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POLAND ASKS ARMISTICE OF RUSS SOVIET

Sends Proposal Direct to Moscow Government — New Coalition cabinet formed by Council.

POLAND IS INVADED

(By Associated Press) WARSAW, July 23.—Poland has sent armistice proposals direct to the Soviet government at Moscow.

After these proposals had been dispatched by wireless at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon by the national council of defense, a new coalition cabinet was formed under the premiership of M. Witos.

The new cabinet has the support of the Socialist party. M. Datzenski, the head of the Socialist organization, is the vice premier. Aside from these two changes the cabinet remains the same.

The direct negotiations begun with the Soviet are on the question of an immediate armistice along the entire front of about 720 miles. The proposals were wireless after failure to reach any definite conclusion in dealing with M. Tchitcherin, the Bolshevik foreign minister, through Premier Lloyd-George of Great Britain. The proposals were signed by Prince Eugene Sapieha, the minister of foreign affairs.

LONDON, July 23.—Capture by Soviet troops of the fortress of Dubno, one of the Volhynia group of fortifications defending the southeastern Polish border, is announced in Thursday's official statement from Moscow, received by wireless today.

The Bolsheviks also have taken the railway town of Slonim, 70 miles southeast of Grodno and 25 miles west of Baranowitch.

The Polish outlook appears increasingly menacing to commentators in this morning's newspapers. Poland not only is extremely hard pressed by the Bolshevik armies they say, but her territory is already invaded.

One of the papers prints news purported to have been received by the British foreign office which says the Bolshevik right wing has occupied Sein, northwest of Grodno, and about 30 miles from the nearest point on the German frontier.

The Bolshevik capture of Grodno is confirmed, and the Reds are also reported to have taken Bielostok, 110 miles from Warsaw, while in the south they have entered eastern Galicia.

Emphasis is laid on the danger to the peace of all Europe by most of the newspapers, and the anti-Bolshevik papers see in the Soviet army's advance a determination to destroy Poland.

Another fear expressed is that if the Bolsheviks victoriously reach the eastern frontier of Germany a Spartacist or monarchist uprising there would be inevitable, either of which they say, will be equally fatal to the reconstruction of Europe.

WARSAW, July 23.—The Polish line today still ran to the east of Grodno, it is announced in the official communication. The Polish front was holding immediately south of the Prussian and in Polesia, but further south a breach in the line effected by Bolshevik cavalry is reported.

AUSTRIA PUTS UP BAR AGAINST BELA KUN

LONDON, July 23.—Austria will refuse to allow the re-entry into the country of the party of communists, of which Bela Kun is a member, according to a wireless message received here from Berlin. Consequently, it is said, the communists who were removed on Wednesday from a steamer on which they were to go from Stettin to Russia, will be temporarily accommodated at Stettin. Their future treatment will be decided when it is ascertained whether the Austrian government will persist in its refusal.

The German authorities removed Bela Kun and his communist colleagues from a steamer on which repatriated prisoners of war were to be carried to Russia, before its departure from Stettin. The Austrians, it was said, were to be returned to Austria, since they were excluded by the German government from its permission for Russian war prisoners to pass through German territory on their way from Austria to Russia.

Weather Forecast

For Indiana, by the United States Weather Bureau — Thunderstorms probable tonight and Saturday; cooler tonight northwest portion, cooler Saturday north and central portion.

Temperatures Yesterday.

Maximum 86
Minimum 60
Today 90

For Wayne County, by W. E. Moore — Showers and thunderstorms tonight northwest portion, cooler Saturday, followed by lower temperatures.

General Conditions.—The hot wave continues with undiminished intensity over most of the states east of the Rocky mountains, but a storm over the upper Mississippi valley moving east is expected to bring at least temporary relief from the temperature of the past few days. Maximum temperatures were 102 Thursday at Valentine, Neb., and Bismarck, N. D. Local thunder storms occurred Thursday afternoon in portions of western Ohio; the closest being within a few miles of Richmond.



Sir Thomas Smiles; And Why Not?

SICK MAYOR MAY BE HERE FOR SESSION

Dr. Zimmerman May Attend Special Session Called to Inquire Into Conduct and Actions.

2 OF MEMBERS STICK

When council meets in special session Friday evening for the purpose of inquiring into the conduct and actions of Mayor W. W. Zimmerman, there is a probability that the mayor will occupy the presiding officer's chair, according to a report received Friday by city officials. The mayor has been a patient at an Oxford, O., sanitarium for about a week.

The question of instituting impeachment proceedings against Mayor Zimmerman will be thoroughly discussed at the council meeting.

John E. Peitz, member of the board of public works, stated Friday that pressure was being brought to bear on W. N. Johnson, president of the Auto Sheet Metal Works, to accept appointment as a member of the board to succeed Harry W. Gilbert, board president, who submitted his resignation Thursday, to become effective August 1.

Was Former Member

Mr. Johnson served as a board member for a time under the present administration. He resigned some months ago for business reasons and was succeeded by Mr. Gilbert.

