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TEUTONIC SUPPORT OF THE BOLSHEVIKI INCREASES REVII

Opposition to the Maximalists Is Spreading Through All Russia

SITUATION GROWS MORE CHAOTIC

Various Revolutions to Bolsheviki Spring Up All Over the Country — Lloyd-George's Answer to Peace Offer.

Opposition to the Bolsheviki appar ently is increasing as reports of German support of the Maximalist govern ment become more pronounced and th situation in Russia grows more chaotic while the Bolsheviki endeavor to ar range a separate peace with the Cen tral Powers. The Ukraine in hostility to the Bolsheviki government has been joined by the Russian staff on Southwestern front, and General St Charbatcheff, the commander in Ru mania, has been appointed head of th I'krainian forces, reported to be march ing against the Bolsheviki. Another report reaching London says that the Rumanians have joined the Ukrainians while other dispatches declare that against Moscow and that Grand Duke Nicholas is raising a royalist army in

the Cancasus German and a strian officers released from Russian prisons are reported to have led the Polshaviki in over-powering their opponents in Tashkent, the capital of Russian Turkestan, while other released enemy prisoners, said are said to be active in Petrograd, although this is denied by the Bolsheviki who claim that the Constitutional Dem ocrats are trying to put Russia under

Meanwhile diplomats of the Central Powers are hurrying to begin peace leaving Berlin the German emissaries were urged by the populace to "make

the Prussian autocracy would be a force. The Teutons must restore terr tory and repay losses. Great Britain pulered the war to vindicate her honor and not to make annexations. The Pritish Premier sees trying months boad, but the anti-submarine camraign is becoming more ineffective and America's help will bring huge re-

forces the enemy has been using in inc. the Italians are making counter tracks in an attempt to regain Monte Vanlone. So far. Berlin says, they have then unsuccersful. On other sectors on this front the Italians have repulsed with loss strong Austro-German at-

continues active in the Ypres and Cam-announced. in Lorraine the French have repulsed a heavy German attack north of Reillon, about eight miles North of Reillon, about eight miles still he Rhine-Marne canal, where the Cermans raided an American

A CZECH-SLOVAK ARMY IN FRANCE

Dec. 21.—A decree authorizformation of a Czech-Slovak tumbering 80,000 men already has been torraed in Russia. It will be the French army, which is ing swalled by the arrival of the recruits from America. The! there will be placed under the formula of nationals of 'ne the short countries. The headthe will be Paris.

ONLY BEFR AND WINE

By Associated Press).

SIMILAR TREATY

Secret Treaty No Cause for Alarm

(By Associated Press) Washington, Dec. 21.-American o ficials said today they nan no knowledge of the so-called secret treaty beween Russia and Japan described in the Petrograd dispatches, but they considered that to describe it as con-

secret provisions, but its purpose was follows: former Premier Kerensky is marching described as being to safeguard the "The contracting parties recognize imperialism. rights of Japan and Russia in the Far that the interests of either side de-East, to reconcile all outstanding is litical domination by any third pow-Hertling, the Imperial German Chan-

bin; the transfer to Japan of naviga- in China of such state of affairs." tion rights in the Surgari river and the extension of fishing rights off the coast of Siberia. It is improbable an explanation of the meaning and ing article any third power, as fore This is the first time since the foun- the platform just as the train passed n gotiations with the Bolsheviki. On untarily will come forward with a peace with the common enemy with

Careful reading of the four publish-ly. ed articles inclined officials to opin-! "Article III: The conditions on Premier Lloyd-George of Great Bhit- ion that the general purpose of the which either party shall give armed ain simultaneously with the publica- convention was somewhat in line with assistance and the means by which tion of German peace feelers, declares the existing British-Japanese treaty such assistance shall be expressed that the Allies must defeat militarism touching Far East interests and that it shall be fixed by the respective au and that a league of nations including was designed to protect China from thorities of the contracting, parties. exploitation by any third power and "Article IV: It must especially be was not especially directed against kept in mind that neither party con-

America and Breat Britain. tween Secretary Lansing and Viscount assistance unless it receives guaran Ishii, though not specifically support- they will give it assistance to the exable by military force as is the Russo- tent necessitated by the seriousness Japanese secret treaty, really aimed of the possible conflict." at the same object, namely the protec-Apparently undaunted by the heavy tion of Chinese integrity, although that ida was developed on more alattempting to break the Brenta-Piave trustic and unselfish grounds than in

Italians Retake Ground. (By Associated Press).

