

METZ ENTERED BY FRENCH TROOPS AFTER AN ABSENCE OF 47 YEARS.

Liberators Greeted with Great Enthusiasm by People Who Are Now Free from the Heel of the Hun Oppressors.

Metz, Nov. 20. From early in the morning all the roads leading to Metz, were crowded with Lorrainers on their way to the city to raise their voices there for Marshal Petain and for France. People unaccustomed to any tongue other than the German for years began many days ago brushing up their knowledge of French in preparation for this occasion, and although the majority of the population undoubtedly has a perfect acquaintance with no other tongue than the German, little of that language was heard in the streets today.

Other things German had disappeared over night, including the statues of the German rulers, which had been hauled down by the citizens. William I. had toppled over from the horse of his equestrian monument, while Frederick III., who for many long years had pointed a menacing finger at France from the pedestal upon which he stood, had come down with a rope around his neck. Forming Emperor William II. was still left to figure grotesquely as a statue on facade of the Cathedral. His hands had been chained during the night and into them had been put a band with this inscription: "Sic transit gloria mundi."

On the other hand flags were flying from the statues of French heroes still standing in Metz.

Marshal Petain Given Grand Reception.

These preparations were made last night after the departure of the Germans and today every inhabitant of the city with the exception of those of German origin, was out early in readiness to receive Marshal Petain. The Marshal made his triumphal entry together with a staff of Allied officers at the head of the famous Iron Division, the 39th. Division of the 20th Army Corps. Following was a long procession of Lorraine societies and other groups, including a great number of girls in the national costume of Lorraine. This procession met the Marshal at the Port De France and conducted him in triumph to the Esplanade where, surrounded by a remarkable group of generals and other high officers he reviewed troops that had earned the honor of contribution to the victories of the Allies on almost every battlefield of France.

The day was one of notable enthusiasm throughout, which dusk failed to diminish. Bands with torches appeared as soon as the light began to fade and jubilant processions continued gaily to circulate through the fortress there was a brilliant display of fireworks, which brightly lighted the sky, signal fuses and star shells serving as sky-rockets.

Germans Who Remained Gazed at Display With Gloom on Faces.

It would be untrue to say that all Metz was gay today. A considerable number of Germans still remain here. Some of these tried to put a good countenance on the situation and join in the throngs out of doors, but their gloomy faces were mostly seen from open windows, peering out with curiosity mingled with interest. Those Germans that were met within the crowds were treated with a consideration that prevented incidents.

While the crowds were waiting the arrival of the Marshal, the citizens gave free voice to their sentiments in their newly-recovered freedom and practiced their newly-acquired French in vociferous acclamation of the French army and the Allies. Signaling the approach of the Marshal and his accompanying cavalcade air-planes began flying over the town about one o'clock and the air was soon full of miniature tricolor flags which the airmen dropped.

Bells Pealed Forth Welcome to Liberators.

A little later the cannon of the forts round about the city, which had just been taken over by the French artillery began firing a salute of three hundred rounds. The famous cathedral bell, the motto on which reads "I announce justice," gave the signal for the other bells in the city to peal forth a welcome to "our liberators", as the people of Metz, with one accord call the French and the Allied armies today.

When Marshal Petain appeared on the Esplanade mounted on a fine white charger and followed by the entire general staff with American and British officers attached, a shout went up that drowned the whirr of the dozen or more airplanes flying overhead, and the crowd surged forward, breaking the line of guards in places, to get a glimpse of the victorious commander of the French armies.

Still mounted, Marshal Petain, surrounded by a most brilliant group of generals and superior officers, took up his position in front of the statue of Marshal Ney to review the troops comprising the 39th. Division of infantry with its artillery under General Pougny; a detachment of the First Corps of cavalry under General Feraud; other mounted troops under General De Boissieu; two escorting squadrons from the First Moroccan Division and a detachment of tanks.

Statues of French Heroes Decorated.

The people of Metz, the majority being Roman Catholics, know Latin if they are not strong on French. They crowded around the Cathedral all morning to witness the transformation of the statues. Meanwhile the statues of the French heroes Ney and Fabert. (Abraham De Fabert, Marshal of France in 1658) were decorated with flowers and bunting. French military engravings appeared as if by magic in the windows of art store, and an oil painting of Napoleon was hung out from a conspicuous window, where it would be in full view of the incoming heroes.

Preparations for the redeption of Marshal Petain were made Sunday evening at the first public meeting in forty-eight years at which the people of Lorraine could meet freely and converse in French without running the risk of being sent to prison. All classes of citizens participated including newly returned exiles and excluding only that element of the population descending from immigrants. All were out early this morning in long processions along the line of entry of the French troops, which were approaching the town in three columns along the Moselle to unite at Montigny.

GOING TO VLADIVOSTOK.

Lieut. Commander Ivan Berg of the Russian Navy, who had been in England for three years, arrived in New York a few days ago from Liverpool on the Balmoral Castle, on his way to the Vladivostok, to report there to Admiral Kolchak.

A number of British sailors on their way to Vladivostok also arrived on the liner.

Paris Dec. 5.—a Terrorist Revolution under the leadership of Dr. Liebknecht the Radical Socialist, will break out in Berlin Friday evening. Liebknecht the reports say has 15,000 men well armed. The population of Berlin according to reports is at the mercy of gangs of maulers and there to be no authority.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harrison Antigonish were guests at the Stanley on the 5th. Mr. Harrison has been manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce in Antigonish for years but has been transferred to some part of Western Canada.

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SOME YOUNG OLD BOYS.

