

## KERENSKY GOVERNMENT CONTROLS RUSSIA ITALIANS CHECK AUSTRO-GERMAN DRIVE

### KERENSKY ISSUING HIS ORDERS FROM MOSCOW, SAYS FINNISH BUREAU

Reports From Finnish Telegram Bureau and From Swedish News Agency Say Kerensky Is in Control of Practically All Russia—Newspapers Say Downfall of Bolshevik Movement Is Imminent

London, Nov. 14.—The Finnish Telegram bureau says the whole of Russia except a small part of Petrograd is now in the hands of the provisional government.

Premier Kerensky is now in Petrograd and has taken virtually the entire city, the announcement of the Finnish Telegram bureau says.

The Finnish Telegram bureau says Moscow is the headquarters of the provisional government and that Premier Kerensky has issued orders from Moscow which have appeared in the Petrograd papers.

The anti-Bolshevik papers of Petrograd as well as the Helsingfors newspapers have headlines announcing that the Bolshevik movement is nearing its downfall.

General Kaledines, the Cossack leader, is said to be dictator of southern Russia. The orders of the provisional government are signed by M. Kerensky, General Kaledines and General Korniloff.

A Russian wireless dispatch says no official report from army headquarters has been issued today.

#### May Be Delayed Dispatches.

The provisional Russian government referred to in the foregoing is the government of Premier Kerensky, which the Bolsheviks attempted to overthrow.

The Finnish Telegram bureau's advice also closely parallels the dispatches received on Sunday and Monday according to Premier Kerensky had overthrown the Bolsheviks as to suggest that they may be a delayed version of the same reports which were contradicted by the announcement received yesterday from Petrograd that the Kerensky forces had been defeated in a battle near Tarskoo-Selo.

#### Report From Stockholm.

Stockholm, Nov. 14.—Premier Kerensky has entered Petrograd, according to a dispatch received from the correspondent of the Swedish news agency at Haparanda on the Russian border.

### CENTRAL POWERS HAVE RECEIVED NO PROPOSALS

### Austria Favors Just Peace Without Annexations or Indemnities

Amsterdam, Nov. 14.—Austrian newspapers print a statement from the Official News Agency pointing out that neither Vienna nor Berlin has received an actual peace or armistice proposal from the Russian government and as long as the new rulers of Russia do not submit proposals the central powers dare do nothing in the matter, according to a dispatch from Vienna. Should the maximalists retain the upper hand in Russia and come forward with a peace offer the Austro-Hungarian government would, the statement says, immediately establish accord with its allies and fix a common attitude.

"The workmen's and soldiers' program," the statement continues, "is capable of forming a point of departure for serious peace discussions with Russia. A just peace without annexations and without indemnities is also the goal of the Austro-Hungarian government but what was understood by annexations and what every one has understood about it up to the present does not correspond with the interpretation of the present Russian government. On this point counter proposals would have to be made on our part."

### JAPANESE TROOPS CAN NOT BE SENT

Tokio, Nov. 14.—Lieutenant-General Ishima, the Japanese minister of war, informs Japanese newspapers that the dispatch of troops to Europe is an absolute impossibility owing to the tremendous cost and the lack of ton-

### U. D. C. OFFICERS SUBMIT REPORTS

President-General and Secretary - General Review Work for Year—Memorial Service Held

Chattanooga, Nov. 14.—Chattanooga, where the blue and the gray has faded into the khaki, is an ideal meeting place for the Daughters of the Confederacy.

This was the keynote of one of the welcoming addresses delivered to the assembled throng of distinguished women here for the general convention of the U. D. C., and the welcome extended last night in a concrete form is being carried out generally by the entire citizenship today.

The first business was opened at 9:30 o'clock this morning and this will be followed this afternoon with a general reception in honor of the officers, and a ball this evening. The program opened with usual devotional services and a musical program, announcement of committees and report of committee on credentials.

The president-general, Mrs. Cordelia Powell Odenheimer, of Maryland, read her report, reviewing work for the year.

Reports by Mrs. W. C. N. Merchant, of Chatham, Va., recording secretary-general, Miss Lottie Harley Walcott, of Aramora, Okla., correspondent secretary-general, were made.

The Stewart chapter entertained at a noon lunch. The larger portion of the afternoon session was devoted to an impressive memorial service in respect to the memory of those who have passed over the river during the past year.

