

reinforced by Estonians have regained the initiative and have moved acrossed the Dwina River, across which they fled late last week, according to advices received here from Wenden. Lettish forces never abandoned the portion of Riga east of the Dwina, but clung to their position in spite of a heavy bombardment from German-Russian army that attacked the city. Offers of an armistice made by Colonel Avaloff Bermond, commander of the army of the Russian General Govt., have been rejected, it is reported by the Lettish Govt. Troops are being mobilized everywhere in Livonia and the neighbourhood of Riga, seemingly preparatory to a struggle against the invaders, who suddenly began their offensive on October 8th. British warships in the harbour of Riga are said to be assisting the Letts in driving the German-Russian army back from the city. All German shipping has been ordered off the Baltic and the entire Russian Baltic coast is virtually blockaded.

Issy Les Moulineaux, France, Oct. 14th. —Aviator Poulet started at 7.14 o'clock this morning on his flight to Australia. He was sighted over Cowes at 9 o'clock on his first attempt to start on his flight last Sunday he met adverse weather conditions, and was forced to return to his aerodrome here.

Havana, Oct.—The Fabre Steamship Liner Vrezia, reported abandoned at sea, carried 250 passengers. The Vrezia arrived here on October 6th from Mexican ports with 53 passengers in transit for Spain, and some 200 other passengers were taken on at Havana. The vessel had a cargo of 16,250 sacks of sugar, and was abandoned on fire in lat. 43.32 N. long. 45.04 west.

London, Oct. 13th.—Sir Rider Haggard giving evidence before the National Birth-rate Commission, dwelt on the dangers of artificial keeping down birth, which was now widespread in every western nation, except, he said, perhaps Russia and Germany. He said he was of the opinion that unless a startling change happened, the western races within the next two centuries would be submerged beneath a great new influx from the teeming myriads of the east, he doubted the effectiveness of appealing to the conscience of the Empire to stop this race suicide, but though the State might stamp out diseases tending to sterilize the race and also subvert motherhood, as a desperate last resort the State could directly or indirectly bring up all children, holding out a kind hand to those not born in wedlock.

London, Oct. 15th.—Following is the result of the Cesarewitch 1st. Ivanhoe, 2nd. Golden Glow, 3rd. Bridgend.

Rome, Oct. 15th.—Foreign Minister Tittoni will represent Italy in the League of Nations, according to an official announcement here.

Paris, Oct. 15th. The exchange of ratification of the Treaty of Peace be-

tween the Allied and Associated Powers and Germany, will take place at the French Foreign Office on Friday or Saturday, according to the Echo de Paris.

Stockholm, Oct. 15th. The Poles have begun an offensive against the German-Russian forces in the Baltic region according to a message received here from Riga. They are reported to have captured Kovnoll 60 miles north west of Vilna near the Courland border.

Rio de Janeiro, Oct. 15th.—The "Renown" which brought Sir Ralph Spencer Paget, British Ambassador to Brazil here on October 2nd., sailed today for New York to take the Prince of Wales to England. The officers and crew of the "Renown" were given many official receptions and entertainments during their stay in the city.

Berlin, Oct. 15th.—The "Kreuz Zeitung" learns from "well informed" quarters that the Govt. will in all probability agree to join in the blockade of Soviet-Russia, proposed by the Entente Powers. It is said that the Govt. will lay down certain conditions incident to its participation and will primarily consider Germany's foreign policy in this when reaching a decision as to its final attitude.

London, Oct. 15th.—A part of Riga is burning owing to the bombardment of the city by the German-Russian forces, according to a Central News despatch from Helsingfors.

Washington, Oct. 15th.—In an effort to avert the threatened nation wide strike of bituminous coal miners, Secretary Wilson of the Labour Dept. will invite Mr. Lewis, acting President of the United Mine Workers of America, and Mr. John T. Boaster, representing the operators, to confer with him here, probably on Thursday. Mr. Wilson's announcement followed a meeting of the Cabinet at which it was decided to have the Dept. of Labour deal with the threatened strike.

Copenhagen Oct. 15th.—Savage fighting is still going on in the city of Riga between Lettish and Lithuanian troops and the German-Russian army which entered the western part of the city last week. Reports reaching here states that shells have fired portion of the town and that great damage has been done to the quays and harbour. Despatches received here state that all the prisoners taken by the Letts have been Bavarians. British warships have become involved in the fighting, having been fired upon by the German-Russian forces and an unconfirmed report declares a British forces has been landed near the City.

London, Oct. 14th.—A Trade Union for English clergymen to enforce a minimum salary for the benefit of under paid Pastors is being advocated by a Dorsetshire Minister who does not hold with the saying that "He who is called to preach is privileged to starve". This suggestion has at least had the effect of starting widespread discussion. More than half

the clergy men in the Church of England receive less than £200 a year.

London, Oct. 15th.—"The success of General Yudenitch against the Bolshevik is so complete as to be almost staggering", says the "Daily Mail's" Reval correspondent, telegraphing on Monday. His advance guard took Kolosheva, 50 miles from Petrograd on Sunday, and his army recovered almost the advanced point of the July offensive. A thousand prisoners, 13 guns, many machine-guns and an armoured car, were captured. A force detached from the northward seized Gonoksk and 600 prisoners. Pskov was retaken this morning. The Russians also are close to the important station Logo which probably already has fallen. The Bolsheviks everywhere are in a panic. The Bolshevik Ministers in Petrograd are said to have been closed on Thursday. General Yudenitch offensive is continuing under a wave of patriotic enthusiasm on a front of 100 miles.

London, Oct. 15th.—General Denekine's army has captured the important city of Orel together with thousands of prisoners and enormous quantities of material, it was announced in advices received here today. Two batteries of artillery fell into his hands. While Orel is 238 miles south of Moscow the possession of the city will give General Denekine a secure hold on vast stretches of territory in old Russia, as the place is one of the most important railway centres south of the present Russian capital.

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