

GERMANS FRET UNDER DRASTIC REGULATIONS

Populace Shocked at Rules of Allied Military.

FOOD IS REPORTED SCARCE

Belgians in Aix La Chapelle Now Making Way for French to Take Over City.

AIX-LA-CHAPELLE, Rheinisch Prussia, Friday, Dec. 6.—(By the Associated Press.)—This large German city is not enthusiastic over the proposition of occupation by the allies. The yoke of martial law seemingly has galled the people and there have been many signs of fretfulness. The populace was shocked when the Belgians entered the city and promulgated draconian rules that civilians should leave sidewalks and uncover when Belgian officers approached and that hostesses should be given up. Their dignity was hurt that they protested to the international armistice commission, but learned that the rules were the same as those of the allies at the time of the occupation of Brussels. The Belgians never intended to maintain these rules, and today another set, greatly modified, was issued. They are still stringent, but they eliminate the clauses compelling the inhabitants to quit the sidewalks.

French Regime Awaited. Tonight the Belgians are making way for the French troops to take over the city and the populace is anxiously waiting to see if it fares any better under the new regime. The new rules provide that nobody may enter or leave the town without passports. They prohibit all meetings or assemblies and close all theaters and moving picture shows. Cafes and restaurants are permitted to remain open between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M. and between 5 P. M. and 8 P. M. Belgian time. They require also that all arms and military material must be surrendered. No German soldier is permitted to appear in uniform without permission of the armistice commission. The men generally are polite to the invaders but it remains to the women to send bitter glances of hatred in the direction of the troops of occupation. The hotels of Aix-La-Chapelle are serving excellent meals, though there is a shortage in many of the edibles. The bread is almost black and is extremely unpalatable. The big hotels, however, are hardly a criterion in this rich farming section of the country.

Food Is Reported Scarce. There have been many reports that food was extremely scarce in Germany, and it would require careful investigation to disprove them. A farmer near Julich told the correspondent today that the people along the border had sufficient food of all sorts to keep them alive, but that it was insufficient to maintain men at hard work. There is considerable cattle in the district, but meat is rarely to be seen on the tables of the poor. Leaf sugar appeared in the Aix Hotel today for the first time in many months.

The great hotel in which the correspondent is stopping, is steam-heated day and night. There is also hot water to be had at all hours and plenty of illumination. In contrast to Paris, the men are permitted to use hot water only on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and where lights are carefully husbanded in order to save fuel. Plaguing in Cologne between Republican revolutionists and Imperialist adherents has led to the speedy dispatch of British troops to the city without delay, on the appeal of the burgomaster.

NEW STAR SHELL WONDER

Enemy Is Illuminated; Assaultant Still in Dark.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The fighting efficiency of the American Navy at night will be increased about 25 per cent by the perfection of star shell operating at long range under all conditions at sea. The new shell, which is said to excel any produced by other nations, with the history of its development, is described in a statement by the Navy Department. The shell is said to be suitable for firing from guns of from three to five-inch caliber and is fitted with a parachute attachment. The shell is filled with illuminating material guaranteed to burn in spite of the heaviest rain or air it meets when fired. The value of the shell lies, said the Navy Department's statement, in illuminating the naval units of the enemy without disclosing the position of the craft using the shell.

UNIVERSITY GIFT IS HUGE

David Davies Gives \$9720 for Study of Peace Problems.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—(By wireless.)—David Davies, member of Parliament for Montgomeryshire, and his sister have made a gift of \$9720 to the University of Wales for the foundation of a professorship of international politics at the college at Aberystwyth, for the study of problems in connection with the project of a league of nations and for the encouragement of a truer understanding of civilization. Mr. Davies suggests that the professorship should be associated with the illustrious name of President Wilson.

SAN FRANCISCO

is planning the greatest New Year's Eve Celebration in its history.

Visitors are urged to make early reservations for room accommodations and tables at the Bellevue.

HOTEL BELLEVUE

Lundborg and Drury

PRESIDENT WILSON'S "SEA WHITE HOUSE" WHERE EXECUTIVE CARRIES ON HIS WORK EN ROUTE TO EUROPE.



THE PRESIDENT'S WORK DESK ON THE GEORGE WASHINGTON.

WILSON AT SEA SERVICE

LEAGUE OF NATIONS DISCUSSED AT CONFERENCE.

Steamship Is Running Through Smoother Seas and Encountering Warmer Weather.

ON BOARD U. S. S. GEORGE WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—(By wireless to the Associated Press.)—President Wilson attended religious services this morning with the enlisted men of the American forces on board the George Washington. The services were held in the quarters of the men some distance below decks. The President joined in the singing and the prayers and in the recital of the services.

The President had a conference today with Secretary of State Lansing and Henry White, the first conference that has been held during the trip. It is understood they discussed the procedure regarding the formation of a league of nations. The platform of the British Prime Minister, David Lloyd George, was also considered.

The President today sent a wireless message of greeting to Norwegian editors visiting the United States and also to the soldiers. To the latter, he said: "Cordial greetings to the boys who have come back and who have borne the sacrifice of the war."

