

MONTMEDY HAILS AMERICAN TROOPS

French Town, Long Occupied, Dresses Up as U. S. Soldiers Arrive

OLD GLORY IN CITY HALL

Troops Find Ruin in Wake of Retreating Enemy

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With the American Army of Occupation at Montmedy, France, Nov. 15.

The Third American army of occupation reached this historic little city at 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning. The last German left Saturday night.

On the coldest morning of the fall, six divisions, comprising the Third Army, under General Dickman, the First Army, under General Pershing, the Second, Third, Fifth, Thirty-second and Forty-second, got under way, the heavy marching starting the memorable advances to the Rhine.

They moved, with contact patrol across in front, preceded by cavalry detachments, and cannon were placed behind them able to throw down a barrage in an emergency.

The army will march two days and rest two. The line to be reached tonight runs to Longwy and Briey. We covered approximately half this distance today and halted.

Because it was the largest and most important place to be reached yesterday I chose Montmedy in which to see the American entry. When the doughboys reached this once pretty little city French flags were flying from every window and 800 to 900 men, many dressed in their sorry best with tears streaming down their faces, welcomed their deliverers.

Hidden Flags Brought Out
These French flags had been hidden in little nooks and corners unknown to the Germans for four years, hidden and guarded against this glorious day which the brave French folk never doubted was coming to them.

Try as I might I could not find the history of the Stars and Stripes which floated from the front window of the Hotel de Ville. There was no set ceremony, there had been no time for that, for the boche left but twelve hours before we entered.

The celebration was all the better because it was spontaneous. Ever and anon in the town just stood by and cheered for the Americans. When it was learned they would stop there for the night every home was thrown open to them and apologies were made for the pieces the Germans had left their houses in.

Two hours after the Americans got there—it was the Second Division, Fifth Marines had their good hand out

in the square playing "Hail! Hail! the Gang's All Here!"

"What beautiful music you Americans have," said a dignified French woman to me. And then they played the "Marseillaise," and she thought it even more beautiful—although, of course, she did not say so.

All the shops in town were open, their windows filled for the most part with empty boxes, for the boche had left little, but it just showed the spunky nature of the French people.

When the Germans left Montmedy they looted and pillaged everything that was loatable and pillageable. They took all food, all cattle, even supplies sent to the civilians by the American relief. They tore the furnishings of houses to pieces in the last hours.

Departing Boches Wreck Home
One woman showed me her home, where the Germans went yesterday to seek champagne, which they heard she had hidden. They wanted it for a celebration. Fetched where a drugist's wife had hidden it for the departure of the boche they found two bottles of wine. Before leaving with it, they wrecked the house, ripping open featherbeds and pillows, and throwing feathers everywhere.

Army Moves Early
In the cold, gray dawn of Sunday morning the American army of occupation started on the march to Germany. Moving northeast from the line where the First and Second armies stopped fighting, the army moved forward as to battle. It went forward prepared for whatever might come. No bugles, bands were playing at the head of the troops, no flags waving. The Americans went up the roads as if the enemy might be around the next turn, for although the armistice has stopped fighting and no one really expects it to start again, we are still at war with Germany, and if the army of occupation has to start war again, it can do it.

No conquering general rode at the head of our troops. Patrols of eight men marching squads of infantry and back of them light artillery, followed by supply trains. In the vanguard went all the equipment of an army going to war. The whole movement was made on a war footing.

We moved forward from a line running roughly from Moulouy, Stenay, Damlivilliers, Frestes and Thilacourt on a front of fifty-six miles.

Reward of Victories
Thru the course of this war, as they marched over the land which the Germans had fought so hard to hold, over the heights from which 77 and machine guns had poured murderous fire into their ranks. The men felt exultant that their easy march was the reward of victories of the soldiering days of the last month and the month before.

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FOCH AND PERSHING BEST SOLDIER TYPES

Character Study of Two Leaders When Marshal Received U. S. Medal—Interesting Contrasts Between Them Noted

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Paris, Nov. 12 (delayed.)

In a beautiful storied French town which was among the first to experience the wanton brutality of the fresh and triumphant Hun before he was defeated in the Marne battle of 1914, I saw Marshal Foch today under circumstances peculiarly interesting to an American. General Pershing came to the Marshal's headquarters to present the first distinguished service medal conferred upon any Allied officer by the United States.