Rome, Dec. 21 .- A considerable por- which has not yet been counted, offtion of the ground gained by the en- sets the vote in Australia, the govemy on Thursday in the region of ernment's conscription scheme forces on the Northern end of east of the Brenta river has been re- majority of about 15,000. This is befront, while the artillery taken by the Italians, the war office lieved to be hardly likely, however, on

ARMOUR'S PAR

New Treasurer Every Two and a page of mail news. Years to Keep One From Knowing Much

(By Associated Press). Washington, Dec. 21:-Testimony to show that J. Ogden Armour is part Richmond, Va., Dec. 21.-Police reowner of the Chicago Stock Yards newed their efforts today to ascertain Company was given today at the Fed- here Mrs. Alice Knight Johnson, eral Trade Commission's inquiry into Lride of three months and wife of the packing industry, and it was said Dr. Lemuel J. Johnson, of Middlesex, the next thing to be developed was N. C., got the cyanide of potasium FOR AMERICAN TROOPS the extent of the interest of other poison which she took here last Sat-

packers in the same concern. Operation of the company has been suits. The American Army in France, made as complex as its formation by Information from Wilson, N. C. he 21 - All alcoholic beverages ex means of dummy directors. A new says that Dr. Johnson himself took treasurer was put in every two years poison in a hotel there last night treasurer was put in every two years possed in a note that the members of the American experimental dispersy forces in France by General burshing in general orders issued to the Extraordinary measures are beside taken to insure sobriety and a ceive the dividends and make distri-teral occasions, and was in Richmond. high moral standard in the army, and ceive the dividends and make distri-eral occasions, and was in Richmond the conterns have been informed they bution among the shareholders, be to see her a week before her be held to strict accountability lieved to include all the large packers, death. Coroner Whitefield is still of the fullest compliance with the or, whose identities have not been es the opinion that death was not due to suicide. tablished.

(By Associated Press). Washington, Dec. 21 .- Presi- 4 🕏 dent Wilson will send a message 🕏 Congress recommending enactment of legislation to meet the transportation situation im- 3 rediately after the holiday re-+ cess. Until it has been receiv- * 🗣 el, the President today request. 🕈 de ed that the Senate Interstate ♣ Commerce Committee withhold ♣ * making any investigation as pro-* vided for under the Cummins *

Keep Others Out of China

(By Associated Press). Petrograd, Thursday, Dec. 20.-Under the heading: "Secret treaty be-The Socalled Russo-Japanese tween Japan and Russia for joint arm ed demonstration against America and Great Britain in the Far East," The Izvestia publishes what it says up last year providing for joint action by Russia and Japan to prevent any the foreign office. third country from achieving political

referred to is the special convention agreement shall remain a deep secret tional Democrats, claiming that they to New Orleans rushed in sight at concluded between Russia and Japan, for all except for the contracting parare trying to undermine Trotzky and high speed and crashed into the light at about the same time as the so-call- ties." It opens with the statement Lenine. ed treaty. It was generally assumed strengthen the secret treaties of 1907, workmen to defeat the attempt of the coaches and baggage car of the ac-

"Article II: In the event that as a duct the negotiations. hat the United States government taken by mutual consent by Russia Independent Socialists were represent- picked up a red lantern and rushed alone will make any effort to secure and Japan on the basis of the preceded at the meeting by Deputy Haase. to the platform to flag it. He reached pears to be confined to the uninform- for Foreign Affairs received from the purpose of these secret articles from seen by Article I, should declare war dation of the party that it has had him, he said the principals, but it is rather expect- against Russia or Japan, the other con- direct intercourse with the German ed that one of the other of them vol-tracting party binds itself not to make government. out obtaining the agreement of its al

sider itself obligated in accordance Camp Commander May Give The agreement just concluded be with Article II to give its ally armed

AUSTRALIA DEFEATS

account of the heavy vote against conscription in New South Wales which gave a majority of 115,000 against the proposal.

An American Edition.

