

RUSSIAN FORTRESS OF OLITA IS OCCUPIED BY THE GERMAN FORCES

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GRODNO STILL STANDING

Last Slav Stronghold Withstands Attacks of Invaders and Their Big Guns.

Berlin (Via Wireless to London), Aug. 27.—(U. P.)—The fortress of Olita, one of the last of the two Russian strongholds defending the Warsaw-Petrograd railway, has been occupied by the Germans. This announcement was made by the war office today.

Grodno is now the only Slav fortress holding out.

Olita is midway between Kovno, the fortress recently captured by Field Marshal von Mackensen and Grodno. It is 50 miles north of the latter fortress, which is now expected to fall at any time.

The railway to Petrograd, running through Vilna, is but 23 miles east of Olita and Vilna is but 33 miles to the northeast.

Will Evacuate Grodno.

The evacuation of Grodno is now certain, as a result of the Russian retreat from the remainder of the Kovno-Litovsk line. The forces which captured Olita are now moving eastward rapidly toward the Petrograd railway with their left wing in close touch with the right wing of the army advancing on Vilna.

Olita was evacuated without any show of resistance, the official statement said, and the Russians withdrew to the east.

Bavarians Advance Rapidly.

Simultaneously a detachment of Field Marshal von Hindenburg's army defeated the enemy in an engagement south of Kovno. East of Grodno and southeast of Mitau, fighting is now in progress.

Prince Leopold's Bavarian forces are advancing rapidly upon the railway from Brest Litovsk to Minsk. It was stated. They have reached a position northeast of Kamenez Litovsk, less than 20 miles from the railroad.

Further south Field Marshal von Mackensen drove the enemy back across the Rya river.

SINCE WARSAW FELL

GERMANS CAPTURED MORE THAN 200,000

Berlin, (via The Hague), Aug. 27.—(U. P.)—More than 200,000 Russians have been captured by the Austro-German forces since Warsaw fell and the great sweep against the Brest Litovsk line set in. Several thousand captives have been taken and enough rifles have fallen into the hands of the Austrians and Germans to supply several divisions.

In the operations resulting in the capture of the vast amount of booty, the Russians have been driven back more than 100 miles on their center.

The capture of Brest Litovsk, announced yesterday, aroused the greatest enthusiasm in Berlin and advances today indicated a steady pursuit of the rapidly retreating Russian armies.

Grodno Alone Stands.

All of the first line fortresses and fortified positions of the enemy have now been captured. With the fall of Brest Litovsk and Bialystok only the fortress of Grodno, on the second line, remains in the hands of Grand Duke Nicholas. Grodno is expected to fall before the end of the week. With the evacuation of Bialystok, immediately south of Grodno, and the retreat of the Russians to the north, the fortress is left all but isolated.

North of the fortress the Russians are hurrying in retreat upon Vilna. There are no indications that Grand Duke Nicholas has any intention of attempting to make a stand there. The city has already been stripped of everything of military value, except supplies necessary for the troops in the vicinity. All dispatches lead to the belief that the Russians will continue to fall back upon the Dvinsk-Pinsk line, counting upon the swamps and forests which must be traversed by the Germans. If the pursuit is pressed, to halt the enemy.

Few Reports Sent In.

Only meager reports have been received as to the operations continuing about Brest Litovsk. The Russians in that region are in full retreat, but how far the pursuit of the Austro-Germans has progressed is not known at present. The Russians are relying on the swamps in this district to protect their flank and permit a safe withdrawal.

Official reports today failed to confirm statements of the Austrians having advanced northward through Kovel. This latter point is the southeasternmost point against which the Austrians have been operating. It was pointed out that the same claim was made in reports from Vienna several weeks ago.

Soldiers Change Position.

Amsterdam, Aug. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Advices received here today from Berlin say that 100,000 soldiers have been transferred from the eastern to the western front. Their objective is Verduin.

