

Victorious Generals Arrive At Dover.

Reception of Haig Surpasses Any of its Kind--Beatty Addresses United States Sailors on Their Own Ship.

9.00 A. M.

NEWFOUNDLAND NOT REPRESENTED.

LONDON, Dec. 18. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—An important conference of the War Cabinet, and representatives of the Dominions and India, was held at 10 Downing Street to-day. It is understood that various matters, likely to arise at the Peace Conference, were discussed. Premier Lloyd George presided. These present included Chancellor Bonar Law, Lord Curzon, Austin Chamberlain, General Sir Louis Botha, Lieut. General Smuts, Sir Joseph Cook, Sir Robert Borden, the Maharajah of Bikanir, and Sir S. P. Singh.

THREE PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

MELBOURNE, Aus., Dec. 18th. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—It has been decided that the Peace celebrations of the Commonwealth shall include three public holidays. The Imperial Government is being asked to arrange that a fleet, consisting of British, Allied and captured warships, shall visit Australia and participate in the celebrations.

SOME PROBLEMS.

LONDON, Dec. 18th. The vastness and complicated nature of problems confronting the Peace Conference are indicated by an article which the London Times publishes from its former Berlin correspondent, on the future of Germany in relation to Europe, and the principles of nationality which constitute one of the unnumbered difficult subjects which must be dealt with. The correspondent says that Germany must face the complete demolition of the Bismarckian and post Bismarckian system. Germany's hold on Luxembourg has been shattered and must be renounced. Besides Alsace-Lorraine, Prussia may have to surrender the Saar coal fields. Holstein, Lauenburg and German Schleswig may remain a part of the German state, but North-Schleswig may be restored to Denmark. Prussian Poland on the other hand presents acute difficulties of mixed nationalities. To liberate these and a half million Poles, it would be necessary to transfer a million Germans to Poland. This, says the correspondent, is one of the arduous problems which the application of the doctrine of nationality offers. What is to be done with minorities who most bitterly hate majorities? There are few more anxious questions than this. The correspondent dwells on the danger to Europe which anarchy in Russia presents, saying this may mark the great twentieth century menace.

POLICE STRIKE UNSETTLED.

TORONTO, Dec. 18. Toronto policemen, who, to the number of 300 or more, went out on strike at 6.45 this morning, to enforce recognition of their demands, have made police commissions here reinstate twelve policemen, who are officers of the union, whom the commissioners unanimously reinstated yesterday, are still out. There is a possibility that a settlement may be arranged before midnight. However, as the men are now on a strike considering a proposition made by Provincial Attorney General Hon. I. B. Lucas, he suggested to the committee of strikers who met at 11 p.m. this afternoon, that they all return to work, including the men dismissed, and that the question of whether they should retain membership or organization affiliated with the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, be submitted to a high court judge, they to

abide by the findings of the judge. It is not known, however, whether this will be satisfactory to the commissioners, as they have not been consulted.

KING RECEIVES AMBASSADOR.

LONDON, Dec. 18. John W. Davis, the new American Ambassador to Great Britain, to-day presented his credentials to King George at Buckingham Palace. Mr. Davis was accompanied to the Palace by Naval Attaché Locklin, and Military Attaché Wright, and the two First Secretaries of the Embassy. The Ambassador and his staff drove from the Embassy to the Palace in royal carriages, sent by King George. The Ambassador was attended by Sir Arthur Walsh, Master of Ceremonies to the King. A large crowd, which had assembled outside the Ambassador's residence, enthusiastically cheered him as he passed. Mr. Davis, at the Palace, Arthur J. Balfour, Foreign Secretary, introduced Mr. Davis and the members of his suite to King George, who cordially received them. The audience lasted half an hour, when the Americans were driven back to Mr. Davis' residence in the Royal carriages.

AMERICANS OCCUPY THE GERMAN GIBRALTAR.