(By Associated Press). London Dec. 21.-The London Daily

INVESTIGATE CAUSE

(Special to The Dispatch)

und might with quickly fatal re-

Bring us a Strong Peace, Was Berlin Crowd's Parting Shout

A TURK FRESIDES **OVER NEGOTIATIONS**

Teutons Are Active in Petrograd and Are Causing Many Heart Burnings-Charges Made and Denied

(By Associated Press). London, Dec. 21.—Dr. Richard von Alleged to Have Been Made to Kuehlmann, the German Foreign Secretary, with an important staff, leit Berlin yesterday for Brest-Litovsk amid scenes of enthusiasm, the crowds singing the national anthem and raising shouts of "Bring us a

tions will be under the presidency of Louisville & Nashvillo passenger Ibrahim Hakki Pasha, the Turkish ambassador to Berlin and Dean of the is the text of the secret treaty drawn Berlin diplomatic corps. The Bulga- Bardstown, Louisville and Springfield rian delegates include Minister of Jus- accommodation train here last night tice Popoff and M. Kosseff, chief of stood early today at 47, though sever-

While the peace delegates are asdominence in China. The treaty, dat- sembling the activity at Petrograd of ed July 3, 1916, runs for five years, a number of German and Austrian of their recovery. The number of injurficers apparently is 'causing heart od were so badly hurt that little hope emplating joint armed demonstration year after one party expresses the deagainst America and Great Britain in sire to annual it. It is signed by Ser. Soldiers' and Workman's Delegator in There is a possibility that the treaty The treaty stipulates that "the counter charge against the Constitu-

here that the treaty contained some 1910 and 1912. Article I is given as Constitutional Democrats to place commodation. The fast train was Russia under the control of German composed of mail, baggage and

Hertling Receives Socialist. mand the defense of China from po- Amsterdam, Dec. 21.—Count von hurt on this train. Other articles are published as fol- clude peace and he had charged For- orders to help unload baggage. eign Secretary von Kuehlmann to con-

consequence of any measures under-1 According to the newspapers, the his office, set the red danger signal,

As Many Christmas Furloughs as He Wants

(By George Manning.) and National Army camps smould be of the men with him.

loughing the men during Christmas report there for duty. This leaves the number of men to be furloughed entirely in the hands. of the camp commanders, except that were not needed, and the boys bemanders not to furlough so many men lico by the next train.

Mail yesterday began the publication the insistent pleading of the men for set out for their previous destination of an American edition from the offi- opportunity to spend Christmas at and this time it is supposed that they edition will be for Americans in home before going to France and the safely arrived. ces of its Paris edition. The new protests of their families and friends France and will carry special cables over Secretary Baker's first order. | * will permit the commanders at Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C., where the North Carolina N tional Guard is OF WOMAN'S DEATH quartered and at Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., where the North! Carolina National Army boys are in training, to grant furloughs to a larger Canadian Provinces was express the North Carolina boys number of the North Carolina boys and an Provinces was express to go to their homes during the holi-la Provincial Legislative Assembly shipbuilding facilities was cited by the conceded that contraband found the short distance when the contraband found the short distance when the contraband found the co days. The short distance from the today by J. N. Francoeur, Deputy & camps in South Carolina to their North of for Lotiniere. Quebec is the only & Chairman Hurley of the shipping stated that it is a fact that there are suance of a considerable number of a conscription at the recent elec- slow progress of merchant ship con- ed the possibility of rupture. Am refurloughs to North Carolina boys de tion. pendent more or less upon the ability . The motion will be debated struction. of the men to obtain railroad accomo- January 8. It follows:



ed unofficially that the Germans & * terms, the Petrograd correspond- *

Studying Peace.

Forty-Seven Dead and 40 In jured in Wreck on Louis-

(By Associated Press). It is said that the peace negotia- death list of the wreck caused by the

the Far East, was not borne out by give Sazonoff, then Russian foreign in negotiation with the officers. The minister and Viscount Motono, Japanumber of injured is placed at 40. Pravada, the Bolsheviki organ, prints pulled out from the station, it is said, an unqualified denial and makes a when the fast train from Cincinnati have been unhesitating in expressing. The "conference idea" is assumed

