

BRITISH SOLDIERS TAKE ARMISTICE NEWS STOICALLY

"Very Good, Sir; Thank You, Sir," Says Tommy When Told Germans Give Up the Fight.

FRENCH OFFICER IS CALM

Civilians at Ath Show Only Signs of Dramatic Emotion; Germans Make Quick Get-Away.

By Lowell Mellett
At the Allied Front, Nov. 11.—(U. P.)—(Night)—The arrival of peace at the front was not like anything you have imagined.

There was practically no contact with the enemy, and the last real fighting took place at Ath, early this morning.

This afternoon I traveled through Ath and eight miles beyond the British lines without finding a single German. Orders forbidding communication with the enemy were superfluous.

The enthusiasm with which the troops might be expected to receive the great news was absent. The news was communicated by airplanes, dispatch riders and word of mouth. The men continued working on the roads and cleaning their guns. The first man to whom I broke the news was a sergeant.

"Very Good," Says Tommy
"Very good, sir," he said. "There was a pause, then: 'Thank you for that, sir,' another pause, then finally waving up, 'It's best news in the world, sir.'"

A French officer told of the armistice terms, replied, "Merci."
The response of a Portuguese machine gunner was equivalent to a polite "thanks."

The only incident which filled the proper dramatic requirements was supplied by an aged woman in the village of Bourinbrat on the Brussels road. She stared, unbelieving at first, then begged pardon and plumped on her knees beside the road.

After praying for a moment, she arose and with her tear-stained face quivering with emotion, stammered the explanation, "My son."

A general reviewing a brigade of Lancashire men, announced the news and asked for three cheers for the king. All lifted their tin hats on their bayonets and shouted to the top of their voices.

Civilians Shout Enthusiasm
With men and material moving up normally to the front, it was easy to understand the average Tommy's "I've heard that stuff before."

A great string of ambulances was continuously passing with the victims of the early morning battle.

When airplanes dropped the news in packets wrapped with ribbons, the attitude of the men could scarcely be called enthusiastic. There were a few smiles, some chaffing, but no cheers.

Ath was evacuated by the enemy at 5:10 this morning. Civilians paraded through the streets where German guns blazed only last night. They danced around the last German prisoners taken by the Tommies. The civilians seemed to be trying to make up for the soldiers' lack of excitement.

Hoping to catch sight of the German lines, I pushed on, passing throngs of people going to their homes, but there were no Germans. Soon the roads became so thick that I was compelled to return without a sight of the enemy.

HELP FOR GERMANY IS PROMISED BY PRESIDENT

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today, transmitting to the president the text of a cable inquiring whether this government is ready to send foodstuffs into Germany without delay if public order is maintained in Germany and an equitable distribution of food is guaranteed.

"I should be grateful if you would transmit the following reply to the German government:
Words to Congress Quoted
"At a joint session of the two houses of congress on November 11 the president of the United States announced that the representatives of the associated governments in the supreme war council at Versailles

have by unanimous resolution assured the peoples of the central empires that everything that is possible in the circumstances will be done to supply them with food and relieve the distressing want that is in so many places threatening their very lives; and that steps are to be taken immediately to organize these efforts at relief in the same systematic manner that they were organized in the case of Belgium. Furthermore, the president expressed the opinion that by the use of the idle tonnage of the central empires it ought presently to be possible to lift the fear of utter misery from their oppressed populations and set their minds and energies free for the great and hazardous tasks of political construction which now face them on every hand.

Reservations Is Requested
"Accordingly the president now directs me to state that he is ready to consider favorably the supplying of foodstuffs to Germany and to take up the matter immediately with the allied governments provided he can be assured that public order is being and will continue to be maintained in Germany, and that an equitable distribution of food can be clearly guaranteed."

Accept, sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.
ROBERT LANSING,
Mr. Hans Sulzer, Minister of German Interests in the United States.

Note Sent by Secretary
The note to which Secretary Lansing replied was as follows:
From the minister of Switzerland to the secretary of state.
Department of German Interests, legation of Switzerland.

Washington, Nov. 12, 1918.
Sir—By direction of my government I have the honor to transmit the following cable:
"The German government urgently requests the president of the United States to inform the German chancellor, Ebert, by wireless, whether he may be assured that the government of the United States is ready to send foodstuffs without delay if public order is maintained in Germany and an equitable distribution of food is guaranteed."

Accept, sir, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.
(Signed), HANS SULZER,
Minister of Switzerland.

Big Sum for Food Asked
London, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—Chancellor Bonar Law, moving a credit of 700,000,000 pounds sterling (\$3,500,000,000) in the house of commons Tuesday, stated that, although military expenses would be reduced, the allies probably will be compelled to bring food to Europe.

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National Holiday in Honor of End of the War Is Proposed

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No Government to Negotiate
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The fabric of government was not destroyed; there was merely a change in the sovereign, the executive.

But in the case of Germany we have something approaching a genuine revolution already, and there is good reason to believe that the disorder may extend in the following weeks. In any event no government can be more than provisional, until there has been a German election, a submission to the new order of the people. With any other government the allies must hesitate to do business; lest it be repudiated later by the people. But an election can hardly come before demobilization, before evacuation of the regions to be occupied by the allies, least of all can it come before the German chaos has settled into some form of order.

We may then conclude that any real peace conference in the present year is out of the question. We may suspect that any gathering early next year is unlikely, given heed to the existing situation of chaos not merely in Germany but in Austria and in Turkey. Peace can only be made with governments and for the moment there is no government in Austria or Germany and no handy substitute such as Louis XVIII constituted in 1814. Nor is this the sole difficulty. We are not merely dealing with Germany in making the new peace but we have to reconstruct the maps of Europe, Asia and Africa and reorder the relations between the nations of the world. We have to create new countries and we have to rewrite the international law governing countries in their dealings hereafter. In a word, we have to free the smaller peoples and to construct a league of nations.

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Czecho-Slovakia in Tumult
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