

ALEXANDER TAKES OATH OF OFFICE AS NEW KING OF GREECE

Second Son of Abdicated King Constantine Sworn In by Allied Powers.

NEW KING FAVORS ALLIES

Allied Governments Take Over Food Supplies and Will Oversee Feeding of Greek People.

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presumably will take over the reins of government at once, is known as a pro-ally.

Until Greece can reorganize her own affairs, France will aid in the administration of her internal problems, particularly that of furnishing the country with food. Greece has been under blockade by the allied fleets since last fall.

Constantine—"Tino" to the Kaiser, according to his famous Christmas message to Queen Sophia, sister to the German ruler—is no longer to be permitted to live in Greece according to the terms with which the allies demanded his abdication. He must remain in exile, and it was expected today that eventually he would go to Germany. Early departure of the king and queen on an allied warship is expected.

Unity Must Be Restored

First of the problems to be faced out of the change in rulers is the restoration of unity among the Greek people and of adequate measures to provide for complete revivification and distribution. French forces are already landed in Greece to aid in this work.

Secondly comes the future of former Premier Eleutherios Venizelos, now head of a Greek provisional (revolutionary) government established at Saloniki. Venizelos had received complete support of the Greek people since at the polls in his demand for Greece's "benevolent neutrality" toward the allies, but the king thwarted this expression of the popular will. Then Venizelos organized a government and pledged aid to the allies.

Need For Base of Operations

It is of vital importance to the allies that Greece, the back door of the Balkans, be kept open to them and closed to Germany and Germany's machinations. A cosmopolitan force of soldiers is fighting in Macedonia, and Saloniki, a Greek port, has long been held by the allies as a base of operations for this army. Included under General Sarrail, fighting Serbia's battles on the Macedonian front, are Serbs, Italians, French, British and Russians.

Venizelos' provisional government, located at Saloniki, has been tacitly recognized by all the allies. The new ruler, Prince Alexander, is said to be an ardent admirer of the former premier.

GREEK REPUBLIC IS EXPECTED TO FOLLOW ABDICATION OF KING

Washington, June 13.—(U. P.)—The abdication of King Constantine of Greece was regarded here today as the probable forerunner of a Greek republic, headed by Venizelos, Constantine's bitterest foe.

This step, however, will not be immediate. Instead, this government, following the lead of the allies, will recognize the new regime under Constantine's second son, Alexander.

For the moment, the abdication means that the allies are going to have fuller cooperation from Greece. The first evidence of this will come from allied control of the rich harvests of Thessaly, badly needed. These harvests will solve in large measure the problem of victualing the British forces in Macedonia.

In addition, the allied control will be such as to thwart any junction be-

PRO-GERMAN INTRIGUE BRINGS DOWNFALL OF GREEK ROYAL PAIR



King Constantine and Queen Sophia of Greece, who have abdicated throne in favor of their second son, Prince Alexandros. Queen Sophia is a sister of the Kaiser and she has been able to wield a strong pro-German influence in Athens, forcing a break between the king and former Premier Venizelos, the strongest figure in Greece. The pro-German activities of herself and her husband have, like those of the czar and czarina of Russia, finally cost them the throne.



between Greek troops and the Teutonic forces.

The idea of a Grecian republic has been fomented for some time, and the state department has had a request before it to recognize a Venizelist government. This has never received action, however, as this government wanted to act in full accord with the allies, even though its own inclinations would be to recognize a republic in Greece.

Whether it will be possible to actually use troops of Greece to aid the allies is problematical. In any event, the Greek situation is such now that the army cannot harass the British forces that might now be thrown northward to cut the Berlin-to-Bagdad pathway.

The present American minister at Athens will be retained, and this will constitute all the recognition of the new government necessary.

The allies, apparently, took their steps without consulting this government, though, from state department indications, it was entirely satisfactory. Its investigation of Venizelos' power recently showed that it would be inadvisable to attempt now to recognize Venizelos.

Change Without Disturbances

Athens, June 13.—(U. P.)—Greece's change in kings has been effected with a minimum wrench to the nation. A few agitators last night made fiery speeches in the streets, but otherwise there was no disorder. King Constantine's formal abdication in favor of his second son, Prince Alexander, appeared to meet with general approval of his countrymen.