Later in the afternoon the business session will be resumed with the presentation of financial reports and report of the historian.

#### Villa Makes Attack.

Presidio, Tex., Nov. 14.—Fighting between Villa forces and Mexican government troops began at Ojinaga at 5:30 o'clock this morning (central time). The attack started from the southwest and grew gradually with the approach of daylight into a constant fire of rifle shots.

#### Baron Takahashi, former minister of finance, in a lengthy article in the newspapers, declares the Japanese army is deficient in ordnance and airplane equipment.

### PAINLEVE CABINET, DEFEATED, RESIGNS

By Direct Vote Chamber of Deputies Shows Opposition—Causes of Downfall Given

Paris, Nov. 13.—The Painleve ministry was defeated by a direct vote in the chamber of deputies today and later resigned. This is the first time such action has been taken by the chamber since the beginning of the war, as up to the present it has been a point of honor with many deputies not to vote against the government but to express criticism by abstaining from recording their votes.

Strong dissatisfaction with the government's handling of the Bolo Pasha affair is believed to be the motive which changed the passive discontent to active opposition. Two other things thought to have had a part in the downfall of the Painleve cabinet were the premier's statement exonerating M. Malvy, the former minister of the interior, and the fiasco attending the prosecution of L'Action Francaise, edited by Leon Daudet, the accuser of M. Malvy.

The ministerial crisis comes on the eve of the inter-called conference here and every effort will be made to settle it quickly. President Poincare will begin consultations with political leaders tomorrow morning.

### ORTH GIVEN 14 MONTHS IN PRISON AND \$1200 FINE

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 14.—Accumulated sentences amounting to fourteen months in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., and fines aggregating \$1,200 were given Albert Orth, publisher of a German language newspaper at Charleston, S. C., in the district Federal court here late yesterday following conviction of two indictments for assisting Lieutenant Robert Fay and William Knobloch to escape from the Atlanta federal prison on August 29, 1916, and harboring them in Charleston. Orth gave notice of appeal and his bond was fixed at \$6,000.

Three other indictments charging Orth with accessory after the fact in a conspiracy to blow up ships, of accessory after the fact in the fraudulent use of the mails, and in landing an alien in the United States in violation of an act of congress, were continued.

#### Conference On November 26.

Washington, Nov. 14.—Arrangements have been made for the chiefs of the four railway brotherhoods to see President Wilson on Monday, November 26, in connection with the workers' proposals for wage increases for conductors and brakemen on all the railroads of the country.

### INVADERS CROSS PIAVE AT ZENSON; BITTER FIGHTING

Italians Successful in Counter Attacks Between Asiago and Mont Cimone—Italian Defense Must Continue Strong to Hold Piave Position—Four Enemy Fronts

Italian troops by strong counter attacks aided by the artillery have checked Austro-German efforts to capture the Asiago plateau and threaten the line of the river Piave. Near Zenson, on the river Piave about 20 miles northeast of Venice, the invaders have succeeded in crossing the river on boats but were repulsed in an attempt to debouch from the bridgehead they had constructed.

The fighting in the region about Asiago and between there and Monte Cimone is very bitter. The Austro-Germans attacked in force and gained some defenses only to be thrown back by the force of Italian counter attacks.

#### BERLIN CLAIMS SUCCESSES.

Berlin says Mont Longara has been captured but Rome reports officially that the position here has been held against Teuton efforts. At Canove, west of Asiago, an Italian counter thrust repelled the invaders and resulted in the liberation of Italian prisoners.

Between Mont Cimone and the Piave, Berlin claims the capture of Fonzaso, which probably was given up by the Italians in a retirement to straighten out their line. The Italians have occupied their new positions in this region and the Austro-Germans are in contact with them.

#### MAY BE SERIOUS MENACE.

The crossing of the Piave near Zenson may prove a more serious menace to the Piave line than the attempts in the Asiago region. The invaders tried to advance from the bridgehead they established but were driven back to the river bank by the Italians. Further Teuton attempts to debouch may be expected and unless the Italian defense continues strong the Piave position may become so weakened it will have to be given up.

