

BUSINESS AS USUAL IN OCCUPIED GERMAN CITIES

NATIVES DO NOT RESENT THE TROOPS

British Warships Arrive Off Cuxhaven, Germany Today

OFFERS A SOLUTION

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE) LONDON, March 8.—Herr Ruthmann, head of the German General Electric Company, and other of the experts advised the German indemnity commission, have made the suggestion that the reparations taught be strengthened upon the basis that Germany assumes all of the allied war debts to the United States, according to an exchange telegraph dispatch from Berlin to-day.

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FRENCH MILITARY HEADQUARTERS, NEUSS, Germany, March 9.—Those fellows have excellent uniforms, remarked a German ex-soldier with interest as he gazed upon a picture of French soldiers swinging through the streets of the occupied city of Dusseldorf.

The German's companion who also had seen service in the great war, eyed the French critically and replied:

"Fine equipment, too; ready for anything."

Then the two Germans apparently forgot all about the French army of occupation and went about their personal affairs.

"Business as usual" seemed to be the note of all the Germans not only across the Rhine in Dusseldorf, but in the other two occupied cities in the Ruhr district—Duisburg and Ruhrtal.

Crown of German men, women and children greeting the British, French and Belgian troops everywhere. The allied troops were discussed more like visitors than invaders.

"There are no Americans among them," remarked a German in Dusseldorf after viewing the various contingents of allied soldiers. This was said in a matter of fact way with no trace of hostility against the allied troops already on the scene.

The German children were particularly interested in the newcomers, they crept up close to the soldiers, inspecting them and their equipment with round-eyed interest. But they scampered away when the soldiers took notice of them. After a time gifts of chocolate began to pass into small grimy hands and it looked as though an entente cordiale was about to be established with the younger generation.

During the evening the occupation of three German cities had become "old stuff" and the townspeople paid no attention to the soldiers they encountered in stores on shopping tours.

There are between 3,000 and 4,000 allied troops in Dusseldorf, counting the patrols that are on duty on the outskirts. The original contingents were subsequently reinforced.

French, British and Belgian sentries paced the streets during the night and stood guard on the bridges.

General Dagoumo, commander of the French army of occupation who visited Dusseldorf in company with Gen. Gouher, was apparently well satisfied with everything he found there.

The reichswehr as Dusseldorf were taken by surprise by the swiftness of the allied movement. They left the city just as the allies arrived.

Warships Arrive
LONDON, March 8.—British warships arrived off Cuxhaven, Germany, today, said an Exchange Telegraph (Continued on page five.)

LOWELL

Mrs. W. C. Belman, of Hammond visited her sisters, Mrs. C. A. Brownell and Mrs. Daniel Lynch, here yesterday.

Miss Helen Osgood went to Chicago yesterday to see her father, J. G. Osgood, who is in the hospital. He is getting along fine and expects to be home in a few days.

Dr. Quincy, who has been on the sick list for the past week or more, is getting better.

Yesterday was a very disagreeable day. It rained nearly all day.

The town board held their regular monthly meeting Monday night. They ordered an alley in the rear of the business rooms on the south side of Commercial avenue.

The members of the Christian church held a reception in the church last evening in honor of those who joined in the mass meeting. The remains will be in the church during the big revival meeting in Michigan City for burial to-morrow.

SUITS MADE TO ORDER

For Men and Young Men

SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING SPRING PRICES

In announcing the opening of our Spring service in made-to-measure tailoring we are pleased to inform you that

Prices are Back to Normal

This does not mean that we are selling cheap clothes, but that it is once more possible to order a fine high-grade all-wool made-to-measure suit at the normal, moderate prices of \$30, \$35, \$40 and \$45.

