

# Lithuanians and Poles Fight On Despite Truce

## Armies in Desperate Battle All Day and Night Near Vilna; Leaders Declare It Is War to a Finish

### City Partly Evacuated

#### Each Nation Blames Other for Hostilities; League Commission Off to Field

RIGA, Oct. 9 (By The Associated Press).—The Lithuanians and Poles engaged in a heavy battle, lasting all of yesterday and last night, sixteen versts (10½ miles) south of Vilna, the Lithuanian capital, with heavy losses to both sides, says a Lithuanian official statement, dated at Vilna, to-day. "The fight will be to a finish," the statement adds.

"Vilna's institutions have been evacuated," the communiqué continues. "In case of our retreat the Allied mission will safeguard our interests and represent the Lithuanian government. A part of the city administration and the militia will be left in their care."

"The French and English officers, the French Consul, M. Comfaux, and Dr. Schauly have gone to the front. The commission of the League of Nations has not yet arrived."

"Such," concludes the communiqué, "are the results of the Suwalki conference."

WARSAW, Oct. 9.—An official communiqué issued last night, says the Lithuanians, despite this armistice, have resumed hostilities and have been attacking Polish positions along the River Merechanka.

RIGA, Oct. 9.—Complaint is made by Lithuanian authorities that the Poles prevented the signing of an immediate armistice covering all territory in dispute between the two armies and that Poland was delaying an agreement as to the demarcation line until Polish troops could occupy all the territory they wanted.

The control commission of the League of Nations, which is endeavoring to settle the differences between Lithuania and Poland, went from Suwalki to Orany yesterday to investigate conditions. Previous to leaving Suwalki it fixed a provisional boundary line and issued orders, couched in emphatic terms, that both the Poles and Lithuanians retire at least three and one-half miles from this frontier. The Lithuanians insist the Poles have refused to obey.

### New Soviet Offensive Against Poles Reported

#### Bolshevik Claim Recapture of Minsk; Gen. Townshend Is on His Way to Join Wrangel

LONDON, Oct. 9.—Bolshevik reports at Riga indicate a new offensive against the Poles by the Bolsheviks, says the Daily Mail's correspondent in that city. The Soviet military officials claim to have recaptured Minsk and to be advancing on the Galician front.

George Tchitcherine, Bolshevik Minister of Foreign Affairs, has telegraphed the Russian peace delegation that Soviet armies in south Russia are taking the initiative against General Baron Wrangel, the correspondent says.

Major General Charles V. F. Townshend, who commanded British forces which surrendered to the Bolsheviks at Kut-el-Amara in 1915, is going to join General Baron Wrangel on the Crimean front, says The Daily Sketch.

WARSAW, Oct. 9.—(By The Associated Press).—Last night's statement from the Polish War Office on military operations announces a further advance by the Polish forces in the north. It makes no mention of an armistice with the Bolsheviks.

The statement reports the capture by the Poles of Oshmyany and the railway station of Sely, cutting communication between Vilna and Mowidzhyn, northwest of Minsk.

RIGA, Oct. 9 (By The Associated Press).—The commissions of the Rus-

so-Polish conference resumed their sessions at 8 o'clock this morning. The entire personnel of both delegations assembled at Blackhead House, where discussion of the outstanding questions was continued heatedly and without any indication as to when the armistice would be signed.

MOSCOW, Oct. 7 (Delayed).—Reports received here indicating that the armistice with Poland would soon be signed have produced no visible effect on the population of Moscow. The inhabitants of the city are not reading the newspapers more than usual, there are no meetings or demonstrations being held, nor are there signs of rejoicing.

### Wrangel Scatters Reds; Takes 27,300 Prisoners

#### Anti-Bolshevik Forces Have Control of Sea of Azov; Northern Ukraine Tired of War

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—Advices to-day to the State Department said General Wrangel's anti-Bolshevik forces had dispersed the Red army north and east up to a line running from Ekaterinoslav, directly north of the Sea of Azov, on the Dnieper River, to Mariopol, on the northeast shore of the Gulf of Taganrog.

