

EXPECT GEN. KUHN TO JOIN PERSHING

Commander of Little Penn Knows Much About German Army Machine

WAS OBSERVER AT FRONT

By a Staff Correspondent. CAMP MEADE, Md., Oct. 29. Although official confirmation is lacking, it is virtually certain that Major General Joseph E. Kuhn, commander of the Seventy-ninth Division, soon will go to France as an active commander in the Pershing expedition.

At Little Penn, which today is deluged in a heavy rain, the absorbing topic of conversation concerns the transfer of the camp's command and the identity of his successor. That Brigadier General W. J. Nicholson, senior brigadier, will succeed General Kuhn as commander of the Seventy-ninth Division is the opinion shared by ranking officers.

They make no secret of the fact that General Kuhn, owing to his experience as an observer when attached to the German army at the beginning of the war, is regarded by General Pershing, and that he can render more valuable service on the battle front than any of the American contingents. Two weeks ago General Pershing, in letters written to the War Department and General Kuhn, expressed his desire for General Kuhn's services.

General Kuhn is eager to take a "filing" at the Boches, and in talks with newspapermen, has made the statement that he would rather lead a division against the Germans than be President of the United States.

At the beginning of the war he was attached to the Kaiser's army as an American war observer and knows more about the methods of the German war machine than any other in the American army.

TOO ACTIVE FOR KAISER. His activity during that period displeased the Kaiser to such an extent that General Kuhn was characterized as a scheming American spy and forced to leave the battle front.

As commander of the Seventy-ninth Division, he has been very successful and, despite the late start which the division obtained, because of labor troubles incident to the building of the cantonment, General Kuhn has made wonderful strides in the development of the citizen soldiers.

He feels that the big problems have been mastered at Little Penn and that General Nicholson is amply qualified to take over the work. General Nicholson has had forty-two years' service in the army and, like his chief, is rated as one of the American authorities on modern infantry tactics. He has made a special study of modern warfare and particularly the trench problems that have arisen during the war.

General Nicholson's career during the present year has been spectacular. In six months he has risen from the rank of colonel to that of senior brigadier in the army. As colonel, Nicholson was in command of the officers' training school at Fort Sheridan, Ill., from April to June.

He came to Camp Meade early in September as brigadier general and so rapid have been the promotions because of the war that he was the senior, although he has held the position but a few weeks.

General Nicholson is exceptionally popular among officers and men. As General Kuhn is a remarkable personality who embodies the idea of a strict disciplinarian with his own conduct as a real democrat, so does General Nicholson never relax for an instant the discipline which, he asserts, is the basis of a soldier's training. In his social relations with the civilian world, General Nicholson is the essence of affability. Tall and slender and as dapper as only a West Pointer can be, there is no mistaking him—he is the real soldier.

Owing to the severity of the rainstorm, all drills were cut today. There were the usual lectures, however, in the barracks, largely on hand grenade work and rifle practice at sighting.

One hundred and fifty men left camp for a point of embarkation, preparatory to leaving for actual service in France. These were of the highly specialized grades in civilian life for whom General Pershing has asked to aid in the work of his forces abroad.

Twenty more Philadelphians were discharged today for physical defects.

MEATLESS TUESDAY NOW RULE AT HOTELS

Approval of Managers' Association Accorded Hoover's Plan for Conservation

Meatless Tuesday became an established fact among the hotels of Philadelphia today. A few of the hotels had tried it out in an experimental way before, but not until this week did the Hotel Men's Association as a body inaugurate the campaign suggested by Food Administrator Herbert C. Hoover some time ago.

Tomorrow will be wheatless Wednesday, and all the hotels will serve "war bread," made from flour containing not more than 85 per cent of wheat content. Meatless Tuesday and wheatless Wednesday will continue among the hotels and restaurants of the city until the food saving campaign is over and there is no longer any need to conserve the food supply.

J. M. Frazier, manager of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel and president of the Pennsylvania Hotel Association, said the more that, so far as he had been able to judge, the food conservation plan of the hotel men is meeting with the entire approval of the public and bids fair to be an unqualified success.

"The public is in a frame of mind to help us out in what we are trying to do," said Mr. Frazier, "and while it is too early yet to give any definite reports, I do not anticipate any complaints at all. From letters that I have received from hotel men all over Pennsylvania I am satisfied that the support of the hotel patrons generally will be accorded to the food conservation plans that we have undertaken."

