

AMERICANS DRIVE BOLSHEVISTS BACK

Fierce Fighting in the Frozen Swamps in Russia

YANKEES REOCCUPY KADISH

Battle in Snow—Americans Forced Temporarily To Withdraw To Make Town Untenable For Enemy.

With the Allied Army of the Dvina—American troops, fighting desperately near Kadish, have driven back Bolshevist troops, which made an advance there. The Bolshevists also launched attacks on the Omega sector and bombarded the Allied front. The Americans came into battle along the Petrograd road and in the frozen swamps that border it. The battle was fought in snow from two to four feet in depth.

American forces captured Kadish last Monday after a display of gallantry that evoked the admiration of the Allied commanders. Special care has been taken of the American wounded and the body of an American officer was taken back 100 miles by sledge and then shipped to Archangel for burial. There were some casualties on Monday, but they were small in comparison to those inflicted upon the enemy.

On Tuesday, the Bolshevists opened a terrific fire from three and six-inch guns and launched a counter-attack against the buildings held by Americans in Kadish. So hot was the artillery fire that the Americans were withdrawn temporarily from the village. The line, however, was not taken back very far and the new positions were firmly held. The enemy did not occupy Kadish because the barrage fire from the American guns made the place untenable. Shells falling on the frozen ground spread their zones of destruction twice as far as they would under normal conditions.

Later, under the protection of artillery fire, American detachments again swept forward and reoccupied the town. The men engaged in the advance were from infantry and trench mortar units. This morning word came from headquarters that the American positions are now 400 meters south of the village which is the line marking the furthest advance made by the Americans late in October before they retired to the north of Kadish. Here and there are graves where are buried Americans who fell in the struggle that went on during the first advance. They are not many in number, but for the troops involved, they give evidence that the Americans have been in the hardest fighting that has been going on here. The Bolshevists are fighting, more savagely here than elsewhere to hold their positions.

The Petrograd road leads southward to Plesetskaya, a large village on the Volodga railway which is the enemy's base of operations at the Kadish and Omega fronts.

Allied positions on the Omega front, near the village of Pechura, were attacked by the enemy yesterday. This attack was centered on a Russian naval brigade, which held its positions, inflicting heavy losses without apparently losing a man. On the Volodga railway the Bolshevists have for the past three days kept up a strong artillery fire and have brought an armored train into action. Little damage apparently was done to the Allied positions. On the other hand, an Allied shell struck an enemy barracks, doing great damage.

In this sector Allied forces advanced on snowshoes over soft snow a few days ago. Beneath the snow was an unfrozen swamp and the men often sank into the mud up to their waists in spite of their arctic footgear. The battle with the elements makes the fighting here very difficult.

HOOVER GIVES AWAY PRIZE.

15,000 Francs Awarded Him Goes To Relief Work.

Paris.—Herbert C. Hoover, the Food Administrator, to whom the Academy of Moral and Political Sciences recently awarded a prize amounting to 15,000 francs, has donated that sum to relief work in Northern France and Belgium. This announcement was made at a meeting of the academy in a letter from Andre Tardieu, French High Commissioner to the United States.

THE COUNTRY AT LARGE.

A general let-down in the discipline of American military forces returning from abroad was condemned by Major General David C. Shanks, embarkation officer at New York.

The Association of Railway Executives at a meeting in Philadelphia, reiterated its opposition to a prolongation to five years of the period of government control of railroads.

Five transports and the battleship North Carolina steamed into New York harbor bringing a total nearly 9,000 officers and men of the Army and Navy from France.

GENERAL BULLARD NOW IN COBLENZ

Second Army Expected to Take Over Occupied Area.

THE 79th DIVISION IN IT

Bust Of Former Kaiser Disappears From Park In Coblenz, Whose People Had Often Put Wreaths Upon It.

Coblenz.—The German civilians of the area occupied by the American Third Army heard for the first time with the arrival of the new year the road of American artillery in salute, while in Coblenz, Treves and various villages in the occupied district, the crack of American pistols resounded in celebration of the new year's advent.

In different parts of the occupied area, including the section east of the Rhine, the American artillerymen fired six-inch howitzers and other guns as the hands of the clock came together at the midnight hour. The charges were blank, as were those fired by the soldiers from their service pistols in round after round in the various towns as the new year came in.