JOE JIRAK, Custom Tailor

FIRST NATIONAL BANK BLDG. EAST CHICAGO

HAMMOND NEWS

STEALS SMOKES; IS BOUND OVER

Plans for Big Corner Stone Laying

Jesse Surface's desire to smoke got him into a pack of trouble this morning. He was brought to the Hammond police station yesterday by Pete Serrin, who caught Surface in the act of stealing some cigars from his soft drink place on Main street. When arraigned in police court today it developed that Surface had tired of school back in Three Rivers, Mich., and had run away from home. He was arrested once before with cigars in his possession in Michigan City, and it was learned that he had broken into Serrin's place three times previous to the last time when he was caught. Each time he stole cigars. He could not tell his correct age and seemed to take the whole affair as a joke. He was bound over to the criminal court for trial.

RYBARSKI

APPEALS CASE

John Rybarski, 20, who lives at 38 150th street, was arraigned in the city court this morning charged with having liquor in his possession. John testified that he had bought the whiskey in West Hammond for \$7, and was carrying it to a customer in East Hammond, who had promised him eight dollars for the lot. He was walking down Columbia avenue with the contraband liquor in a suit case when hailed by an officer. John tried to make a getaway but was captured at the corner of Columbia and Fields avenues. After hearing the evidence Judge Klots gave him \$100 and costs and Mr. P. C. Henley.

NEW SHOE DISPLAY

The M. B. Root shop, Hammond's newest shoe store, has a beautiful display of women's and men's shoes in their windows. The display of ladies' footwear is especially worthy of note. The window was trimmed and decorated by Mr. Hubbard of the M. B. organization and it is said that two shoe magazines have sent men to photograph the display for their publications.

The freaks in men's shoes have attracted much attention since they were placed in the window. D. H. Milligan, who manages the shop, says that the men's freaks are same compared with the women's exhibition, which he expects to have on display in a short time. Some local men have tried to buy them, but they aren't for sale.

The M. B. shop is one of the handsomest and best equipped shoe stores in the state. Their big spring opening next Saturday the 12th, is expected to draw huge crowds.

OPHEUM SHOW

"Jack and the Bean Stalk" an European novelty put on by Louis Hart & Co., is the leading attraction at the Orpheum theater today, Thursday and Friday. On the same bill are Art Adair in "The Musical Book," Clair Hansen & Co. in "Her Birthday Party," Lupe Brothers, who do some remarkable equilibrist stunts; Lew and Grace Harvey, harmony singers and the famous Yakus, scenic singing and dancing oddity. For good measure another episode of "Velvet Fingers" is included with the six-act.

EAGLES' CLUB ROBBED

The Eagles' club at 45 State street was robbed about 1 o'clock on the morning of March 8. The thief or thieves gained entrance by breaking in a back window and pulling the hinge pins from all the doors leading to the buffet room. The loss was \$50 in cash. The police are looking for the culprits.

RESIDENTS COMPLAIN

A gang of young hoodlums have been hanging around the corner of Calumet avenue and Hoffman street, swearing, annoying and insulting girls who pass the corner, and making general nuisances of themselves. Residents in the vicinity have complained of them and the police are investigating the matter.

NOT THIS BURKE

Russell Burke, who lives at 94 Dyer highway, is not the man mentioned in last night's Times as the annoyer of the little girls. Another man of the same name is the offender. Burke has been subjected to some annoyance on account of the similarity of the names.

CHILD DIES OF CROUP

Anthony, the 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Schultz, 118 North Michigan, died last night of croup. The remains will be in the church during the big revival meeting in Michigan City for burial to-morrow.

HAMMOND NEWS

NEVER THOUGHT WIFE WOULD SEE WELL DAY

But She's Now Picture of Health
Says Indiana Man—Declares All Money on Earth Couldn't Buy Good Tanlac Did.

"I never expected to see my wife well again, but since she took six bottles of Tanlac her recovery is the talk of the whole neighborhood," said Rienz Boren, R. F. D. P. Box 318, Indianapolis.

"My wife's health began to fail nearly twelve years ago. She had chronic indigestion and had to live on the lightest of diets.

"Gas would form on her stomach and press up against her heart and she would get so dizzy and faint I thought she would fall before I could catch her. She had pains and cramps in her stomach and Tanlac has done my wife.