Former Portland Furniture Man Here

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gibbs of Spokane, with their daughter, Miss Helen Gibbs, and son Frederick Gibbs are passing a few days in Portland, guests at the Hotel Oregon. They are enjoying a motor trip, and are now en route home, after having motored to Seattle. They have many friends in Portland, their former home. Mr. Gibbs will be remembered in his connection with the firm of Tull & Gibbs, furniture dealers.

They will make their departure tomorrow night, or Sunday morning.

Hotel Manager to Become Sugar Man

Frank S. Bramwell has resigned his position as assistant manager of the Oregon hotel. He has become interested in a proposed sugar factory to be built at Medford. Mr. Bramwell came to Portland from La Grande.

Dissatisfied With Dasti Proceedings

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 27.—Dissatisfaction with local officials connected with the affair Mrs. Lola Baldwin of Portland department of public safety for women, and the Portland police, has been expressed because of the arrest of Pietro Dasti and his 13-year-old bride of Portland on charges of perjury in connection with their marriage here August 14.

The couple was released on their own recognizance yesterday afternoon.

Whether the charges of perjury will ever be pressed is doubted by many of the sympathizers of the Dastis.

Albert B. Ferrera, attorney of Portland, contends that there are no grounds for the charge against the man and his young wife, because the statutes do not require the contracting parties to state their ages when making application for a license.

The only person of whom this is required is the third party, in this case Vito Colacola, the girl's father, who made an affidavit to the effect that the girl was 16 years old and was otherwise legally qualified to marry.

An effort is still being made to locate the father, who made the affidavit, and who, it is said, also informed Rev. Mr. Sawyer, who performed the ceremony, that the girl is 15 years old.

Case Will Be Dropped.

No further action will be taken by the local police in an effort to locate the father, who made the affidavit, in the "child bride" case, as a result of the action of Vancouver authorities yesterday, in dismissing all charges against those concerned.

If the marriage of 13-year-old Lizzie Colacola to Pietro Dasti, who is 28 years old, is legal in Washington, it is legal in Oregon, the police say, and no further attempts at prosecution will be made.

The young bride has declared her love for Dasti and her intention of living with him, according to Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin, superintendent of the department of public safety for women.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE

TO CONSIDER PLANS FOR MILITARY SCHOOL

Commercial Club Members

Hear Interesting Talk on Value of Home Industries.

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 27.—An enthusiastic meeting of the Vancouver Commercial club was held last evening, at which a number of important matters were discussed. A copy of a letter sent to the Portland Chamber of Commerce by the East Side Business Mens club of Portland, was read, in which it was stated that the club had been made to secure the establishment of a military training and aviation school in Vancouver.

The advantages of the location afforded by this city were mentioned, including the river for athletic and training events, the climate, the higher altitudes to be found in comparatively short distance, and the present location of troops.

After a little discussion, a committee of three members, consisting of E. E. Beard, Dr. A. B. Eastham and J. H. Ellwell, was named to draw up resolutions endorsing and urging the location of such a school in this city, and to forward copies of the same to members of congress, to the Portland Chamber of Commerce and to the East Side Business Mens club of Portland.

Pavement Stood

Unexpected Test

Oregon City, Or., Aug. 27.—Those in Oregon City who have been skeptical about the strength of the pavement being placed on Main street have ample evidence this morning to dispel their fears.

Two loaded freight cars left the Portland Railway, Light & Power company's tracks early this morning and rolled for over half a block on pavement which has been less than a week. The flanges of the car wheels only marked the pavement and did no damage whatever.

Alleges Husband Threw Knife.

Oregon City, Or., Aug. 27.—Alleging her husband threw a butcher knife at her and that if she had not dodged it would have killed her, Minnie Slater filed divorce proceedings. Thursday against Frank Slater. They were married in Butte, Mont., September 7, 1910. Mrs. Slater filed divorce suit against E. H. Idell, alleging cruelty. They were married in Spokane, September 30, 1906. The plaintiff wants her maiden name of Maud Sparks returned to her.

Always Was a "Jonah Day."