It is also understood that Ray K. Shiveley has been offered the appointment of city attorney to succeed Byram C. Robbins, who also tendered his resignation Thursday.

It is understood that both Mr. Johnson and Mr. Shiveley have taken the offers made to them under advisement.

Two Will Stick

Mr. Peitz and the Democratic member of the board of public works, T. C. Taylor, both stated Friday that they had no intention of tendering their resignations. "I don't intend to quit unless I am fired. This is not to quit to quit," Mr. Taylor said. "I don't intend to resign under fire," said Mr. Peitz.

Both these board members took exceptions to remarks made Thursday by President Gilbert at the board meeting that he was surprised by the facts set forth in a report submitted by City Controller Bescher showing that a deficit existed in the general fund of the municipal electric plant.

Both Mr. Peitz and Mr. Taylor declared Friday that Controller Bescher had frequently called to the attention of Mr. Gilbert and the other board members the necessity of strict economy in the management of the municipal plant affairs, and had warned them that a deficit was impending.

"I believe," concluded Arrowsmith, "that I have lined up several votes for Harding since he was nominated. I have always voted a mixed ticket and will this year. But the Harding-Coolidge combination will get my scratch. I personally believe that no one can go wrong in voting for Harding as he is broad-minded, firm when occasion warrants it, and always in sympathy with those rising from lowly positions."

USE MACHINE GUNS TO PUT DOWN RIOT IN BELFAST REGION

(By Associated Press)

BELFAST, July 23.—Soldiers were compelled to use machine guns against rioters in fighting throughout the city last night and early this morning.

In the Falls Road district the Sinn Feiners were sniping soldiers and police from roofs and windows of houses. The troops returned the fire. It is stated that the wounded persons in last night's fighting total more than 100. Thirty arrests were made.

Three Unionists were shot dead by Sinn Fein snipers and another man's head was blown off. A man helping to carry the body of one of the dead men into a house was shot dead.

Arrowsmith did not believe that a great speaker must be born. He says that at one time Harding would have lost his head, turned red, and fled had he been urged to make a speech. Later he decided to become a speechmaker. The results of his labors became known when he was taken into a fraternal order. Harding was called upon to make a talk and his efforts knocked everyone cold.

Arrowsmith drifted away from Marion and got out of touch with Harding. He came to Richmond about 15 years ago and has been here continuously since then. He makes several trips to Marion each year and never fails to call on Mrs. Harding.

Incidentally he drops into the Star for a chat with some of his old cronies. Arrowsmith explained that

HARDING ASKS SOLONS TO RATIFY SUFFRAGE

(By Associated Press)

MARION, O., July 23.—"Earnest Maron," that is, Republican members of the Tennessee legislature will support ratification of the woman suffrage amendment was expressed today by Senator Harding in a telegram to John C. Houk, a Republican member of the senate of that state.

The message was sent in reply to one of Senator Houk's asking for advice, and was as follows: "I have your message asking if I would advise the Republicans of the Tennessee legislature vote for ratification of the woman suffrage amendment.

"It is my earnest hope that the Republicans in the Tennessee legislature acting up on solemn conviction can see their way clear to give their support to ratification. I believe in suffrage; our party has endorsed it; 29 Republican states have ratified the amendment; but one more is needed to enfranchise every loyal American woman, and it would be gratifying to me personally if the Republican members of the Tennessee legislature accomplished that enfranchisement."

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BUSINESS MEN SEEK ORDER IN CITY'S AFFAIRS

Committee To Meet With Council To Stabilize Municipal Affairs—Want Home Rule Bill.

WILL STUDY MEASURE

This was the situation in the affairs of the government of the city of Richmond when about 200 business men met Friday in the K. of P. building to discuss and act upon municipal complications, originating several months ago and arriving at an acute stage Thursday by the resignations of Byram C. Robbins, as city attorney, and Harry W. Gilbert, as president of the board of public works:

An apparent deadlock between the council and the board of public works on the question of ways and means to increase the capacity of the municipal electric light plant.

The financial embarrassment of the municipal plant, which did not have sufficient funds on hand Thursday to meet all of its obligations falling due on that date.

Serious friction among the members of the board of public works over public policies.

An incapacitated chief executive who has entered a sanatorium, having received a ninety days' leave of absence.

The important office of city attorney about to be vacated, the incumbent not being able to perform his duties satisfactorily because of lack of co-ordination between the various city departments.

The business men who met Friday morning also made no effort to hide the fact that they were gravely concerned over the chaotic municipal situation.

Results of Conference
After a two hours' session these business men took the following action:

Appointed a committee of seven to confer with council on any question leading to the proper functioning of the city government, composed of H. R. Robinson, chairman of the meeting; Lawrence Handley, secretary of the meeting; Rev. J. J. Rae, Charles W. Jordan, Henry Bode, Frank T. Strayer and Joseph Mills.

Appointed a committee of five, which will have the authority to increase its membership to any number desired, to determine the advisability of the committee appearing before the state legislature for the adjournment of the special session to advocate the passage of a law permitting cities to establish some form of the commission system of government.

