

## LILLE CELEBRATES RELEASE AND THE COMING OF TRAINS

Great Joy Manifested When First  
Trains From Paris in Four  
Years Reach Beleaguered City.

### AMERICAN FOOD SAVES LIVES

Supplies From U. S., With Few  
Vegetables, Keep Inhabitants  
From Starving.

By John T. Parkerson  
With the British Army on the Western Front, Oct. 29—(Delayed.)—(I. N. S.)—Except for the assistance of the American food commission, thousands of persons in Belgium and Northern France would have died of starvation, according to Charles Beaumont, director of the commission at Roubaix.

The American food itself was insufficient, but with the vegetables that the Germans did not requisition, the people were enabled to live. The Germans did not concern themselves with the conditions of the people, but deprived them of every means of livelihood by wrecking all of the factories.

M. Beaumont said that the Germans did not allow food to be transported on the railways except in extremely rare cases.

Populace Cheers Trains  
The commission had to depend almost entirely upon the canals. Just before the evacuation the Germans turned back canal boats laden with civilians' food.

One of the most striking features of the British occupation of Northern France was the speed with which the royal engineers built up the railway lines. The first train arrived at Lille on Friday, coming by the way of Arras. It was hailed as a great event by the population. When the "Paris Express" arrived thousands

crowded around and cheered the train as if it was the first time they had ever seen one. The hotels and restaurants of Lille and Roubaix were filled with people eating horse meat, which sold at prohibitive prices.

At night only candle lights could be used. The beds were without sheets and the city water supply had been cut off. As a result there were numerous cases of sickness.

Women Fight for Horse Meat  
Further north the Germans were gassing and shooting towns and the roads leading to Tulle were crowded with civilians fleeing in terror and carrying such of their effects as they could.

Women and children fought with one another in the streets of Denain for chance to cut off meat from the bodies of horses and mules as they were killed by artillery of the retreating Germans.

The 27,000 civilian survivors were found living in caves and without food. While guns were roaring and shells were bursting nearby the town of Denain was the scene of one of the most impressive ceremonies of the war.

The central figure was the prince of Wales, and he was accompanied by General Currie of the Canadian army. The streets were decked with flags. Canadian Guard of Honor

Troops of the fourth Canadian division from Quebec, which had driven off the Germans, acted as a guard of honor. The streets were lined with people. Little girls in Alsatian costumes showered the soldiers with flowers.

### EVENTS OF BIG IMPORT NOW PENDING

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from the boughs and lay in puddles under the leaden skies.

A few idlers, correspondents and photographers gathered to note the arrivals.

Differences Ironed Out  
By John Edwin Nevins  
Washington, Oct. 31.—(I. N. S.)—Wide differences of international opinion are being reconciled through informal conferences in Paris. While an early agreement is considered certain in official quarters here, it was admitted that up to the present they have prevented any meeting of the supreme war council.

It is emphasized, however, that there are no irreconcilable difficulties presenting themselves and that a united diplomatic front is certain. The delay due

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## "Jigger de Cop" Tonight, Warning To Halloweeners

Halloweeners, beware of the "cops" tonight.

They will be thick as bees all over the city, for every officer in the police department has been ordered to report for extra duty, both on the uniformed and plain clothes squads.

The chief has instructed the police as follows:

"All officers are to be on the outlook for the younger element and are to see that there is no placing of soap, grease or any other obstruction on car tracks or streets and that they do not deface or molest any property, private or public, in any manner, shape or form."

The officers have also been given orders strictly to enforce the curfew law, which means that all under 18 years of age must be home by 8 o'clock. All officers on the traffic squad have been ordered to report to the police station, where they will be kept as an emergency squad.

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Countess of Kingston Asks Those  
of Irish Descent for \$4000  
for Portland Villa.

The Countess of Kingston, president of the Shamrock fund, which is being raised to aid disabled Irish soldiers and sailors, is a visitor in Portland and is already busy with plans for forming committees among the people of Irish descent to carry on the work of raising a fund of \$4000 for the establishment of a villa to be known as Portland villa, where 10 disabled men will be housed and trained in some useful occupation.

From the first days of the war, the countess has devoted her every moment to war work, first assisting in civilian relief and later taking the head of this work for rehabilitating soldiers. Thousands have already been sent home unfit for further military duty.

These men are being instructed in basket making, carpentry, gardening, shorthand and typewriting, bookkeeping, electrical work, motor mechanics, etc. The ministry of pensions pays the fees of the cost of training and also allowances to such men and their families as are entitled to them. Various cities of the United States will raise funds for the erection of villas. Butte, Spokane and Boise having already promised funds, each of which will be named for the city sending the funds.

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