

BREST-LITOVSK IS TAKEN BY TEUTONS

Russians Give Up Strongest Fortress in Empire and Retreat Eastward.

SECOND LINE IS SHATTERED

Next String of Defenses Are in Marshy Districts and Are Regarded Better Barriers—Supply of Shells Doubled.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—Brest-Litovsk, the strongest fortress in the Russian empire and one of the strongest in Europe, has been captured by the Austro-German armies under General von Mackensen.

The fall of the great fortress was brought about in a remarkably short time after the first assault.

The capture was effected by carrying by storm first the central works, after which the Russians evacuated the fortress, which was being attacked also from the western and northwestern fronts.

This is regarded as the most important military feat since the capture of Warsaw, and one of the outstanding achievements of arms in the European war.

Brest-Litovsk was the southwestern point of what was known as the Russian second line of defense, two fortresses of which have now fallen into the hands of the Germans. The other one was Kovno, nearly 200 miles north of Brest-Litovsk.

Town Is Railway Center.

Railways from all parts of Russia and East Prussia converge at Brest-Litovsk, which is situated on the Bug River, 125 miles east of Warsaw, being considered one of the most important strategic points in Russia.

The Russian third line of defense, to which they must now retreat, runs from a point on the Baltic north of Riga, along the River Dvina, through White Russia, to Duenaburg, and then south through Vilna, Lida and Baranovitch.

Much of this line is through a marshy country, which military observers believe will prove a more effective barrier against the German advance than were the fortresses which were considered practically impregnable.

Only a few hours previous to the announcement of the fall of Brest-Litovsk, the chairman of the Russian defense committee made an announcement that the shell crisis in Russia was over.

Quantity Supply Doubled.

The quantity of munitions, the statement continues, has been more than doubled, and all necessary supplies are going forward promptly. The Russian army is in splendid fighting condition, it is said, and the machinery of the internal administration is gradually being adapted to the new conditions.

The word "evacuation" says the correspondent, is losing its terrors in the minds of the people, who are beginning to regard the idea of somewhat restricted mobility as a feasible military scheme.

The Daily Mail's Petrograd correspondent also telegraphs in an optimistic vein. He says a new phase in the Russian operations is now beginning in which the Russians will have two useful allies, namely, autumn mist and autumn mud.

"Already," says the correspondent, "seven Teutonic armies in many places are bounding through marshy districts, where there is a thick fog in the morning and evening, and where the rains are turning the roads into deep mud. Operations must now take place amid lakes and bogs."

POLICE FORCE TO BE CUT

Two Members to Be Dropped at Aberdeen September 1.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 26.—(Special.)—Only eight men will be left on the Aberdeen police force after September 1, the City Council last night ordering that two members be let out. The two to go will be Captain Church and Detective Graham. The police committee having ordered that these two be dismissed.

There has been a fight on Church and Graham's salaries. The police committee began service, it is said, the salaries saved will amount to about \$250 a month.

REBUKE GIVEN GENERAL

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own speech on August 14, which attracted some attention and which was called to the notice of the War Department. The general's explanation of his own remarks was satisfactory to the War Department.

The secretary said he had just read the letter today on his return from his brief vacation at Seabright, N. J.

Wood's Talk Purely Technical.

"You perhaps have seen something of the articles in the various papers. It is needless to say that there was no discussion by me, nor has there been any by any officers here, of international affairs or anything that might come under the President's prohibition. The talk to the men have been on purely technical subjects, explaining the use of armies, methods of raising them, sanitation, etc."

"My own talk was absolutely on technical lines, and had to do with the methods of raising and maintaining armies, voluntary systems, etc., and the usual strong endorsement of the militia, into which I think a great many of these men will go."

NOTICE GIVEN, SAYS COLONEL

Garrison Declared to Have Known Speakers Were Invited.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—Colonel Roosevelt, advised of Secretary Garrison's telegram to Major-General Leonard Wood late today, said that he was entirely responsible for his own remarks at Westbury. He also said he considered the Secretary had no right to criticize General Wood.

Colonel Roosevelt's remarks were contained in a statement which read: "Nearly three weeks ago it was announced in the public press, the statement being given by a newspaper, that in addition to President Wilson and Secretary Garrison, some scores of private citizens had been asked to go to the Plattsburgh camp, where it is expected they would speak to the men. Among the names mentioned, in addition to my own, were those of ex-President Taft, Samuel Gompers and John Mitchell. It is, of course, impossible that Secretary Garrison can have been ignorant that we were asked and if he desired General Wood to notify us in advance that we were expected to say or leave un-

said it was clearly his duty to direct the general accordingly.