Adopted with cheers a motion that the meeting favored the establishment in Richmond of either a commission or a city manager form of government.

Adopted with cheers a motion urging Harry W. Gilbert, president of the board of public works, and Byram C. Robbins, city attorney, to withdraw their resignations.

Chairman Robinson appointed the following men to formulate a committee of at least 25 to appear before the legislature in advocacy of a change in the present form of municipal government: Walker Land, Walter Fulghum, William Bockhoff, Howard Dill and Andrew Jenkins.

No Immediate Relief.
Speakers pointed out that there was little if any prospect of inducing the legislature to act in time to pass a law authorizing cities to provide commission government. It was suggested that the best time to bring this matter to the attention of the legislature was when it met in regular session, next January.

It also was pointed out that under no circumstances could a commission form of government be provided for Richmond until the expiration of the term of the present administration, Jan. 1, 1922. The meeting thought it wise, however, to start the "ball rolling" before the legislature at this time.

City Attorney Robbins in addressing the meeting took occasion to defend the present form of municipal government, but the business men assembled repudiated it unanimously shortly after the conclusion of Mr. Robbins speech.

Explains Board's Work.
Mr. Robbins declared that the city was not trembling on the brink of disaster as might be imagined by current reports. He declared there had been too much pettiness and undeserved criticism of the city government by the public and by the newspapers—"one newspaper in particular, which has been living up to its lifelong history."

Mr. Robbins asserted that the present form of municipal government was good. He said that the board of public works acts much as does a commission under the new form of city government.

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BLUE SKY MEASURE PASSES BOTH HOUSES

(By Associated Press)

INDIANAPOLIS, July 23.—The blue sky bill passed by the Indiana house and amended by the senate was again approved by the house today with the amendments put in by the upper house and will be sent to the governor.

Holland says that Cox remained in Middletown until he was about 24 years old. Then he left for the Cincinnati Enquirer. Holland went to work as reporter on the Signal. He says that Cox's record was the office

model and all reporters were made to model after him.

Later Holland went to Cincinnati and Cox came back to Middletown. Cox had risen to telegraph editor of one of the biggest papers in the west at that time. On returning to Middletown, Cox was made private secretary to P. J. Sorg and later acted as secretary when Sorg was made United States senator.

Although Holland went on the vaudeville stage about this time, he kept in touch with Cox. Cox purchased the Dayton Daily News, ready to collapse, and made it the best paper in Dayton. Later he purchased a paper in Springfield, Ohio.

"When a boy," said Holland, "Cox was never a goody-goody boy. Neither was he a bad one. He was full of fun and pep. This stuck with him when he became a man. I do not know much about his personal habits, however, but I never saw him under the influence of the liquor the Republicans say he favors."

RODOSTO ACCLAIMS GREEK KING; TURKS VACATE TERRITORY

(By Associated Press)

RODOSTO, European Turkey, July 23.—King Alexander of Greece, with his staff landed at Rodosto, Tuesday, after the disbanding of Greek troops. He was received with the wildest enthusiasm by local Greeks, the grand vizier.

Girls strewed flowers before the cathedral where a to deem was sunk. The bishop expressed joy that a Greek king had set foot for the first time on Turkish territory at Rodosto.

The Turks had only five big guns on the hills surrounding the town. Consequently the battleships Averoff, and Killis, the two British battleships and two British dreadnaughts which appeared off the town early in the morning, landed only a few shells over the batteries before the Turkish soldiers and civilians became panicky and fled.

Armenians and Greeks began plowing the Turkish shops but were speedily checked by two regiments of Greek troops which disbanded from the transports, under command of Colonel Condolis.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 23.—The Greeks are reported to have advanced to the east to Selidir and Lule Burgas (about 50 miles southeast of Constantinople), encountering virtually no opposition.

The grand vizier has sent a message to Jafar Tayar, who is commanding the Turkish Nationalist forces, urging him to surrender to the Greeks to prevent further bloodshed.

Bryan Declines Place On Prohibition Ticket

(By Associated Press)

LINCOLN, Neb., July 23.—With the national convention finished and a ticket placed in the field for the fall campaign, Prohibition delegates today were on their way home and the newly elected national committee was making its plans for the coming fight with the Democrats and Republicans.

The convention adjourned shortly after midnight, after naming Aaron S. Watkins, Germantown, Ohio, school teacher as its standard bearer, and D. Leigh Colvin, New York author, as his running mate. The nominations came after William Jennings Bryan, nominated Wednesday, had sent word that he could not accept because he wished to remain a democrat although he had "not decided how we would vote this fall."

WHY SWELTER AND FUSS?
Why hoof around on the heated sidewalk when you might just as well be walking sylvan paths, on a summer's afternoon?

Or why spend your day of rest loafing in the heated apartment when you might just as well stretch out under a tree in the park, watching the kids have the time of their young lives?

Or why swelter in the city when dozens of creeks and hundreds of shaded groves invite you to enjoy the beauties of rural Wayne county?