COBLENZ, Dec. 17. The German fortress of Ehrenbreitstein, often called the Gibraltar of the Rhine, just across the river from Coblenz, is being prepared for occupation by the American troops. Until Dec. 8, the day after the American advance guards arrived in Coblenz, the fortress was occupied by several regiments of Germans. Since then the fortress has been cleaned through-out by German soldiers, assisted by scores of women. The fortress and the grounds occupy more than one hundred acres of a rocky promontory, which is 400 feet above the river.

BEATTY ON U.S.S. NEW YORK.

LONDON, Dec. 18. The American battleship squadron attached to the British Grand Fleet, displayed a spirit of true comradeship throughout its period of service, declared Admiral Sir David Beatty, the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Fleet, in a farewell address on board the United States battleship New York on Dec. 1, the day the squadron was detached from the Grand Fleet. All hands had been called to muster on the forecastle to hear Admiral Beatty. After thanking the American officers and men for their co-operation, Sir David remarked that both the British and the Americans were disappointed at not having been able to meet the German fleet.

VICTORY CELEBRATION.

LONDON, Dec. 18. (C. A. P.)—An official celebration of the victory of the British army in 1918, the Times says. The authorities are considering the details of a scheme, enabling the public to witness a military procession representing every unit which served in the field. All arms will have a place in the parade, and the public will witness a military procession, with Sir Douglas Haig riding at the head, followed by the army commanders, Dominion and Colonial troops, with bands playing and flags flying, will also participate.

NOON.

PARISIAN CASUALTIES.

PARIS, Dec. 18. Figures are now made public, for the first time, regarding the number of persons killed during German air

raids, and by long range cannon. These statistics relate to the city of Paris only, and not to the suburbs. In 1914 forty-five bombs were dropped. In 1915 seventy bombs, sixty-two of them on March 20, fell on the city. In 1916 the enemy employed sixty-one bombs against Paris, and in 1917 eleven. During the last ten months of the war there were 1,311 casualties from 395 bombs, airplanes and Zeppelins dropped 223 bombs on August 6, killing two persons and injuring 392. The long range cannon fired 168 shells into Paris, killing 196 and injuring 417. On last Good Friday more than one hundred persons were killed.

EBERT HAS RESIGNED.

PARIS, Dec. 19. The German Government, headed by Frederick Ebert, has resigned as a result of events on Tuesday, according to a despatch received in Zurich from Stuttgart, says the Journal's correspondent there. The Central Congress of the delegates from Soldiers' and Workers' Councils met at Berlin on Monday. The first session resulted in disorderly scenes, in which there were many personal encounters. Tuesday turbulent scenes continued.

DOVER EN FETE.

LONDON, Dec. 19. London hung out its flags, and the old seaport of Dover hung its gates wide open to-day to greet Field Marshal Haig and the Commanders of the five British Armies, which fought in Belgium and France, Generals Plumer, Rawlinson, Birdwood, Byng, and Horne. It was merely an informal welcome on the part of London, but Dover made of it a great celebration. The real celebration in London comes later, late in January or early in February. The Field Marshal will then, according to the time-honored precedents, be raised to a high rank in the Peerage, and given a money grant by Parliament for his service to the nation. The welcome given the coming Generals to-day was similar to that given Marshal Foch and Premier Orlando of Italy a little over a week ago, but there was less display. Premier Lloyd George, the Duke of Connaught, members of the Cabinet, Generals and lesser functionaries from the War Office, made up the receiving party. At Charing Cross Station, after the first greetings, the dignitaries proceeded to the principal streets to Buckingham Palace, where King George entertained Field Marshal Haig at luncheon. All business places at Dover were closed and a holiday was declared. Admiral Keyes, Commander of the port, and the naval and military officers of the city, the Mayor, members of the Dover City Council and Lord Beauchamp, Viscount of the Channel ports, received the returning Commanders in the Marine Station, which was swathed in bunting and decorated with mottoes.

PARIS GREET'S ITALY'S KING.

PARIS, Dec. 19. King Victor Emmanuel, of Italy, will arrive here to-day. The city is hung with flags and a general holiday has been declared. The newspapers hail the King as a man of honor, who has been a real leader in his country, both on and off the battlefield.

