

REFUGEES BRING TALES OF HARSHIP

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RUSH TO ENGLAND BIG

Channel Boats Built for Hundreds Made to Carry Thousands—Jack Johnson Urged by Parisians to Fight for France.

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—The American liner Philadelphia, with the first great crowd of Americans who rushed from Europe when the various lines declared war, arrived in New York last night. There were 793 passengers in the cabin and 309 in the steerage.

Virtually all of them were without baggage, many of them without money and all had stories of hardships to tell.

Passengers' Faces Stunned.

The Philadelphia sailed from Southampton a few hours after England declared war on Germany. The first day out seven French torpedo-boats and three submarines were sighted. One of the torpedo-boats hurried after the American liner, but the rest of the fleet was moving slowly. Finally the torpedo-boat—the B-7—came alongside and ordered the Philadelphia to stop.

The war vessel loitered for some several times, its officers looking closely at the faces of the passengers crowded on the decks. When the French naval officers saw the Philadelphia they really were an American vessel and that the passengers were Americans, one of them shouted in English that the Philadelphia had stopped.

The passengers cheered the French ships. The cheer was returned and the tiny war craft steamed away.

The refugees in the steerage had the freedom of the ship. The men were separated from the women, however, and in some cases husbands were separated from their wives by this regulation. Rather than sleep in the steerage, scores of these passengers slept in the smoking-room, on the boat deck, under the boats and life rafts, in summer chairs. Four persons were in every cabin.

River Voices Noly Welcome.

As the Philadelphia neared her pier in the North River the crowd waiting on shore shouted a welcome to the refugees. Then a quarter of an hour the whole river resounded with cheers.

The regulation preventing a ship which arrives at quarantine after sundown from proceeding to her dock until the next morning was waived to-night. An hour and a half after she arrived in the lower bay the last of her passengers had gone ashore.

Travelers from Paris told of mobs swarming through the streets, breaking windows and looting German shops. Crowds of Germans caught in the French capital and beaten by gendarmes and excited citizens.

Abandoned Baggage Piled High.

The streets near the railroad stations were piled high with abandoned baggage. So great was the rush of Americans from France to England that small steamers in the English Channel, constructed to accommodate from 500 to 700 persons, carried 3,000 men, women and children on every trip.

A loaf of bread selling for 8 cents was bringing 22 cents when some of the passengers left Paris. Other food-stuffs were selling proportionately.

Jack Johnson on the boulevard, said Howard Willett, of Chicago. "His face was wreathed in smiles. Crowds surrounded him asking him to fight for France."

A committee formed on board the Philadelphia today with the expressed purpose of assisting Americans abroad issued a statement saying:

"No words can exaggerate the desperate condition of stranded Americans all over Europe outside of England."

Many of the passengers said they had been stopped in Germany and forced to prove that they were Americans and not Englishmen. Others had been stopped in France and asked whether they were Germans. With a few exceptions all were treated courteously when they proved their nationality.

Soldiers were stationed all along the roads and squads of them were guarding every tunnel and bridge. Military guards with loaded rifles were on every railway coach and engine and in all the stations.

Among the passengers were Charles Albrecht and family, of Cleveland, whom some one in London offered \$1000 for their steamer or \$500 if allowed to travel with them.

John A. Wilson, of Franklin, Pa., President Wilson's cousin, smilingly announced on the pier that he believed he had less money and more Summer clothes than any other man in New York. He carried with him a set of golf sticks presented to President Wilson by the City Lunch Club of London which he was commanded to bring over.

FIRE DESTROYS HAYSTACK

House Also Burned and Automobile Damaged by Flames.

Fire Wednesday night destroyed a 20-ton stack of hay at Fifty-eighth and Stephens streets. Patrolman Nye reported that the flames were started by a man who had smoked while lying on the top of the haystack.

Another fire of undetermined cause last night destroyed a one-story frame house at 747 Harold avenue. The loss was about \$300, partly covered by insurance.

An automobile owned by F. E. Myers, of the Rose City Importing Company, which was damaged by fire to the extent of \$50. The blaze was caused by gasoline leaking from the tank onto a cigarette butt.

SUBMARINE INVENTOR DIES

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WOMAN TEMPTS DEATH

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