WRECK PROBE REVEALS NO NEW FACTS

After an all day session in probate court this morning the inquiry into the Porter wreck in which they examined close to 40 railroad men, the three members of the public service commission of Indiana, two members of the interstate commerce commission and other state officials, lawyers and representatives of both the New York Central and Michigan Central railroads wound up their hearing in the library of the Gary superior court in Gary at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

John W. McCord, vice chairman of the public service commission of Indiana, who was in charge of the investigation, stated to a representative of the Times following the session that the probe did not reveal anything of importance other than was brought out at the recent inquest conducted at Valparaiso. The Times was the only newspaper to have a representative present to secure statements when the session broke up.

"I would say this," said Mr. McCord, "that the hearing disclosed the fact that the railroads of both the Michigan Central and the New York Central used at their crossing at Porter, every safety device known and until the human mind contrives something new, these two railroads or any other railroad will be unable to do anything more to prevent such occurrences.

The testimony showed that both the railroad companies have used every precaution to prevent disasters of the kind, but until employees in charge of these trains, such as Engineer W. S. Long and Fireman George F. Block of the Michigan Central, wake up to the fact that they hold the lives of human beings in their hands and stay awake on their jobs to watch signals, disasters of this kind will continue.

"I also conducted the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus wreck probe, which occurred west of your city several years ago, but all the signals and devices known to science would not have awakened the engineer of the train that fell asleep and went by his danger signal driving his engine into the circus train.

"There is no question in my mind, but what Engineer Long and Fireman Block neglected their duty. Of course you understand that I am not fixing blame, but if these two men had been on the job, they would not have run their train past the 'home' signal.

"What the railroads need is a device of some kind that will warn both the engineer and his men in their cab of the approaching danger. It cannot be just a mere light or a similar signal, but a bell or something that will ring loud enough in an engine cab that will call their attention to the danger ahead. If there had been something like this in the Michigan Central engine cab, Engineer Long would have heard it and brought the train to a stop to give the New York Central the right of way."

Before leaving for Indianapolis with other members of the commission last night Mr. McCord stated that the railroad companies were planning on holding a big meeting in Chicago next week to take up the matter of inventing of devices of this kind.

It also became known that the state expects to prove that Hamon, while dying, said that the girl had shot him while he lay on his bed in the suite occupied by the couple in a hotel here.

The defense, it was learned, will have at least one important witness connected neither with the girl nor the Hamon interests who will testify that he also talked to the oil king on his death bed and will deny that Hamon accused the girl as the prosecution claims.

Although the defense is not disclosing its case, so far there has not been any indication that the girl on the stand will deny her version of the shooting as related to the International and Universal News Services in interviews given after she was located in Mexico.

Experts have been called by the prosecution in an effort to prove that it was impossible for the automatic pistol from which the fatal shot was fired to have gone off unless the girl pressed the trigger. The defense will have experts to dispute this.

MAY APPOINT HARVEY TO BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, March 9.—President Harding probably will make an ambassador appointment to Great Britain within a few days, as was learned here today.

No word has come from the White House as to the president's choice, but indications point to the selection of George Harvey, editor and publisher of New York. It is reported that Harvey has been offered the post and has agreed to accept it.

President Harding is anxious to fill the post as soon as possible in view of the departure from England this week of Ambassador John W. Davis whose resignation already has been received.

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HEAD STUFFED FROM CATARRH OR A COLD

Says Cream Applied in nostrils Opens Air Passages Right Up.

Instant relief—no waiting. Your clogged nostrils open right up; the air-smelling, blowing headache dryness. No struggling for breath at night; your passages of your head clear and you can breathe freely. No more hacking, cold or catarrh disappears.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic healing cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothes the inflamed or swollen mucous membrane and relieves colds.

It's just fine. Don't stay stuffed up with a cold or many cures—adv.

URGES ACTION ON TREATY

WASHINGTON, March 9.—President Harding sent to the senate this afternoon a message urging immediate action on the Colombian treaty.

Without opening the message in open session the senate went into executive session.

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