

AMERICANS EARN GOD WILL OF FOE

Not One Untoward Incident in Month of U. S. Occupation

WANT TO COME HOME Every Yankee Anxious to Return, Now That Fighting Is Over

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Coblenz, Jan. 2.—One month ago yesterday the American army entered Germany. In that time the Americans have administered the affairs of some million Germans, living in an area of 5000 square miles, without friction or disturbance. There has been not one untoward incident.

Coming among people naturally hostile, the Americans, by their good behavior and moderate policy, have earned regard for themselves, so that now it is no exaggeration to say that our soldiers are popular along the Rhine.

The army of occupation has started this new year with a resolve to keep on wishing to go home until it gets there. There was not a man in the American army who wanted to go home before November 11. I know of none who has not wanted to go home ever since then.

The men are not having a bad time along the Rhine, but it is very dull and that does not suit the doughboys. They came overseas for action, and when affairs reach the stage where there is no action he wants a ticket home to the United States.

He has resigned himself now to staying here until peace is consummated, but it is going to be a disappointed contingent that is ordered to do any police work after the peace.

To get the American soldier's viewpoint one must realize that he is not, as a rule, a professional soldier. He does not take much stock in soldiering when there is no fighting going on.

Many of the men gave up good positions at home when they joined the army. Many have families which have been undergoing sacrifice so that the men could go and help defeat Germany. Now these men want to go home and the Government cannot take them too soon.

That is how the Third Army feels this New Year's day. As for the soldiers' celebration, it was a quiet affair. Cafes all over the sector had to stop selling drinks at 7 o'clock in the evening, which means that they closed soon after.

The peep-gavety of our boys is sort of being saved until they reach home to add to the general jubilation they are planning for that great and notable occasion which is in the minds of every one of them.

I took a ride around the bridgehead area yesterday, and everywhere from every one I met that they were repeating "Say, can't you find out when they are going to let us go home?"

EX-KAISER'S LETTERS BURNED

Kautsky, However, Says He'll Print All Documents on War

Paris, Jan. 2.—All the correspondence of the former German emperor which was kept at Potsdam has been burned, as well as a number of documents relating to internal questions, according to a statement made to a correspondent of the Matin by Carl Kautsky who is preparing a white paper on the origin of the war. He said that the book would contain all diplomatic documents bearing on the war from the assassination of Francis Ferdinand to the invasion of Belgium. It would be in three or four volumes, and the first volume will appear within fifteen days. The book will contain many interesting details in pencil in the handwriting of the former emperor. Kautsky said that not one paper was missing from the Foreign Office.

Kautsky would not say who, in his opinion, appeared to be most compromised, but remarked that in the white book there were many references to Count Von Tschirsky, German ambassador in Vienna, and a few from Baron von Schoen, German ambassador in Paris, at the outbreak of the war. The former German emperor, Kautsky said, had a conference on that day with a small number of prominent Germans, and it was decided to support Austria in her demands on Serbia.

CROWN PRINCE TRIES TO FLEE

Reported Attempt Unsuccessful. Kaiser Declared Very Ill

Wiesbaden, Netherlands, Jan. 2.—Friedrich Wilhelm Hohenzollern made an unsuccessful attempt to escape from his exile here, it was reported today. No details could be obtained. Baron von Zu Biltz, a friend of the former Crown Prince, was reported to have gone to Germany to ask the government's permission for Friedrich Wilhelm to return to that country. Friedrich Wilhelm, it was further reported, is ready to do any work the government thinks him fit for.

AMSTERDAM, JAN. 2.—(By A. P.)—William Hohenzollern, the former emperor of Germany, is very ill, according to advice from Amsterdam. He cannot leave his room, it is said, and that he has a high fever. An eminent specialist from Utrecht is in constant attendance at him by the American press and United States Congressmen since his departure from America.

He said he wished to have nothing to do with the press delegation which reached Europe and added that he had invited newspaper representatives to leave sailing for France on board the Quaha.

CREEL DEFENDS HIMSELF

Says He Wishes to Have "Nothing to Do With Press"

Paris, Jan. 2.—(By A. P.)—George Creel, chairman of the committee on public information, has taken occasion to reply to some of the criticisms directed at him by the American press and United States Congressmen since his departure from America.

He said he wished to have nothing to do with the press delegation which reached Europe and added that he had invited newspaper representatives to leave sailing for France on board the Quaha.