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SEVEN AMERICANS DROWN

Pleasure Party From Destroyer Landed Capsized.

Accident Follows Visit to Moroccan Seaport and Is Caused by Heavy Sea.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—One officer and six men of the American destroyer Lansdale were drowned Saturday when attempting to rejoin their ship, according to a Havas dispatch from Tangier. They were a party of 30 officers and men who had spent the afternoon in the Moroccan seaport and were returning to the Lansdale when their boat capsized in a heavy sea.

The destroyer Lansdale was launched at Quincy, Mass., July 22 last. The destroyer was named in memory of Lieutenant Philip Van Horn Lansdale, United States Navy, who was killed while suppressing an insurrection in Samoa in 1899.

FRED S. DURETTE RETURNS

Sergeant Receives Discharge and Hies Back to His Former Duties.

Back at his before-the-war work as a printer on the force of The Oregonian last night was Fred S. Durette, who enlisted more than a year ago and who was discharged a week ago from officers' training camp at Camp Grant, Illinois, where he had been sent from Chanute Field, Illinois, after having been promoted to the rank of Sergeant. Sergeant Durette was due to receive a commission within a few weeks, but preferred returning to civil life rather than to remain in the permanent peace Army.

BRITISH DESIRE RIVALRY

League of Nations Does Not Mean Cessation, Says Mr. Asquith.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—There are all kinds of hints and suggestions to upset and confuse, said Mr. Asquith in his address yesterday. "We are warned of the growth, rapid and unprecedented, of the United States, the development of their mercantile marine and of possible American economic penetration of Siberia and East Russia. It should be clearly understood that a league of nations does not mean the cessation of industrial and mercantile rivalry."

TEACHER VICTIM OF "FLU"

Mrs. Jennie Lancaster, Mount Tabor School—Ill Three Days.

Mrs. Jennie H. Lancaster, 1100 East Washington street, a teacher in the Mount Tabor School, died of influenza last night. She was stricken Thursday while at school. Mrs. Lancaster is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hanson,

SPA IS INTERESTING SPOT

COMMISSION CONVENES AMIDST DRAMATIC SETTING.

Entente Generals Occupy Former Quarters of Kaiser's Staff; Formality Rules at Sessions.

SPA, Belgium, Tuesday, Dec. 3.—(By the Associated Press.)—There is no more interesting spot along the German border today than this famous town, in which the international armistice commission is holding conferences amidst a dramatic setting which were it seen on the stage, would be recorded as a masterpiece.

Here, in the former seat of great German headquarters, representatives of the United States, Great Britain, France and Germany are meeting daily with the utmost diplomatic formality and dealing with the problems arising from the Teutonic capitulation.

The commission began its sittings about three weeks ago. At that time the enemy was still occupying Spa. There are now only about 100 German officers and men in the place, attached to General von Winterfeldt, who is representing the German government formally and dealing with the problems arising from the Teutonic capitulation.

GENERAL SEMENOFF IS OUT

Wife Aids Lloyd George for Husband's Candidacy.

Anti-Bolshevik Dictator Orders Release of Commander.

VLADIVOSTOK, Dec. 6.—(By the Associated Press.)—Admiral Kolchak, the anti-Bolshevik dictator at Omak, has issued orders denouncing General Semenov, the anti-Bolshevik military leader in Siberia, from command of the Fifth Army headquarters at Chita, and dismissing him from the service. The grounds for dismissal were interrupting communications and jeopardizing the Siberian army. Colonel Valkovsk was named as Semenov's successor and orders were given to arrest Semenov. This was Admiral Kolchak's reply to the recent ultimatum of Semenov that Kolchak should renounce the dictatorship on penalty of the formation of an opposing dictatorship by Semenov in the eastern provinces.

SUDDEN WEALTH IS FATAL

Millionaire of Four Weeks Dies of "Flu" After Hectic Month.

DULUTH, Dec. 8.—Four weeks a millionaire after a life of hard work and near poverty, Max A. Anderson died yesterday at Two Harbors of pneumonia following influenza. Anderson was overcome by his sudden prosperity which he had acquired in a few weeks after he had received a large fortune in excess of \$1,000,000. He received several liberal advances on the estate and spent it rapidly. Physicians said that the change in his mode of living undoubtedly contributed to his death.

CHILD LABOR IS OPPOSED

Federal Aid Sought in Ending Employment of Children.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Federal aid in ending employment of child labor and in providing education and physical training for the country's youth was urged at the 14th National conference on child labor here. Among the speakers was Senator Lenroot of Wisconsin. Urging the country to "demobilize juvenile workers first, and do it by means of the taxing power," Senator Lenroot endorsed the Pomerene child labor amendment to the revenue bill.

KANSAS CITY PUBLISHER DIES

William A. Bost, Publisher of the Kansas City Post, died here today of bronchial pneumonia. He was for several years connected with the Denver Post. His parents reside in Brooklyn, N. Y., and an aunt, Mrs. E. G. Bonilla, in Denver.

SENATE MAY DEFEAT LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Move Looms to Segregate Plan From Peace Treaty.

