



100,000 MEN TO COME HOME FROM FRANCE MONTHLY

Divisions Suggested as America's Contribution to Army of Occupation

SUGGESTS ARMY OF 500,000 President Wilson to Determine Strength of Men Overseas

S. CAMPS TO DWINDLE Soldiers Needed For "Overhead" Duty to Stay

Washington, Jan. 27.—General Pershing, chief of staff, informed the state military committee to-day of shipping arrangements made by which three hundred thousand men might be transported home monthly and that all of the American Expeditionary Force would be returned home and demobilized within six months.

There are still about 785,000 men camped in the United States and will be demobilized within a month from to-day, except those needed for "overhead" duty, General Pershing added.

Up to noon last Friday, he said 104,000 men had been shipped from overseas.

How many Americans will be held over in the Army of Occupation is determined by President Wilson, General Pershing stated, but the American people have been designated for return home than finally proposed by Marshal Foch.

He indicated that ten divisions would be returned home as fast as possible, but the remainder of the army of occupation, he said, can make it in less time. From beginning, General Pershing was anxious to return men as fast as possible.

Speaking of the 785,000 men still camped at home, General Pershing said that within one month from to-day, except those retained for overhead duty.

Several senators said they had favorably considered the plan because they had seen long service overseas apparently were to be sent home.

The policy, General Pershing said, is in accordance with military policy, he said, which will keep men who will not be able to run over them if they escape.

Women Directing D. A. R. Conference



MRS. GEORGE T. GUERNSEY, President General; MRS. ANTHONY WAYNE COOK, Penna. State Regent; MISS CORA LEE SNYDER, Regent Hostess Chapter

RETAIL PRICES OF BUTTER AND EGGS COME DOWN

Wide Range in Quotations Is Found in Local Grocery Stores

ON THE TOBOGGAN SLIDE Mild Weather and Coming of Spring Has Effect on Chickens

Butter and eggs in the Harrisburg markets, already started on the downward path, to-day are selling at considerably lower figures than they were ten days ago.

One dealer, who aims to sell his goods at figures below those of his competitors, reports a drop of approximately thirteen per cent. in the prices of both the best grade of creamery butter and fresh eggs within the past ten days.

Other dealers report radical drops in prices although the figures have not had such a downward tendency as they have in the first instance.

Wide Range in Prices To-day's selling prices for creamery butter range from 65 to 72 cents, whereas on January 17 it was ranging between 75 and 77 cents.

The drop in the price of eggs has been similar. To-day they are selling at from 65 to 70 cents and ten days ago at 75 to 80 cents.

Governor's Mother Rapidly Improving

Mrs. William H. Sproul, mother of the Governor, who was taken ill on inauguration day, has almost completely recovered.

Mrs. William C. Sproul, the wife of the Governor, contrary to an impression prevalent in Harrisburg, did not go to her home in Chester on Sunday.

Speaking at a joint luncheon to-day of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, Civic Club, Kiwanis Club and city and county officials at the Penn-Harris hotel, Dr. John H. Stokes, of the Mayor's Clinic, Rochester, Minn., auspiciously opened the campaign for a new, model contagious disease hospital for Harrisburg and vicinity.

Dr. Stokes struck a popular note when he said that it is little less than a crime to send patients to "the hospital."

Special Election Called to Fill Seats Vacated by Sproul and Beidleman Lieutenant Governor Edward E. Beidleman has called a special election for choosing of senators in Dauphin and Delaware counties on February 25 to fill vacancies caused by the election of Governor Sproul and himself.

SENATOR DEMANDS WILSON'S HAND BE HELD FROM RAILS

Washington, Jan. 27.—Revocation of President Wilson's power to return railroads under Government control to their private owners any time within twenty months after peace is declared was proposed in a bill introduced to-day by Senator Cummins, of Iowa, a Republican member of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, which is studying railroad legislation. It was referred to the committee.

D. A. R. TO OPEN BIG CONFERENCE HERE TONIGHT

Many Social Functions Are Planned For Guests of Local Chapter 200 DELEGATES IN CITY Reports to Show War Work Accomplished by Patriotic Order

Delegates to the Pennsylvania State Conference, Daughters of the American Revolution, are arriving in the city with their spinning wheel and distaff insignia and by this evening practically two hundred will have registered.

All business sessions will be held in convention hall of the Penn-Harris, which is headquarters for the conference.

Mrs. Anthony Wayne Cook, the state regent, will preside and there will be prominent speakers, both men and women, at all sessions.

The state D. A. R. has done much war work and the reports to be presented will be complete, for these local Daughters have purchased liberally of Liberty Bonds, furnished complete several ambulances for France, and given kitchen trailers and diet kitchens to the camps at home.

They have entered actively into Red Cross and emergency aid work, financing their own gifts to these organizations and done much efficient service along Americanization lines.

One of the most important enjoyable parts of the program will be the reports of chapter regents, giving a resume of their own special "doings." The social events of the week are for the conference, visiting daughters and guests.

Members of Harrisburg do not have the guest privilege for these functions at the Executive Mansion, Mrs. William Bailey's and at the See House.

The complete program for the conference will be found on page 4.

