

PEACE FOR ALL IS AIM, SAYS TROTSKY

Bolshevik Foreign Minister Declares Russians Do Not Desire Separate Peace.

Berlin, via London, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Agreement for suspension of hostilities from the Black Sea to the Baltic and also in the Russo-Russian war theatre in Asia from noon tomorrow until December 17 was announced officially today. Negotiations for the Russian armistice, it was stated, will be continued in a few days.

London, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—The Russian government does not desire a separate peace but a general peace, declared Trotsky, Bolshevik foreign minister, in an interview printed in today's Times. "There are three stages to our present negotiations," the Maximilian leader asserted. "These are: first, suspension of hostilities; second, a definite armistice, and, third, peace. We hope before the last stage the allied peoples will persuade their governments to participate."

Petrograd, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Russia will insist, if an armistice is signed with Germany, that none of the Russian troops on the east front be transferred to the west front for use against the allies, Foreign Minister Trotsky declared today in a speech at the Circus Moderne.

He also announced that General Johnson, American attaché, had indicated the gravest complications of the Bolsheviks, and declared Colonel Kerst's protest to headquarters had been "misunderstood." America, according to Trotsky's statement, did not wish to interfere with Russia's internal affairs.

United Press dispatches from Petrograd Wednesday quoted Trotsky as threatening "the gravest complications" if allied powers interfered in Russia's internal affairs, his ire being aroused at what he termed "negotiations" between Colonel Kerst and General Lavergne, American and French military delegates at the front, and General Dukhoinin.

GERMANY SOUGHT PEACE IN AUGUST, SO SECRETS SHOW

Petrograd, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Germany made a formal effort to obtain peace last August through Spain, according to revelations in the latest chapter of "secret diplomatic archives" made public today by Bolshevik Foreign Minister Trotsky.

The evidence consisted of a telegram from M. Nabokoff, Russian charge d'affaires at London, to Foreign Minister Tereschenko, dated in August, 1917, and notifying Russia that British Foreign Minister Balfour had called a special meeting of ambassadors of France, Italy, the United States and Japan. To this assembly he said he had received information from Madrid that a high personage in Berlin had informed the Spanish ambassador that Germany wished to negotiate.

Balfour said, according to Nabokoff's message, that Britain was ready to receive any German communication regarding peace and to consider it in conjunction with the allies.

Whether there was any reply from Germany to this noncommittal statement was not indicated in today's revelations.

A number of newspapers, under special permission from Trotsky, have been publishing secret state papers covering all the period of the war. Trotsky made them public on the ground that the Bolshevik plan was to give the people all information of diplomatic dealings.

Roumanians Not for Peace
Jassy, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Enemy attempts to fraternize with Roumanian troops in the region of Hithalesnet were met with artillery fire, an official statement declared today. In the region of Baltavadeni enemy batteries shelled Roumanian trenches.

The Roumanian statement indicates no help in Roumanian's fighting, which gives the lie to recent German inspired stories that Roumania was joining with Russia in an armistice move.

Exemption Board Looking for Help

Seven Hundred Volunteers Are Wanted to Assist in Explaining Draft and Questionnaire to Registrants.

Exemption board headquarters in the basement of the court house is looking for volunteers to assist in explaining the draft and questionnaire to registrants.

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chief clerk in the office of Sheriff Hurlburt, school for volunteers will be held Tuesday evenings, beginning Monday, in the court house.

WEIRD TALE OF PLOT TO KIDNAP IS TOLD; GIRL INTENDED PREY

Man With Sheet and Waiting Automobile Figures as Villain in Melodramatic Story.

Miss Ruth Cunningham, 15 years old, of the Buena Vista apartments, believes she narrowly escaped a well planned plot to kidnap her in front of the apartment house at 434 Harrison street yesterday afternoon. It was only by her quick wit that she evaded two men who attempted to throw a sheet over her head as she ran for the entrance to the building, she says.

The young woman, who is very attractive, left the house a few minutes after 5 o'clock to go to a nearby grocery store. As she returned, she noticed a large automobile in front of the apartment house with a man at the wheel and another standing nearby with what appeared to be a sheet thrown over his arm, she says.

Becoming suspicious as she drew near to the entrance, she started to run. When she reached the steps, the man ran toward her, making an attempt to throw the sheet over her head. By chance, she pressed a button to an apartment and the door latch sprung, allowing her to open the door before the man had reached her. She gained entrance to the hall and managed to get the door closed just as her pursuer reached the top step.

Seeing that he had no chance of carrying out his plan, the man ran to the waiting automobile and drove rapidly away, the girl avers.

Miss Cunningham is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan A. Cunningham. She is a student in the Lincoln high school, and a clever dancer. Mr. Cunningham said last night that he knew of no reason for anyone plotting against the welfare of his daughter, but said that she had been followed on the streets several times of late by a stranger, of whom she was able to furnish a good description.

Mrs. Cunningham said this morning that her daughter, who had been rehearsing for her dance at the Allied Bazaar at the Auditorium during the afternoon, had noticed a rather striking looking man watching her intently. She paid little heed, but after her experience on the street said she believed it was the same man who accosted her.

Mrs. Cunningham, however, is inclined to believe the resemblance purely a coincidence.

"It might have been any other girl as well as my daughter," she explained. The police were furnished with as full a description as the girl was able to supply and are looking for the men.