Meatless Tuesday of Food Pledge Week finds every force in Philadelphia's civic life exerted toward the one object of a more complete and systematic saving of the food supply of the nation. All along the line, from the little tot just beginning school to the hard-headed business man who is accustomed to dining well and dining on whatever kind of food might please his fancy, the people of the city are making a concerted effort to help Hoover, and through him to help Uncle Sam, beat the Boches.

Dr. J. Russell Smith, professor of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, who is in charge of the local campaign for Food Pledge Week, reports that he is meeting with a ready response from all classes of citizens in the work that he is doing.

Much food is being accomplished through the school children of the city, who are being furnished with pledge cards to take home to their parents and who are being instructed carefully by their teachers as to the meaning and purpose of food conservation at this time. The cards being used are identical with those distributed in the early stages of the food conservation campaign at the time the food administration was being organized. Stricter concentration on the necessity of food conservation, however, is being accomplished row than then.

The women's organizations of the city and State are rendering valuable aid in the work of food pledge week, and it is felt that in this way the real objects of the campaign will be most completely accomplished. When the housewives of the country become fully alive to the necessity of food conservation, say those in charge of the work, and learn the simple methods by which it may be brought about, the rest will be an easy matter.

HEAD OF CADORNA'S SECOND ARMY



General Capello is the commander of the Italian Second Army, which has been put to rout by Mac Mackensen's Austro-German forces. He was hailed as a hero only a couple of months ago when he led his army through the Bainsizza Plateau to hard-won victories.

NEW JERSEY MILITIAMEN MARK BALLOTS TODAY

Eight Commissioners Poll Soldiers' Vote in 113th and 114th Regiments at Anniston

By a Staff Correspondent. CAMP McCLELLAN, Anniston, Ala., Oct. 29. The New Jersey soldiers' vote is being systematically polled today. Eight of the top special commissioners sent here are working in the 113th and 114th Infantry Regiments and before night the entire vote from these two organizations should be completed. The arrival last night of the official ballots from every county in the State, except Somerset, and the official list of nominees sent from the office of Secretary of State Thomas P. Martin, made possible the carrying out of the systematic vote as planned several days ago by some of the commissioners.

William Hoffman and William Truby, of Mercer and Monmouth Counties, respectively, whose tactics stirred up a row among the commission, refused today to cooperate with the other commissioners and are going it alone in other parts of the camp. Hoffman is going to leave here tomorrow morning for Trenton and expressed the opinion that it was a very good recommendation for him to be able to take back "a big batch of Republican votes."

The commissioners who are taking the poll are Peter A. Kane, of Jersey City; Judge Edmund Gaskill, Jr., Atlantic City; Mayor Charles Ellis, Water Superintendent James Long and Albert Antermont, Camden; Christopher Hand, Tuscarora; Frederick Smith, Newark, and Charles H. Robertson, of Union Hill. The eight are working in harmony.

The Essex County vote was taken first today. Troops from other places, including Camden, Gloucester, Bridgeton, Salem, Woodbury, Burlington, Jersey City, Hoboken, Paterson, Englewood, Hackensack, Ridgewood, Trenton, Somerville, Elizabeth, New Brunswick, Atlantic City, Ocean City and all other places that contributed to the original five New Jersey infantry regiments will vote today.

If the plan of voting the two regiments succeeds there is danger of a shortage of affidavit blanks which must be made out to accompany each ballot back home. Hoffman and Truby admit that they have a large number of the 1000 that were taken from the tent where they had been left by the original three commissioners, Hand, Robertson and Lork, when they first came here.

William H. Manning, of Essex County, attempted to take votes of Essex County men in the engineer regiment yesterday. He was barred from the camp after, like Hoffman, he admitted that he had no lists of Democratic candidates.

WALTER GEORGE SMITH SEES POLITICAL VICTORY

Town Meeting Candidate Outlines Conditions That People Will Correct at Polls

Speaking before the Women's League for Good Government at the Broad Street Theatre this afternoon, Walter George Smith, Town Meeting candidate for Receiver of Taxes, outlined the history and purposes of his party, predicted its success at the polls, but said that socialism and anarchy could plant seeds in no more fertile soil than in the breasts of citizens who thought they had been "done" out of an election.

In introducing Mr. Smith, Mrs. Samuel Byron Scott said: "We all know that conditions under which the Fifth Ward tragedy happened are not new to Philadelphia, but we feel that the people of this city have acquired a new sensitiveness to these conditions. This sensitiveness has brought men of the type of the present candidates into the fight and this is a blessing."