General Pershing, with an aide, arrived at Marshal Foch's headquarters half an hour before the ceremony. A small company, composed of staff officers, assembled on the garden side of the chateau. As the two great military leaders appeared round the corner of the chateau, the contrast between them was very interesting.

Both men have marked personal distinction, but entirely different in style. Foch swings along with a sort of amble, what military men call "cavalryman's walk." There's nothing to mark him as a military man, and save for his uniform he might be taken for a lawyer or doctor. He has an habitual twinkle in his eye as if not taking himself, or the great events of which he is the center, seriously. In his kindly face there seems a touch of humor and satire, as though the day after he had accepted the surrender of the greatest military despotism of the world, as a result of his own successful generalship, he was precisely the same modest gentleman I had so often seen coming and going at the War Office in Paris under vastly different circumstances.

General Pershing, who walked at Foch's side, is the very picture and pattern of the West Point soldier. He is as straight as an arrow, and in every movement regulated.

As the two men walked to the cen-

ter of the space between the staff and guard of honor and turned to face each other, every spectator must have felt they were the very finest and highest type of soldiers of civilization.

The bugler of the guard sounded a salute known as the "March of the Marshals." Pershing spoke, as usual, with French, which by diligent study and practice here he has built up on the foundation of a West Point teaching, showed hardly a trace of accent.

The Marshal, in his response, spoke longer than he has ever been known to do before. His remarks were extensive, showing his soldierly force and phrases which the French know so well how to use.

POPE GLAD AT VICTORY
Pontiff's Letter Says Church Does Not Regret Austria's Defeat

Rome, Nov. 15.—The Oscervatore Romano, the official Vatican organ, prints a letter from Pope Benedict to Cardinal Gasparri, the Papal Secretary of State, in which the Pontiff says that, after the recent happy success of the Italian armies there were efforts made to excite in the Italian public mind the belief that the Pope had experienced some regret over the victory. The letter points out that in a papal letter on the 1st of August, 1917, and on other occasions, "we have expressed repeated wishes that the territorial questions between Austria and Italy receive a solution conformable to the just aspirations of the people, and recently we have given instructions to the Nuncio at Vienna to establish friendly relations with the different nationalities of the Austro-Hungarian empire, which are now constituted independent States."

FOE MUST SURRENDER DREADNOUGHTS TODAY

Armistice Terms Provide Giving Up Subsea Fleet Next Monday

London, Nov. 18. (British Wireless Service).—The meeting of the German naval delegates with the British naval representatives took place on Friday afternoon off Rosyth, on the coast of Scotland. The German representatives consisted of three delegates from the Sailors and Soldiers' Council and four delegates from the People's Council, including Rear Admiral von Meurer.

The surface warships which are to be surrendered have to be "ready to leave German ports seven days after the signing of the armistice." That is to say, on Monday, November 18.

The submarines which are to be surrendered must be prepared to leave German ports immediately on the receipt of a wireless order to the port of surrender, and are to be handed over with full complement in a port specified by the Allies and the United States within fourteen days after the signing of the armistice. That is Monday, November 25.

All the submarines are to be surrendered and of the surface warships ten battleships, six battle cruisers, eight light cruisers and fifty destroyers of the most modern type are to be given up. The ten battleships which it would be natural to select are the Kronprinz

and Bayers, both new dreadnoughts completed since 1915; the Markgraf, Konig and Grosser Kurfuers, of the Kaiser dreadnought class, completed in 1914 and 1915; and the Kaiser, Kaiserin, Prinzregent Luitpold, Konig Albert and Friedrich der Grosse, all dreadnoughts of the Kaiser class, completed in 1912 and 1913.

Five battle cruisers—the Derfflinger, Hindenburg, Seydlitz, Moltke and Von Der Tann—are apparently all that Germany has available so far as the so-called dreadnought battle cruisers are concerned. The armistice terms stipulate for the surrender of six.

Eight of the most recent light cruisers are the Brunner, Bremen, Karlsruhe, Pillau, Frankfurt, Nuernberg, Koeln and Dresden.

POLES LOYAL TO ALLIES
Balfour Praises Co-operation in Cause of Freedom

By the Associated Press
London, Nov. 18.—A. J. Balfour, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has sent the following letter to the Polish National Committee:

"At this moment when the armistice has set the seal on the united efforts of the Allies in the cause of freedom, His Majesty's Government is more than ever conscious of the loyal co-operation

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