Conditions in Greece have been increasingly grave during the last few weeks. The nation has been suffering greatly for months on account of the allied blockade and increasing strength has been shown by the Venizelist provisional government due to Constantine's policies and his tenacious pro-Germanism, in the face of an overwhelming pro-ally sentiment among his people.

FRENCH GREET PERSHING WITH SHOUTS OF JOY

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tears, welcomed to French soil today the commander-in-chief of the army which America is to send to join France in making the world safe for democracy.

The tall, soldierly appearing figure of Major General John J. Pershing, garbed in the business-like khaki of the American army, was acclaimed as France has seldom acclaimed another in all her history. Frenzied crowds packed the streets to shout their joy and wave the Tricolor of France with the same three colors as the Star Spangled Banner.

Unsuccessful Trip From England Pershing arrived at 9:40 o'clock this morning. He had made a quick and uneventful trip over from England. France has been waiting eagerly for him to step on her soil. The tremendous reception accorded here to the commander of the American army will be but a marker to that which Paris is preparing for 5 o'clock this afternoon, when Pershing and his staff arrive at the Gare du Nord.

Pershing was deeply moved by the greeting he received. "I consider this one of the most important moments in American history," he said. "Our arrival on French soil, constituting, as we do, the advance of an American army, will realize to the fullest the importance of America's participation."

Special Train to Paris

"Our reception has moved us most deeply. I can only reaffirm that America has entered the war with the intention of performing her full share, however great or small the future will dictate. Our allies can depend on that absolutely."

French government officials formally welcomed Pershing and his staff in the name of the nation, and the Americans were taken to a special train en route for Paris.

While Pershing and the commissioned officers of his staff disembarked and were immediately taken away in automobiles, non-commissioned officers and privates, orderlies and attaches to the American general's entourage, swarmed off the vessel and mixed joyously with the crowd at the railway station.

British Tommies Extend Welcome

There were British Tommies there to welcome their new brothers in arms, and French poilus as well. Hundreds of handshakings and embraces marked the meeting of these representatives of three great armies now pledged to a common purpose.

The crowd thrilled at the spectacle of the khaki and blue of groups of three as they marched arm in arm. The Americans were trying out their French or swapping slang with the Tommies and the poilus were proudly exhibiting their English words in return, while the Britishers tried to compress into a few minutes' conversation, some of the fighting lore they had learned at the front. It was hard work for the American non-commissioned officers to leave their new-found friends and board the train.

The British Tommies were part of those aboard several British troop ships discharging their passengers at the time the Americans arrived.

Boulogne Harbor Alive

Boulogne harbor was alive early in the morning, awaiting the arrival of the American general and his staff. The first notice that the ship was finally arriving came with the roar of salutes from French patrolboats in the outer harbor. Then the British troop ships hastily shifted their anchorage to allow the boat to dock at the principal wharf. A huge American flag was hung to the breeze from the topmost part of the landing stage, while on the dock itself a brilliant, colorful assembly awaited, cheering so that their welcome must have been heard far out over the waters as the boat slowly nosed her way between the whistle-shrieking and gun-barking craft in between.

On the dock were British, French and Belgian officers, formally drawn up in rigid salute as General Pershing first put his foot on French soil and gave evidence in the flesh of America's determination to fight.

René Besnard, under secretary of

war, was the governmental representative at this notable scene. He arrived from Paris barely in time to scurry to the dock and shake hands with the American commander as he stepped ashore.

A small French boy, who edged forward in the crowds that greeted the American general, was noticed by Pershing. He wanted something, and Pershing wanted to know what it was. He came forward and shyly shook hands with the big, smiling American, and then asked him to sign an autograph album, proudly displaying the signatures which he had already obtained in it from Marshal Joffre and Field Marshal Haig. General Pershing stopped right there and signed the book.

At Paris, it was announced today, Pershing will make his headquarters in the Hotel Crillon until he selects staff headquarters at the French front.

