

KORNILOFF FORGE FIGHTS BOLSHIEVIKI

Desperate Battle Reported On, With Decision Yet Uncertain.

BOTH SIDES LOSE HEAVILY

Kaledines' Army Said to Be Besieging Town in Southern Russia.

Fighting Maximalists Are Aided by Fleet.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—A battle has occurred near Bielgorod in Southern Russia, between Bolshevik forces and troops under General Korniloff, but the outcome has not been established and Petrograd advices are conflicting. The Petrograd correspondent of the Daily Mail, reports that General Korniloff was defeated and wounded and that his capture was to be expected. A dispatch from the representative of the Post, however, denies the reported Bolshevik victory, saying General Korniloff has routed his opponents and will soon join General Kaledines at Novo Tcherkassk.

The Post correspondent, who received his information from an unnamed source, sends a detailed description of the battle. He says General Korniloff had about 3000 men making up what is known as the "Wild Division" of the Cavaliers of St. George, Battalions of Death, and some artillery. When the Bolshevik troops were encountered General Korniloff divided his army and sent one part forward by train. This was soon followed up by the Bolsheviks, who promptly trumpeted a great victory. General Korniloff, however, in the meantime, maneuvered his main force near the Bolsheviks and attacked with artillery. Some of his opponents fled and others surrendered or joined the Red Guard section of the Korniloff army. The remaining Bolsheviks were surrounded and dealt with very drastically.

Fierce fighting was still in progress near Bielgorod on Wednesday. Reuter's Petrograd correspondent reports in a dispatch from the field that day. Both sides were losing heavily, it was said. General Kaledines is besieging Rostov-on-the-Don, according to a wireless message sent from the city by way of Sebastopol. Reuter's correspondent also reports. Fighting was in progress near Nakhichevan in the vicinity of Isov, where a river transport was firing on Cossack cavalry arriving from Novo Tcherkassk. The Maximalists were also supported by guns of detachments from the Black Sea fleet.

FORCE TO DECIDE EVERYTHING

Bolsheviks Gaining Ground Because They Use Iron Hand.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—In a long review of the Russian situation, the Petrograd correspondent of the Post says there is no prospect of a peaceful settlement and that henceforth force must decide everything. The secret of the successes throughout the country of the Bolsheviks, he writes, "is that they represent the iron hand. What is behind them is as yet undisclosed, but among the influential members of their organization are men who are prominent in the secret political police of the empire which once ruled Russia. These men, according to the correspondent, are introducing dissension everywhere. He continues: "Although floods of indignation are being poured out daily upon the Bolsheviks, it is beyond question that they are gaining ground in Russia, simply

because they use a strong hand, which is the only thing the Russians in general appreciate. Their methods might horrify the West, but would be understood perfectly east of the Suez. "For example, in the last three weeks there have been taken out of the rivers and canals of Petrograd 7000 naked corpses of persons whose deaths were not caused by drowning. The injuries which caused death tell their own story. A suit of clothes nowadays in Russia is worth more than handfuls of paper money. The corpses of the women even had the hair cut off because it had marketable value."

Referring to Siberia's declaration of independence, the correspondent says the Siberian troops are being reorganized under General Pleskoff, one of the best known officers. It is reported that the Siberians have declared in favor of a monarchy.

The correspondent asserts that although the stories of the activities of the Cossacks in the southeast vary, it is certain they are standing for law and order. He predicts that eventually the Bolsheviks will be driven out of the situation. He also reports that former Emperor Nicholas and his family are enjoying much greater freedom of movement at Jassy, received today. It is talk of bringing them back to European Russia.

PEACE IS SIGNED WITH RUSSIA

Roumanian Army Agrees to Remain Inactive Along War Front.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 13.—The Roumanian army has agreed to remain inactive as long as actively pressing on the part of the Russian army along the remainder of the front, according to a message sent by the Maximalist Commission at Jassy, received today. The message says: "A temporary armistice has been signed by Russian, Roumanian, German, Austrian, Bulgarian and Turkish plenipotentiaries pending a decision for peace or war by the constituent assembly."

One clause of the agreement, the message adds, provides that the Roumanian army, under the terms of the armistice shall observe the armistice as long as the Russian armies on the remainder of the front are observing it.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 13.—No German peace conditions have been submitted to the Russian delegates, according to an official telegram received here from Berlin. Up to this time nothing has been discussed except the armistice.

STATE OF UNREST IS REPORTED

Presence of More Troops at Russian Port Deemed Advisable.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Consular dispatches from Vladivostok to the State Department today reported a state of unrest, making the presence of more troops advisable. "The American Consul, under date of December 11, said there were then only a few Russian troops there, making it clear that no Japanese troops had been landed on that date. On December 12, another dispatch from him referring to the arrival there of a transport carrying American engineers for use in operation of the railway made no mention of any Japanese force."

Broker's Expulsion Halted.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Raymond H. Fiero, of the brokerage firm of R. H. Fiero & Co., obtained today a temporary injunction restraining the New York Stock Exchange from announcing his expulsion. Mr. Fiero was accused of having acted in the capacity of both broker and principal.

ITALIANS HOLD LINE

Teutons Unite in Series of Heavy Assaults in Vain.

LARGE LOSSES SUFFERED

Enemy Secures Temporary Foothold at Monte Spincina, Which Is Still Being Contested Bitterly. Fresh Troops Are Arriving.

(By the Associated Press.)

ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS IN NORTHERN ITALY, Dec. 13.—General von Below's German troops have joined the Austrians and Bohemians under Field Marshal Conrad von Hostensdorf, in a series of heavy assaults during the last two days, between the Branta and Piave rivers, just north of Monte Grappa. The fighting has been severe and has been attended with large losses, but in the main the Italian line has been sustained with one slight indentation at Monte Spincina, where the enemy secured a temporary foothold, which is still being contested bitterly.

Artillery preparation early yesterday was followed by infantry rushes, with the Austrians on the right and the Germans on the left. The fourth Austrian division, on the right, had a number of Bohemian regiments in the front line. These men are fresh from the Russo-Galician front. A desperate struggle went on around Beretta Hill, where the Austrians were aided by enfiladed fire from batteries on the west bank of the Brenta River, in positions established when the lines were re-formed last week. For some time the Beretta positions were in the hands of the enemy, but a brilliant counter attack has restored nearly all the Italian possessions.

German reserve forces were engaged for the first time since they were used on the big Isonzo offensive. The fighting was bloody around Monte Spincina and Col Orso—"Bear Hill"—with the enemy gaining a foothold. The result of the two days' fighting has not advanced tactically the enemy's positions leading toward the Venetian Plains, which is the real aim.

BERLIN, via London, Dec. 13.—"There was very little fighting, owing to the snow and mist," says today's army headquarters statement regarding the Italian front.

"In the bond of the Cserna a number of Italian and French were taken prisoners during minor operations," it is said, in reporting on the Macedonian front operations.

OREGON SOLDIERS LUCKY

Only Three-Day Christmas Passes Allowed Camp Lewis Men.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 13.—(Special.)—It appears probable that soldiers, who have homes in California, Montana, or at other distant points from Camp Lewis will be unable to make the trip at Christmas time. General orders issued today places three days as the length of time allowed. While the order does not specifically state that longer holiday furloughs will not be given, the ruling is interpreted as meaning that longer stay will not be granted. No word has been received from the War Department regarding the passes for longer leaves of absence. This order has no bearing on general orders No. 52, banning the men from visiting Seattle.

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