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BOUNDARY LINE QUESTION VEXING BOTH POLES AND RUSSIANS ALIKE

Must be Fixed by Arbitration, Military Men Claim - Victorious Armies Not to be Allowed to Cross Boundary Lines-Poles Bitter Against Germans.

(By The Associated Press.) THORN, West Prussia, Aug. 23.—Older officers in the Polish army expressed the opinion here today that in the event of a decisive victory over soviet Russia along the entire front it would be inadvisable to pursue the bolshevik beyond the bounds of ethnographic Poland. One declared, however, that war between Poland and soviet Russia would be "inevitable" until an arbitration board fixed Poland's boundaries, which, he believed, both the Russians and Poles would respect. He suggested that there should be American, British and French members of such a board.

The soviet delegates are continuing to put difficulties in the way of Polish communications with Warsaw. The third wireless message sent to this city from Minsk is missing and it is said this would be necessary for Polish officials here to understand and form an opinion relative to the negotiations.

POLES FLATLY REJECT SOVIET RUSSIA'S DEMANDS

English Newspapers Skeptical as to Russia's Promises - A Stern Hand Necessary.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—Poland's reply to the peace terms presented by the Russian soviet delegation at Minsk amounts to a flat rejection, says the Manchester Guardian's Minsk correspondent in a wireless dispatch filed in that city on Monday.

"Out of the 15 Russian demands," he continues, "only one, that relative to demobilization, is accepted, and that only on condition that Russia will take a similar course—that is to say, Russia must demobilize at the same time Poland disbands her forces.

"The terms relative to disarmament, the closing of munitions plants and the delivery of munitions to Russia by Poland are indignantly rejected.

"Bolshevik terms relative to a Polish militia and control by the Russians of the railway line from Bialystok southward are declared beyond discussion. The boundary line between Poland and Russia, as laid down by Earl Curzon, British secretary of state for foreign affairs, is declared unacceptable, as it involves a third partition of Poland.

"Demands for distribution of land to Polish victims of war and the return of cattle and horses driven away by Polish land owners from white Ruthenia and Lithuania are rejected as interfering with the internal affairs of Poland, and a violation of Polish sovereignty.

"Other terms are rejected without qualification, and Poland demands a line of demarcation between Polish and Russian territory based on strategic considerations and the idea of buffer states."

10,000 PRISONERS TAKEN BY POLES

WARSAW, Aug. 24.—Kolo, an important town near the East Prussian frontier north of Lomza, has been taken by Polish forces which have been sweeping rapidly northward in pursuit of the retreating bolshevik. More than 10,000 prisoners, who were cut off from the main body of the soviet army, have been captured in this region.

Reports from various fronts, particularly the northern sectors of the line, indicate the bolsheviks are demoralized and are preparing for a general retreat. Marshal Slesniak, minister of war, has issued a statement to Polish newspapers declaring that the soviet armies have been decisively beaten everywhere, adding that of 250,000 bolshevik troops participating in the offensive for the capture of Warsaw, more than 140,000 have been accounted for, and that nearly all other detachments have been shot to pieces. He estimates the number of prisoners at 50,000, and the number of other bolshevik casualties at 40,000. Military observers estimate the Polish victory and the successes in the campaign now being carried out form one of the most interesting military strategic problems of recent years.

Two Cossack regiments have crossed into East Prussia northwest of Mlawa to escape capture, according to announcements by military authorities, and there are indications that soviet infantry units numbering many thousands of men have also taken flight across the frontier at various points. The remnant of the fourth bolshevik army is surrounded near Mlawa, and while disorganized, is endeavoring to fight its way eastward. It attacked a Polish Siberian brigade near Chorzele, about 20 miles north of Przasnysz, but was repulsed, losing many prisoners.

Regarding the position taken by the bolsheviks, the message stated the Poles had maintained their attitude, and that at the next meeting the detailed Russian reply would be received.

"We shall send the minutes of the meeting," it continued. "A courier from Warsaw has passed the lines and has boarded a railway train for this city."

The foreign office announcement said

PARIS, Aug. 25.—Negotiations looking to surrender to the Poles have begun by the northern Russian bolshevik army, according to a Vienna dispatch received here. Latest information from Warsaw indicates the advance of the Polish armies continues rapidly and that the bolshevik seem anxious only to lose contact with the Poles. The number of prisoners captured by the Poles is said to approximate 40,000.

PREPARING TO SURRENDER.

COX GETS WARM WELCOME IN INDIANA TODAY

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 25.—Governor Cox arrived here early today to open another campaign tour with an afternoon address at Princeton, Ind., and an evening speech here tonight.