New York Times: Theodore Roosevelt, celebrated his 60th birthday October 27. Strong, youthful, full of energy. The people are glad of it. They will still need the excitement and heroism after the war, and Colonel Roosevelt is a hero 365 days in the year. The sad thing is that to find a man powerful and aggressive 60 amazes us.

Colonel Roosevelt is seven years younger than Foch, leading the fighters of the world.

He is twenty years younger than Gladstone was when he did his best fighting, and 30 years younger than Pope Leo when he was managing the affairs of a great organization, attending to business every day and writing verse in Latin.

Clemenceau, the fighting tiger of France is 20 years older than Roosevelt.

British statesmen are not considered really seasoned for important work until they reach the age of 60. Americans are considered ready for the graveyard at about 58. That ought to be changed. The war has taught us that victory is won by brain not mere muscles, and that the brain continues to grow in power years after the muscles decline.

YOUNG TURKS TILL FIGHTING IN SYMNA.

Athens, Dec. 17. The situation in Symna is extremely critical. Young Turks officials have posted armed guards at various places about the town and these have been bombarded by the Allied fleets.

HUN PRINCES STILL DRAWING THEIR PAY.

Copenhagen, Dec. 12. The German Imperial revenues for December, it is reported from Berlin, have been paid to all the former Royal personages residing in Germany who are entitled to them. The former German Emperor has authorized Eitel Frederick, his second son, to represent him in all matters concerning the former Imperial house.

C. N. R. EMPLOYEES IN WEST MAY STRIKE.

Winnipeg, Dec. 17. Returns on a strike vote taken by Canadian Northern Railway union members on western lines will show a large majority in favor of a walk out, as a protest against the Company's proposal to deduct fees to pay for medical services.

RAVAGES BY "FLU" IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 18. The State Health Dept. announced today that in the neighborhood of 45,000 orphans were created during the recent influenza epidemic; and that the death toll still being taken in certain portions of State is daily adding to the list. Reports of new outbreaks of the disease were received yesterday by the Department from several countries.

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TAILORS OF T OLEY STREET IN SESSION IN NEW YORK AB-SURD CABLE SENT TO PEACE CONFERENCE.

New York, Dec. 15. A demand that any agreement reached by the Peace Conference, affecting any nationality be submitted to a plebiscite of that nationality for approval or rejection, was contained in a cablegram sent to President Wilson in Paris, tonight by the second annual congress of the league of small and subject nationalities.

While the cablegram was addressed to President Wilson, it was said copies of it would be sent to the Premiers of England, France and Italy. Delegates at the convention included representatives from Albania, Assyria, Greece, India, Ireland, Korea, Lettonia, Lithuania, Poland, Scotland, Ukraine, and the Transvaal.

GERMANY'S WHITE BOOK WITH DOCUMENTS ON ORIGIN OF WAR IN PRESS.

Paris, Dec. 17. Germany's White Book, which will contain official documents bearing on the origin of the war, will be ready for the printer in about three weeks. Reports that the notes exchanged before the ultimatum of July 1914, was sent to Serbia by Austria will be printed in the first volume. Among the more important documents to be published will be despatches of Count Taschirsky and the German Ambassador, to Austria at the time the war began.

Archibald MacKinnon, maritime representative of Clayton & Son, Halifax, for 30 years a resident of Amherst, died suddenly at Port Morien, C. B. on the 11th.

Pte. A. E. Fortune of Sydney left, on the 16th for Premier, Colorado. Pte. Fortune trained in Truro, spent three years in the war, returned, and will now make Premier, Colorado, his permanent home.

The Prince of Wales is to make an imperial tour of the overseas Dominions of the Empire in one of the latest battle cruisers.

The Russian Bolsheviks have been defeated by the Don Cossacks and lost 1100 prisoners.

There are 40,000 Americans in Co. lenz.

A. E. Smith, in New York City, defeated Governor Whitman, Republican, by 268,254 majority for the governor ship of the State.

For Oxford University the Coalition candidates were elected by nearly 2000 majority; the Liberal and Labor candidates lost their deposits.

You can do a lot of good by sending in contributions to the Barachah Mission, Christmas tree. Mrs. James Miller will be glad to receive such.

Mrs. Raymond T. McCabe, and Mrs. Harry Cream, of Truro, were in Halifax, the 16th.

New York's premature celebration of peace on the 7th was wasteful in many ways. The streets, for instance, were littered with something like 155 tons of ticker tape and paper torn into confetti and it cost \$80,000 to clean them up.

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Will all those desirous of contributing toward the Christmas tree, for the "Barachah Mission" please send their donations to Mrs. James W. Miller, Prince Street, West, by Saturday, December 21st.

Fredericton has closed all public gatherings, except churches on account of an increase in influenza.

Sergt. Arthur Howes, a former member of the staff of C. E. Bentley & Co. returned to Truro, via C. P. R. liner to St. John, on the 16th. Sergt. Howes enlisted in the 40th Bn. August 10, 1915 and trained at Aldershot. He went overseas in the S. S. Saxonia October 18, 1915 and has seen a lot of active service and has had his share of Hospital life too. Mrs. Howes, was with her husband most of the time while he was in England.

Colchester friends deeply regret to hear of the death from pneumonia, following influenza, of John B. Wilkie, in Lethbridge. Mr. Wilkie, son of Rev. Dr. Wilkie, Presbyterian Missionary, was married to a daughter of Rev. Dr. Geggie, of Toronto. He leaves a widow and two small children.

The War Trade Board have received intimation from the High Commissioner, London, that British authorities have issued a general license for three months permitting importation of any quantity of fruit, canned, bottled and preserved, and soap.

Read the advt. of G. O. Fulton Ltd. in this issue, re from Musquodoboit to Five Islands, etc. and send in your orders quick.

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