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March Toward Rhine American Troops of Occupation Carry Relief to 100,000 Marshal Strictly Enforces **Taken Up Past Frontier** of Teuton Lorraine

SECOND PHASE BEGUN

Pershing's Army of Occupation Also Presses Forward Into Luxemburg

With the Americans Advancing basis, basis, Toward the Rhine, Nov. 20. The second phase of the American advance began today when the march was taken up across the frontiers of Cerman Lorraine and the duchy of Luxemburg.

By the Associated Press With the American Army of Occupa-tions Nov. 20.-With the exception of a few laggard units, the last of Germany's armies have disappeared behind their own frontier. From the villages located in the narrow strip of unoccupied territory between the American and German forces have come reports that the

stragglers had engaged in looting. Appeals were received from the in-habitants that the advancing Americans hasten to their relief. Investigation proved, however, that the villagers were more excited than injured and that most of the damage being done by the little groups of Germans was to the Germans' own stores of food and clothing.

Abandon Sick and Wounded

Other appeals were found to have more foundation. Those from the mayors of Halanzy and other neighbor-ing towns reported the presence of were overtaken.

wounded and sick in greater numbers than the local physicals could attend and to those points mediacl officers and supplies were sent, after notification to the Germans of the Americans' plan. When the Germans evacuated these towns they took with them not only the vears. medical and nursing staffs, but also the hospital supplies, abandoning the sick and wounded to the mercies of the had not been for the Americans. ownspeople and the army of occupation.

Such was found to be the case in he hospital at Longway, where was ocated the Thirty-second Division headquarters. Six wounded Americans were found there three of them officers. Two were aviators reported missing in Oc-They were flying low when attacked by six Fokkers and forced to land within the enemy lines.

Prisoners Poorly Treated

Germans had taken all their own men from the hospital, leaving only prisoners of war. The stories of the American and other wounded agreed that they had been accorded poor treatment. The nurses and doctors, they de-lared, had been indifferent in their at-the coming of this glorious day. camps.

utine. The local physicians of Longwy and the Lorraine border. well as other places offered their A few moments after routine

enza ospital in the bask areas as quickly as possible

Reports brought by the repatriated said there were some Americans. He population and by agents of the army led me to St. Joseph's College, which had agree that the German command is been converted into a vast German lazahaving difficulty in maintaining an rette. To my surprise, I found corridor orderly retreat. The main body of the after corridor filled with German wound-German army is already beyond the city | ed and men too had off to be moved of Luxemburg, where the population is In two corridors I found nine Americans, preparing to receive the Americans. The wounded the last day of the fighting, people have even hung out a few American since All were brave and cheerful and de-can flags, notwithstanding the presence lighted to see the first American since

Civilians—Build Foundation of System to **Extend Into Prussia**

By EDWIN L. JAMES

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assured me had been hidden for four AFTER a successfel two-day march toward the Rhine the American Third Army yesterday began organizing its systems of communications and sup-plies, doing everything on a strictly war basis. The army is being operated on a full AFTER a successful two-day march years.

plies, doing everything on a strictly war basis. The army is being operated on a full schedule of corps and divisions, entail-ing an enormous amount of signal corps and engineer work, not only for today's needs, but in building the foundation ofn system to extend into Prussia. Each day's progress, of course, will add to the task of supplying the 300,000 men com-posing our army of liberty. Monday night, when we halted, our posing our army of liberty. Monday night, when we halted, our stopped to await further orders. In the snow civilians and released prisoners continue to pour through our lines. The Third Army is doing a great emergency work in feeding and caring for these people, many of whom are in bad physical condition from lack of food. In our march we have so far liberated

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Half Million Released War Pris-

oners on Way From Russia

public, Sails for Europe

-(By A, P.)-The

London, Nov. 20.

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GRAFT SCANDAL IN PRAGUE In our march we have so far liberated some 200 French and Belgian towns and villages and more than 190,000 civilians.