Another was scheduled to deal extensively with the charges of the democratic presidential candidate that a campaign fund of \$15,000,000 was being collected by the republicans, this subject being left for the Governor's Pittsburgh address tomorrow.

A large crowd welcomed the governor here. He was escorted to a hotel for breakfast and an informal reception preceding his departure in a special train engaged by the Cox-Roosevelt club for Princeton, the county seat of Gibson, about 30 miles away, where he was to speak at the Gibson county fair grounds.

Many Indiana democratic leaders, headed by Mayor Bosse, of Evansville, state committee chairman, and Tom Taggart, national committeeman, met Governor Cox here.

CONSIDER MINERS' INCREASE. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 25.—Officials of the United Mine Workers of America from Kansas, Missouri and Arkansas met here today to decide the amount of a wage increase which they plan to ask. According to Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas district, an increase of approximately \$1.50 a day, bringing the wage for day and month workers to \$7.50 a day, will be asked.

SUFFRAGIST'S HOPE FOR PROCLAMATION

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Suffragists today were hopeful that before evening the state department would issue a proclamation formally announcing ratification of the federal suffrage amendment by enough states to make it effective.

Official notification that the amendment has been ratified by the Tennessee legislature was expected to reach Secretary Colby during the day, dispatches from Nashville having reported that Governor Roberts mailed the certification notice to Washington at noon yesterday. Secretary Colby recently announced he was preparing to issue the suffrage proclamation as soon as he received official word of Tennessee's action.

In some quarters it was predicted that anti-suffragists, having failed to prevent by court action certification of Tennessee's ratification, would apply to the District of Columbia supreme court for an order restraining Secretary Colby from issuing the proclamation.

PRESS UPHOLDS POLICY OF LLOYD GEORGE

(By The Associated Press.)

LONDON, Aug. 25.—London newspapers, in commenting on the decision reached at Lucerne by Premier Lloyd George and Giolitti, and the resulting British note to the Russian soviet government, strongly commend the position taken by the two statesmen.

"The British and Italian premiers," says the Chronicle, "are very anxious to come to an agreement with Russia but no agreement is possible unless the Russian government removes the presumption it will not keep such agreement in good faith."

Quoting President Wilson's note to the Italian ambassador in Washington on the Russian situation, the Morning Post declares: "Mr. Lloyd George will now subscribe to these weighty words, after his experience with Kamenoff, alias Rosenfield, for the British government, it is quite clear, has to choose between the entente and an accommodation with the ruffians of Moscow."

After warmly commending the British premier's stand, the Times says the policy announced at Lucerne "gives promise of more vigorous action."

"Only the wilfully blind can fail to discern the crafty intentions of the soviet leaders," the newspaper continues. "Their pious recognition of Polish independence was and is a sham. They would set up bolshevik rule in Warsaw and spread ruin over the land."

The labor organ, The Daily Herald, breaks in on the chorus of praise with an outcry against Premier Lloyd George. "Everybody," it asserts, "knows the real reason for this new ultimatum and the renewal of the threat of disastrous war against soviet Russia. It isn't a question of terms at all, but a question simply and solely of fact. The Poles have won a military victory and have thus revived the hopes of the French and British capitalist governments that they may be able to overthrow the Russian socialist republic. The menace of war is as grave as ever, and action by the labor council is the only power that can stop it."

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EUGENE LEROY ARRESTED AT RIO JANEIRO

Detroit Man is Wanted For Murder of His Wife.

(By The Associated Press.)

RIO JANEIRO, Aug. 24.—Eugene Leroy, wanted by the police of Detroit, Mich., in connection with the murder of a woman supposed to be his wife, was arrested on board the British freighter Dryden, which arrived here late this afternoon. Leroy was a member of the crew.

Leroy was placed under arrest at the request of United States authorities here, and while Dryden is in port will be guarded by four members of the maritime police. The ship will later proceed to Buenos Aires, and from that port will sail for New York, where Leroy will be turned over to Detroit officials.

The British freighter Dryden, upon which Eugene Leroy was arrested yesterday at Rio Janeiro in connection with the "trunk murder" mystery, sailed from New York on August 3—ten days after the body of his supposed wife was found jammed in a trunk in a local warehouse.

The authorities learned a week after the Dryden sailed, that a man answering Leroy's description was on board, and the freighter's captain was requested by wireless to hold the suspect for the Rio Janeiro police. Simultaneously, Detroit police officials filed with the state department at Washington an application for Leroy's arrest and extradition, should he attempt to land in Brazil or any country en route.