TELEPHONE THEY HAVE CRONES, POISONER

In Kautsky's Case

London, Jan. 2.—(By A. P.)—Norfolk Von L. authorities confirm reports that Von ve in custody a man arrested on Wednesday. The man was reported to have been in Chicago for attempt. But dem the 290 guests at a banquet at 575 S. Club on February 10.

KEEP WHIPPLE COMMANDER DIES

At 81, After Illness

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 2.—(By A. P.)—Gen. Carl E. Whipple, U. S. A., died at Fort Whipple, near here, at 8:15 a. m. after a week's illness of pneumonia.

PEACE FOREVER, HOPE OF POPE IN NEW YEAR MESSAGE TO U. S.

Rome, Jan. 2.—In a New Year's message to America, given to the Associated Press, Pope Benedict says: "On the eve of the New Year, in which humanity is at last to enjoy the blessings of peace, we are glad to send cordial greetings to the American people as the champions of those same principles, which have been proclaimed by both President Wilson and the Holy See, insuring for the world justice, peace and Christian love."

"In this solemn moment, when a new era in the history of the world is about to begin, we pray that the Almighty may shed His light upon the delegates who are meeting in Paris to settle the fate of mankind, and especially upon President Wilson as head of the noble nation which has written such glorious pages in the annals of human progress."

"May the conference be of such a nature as to remove any resentment, abolish forever wars among brothers, establish harmony and concord and promote useful labor."

"Out of this Peace Conference may there be born the league of nations which, by abolishing conscription, will reduce armaments; which, by establishing international tribunals, will eliminate or settle disputes; which, by placing peace upon a foundation of solid rock, will guarantee to every one independence and equality of rights."

BRITISH EXPERTS PREPARE PEACE DATA

Foreign Office Nearly Ready for Conference; Papers Deal With Various Questions

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London, Jan. 2.—The British Foreign Office is nearly ready for the Peace Conference, and the announcement today of some of its leading delegates enables your correspondent to describe some of its voluminous preparation.

The precise status of Lord Harding, Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs; Sir Eyre Crowe, Assistant Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs; Sir William Tyrrell, former secretary to Viscount Grey, and others, has not yet been announced, but whether they will actually sit at the conference table with Lloyd George, Balfour and Bonar Law or not, they will be experts to whom the chiefs of the mission will refer special subjects on which they are recognized authorities.

They have been getting up on their particular problems as carefully as a lawyer studies his briefs, and they will have them at fingers' end from an historical, economical, ethnological and every other point of view.

To assist them, sets of white papers have been prepared, each of which deals with one particular question. These have been drafted by the best experts in the British Foreign Office, and they are destined to render available the fullest possible knowledge in handy form. They are not merely statements of the British side of the question, but they contain the views of the American, French, Italian and every other relevant standpoint, and their object is to throw on each international problem the fullest light as impartially as possible. With this idea in view, it is not unlikely that some of these pamphlets will be circulated among the delegations from other States, so as to bring to the utmost just and speedy decisions.

The staff of the British Foreign Office will number about thirty men, and they, with the representatives of other British departments, will be lodged in the Hotel Majestic and in the Hotel Astoria as their working office.

BERLIN DANCES OUT OLD YEAR

First Real Revelry Since Outbreak of the War

Berlin, Jan. 2.—(By A. P.)—Berlin rang out the old year in 1918, and so the first dancing indulged in here since the outbreak of the war, and revelers made the most of it.

In the downtown section of the city the crowds approximated those of peace times, and police reports show them to have been well behaved.

The only disturbances were caused by a demonstration by unemployed waiters, who attempted to force a general walk-out. They succeeded in getting enough recruits to close down some of the popular cafes. Hotel patrons, except those visiting the wine rooms, were not inconvenienced.

A general strike of waiters is expected on Thursday.

EXTRA! YANKS ENTER BERLIN

Now They'll Be Pinched

Berlin, Jan. 2.—(By A. P.)—The ambition of five American soldiers to be the first of the American expeditionary force to reach Berlin is likely to have serious results for them.

The men, who arrived here Sunday, were attached to the 15th Infantry, now at Coblenz. They were absent without leave and unexpectedly ran into members of the American military commission now here in connection with the repatriation of prisoners. One of the men has been captured and is being detained, while the Berlin police are seeking the other four.

