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RUSSIA'S CALL TO ARMS PUT END TO NEGOTIATIONS

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The Westminster Gazette today publishes the text of an interesting telegram from the German imperial chancellor to the German ambassador at Vienna, sent after the receipt of a message from St. Petersburg, saying Austria-Hungary had declined Russia's request to enter into direct negotiations.

Refusal Grave Mistake: "We cannot expect Austria-Hungary to negotiate with Serbia, with whom she is in a state of war. The refusal, however, to exchange views with St. Petersburg would be a grave mistake."

"We are indeed ready to fulfill our duty as ally. We must, however, refuse to be drawn into a world-conflagration owing to Austria-Hungary not respecting our advice. Your excellency will express this to Count Von Berchtold, Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, with all emphasis and great seriousness."

Mobilization Ends It: A statement given by the German foreign office to the correspondent concludes: "These negotiations, as well as the intermediate action of the German government, were ended by the mobilization of all arms in Russia on sea and land."

MARCH ON CAPITAL BEGINS ON MONDAY

GUADALAJARA, Mex., Aug. 1.—General Obregon today telegraphed Provisional President Carrizal: "With my troops, I will begin marching on the capital tomorrow, disarming all federals and garrisons I encounter. I notify you if resistance is offered or attempt made to destroy railroads by federal troops under your orders, I will give battle and hold them responsible."

EXPECT M'REYNOLDS NAMED AS JUDGE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Senate leaders expect to see Attorney General McReynolds nominated for the supreme court vacancy Monday. At the white house the only statement available was that he was foremost in President Wilson's consideration.

RUSSIA TO BLAME

WHEN the full story of the events leading up to the present war crisis in Europe is told, it is more than probable that it will show that it is due primarily to the unscrupulous diplomacy of Russia—part of the program carried on for centuries of securing Turkey and the Balkan provinces and destroying the German power.

For months Russia has evidently been secretly preparing for war. Tremendous wheat and other produce shipments have been received at Siberian and Russian ports. Armament and war supplies in inexhaustible quantity await use. The immense army was half mobilized before the world heard a whisper of it, and it is evidently the intention to strike while the enemy is still unprepared.

Russia is a despotism, pure and simple. It represents the cause of barbarism. Its interference in behalf of Serbia or any of the Balkan nations is purely selfish, for its own aggrandizement. It never touches a nation but to destroy the liberty of its citizens. Brutal might supplants right in all its dealings with "brother" nations. The spoliation of Poland, the more recent degradation of Finland, shows plainly the fate in store for the Balkans, once they are seized by Russia.

For many decades Russia has sought to create discord among the conglomeration of races in the dual empire. The effects of Russian diplomacy are seen in every outbreak in the Balkans. The czar's influence in Serbia forced the abdication of King Milan in favor of his thirteen-year-old son, Alexander, in 1889, because Milan was friendly to Austria. Russia forced the marriage of King Alexander to Draga Mashin, a commoner, in 1900, thus creating enmity among the Serbians against their king, who would not follow Russian dictation. In 1903, while the czar's minister looked on, King Alexander and Queen Draga were assassinated and their bodies mutilated, and Peter, a Russian puppet, placed upon the throne. Only the threat of Austria prevented further assassinations.

Since then Russia has omitted no chance to stir up trouble for Austria. The Pan-Serbian propaganda that culminated in the assassination of Grand Duke Franz Ferdinand, and his consort, under approval of the Serbian regicide, was the result of Russia's perfidious diplomacy. In the past year Russian banks have been established in all the Balkan cities. The Prohovo line of the Serbia-Romanian railroad has been opened recently—a feeder for the Trans-Baltic railroad through Russia and Serbia to the Adriatic, which will connect all Russian and Roumanian lines—and give Russia all the advantages for strategic purposes.

Austrians claim—and not without reason—that to have awaited the completion of the railroad would have been to invite disaster, that the time to strike was before Russia had all the advantage and had finished its program of Balkan occupation, and that the very existence of the dual monarchy and even the preservation of the German empire itself is at stake.

Russia never has, and does not now, represent the cause of civilization or of human progress. Russian success would mean the triumph of medieval despotism and the ruthless exploitation of the conqueror. Russian tyranny may be what is needed for the semi-civilized hordes of nomads and tribesmen owing allegiance to the "little father," but it cannot be called beneficial to the more civilized nations she is threatening with war.