REPATRIATED.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 19. Casualties: Prisoner repatriated, J. Payton, St. John's, Nfld.

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POLICE COURT.—A sailor from the S. S. Adolph was fined \$100 for selling whiskey; another prohibition case was postponed; an assault case dismissed.

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NEW QUARTERS.—It is reported that the soldiers quartered here will remove into their winter residence to-morrow. We have lots of money these days, but there is a considerable in our expenditure, and that is that the maintenance of a Barracks during the winter will enable some to get the "necessaries of life" without very stringent working.

Just arrived, these Cigarette Cases were waiting for. They were certainly worth the wait. Call and have us show them. R. H. TRAPNELL, LTD.—dec19,21

School for Soldiers.

It is asserted upon authority, that a school will be opened some time in January, for the benefit of the soldiers. When this school will open or where it will be held, for how many soldiers will attend the school, it is impossible at this juncture to state, as all the plans have not yet been finalized. This school should be hailed with welcome by the soldiers themselves, and by all interested in education, and especially in the welfare of the soldiers. May we not express the hope that this school will shortly be started, and we feel confident that much good will come out of it. May it not pave the way for the adoption of a teachers' training college in our midst.

S. S. Corsican.

In an interview with the Minister of Militia this morning, he said that no news had been received of the Corsican since her sailing from London on the 12th inst. It is hardly at the place, and an address to her before to-morrow evening or possibly Saturday, but of course weather conditions will determine her arrival. In reference to the reception to be accorded the returning heroes the Minister said, that outside of the Regiment and bands, etc., meeting the boys at the pier, and an address to them by his Excellency the Governor, no demonstrations would be held for the returning veterans. He added, however, that the boys of St. John's about 60 in number would be allowed to go to their homes, but the outport boys would be billeted at the Seamen's Institute fitted up for that purpose.

Steamship Service.

It has been arranged between the Government and the Reid Newfoundland Company that the Bay steamers shall ply on their regular routes this season, as long as weather and ice conditions permit.

Reids Boats.

Argyle left Burin at 6 a.m. yesterday. Clyde left Lewisporte at 5.50 p.m. yesterday. Dundee left Lewisporte at 4.30 p.m. yesterday. Elsie at Humbermouth. Glenoe left Port aux Basques at 5.10 a.m. Kyle not reported. Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 9 a.m. Eagle at North Sydney. Sagana left St. John's yesterday for North Sydney. Petrel and Pogota not reported.

Shipping News.

The S. S. Eagle is due here this afternoon from Halifax. The S. S. Adolph will probably finish discharging at Harvey's on Saturday.

Train Notes.

Yesterday's west bound express arrived at Port aux Basques at 3.45 p.m. Yesterday's west bound express left Norris' Arm at 9 a.m. Yesterday's east bound express left Gaff Topsail at 6.40 a.m.

Just received, Holly and Laurel at BISHOP, SONS & CO., LTD. Phone 679.—d19,21

OPORTO STOCKS.—Stocks (Nfld.), this week, 21,385; last week, 37,070. Consumption, this week, 7,575; last week, 9,282. Outside—Theresa, Marjorie, Winifred, Clintonia, Lillian, and Associate. Lost on Coast Success. Probable Loss—Margaret Moulton. Sent to Lisbon—Mauda.

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Pocket Knives.

Metal Handle \$2.40 a doz. 1 Blade Pocket Knives, \$1.50, \$2.10, \$2.50 and \$3.00 doz. We have 100 doz. in stock.

Gimlets.

20 doz. assorted Gimlets, \$1.00 doz.

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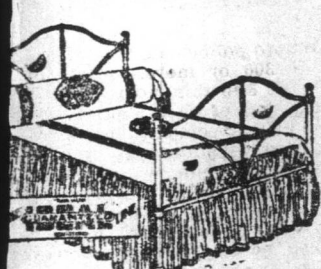
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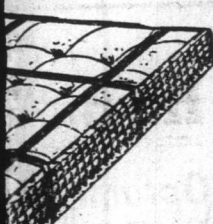
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