In Coblenz the officers of the Third Army—about 800 of them—called upon Major General Dickman at headquarters to pay their respects to their commander.

Major General Robert L. Bullard, commanding the Second Army, arrived in Coblenz. There have been several rumors that the Second Army soon would take over the occupied area, relieving the Third Army, and that the divisions at present holding the Rhine bridgehead here would be placed in the rear area and be among the first to start for home.

In Mayence, west of Coblenz, where the American Third Army had its headquarters before moving to Coblenz, a life-sized bronze bust of former Emperor William, for years stood in a little park near the center of the town. During the war when German newspapers reported victories the bust was decorated with wreaths and the pedestal was swathed with the German flag. Always during the four years of the war the little park was carefully tended.

With the abdication of the Emperor the civilians of Mayence rather lost interest in the village park and the Emperor's bust—and then the Americans came. But the Americans paid little attention to the statue and the bust looked down upon thousands of infantrymen as they passed through Mayence on the way to the Rhine. For three weeks, with the Americans billeted in nearly every house in Mayence the bust occupied its usual place.

With the coming of New Year's morning the bust and pedestal had disappeared. Down the road leading to the creek was a trail in the mud as if something had been dragged along at the end of a rope.

Among the Germans within the American area of occupation there is a feeling of relief over the reports that the majority, Socialists are in control in Berlin. The Germans in the area have many interests beyond the Rhine and give an impression of renewed confidence now that Premier Ebert appears to be in complete control.

A rise of three feet in the waters of the Rhine and Moselle rivers flooded the lower streets of Coblenz and villages along both rivers. The cellars of two hotels in Coblenz occupied by officers of the American Third Army were flooded. The high water in the Moselle is causing considerable trouble.

The Fourth division at Cochem, between Coblenz and Treves, has arranged to start a steamer service on the Moselle and carry supplies from Coblenz. Many roads are flooded, hindering automobile truck service.

The rise in the river was caused by heavy rains. In a week the total rise had been 12 feet.

Voluntary enlistments in the German army are being called for in the district of the Eighteenth German Army Corps near Frankfurt, in order that men of the older classes may be mustered out and sent home, according to the Frankfurt Gazette. By order of the War Minister the commander of the district of the Eighteenth Corps has established enlistment offices in 17 towns, including Glissen, Nidda, Steinau, Bobershausen, Bensheim, Ehrbach, Orb and Weilburg.

WASHINGTON

Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, said in discussing the British proposal for an international tribunal to adjust labor conditions, that he questioned if American labor would turn over its affairs to an international committee.

The House Military Committee, considering the bill to validate informal war contracts amended the measure to authorize adjustment and cancellation of thousands of contracts for war material in Allied countries.

PRESIDENT GIVEN BIG OVATION

Greeted in Rome By King and Queen

CHEERED IN PARLIAMENT

Good Will Alone Permanent Cement Of Peace—The President Greeted By King And Tremendous And Enthusiastic Crowd.

Rome.—President Wilson speaking in the Italian Parliament in the presence of King Victor Emmanuel and the entire Italian Cabinet and all members of Parliament, again vowed the removal forever of the old Central Powers of alliance, secret influence, intrigue and military force.

"We know that there cannot be another balance of power," he said, adding that there must be substituted for it a "thoroughly united league of nations."

"Friendship and good will alone," he said, "can in the future be true and permanent cement of peace, for on that basis alone can peace be durable."

The scene in the Parliament was impressive. When Queen Helena, Mrs. Wilson and Miss Margaret Wilson entered the royal box, the whole assembly—the entire cabinet was present, as were all of the 400 senators and deputies—rose and cheered vociferously. A few minutes later entered the chamber and again there rose a tumult of shouts and cheers such as the Italian Parliament has not resounded with since the news was announced that Diaz had told the Kamerading Austrians, "Too late!"

There were short speeches by the presidents of the Senate and Chamber, whereupon President Wilson made his address, lasting 20 minutes. He spoke in English. The President visibly made a splendid impression. Repeatedly he had to stop in his speech to let the cheering die down so he could be heard.