AMENDMENT FOR ANTI TRUST BILL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Senator Reed today proposed to the senate an amendment to the trade commission bill, defining the term "unfair competition." The amendment provides that "the term 'unfair competition' is hereby defined to embrace all those acts, devices, concealments, threats, coercion, deceptions, frauds, dishonest practices, false representations, slanders of business and all other acts or devices done or used with the intent or calculated to destroy or unreasonably hinder business of another, or prevent another from engaging in business, or to restrain trade, or to create a monopoly."

BOARD OF TRADE FAVORS REGISTRY LAW

CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—Directors of the Chicago board of trade today adopted resolutions urging the federal government to immediately amend the navigation laws so as to remove restrictions of foreign vessels which wish to enter the American registry. A copy of the resolutions was telegraphed to President Wilson.

AUTO STRIKES STUMP; FOUR ARE KILLED

EVERETT, Wash., Aug. 1.—Mrs. Thomas Precious, wife of the mayor of Gold Bar, Wash., was killed and four injured when an automobile with a party from Everett to Gold Bar struck a stump near Monroe late last night. Forest fire smoke obscured the road. The injured: Mrs. Frank Freytag, may die; Wm. Brady, arms broken near wrists; Ois Myer, knee badly cut; L. E. Brown, Gold Bar town marshal, shoulder crushed.

EXPORTERS PLEASED WITH REGISTRY BILL

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—The news from Washington that a bill to admit foreign ships to American registry was to be pressed for immediate passage by the administration was hailed with relief today by the export trade in this city. It is estimated that 150,000 bushels of wheat engaged for export within the last month are being held up, either in the west or at seaport ports for lack of ocean transportation. At least 12,000,000 bushels have already accumulated on the seaboard and exporters have been hard hit.

SENATE ACCEPTS CUMMINS' AMENDMENT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The cummins' amendment for a limited court review of the proposed trade commission orders as distinguished from the broad review proposed by the Pomerene amendment, was incorporated by the senate today in the trade commission bill by a vote of 33 to 25.

GALVESTON EMBARGO IS CONTINUED TILL AUGUST 7

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 1.—The grain embargo against the port of Galveston, Tex., will be continued until August 7. This was decided today at a meeting of officials of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe and Rock Island railroads.

FOREST FIRES IN TWO SECTIONS MENACE HOMES

Two forests are burning in Jackson county today—one between Gold Hill and the Braden mine, that endangers a number of farm homes and grain fields, and supposed to have been set by a firebug, and the second, under control, in the Four-Bit country, fifteen miles above Bluffe Falls, attributed to the carelessness of campers, that burned the brush over forty acres with but slight damage.

The fire near Gold Hill is being fought by the forestry service and Jackson County Patrol association. The homes of E. B. Higginbotham and Fred Lewis on the Willow Springs road, are menaced by the flames. Thursday night Mr. Higginbotham found a lighted candle stuck in a pile of brush near his home. A watch was kept the next night for the return of the arsonist. About fifty men are fighting the fire in that section and are fast getting it under control.

It is the opinion of Mr. Higginbotham that the fire was started by persons annoyed at the Ray's, who control the Braden mine properly, which is imperiled by the fire. The entire force of the mine is out fighting fire night and day. A close guard is kept for firebugs.

The smoke that clouds the southern horizon is attributed to the fire near Sisson, as no new fires have been reported from that section to the forestry service.

With the camping season at its height, the forest service patrols are warning all vacationists, and mountain roads are lined with caution cards.

EVANS WINNER OF CHAMPIONSHIP

GRAND RAJIDS, Mich., Aug. 1.—Charles Evans, Jr. of Edgewater, Chicago, finished the forenoon half of his match today with James D. Standish, Jr. of Detroit, for the western amateur championship 9 up.

Evans' medal score, 67, broke the course record, which he made earlier in the week, by two strokes. He went out in 34 and came back in 33. Standish took 28 each way.

SWEDEN OFFICIALLY DECLARES NEUTRALITY

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Aug. 1.—The Swedish government today ordered an official notification of its strict neutrality in the European conflict.

