Thus Finland was left alone to face an enemy of superior numbers." He highly praised the conduct of Finland's stubborn defenders, saying their feats were "astonishing and beyond expectations," but "the response of the public to the peace terms was uncertain as yet, but foreign observers took it for granted that a change in the government was imminent."

Defensively, Tanner asserted: "The surrender is not our fault—it is the fault of our being forsaken by our fellow democracies."

Defenses "Unbroken" Despite loss through the treaty of all the Karelian isthmus, Viipuri, all the shores of Lake Ladoga, the strategic peninsula of Hanko on which Russia will put a naval base, and great chunks of land in the Arctic, Tanner said it was wisest to make peace while Finland's defenses remained "unbroken."

Tanner described the terms of peace as "unexpectedly severe" and "much more severe than those demanded by the soviet union last autumn."

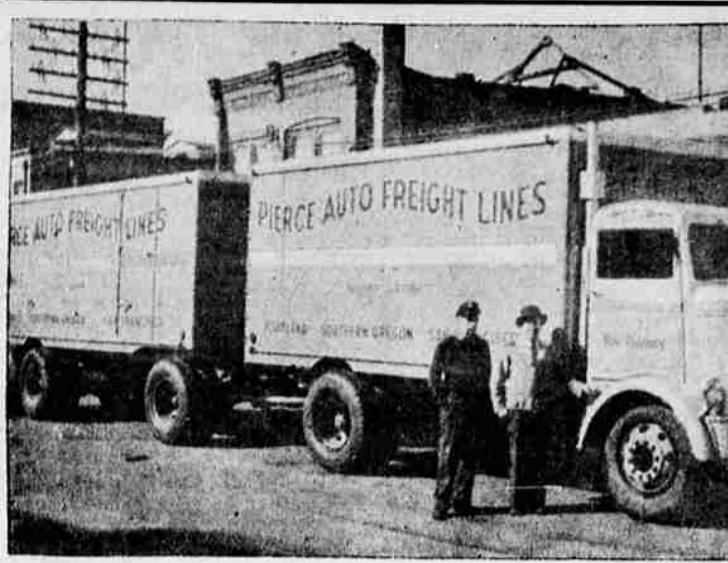
"Our representatives tried to bring the negotiations to modify the terms, but in vain," he said. "The peace will be a heavy one," he added, "and our future possibilities of defense will be restricted."

He added, however, that "Finland will once more arise to be a vital state and its people will find a means of sustenance."

"What kind of peace?" Tanner asked. "A severely wounded nation is surrendering important industrial and agricultural territories."

Pleas for Reconstruction This, said the foreign minister, creates new responsibilities and makes a new building program necessary. He called for a united nation to carry out the reconstruction.

"Miss Roseburg" Given Unique Initiation



"Miss Roseburg," above, the newest piece of automotive equipment to be received by the Pierce Auto Freight Lines, was given a novel initiation last night. The truck and trailer were fitted up as a dining room and club room and used for a meeting place by the directors of the Roseburg Rotary club. W. J. (Bill) Adair, local manager for the Pierce lines, a director in the Rotary club, arranged the unique meeting. The truck was parked beside the Rose hotel and the delicious meal was served from the hotel coffee shop.

The new piece of equipment is the first of its type to be placed in operation by the company and will be used between Portland and San Francisco. It was given the name "Miss Roseburg." The outfit is a cab-over-engine type of truck, with a 14-foot truck bed and 22-foot trailer, capable of hauling more than 15 tons. The trailer is equipped with a refrigerator unit, making it possible to maintain low temperatures when handling perishable cargo. The truck, operated by a Diesel engine, has 12 forward and 3 reverse speeds.

Pictured in the above photograph are Cliff Hunicutt and Mr. Adair. The driver, at the wheel of the truck, is Dale Morse.

government formed after the start of the war and his party has the largest parliamentary representation.

RUSSIA REGARDS RESULT AS DEFEAT FOR ENGLAND MOSCOW, March 13.—(AP)—Soviet Russia gained broad territorial, economic and military footholds in Finland today with a treaty ending her costly 165-day war in a fashion which the Kremlin regards as the greatest defeat of the British in a century.

The undeclared war's conclusion was looked upon at the soviet seat of government as a "splendid contribution to world peace."

The treaty's terms indicate that Russia has achieved her long-sought security for Leningrad front assault by any power by land or sea over Finnish soil or waters.

Vilpuri, the Finnish city which goes to Russia under the treaty, has been called the key to Leningrad's defense since Peter the Great founded Leningrad as St. Petersburg.

The end of hostilities was celebrated with a round of beer, the Finnish delegates drinking with the Russians. Stalin, a correspondent reported, patted Dr. J. K. Paasivirta of the Finnish group on the shoulder and paid him many compliments.

Roosevelt Slate Wins in New Hampshire Primary (Continued from page 1) elals, including Mayor Arthur S. Lauglie, were reelected. Langlie's victory over Warren L. Cook, young proprietor of an automobile rental agency, was overwhelming, complete returns giving him 69,931 to Cook's 19,234.