As the President and his party left the Parliament they again were cheered by a crowd.

President Wilson arrived in Rome at 10:25 o'clock A. M. He was received at the station by King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena, members of the government and representatives of the local authorities.

An immense crowd welcomed the President with the greatest enthusiasm.

The program arranged for President Wilson's entertainment included a luncheon with Queen Mother Margherita, a reception by the Parliament and a state dinner with King Victor Emmanuel, following the visit to the President of a deputation from the Quirinal.

In the evening the citizenship of Rome was conferred upon the American Executive.

From early morning there was lively animation throughout the city. There was a parade of troops returning from the front, which brought forth warm demonstrations. Particularly enthusiastic was the greeting given the troops from the Pieve front.

The city was gorgeously decorated with Italian, American and Allied flags.

ALTITUDE RECORD BROKEN.

Captain Lang Ascends 30,500 Feet Over England.

London.—At Ipswich Captain Lang established a new altitude record, reaching a height of 30,500 feet. Observer Blowers, who accompanied Captain Lang, collapsed when his oxygen bottle broke, but recovered. Both men were frostbitten during their flight.

EX-KAISER'S STATUS FIXED.

Britain And Holland Reported In Accord.

Amsterdam.—The British and Dutch governments have arrived at an agreement regarding the status of the former German Emperor, according to a dispatch to the Telegraaf from The Hague.

WANTS YANKS IN BERLIN.

Doolittle Would Thus Show Germans They're Beaten.

Washington.—A resolution proposing that an army of Allied and United States troops triumphantly enter Berlin to impress upon the minds of the Germans the fact that Germany has been decisively defeated was introduced by Representative Doolittle, of Kansas, Democrat.

GERMAN ARMY VANISHING.

But Twenty Skeleton Divisions Left On Western Front.

Baerle.—The German armistice commissioners, according to a Berlin dispatch, have transmitted to the Allied commissioners a note saying that on the Western Front, except for the Allied peace time garrisons, there now are 20 divisions, of which the older classes have been discharged. It is added that the dissolution of the German High Command is proceeding.

STAR PENNSYLVANIA ATHLETE TO RETURN TO COLLEGE AND COMPLETE HIS STUDIES



J. HOWARD BERRY, THRICE WINNER OF PENTATHLON.

J. Howard Berry, who played with the Camp Hancock football eleven this fall, is to return to Pennsylvania and finish his course. He will graduate next June.

Berry will be eligible for the track and baseball teams. As a member of the track team he will compete for the pentathlon title, which he has won three times.

DOBIE TO COACH MIDSHIPMEN

Mentor Has Taken Up Residence at Baltimore Where He Will Be Close to Naval Academy.

Gilmour Doble, who has coached the Naval academy football teams for two seasons, has completed his work for the year and has taken up his residence in Baltimore, where he will be in close touch with things at the Naval academy. He will be the academy coach next season.

Doble started two years ago under engagement for one season, and last summer a contract was signed between him and the Naval Athletic association covering his services as coach for two seasons, so that his return for next year is definitely settled. There is complete satisfaction with his work, and every effort will be made to secure a proper schedule for the midshipmen next year.



Gilmour Doble.

Story of "Bonehead" Play

Runner Steals Second, Then Steals Back to First When Teammate Is Tagged at Plate.

Jake Daubert, the best first baseman in the National league, tells a yarn about the greatest "marble-head" play he ever saw on the diamond.

It has something on John Anderson's feat of stealing second with a runner on the keystone sack.

"The last exhibition game we played last spring was at Lynchburg," says Daubert. "The field there is inside the race track at the fair grounds, and the catcher is some distance from the grand stand. There were so few spectators at the game that Manager Dahlen suggested inviting them to come down and sit on the players' bench."

"The Lynchburg team got men on first and third in the eighth inning when the runner on first was caught off the bag on a throw by Erwin. In chasing him up and down the line I got him within ten feet of second base, when I detected the runner on third starting for the plate. Quickly I threw the ball to Erwin, who got his man. My man seeing the play, touched second and immediately started back to first base, which he reached safely after a long slide, as neither myself nor the second baseman were looking for any 'inside stuff' of this character. It was the prize boneheaded stunt and beat anything I ever saw."

