

ALLIED ENVOYS REPORTED FREED BY BOLSHIEVIKI

Entente Diplomats at Moscow Liberated, if Ever Confined—Soviets Abolish All Private and Real Property Above a Certain Scale, Cancel all Mortgages.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 29.—While a Moscow dispatch to the Renische Westphalian Gazette of Esen states that the entente diplomatic representatives there have been liberated, latest advices from the Bolsheviki capital, under date of August 26 deny that the American and British diplomats there were ever arrested. The dispatch to the Renische Westphalian Gazette, however, says members of the allied military missions at Moscow are still in custody.

Dewitt C. Poole, Jr., the acting American consul general at Moscow, dispatches states, is awaiting a safe conduct from the German government and the conclusion of an arrangement between Russia and the entente governments for a reciprocal return of diplomatic and consular officers before departing.

Abolishing Property

A Russian wireless message says that Minister Trotsky denies an alleged American report that the soviets intend to arm German and Austro-Hungarian prisoners to fight the Czech-Slovaks. Trotsky adds that in the soviet army the only former war prisoners are those who have become Russian citizens.

The central executive committee of the soviets, according to the Pravda, has decreed the abolition in towns of more than 10,000 inhabitants of all private and real property the value of which exceeds a scale to be fixed by the local soviets. Mortgages of more than 10,000 rubles are annulled and the former landlords are placed on the same level as their tenants.

Americans Unmolested

It was reported from London on August 10 that Robert Lockhart, acting British consul general at Moscow, six members of his staff and several French diplomatic agents had been arrested in Moscow by the Bolsheviki. There have been no reports of interference with American diplomatic or consular representatives. Ambassador Francis and his staff went from Volodga to Archangel last month and were not molested.

At the time that Leon Trotsky declared a state of war existed between Russia and England and France, Consul General Poole was informed by the Bolsheviki authorities that they did not consider themselves to be at war with America and facilities were given him to communicate this fact to his government. Although there have since been unconfirmed reports of a Bolshevik declaration of war against this country, apparently the American representatives have not been molested.

WORMY PEARS CAUSE SUICIDE

Because a consignment of pears he had sent to Portland were rejected because of being wormy, together with the fact that the express company had come back on him for the express charges so preyed on the mind of Clyde Rhodes, a Sams Valley rancher and well known former citizen of Ashland that he committed suicide early Wednesday afternoon by swallowing cyanide of potassium. The body was found later by a neighbor lying about 50 feet away from the ranch house.

Rhodes who was a single man 22 years and 3 months old, and was the son of Mrs. Adam L. Irwin of Ashland, managed the ranch in Sams Valley belonging to his father, S. M. Rhodes, who is now at Seabright, Calif. Deputy Coroner Kollong of Gold Hill, investigated the tragic affair.

SHIPYARD MEN STRIKE SECOND TIME

PORTLAND, Aug. 29.—Workmen in the Sommerstrom shipyard at Columbia City, Ore., struck again today following the settlement of a strike yesterday under which they had returned to work. Today's walkout was said to be due to the discharge of an underforeman who was a union officer. A government representative was trying to adjust the difficulty.

VICTORY IN FIELD DEFEATS EFFORTS FOR CONCILIATION

PARIS, Wednesday, Aug. 28.—The peace with victory sentiment has "absolutely crushed" all efforts to promote an international socialist conference at Borne, said A. M. Simons, chairman of the American socialist mission to Europe, to the Associated Press today, on his arrival in Paris from Italy.

"The working classes," he added, "seem to be satisfied that a military victory is the only victory possible, that a conference with the German socialists would be of no avail and that peace thru negotiation is an impossibility. The results of the recent offensive have stiffened immensely the morale of the working groups making them determined to carry out the war until a decisive victory. Even the radical groups have changed their attitude about peace by negotiation and now are a unit in demanding the crushing of the German military party."

STEPHENS DEFEATS ROLPH AT POLLS

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—Additional returns today served to emphasize the lead of Governor William D. Stephens for the republican nomination for governor and that of Mayor James Rolph of San Francisco on the democratic ticket.

Returns from 5195 complete precincts of 6393 in California, gave: Republican—Stephens, 151,001; Rolph 136,222.

Democratic—Rolph 61,080; Henry, 43,051.

Immediate steps will be taken to have the supreme court decide the constitutionality of the primary law features which eliminate Mayor Rolph for democratic candidate because he is registered as a republican, Attorney Gavin McNab announced here today. He said he spoke as a democratic party leader, but not for Rolph.

NEW TRIAL DENIED I. W. W. BY JUDGE LANDIS

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—Federal Judge Landis today denied a motion for a new trial in the case of 100 I. W. W. leaders recently convicted of conspiracy to interfere with the government's conduct of the war.

ALLIES WIN BACK TWO-THIRDS OF LOST TERRITORY

PARIS, Aug. 29.—The allies now have won back more than two-thirds of the ground lost since the beginning of the German offensive in March. It was wrung from them by an overwhelming effort of force and they have regained it by the brilliant generalship of three leaders and skillful maneuvering of their troops.