sues between them and generally to er whatsoever cheerishing hostile in cellor, yesterday received representation and experience. There is no doubt the Argentina government and were follow the lines of the Angro-Japa- tentions toward Russia and Japan tives of all the Reichstag parties with clear block or not. Jesse Weather in his mind that American troops will accompanied by a statement by Forand therefore undertake -whenever whom he had wonfidential discussion forth, operator at the station, said in be the equal of any on the front when eigh Minister Puerreydon in which he At the time it was supposed that circumstances necessitate to enter in on the situation caused by the open-mediately after the collision that aft- they come to grips with the German says the "inaccuracies" of the German the secret articles provided for the to open relations based on ful confi- ing of peace negotiations with Russia. er the local train pulled away from the army. sale by Russia to Japan of all of her dence in order to co-jointly take the The Chancellor announced, according station he had turned his board to Manchurian railroads south of Har necessary steps to prevent the advent to a Berlin official dispatch, that the snow the track clear for the fast train Emperor had authorized him to con- and then left his post in response to

the train approaching, rushed back to

Superintendent Sheridan closely questioned the crews of both trains as well as the station force, but declined to attempt to fix the blame, without further investigation.

ly disfigured that it was impossible the place designed for him by Secre-grams and has delivered them to the to identify them last night Many of the injured were so hurt that it is feared the death will be increased even further. burt that it is feared the death list

REGISTRANTS HAD HARD EXPERIENCE

New Bern, N. C., Dec. 21.—Several days ago seven young registrants under the selective draft service from Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.-Secre- Pamlico county, started out to Camp that no more than five per cent. of charge of the party and when he ar the soldiers in the National Guard rived at Columbia there was only one

home for Christmas, today recinded and en route they met a man of whom folk. that order and in its stead issued in they asked the way and upon being structions to all the camp command asked why they were going there they

as well go back home for there was zo here to Norfolk. room for them at the camp, and they the ne worder directs the camp com-lieved his story and returned to Pam-

This order, which is the result of them and a day or two ago they again

QUEBEC WOULD SECEDE.

(By Associated Press). Quebec. Dec. 21.-A proposal

on of the other provinces, it is + yards built. & Canada."

London, Dec. 21.-It is report-

🏞 Amsterdam, Dec. 21.—A German 💠 & government bureau for "study- '8 of ing questions relating to peace" & s has been opened in Berlin. Dr. s & Karl Helfferich, former vice chansellor, is at the head of the hu-

TRAIN COLLISION

ville and Nashville

Shepherdsville, Ky., Dec. 21.-The train running into the rear of the al of the injured were so badly hurt that little hope is entertained for

press cars, three ceaches, a sleeper and parlor cars. None was seriously

Several of those killed were so bad-

Many of the injured were so badly

ANOTHER VIRGINIA (By Associated Press).

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21.-Another Virginia railway, the Richmond and (Special to The Dispatch) Chesapeake Bay Line, in which Frank Jay Gould, of New York, is reported to have been a principal stockholder, is to discontinue operation, a petition to Berlin and signed Luxburg. asking for its dissolution having been tary of War Baker, taking heed of Jackson near Columbia, S. C. On the filed with the State Corporation Comthe universal protest made against way to that place five of them in some mission today. The Tidewater and CONSCRIPTION PLAN his order of a few days ago directing manner were lost by the man in Western Railroad, which extended trical person, has shown an insane

railway, which extends from here to treated as contraband. Parling engagements occupy the op- Monte Asolors, on the northern front been defeated in a referendum by a ers to use their discretion in furbe a link in a chain of electric lines More as a joke than anything else. which would soon extend from Richthis man told them that they had just mond to Washington and also from

Shipping Board Delayed by

tary Baker has been made.

Navy Using Ship Building tested his friendship for Germany (By Associatea Press)

Carolina will, it is thought, permit is | Province which voted against board today, as one reason for the no more ships available. He regrette

Mr. Hurley declared that the fact lated to the good impression creat That this House is of the that the Navy at the outbreak of war by the imperial chancellor's declaraopinion that the Providence of controlled 70 per cent. of the building tion of no peace without annexations. the cept the rupture of the Federa facilities of 18 prominent ship yards and one dated July 14, 1917, said he tion pact of 1867 if, in the opin- forced the shipping board to have new for the solution of the ship question

the progress and development of & board's Emergency Fleet Corporation taken to transmit the following: W was explanied by Mr. Hurley as neces bave discussed the following prone sary to make the corporation respon- sals: one, that our reply to the no sive to the demands made upon it.