Captures made by General Wrangel included 27,300 prisoners, 61 guns, several hundred machine guns, 12 armored trains, 40 locomotives, many railway cars and other military supplies.

Prospects of resistance to further advance to the north toward Kharkov, in the northern part of the Ukraine and north of Ekaterinoslav, were reported to be slight.

The advices said the naval forces under General Wrangel were in full port of Taganrog, at the head of the gulf, to which all the Bolshevik naval vessels have withdrawn.

LONDON, Oct. 9.—The occupation of Berdiansk, on the north shore of the Sea of Azov, 150 miles northeast of Simferopol, is claimed in an official statement on the fighting operations in south Russia received by wireless from Moscow to-day.

"In the direction of Novaya-Uzhitza we have occupied Zamekko and Verbovsk," the statement says. "In the region of Alexandrovsk there was stubborn fighting with the enemy, who crossed to the right bank of the Dnieper to the west of Alexandrovsk."

"In the direction of Sarny local fighting, with alternating successes, is in progress."

### Poles Present New Demands In Dispute With Lithuania

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—The League of Nations commission, now in session at Suwalki settling the Polish-Lithuanian boundary dispute, will continue its hearings at Vilna next week, Lithuanian representatives were advised to-day in dispatches from their government.

The dispatches reported that the Poles had presented new demands for control of the strategic railroad running from Suwalki to Orlita and for the establishment of a new line of demarcation extending west from the River Niemen, far into Lithuanian territory.

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# Lloyd George To Curb Erin At All Costs

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Ireland assisted Germany during the war, Mr. Lloyd George asserted that in 1917 and 1918 the Irish were conspiring in connection with German submarine operations, and that there were documents discovered in the pockets of men arrested in 1918 showing that they were prepared within two months of the German offensive of which they knew to raise a huge force in Ireland to stab Great Britain in the back when she was engaged in a life and death struggle for the freedom of the world.

### Fire Bombs Wreck City Hall in Cork

DUBLIN, Oct. 9.—The Nationalist evening papers describe Premier Lloyd George's speech as a bellicose anti-Irish declaration of war on Ireland.

The only eye-witness of the explosions to be found said the first blast occurred at 3:57 o'clock and another at 4:05, after which the flames occurred. An unexploded hand grenade was found in the City Hall this morning.

Barrick Street, the scene of yesterday's attack on a military lorry, was quiet throughout the night. This street houses hundreds of working people, the majority of whom, fearing reprisals, spent the night with relatives and friends in the suburbs.

Few of the people of Cork slept last night. Firing was heard in various parts of the city intermittently throughout the night, beginning shortly after 11 o'clock. The people still are in a state of terror.

LONDON, Oct. 8.—The Admiralty was notified by the commander in chief at Queenstown to-day that armed, masked men raided the lighthouse on Runcarrig Island, a southwest coast of County Cork, Friday. They carried off all the signal rockets, lights and other apparatus.

Hunger strikers slowly 'eating themselves up' Prison Official Says He Notices Gradual Decline of Eleven Irishmen Held in Jail in Cork

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Although the curfew limit had expired an hour previous to the attack, the fire brigade was halted by patrols at Parnell Bridge, leading to the Albert Quay, upon which the City Hall is situated. The firemen, after some delay, were permitted to proceed. They quenched the flames and saved the remainder of the building. It has not yet been decided whether the fire was caused by an incendiary bomb or from the ignition of gasoline.

The reports on the occurrence say that from four to six explosions took place.

Two explosions reported from the

# France Decrees Billion More Francs in Paper

PARIS, Oct. 10.—A decree raising the maximum amount of paper money that may be issued to 41,000,000,000 francs is published in the official bulletin this morning. This is an increase of 1,000,000,000 francs.