Oregon City, Or., Aug. 27.—Thursday was Frank Slater's unlucky day. He was arrested by Sheriff Wilson for assault and later in jail served with a summons for a divorce suit brought by his wife. Slater lives at Parkplace. He will be tried before Justice of the Peace Stevens today.

Vancouver Marriage License.

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 27.—One marriage license was issued at the office of the county auditor yesterday, this being secured by John Henry Bell and Miss Rosetta K. Campbell, both of Svenson, Or.

CHAUFFEUR AND 3 PASSENGERS FINED FOR AUTO SPEEDING

Al Doane Is Convicted of Driving Car While He Was Intoxicated.

APPEAL FROM RULE TAKEN

Policeman Declares Machine Was Traveling at the Rate of Thirty-five Miles an Hour.

Convicted of driving an automobile while intoxicated, Al Doane, a professional chauffeur, was given a sentence of five days in jail by Municipal Judge Stevenson today, and three other men arrested in his company were each fined \$5.

Doane and his companions and three women were stopped by Motorcycle Patrolmen Ervin and Tully at East Twenty-fourth street and Hawthorne avenue, according to the policemen, the machine was traveling at a rate of 35 miles an hour and was being driven from one side of the street to the other. Its passengers were shouting and singing and waving beer bottles in the air.

Doane served notice of appeal to the circuit court, and his bail was fixed at \$250. Henry Ward, Ralph Glover and Percy Clark were each fined \$5. The women gave their names as Cora Dewey, May Raymond and Ethel Bowen. Charges against them were dismissed.

Hedges Maintains

That He Is Right

Oregon City, Or., Aug. 27.—As further evidence that he is right in his contention that the still murder case cannot legally be tried in Multnomah county, Joseph E. Hedges, brother of District Attorney Gilbert L. Hedges and last week acting district attorney, quotes the following clause from the constitution of Oregon:

"In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall have the right to a trial by an impartial jury in the county in which the offense shall have been committed."

Mr. Hedges believes this should quiet any doubt raised about crimes committed within the one mile limit of county boundaries.

The controversy arose when District Attorney Evans of Multnomah county stated he would endeavor to bring an indictment in that county.

Dam Irrigation Ditches.

White Salmon, Wash., Aug. 27.—Fire started last week by the electrical storm has gained considerable headway in spite of the efforts of fire fighters to curb it, and is now running over an area three fourths of a mile wide northwest of Trout lake. All the men who are not busy fighting the fire near camp 5 have gone to this blaze, as well as several additional auto loads of men from White Salmon and Unadilla.

A unique method of fighting fire is being employed in the neighborhood of Trout lake.

The country there is traversed by irrigation ditches, both from the Lost creek and White Salmon river projects. In sections threatened by fire or on which fire has broken out the irrigation ditches are dammed and the water used to flood the adjacent ground. This in many cases has stopped the spread of the fire.

There is much valuable timber, mostly yellow pine, in the Trout lake country. Much timber was destroyed there last year by forest fires.

Some Sickness at Stevens.

Astoria, Or., Aug. 27.—According to Colonel Ludlow, commanding officer at Fort Stevens, a number of enlisted men have been suffering from bowel troubles of late, but now are recovering.

Seavy's Body Found.

San Francisco, Aug. 27.—(P. N. S.)—The body of S. C. Seavy, about 65 years old, was found hanging from a chandelier in his room here this afternoon. The suicide had twisted a sheet and knotted it about his neck.

AMUSEMENTS

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LAST WEEK DEATH DEFYING RIDE
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Every Wednesday Children Admitted Free
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HELG HEARE

WAR SUMMARY BY J. W. T. MASON

Former European Manager of the United Press.

New York, Aug. 27.—Premier Viviani of France and Sir Edward Grey, British foreign minister, have answered in entirely different moods the tentative peace suggestions made by Germany.

Viviani's reply was a vague reference to France's determination to fight until Belgium has been freed and Alsace-Lorraine has been reconquered. Grey goes further than this patriotic generality. With high statesmanship he discusses the German demand for the freedom of the seas, and admits that it is fit subject for diplomatic negotiation. This is the biggest step toward securing peace England has taken.

