

RED ARMY GIVEN 'FREER HAND' IN EUROPE'S MIXUP

Far Eastern Truce Permits More Pressure in West; Turkey Is Mystery.

MOSCOW, Oct. 2 (U. P.)—The Red Army henceforth will have a freer rein on the European front, it was stated today in connection with an announcement that elaborate maneuvers had been completed successfully by the Second Far Eastern Army.

The announcement said that the recently concluded armistice with Japan and the approaching winter conditions indicated quiet on the Far Eastern Front.

Seek Turkish Neutrality

The announcement regarding the military situation coincided with two important diplomatic developments:

1. Negotiations with Turkey to insure that country's neutrality in event of a British-French declaration of war on the Soviets and to prevent any attack on Russia through the Dardanelles. Turkey also concluded an alliance with Britain but it was uncertain whether either pact would definitely fix Turkey's position in event of war between Russia and the Allies.

2. An invitation to the Latvian Foreign Minister, who arrived by airplane this morning to negotiate an agreement presumably along the lines of the Estonian pact which gave Russia naval and air bases in the Baltic.

All newspapers printed on their front pages today official accounts of the four-hour conference last night of Josef Stalin, Foreign Minister Viacheslav Molotov and Turkish Foreign Minister Suleyman Saracoglu.

Postpones Departure

The Turkish Foreign Minister had arrived here Sept. 25. He had seen Commissar Molotov the next day, but from then until last night, the Turks had awaited the pleasure of the Government, maintaining contact only with the British and French Embassies, while the Russians negotiated and wined and dined German and Estonian delegations.

Minister Saracoglu had intended to leave Moscow last night. What happened in the conference was a secret, but now it was forecast he would not leave until tonight or tomorrow. It had been said that the Turkish-British mutual assistance pact would be signed as soon as he returned to Ankara.

GUNBOATS LEAVE YANGTZE
SHANGHAI, Oct. 2 (U. P.)—The British Navy announced today that it is withdrawing five of 19 gunboats from the Yangtze River because of the "urgent military necessity elsewhere."

Poles' New Head



President Rydz-Smigly... without a country.

SIKORSKI SEEKS 125,000 IN ARMY

Volunteers From U. S. May Be Asked to Join Legion in France.

PARIS, Oct. 2 (U. P.)—Gen. Wladyslaw Sikorski, new Premier of Poland, conferred today with Prime Minister Edouard Daladier on his Government's status in France, and vowed to recruit soldiers to help the Allies restore his country.

Gen. Sikorski announced that he hoped to send at least 125,000 men into the war against Germany. He said he might appeal to the 5,000,000 Poles in the United States to volunteer for the Army. Formation of Polish Legions in France and England already is under way.

The new Premier, installed by President Wladyslaw Raczkiewicz Saturday, asked Ignace Jan Paderewski, former Polish Premier and concert pianist now in voluntary exile in Switzerland, to co-operate with the new Government. It was not known, since Mr. Paderewski had died, what he has been ill for several months.

The new Government began as fear spread for the lives of four former Ministers, believed to have been killed or captured by the Germans or Russians before they could escape to Rumania.

The Ministers were Justice Minister Witold Grabowski, "scourge of the Communists"; Agriculture Minister J. Poniatowski, who had expropriated big German land holdings; Social Assistance Minister Zyndram Kosciakowski, and E. Kaliski, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs.

The new Government was constituted as one of "national union" with representatives of all political tendencies.

GERMANS SEEK AID OF ITALY IN OBTAINING FOOD

Hope for Two Sources of Supply for Duration Of War.

ROME, Oct. 2 (U. P.)—Germany is seeking to form a powerful economic bloc including Italy and Russia in preparation for a long war, usually reliable informants said today.

The German invitation, which took Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, to Berlin was concerned primarily with Adolf Hitler's proposed "final" peace effort, it was said.

But informants added that the peace effort would be rejected by Great Britain and France, and that Herr Hitler, foreseeing a long war, wanted to make Germany as strong as possible economically in hope that he could offset the British control.

Herr Hitler's annexation of Austria and his partition of Poland have given him direct frontiers with Italy and Russia across which supplies could be exchanged.

In any peace move in which Italy took part, it was believed there might be a suggestion for a small "independent" Polish state. As late as 10 days ago Sig. Mussolini's newspaper Popolo d'Italia of Milan suggested a small, purely Polish state.

Herr Holiness Pope Pius XII was believed to approve heartily of Count Ciano's mission to Berlin, in hope that in some way peace might be attained.

ARMY ADDS MORE MEN
WASHINGTON, Oct. 2 (U. P.)—Secretary of War Harry Woodring said today that Army personnel would be increased during the current fiscal year by 114,494 men, including 25,790 in the rapidly-expanding Army Air Corps. The recruiting campaign, largest in the Army's peace-time history, will bring the Army's strength to 227,000 men by next June 30.

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