OUT AGAINST HUNS The Result of Publication of New Evidence of German

MESSAGES PUBLISHED IN BOTH COUNTRIES

Trickery

Further Revelation of Luxburg's Machinations-Attempted Agreement Between Chile, Bolivia and Argentina

(By Associated Press). Washington, Dec. 21.—Declaration of war against Germany by Argen-

tina was regarded as almost certain in Latin-American diplomatic circles TELLS OF HIS VISIT today, as the result of the new evid nces of German trickery disclosed Former Chief of Staff Says simultaneously in Washington and Buenos Aires last night by publication of another series of telegrams between the notorious Count Lauxburg, of "Spurlos Varsenkt" fame and Berlin Foreign office.

Luxburg, former Gernaun Charge in Buenos Aires, in a message dated and French commanders in General August 1, last, informed his foreign Pershing's ability and their satisfac office that President Irigoyen, of Artion with the breadth and soundness gentina had at last made up his mind of his preparations to make American to negotiate a secret agreement with arms effective on the Western front Chile and Bolivia for protection have reached Washington with the against North America. Another telereturn from Europe of Major General gram intimated an attempt would be Hugh L. Scott, former Chief of Staff, to include Peru and the plan was to who was in conference today with be perfected according to Luxburg's Secretary Baker and other War De- communication of August 1 "before partment officials. The men who are the conference idea is taker

their approval of the chief of the to be the proposed Latin-American American expeditionary force and his neutrality conference advocated by President Carranza and widely dis-General Scott visited virtually every cussed in South America. The secret part of the battle front on his trip, agreement referred to may explain familiarizing himself particularly with recent South Amrica reports of Presthe scope of the work of a divisional ident Idigoyen's proposals for a leag-

commander. He believes that General ue of South American nations. Pershing has laid the foundations for The messages, forty in number. American army training upon what is were made public by the State Debest in French and British methods partment, though an agreement with man's report are so surprising that There is no pessimism as to the out- no epithet will fit them.

come of the war in the fighting lines, | Following is the statement of the General Scott found. The armies of Argentina minister of foreign affairs the Allies are cool and confident given out with the Luxburg tele-There were no doubts in the grams:

"The telegrams which appear below firing trenches. Such ressimism as there may be among the British ap- are all that the Argentina ministry e din London. It is not reflected in embassy in Washington, of which the translations were made by the De-General Scott has now personally partment of State in the United inspected three fighting fronts, the States. There are three telegrams Russian, French and British. It ap not published, as they allude so pears probable that he is to com- to the republics of Chile and Up mand a division of the American guay. The government has decide army, although no direct statement of that it should not publish these tele

> thet will fit them, as they are at com-RAILWAY TO STOP plete variance, both in substance and form, with the terms in which the negotiations were entered into, carried on and brought to a conclusion." The German charge's messages were sent during last July, August

> > and September. All are addressed

The messages are as follows. "July 7 or 8, 1917. No. 62. Mini ter for Foreign Affairs who is a the from Chester to Farmville, was only cunning in preventing me from havrecently dissolved. The Gould inter-ing an interview with the President ests control electric railway proper- He sent me a copy of the note and given furloughs and allowed to go These two started out to the camp ties in Richmond, Petersburg and Nor- declared in acordance therewith that Argentina could not consent to all the products of the country being

> "The pressure of North America in regard to shipping iron, coal and paper is great but not irresistible. What is lacking is strength of will.

"If the President whose action it is impossible to feretell, changes ministers a postponement of the crisis or a settlement is posible. "If the answer is unsatisfactory

there is to be a rupture of relations. The next message dated July 7, 1917, previously had been made pubic. It related to Luxburg's request that a submarine squadron be sent to Argentina "with full powers to me, "July 10, 1917. No. 67. President in the course of a long interview pro and desire for neutrality in spite of severe pressure. He demanded for bearance for all ships about six it Washington, Dec. 21.—The Navy's number proceeding to the war zone,

> on board might be destroyed. He porting further." A message dated July 13, 1917, re

believed that the said Province to is an obstacle to the union, and to Continual reorganization of the request of the President I have under "July 15, No. 17. At the special

(Continued on Page Five).