PHOENIX PARAGRAPHS

Mrs. Johnson and children are visiting in Seattle. Mrs. J. Wright returned Wednesday from Klamath Falls where she has been spending the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. William Glynn, who live on Pacific highway between Ashland and Talent were callers in town Wednesday evening. They were accompanied by Mrs. Norton of Memphis, Tenn., who is spending the summer with them.

W. E. Coleman spent Sunday at Talent with his brother, G. Coleman and family, who left Monday for Lincoln, Neb., where they will make their home in future.

The Civic club will meet Tuesday afternoon in the assembly room of the school, one of the features of the program is an address from Mr. Frost of Katala of Alaska, who is here on a visit to his family.

Public notice is hereby given that Woo Lee and Hai Sing, have sold their laundry and equipment thereto, on South Riverside avenue, Medford, Oregon, to the undersigned, who will conduct the business at the same place under the name of Sing Dock Hong. The money for this business is to be paid and the transfer is to be made on August 8th, 1914. All creditors will hereby take notice of this transfer and sale, and all customers and the public generally are hereby cordially invited to continue their patronage.

FONG TONG. John A. Perl UNDERTAKER Lady Assistant 30 N. HAYLATT Phone M. 47 and 47-39 Ambulance Service Deputy Coroner

CHOP OUT BLIGHT AFFECTED TREES ORDERS CARSON

Murphy, Ore., July 29, 1914, Mr. J. W. Myers, County Fruit Inspector, Central Point, Oregon.

Dear Sir: From a personal inspection, and information derived from the fruit-growers of Jackson county, I find that the fire-blight in the orchards is to a great extent under control. However, there are yet some orchards diseased with blight, and should conditions become favorable reinfestation of healthy trees would take place very rapidly.

Former instructions to you during the winter, and early spring imposed on you the duty to warn the fruit-growers of Jackson county that each and every one of them must co-operate with the inspectors by patrolling daily their own orchards for the blight, and if they failed to so patrol their orchards, and permitted the blight to spread and menace other orchards that are healthy, that under the law I would deem it my duty to invoke the most drastic measures warranted by the law to the end that the blight be eradicated in the orchards of the county. The laws of Oregon are very drastic, and when the penalty is invoked for any orchardist permitting a public nuisance in his orchard I know it is not pleasant for him, nor is it pleasant for me to enforce these police duties the law imposes on me, you and the deputies working with you.

From now on I desire the inspectors to be active, and they must observe the following instructions, to-wit:

When you, or any of the deputies go into an orchard and find blight in any part of a tree above ground, and do not find the owner of the orchard cutting it out, but negligently ignoring the danger to his own healthy trees, you are instructed to abate said nuisance in a summary manner as provided by section 5487 of the laws of Oregon, by chopping down said diseased trees at once. If there are fruit growers in the valley who for a day would neglect to cut out blight that might develop in his trees, he must not complain if we drastically condemn and summarily abate the nuisance he is permitting by his blighted trees.

It has been the accepted idea that the Newtown apple was virtually immune from blight. In fact, we were led to believe so by an able pathologist in the valley, but the careful inspection in Jackson county the past winter has demonstrated that it is a mistake to say that the Newtown is entirely immune from the blight.

In all cases where the inspectors find blight in the roots of any tree you and the deputies are instructed to summarily condemn said tree, excepting in such cases as you may find the owner in the orchard treating and cutting out said blight. That all owners must clean back the dirt from the roots of their trees and examine the same for blight, and have the same cut out to your satisfaction, or else you are required to summarily condemn and destroy as per section 5487. Instruct every grower he must eradicate the blight in his orchard or else the state will destroy the diseased orchard. The orchards of Jackson county are too valuable to permit the blight to destroy them. Then, too, at this time should there be those who have ignored the warnings to cut out the blight, by the inspectors, and should suffer the penalty of having their diseased tree cut down, and the public nuisance they are maintaining by their negligence.

Glasses for Children

Not long now till school begins. If your child needs glasses it is high time you were attending to the matter. To wait until they have begun their studies means suffering on their part, and less time for correct fitting. Bring them here any day, and rest assured they will be kindly, carefully, and scientifically treated.



DR. RICTERT HE KNOWS HOW Suite 1-2 Over Board's Green Trading Stamps Given

abated are not entitled to any consideration against the majority of the growers who have earnestly co-operated with the inspectors against the blight. Yours truly, A. H. CARSON, Horticultural Commissioner Third District. (Advertisement)

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