

ket is in a deplorable condition".

London, Aug. 21st.—The need of a Russo-German agreement to save Europe from an economic catastrophe and from chaos, is emphasized in a wireless message from Moscow, published in the London Times yesterday. Following the announcement that Leon Trotsky, the Bolsheviki Minister of War, has visited East Prussia and conferred with German Staff Officers, the Times says, the wireless despatch is significant. The wireless says there is hope that Germany will shortly conclude a political and economic convention with Russia. "The Soviet hopes thus expressed", say the Times, "Strengthens the belief that Moscow and Berlin have already reached an understanding. Kopp, the Soviet Ambassador to Germany, recently visited Moscow to submit the terms of an agreement which had been negotiated."

Constantinople Aug. 21st.—Advices to the French Mission here, report the capture of Travus, Asia Minor, on August 12th by French troops and hope now is held out for the relief workers, who have been besieged in Adana since June 20th. Tarvus is situated half way between Mersina and Adana.

Paris, Aug. 21st.—Six Bolsheviki Divisions, consisting of from thirty to forty thousand men, are surrounded by Polish forces between Sulbe and Brest-Litovsk, according to Press despatches received here to-day.

London, Aug. 23rd.—The "Times" this morning says it understands that Great Britain has decided to recognize the independence of Egypt. The decision, according to the "Times", resulted from recent conversations here between the Viscount Milner's mission which recently visited Egypt, and an Egyptian Legation headed by Said Zaptoul Pasha, former Minister of Justice. Among the fundamental points of the agreement are: "Egypt will recognize Great Britain's privileged position in the valley of the Nile and agrees in case of war, to afford every facility for accession to Egyptian territory. Great Britain will maintain a garrison in Egypt in the Canal Zone. Egypt regains control of foreign relations subject to her not making treaties contrary to British policy and will have the right to maintain diplomatic representatives abroad."

Paris, Aug. 23rd.—The Russian Soviet armies which inundated Poland and threatened to capture Warsaw appear to be on the eve of complete disaster, says the Warsaw correspondent of Le Matin. He quotes General Weygand as saying Poland will be the grave of the Bolsheviki army. Two Polish cavalry divisions are advancing toward Bialystok for the evident purpose of cutting off the retreat of the Soviet troops operating north of Warsaw. The correspondent declares that the Bolsheviki will soon be forced to a hurried general retreat and

discipline has broken down in their ranks.

Warsaw, Aug. 23rd. Polish forces have taken the town of Grodisk about 12 miles north of Ciechanow, and have cut off the retreat of the Bolsheviki forces, northwest and north of this city by the way of Mlawa and Przasnys. The eighteenth Polish Division, which has been attacking Ciechanow has been met by desperate resistance on the part of enemy detachments covering the retreat of the Fourth Soviet Army, which last week advanced along the Prussian frontier until it threatened the Polish defences along the Vistula river. After capturing Ciechanow the Poles advanced rapidly northward and succeeded in cutting the only direct line of railway running eastward from the Soviet positions. Volunteers Polish divisions are now attacking Przasnysz.

London, Aug. 23rd.—The retirement of the Russian Soviet troops from the city of Brest-Litovsk was officially admitted in a statement issued yesterday in Moscow and received here today by wireless.

Paris, Aug. 23rd.—The number of Russian Soviet prisoners captured in the Polish counter-offensive will amount to 75,000, according to Warsaw advices to the Foreign Office today.

Belfast, Aug. 23rd.—Official telegrams received at Dublin Castle indicate that there have been organized onslaughts against the Irish Constabulary and that thus far during the week end seven have been killed.

Paris, Aug. 23rd.—Sir Reginald Tower, High Commissioner for the League of Nations, at Danzig, has requested the Allied Nations to supply him with 20,000 troops before he will feel justified in permitting the unloading of munitions intended for Poland now being held up at Danzig, according to the Minister for Foreign Affairs. The Foreign Office yesterday announced the arrival of the gunboat "Accra" at Danzig where she will arrange for the unloading of munitions being taken there by the French cruiser "Gueydon".

Warsaw, August 23rd.—The Foreign Office last evening issued a communication with regard to the negotiations between the Poles and the Bolsheviki at Minsk in which it is said that on several points the terms presented by the Soviet representatives are more drastic than the conditions given the British Govt. by M. Kameneff, of the Bolsheviki representatives in London and adds, "Of course they will not be accepted by the Polish Govt." Continuing the statement says, "Current events on the front seem to have considerable influence on the attitude and conduct of the Soviet Commissaries and are making them more inclined to discuss matters. This is characteristic in the fact that the Polish delegation does not confirm the receipt of wireless des-

patches which are being daily sent to Minsk and also by way of Moscow. It would seem that notwithstanding several clear agreements, telegraphic communication with our delegates is difficult."

A UNIQUE AND UNHEARD OF ROBBERY.—AUTOMOBILE STOLEN BY SAILORS.—POLICE TO THE RESCUE.

Last evening at about 10.30 o'clock, while young Lancelos, chauffeur of No. 4 Bile, the property of Mr. J. Lindquist, was on the lookout for business, down at the water-front, four sailors from the ship "Sinasta," of the American Mercantile Marine, came out from the American Soda Fountain, and seeing the empty car standing opposite, coolly speeded off with it. At the time of the "get away," there was only one policeman on patrol, who, seeing the car running without lights, and travelling in a direction contrary to those recently laid down in the regulations governing road-traffic, and suspecting something wrong, blew his whistle for assistance. Immediately, Sergeant Broome mounted on bicycle came to the rescue, and chase was immediately given. Straight up along Norre Gade, around De Beltjen Road, under the light of a watery moon, over the rain-soaked and muddy roads raced Bile and Bike; right up around the turning by Russia's Lodge, down the incline, speeding for who knows where? Suddenly a pistol shot rings out! The automobile slackens her speed and the four occupants leap from the car, and racing along the road bolt through the barbed-wire fencing and seek safety among the bushes. But not with entire success. One of their number in trying to escape was nabbed, and taken into custody to await trial. This morning Chief-of-Police Morningstar, boarded the "Sinasta" in search of the other three men. Further details of this most interesting and audacious theft will be given later.

This is the first time that such a theft has ever occurred in our midst; and this first occurrence should be a warning to "shofers" in general, who have a way of leaving their cars unguarded, and of going off for a chat with their confreres. —St. Thomas Mail Notes, Aug 23rd

A raid on "The Sparks' Nest," the rendezvous of a gang of young "bonerattlers" and which resulted in the arrest of about thirteen of the "brotherhood," was made on Friday night by Chief of Police Gereaux and Private Detective Felix. *Ibid.*

The newly appointed District Chief of Police Laniz arrived from St. Croix last evening by the Virginia, and takes over office here today. —*Ibid.*