The official expressed admiration for the care being given the men by the nuns.

"I never saw anything like the nursing the hunger strikers are getting," he declared. "There is not a bed mark on any of them. They have new mattresses made of eiderdown. These mattresses are more than two feet thick and the sheets are stretched so tightly there is no crease whatever. The patients lie on air cushions reaching to their shoulders. They are covered with blankets as light as down. The temperature of the cells is never allowed below 63 degrees Fahrenheit, and the water bottles with which each prisoner is supplied are renewed with hot water day and night. Most of the time the prisoners lie absolutely inert and only the breathing and the beating of their hearts show they are alive."

### Secret Treaty Story Denied U. S., France and Britain Not in Pact Against Mexico

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 9.—Statements that there had been discovered in the archives of the Mexican Foreign Office the story of a secret treaty between the United States, France and Great Britain against Mexico, which have been attributed by newspapers here to Hilario Medina, were denied by him last night.

Senor Medina, who was Under Secretary in charge of the Foreign Office during former President Carranza's administration, declared he had been informed by various diplomats during his visit to the United States and Europe early this year that such a treaty existed.

Rumors, which are so far impossible of confirmation, say that the only document such as Senor Medina described was a forged copy of an alleged treaty with which the German government deceived Carranza during the war.

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# Peasants Rebel Against Russian Soviet Regime

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spectively, are veterans of the Russian revolutionary movement. Martoff was until a few weeks ago known to have been in Moscow, where he was elected a member of the local Soviet. This election, however, was nullified by the Bolsheviks and the employees of the Alexandrovsk railway yards, who elected him, were put on short rations as punishment.

Tchernoff Long Outlawed

Victor Tchernoff, the most uncompromising opponent of the Bolsheviks among the Socialist leaders of Russia, has long been outlawed by the Bolsheviks and has been sought by them in all parts of Russia. He, too, was recently in Moscow on a secret visit, and even went so far as to address a meeting, disappearing immediately upon concluding his address. His party, the peasant party of Russia, has been in the forefront of the battle against the Bolsheviks.

Maria Spiridonova, who was until the summer of 1918 a member of the Bolshevik government, broke with Lenin and Trotsky soon after the signing of the Brest-Litovsk peace. It was she who, together with Kamkoff, engineered the assassination of Count Mirbach, German ambassador at Moscow, after the peace of Brest-Litovsk. Kamkoff was executed by the Bolsheviks while Spiridonova was placed under arrest. She was detained in a hospital, but escaped. Since then she has been one of the strongest opponents of the Bolsheviks, especially of their policy of governmental and military terrorism.

Professor Petrovsky is an old Social Revolutionist and together with the other leaders mentioned, has been an emphatic critic of the Bolshevik order.

### France Gets Second Zeppelin

MAUBEUGE, France, Oct. 9.—The second Zeppelin, LZ 113, which Germany was forced to deliver to France, arrived here this morning. It was brought from Germany by a staff of nine German officers under direction of French officers.

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#### Will Notify Other Countries of Reasons; Charges Attacks by Bandits in Manchuria

TOKIO, Oct. 9 (By The Associated Press).—Decision to reinforce Japanese contingents on the Chinese side of the Korean frontier was reached at a meeting of the Cabinet yesterday. One battalion will be sent from Corea, and more will go if it is deemed necessary, while the depleted Korean garrison will be filled up with troops returning from Siberia. Japan will notify China and other foreign powers of the reasons for the steps she is taking, it was announced.

Forty Japanese soldiers, who have been surrounded by bandits near Hunchun, a Manchurian town near the Korean frontier, have repulsed the enemy with heavy losses, say advices from Seoul. Hunchun lies in ruins and the people have fled. On the morning of October 6, Japanese troops encountered a body of Koreans on the Manchurian side of the frontier, and in the resulting clash fifty Koreans were killed and fourteen Japanese were wounded.

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