

RUSSIA STILL FEARS

Baltic Fleet May Not Get Through Suez Canal.

BRITAIN IS CLOSELY WATCHED

General Public is Very Suspicious of Her Purposes—Officers Who Left Fleet at Vigo Are Expected at Capital in Two Days.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 2 (U.S.A. M.)—The four officers detached from the Baltic squadron to testify regarding the North Sea affair are expected to reach St. Petersburg in two days. It is hoped they will be able to throw clear light upon this mysterious incident. They are the watch officers who were on duty at the time the affair occurred. Their names are not disclosed. The news of the departure of Vice-Admiral Rojstvenky and his ships from Vigo has considerably relieved the tension here. The great mass of Russians are quite as suspicious of Great Britain's motive as Britons are of Russia's purpose. There has been much apprehension here that Great Britain might use the trawler incident as a pretext for detaining the Baltic squadron. This apprehension is now largely allayed, though fears are expressed in some quarters that there may be further complications before the fleet gets through the Suez Canal or around the Cape of Good Hope. The situation, however, is being more dispassionately discussed, and charges against the Britons are no longer being declaimed. Allowance is also made for the exasperation of Great Britain over the seemingly callous action of Admiral Rojstvenky in going on his way after firing on the trawlers and not reporting the incident until he reached Vigo. The explanation offered in the highest source seems to acquit the Admiral of all blame. It is pointed out that he could not send a dispatch by a torpedo-boat, all craft of that description being absent from the Baltic fleet and cruisers, and that he had no alternative except to detain a cruiser.

From another reliable source the Associated Press learns that the circumstances of the firing, as detailed by Russian officers, closely resemble the facts reported by the Admiral of the fishing fleet. When abreast of the trawlers, the Russian squadron was formed in two divisions, the cruiser steaming east and the trawlers west, getting among the fishing fleet as the fishing craft, which were heading toward the battleship, one of which, the Aurora, was hit several times. A priest, who died, the transport Anatol apparently became tangled among the trawlers, which also mistook for Russian warships. He died for aid, thereby leading the officers of the battleships to believe the trawlers were attacking the Anatol. This coupled with the appearance of the British torpedo-boats steaming toward the battleships, resulted in the fatal cannonade.

NEW WAR SCARE

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The view of preventing injury or inconvenience to neutral shipping during the passage of the Russian fleet to the East.

In compliance with Russia's agreement, four Russian officers have been left behind at Vigo. The two governments are now discussing the terms with reference to the international commission which will be entrusted with the proposed inquiry.

Although the statement contained nothing that had been published in the United States some hours earlier in Associated Press dispatches from St. Petersburg and London, it served to inform the people here of the exact situation. The general public, however, went to bed tonight firm in the conviction that it would wake up to hear that Admiral Rojstvenky was at the bottom of the sea. Today's rumors would be ludicrous except for the striking instance it has afforded in the willingness of the British public to believe that any development is possible after the North Sea affair, and by the enthusiasm caused by Gibraltar's warlike news. The Foreign Office has been intensely irritated at the construction placed on what they declare to have been mere fleet and garrison exercises. The Associated Press has declared in its state that no orders have been given for the huge fleet now concentrated at Gibraltar to make any preparation in connection with the departure of Admiral Rojstvenky's squadron.

Some annoyance was caused in Downing street earlier in the day by the announcement of the sailing of the fleet coming from the British Consul at Vigo before the Russian Government officially informed the British Government that the officers whose testimony is desired had been detached. Ambassador Benckendorff soon made amends for this omission, while Ambassador Harding confirmed the news from St. Petersburg.

Both the Russian Embassy and the Foreign Office affirm that the negotiations today were entirely confined to the selection of the international commission in which no hitch has occurred. Count Benckendorff, who is expected to arrive in London in addition to visiting King Edward at Buckingham Palace, was perfectly amazed to see flaming war posters as he drove back from his later visit to the Foreign Office. In his two conversations with the British Foreign Minister, the question of the sailing of the Baltic squadron had not even been raised except when the Ambassador informed Lord Lansdowne that four officers had been detached, the news of which had already officially reached Lord Lansdowne through the Associated Press St. Petersburg dispatches. Several of those few persons who were thoroughly aware of the extent to which the Gibraltar telegrams, combined with diplomatic activity in London and the sailing of Admiral Rojstvenky's ships, were causing a misconception of the situation in the minds of the British public, remarked that it was curious such an uproar should break loose on the very day King Edward had chosen on which to express to Count Benckendorff his appreciation of the Ambassador's efforts for peace and his complete satisfaction with the method of settlement.

From other sources the Associated Press learns that the King privately expressed keen displeasure at the tone adopted by a certain section of the London press toward the agreement to submit the North Sea affair to an international commission.

It is said in the Cabinet meeting tomorrow a decision will be reached as to the date, place of meeting and personnel of the commission.

Russian Warships Leave Vigo

VIGO, Spain, Nov. 1.—All the Russian warships left here at 8 o'clock this morning. The Russian squadron was followed by the Spanish cruiser Extremadura.

NOT TO THEIR LIKING

Britons Believe Russian Ships Should Have Been Held.

BALFOUR NOT UNDERSTOOD

Public Interpreted His Speech to Mean Fleet Would Not Sail Until the North Sea Incident Was Fully Investigated.

Refuse to State What Activity Means.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—Ambassador Benckendorff said to the Associated Press late this evening that there was absolutely no reason, so far as he knew, for the excitement over the situation. There were no developments to warrant the uneasiness.

SQUADRON ON WAY TO TANGIER

How its Coaling Will Be Managed is Doubtful.

LONDON, Nov. 2.—It is understood that Admiral Rojstvenky, with his squadron, is on the way to join the Russian vessels now at Tangier.