#### Piave Line Holding.

Italian Headquarters in Italy, Nov. 13.—(Delayed)—(By The Associated Press).—The Piave line still holds in the main against heavy and continuous artillery fire from the eastern bank and the efforts of the Austro-Germans to cross the stream. These efforts have not taken the proportions of a general movement but several battalions crossed the river on pontoons near Zenson.

The Italian artillery concentrated its fire on the raiding parties, either destroying them in midstream or pushing them back on the river bank.

#### Chief attention is now directed towards the eastern sector of the Trentino front where it runs across the Asiago plateau to the upper Piave river.

The enemy is making demonstrations there which are either a diversion or a prelude to a heavy attack with the evident purpose of getting down into the valley toward Bassano and the plains below, thus separating the Italian army on the Trentino front from that on the Piave.

Reports indicate the enemy is operating.

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### OPENING SESSION OF M. E. CONFERENCE HELD THIS MORNING

Bishop Atkins Called Conference To Order On Second—Led Devotional

### VERBAL REPORTS FROM PREACHERS

Bishop Goes Back To Old Ways—Report on Bennett Confession

"I believe that this conference leads the entire church in the proportion of Sunday school members over church membership," said Bishop Atkins this morning during the report of the pastors, in the church, the Sunday school membership is 75 per cent and your reports will show at least 20 per cent. This means that you will have a larger church in the future."

Back to the olden ways, is the idea of Bishop Atkins. He believes in getting down to the heart of the work and the consequence was that pastoral reports followed the reports of the presiding elders. From every section of the territory covered by the conference the work prospers. Conventions are reported and the financial affairs are in good shape.

The opening service of the 28th annual convention of the Western North Carolina conference at the Central Methodist church this morning was featured with these one-minute talks and deep interest in the affairs of the church was manifested. The announcement of the names of the ministers who have died during the year brought the fact that three of the five, Dr. J. M. Weaver, Rev. J. C. Troy and Rev. E. M. Hovey, had held pastorates in Asheville. Dr. Weaver was pastor of Central church from 1899 to 1901; Rev. J. C. Troy was pastor of the old Elverside church, and Rev. E. M. Hovey, was at one time the pastor of Haywood street church. Two other ministers died during the year. Rev. W. L. Rexford, whose last pastorate was at Marshall, and Rev. E. G. Pusey, whose last appointment was at Fairview, both in the Asheville district.

#### Devotional Services.

With a quiet devotional service led by Bishop Atkins, during which the first 18 verses of the 14th chapter of the Gospel by John, were read and briefly commented upon, the 28th session of the Western North Carolina annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, began its work in the main auditorium of the Central Methodist church this morning.

Promptly on the second Bishop Atkins called the conference to order, after having remarked, "I have not missed a minute in twelve years." Devotional hymns, dear to the hearts of assembled Methodists, were sung without any organ accompaniment.

This is the second time that Bishop Atkins has presided over the conference in its sessions at Asheville.

In the year 1908 Asheville was host to the representatives of Methodism in western North Carolina. Again in 1909 Bishop Atkins was the presiding officer of the conference which met at Hickory.

The western North Carolina conference was established by the General conference in 1890 and includes the territory west of the eastern boundary of Rockingham, Guilford, Randolph, Stanley and Anson counties, except Savannah church in Allegheny county and that portion of New river and includes that part of the state of Virginia lying south of New river in the loop in Grayson county.

The conference was formed of parts of Holston and North Carolina conferences and the first session was held at Concord in 1890, with Bishop J. C. Keener presiding.

Immediately after the devotional exercises the conference re-elected Rev. W. L. Sherrill, of Charlotte, as its secretary, and the following assistant secretaries were chosen: W. P. Sandford, A. W. Plyler, G. C. Brinkman.

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The story of THE TIMES' circulation campaign in today's paper should be read by every contestant who really expects to make a fight for the prizes. A warning is given to contestants against believing any of the rumors that are afloat these days. Some plain, but absolutely true, statements are made. It is time to work and not the time to gossip. Turn to Page 7.

### RUSSIAN TROOPS WHO OVERTHREW KERENSKY MARCHING IN DEFIANCE OF HIM



This important photograph shows hundreds of Russian troops, who overthrew Premier Kerensky, marching through the streets of Petrograd to a meeting at which the provisional government was denounced. It proves the strength of the opposition to his government even three weeks ago, and shows the soldiers did not care for the orders of the premier.