"Of course," said Mr. Smith, "we have had election brawls in this city before. But they have been of sudden passion in the minds of political partisans. The Fifth Ward case was, on the other hand, carefully prepared for, and for this reason was all the more reprehensible."

Mr. Smith said he felt alarmed for the monetary credit of the city if its citizens should fail to stem the tide of brigandage. The Bullitt bill, he said, was beautiful in theory, but it was unfortunate so far that partisan feeling had not been separated from national politics.

He told of the running of the Pennsylvania Railroad affairs; said it was the most famous corporation in the world, and assured his hearers that it was run for the benefit of its stockholders and that graft in its organization would not be tolerated for a moment. Then he outlined briefly the system of contractor government in Philadelphia.

"It has come to pass," continued Mr. Smith, "that we have a condition to face and not a theory. We find that the name of a great national party is being used by unscrupulous men led by contractors because those contractors love the millions in their contrivances."

"I know not how far the police will go in interfering with elections," continued Mr. Smith, "but I know that the chairman of our party has felt so alarmed over conditions that he has sent to Harrisburg for help from the State police on election day."

"It is unfortunately a fact that thousands of citizens in Philadelphia were so discouraged with conditions last summer that they felt that it was futile for them to register to vote. This is too bad, but I feel that we can spare their votes in our cause. This is going to be a case where public opinion will be so overwhelming that it will sweep us to victory."

"Many reformers make the mistake by entering the fight with the impression that they are going up against a political foe who will use the ethics of a gentleman. This is not so.

Miss Inogen Oakley compared Mayor Smith with the Kaiser. She said that the Kaiser invaded Belgium from military necessity and that the Mayor was in some such necessity with regard to the Fifth Ward case.

MARINE LOSES HIS UNIFORM

Army Private Who Entertained Him Makes Exchange Overnight

When Sergeant Bell awoke this morning his comrade in arms had disappeared. He also had Sergeant Bell's money and watch, and his brand new olive-drab uniform which had been worn only once or twice. In its place was the uniform of the soldier, which is too tight for Sergeant Bell and which isn't the uniform of his branch of the service anyhow.

For some reason the sergeant's overcoat held no special appeal for his erstwhile boss, and it was left behind. The result is that Bell is going around today in a uniform of one branch of the service and an overcoat of another. The fact that Sergeant Bell neglected to learn the name of his voluntary benefactor makes it more difficult for the police to get on the trail of the lost property than it otherwise would be.

Want 12 Manual Training Teachers. Twelve manual training teachers—graduates of high, technical or trade schools—are wanted by the Board of Education. Examinations for the positions, which carry \$200-\$2400 salary, will be held November 7.

MYSTERY SHROUDS PILE OF CLOTHING ON BEACH

Policeman's Find Recalls Atlantic City Disappearance of Mrs. Westcott

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 29. Feminine clothing, complete with the exception of shoes, was found upon the beach front this morning and police officials believe the owner is in the ocean or has adopted a daring species of camouflage to lose her identity and escape an unhappy existence. Under the Boardwalk near the Hygeia pool, Leek, a policeman, found a woman's waist of Georgette crepe, a pair of white cotton stockings, a black wool sweater and a black mohair skirt. On the sea end of the jetty, about 100 feet from where the other garments were found neatly piled together, Leek, while casting about for something to strengthen the suicide theory, discovered an imitation fur coat with a collar of imitation fox fur.

It is the opinion of Harry Wilson, acting captain of detectives, that the owner of the clothing discarded under the Boardwalk and the wrapping herself in the coat, walked to the end of the jetty to jump into the sea. There was no mark of any kind upon any of the garments to lighten the mystery confronting the police. Several marks had been found on the woman. What may serve, however, to point the way to discovery is a section of a French publication torn out of a book with interpretations in pencil between the printed lines.

Detectives found a woman on Hygeia avenue who saw the supposed suicide walking to the beach about 8 o'clock last night. The woman averted her face and hurried under the Boardwalk. The case recalls that of Mrs. Westcott, of Philadelphia, who disappeared here last spring, leaving a pile of clothing under the Boardwalk at Mississippi avenue. No trace of her ever was found.

