

PREPARES TO FIGHT

Russia Rushing Troops Into Far Eastern Territory.

HALF MILLION MEN MAY BE SENT

Cars and Locomotives Secured in Austria any Germany—Preparing for a Supreme Struggle.

Chicago, Aug. 26.—The Daily News' correspondent at St. Petersburg says:

That the war is to continue is indicated by the feverish activity shown everywhere in preparing for the supreme struggle. Four hundred soldiers of every guard regiment left yesterday for the front; half a million troops that participated in the summer maneuvers are available for duty in Manchuria, and a large proportion of them are to be dispatched there as rapidly as possible. They will be replaced in the Russian garrisons by the regular fall conscriptions.

Twelve thousand cars and 300 locomotives have been hired in Austria and Germany to convey men and supplies to the war. Prince Hilko, minister of railways, is personally hurrying to completion the St. Petersburg-Viatka railway, which will add greatly to the transportation facilities of Russia. The new minister of Siberian railways and waterways, M. Ivanitzki, is refitting the Siberian horseways to relieve the strain on the trans-Siberian railway.

Prince Wolkonsky said to your correspondent today:

"Peace is impossible. President Roosevelt's last attempt to bring Russia and Japan to an agreement has failed, because the czar has solemnly promised his people to pay not a single kopek of tribute and to surrender not an inch of territory. Never since it became an empire has Russia paid tribute or ceded territory. The first ruler of the nation who does either of these things signs his own death warrant. Such payment, however disguised, would provoke a revolution."

Russia Will Be To Blame.

Portsmouth, Aug. 28.—If peace does not come through the negotiations now in progress, President Roosevelt will lay most of the blame at the door of Russia. The deadlock, if such it proves to be, will have been caused almost entirely by the refusal of the czar's envoys to listen to argument throughout the proceedings. The attitude of the Russians has been from the outset that they have not suffered defeat at all. The reverses that have overtaken them, they have been pleased to call "merely troubles."

Military Trains Wrecked.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 25.—It was stated today that the sudden departure from St. Petersburg Monday night of Prince Hilko, minister of railroads, was for the purpose of investigating several serious accidents, which occurred recently in Southern Russia to military trains going to the Far East. In one of these accidents, which took place in the vicinity of Kazan, 26 soldiers were killed and two officers and two soldiers injured.

Boycott Stops Sunday Pictures.

New Westminster, B. C., Aug. 25.—The boycott on the Sunday edition of the Vancouver World has proven effective, and that journal no longer supplies the market with colored pictures for Sunday reading. The boycott was placed by the Christian Endeavor members of British Columbia.

DARE NOT FACE PUBLIC VIEWS.

Publication of Roosevelt's Proposition Would Force Envoys to Agree.

Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 28.—In an authoritative quarter it is learned tonight that the latest suggestions offered to the emperors of the two warring powers as to an amicable adjustment of their differences also were communicated simultaneously to the envoys of Russia and Japan. This action on the part of the president was taken in order that no possible ground for offense could be taken by the plenipotentiaries because of his direct appeal to the emperors.

While the terms suggested by the president are not disclosed, it is known that they were framed on broad humanitarian lines. It is permissible to say, in the words of the authority referred to:

"If the civilized world could know at this time the precise nature of the propositions made to Russia and Japan by President Roosevelt, it would seem that the force of the public opinion of the world would induce the plenipotentiaries and their governments to pause and consider seriously the results before breaking off finally the present conference without an agreement. Indeed, they might scarcely dare face the world's opinion by refusing to accept, in principle at least, the suggestions offered by the president."

Strict Quarantine at Cairo.

Cairo, Ill., Aug. 29.—The waiting room at Central station, where quarantine permits are issued, gave strong evidence today that Cairo has a rigid quarantine in existence as regards through passengers, who were detained at the headquarters because they were not supplied with permits, and a guard was placed over them until they could be sent on their way. A number of arrests were made, in each case of persons trying to evade the officers.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 69@70c per bushel; bluestem, 72@73c; valley, 73c.

Oats—No. 1 white feed, \$23@24; gray, \$22 per ton.

Barley—Feed, \$20 per ton; brewing, \$21; rolled, \$22@23.

Rye—\$1.30 per cental.

Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$14 @15 per ton; valley timothy, \$11@12; clover, \$8@9.

Fruits—Apples, 90c@1.50 per box; peaches, 50@75c per crate; plums, 75c @80c; blackberries, 5@6c per pound; cantaloupes, 75c@1.50 per crate; pears, \$1.25@1.50 per box; watermelons, 1@1 1/4c per pound; crabapples, \$1 per box; grapes, 90c@1.25; prunes, 70@80c.

Vegetables—Beans, 1@4c per pound; cabbage, 1@1 1/4c; cauliflower, 75@90c per dozen; celery, 75@85c; corn, 8@9c; cucumbers, 10@15c; pumpkins, 7 1/2@7 3/4c per pound; tomatoes, 35@50c per crate; squash, 5c per pound; turnips, \$1.25@1.40 per sack; carrots, \$1.25@1.50; beets, \$1@1.25.

Onions—Red, \$1.25 per hundred; yellow, \$1.25.

Potatoes—Oregon, new, 75@80c per sack.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 27 1/2@30c per pound.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 23@24c per dozen.

Poultry—Average old hens, 13@14c; mixed chickens, 12 1/2@13c; old roosters, 10c; young roosters, 11 1/2@12c; turkeys, live, 18@23c; geese, live, 8@8 1/2c; ducks, 14@15c.

Hops—Choice, 1904, 17@18c per pound.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 19@21c; lower grades, down to 15c, according to shrinkage; valley, 25@27c per pound; mohair, choice 30c.

Beef—Dressed bulls, 1@2 per pound; cows, 3 1/2@4 1/2c; country steers, 4@5c.

Veal—Dressed, 3@7 1/2c.

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