

TRAVELER SEES HOW
FRENCH PRISONERS

Chicagoan Tells of Trip of Days Within Lines of Big German Army.

UNIFORM COURTESY NOTED

Thoroughness of Preparations Being Made by Every Warring Nation Impresses, and Morale of People Declared Inspiring.

LONDON, Aug. 21.—Dr. Franklin Martin, of Chicago, who left here a week ago for Munich, to get his niece, Miss Stone, also of Chicago, returned today to London. His trip was successful.

Dr. Martin tells a story full of interesting experiences on the Continent. He attempted first to make his way to Munich by way of Paris and Berne, but was not successful. He was unable to proceed beyond Paris.

Stories related to him of the hardships endured by Americans marooned in Germany impelled him to make a second attempt, and in company with John Moran, of New York, Dr. Martin started again through Holland.

"We, as Americans," said Dr. Martin, "had little difficulty in passing through the German lines, but Mr. Bergmann was stopped until finally he exhibited his release from the English prison on which his photograph was pasted.

"At Crefeld we procured an automobile to take us to Cologne. Through the offices of Mr. Bergmann, who on arriving at Cologne, learned that 600 of his automobiles in a factory in Berlin had been commandeered by the German government for time and again. Our success in getting through was due largely to the resourcefulness of our chauffeur. Among other things which helped us was a little German flag, given to us by the chauffeur, and a permit to travel in the immediate rear of a great battlefield, given to us by the German government.

"During the journey we were actually within the lines of the German army. At one point between Cologne and Crefeld we passed intrinements being rapidly thrown up by thousands of troops. The communication extended on both sides of our highway and as far as the eye could reach there were masses of troops with field guns and machine guns. Moving in the direction of Belgium, between Cologne and Bingen, was a continuous line of troops, provision wagons and ambulances.

"6000 French Prisoners Shown." "At Frankfurt 6000 French prisoners were pointed out to us and we were told that the last stage of our journey was the most difficult of all. As we were traveling on a war highway in the immediate rear of a great battlefield, we were stopped by time and again. Our success in getting through was due largely to the resourcefulness of our chauffeur. Among other things which helped us was a little German flag, given to us by the chauffeur, and a permit to travel in the immediate rear of a great battlefield, given to us by the German government.

"At Coblenz we had to make our way through anti-aircraft crowds who were watching the passage of trains loaded with Belgian prisoners. We constantly met ambulances filled with wounded soldiers.

"Judging from the trip and the experiences of Miss Stone in Munich, Americans are as safe in Germany as in Chicago or New York. We did not parade the American flag, because we realized many persons would object to the protection of the Stars and Stripes who were not entitled to it.

"It is impossible to make the trip without being profoundly impressed by the thoroughness of the preparations Germany is making for every contingency that can arise on land. The morale of the people was inspiring. The experience in Paris it is an impressive but ominous silence."

AMERICAN TANKER HALTED

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The Mazatlan, said that the coal was consigned to Guaymas, Mexico, by F. G. Braue & Co., local exporters. They admitted the coal was bought originally for the German cruiser, Leipzig, but declared it subsequently was purchased by Braue & Co.

They today added to his verbal demand for clearance papers, which was refused, a formal demand in writing.

"I shall act on this demand as I did the verbal one," said Collector Davis. "I told the representative of the Mazatlan that I would refuse clearance until they had presented evidence proving the change of ownership of the coal. As yet no such evidence has been presented."

Action Taken Shows Belief. "Do you believe the coal is now intended for the Leipzig?" was asked. "The fact that we are holding up the Mazatlan's departure is the best evidence of that," was Davis' reply.

"If the written demand for clearance papers is denied," said Bley, "well, wait until then. But I will say this: the Mazatlan is going to sea, and soon, too."

Meanwhile William H. Tidwell, special agent of the Treasury department, conducted an investigation into the ownership of the coal.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—Officials here know nothing of the detention of the Mexican steamer Mazatlan at San Francisco, with her cargo of coal supposed to be intended for a German cruiser. It is said, however, that there was no warrant for the detention of a merchant vessel loaded with coal intended for a belligerent, though, of course, such a ship risks seizure on the high seas.

SCENE IN BELGIAN CAPITAL, TAKEN BY GERMANS, AND MAP OF BELGIAN WAR DISTRICT.



TOP—ROYAL PALACE, ABANDONED BEFORE GERMAN OCCUPATION. MIDDLE—MAP SHOWING BRUSSELS, OCCUPIED YESTERDAY, AND ANTWERP, NEXT OBJECTIVE POINT OF GERMANS.

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