

PRE-WAR TRAINS SOON TO RETURN

Director General McAdoo
Announces Early End to
Curtailed Service

EXECUTIVES MEET HERE

Plan First Steps to Replace
Transportation Systems in
Private Regulation

Coinciding with the first meeting here today of the railway executives' advisory committee to plan for returning the railroads to private interests under responsible regulation, announcement was made that Director General McAdoo has under way a restoration of the country's normal passenger service. A number of trains Mr. McAdoo announced, will be added within the next few weeks to existing schedules.

In a statement today to the "American people," Director General McAdoo withholds his plan to return to the railroads, for the purpose of passenger travel for the war emergency.

"The war now being virtually over," said the statement, "it is the policy of the railroad administration during the remaining period of Federal control to give to the public the best service of which the railroads are capable. As rapidly as possible service will be improved, although trains which were run under private control merely for competitive reasons will not be restored. Such service was unnecessary.

"Plans have already been made for service to California, Florida and the southeastern States during the coming winter. The public may be assured that the railroad administration will do everything possible to meet the needs of the traveling public."

OPPOSES ROBINSON'S RETURN

Against City's Best Interests, Says
Doctor Grammer

The return of Captain James Robinson as superintendent of police is opposed by Dr. Carl E. Grammer, pastor of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church and president of the Interchurch Federation.

"We feel it is in the best interests of the city to return Captain Robinson to a post he has already proved incapable of filling," Doctor Grammer said.

The Interchurch Federation, through its wartime commission, declared the former police chief's return to power would be a "public calamity."

Clergymen who are members of the commission conferred with Colonel C. H. Hatch, of the marine corps, the Navy Department's law-enforcing officer in this city.

Colonel Hatch would not comment on the Robinson case today.

RETURNING PRODIGAL OUSTED

Absentee's Warm Welcome Grows
Too Hot for Neighbors

Mourning as dead five years William Harry came home last night and was welcomed with open arms. Today he is forbidden, by order of Magistrate Conello, to return to the house at 424 Orchard street. His wife and two daughters begged the police to keep him away.

When he turned the door knob in Orchard street last night Harry was in a jovial mood and the family greeted him as a returning hero. They thought he had enlisted in the Canadian army in the war and had been killed in France. He had not gone away to fight, it developed after a few minutes' conversation.

But he was home only a few minutes when hostilities began. Neighbors summoned Patrolman McGinnis from the Frankford station to suppress the riot and Harry was arrested, charged with disorderly conduct.

RECEIVER FOR FRUIT CO.

Action Taken in Trenton, N. J., Regarding
Hammonont Concern

As the result of an application by Kern Dodge, a consulting engineer of this city, the Federal Court at Trenton, N. J., today named Lewis Starr, Camden, temporary receiver for the Home-Way Process Fruit Company, of Hammonont.

A hearing will be held Monday, at Newark, to show cause why the receivership should not be made permanent.

Kern Dodge is president of the company. He alleges agreements made by William H. Dodge, of Hammonont, his cousin, and former president of the company, were prejudicial to the interests of the creditors of the company. Reeves, Parvin & Co., of this city, are said to be selling agents for the concern. It is alleged that large stocks of jellies, jams and other preserves are being held up at Hammonont and that the Home-Way Process Fruit Company is insolvent.

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THREE BROTHERS IN WORLD WAR



WILLIAM PLUNKETT, BENJAMIN PLUNKETT, JOHN PLUNKETT. Private John Plunkett, 3241 North Front street, enlisted the day after he was eighteen years old in the Canadian engineers. The elder brother, Benjamin Plunkett, is reported killed in action, while William, Jr., has been severely wounded.

NATIONAL GUARD BACKBONE OF ARMY, WRITES OFFICER

Lieutenant Albert S. Howard, Who Told of Slaughter of Camden's
Old Third Regiment at Sedan, Describes Few
Experiences of His Own

Lieutenant Albert S. Howard, who wrote the letter that told of the heavy losses of the 114th Infantry, which includes former National Guardsmen from Camden and its vicinity, was knocked down three times by high explosive shells during those five days near Sedan.

Once a stone hurled by the explosion of a shell struck him on the knee, but he was on his feet again a few minutes later. He got a slight dose of gas.

These and other experiences are described by the lieutenant in letters to his father, Dr. R. M. Howard, and his wife, who live at 460 Linden street, Camden.

Even the news of the signing of the armistice did not entirely lift the feeling of depression that followed him from the time his regiment went into its last battle on October 12.

"Columbus Day, October 12, will never be forgotten by the 114th," he said in a letter written October 26, the day his division, the Twenty-ninth, was relieved by the Twenty-sixth.

He wrote several letters in the latter part of October, but it was not until November 13, when he wrote to his wife, that the first sign of cheerfulness appeared.

"I am content to get back to civil life as soon as possible. I am ready to take up the threads of life where I left off on July 25, 1917.

