

THE YANKEE "WACHT AM RHINE."



Yank Doughboy of the American Third Division, Army of Occupation, in Germany, on Guard in Coblenz, on the Rhine. On the Opposite Shore Looms the Fortress of Ehrenbreitstein.

VIEWS EXCHANGED ON SEIZE OF COLONIES

Dominion Representatives and Chinese and Japanese Talk.

FRENCHMAN GIVES OPINION

Henri Simon Explains France's Attitude on Colonial Questions at Afternoon Session.

PARIS, Jan. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—Germany's colonies occupied the attention of two extended executive sessions of the supreme council of the great powers today, and the disposition of this small empire, scattered over the African mainland, in Asia and throughout the Pacific, is presenting a territorial question of the first magnitude.

The hearings given today covered the entire range of these German colonies, as the delegates of Australia, New Zealand and Japan presented their respective interests in the Pacific groups of islands, Japan and China their interests in Kiau-Chow and the German concessions at many treaty ports, and the French Minister of Colonies, M. Simon, took up the African colonies, embracing Togoland, Kamerun and German East and Southwest Africa.

"Colonies' Retention Favored." General Jan Christian Smuts, the South African leader, and General Louis Botha, the South African Premier, already have been heard on the question of German East Africa, and now it only remains to obtain the viewpoints of the Belgians, who are about to present their ideas of their interests in the colonies adjacent to the Belgian Congo, appears to be the only unaccepted view among those having interests in the matter that Germany's colonies should be returned to the victors.

This, in turn, has developed another crucial question, namely, whether German sovereignty over these colonies should pass to the powers who may receive them or whether they would be entrusted to a league of nations which would exercise international control, while giving a mandate to such powers as administer the particular colonies.

General administration of the colonies, was considered by the council today, as well as the particular interests involved, and discussion will be continued tomorrow morning.

German East Africa is the most important territorial possession involved, as it has upward of 7,000,000 inhabitants. Besides being adjacent to the British South African commonwealth, it is in a position to connect the British in the north and the north, thus completing the British territorial chain between Cairo and Cape Colony.

China's interests considered. German East Africa is regarded as less important, though the harbor in Walvis Bay has some advantages. Belgian interests are believed to be related to the Congo, while the French interests are toward the Kamerun and Togoland, which adjoin French Dahomey and the French Congo.

China's interest in the colonies is in getting back Kiau-Chow after it passes from Germany to Japan, and also in the termination of German concessions at Tien Tsin, Shanghai and other points. Japan's interest is toward the Pacific islands and the Pacific islands. The islands are being considered in two main groups, first, New Guinea, Bismarck and the Solomon Islands, and second, the Marshall, Caroline and Marianne groups, lying east of the Philippines and south of Japan.

The first group of islands is fertile and productive; the second consists of coral islands, the head of the Beiklan and logistic bases. It is this whole range of colonies, once constituting Germany's hopes of world extension, that are now under consideration of the supreme council of the great powers.

Official Statement Issued. The official communication issued today on the peace proceeding read: "The President of the United States, the Prime Ministers and Foreign Ministers of the United States, the British Empire, France and Italy, and the representatives of Japan held two meetings today—the first from 11 A. M. until 12:30 and the second from 4 to 6:30 P. M."

"An exchange of views took place on the German colonies in the Far East and the Pacific and the situation in Africa. The representatives of the dominions were present at the two sessions; the representatives of China at that in the morning and the representatives of Italy in the afternoon. In the morning the delegates of Australia, New Zealand, China and Japan were heard. In the afternoon, Henri Simon, French Minister of Colonies, explained the views of his department on colonial questions.

"In addition, the fundamental principles of the league of nations and their application were considered. "The next meeting will take place tomorrow at 11 o'clock."

BRITONS TO HONOR T. R.

Memorial Services to Be Held in Westminster Abbey.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—A memorial service for the late Colonel Theodore Roosevelt is planned for Westminster Abbey at a date not yet fixed. Such a service for a foreigner is extremely rare at Westminster Abbey.

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INSOMNIA CURE DISCOVERED

Think of Your Friends When Awake, Says London Writer.

LONDON.—A woman writer in a London paper says she has found a cure for sleeplessness. She calls it "Ayzed" because it has to do with the letters of the alphabet. The title may puzzle Americans that are not aware that "ay" is the sound a Cockney gives to the first letter of the alphabet, and that "zed" is how the English pronounce "z."

Review your friends; how many men and women you have known or do you know, whose Christian name begins with A? prescribe Christian names, because they are more lovable and listable, than surnames. You will find that it is like what we are told of drowning—all your life will pass before you in a vision till you sink blissfully beneath the waves of deep before one letter is disposed of."