HARDING MADE ONE FRONT PORCH SPEECH TODAY

MARION, O., Aug. 25.—Republicans of Wyandotte county, Ohio, came to Marion today to hear a front porch speech by Senator Harding, the second to be made by the republican nominee this week.

Only a brief address had been prepared touching in a general way on several issues of the campaign. Much of the senator's day was taken up with political conferences, one of his callers being Fred M. Alger, of Detroit, who was one of the leaders of the Wood campaign in Michigan.

Confidence that Senator Harding would secure the establishment of an acceptance international tribunal, was expressed in a statement made public here today by Charles Evans Hughes, the 1916 republican presidential candidate, who came to Marion yesterday to talk over campaign issues with the senator and his advisers.

"It is hardly necessary for me to say that I shall earnestly support Senator Harding," the statement said. "He is a man of rare poise, high minded and sincere. No one can meet him without being impressed by his exceptional capacity and his integrity of purpose."

"We cannot afford to have a Tammanyized federal government. The nomination of Governor Cox was brought about by the skillful and determined effort of local democratic bosses who represent the most baneful influences in our political life. There is one sure way to defeat their effort to capture the government at Washington and that is to beat their candidates."

"I believe also that Senator Harding's election will afford the surest way of securing our proper relation to international co-operation. This country must do its part, but it must reserve the right to act in any future contingency according to its duty as that contingency reveals it."

ZAMORA OFFERS TO SURRENDER?

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The American embassy at Mexico City advised the state department today that the Mexican foreign office had confirmed a report that Pedro Zamora, the bandit leader who kidnaped a number of Americans and a British subject at Cuale, state of Jalisco, had offered to surrender. Negotiations to that end are to begin at once, the embassy was informed.

The Mexican foreign office said this action should remove apprehension as to the safety of the captives.

OIL STOCKS LAG.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Oil shares, especially the Mexican group, were the only laggards in the general advance of prices at the opening of today's stock market. Yesterday's late rally made further substantial headway, the shorts again being driven to cover, particularly in rails, steels and equipments.

Preliminary quotations for foreign exchange made no material response to the more favorable character of advices from abroad.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Louis Brownlow, a commissioner of the District of Columbia since February, 1915, resigned today, to accept an appointment as city manager of Petersburg, Va.

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Aug. 25.—A proposal to bar from membership Japanese who served in the world war was voted down by the state convention of the American Legion here today.

—Mr. O. E. Tucker, of Bessemer City was among the visitors in the city on business this morning.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Bishop are spending a week's vacation with home-folks at Spartanburg, S. C., this week.

WACO BUSINESS MEN GREATLY IMPRESSED BY OUR PROGRESSIVENESS

Live Citizens From Lone Star State Delighted With Reception Accorded Them Here and Praise Progressiveness of Piedmont's Pearl - Guests of Rotary Club Today.

G. A. R. AT INDIANAPOLIS SEPTEMBER 19TH TO 25TH

Indiana City Planning to Entertain 100,000 Visitors - Met in That City 27 Years Ago.

(By The Associated Press.)

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 25.—After a lapse of 27 years Indianapolis will again entertain the annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. For the first time since 1893 the national meeting of the Grand Army will be held this year in the Hoosier capital, September 19 to 25.

Civic committees are now planning to entertain 100,000 visitors during the week of the encampment. A list of homes which will accommodate one or more of the Civil War heroes is being compiled and committee members say comfortable quarters will be available for everyone.

Numerous entertainment features are being prepared. There will be airplane rides for veterans who may retain some of their wartime courage. Automobile trips have been arranged for others.

Hotel headquarters have been assigned to the 33-state department of the G. A. R. Arrangements for the gathering are being made by a committee of 500 business men who are working under the direction of an executive committee of five members.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK COTTON.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Cotton futures opened barely steady. October 27.40; December, 26.10; January, 25.38; March, 25.00; May, 24.70.

N. O. COTTON.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 25.—Opening: October 26.20 a 21; December 25.24; January 24.87; March 24.68; bid; May 24.38; Steady.

RENEWED WEAKNESS IN COTTON MARKET TODAY

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Yesterday's recovery was followed by renewed weakness in the cotton market today. Liverpool cables made a favorable showing, but no improvement was reported in the goods trade. The weather in the South was better, and a private crop report making the condition 70.9 compared with 75.3 a month ago, placed the crop indication at 13,400,000 bales, or 900,000 bales above the official end-July figures. The opening was barely steady at unchanged prices to a decline of 15 points and after the execution of overnight buying orders, the market sold off to 26.68 for October and 25.48 for December, or about 50 to 60 points below last night's closing. The weakness of New Orleans was a factor on the decline here, and there was a good deal of southern selling.