Cain, 34-year-old Tacoma hotel-keeper, was elected mayor of that city on the basis of complete unofficial returns over Melvin G. Tennent, twice before elected to the post, by a margin of less than 2,000 votes. Cain polled 18,697 and Tennent 16,895.

Treaty to Bring German Coal to Italy by Rail

ROME, March 13.—(AP)—Italy and Germany today signed an agreement whereby the reich agrees to supply Italy's coal needs by rail in view of the allied sea blockade against shipments by sea. Details of the agreement were withheld, but it was announced that negotiations for it were started by German Foreign Minister von Ribbentrop and Premier Mussolini over the week-end.

It was reported in political circles that German coal would be routed through three or more Alpine passes. Germany is expected in some commercial quarters to supply cars for the coal from the Ruhr and Westphalia. While Italy would use most of its 6,900 cars for transport of coal from Poland.

Tax Dodging Guilt Put On Ex-Political Boss KANSAS CITY, March 13.—(AP)—Matthew S. Murray, until recently one of Missouri's most powerful figures, both state WPA administrator and Boss Tom Pendergast's city public works director—was adjudged guilty today of federal income tax evasion.

Judge Albert L. Reeves, who heard the case after Murray waived jury trial, ruled that he had failed to pay \$6,577.28 in back taxes on \$69,691. The government contended Murray got the money from Boss Pendergast and John J. Pryor, the machine's favored general contractor, for favors he extended.

Britain Scored for Failure to Aid Finns (Continued from page 1) they found themselves, however, the Finns decided not to make such a request, Chamberlain said.

Chamberlain declared in reply to a question that "at no time did we threaten the neutrality of Sweden." Sweden's neutrality was presumed to have been involved in the question of transporting British troops to Finland.

David Lloyd George, the world war prime minister, declared that "in my heart I am glad of the news" from Finland, but continued: "But it is the old trouble—too late. Too late for Czechoslovakia. Too late for Poland. Certainly too late for Finland."

TREATY GIVES GERMANY CHANGE TO SWAT ALLIES BERLIN, March 13.—(AP)—Authorized German sources beamed with satisfaction today over the Russian-Finnish peace.

Its terms, they said, were "in just proportion to the sacrifices made and in just proportion to the needs and necessities which certain states in large 'living spaces' have a right to claim."

These sources also expressed the opinion that the treaty, as signed at Moscow, constituted no danger to Finnish living space.

Authorized sources further held that conclusion of the peace marked failure of a so-called British-

French attempt to extend the area of combat into Scandinavia. They spoke with greatest distaste of "those buffoons" who thought at the last moment they could use Finland "the same way they used Poland."

"Fortunately," they added, "the Finns proved more sensible than the Poles. The whole affair is anything but honorable for England and France. These western powers totally miscalculated."

Authorized sources again emphasized that Germany remained strictly neutral in the northern conflict and left it to the Finns to settle their affairs with the Russians as best they could.

They insisted that Finland went into the fight only because she relied on the western powers for aid.

Finns Purchase Peace at Price Above First Demand (Continued from page 1) land, one-fiftieth as populous as Russia, fought the invading hosts to a standstill for months.

One of the coldest winters in half a century aided Finland's defense and Finnish soldiers killed and wounded the freezing Russians by the thousands.

Finns Victories Futile. Early in January the Finns announced two great victories; annihilation on the eastern front of the soviet 44th and 163rd divisions of 15,000 and 18,000 men each. On February 19 they announced the slaughter of the soviet 18th division.

Finland's ski troops, with mobility afflicting the soviet's sheer numbers, accomplished a modern miracle. Many military observers said the long-dreaded might of the Russian army had been proved a myth.

But slowly and ponderously, with utter disregard for casualties, the overwhelming Russian manpower finally penetrated the Mannerheim line of defenses on the Karelian Isthmus.

Swarms of Russian bombers, often 500 or more at a time, mercilessly devastated nearly every city and hamlet in Finland, although not a single important Finnish community yet had fallen into Russian hands.

Superior Numbers Win. Finally after three months of war had depleted Finland's manpower and supplies peace negotiations were started behind the scenes. Neutral Sweden acted as an intermediary.

Just one week ago a Finnish delegation headed by Premier Rytty went to Moscow to discuss Russia's new offer—although Russian leaders had said they never would deal with any Finnish government other than the one they themselves had set up at Terijoki.

Today, while Britain and France professed to be ready to rush 50,000 soldiers to defense of Finland, the Finnish leaders chose a galling peace.

Less than 16 hours after the one-sided agreement was reached, the cannon of the Karelian Isthmus

mattered their last, the drone of warplanes faded, and bayonets were sheathed. The Finns prepared to retreat to their new and straightened frontiers, leaving the fields of honor to the grotesque dead—and to Russia.

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