Virton, Belgium, Nov. 18 (delayed) — his pretty little city of Belgium belongs o the Americans tonight—it and everybing in it-the willing gift of 4000 in-babitants to whom the doughboy from

America today brought deliverance after fifty months under the yoke of the boches, who left it so little ahead of the Americans' entry that some of them

Truly, to those Belgians, America is God's country, for it represents to them not only their saviors, their rescuers, but the nation which has fed them for four president. years. With tears in their eyes they assured me today that they would have starved had it not been for America, and ount Countess Tatiffe, nobility in their enthusiastic joy they declared hey would still be slaves of the Hun if

Home-made U. S. Flags Flying

They meant what they said, for b the side of the yellow, black and red of Belgium's noble flag waved the Stars and Stripes everywhere. Let America take to heart the fact that those Ameri-enough stripes, and none had enough stars—some had only five or six—but their uneven stripes and jagged stars lost none of their glory because loving

London, Nov. 20.—(By A. P.1—The situation in the east is causing anxiety in Germany any the Local Anzeiger of Berlin learns that a great German army is marching westward, according to a Conenhagen dispatch to the Ex-change Telegraph Company. A Stockhoim dispatch to the Central News says German troops have occupied Minsk, in Lithuanda. • A half million released war prisoners, the dispatch adds, are advancing through the Ural mountains. Arrangements are being made to supply them with food and clothing. hands had wrought them rather than machines of steel in a flag factory back home. The Belgian flags had been hidhome. The Belgian flags had been hid-den for four years, and J am told that for three weeks the women of the city and the food provided was no I picked Virton to see the American than that served in the prison advance today, but it seemed to me the most happy place to observe the recep-

The care of the sick and wounded in this hospital was shared by a local com-mittee, headed by Mme, Rothe, president Etalle and the town of St. Leger, and this dospital was shared by a local com-mittee, headed by Mme, Icothe, president of the Franco-Belgian relief, and in-cluding five French nurses and many women of the town. They undertook the more ordinary tasks in the hospital CZECHO-SLOVAKIA'S CHIEF Doctor Masaryk, President of New Re-A few moments after my arrival at New York, Nov. 20.-(By A. P.)-Dr. Thomas G. Masuryk, first President of the newly created republic of ('zecho-Slovakia, sailed for Liverpool today on the British steamship Carmania. Ho was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Olea.

Repatriated soldiers and civilians con-lieutenants walking nonchantly up the tinue to march back to the lines. The street. The Americans who saw them Russians offer the greatest problem, gasped and grasped their rifles, until There are thousands of them, many of their commander told them that German whom have contracted Spanish influ- surgeons had been left behind by agree-They are being sett to the ment with the American commander. I in the bask areas as quickly as I spoke to the German major, who in vited me to visit the hospital, where he

Even Minor Terms of Armistice

By WALTER DURANTY

Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger opyright, 1918, by the New York Time Mons, Nov. 18 (delayed).

Despite reports to the contrary, it ap pears that Brussels has not yet been entered by the Allies. Your correspond- the ent was stopped Sunday evening at the British outposts, fifty kilometers from the Belgian capital, and informed that Marshal Foch's orders, according to the terms of the armistice, precluded an advance sufficiently rapid to reach Brussels yet from that point of the Allied

> The Canadian division on this sector and the supreme satisfaction of fighting

German Aristocracy Accused of ts way into Mons and overcoming stiff Taking Red Cross Funds machine-gun opposition before the ar Washington, Nov. , 20.-Dispatches nistice was signed. It had a tremen eccived from Prague by the Czechoious reception in the city-which is far Slovak information bureau say the German aristocracy at the Bohe-mian capital has been involved in a graft scandal. Counters Coudenhove. larger than early stories of the war indicated, numbering 40,000 inhabitansand those who participated say the

wife of the last Austrian Governor of scene in the main square, when the long Bohemia, is said to have been arrested and held on the charge of turning to and other Allied Lynn, was used in the standard other allies and other Allied Lymns was one of the her own use gifts and money donated for the wounded through the Red Cross organization, of which she was most poignant in their whole war expeence

Arrested with her wera The correspondent talked with M Nostitz, Count Wolkenstein, as Westphal and Countess all prominent members of the evreux, Mayor of Charlerot, who had ome to Mone to seek assistance re-arding the state of affairs created in its town by the Germans.