RAIL MERGER PLAN AWAITS ON WILSON

House Split Forms for or Against Government Operation of Country's Roads.

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—The railroads of the country will be operated as a unit soon after the first of the year. Whether they will be operated under a dictatorship established by railroad men themselves or under government control is yet to be determined. But sentiment in congress today made it apparent that support from President Wilson Wednesday's recommendation of the interstate commerce commission will be acted upon.

President Wilson today called Henry C. Hall of the interstate commerce commission for a conference at 3 o'clock. With the unification of railroads, it is believed plans will be developed for greater use of the waterways of the country to relieve freight congestion.

Government Loan Sought
The railroads favor a self imposed dictatorship. A campaign for a government loan of \$100,000,000 to the railroads is already under way.

Interstate commerce committee of the house and senate will discuss the problem with President Wilson within a few days, Senator Newlands, Nevada, chairman of the senate committee, will see President Wilson Monday evening. In the meantime house and senate committees will consider the Sabbath resolution for government control of mines and railroads, while the senate judiciary committee today takes up the Overman resolution to suspend until January 1 the portion of the Clayton act prohibiting railroads buying supplies except by competitive bidding.

No action on the transportation situation will come before the president sends congress a special railroad message he mentioned in his opening address. Acting Chairman Elms of the house interstate commerce committee said today.

House members, however, already have started to split along sharp lines. Strong sentiment has developed for outright operation by the president.

Wage Demands Unchanged
Cleveland, O., Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Impending federal action with reference to railroads will have no effect on wage demands of the trainmen and the Order of Railroad Conductors, it was declared here today by railroad brotherhood officials.

"It makes little difference to the men for whom they work," said W. G. Lee, head of the trainmen. "They would as soon, perhaps a little rather, work for the government."

Miller Prefers Loan to Roads
Salem, Or., Dec. 6.—"While it is patent that the railroads, particularly those of eastern states, cannot stand up under present conditions," said Frank J. Miller, chairman of the Oregon public service commission, today. "I do not believe governmental operation of the railroads, as recommended to congress Wednesday, is a solution of the problem."

"I think a better solution would be for the government to advance funds to the railroads and permit the railroads to manage their own affairs. The railroads would be more economically man-

aged and there would be less sacrifice of individual interests." Mr. Miller's idea is that funds thus advanced to the railroads would be in the nature of a loan and would permit the railroads immediately to obtain more equipment. Along with this the interstate commerce commission should allow an advance in rates which would make it possible for the roads to repay the loan, says Mr. Miller.

Weather Bureau to Discontinue Maps

On Monday the local weather bureau will discontinue publication of the daily weather map and in its place will issue a card containing merely the tables and forecast. Some days ago the central office asked the local bureau, together with others, if it would be practical to dispense with the publication of the maps in the interest of war economy.

The reply from the local office was that it would. But it seems that Seattle, San Francisco and other big stations did not take that view, for word comes that they will continue to publish their maps.

Wisconsin Governor Is Taken to Hospital

Madison, Wis., Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Governor E. L. Philipp, who is ill with abdominal trouble, will probably be taken to a hospital today. He spent a very restless night.

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ENGLAND RAIDED BY ENEMY FLYERS

Seven Killed and 21 Injured in Five Simultaneous Attacks on London and Kent.

London, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Twenty-five airplanes of the enemy made five simultaneous bombing attacks on Kent and London early today, Lord French announced.

Casualties announced by Lord French late today were three dead and 19 injured in London and four dead and 11

injured elsewhere over the raided area. Two of five or six machines which penetrated defenses and bombarded the central city were forced to land and their crews were taken alive. The planes also flew over Kent, dropping bombs.

The enemy raiders came early in the morning, according to an official statement issued by Lord French, commander-in-chief of home forces. The air-barrage was put up over London against them.

Two and a half hours elapsed between the first warning and the "all clear" signal announcing the end of the raid.

According to the official statement, the first group of the sky-killers was sighted over Kent at 1:30 this morning. Bombs were dropped by these machines at various places.

The second group put in an appearance at 3 a. m. and proceeded up the River Thames, also into Kent. Between 4 and 4:30 o'clock two more groups crossed Essex, joined with the groups passing over Kent and the ma-

chine, a converging column, started toward London. Lord French announced the captured crews of the two German machines brought down included three men for each plane.

Three men for each machine would indicate the Germans came in the latest type of Gotha bombing and general utility biplanes. These are giant speedsters, mounting one gun in front, one behind and a third operated through a sort of tunnel in the tail.

This is the first air raid over London since October 20. Twenty-seven persons were killed and 53 injured on that occasion.

It is also the first raid in which machines penetrated London's defenses since it was authoritatively announced that England proposed to adopt an "eye for an eye and tooth for a tooth" policy of reprisals—dropping bombs for bombs over German towns.

British Flyers Bomb Train

London, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—British airplanes bombed Sparaplooshok and

dropped explosives on a train leaving there, a British admiralty statement announced today. Huge ammunition dump was also hit. Three German airplanes were destroyed. All the British machines returned home safely.

Warren to Control Salmon Industry

Washington, Dec. 6.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Frank M. Warren, who is here conferring with Food Administrator Hoover, has been appointed representative of the food administration in charge of the salmon canning industry to enforce price regulation, prevent hoarding and carry out other provisions of the food-control act.

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