Cannot Collect Indemnity.

Grey links the demand regarding the freedom of the seas with a counter demand regarding a limitation of armament. Germany must abandon any effort to collect indemnity from the allies, and must not impose her will on the world, instead of means of self-defense, that peace terms cannot be dictated by Germany, but must be made in a general agreement.

While it was not reiterated by Grey, England will require the evacuation of Belgium as a part of the price for peace, but future status of Alsace-Lorraine must be a secondary matter for Britain. If France cannot recover the lost provinces through her own efforts, England scarcely is justified in killing off her own male population to make a territorial gift to the French.

Peace Being Discussed.

Premier Viviani's answer, as it touches on Alsace-Lorraine, is not, in all probability, arousing much interest at Berlin. His speech was delivered to the French deputies rather than toward the German foreign office.

Grey's answer is a reply to the address made by the German chancellor. Unquestionably it can be said that the first informal peace negotiations are under way. Instead of being conducted through intermediaries, they are taking the form of public statements by the ministry. Each is cautiously sounding the other's attitude may be revealed as suddenly as the war clouds gathered last summer.

Probably Used to It.

Everett, Wash., Aug. 27.—(P. N. S.)—Although he felt 115 feet from a trestle, Lloyd Stoddard, former Everett high school football player, is suffering no serious consequences today beyond a general shock to his system. No bones were broken and no serious bruises sustained. Stoddard tripped over a telephone wire which he was colling and plunged over the trestle's edge.

Pioneer Is Killed.

Waterbury, Wash., Aug. 27.—Henry Anderson, a pioneer of this section, is dead today as the result of an automobile accident occurring when his machine became unmanageable and plunged over an eight foot grade.

Will Christen New Ship.

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SALMON PACK UPON SOUND SHOWS A BIG DECLINE THIS SEASON

Catch of Sockeyes and Pinks Will Fall Far Below Normal This Season.

Canney Equipment and Cans Were Provided to Care for Nearly 2,000,000 Cases of These Pinks, but It Now Appears that the Pack Will Be Barely 175,000 Cases.

Puget sound salmon cannery men made preparations for a 2,000,000 case pack this season are actually facing a short run and a poor catch, according to advices received here today. This season has been a large year for "pinks," a variety which makes the run into the northern inlets and estuaries every alternate year.

Canney equipment and cans were provided to care for nearly 2,000,000 cases of these pinks, but it now appears that the pack will be barely 175,000 cases. Peculiar weather conditions this year delayed the beginning of the run from August 10 until August 26, according to information received several days ago. It now appears that the big run is not going to materialize at all.

Instead of the 200,000 cases of sockeyes expected, the pack will be little more than 35,000, today's advices stated.

The effect of this unexpectedly light pack in Puget sound and Alaska districts is expected to mean a stiffening of prices here. The Canadians are now demanding 8 1/2 cents, while American canners have been getting less. Opening prices are usually fixed about now, but it is believed the opening prices will not be decided on until later owing to conditions on the sound.

Cannery men of Puget sound and Alaska will leave Portland next Thursday in an extra car attached to the Shasta limited for California to attend the annual convention of the American Fish society and the Association of Pacific Fisheries at San Francisco, September 2, 3, 4 and 6.

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was named for Miss Ellington Caminetti, granddaughter of Commissioner General of Immigration Anthony Caminetti. The christening will be by proxy, as Miss Caminetti cannot be present. The Asella, a sister boat, will be launched October 9.

Lithia Water Is Near.

Ashland, Or., Aug. 27.—The pipe laying crews of the mineral springs have reached the city and are laying pipes on B street and First avenue. At the rate the work is progressing Ashland and tourists will be able to partake of Ashland's lithia in a few weeks.

Children at Gresham Fair.

Gresham, Aug. 27.—Gresham is planning to have 5000 Sunday school children attend the fair September 15. Dr. Earl J. Elze, president of the County Sabbath School association, is in charge of the arrangements being made for their entertainment.

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