"When the War Department, after three weeks' public notice, made no objection to my coming, they stopped themselves from any right to criticize General Wood because I was coming or because I did not submit my speech in advance to the Administration for approval. I am, of course, solely responsible for that speech, and until yesterday General Wood had no more idea than Secretary Garrison what I was going to say. In the speech not only did I never mention the President, but I never mentioned the Administration. I spoke purely of the Nation, of the people of the United States."

"If the Administration had displayed one-tenth the spirit and energy in holding Germany and Mexico to account for the murder of American men, women and children that it is now displaying, the endeavor to prevent our people from being taught the need of preparations to prevent the repetition of such murders in the future would have rendered a service to the people of this country."

"General Wood issued orders that attendance at my speech was not required of any man, that it was optional to come or not; orders which at once established the fact that he had no responsibility for my speech. It was delivered outside the line of tents and one-half the audience was made up of men and women from the surrounding country."

The Colonel seemed perturbed at the idea that his own remarks might result in any way on the record of General Wood.

MILITARY LADS - PARADE

GOVERNOR REVIEWS SOLDIER-CITIZENS OF BAY STATE.

South Carolina Governor Says Lynching Protects Civilization, While "Third Degree" Is Unlawful.

BOSTON, Aug. 26.—A demonstration of the preparedness for active military service of the Massachusetts militia, the National Guard was given before the visiting Governors and a great throng of citizens today in a parade through the streets of the city of the entire state militia.

The Governor, who was in the parade yesterday saw the maneuvers of part of the National Guard. They will consider tomorrow the general topic of "Preparedness and Defense."

A statement by ex-Governor Blewett of South Carolina, "that when mobs are no longer possible, liberty will be lost," called forth a brief response from Governor Goldsborough, of Maryland, who said:

"Such a statement is unchristian. If capital punishment is wrong, how much more so is capital punishment at the hands of a mob?"

Blewett Defends Lynching.

Ex-Governor Blewett in the course of his speech said that in the South the lynching of a man for the unmentionable crime is a protection to our civilization, while the "third degree" violates the letter of the Constitution in its most vital point.

Elaborating his attack on "third degree" methods, Mr. Blewett said: "Within the past few weeks we read in the newspapers of a man who had made an attempt on the life of another man being piled with questions until he was too weak to talk, then being walked up and down the corridors of his prison to revive him, then piled with questions again and subjected to God knows what when the administration of the 'third degree' later the prisoner was found on the floor of his cell with his skull crushed in."

Whether he was murdered or whether he really committed suicide we do not know; but this I do know, the suicide of any man would hardly be unnatural under such circumstances, and the treatment accorded him, before conviction, would have been a disgrace to our civilization even had it occurred after he had been tried and sentenced."

Arizonan Opposes Death Penalty.

Governor Hunt of Arizona, advocated abolishing the death penalty. He contended that if the arguments for capital punishment as a deterrent were sound, death should be made the penalty for all crimes.

"It is my unqualified belief," he said, "that the average execution kindles the flame of brute passion in the human heart, sets up an example of organized violence for the great mass of people, and in numerous instances when the trial is widely heralded and the murderer meets death bravely, has the anticipated effect of idealizing the criminal."

The thanks of the Administration for the resolution adopted by the Governor on Tuesday, President Wilson, was extended to the conference today by Attorney-General Thomas Gregory.

AUTO EXPORTS DOUBLED

Trucks Sent to Europe Increase From 254 to Almost 14,000.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—American automobile manufacturers exported 37,720 motor vehicles, valued at \$46,254,423, with parts valued at \$7,699,990, making the total exports of the automobile industry \$53,954,413 for the year ended June 30, or an increase of 100 per cent over the sales of the previous 12 months, according to a report from the Department of Commerce in Washington, with information compiled by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, and announced here tonight.

Although trucks exported to Europe have increased from 754 to almost 14,000, there is a corresponding decrease in the passenger cars exported to South America and Canada. England, it is said, was the best customer, taking 12,924 trucks and passenger cars valued at \$21,145,900, while France was second, with 5441 vehicles, valued at \$12,174,990.

"SEPTEMBER MORN" SEEN

Motorist Nearly Wrecks Car While Watching Maid in Stream.

PHILIPSBURG, Pa., Aug. 26.—With his eyes intently upon a real "September Morn" taking a "tip in Clearfield Creek, the driver of an auto, carrying four passengers, lost control and side-swiped the bridge crossing the stream.

The occupants got out unscathed and the car left some of its paint and decorations on the iron work. The innocent cause of the near-accident vanished during the commotion.