SHAFFER TO GET WARM WELCOME FROM HOME FOLKS

Dauphin's Aviator Expected to Reach Here Early Tomorrow

Walter D. Shaffer, Dauphin aviator, with the French flying corps during the greater part of the war, is expected home to-morrow evening.

He will arrive in the port of New York City on the steamer Lorraine, whose time of arrival is quoted as early to-morrow morning by the shipping news.

Shaffer enlisted with the French flying corps shortly after the declaration of war and saw considerable service with the unit until his fighting was ended when he was shot down in battle.

Before he was taken by the Germans, Adjutant Shaffer brought down two airplanes and a balloon fell to the ground. When the unit entered into an engagement with the Germans over their own lines, Shaffer's machine was hit and he was taken prisoner.

He was liberated some weeks ago following the signing of the armistice.

Wearing his Croix de Guerre with its two palm leaves, Adjutant Shaffer will receive a great reception when he arrives in Dauphin borough.

Final arrangements are being perfected by the townspeople to give him a welcome.

WILSON SHOCKED AT DEVASTATION OF FRENCH CITIES IN WAR ZONE; VISITS FAMOUS AMERICAN FRONTS

President Unable to Put His Feelings Over Desolation and Ruins into Words

GOES OVER HILL WHERE YANKS SMASHED PRUSSIAN GUARDSMEN

Paris, Jan. 27.—President Wilson yesterday made his first trip to the battlefield and devastated regions, visiting Chateau Thierry and Rheims.

At the close of a tour that took him through a dozen razed villages, ending in the ruins of the historic cathedral at Rheims, he said: "No one can put into words the impressions I have received amongst scenes of desolation and ruin."

That was Mr. Wilson's only expression of his feelings after a trip that every Frenchman has been hoping he would make, this trip takes part in deciding what is to be exacted from Germany for devastation of Northern France.

Lunch at Chateau Thierry Accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, Admiral Grayson and a very small party, Mr. Wilson left the Murat residence early in the day and motored to Chateau Thierry, where lunch was eaten. The party then proceeded by motor to Rheims, passing through many ruined villages and along the old fighting lines.

After reaching Rheims the Presidential party boarded a special train and returned to Paris. The last part of the motor trip was made in a snowstorm.

Visits Scene of American Valor The first fighting ground was reached at the party's nearest Belleau Wood, immortalized in the history of the war by the gallant fighting of American marines. The motor cars turned off the roads and crawled perilously through back lanes to bring the President close to the place where the fighting took place.

Mayor Greeted Wilson The mayor of Chateau Thierry greeted Mr. Wilson, who responded quite informally. He then drove over towards Rheims, passing along the old battle line between long lanes of barbed wire entanglements now rusting away in the first winter of peace; between long muddy trenches reaching over the hills and down into hollows as far as the eye could see, and past the wrecks of dugouts, ammunition dumps, aviation sheds.

TO RESTORE WIRE LINES Washington—A resolution directing the president to return telegraph, telephone and cable systems to private ownership within four to six months, regardless of the status of peace negotiations at that time, is to be the reply of the House Committee on Postoffices and Postroads to the Burleson bill for continued government control of these facilities.

WILSON CONFERS WITH COLONEL HOUSE Paris—Upon the adjournment of the Supreme Council at 12.15 o'clock to-day President Wilson went at once to the Hotel de Crillon, the American headquarters, where he had a conference with Colonel E. M. House.

CANADIAN TROOPS TO LEAVE GERMANY London—Canadian troops are about to leave Germany. Bonn, which has been their headquarters, will be taken over by other British army contingents. The home of Beethoven is still standing at Bonn, a dispatch from Reuter's correspondent said.

FAMINE RELIEF CONFEREES AGREE Washington—An agreement on the administration bill appropriating \$100,000,000 for European famine relief, was reached to-day by the Senate and House conferees after a brief session.

REAR ADMIRAL CHADWICK IS DEAD New York—The death of Rear Admiral Chadwick, U. S. N., retired, at Newport, R. I., last night was announced here to-day by the Century Association, which received a telephone message to that effect from Newport.

ROYALIST IN CONTROL Paris—Portuguese royalists are completely in control of the provinces of Minho and Tras Os Montes, according to a wireless dispatch from Madrid to the Journal des Debats. Advices to the same newspaper say that it is reported the republican troops which were defeated by the monarchists at Coimbra are about to go over to the cause of the monarchy.

MARRIAGE LICENSES George H. Garver, Waynesboro, and Ada H. Wyle, Mont Alto; Howard R. Svaris, Carlisle, and Mary R. Hippensteel, Cumberland county; Richard E. Kutz and Flora M. Emery, West Fairview; William P. Teal, Chicago, and Bernice T. Smith, Harrisburg.

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair tonight and Tuesday; no change in temperature, west to-night about 35 degrees.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair tonight and Tuesday; moderate temperature; fresh west winds.

Lower portion of the main river will rise slightly or remain nearly stationary to-night and fall slowly Tuesday; the upper portion will begin to fall slowly this afternoon or tonight. All branches will fall in stages of about five feet in 24 hours for Harrisburg Tuesday morning.