The working out of Marshal Foch's strategic plans, according to opinion here, shows that every movement in each section of the long battle line has been carefully thought out in its relation to the whole. Thus the British advance toward Peronne August 26 had its immediate effect on the sections further east and for a second time General von Hutler was in danger of being caught in a trap if he lunged on another instant. As a result he was obliged to abandon Roye and Nesle and retire behind the Somme with the French close at his heels.

Immediate interest in the battle is in the operations on the wings.

TRIS SPEAKER SUSPENDED FOR ASSAULTING UMPIRE

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—Tris Speaker, outfielder for the Cleveland American league team, has been indefinitely suspended by President B. B. Johnson. Speaker was called out by Umpire Connolly in sliding to the home plate in a game at Philadelphia Wednesday and assaulted the umpire.

YANKS RETIRE FROM FISMETTE

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tachment taking the eastern outskirts this morning. Since then the Americans have made further progress.

Crossed Only at Night

Fismette has been held by the Americans since August 8, despite German efforts to dislodge them. To gain this bridgehead the Americans crossed the Vesle in force fighting. For three days and nights after the enemy had been driven from the village the Americans were without food or reinforcements because of the constant enemy artillery and machine gun fire.

The Germans maintained their position on the hills commanding the village and only during the night were the Americans able to communicate with the southern bank. The Americans erected temporary bridges across the river at night time.

MEDFORD ELKS LEAD OREGON

The Medford Elks lodge captured a trophy at the state Elks' association convention at Portland this week in which not only the local Elks but the Medford community in general can take much pride on patriotic grounds.

A telegram was received at the clubhouse Wednesday afternoon conveying the information that the lodge had been awarded the victory trophy by the convention for having the most members in war service compared with total membership considered of all the Elks' lodges in the state of Oregon. The local lodge now has 80 stars in its service flur, at least half of whom are officers and non-commissioned officers, and the most of whom were volunteers.

U-BOAT BOMB FAILED TO DESTROY

A CANADIAN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 29.—The Newfoundland three masted schooner Bianca which was reported to have been captured and sunk by a German submarine off this coast, was towed into port here today.

The Bianca, abandoned by her crew on order of the U-boat commander, was picked up adrift three days ago by a fishing schooner fitted with an auxiliary engine. This vessel took the Bianca in tow.

The Newfoundland schooner was damaged by a bomb which the Germans set off in her hold and is leaking, but the ship's stout frame held together and the cargo of tobacco kept her afloat.

HUN LINES OUTFLANKED.

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it seems probable that a new and powerful attack launched by the French along the Nesle-Noyon line broke in the enemy's resistance and caused his precipitate retreat.

The advance on Ham seems to have been from the west, as the report tells of the capture of German munitions trains at Briel. It is probable that the French have progressed along the higher ground just south of the Somme river and have not crossed that stream with its canal.

It would appear that the Germans who were in Noyon until this morning will be trapped there if they have not hurriedly retreated.

If the French have reached Ham they have outflanked the German line to the north across the Somme. They also threaten to drive a wedge between the enemy forces north of the

Somme and those still in Chauny on the Oise.

Advance on Somme

WITH THE BRITISH FORCES IN FRANCE, Aug. 29.—By the Associated Press.—The French having reached the backwaters of the river Somme, the British just north of them have made long strides and themselves this morning were only about three miles from the river at Brie, with the enemy being rapidly forced out of the triangle formed by the right angles of the river and the advancing British line which strikes in the north just west of Ham.

FRENCH WIN NOYON.

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General von Bohm has succeeded in moving the greater portion of his army and artillery behind the Somme river and along the Ham-Chauny line.

The development of the allied advance would seem to indicate that the pocket on the southern end of the battle line is being emptied and that there is little hope that the allies will be able to capture any large number of enemy troops there.

Immediately south of the Somme British forces have moved east to within three miles of the Somme.

south of where it bends at Peronne, and are driving the enemy back to the river crossings at Peronne and Brie.

Southeast of Arras where the British have crossed the Hindenburg line they are now east of Boiry Notre Dame about three miles east of Monchy Le Preux and threatening seriously the Queant Droocourt support line.

Advance Near Soissons

French and American troops under General Mangin have struck at the vital salient north of Soissons. An advance of nearly one mile has been made in the Chavigny region.

The allies here are driving toward the heights at the western end of the Chemin Des Dames, imperiling the German lines both to the east and west. East of the Vesle, the Germans have reacted violently against the Americans at Fismette and had gained that village Wednesday night. Berlin says 250 Americans were made prisoner here and at Bazoches, several miles to the west. At Bazoches the Americans gained a strong foothold in the village in stubborn fighting.

A German newspaper reports that the Polish, Czech and South Slav inhabitants of Austria are mobilizing, probably in preparation for a concerted revolutionary movement.

WALK ERECT AT EIGHTY

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