UNCERTAIN AS TO SOLDIERS

Major League Players May Not Be Released in Time to Get Back for Spring Practice.

There is still much uncertainty about the prospects for getting back in time for spring practice all of the major players now in the military and naval service. One theory was that General March intended to discharge soldier players as soon as might be, irrespective of the demobilization of their units. The other theory was that General March would do no such thing. He had recommended baseball so highly as a sort of semi-public utility that many thought he would make exceptions for the athletes in the army, but that is beginning to be doubted, and no man can say at present precisely what material the clubs will have when they count noses.

It might be mentioned, by the way, that the Eighty-ninth division, in which is the artillery regiment containing Clarence Mitchell and Chuck Ward of the Superbas, and Grover Cleveland Alexander of the Cubs, has left its former camp on the old battle line, and has joined the troops advancing into Germany. As this army of occupation and garrison will probably be the one which will be kept most intact, the prospects are not bright for its share of ball players being discharged.

GIANTS RELEASE AL DEMAREE

Pitcher Who Did Some Timely and Valuable Work for McGraw Is Thrown in Discard.

Al Demaree, one of the mainstays in the box for the Giants, has been handed his unconditional release by



Al Demaree.

Manager McGraw. Al did some timely and valuable work in the box last season and his release came as a surprise to most of Gotham fans. However, Mac has a string of 17 hurlers on his roster and figures he can let Demaree go and still be pretty well fixed.

FOOTBALL COST \$3,000

The Kansas football season cost the athletic association about \$3,000 and K. U. usually clears nearly \$10,000 on football, according to W. O. Hamilton, manager of athletics. The football games usually pay for the basket ball games, track meets and baseball contest, as the last three are always losers there. One-third the usual number of men took part in football practice this fall. The Nebraska game cost Kansas around \$1,400 and usually nets K. U. \$5,000. The weather and the "flu" caused the deficit this fall.

EDDIE COLLINS MAY RETIRE FROM GAME

Has Rounded Out Long and Successful Career in Baseball.

White Sox Infielder Was One of Few Players With Family to Enlist for Active Service—Now Serving in Marines.

Commenting on the alleged retirement of Eddie Collins from baseball a Chicago writer makes these few remarks:

Collins has rounded out a long and successful career in baseball. He feasted



Eddie Collins.

ed on the sweets of world's series several times with Connie Mack and once with the White Sox. Eddie has won about as much renown as an infielder as one would care to acquire and from this time on would naturally be on the decline, provided he remained in the game. Collins' determination to retire probably was actuated by a genuine desire to be at home with his family. His wife was persistent in insisting 1918 be Eddie's farewell year in baseball.

President Comiskey may make special inducements to Collins to return to the game next spring. The game in Chicago can ill afford to lose players who entered the service voluntarily. Collins joined the marines, although he had a family of four. He was one of few players with families who enlisted for active service.

The end of the war, coming so unexpectedly, may cause Collins to change his plans and he may be induced to play another season before retiring for all time. He may go true to form of so many other stars and pull a Gotch retirement but that he seemed bent on making last season his final one in baseball seemed certain from various conversations with the star player on Pullman cars, in hotels where the White Sox put up and in other places.

KANGAROO PUGILISTS IN WAR

Number Estimated at 1,000 by Snowy Baker, Australian Promoter—Many Stars Lost.

Snowy Baker, the famous fistic promoter of Australia, says that there are probably 1,000 Kangaroo boxers in the war, and that probably more than half of them have sacrificed their lives in battle. The number of boxers in the service of other allies, while not as high in proportion to population as that of Australia, is great, nevertheless. France, especially, lost many of her most brilliant fistic stars on the bloody battlefield.

FOREIGN BOXERS IN SERVICE

Those Who Have Escaped Grim Reaper Include Georges Carpentier and Bomardier Wells.

Among the prominent foreign pugilists who are in the service but have escaped the grim reaper, are Georges Carpentier, heavyweight champion of Europe; Bomardier Wells, heavyweight champion of England; Pat O'Keefe, middleweight champion of England; Jimmy Wilde, flyweight champion of the world; Balzac, Johnny Summers, Young Fox, Fancy Lee, Johnny Basham and several others.