

U.S. APPEALS TO RUSSIA TO LET FINNS BE FREE

Takes Unilateral Action to Keep Peace in North Europe.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (U. P.).—It was learned authoritatively today that the United States is expressing to the Russian Government its "earnest hope" that nothing may occur that would be calculated "to affect injuriously the peaceful relations between Soviet Russia and Finland."

The action of the United States is unilateral, entirely independent and without similar representations by other powers, it was learned.

The authoritative confirmation that U. S. representations are being made to the Soviets followed reports last night that other Scandinavian nations—Norway, Sweden and Finland herself—had suggested a joint demarche to the Russians.

MOSCOW, Oct. 12 (U. P.).—United States Ambassador Laurence A. Steinhardt conferred with Foreign Minister Viacheslav Molotov today as the Soviet Union opened important political and economic negotiations with Finland.

It was believed both United States and Swedish diplomatic representatives were interested in the Soviet-Finnish talks.

Then Commissar Molotov received J. K. Paasikivi, the special Finnish envoy, for another hour. A second meeting was set for tomorrow afternoon.

Goes to Kremlin



Ambassador Steinhardt of U. S. ... an hour of "hope" for Finnish-Soviet peace.

GERMANS BOAST OF NORTH SEA CONTROL

BERLIN, Oct. 12 (U. P.).—The official Nazi news agency asserted today that Germany held air and sea control throughout the North Sea, both as regards "contraband" control and conducting attacks.

"The reach of the German air force extends beyond the north and west frontier of Britain, and the enemy can be engaged throughout the North Sea, wherever found," said the agency.

"The fact that German fliers could attack the British fleet successfully in an area which it allegedly rules at a time and place set by the Germans shows that the time of unqualified British control of the seas is gone forever."

The Army High Command today reported a fight by air reconnaissance planes over the North Sea, but gave no further details.

BLAME IRISH IN FIRES

LONDON, Oct. 12 (U. P.).—Irish Republican Army "terrorists" were blamed today for fires discovered in seven mail boxes in the Victoria and Edgeware Road districts of London during the night.

NAZIS' LOSSES HEAVY IN WEST, FRENCH CLAIM

Report 'Front Line Action' With British Soldiers Taking Part.

The German High Command today reported "light patrol and artillery action" on the Western Front. The communiqué added that one French plane had been shot down in an air battle south of Lauterberg.

PARIS, Oct. 12 (U. P.).—Fighting on the Western Front has emerged from the advance guard phase into "front line action" in which British troops are participating, an official announcement said today.

Official sources said larger German patrol attacks in the Moselle sector had been hurled back by "withering" fire that inflicted large losses on the Nazis.

An official report said that after three days of intensive patrol fighting, "the enemy action assumed a more generalized character."

Expect Allied Offensive

The Germans either tried to recover positions lost to the French or made strong counter-thrusts in an effort to prevent what they believed to be an imminent Allied offensive, the announcement said.

Artillery of all caliber is in position to bombard German positions and some large German cities if necessary, the report added.

The Germans carried automatic arms, and their artillery blasted the way for the advance which, authoritative French sources said, "achieved appreciable result."

The French described it as "a bitter engagement."

Other French advance guards were said to have beaten back German patrols which had been raiding continually along the entire Rhineland front for 24 hours.

Claims No Prisoners Taken

"Enemy patrols showed greater persistence than heretofore, especially pressing the French in the Moselle, Saarbrücken, Orenthal and South Pfälz sectors," a French spokesman said. "Patrols also appeared in the Wissembourg sector."

The Germans still had failed to take a French prisoner, it was said, although that seemed to be the object of most of the patrol raids.

Heavy artillery fire continued on both sides. Rains were said to have kept German reconnaissance planes grounded, although French planes returned with "most important photographs of concentration points," it was announced. One German reconnaissance plane was reported to have been shot down Tuesday.

Pound Saar Valley Roads

French and British guns were pounding Saar Valley roads, cutting communications lines and trying to batter down the block houses of the Westwall on the hills beyond the Saar, it was reported.

The French command was pleased with the performance of both its air force and tank units. Guy La Chambre, French Air Minister, told the Senate Aviation Committee that French pursuit planes had proved superior in every encounter with German reconnaissance planes.

Tank fighting, confined so far to the Moselle River and near the Warndt Forest sector and near the German tanks are vulnerable, it was said, because their armor-plating was sacrificed for speed.

British Tanks in Reserve

French tanks, on the other hand, were reported invulnerable to German 77-millimeter shells. Monster French 70-ton tanks, each carrying two 75-millimeter guns, were reported held in reserve. British tanks also were said to be grouped behind the lines but they had not yet gone into action.

Gen. Albert Nessel, one of the best known French military writers, said in a Paris Mideis article yesterday that France was well protected against any direct smashing attack or flank attacks by Germans through either neutral Holland or Switzerland. He estimated that 500,000 Germans would be slain in any frontal attack on the Maginot Line.

He said that should the Germans invade Switzerland, they could be stopped in France by Bisfort Fortress and the heights of Jura which are covered with snow and difficult to cross, and that if they got through Holland, they could be halted in Belgium before reaching France.

Finnish Troops Ready but Hope Rises With News of Diplomatic Aid From U.S.

HELSINKI, Finland, Oct. 12 (U. P.).—Finnish mobilization was practically completed on an unofficial basis today as hope rose that possible diplomatic action by the United States and Scandinavian countries might save the country from Russian domination.

Mixed with her hope of peace, however, was Finland's determination to resist any act of aggression. Her compact, well-trained and well-equipped army, now numbering about 300,000 men, was placed at strategic positions facing the Russian frontier where Soviet tanks, troops and artillery were reported.

Evacuation of civilians from vulnerable cities was continued at a rapid rate, and it was estimated more than 100,000 persons already

had left Helsinki, Viborg and Tampere.

Throughout last night and this morning Helsinki's streets reverberated to the movement of troops and equipment. The nation's preparedness movement—which the Government has taken pains not to call mobilization—was carried out in an orderly manner.

There was no definite information as to the precise disposition of the Finnish forces, but it was assumed that Gen. Oestman was leading his soldiers to the wooded "land of a thousand lakes" on the Soviet frontier.

There on narrow strips of land separated by water, a few thousand defenders could, it was believed, hold off an entire division of invaders.

Meanwhile, Finland's greatest

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