MEXICO BEING PACIFIED

Conquest of Rebels in Guerrero Virtually Completed.

MEXICO CITY.—General Fortunato Maycotte, in charge of the pacification of the state of Guerrero, has reported to the government that the conquest of the Zapata and Mariscal regions in that state virtually is completed.

General Silvestre Mariscal, former governor of Guerrero, has been under arrest in the capital since Jan. 25, 1919, on a charge of disobedience to the government.

The pacification of the state of Morelos, stronghold of the Zapata followers, has been almost accomplished according to official announcements, by the forces operating under General Pablo Gonzalez. Spanish influenza and famine have played havoc with the bands of Emiliano Zapata and his lieutenants.

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BIG LUMBER DEAL MADE

27,000,000 FEET BOUGHT FROM GOVERNMENT.

Willapa Company, of Raymond, Bids \$18.10 a Thousand—Spruce, Fir, Cedar in Stock.

More than \$500,000 will go to the Government as the result of the successful bid yesterday of the Willapa Lumber Company, at Raymond, Wash., for the 27,000,000 feet of commercial lumber which was taken from the woods by the spruce production division.

Three bids were submitted, but the other two were not even in the running. The bid of the Willapa Company was \$18.10 a thousand.

Airplane stock was not included in the offer of the spruce division. The deal consisted of spruce, fir and Port Orford cedar, now located at Vancouver Barracks, the Monarch Mill, Kenton, Or., and the Hammond Lumber Company mill, Warrenton, Or.

Low bids were submitted by the W. D. Pipe Company and the W. D. Du Bois Lumber Company, of Vancouver, Wash. These bids were \$7.95 and \$8.55 below the successful bidder's offer.

Final payment and delivery under the contract must be made by January 1, 1920.

The bid submitted was on the entire stock. It includes all pile foundations, strips and tops, and is covered by no guaranty by the Government with respect either to quality or quantity.

According to Capt. J. W. Pierce, spruce sales board, the price received was a good one for the Government.

Bids for the \$10,000,000 stock of machinery, automobiles and trucks owned by the division will be received up to 11 A. M. February 15.

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As to the third primary trunk road designed in the bill, the one trickling eastward across the state, there is a difference.

In the bill the road is picked up at the end of the pavement in Multnomah County, and carried through Hood River and to The Dalles, through Sherman County and Gilliam County by way of Arlington and the Columbia River to the confluence with the Umatilla River, thence up the Umatilla River through Hermiston, Stanfield, Echo and Pendleton, thence by such route as shall be determined to La Grande, Baker and the Idaho line.

Hard-surface Not Specified. This eastern end of the Columbia River Highway is to be constructed in such manner and of such material as the commission deems proper. Hard-surface is not specified. The commission has any way favored gravel for the upper reaches of this primary trunk road.

Opposition is already in evidence in the committee other than the routing of this primary road.

The disagreement enters after the road leaves The Dalles. One group wants the road to go to Bend, Burns and Vale, rather than the river and Pendleton route.

A little leeway is afforded the commission. It can make local changes in location when considered advisable.

Also, the commission can, in its wisdom, designate other primary trunk roads, but the commission shall not use any part of the funds for improvement of such trunk roads until completion of the trunk roads named in the act.

Full Publicity Proposed. Regarding contracts, the bill stipulates that all contracts shall be let in open and public session and no other bids or commissioners may bid on construction with the county the same as other contractors.

No money, stipulates the bill, appropriated under this act may be used to pay premiums or royalty on any patented or proprietary material, specification process or type of construction unless purchased or obtained in open, actual competitive bidding at same or at least cost than the unpatented article.

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There was no debate in either House. Use of the money is authorized for the relief of people in Europe and the near east outside Germany, German Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey, among those to receive the relief.

One of the amendments adopted requires that wheat used for relief shall be bought as far as practicable in America.

Soldiers' Dances Resumed. Soldiers, sailors and marines of the city will be the guests tonight at a dance to be given at the B-nal British Club quarters of the Portland War Camp Community service. While the influenza epidemic held away, these entertainments for the enlisted and discharged men were abandoned as a matter of aiding the campaign for its control. This is the first event of the kind as attempt is made to resume the programme of semi-weekly dances.

Wadsworth Praises Army. Wadsworth, of New York, recently returned from a trip to France, spoke in the Senate today in high praise of General Pershing and the American fighting machine and in criticism of deficiencies of supplies and equipment.

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