DAVIS MAY RESIGN POST AT LONDON

Ambassador to Court of St. James Arrived Today - Rumor Has it He Will Go Back

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Reports that John W. Davis, American ambassador to Great Britain, who arrived today at New York, would not return to the Court of St. James were current here today. At the state department, however, it was said that there was no official information as to his plans.

Some of the ambassador's friends credited the report that he had decided to resign. The post at London is known as the most expensive of all the American diplomatic stations and in the past has been a drain on the private resources of the men who held it. If Mr. Davis has determined to resign his friends said this probably was his chief reason for wishing to retire to private life.

Mr. Davis was appointed ambassador in November, 1918, to succeed the late Dr. Walter Hines Page and this is his first trip home since that time.

—Mr. Albert Riddle, of York, S. C., was among the callers in Gastonia on business Tuesday afternoon.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Bishop are spending a week's vacation with home-folks at Spartanburg, S. C., this week.

"We certainly are impressed with the whole hearted spirit and progressive atmosphere that seems to pervade the town," H. L. Williams, president of the Williams Dry Goods company, one of the largest concerns of its kind in Texas, said, following the inspection trip of the twenty-one Waco, Texas, business men through the Gastonia mills.

"And I want to tell you that every man in the party feels the same way. I am merely expressing the sentiment of the entire crowd when I make this statement."

J. J. Powers, president of Behrens Drug company, was also profuse in praising the representative Gastonians who accompanied them on their tour, greeted them at the Armington Hotel last night and dined with them today.

"This no wonder you have such a good town," said Mr. Powers, "with such progressive men here."

These expressions were uttered following a trip of inspection of a number of the textile mills this morning. Other mills will be inspected this afternoon. These trips are being made under the direction of a committee from the Chamber of Commerce of which Mr. C. D. Gray is chairman.

Gastonia's industrial life, its growth and progress, was pictured to this party of Texas business men by local speakers at the regular luncheon of the Gastonia Rotary Club today. The Texans were honor guests of the club and a special program was provided for their benefit.

The party will leave Gastonia in its special car which will be attached to No. 12 this afternoon. They will visit Charlotte and Winston-Salem. Before reaching Gastonia they had visited Greenville and Spartanburg. The men comprising this party are live wire business men and withal a set of splendid good fellows whose visit is being greatly enjoyed by Gastonians.

The party is composed of the following:

- G. H. Penland, attorney.
- H. L. Williams, president Williams Dry Goods Company.
- E. W. Marshall, president E. W. Marshall Co., insurance.
- J. J. Powers, president Behrens Drug Co., wholesale drugs.
- W. G. Lacy, president Citizens National Bank.
- H. B. Mistrot, president Southern Union Life Insurance Co.
- J. F. Massey, president Amicable Life Insurance Company of Texas.
- C. H. Reubeck, president C. H. Reubeck & Co., wholesale builders supplies.
- Judge W. N. Sleeper, attorney.
- W. V. Crawford, president Texas Cotton Pulver Association.
- J. H. Milam, president Cooper Grocery Co., wholesale grocers.
- J. M. Penland, president Waco Drug Co., wholesale drugs.
- W. D. Barton, president the Dyanshine Co., manufacturers of shoe dressings.
- W. H. McCullough, president Central Texas National Bank.
- A. J. Bush, general manager Texas Traction Co., interurban lines.
- W. L. Edmond, president Edmond-Penland Motor Co.
- H. E. Chiles, president First National Bank of Itasca, Texas.
- Harold Shear, president Shear Co., wholesale grocers.
- Martin Anderson, staff of the Morning News-Tribune.
- F. A. Leffingwell, secretary-manager Waco Chamber of Commerce.
- George W. McLendon, president McLendon Hardware Co.
- W. C. Clark, of the Lockwood-Greene Engineering Co., Atlanta, Ga.

STORM FORMING OFF THE CAROLINA COAST

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—A disturbance is forming off the North Carolina coast and it will move northeastward attended by strong northerly winds off the middle Atlantic and southern New England coasts this afternoon and tonight, the weather bureau said today.

MacSWENEY STILL LIVING.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—Terence MacSweney, lord mayor of Cork, who has been on a hunger strike in prison here since being removed to this city from Cork, and whose condition has given rise to grave apprehension, was still conscious this morning. Apparently, however, his condition was considered critical, as Father Dominick, his private chaplain, administered the last sacrament.