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RUSSIAN AFFAIRS COME FOREMOST

Eastern Question Expected to Be Discussed First at Peace Table

INTERVENTION OPPOSED

Swedish Volunteers Have Landed in Estonia, Stockholm Hears

By the Associated Press

London, Jan. 2.—Russian affairs are causing the British Foreign Office considerable anxiety says the Mail. The necessity of formulating a definite Allied policy as to Russia is extremely urgent and it has been decided that the Russian question will be the first to be discussed at the Peace Conference, it is said.

"It is presumed that all the Allied nations are overwhelmingly against armed intervention by an expeditionary force," says the newspaper. The British Government has also decided that an expedition is impossible, preferring to encourage the creation of a stable government in Russia, although the origin of such government is at present quite obscure.

In the meantime, munitions and instructors are being sent to the true Russia in the area west of the Ural Mountains, and the forces on the borders of Poland and Finland. Large cargoes of food were recently sent to northern Russia for the people living in districts under Allied control. There is no likelihood of the Allied forces on the Russian coast being withdrawn.

Ufa, capital of the non-Bolshevik Government in the area west of the Ural Mountains, was captured on Tuesday by the Bolsheviks, according to a Russian wireless dispatch received here. On the same day the town of Sterlitamak, south of Ufa, was captured.

The message adds that the Lithuanian bourgeois government, feeling its position endangered, has left Vilna for Kovno.

WIRELESS TO EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER

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Copenhagen, Jan. 2.—According to information from Stockholm, the first contingent of Swedish volunteers, have now landed in Estonia.

Copenhagen, Jan. 2.—The Premier of Lithuania, Professor Volodarski, has arrived in Copenhagen. In an interview he declared his mission was partly official.

He had assurance from the Danish minister of foreign affairs that Denmark would take the same viewpoint as Switzerland and Sweden in recognizing the de facto Lithuanian diplomatic representative without anticipating the official recognition of Lithuania independence. He said it was impossible to tell just now whether Lithuania would be a monarchy or a republic.

An independent and integral Armenia under the collective protection of the Allied Powers is Armenia's hope from the peace congress, however, according to a statement given the Associated Press by the Armenian national delegation, which now is in Paris under the chairmanship of Nubar Pasha.

The statement expresses renewed gratitude for America's part in the work of support, relief and education, as well as in the projected plans of the Armenian and Syrian relief committee. It continues: "This makes us hope that America, which has been so generous in the work of Christian charity, will consent to continue its action on political grounds by contributing with its Allies to the resurrection of Armenia."

SOLDIERS ARRESTED IN SHORE ROW

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 2.—Four soldiers from the Amstat Muniton Works were caught by the proprietor of the Martingale Cafe mixing single high-balls beneath a table and had a detective remove them. They resisted and were arrested, one for interfering with an officer of the law. A military officer is said to have joined with the men who were struggling with the detective and told them to resist. A warrant has been sworn out for him.

2841 GUNS MADE FOR NAVY DURING THE WAR

Secretary Daniels Tells How Arms Were Supplied to U. S. Warships

By the Associated Press

Washington, Jan. 2.—During the twenty months from the date of the entry of the United States into the war to last December 1, 2841 guns of medium caliber were manufactured under the direction of the naval bureau of ordnance at gun manufacturing plants, Secretary Daniels told the House Naval Affairs Committee at the hearing on the naval appropriation bill. Of this number 1887 were placed in actual service against the enemy.

Secretary Daniels explained that the total number of 2841 did not include guns that were on hand and in reserve on April 8, 1917, nor those of a larger caliber than five inches. The great majority were manufactured in plants placed in operation since the beginning of the war, he said, and every one was complete with mounins, sights and all accessories.

When hostilities ceased five-inch guns were being delivered at the rate of thirty a month, four-inch guns at the rate of seventy a month and three-inch guns at the rate of 100 a month. During the twenty days after the signing of the armistice, 805 guns were delivered to the navy. Secretary Daniels called attention to the fact that five naval railway bat-

eries, each comprising one fourteen-inch rifle, were operating on the western front from Laon to Verdun from September 8 to November 11.

Of the 2841 guns manufactured, 602 three-inch, four-inch and five-inch were built and placed in service on destroyers, transports, merchant vessels, armed yachts and coast guard cutters, and 283 were ready for shipment and 113 three-inch anti-aircraft guns were put in service and 123 were ready for shipment.

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