The dispatches tell a graphic story of the revolution in Bohemia, which in a day threw off the Austrian yoko of During the last mouth, he said, it became more than evident that disci-eline was nonexistent in the German centuries and paved the way setting up the Czecho-Slovak republic. trmy. First of all, instead of goose stepping and offering wooden values fore their officers, they began CAPTIVES ALARM GERMANY gnore them completely. Then

fficers seemed to disappear as if by nagic from the streets, and the lie-

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havior of the men became more and withstand all those millions. The best more independent. ______ withstand all those millions. The best Finally, about a week before the ar-

nistice, pillaging by Germans began and spread unchecked. The men not all took all they could lay their hands a, but wold rifles, belts, boots for any his bearing part of their equipment for triffing one, and said openly that their one dea was to get home as quickly as

omible. The last German in uniform disap-eared from Charletoi on Friday, but hany still remained in mufti, firing the dunition wagons left behind and comiftling other outrages. Already Mayor other other and the second sec table to hold his countrymen in check

indices military aid arrives. It is a typical picture of a routed army that M. Devreux gives of the Ger-mans. They had been in flight for the last three weeks without order, loading Fin their vages without offer of the most reach baseless character, such as dog kennels, the fieldt. To have and chairs or tables with a fieldt. To have study the machine gumers and big at act of the artillerymen seem to have mained loval, but even they declined to

with a goatee beard. Whether the re-sommates, is noteworthy that the decay of ferman morale seemed to date from the moment the Germans began to the American troops were that serious factor in the struggle-thar from the beginning of June, when German drive was checked by our isions at Chateau Thierry, Even the July offensive failed and hed counter-offensive began it women to hear the Germans say before

We know that victory is impossible they told us the Americans could not

Finally

cedure of replying: "I do not recognize thing for us is peace as soon as possible." you or your authority and decline to obey it. If you want the work done, you

Mayor Devreux told me a German col-net of a guard division had said in The Germans comman The Germans commandeered the money by force from the municipal funds "These Americans are terrible. For and completed the repairs without fur-

"These Americans are terrible. For every ten you kill there are a hundred in their places, seeming to rpring from the ground. Nothing seems to stor them and we we are weary of the war." The Mayor added interesting dotails about the Battle of Charlerot, which he declared ought to have had another name, as it actually took place outside a town some two kilometers away across the Sambre. The preceding day the boches entered the town behind a screen of driven civilians. The French, un-willing to slaughter these unfortunates, willing to slaughter these unfortunates, withdrew across the river and the enemy

withdrew across the river and the enemy terminate my tenure of office, which I proceeded to ourn the principal street hold by the authority of my King." I expressed myself incorrectly," said the aged general, "what I mean was

d upon. d upon. Sinally Mayor Devreux managed to part in your continuing to exercise the reach the presence of General you Bar-foldt, commanding the Nineteenth Corps. ammanding the Nineteenth Corps. "Had all the Germans shown a sim amazement the boche general dar spirit of conciliation," concluded th

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was almost exactly his own double- Burgomaster. Their race would not be big and ruddy featured, with bushy eye- a byword and a loathing as it i hyword and a loathing as it is throughout Belgium today ews, blue eyes and a white mustache

but Barfeldt agreed to reduce the fine imposed on the town from 10,000,000 to 1,500,000 marks and gave orders that atacks upon civilians or their property

that theks upon civilians or their property should cease. The town suffered little from fighting, Even and about a year ago the boches de-manded the sum of 75,000 marks from the municipality "to repair the unsightly damage."

Germans Commandeered Money The Mayor refused and when the Get ore already fighting. It is hopeless to

Mann in Baltimore Hospital Baltimore, Nov. 20.—Representative James P. Mann, of Chicage, is at Johns Hopkins Hospita: to undergo treatment for nervous breakdown. It is said as

will probably be able to leave the tol within a week.



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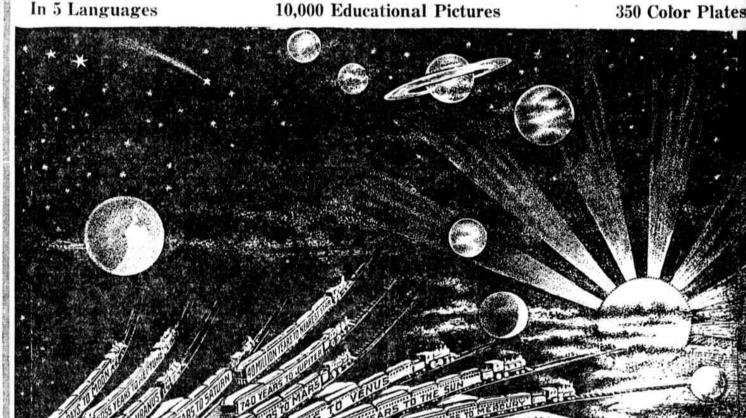
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FOCH KEEP'S ARMY