DIAMOND FOUND IN CAKE

Gem Lost Two Days Is Recovered by Son From Food.

NEWCASTLE, Ind., Aug. 26.—After searching for a diamond for two days, Mrs. Clark Hyde received it from her son, who found it in a buckwheat cake he was eating. Mrs. Hyde had dropped it in some butter and it had sunk out of sight.

The loss is blamed on the hot weather, as the butter would otherwise have been hard and the diamond would not have disappeared.

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FRANCE TO FIGHT, DECLARES VIVIANI

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NATION PROUD OF ARMY

Question of Peace, if Put Before Country, Would Be Blown to Atoms, Cries Premier, and Deputies Cheer Him Wildly.

PARIS, Aug. 26.—Premier Viviani stirred the Chamber of Deputies to applause today in an address in the course of which he said: "Put the question of peace before the country and it would be blown to nothing." He denied that even a fraction of the people were even thinking of a "premature peace."

"I am not going to speak of the military service alone," said the premier, "but also of the political situation. I must repeat the words of the commander-in-chief during the last session of the chamber: 'The republic may be proud of her arms, but she must be proud of her army.'"

"France has created an army fulfilling the most modern conceptions. She has instilled the love of justice, the respect for the rights of the people, the children of France united in support of this high ideal, without which there would only have been armies of mercenaries."

Deputies Cheer Wildly.

At this the deputies sprang to their feet and cheered the premier wildly. When the demonstration had died down, the premier continued:

"Yes, the German press has said that France was divided. Yes, there are differences of opinion, but these are the essence of free government. But it would be a fatal division if there were in this country a fraction of the people who even thought of a premature peace."

Premier Viviani concluded his remarks by saying:

"I ask you to adopt the conciliatory attitude necessary to send us to victory."

The chamber applauded the premier. It was voted that his address be posted on the billboards throughout France.

Critic Greeted With Turnout.

After Premier Viviani had concluded his address, a group of critics, who recently have several times criticized the government's conduct of the war, took the floor and began, amid disorder, a criticism of the premier's address.

The deputy spoke for an hour, but little if anything of what he said could be heard, because of the confusion.

Afterward several deputies spoke in approval of the premier's address and the chamber voted the credits asked by the government by 529 to 1.

GIRL'S ASSAULT TAKEN

SUSPECT IDENTIFIED, SAYS THRESHOLD TRIED ROPE.

Prisoner Released to Peace and Searchers Compare Tracks at Scene With Man's Shoes.

BAKER, Or., Aug. 26.—(Special.)—Exhibiting a welt around his neck, the stranger who, it is charged, attempted to attack Eleanor, the 20-year-old daughter of Simey Torie, a rancher near Weatherby, told Sheriff R. P. Anderson that the mark was caused by a rope in the hands of his captors.

This is not a red herring, because the band of thrashers, led by Mr. Storie, who captured him, turned him over to Deputy Sheriff Robert Nelson without protest, and there were no indications the party had a rope.

The man gave his name as Fred Reno, of San Francisco, France. He said he would have preliminary examination and District Attorney Goodwin will have him arraigned tomorrow morning. Reno wore tennis shoes with corrugated soles and the shoe marks near the attempted assault are said to match them.

Miss Storie says Reno is the man who ordered her to dismount from her horse, but the frightened animal plunged and caused her escape.

LEWIS QUILTS ROAD WORK

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my action would bring the controversy to a head."

Governor Accepts Explanation.

Governor Weymoe today made the following statement:

"I note that Mr. Lewis says to the effect that he did not intend his letter dismissing Mr. Cantine as an action which could be interpreted as being a breach of faith or in contradiction to the agreement for a friendly suit which we had previously entered into. While it seems to me that Mr. Lewis would have exercised better judgment if he had discussed his proposed move with us before sending Mr. Cantine the letter, yet so far as I am concerned, in view of the stand now taken by Mr. Lewis, I am willing to give him credit for intending no breach of faith in the Cantine letter."

Mr. Lewis Gives Position.

Mr. Lewis' proposal to the board to retire from the highway work follows: In view of the unfortunate misunderstanding in connection with the operation of the new road law, I wish to state my position and offer a suggestion for settlement of the controversy.

I opposed the passage of this act and later sought its veto. Failing in these efforts, with the approval of the Governor, I secured an opinion from the Attorney-General which I have since endeavored to follow. Apparently contrary to this opinion, the Highway Commission entered an order sometime ago directing Mr. Cantine, my chief deputy, to take charge of certain construction work, regarding the Commission's

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