

SIGNING OF TREATY RENDERS PARIS WILD

Uproarious Celebration Follows Advent of Peace.

STREETS BEDLAM OF JOY

Scenes Enacted Along Great Boulevards When Great News Comes Are Simply Indescribable.

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PARIS, June 28.—(Special Cable.)—At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon the treaty of peace formally ending the great war was signed by Germany and the allies at Versailles, but news and furious battle broke out a few minutes later—the battle of Paris. In this everyone joined. It was one of those battles where the feminine population played a great role.

How is one to describe the wild scenes enacted in Paris tonight? How can one picture the enthusiastic cheering crowds which swayed back and forth along the great boulevards, while songs and shouts broke out from the far-away Latin quarter to Montmartre? Even the camera pictures would give but a faint idea of these manifestations when everyone was happy and relieved to know that the terrible suspense which has been hanging over the city for more than eight months was lifted.

Crowds Fill Thoroughfares.
The frolic started from the Place de la Concorde, opposite the American peace mission's residence at the Hotel Crillon, when, to the accompaniment of booming guns and the howling, inharmonious strains which so often during five years warned us of danger from airplanes, a crowd of young students pulled out one of the French trophies of war—a big German howitzer—and rolled it along the boulevard.

The signal thus given was rapidly heeded, and an hour later all traffic along the main Paris thoroughfares had to stop to make way for the joyful crowds. The celebrations were even more enthusiastic than those on armistice night, for peace had been signed and many doughboys have returned home.

Wilson Is Sought.
The latter were the center of all the fun, for their joyous spirits were only equalled by those of the Midinettes who had just left their daily round of work. Old Glory came into its own again with the Parisiennes when scores of them led a huge procession of frantically cheering and singing crowds.

One huge procession headed by the French tri-color made for the Hotel Crillon, where it was believed President Wilson was holding a meeting with his advisers. As the minutes passed by the crowd grew bigger, until the Place de la Concorde was one huge mass of humanity come to pay homage to the man who had helped to build up the treaty which the country had signed.

President Is Cheered.
As the president emerged from the Hotel Crillon the crowd broke in on him, cheering wildly. He had the greatest difficulty in reaching his car. Then the crowd marched up the boulevard, where the strains of "Madelon," the polka song, mingled with allied anthems and soldier marching songs.

Around the squares noisy orchestras were got together, around which danced happy couples, undisturbed by the clouds blowing around them. The government has organized a series of celebrations. All shops are closed and the workers will get a two or three days' holiday in which to celebrate the allied victory over a cowardly, unrepentant enemy.

"Is this right about the Germans signing?" a doughboy friend just asked me. "I said it was."

"Glorious," he yelled. "Maybe I can be home by Thanksgiving."

Just as that moment came began to boom far up along the Seine and from the American mission headquarters at the Hotel Crillon and from the ministry of marine across the water, a siren heads peered forth from open windows.

Midnettes Start Celebration.
It was 8:30 o'clock, the time the shops and dressmaking establishments begin closing and to pour their masses into the grand boulevards, Rue de la Paix, the Palace de L'Opera and other central thoroughfares. Instead of hurrying helter-skelter down into the subway to take the homeward-bound trains the throngs lingered on the sidewalks to give an excited ear to the guns booming in celebration of the advent of peace.

The midnettes, those effervescent hand maidens of Dame Fashion, with linked arms tripped merrily through the streets chanting the "Maeon" and the "Marseillaise." It is always they who "start something." In the line of joyous celebration the doughboys in the Paris of today are close seconds.

The crowd swathed the Strasbourg monument on Place de la Concorde in tricolor flags. Sirens screamed their hideous wail, which, with the barrage-like bursts of cannon, was reminiscent of an air raid rather than a welcome to peace. Carnival regained far into the night.

Crowds at Lille staged a celebration quite as enthusiastically. Houses were decorated and crowds of merry-makers thronged the streets. At Brest and Toulon the news was given to the people by the firing of guns by the naval craft in those harbors.

TOLEDO IS SET ALL AGOG

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fair, Ohio, are as arid as the Mojave desert. Here, where reminiscences of the old moist days linger like a faint, sweet, sad perfume, congregates those whom our English cousins in the front part of the past century were wont to denigrate as the "fancy." Former aspirants for championship honors who now are past the first flush of youth, but are still in the four-flush period of their careers, are to be met with upon all sides, every one of them goggling away like a house afire.

Heavyweights predominate; that is to say, most of them strike you as being heavyweights from the collar line down. Above that point they mainly are in the phantom class. With them goggling generally assumes the form of being exceedingly knowledgeable, touching on the relative chances of Messrs. Willard and Dempsey. Just after reaching town I heard of one such gentleman who was prepared to bet thousands against hundreds on Willard to win on points or with a clean knockout, or something. I could not get the exact terms of the wager proposed because shortly after outlining the conditions under which he would be willing to risk so goggly a sum he had gone off to try to borrow breakfast money from a stranger.

Billiard Tables Bed.
But the most goggerous spots of all are the hotels. I am told that already visiting firemen are sleeping on the billiard tables at 50 cents an hour. Pool tables are even more in demand be-

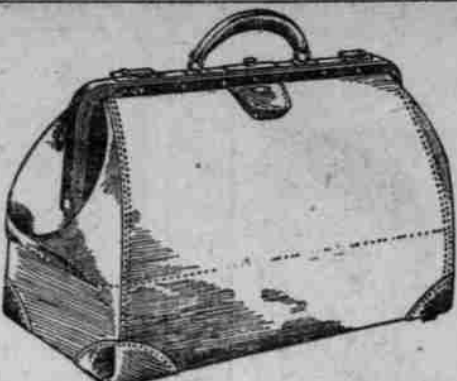
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The legion struck boldly at slackers and aliens who refuse to fight for the country of their adoption after enjoying its benefits. It also went on record as in favor of the passage of the Mondell soldier land settlement bill which advises from Washington now any is in jeopardy. The enemies of the act were condemned in no uncertain terms.

The first state commander of the legion, E. C. Boom of Moscow, is held in the highest esteem by the ex-soldiers. At the age of 47 he enlisted in the army as a volunteer and went to France with Company D, 18th railway engineers, U. S. A.

The constitution adopted by the league provides that the executive power shall be vested in the executive committee to be made up of one member from each of the 10 judicial districts in the state, the state commander and state adjutant; that the officers to be named by the legion shall be state commander, state adjutant and finance officer, state vice commander, state historian, state master at arms and state chaplain. But one of these officers is to be on a salary. That is the adjutant, who is to be paid \$2500 per annum.

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Thomas Fuller Arrested While Pressing Recovery Action.

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H. L. Stephenson, a commission merchant of 214 Front street, saw Fuller on the street, recognized him as a man who had given him a check for \$42 not many days ago, which was returned from the bank marked "no funds," and followed him to court. He

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