"All hail to the National Guard," he added. "It was the backbone of the army in all the fighting." Writing on October 28, he said:

"We joke in spite of our surroundings. We are in the open, with no protection except what we dig ourselves. We have driven the Hun so far that he hasn't any more trenches just now for us to get into. Therefore, we are subjected to machine-gun and artillery fire. I don't see much of a little place in a shell hole with some of my men, and am writing to you from it."

Referring to the big drive in a letter written November 4 he said his division had suffered the heaviest losses of any on the front.

"But," he added, "we captured more prisoners than any other and drove the Hun from where he had been four years. We drove him twelve miles."

In this letter he tells of falling asleep in a shell hole with a companion, only to wake up suddenly to find that a shell had killed the man beside him.

BRITISH, BUT JOINS U. S. ARMY

Anthony Sharkey, 18 Years Old,
Comes of a Fighting Family

Though only eighteen years old, and still an English subject, therefore not subject to the draft, Anthony Sharkey, Jr., 2127 North Eleventh street, enlisted in the American army in September, 1917, giving up a good position with a grocery concern in London, England, to fight for democracy.

Sent to a training camp in Texas he was kept there a year, despite his appeals to be allowed to go to the front. Being a good mechanic he was assigned to the motor truck corps and is now a sergeant.

Private Sharkey comes of a fighting family of Englishmen. For two hundred years Great Britain has had. Three uncles have been in France virtually since the world war started. One belongs to the famous Black Watch Highlanders and has been wounded three times. One is a member of the Grenadier Guards and one in the Royal Horse Artillery.

Young Sharkey has applied for citizenship and expects to receive his final papers as soon as he becomes of age.

VESSLS SIGHT MINES

25 Placed by U-Boats Lined
Off North Atlantic Coast

Twenty-five mines, apparently part of the hundreds planted along the Atlantic coast early in September by U-boats, were sighted in midocean directly in the path of transatlantic steamships, Captain Wood, U. S. N., in charge of the branch hydrographic office in the Bureau, said the mines were passed last Sunday by the American tank steamship *Carrier* on the way from Port Arthur, Tex., to Boston, with a cargo of crude oil. Captain Wood, of the *Carrier*, sent a wireless warning to all ships giving the location as latitude 39.33, longitude 69.57.

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Fighting Men
Expected

HEROES OF MARBACHE

Members of Race Here Are
Planning Demonstration of
Welcome for Boys

The first big quota of Philadelphia fighting men to arrive home will consist of the men in the 38th Infantry Regiment—a negro unit trained at Camp Meade.

These veterans of the Marbache sector are due to arrive in this city early in January, and their friends in Philadelphia will extend a royal welcome.

Fathers of negro churches, officers of fraternal organizations and leaders in the South Philadelphia and Germantown colored sections will get together to plan a celebration.

They will be aided by the city officials and organizations having in charge the work of welcoming home the veterans of the world war.

Sent 4000 From Here

"It is difficult to estimate the number of men we sent into the service from this city," said Andrew F. Stevens, "but it is certain that the number will exceed 4000. Our men proved themselves 100 per cent efficient when sent to the firing lines, and scores of them have been selected for special honors.

Stevens is a banker and prominent among members of his race. He is active in the work of organizing the reception committee and promises that the soldiers will get just as warm a welcome as their white brothers.

"Most of our men," continued Mr. Stevens, "served in the Ninety-second Division and that organization has been selected to come home. We expect the boys early in January and a reception worthy of true and gallant Americans will be given them."

Besides contributing hundreds of men to the 38th Infantry, the city sent a big number of negro soldiers to the 6888 Central Postal Directory in Europe. Among the negro officers from this city who served in these units are Lieutenant Hillier Johnson, former policeman, and Captain Alonzo Myers, of 1822 Wharton street.

The Ninety-second Division, after its arrival in France, took over the Marbache sector and participated in heavy fighting. The division drove the boche from the La Ferme, Bois de Frebourg, Meunier Brook and several other towns in that sector.

FIRST TO LEAVE MEADE

The 38th Infantry had the honor of being the first regiment to leave Camp Meade for France, for it pulled

up stakes in the Maryland cantonment late in May, or six weeks before the Liberty Division.

When the Camp Meade soldiers marched to Baltimore and passed in review before President Wilson the negro regiment was given the place of honor in the line and won the warm praise of President Wilson for its splendid showing.

In the second Liberty Bond campaign the regiment won first honors, not only for the number of individual bonds sold, but in the grand total of subscriptions.

GET TARDY TIDINGS OF SON

Ardmore Soldier's Parents Informed of Wounding Sept. 30

A few lines scrawled on the bottom of a letter, written just as he was to go on the operating table somewhere in France, were the last received by the parents of Private Edward R. Ryder, West Spring avenue, Ardmore, until yesterday when a telegram came from Washington announcing that he was severely wounded.

The date given for the wounding is September 30. The letter bears a more recent postmark. What was the result of the operation no one knows, although the boy's father, Edward R. Ryder, for many years on the Lower Merion police force, has bombarded the War Department with telegrams.

Private Ryder enlisted in the fall of 1917 at the age of sixteen in the 110th Infantry, was assigned to Company F, and trained at Camp Hancock.

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