ALL-NIGHT RAINSTORM DAMAGING TO RAILROADS

Destroys Much Property of Delaware and Hudson and Erie and Closes Mines

SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 30.—Last night's all-night rainstorm, which was still in progress early this afternoon, has caused untold damage to the Delaware and Hudson Railroad and the Erie Railroad and has resulted in a number of mines being thrown idle. Up to noon two inches of rain had fallen since 11:45 last night. Two bridges crossing the Lackawanna River at Mayfield and at Olyphant went out early today.

A number of workmen on their way to the mines had narrow escapes from drowning. The river is over its banks at a number of points along the lowlands here.

EMBRACED HIS WIFE, THEN SHOT HER DEAD

Testimony of Daughter of Man on Trial for Murder at Woodbury

By a Staff Correspondent. WOODBURY, N. J., Oct. 30.—Before William T. Blair, of Woodbury Heights, killed his attractive wife, Sarah A. Blair, he embraced her and spoke of his love for her. He then sat down alongside of her and helped her to clean some peas.

This was the testimony of Florence Blair, eighteen years old, daughter of Blair, at the trial, which began today in the Gloucester County Courthouse. The courtroom was packed. The jury, which is composed of many married men, was obtained as the bell in the tower of the courthouse tolled twelve.

Insanity induced by excessive drinking will be the defense of Blair, who is being tried before Supreme Court Justice Garrison.

As Blair's daughter took the stand the defendant looked at her. At first he appeared to be nervous. Several times he leaned forward to hear her testimony. The daughter recalled what happened at the house on the day of the murder. She testified that her father came home and sat down near her mother and helped her to clean some peas. Then he told his wife how he loved her.

"I went out to another room," testified the daughter, "when I heard two shots. My mother was on the floor and my father held a revolver in his hand."

Much difficulty in selecting the jury was experienced because of the opinions formed by the talesmen. The twelve men finally selected were Matthew C. Miller, of Newfield; Lewis W. Freyberger and John Hannold, Jr., Westville; Shertley Wiltz, Henry Aeste, Horatio F. Heritage and George S. Reminger, Glassboro; Thomas Wallace, Woodbury; Frank C. Price, Turnerville; Edgar A. Lyster, Thorofare; William H. Huber, Williamstown, and Walter J. Titus, Sewesboro.

The courtroom was crowded. The prisoner was dressed in somber clothing. In court was his eighteen-year-old daughter Emma, who witnessed the shooting at the Blair home June 26, in which Blair tried to commit suicide.

Prosecutor Oscar B. Redrow conducted the case for the State, with Assemblyman Charles A. Wolverton and ex-State Senator J. Boyd Avis as counsel for the defense.

The Commonwealth will attempt to show that the prisoner planned the crime because of jealousy, and has sixty witnesses, many of them women. About fifty witnesses have been called for the defense.

Blair, who is forty-five years old, returned home after a three-day debauch. It is said, and found his wife shelling peas on the back porch. He is accused of firing twice and killing her with a pistol purchased in Camden.

SEEK FUNDS TO HELP CONSERVE ARMY MORALS

Campaign for \$4,000,000 to Fight Camp Vices Will Start Next Week

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30. Four million dollars is needed to drive the devil away from America's soldiers in training and keep him away. To get the money the war camp community service of the War and Navy Commission on Training Camp Activities will go before the people of the United States next week and ask for it. "The Government, seeing signs of the cloven hoof in certain quarters, is determined to stamp them out."

"We must," said Secretary of War Baker, "send our boys home with no other scars than those received in honorable warfare. This can be done only by offering wholesome inducement by the successful competition of good with evil."

It is to this end that the community service will spend the \$4,000,000 establishing places of clean amusement and sport in cities near camps and in educating the public to take the soldiers into their clubs and homes and make them welcome.

Colonel Roosevelt has enlisted as a general for the duration of this campaign. A telegram from him today declared he would fight his platonic majesty just as hard as he would if he had a chance at his Teutonic Majesty.

Advertisement for Dr. Von's Health Biscuit, featuring an image of the product and text describing its benefits for sleep and health.

Advertisement for Dr. Von's Health Biscuit, featuring an image of a person and text describing its benefits for interior working and overall health.

Large advertisement for Society Brand Clothes, featuring images of men in suits and text promoting the brand's quality and variety.

Advertisement for Hotel Adelphia, promoting a Halloween celebration at the restaurant Chantilly and a dance to the Marimba Band.

Advertisement for Gimbel Brothers, Philadelphia, promoting their Society Brand Clothes and listing their address and store information.