Stories of Lax Discipline in German Army Confirmed

by Charleroi Mayor

of German soldiers. Bands played in the square and detachments of troops are reported to have paraded the streets singing before they marched out. An inventory shows that the guns, am-

munition and general stores found by the Americans attained much greater proportions yesterday than previously. One dump of signal corps supplies is estimated to be valued at no less than \$2,000,000.

An enormous warehouse taken at Longwy was filled with general supplies. he had many headquarters there and did among which were several big doubleengined airplanes in good condition,

Washington, Nov. 20 .- The following communique from General Pershing was received today:

"Headquarters American Expedition-ary Forces, Nov. 19, (morning): On the front of the Third Army the day passed without incident, our troops occupying the general line Etalle-St. Leger-Long wy-Audun Leroman-Briey.

ITALY TAKES POLA HARBOR

Two Austrial Dreadnoughts Fly Italian

Flag

Fing Rome, Nov. 18 (Delayed)—In con-formity with the armistice, Admirals Cagni and Kock have taken over Pola harbor. The Austrian dreadhoughts Tegetthof and Prins Eugen are now fying the Italian flag. The American naval mission, under Admiral Mayo, has just completed an in-spection of the recent Italian war zone.

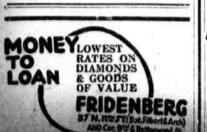
The dreadnoughts Tegethof and Prinz Eugen are units of a class of four, of which the Viribus Units was one. The latter ship was frequently re-ported destroyed, as were the others. When the Viribus Units was torpedoed just before the armistice was signed, it was announced that its destruction wiped out the last of this class. The ships are of 20.000 tons, carry twelve 12-inch guns and were built in 1911-12.

GRIP GAINS IN FRANKLIN

Recurrence of Influenza Calls State Official to Chambersburg

Chambersburg, Pa., Nov. 20.--In huenza has shown a flareback of alarm-ing proportions in Franklin County. At Bt. Thomas the epidemic rages worse han ever, one doctor, J. H. Swan, hav-ing treated ninety-nine cases since last Friday. Health Officer J. H. Kinter has resumed activities to suppress the epi-demic. Franklin County Medical Society de-voted its regular meeting to a sympo-

Franklin County Medical Society de-voted its regular meeting to a sympo-sium on influenza. Dr. Howard Hull, Harrisburg, of the State health depart-ment, was present, and spoke. The so-ciety passed a minute commending the State department's course in handling the epidemic.



their capture. They said they had bee treated well by the Germans.

. Town Untouched by War is fair to state that Virton excellent condition. It is untouched by the ravages of war. No shell holes, no bomb craters, no burned houses were seen. The little city looked beautiful in seen. the clear sunshine. It has as many residents as before the war. But they tell bad tales of the boche. They say that he kept the city in good shape because

not expect to leave so soon. I could not help comparing Virton with pillaged Montmedy, which I saw yester-

day, where everything worth looting had well stocked with German and Dutch goods, and I actually went into a hotel.

rdered lunch and had an excellent meal, they had bread left by the Germans

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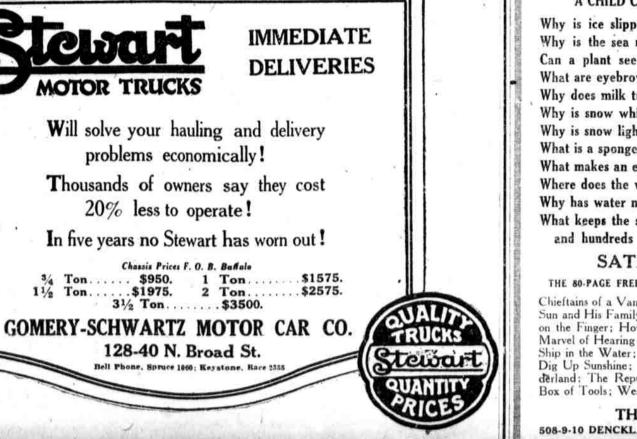
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