URGE UNIVERSAL TRAINING

Senators Declare Surest Guarantee of Peace Lies in Strong Military Policy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The opposition in the Senate to the league of nations to enforce peace has grown to such formidable proportions that strong pressure will be exerted during the next few weeks to have that subject segregated from the general peace treaty.

The ratification of the general peace treaty will be seriously delayed if President Wilson insists upon the inclusion of the league of nations plan. This was clearly demonstrated by the debates which held the Senate attention throughout the past week. Treaties to be ratified must receive a two-thirds vote of the Senate, with all members present. This means 64 votes. As the situation stands today it seems doubtful whether any treaty containing the league of nations could command a majority vote.

Republicans Oppose Move. The Republicans are almost solidly against it. The few who have openly endorsed the proposal have done so with important reservations. Not a few Democratic Senators have already openly declared their objections to the proposed league. The opposition, as the situation stands today, would have no difficulty in mustering the 33 votes necessary to defeat the league idea. At the same time no faction is disposed to hamper the prompt ratification of the general peace treaty. No group of Senators wants to assume such a responsibility, hence the move to force the separation of the league of nations plan from the general peace treaty.

Dissemination Expected in Senate. There is a strong feeling, too, that the "freedom of the seas" and "disarmament" should be included in the general convention. They would also provoke much discussion in the Senate. If these variously debated questions can be dealt with in a separate treaty much time could be saved in concluding the peace settlement, Senators declared today.

If the President sends the "League of Nations" plan to the Senate as a part of the general peace treaty, it will strike a snag almost immediately. There is so much opposition to the proposed league in the foreign relations committee that months may elapse before the treaty could be laid before the Senate.

Universal Training Sought. The announcement that President Wilson will enter the peace council to stand against militarism in all forms will not act as a deterrent upon the pressure in Congress for the adoption of universal military training as a permanent national policy. Neither will Winston Churchill's statement that Great Britain will insist upon the abolition of conscription cause any halt in the movement for universal training, it was declared today.

The surest guarantee of a lasting peace for America lies in a strong military policy, with universal training as the keystone, Senators declare. Those who have contended for military preparedness during the past four years are unwilling, as a rule, to pin their faith in a league of nations as an adequate security for American peace.

LARGER NAVY LOOMS

It is entirely likely that President Wilson will find himself at the Versailles conference contending against militarism throughout the world, while at home Congress will be talking universal training. And while disarmament and freedom of the seas are being discussed the extended naval programme will be well on its way to final adoption, calling for the building of 16 more dreadnoughts and battle cruisers.

WIFE AIDS LLOYD GEORGE

Auto Tour Made of Wales to Speak for Husband's Candidacy.

LONDON, Saturday, Dec. 7.—Mrs. David Lloyd George, wife of the British Premier, is making a tour of Wales in an automobile, addressing meetings in support of her husband's candidacy for Parliament. A procession of motor cars joined her when she reached Merthyr-Tydfil. Mrs. Lloyd George and other women spoke from the former's car at several places. At Trebarris Mrs. Lloyd George addressed a big meeting of miners.

COLD BROUGHT ON RHEUMATISM

Pain is the symptom of rheumatism that every victim recognizes but the physician appreciates that thin blood is a marked characteristic of the disease. Trying to cure rheumatism while the blood remains thin and weak is an almost impossible task because there is nothing to build on.

Mr. Harry L. Seaver of 69 Union street, Lynn, Mass., a carpenter, has been subject to rheumatic attacks, and his experience will interest others who suffer in that way. Mr. Seaver says: "I had rheumatism off and on for twenty years. My work at one time kept me out in all kinds of weather, and dampness and exposure caused my affliction. I had dull aching pains in the left shoulder and in the right knee. They were so severe at times that they made it impossible for me to rest at night. I suffered with headache, had dizzy spells and was nervous. My stomach was out of order. I learned of a person who had used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as a treatment for rheumatism, and this decided me to try them. They helped me and relieved me of my pain. They have never failed in my case and I have recommended them to many others."

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EARLY SERVICE REWARDED

COLONEL MERVIN MAUS WINS ARMY MEDAL.

Story of Adventures in North Dakota Disclosed in Official Citation From Capital.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—Gallantry in North Dakota more than 40 years ago was the cause of the award of a distinguished service medal to Colonel L. Mervin Maus, department surgeon of the Western Military Department, it was disclosed in Army orders received here Saturday. The official citation says: "A distinguished service medal has been awarded to you for specially meritorious service on Belle Fourche River, North Dakota, November 5, 1887, at which time you were First Lieutenant and assistant surgeon, United States Army—in that while serving with a detachment suddenly surrounded by a hostile force of Sioux Indians, you succeeded in extricating the party from a most perilous position."

Colonel Maus in a story of his adventures in North Dakota, disclosed that the "specially meritorious service" consisted of a single-handed charge against Indians surrounding a circle of wagons within which his detachment was preparing to make a last stand. He attributed the immediate retreat of the Indians to "one of the strangest psychological phenomena that ever came to my notice."

David R. Francis in London. LONDON, Dec. 8.—David R. Francis, American Ambassador to Russia, arrived here today from Scotland. The Ambassador's physical condition is improving and he will undergo an operation here in a few days.

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