Officers of Swedish Ship Testify.

GELE, Sweden, Nov. 1.—The captain and crew of the Swedish vessel Aldebaran, which arrived here October 27, and reported having been fired at by a cruiser of the Russian second Pacific squadron, October 21, in the Skagerack, were examined today.

Russian Officers Await Orders.

TANGIER, Nov. 1.—The officers of the Russian warships now here are awaiting the coming of Vice-Admiral Rojstvenky.

RECEIVED BY KING EDWARD.

Russian Ambassador Has a Most Cordial Interview.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—Count Benckendorff, the Russian Ambassador, was received in audience by King Edward at Buckingham Palace this afternoon.

Batteries at Gibraltar Manned.

GIBRALTAR, Nov. 1.—The preparations caused disquietude, as the regular mobilization in the city has proceeded.

Orders to Garrison Countermanded.

GIBRALTAR, Nov. 1.—The departure of a company of the garrison artillery, which had been ordered to start for Sierra Leone November 9, has been countermanded.

British Cruiser Arrives at Vigo.

VIGO, Nov. 1.—The British cruiser Thesus arrived here this afternoon.

British Cruiser Division Sails.

VILLA GARCIA, Spain, Nov. 1.—The British cruiser Division, of the Mediterranean fleet, has put to sea.

Ex-Crack Pugilist Is Dead.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—George Roek, 62 years of age, who at one time claimed to be middle-weight champion pugilist of the world, is dead in a Newark, N. J., hospital.

Russian Ships Have Many Men.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—Spanish pilots, according to the Madrid correspondent of the Standard, report that most of the Russian vessels in Spanish ports, appear to have more than usual complement of men.

NATIONAL RECEIPTS INCREASE

Record for October, Compared With 1903, is \$2,027,395.

POPE SUFFERS FROM GOUT.

Doctor Advises Complete Rest, and His Holiness Reluctantly Consents.

COPE OF CRATER FALLS IN.

Explosion Which Follows at Vesuvius Shakes Whole Mountain.

PRESIDENT ISSUES THANKSGIVING DAY PROCLAMATION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The President today issued the Thanksgiving day proclamation, setting aside Thursday, November 24, "to be observed as a day of festival and thanksgiving by all of the people of the United States at home and abroad."

The proclamation was issued from the State Department this afternoon by Secretary Hay. It follows: By the President of the United States—A Proclamation.

It has pleased Almighty God to bring the American people in safety and honor through another year, and in accordance with the long established custom handed down to us by our forefathers, the time has come when a special day shall be set apart in which to thank him who holds all nations in the hollow of his hand for the mercies thus vouchsafed to us.

Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, do hereby appoint and set apart Thursday, the 24th of this November, to be observed as a day of festival and thanksgiving by all the people of the United States at home or abroad, and do recommend that on that day they cease from their ordinary occupations and gather in the spirit of worship or in their homes, devoutly to give thanks to Almighty God for the benefits he has conferred upon us as individuals and as a Nation, and to beseech him that in the future his divine favor may be continued to us.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this 1st day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-ninth.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

JOHN HAY, Secretary of State.

By the President.

Train Hits Burning Bridges.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 1.—J. Dauphin, engineer, when at the top of a steep grade. He put on the emergency brakes, but the heavy train rushed down the hill to destruction.

Burial Place of Chief Joseph.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 1.—The dying wish of Chief Joseph, head of the Nez Perces Indians, will not be granted.

Infant's Arm Shot Off.

ELLENBURG, Wash., Nov. 1.—While playing with a gun yesterday which he thought was unloaded, a boy shot his 3-year-old niece in the forearm.

Race Rioting in Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 1.—A dispatch from Kieff states that on October 28 the mobbing of the Russian Jews in the district disorders among the men called out occurred at several places.

Commission Merchants Fail.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 1.—The firm of W. F. Clark & Co., commission merchant and a partner in bankruptcy today. Liabilities, \$24,000.

Two Double Tragedies at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—Two cases of murder and suicide of similar nature occurred today.

Will Attend Garrison School.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 1.—(Specialist) Rufus Detrick, Second Lieutenant of Company G, N. G. W. of Victoria, B. C., received an announcement to the effect that he had been regularly appointed to attend the Garrison school at Vancouver.

Narrowly Escaped Death.

OAKLAND, CAL., Nov. 1.—Promoted great presence of mind, Mrs. Victoria H. Metcalf, wife of Secretary of Commerce and Labor Victor H. Metcalf, narrowly escaped death yesterday afternoon in an automobile while riding in the Piedmont Hills.

Doctor Testifies as to Condition of Miss Dolbeer in Will Contest.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—The hearing before Commissioner Robert A. Lee, appointed by the courts of California to take the testimony of New York witnesses in the suit brought in California to set aside the will of Miss Bertha M. Dolbeer, who was killed by falling from the fifth floor of the Waldorf-Astoria last July, was continued here today.

DECLARES SHE WAS SANE.

Dr. Homer Gibney was the only witness. He testified he was well acquainted with Miss Dolbeer and also with Miss Warren, her friend to whom Miss Dolbeer in her will left a large part of her fortune.

Politico Riots in Rome.

ROME, Nov. 1.—The electoral campaign is at fever heat. There was a severe fight in a public hall in Palermo, where Palizzello, the Mafia leader and ex-Deputy, once convicted of murder, but subsequently acquitted, and who is again a candidate for Deputy, attempted to speak at a meeting of his opponents. He was greeted with cries of "Down with the traitor!" and in the riot that followed several persons were badly injured.

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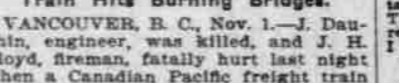
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