

S. WINDS UP BUSIEST YEAR IN WAR OFFICE

Demobilization of Great Army
Completed Even Faster
Than Assembled.

ANNUAL REPORT MADE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The vast work of the war department following the armistice and during 1919 was principally that of taking a great war machine to pieces.

The biggest task was demobilization, including as it did the return of 2,000,000 troops from overseas in even less time than they were rushed to the front, and their return to civil life after arrival here as well as materially helping the new "allies" to victory.

During this demobilization the war department was also concerned with building up a force to replace that being returned to the walks of peace, and one large enough to meet the needs of the country until a permanent policy is determined.

The department has also disposed of a large part of the vast stocks of supplies accumulated for war.

SECRETARY TELLS
OF HUGE TASK.

"The armistice, which concluded hostilities on Nov. 11, 1918, called upon us to reverse the flow of men and supplies to the Atlantic," said the secretary, "Up to that day the energies of the department had been devoted to the acceleration of the processes by which our army was selected, trained, transported to France and supplied there. From the 11th of November our problems have been the return and demobilization of our soldiers, cancellation and adjustment of contracts for war supplies, the settlement of obligations between the war department and the public authorities and nationals of our allies in the war, and the formulation of a military policy for the country which would adjust the permanent military establishment to our needs and apply to its organization the lessons learned in the war.

"The first plan for demobilization of the emergency army had as its object the transfer of all men prior to their discharge to the demobilization camp in or nearest the state from which they entered the service, and there dis-

PRESIDENT'S CHIEF COOK WEDS



WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Christian H. Larsen, a soldier stationed at Ft. Washington, is sure of good eats hereafter. His bride, recently wed, is Sigrid C.

charging them," the secretary's report continues.

"For this purpose," said the secretary, "certain camps used during the war for mobilization were put to the use of demobilization. Work was facilitated by having much preliminary detail completed in France." The United States report states, was able to follow a different plan than any of the other countries, which insured the maximum strength of the various units right up to the time they were mustered out, and preserved discontent. Every effort, the report said, was made to see that each man was returned to his niche in

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Wife Gets His Job and Bosses Him Now

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—From now on, in the town clerk's office at Orangetown, Rockland county, Mr. Helen E. Essex, wife of Harry F. Essex, will receive orders instead of taking them from him.

Town Clerk Essex, elected for seven terms, surrendered the office today.

His wife, who was elected in November to succeed him, beginning Jan. 1. No woman ever before had been elected town clerk. Mrs. Essex has been in office fourteen years and his wife has been his deputy. Henceforth she will be the "boss" officially and will be her deputy.

"He's always handy," she said, "and when I need help I'll call on him."

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fully to the chambers of commerce, local business, dealers, business men's associations and others—in the industrial centers and by giving certain leadership and direction to their several efforts greatly relieved the condition."

"Throughout the country there was an instant response to the appeal of the returned soldier," said the secretary.

In building up the force to replace the emergency army in 1919 units of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps have been established, 191 being in collegiate and 123 in secondary institutions. More than 90,000 students were admitted to institutions at the close of the academic year, June, 1919. Applications for 161 additional units for the term which commenced in September were received. Infantry training camps were conducted during last summer which were attended by 3,403 students. Due to demobilization

of officers on duty with these units a reorganization has been necessary. The organization on Oct. 31, 1919, called for a total of 347 units in which incomplete enrollment shows approximately 100,000 students undergoing training.

Approximately 137,000 men have been enlisted for periods of one and three years during 1919 for service in the regular army. This year also more than 100,000 men have been discharged to Russia, and a garrison provided for the Rhine, while another force has been sent to Russia, for possible service in Silesia later. The American force in Germany, which is the successor to the A. E. F., numbers 10,339 enlisted men, with 510 officers, and the force detailed for Silesia is 4,338 enlisted men with 200 officers.

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Bolsheviks Facing Big Disappointment

LONDON, Jan. 2.—A soviet wireless message from Moscow yesterday finished New Year's greeting to the world. The message, after celebrating 1919 as a year of victory for the soviets, says:

"In 1920 we shall attain a victorious end of civil war. Siberia, the Ukraine, the Don region and the Caucasus deserve soviets. There are still some soviets at Berlin, Washington, Paris and London. Soviet authority will be supreme throughout the world."

Three Organizations Keep Open House

Hundreds took advantage of the New Year's open house at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday. Many features afforded entertainment throughout the day.

At the Shriners' open house in Murat temple it was estimated that 1,800 visited the building. Dining room and other entertainment features were provided.

The Knights of Columbus held their first open house in their new clubhouse, 1305 North Delaware street. A special musical program was given in the afternoon. Hundreds visited the building.

The future plans of Butler college, its enlargement and relocation depend upon the action of the national conference of the interchurch world meeting at Atlantic City from Jan. 10 to 12. Butler college will submit its financial needs of \$1,000,000 to the conference. All other sources sought. It is reasonably safe to say that the conference will be given a large amount of time to consider the amount that Butler college needs. The conference is not mad.

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