Pershing evidently left London late last night, being washed bon voyage at a state dinner at Lancaster house, at which Premier Lloyd George presided.

The American commander-in-chief of the expeditionary force arrived in England June 8 and has been busy every moment of the time since then conferring with British war office leaders. Some of his staff preceded him to France, arriving yesterday.

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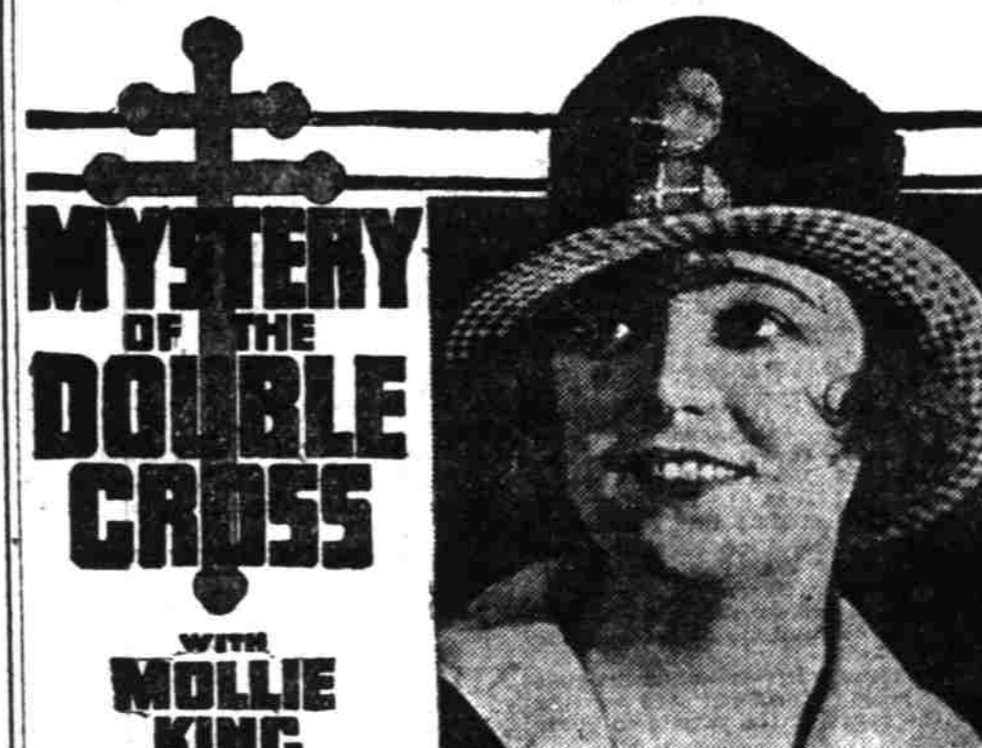
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Restoration of a Real Constitutional Government and Harmony Are Sought.

ROYALISTS TO BE EXILED

Allies' Course Regarded as Step in Meeting Desires of United States and Russia Regarding Democracy.

London, June 13.—(U. P.)—The allies' military occupation of Greece is only temporary, until a real constitutional government can be restored there and all elements harmonized. Emphasis was laid on this fact here today, with the suggestion Greece could be expected to play her proper part in the war.

So far as indicated here, the further steps at restoration of popular government in Greece will include exile of all of the former king's military staff, royalists who joined with Constantine in thwarting the will of the Greek people. It was remarked today that unless these steps were taken it would simply be because of "a tyrant removed, but no tyranny."

Officials and the public alike regarded the allies' course toward Constantine as a further step in meeting the desires of the United States and Russia for a further indication of democratization of the world.

Military experts also hailed the action with relief, because with Constantine and his Germanophile schemes forever banned, a dangerous situation to the allies' armies in Macedonia and Saloniki has been remedied.

The general impression here was that the allies' action had been taken without consultation with Italy, which, however, previously approved such a course. Italy's recent moves in proclaiming independence of Albania and assuming control of Epirus, were probably taken to assure her interests.

The Greek legation in London—which has a personnel exclusively of Venizelist supporters, was jubilant today, expecting the restoration of Venizelos to his former power.

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