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Kept Secret in London. The expected arrival of Gen. Pershing and his party had been kept a fairly close secret from the London public until to-day, but the many preparations for the visit which had been going on in the city since the morning of the 5th, have been the subject of much speculation.

Leading Americans in London appeared on the scene early to-day with credentials as members of various committees. Gen. Pershing and the twelve officers of his staff are to be guests of the British Government at the Savoy. The rest of the contingent will be looked after by American societies in London.

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Begin Sightseeing. Among those taking an active part on the sightseeing contingent are Mrs. Astor, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. W. Wilson Phelps and Mrs. R. Craig McKerron, and Washington Wood, Almeric Phipps and Mrs. Constance Dunsen. The Commission for Relief in Belgium has placed men at the disposal of Gen. Pershing to act as sightseers.

Everything from automobiles to a money exchange office was ready, and the officers and men were ready to enter the city on business and sightseeing. At their hotel the American officers met many British and Canadian officers. Everywhere, from the port of arrival to the city, the British and Canadian officers scrutinized each other with professional interest, each sizing up the other.

While the Americans are keenly interested in their new surroundings and the sights of the country they are giving themselves to the business of war. There is no atmosphere of an excursion trip about the contingent. The British contingent, it has been worked, and work of the hardest kind, with them since they boarded the transatlantic steamship in civilian clothes after she had left her dock in New York.

Entertainments Planned. The programme of entertainment for the next few days is a full one. The schedule for Gen. Pershing and the senior staff officers will be arranged by Ambassador Page with entertainers and other guests on Monday night at dinner. For the rest of the contingent a programme may be roughly indicated thus:

Friday night, the theatre; Saturday afternoon, a trip on the Thames and a visit to Windsor Castle; Saturday evening, the theatre; Sunday afternoon, entertainment at the Dunning residence in London; Monday afternoon, a tour of London, with a theatre party on the evening of Monday; Tuesday, trip to Almeric Page's country home at Panshanger for the afternoon and supper.

The entertainment programme will be financed by American organizations and individuals. The British delegation which welcomed the Pershing party on board the deck of the liner, the American Ambassador, Lt. Gen. Sir William Pitt Rivers, Major General Sir William Pitt Rivers and the Lord Mayor of Liverpool.

MEMBERS OF STAFF. War Department Announces Aids Accompanying Pershing. WASHINGTON, June 8.—In announcing to-night the personnel of Gen. Pershing's staff the War Department made public the first general order of the commander of the American Expeditionary Force, dated Washington, May 25, as follows:

Personal Staff—Capt. Nelson E. Margrett, field artillery, and James M. Collins, cavalry, and First Lieut. Martin C. Schallenberger, infantry, aide-de-camp. General Staff—Major James O. Harbord, cavalry, inspector, major. Major John McC. Palmer and Dennis E. Nolan, general staff corps, assistants.

Adjutant-General's Department—Col. Benjamin Alvord, adjutant, major John L. Hines, assistant. Inspector-General's Department—Col. Alfred W. Brewster, inspector, major Fox Connor and Robert L. Clark, assistants. Judge Advocate General's Department—Lieut. Col. Walter R. Bethel, judge advocate, major H. A. Bayne, assistant. Quartermaster's Department—Col. Daniel J. McCarthy, quartermaster; Lieut. Col. David S. Stanley and Harry E. Wilkins; Majors Charles E. Stanton and Samuel J. Rosenbaum, quartermasters. Medical Department—Col. Alfred E. Bradley, surgeon; Col. Marjorie W. Ireland, major; George P. Ford and Capt. Henry Beatty, captains. Signal Corps—Lieut. Col. Harry Taylor, signal officer.

Ordnance Department—Lieut. Col. Clarence C. Williams, ordnance officer; First Lieut. Oley Bonar, assistant. Signal Corps—Capt. Edgar J. Russell, signal officer; Capt. Parker Hill and James B. Taylor, assistants; Major Townsend P. Dadd, aviation officer. Attached—Lieut. Col. Robert H. Dunlap, U. S. M. C.; Major John H. Parker, Twenty-fourth Infantry; Logan Feland, U. S. M. C.; and Robert Bacon, Quartermaster Corps; Capt. Arthur L. Conker, Twenty-sixth Infantry; Hugh A. Drum, infantry; Raymond W. Birge, Quartermaster Corps; Major R. Higard, Quartermaster Corps; William O. Reed, cavalry; John S. Chambers, Quartermaster Corps; Capt. W. H. C. Cavay; Capt. Pilleul, Gustave Forester, P. T. Hill, H. B. Moore and C. D. Liebman, Quartermaster Corps; First Lieut. George S. Patton, Jr., Seventh Cavalry; Richard B. Smith, Second Cavalry; Major Lewis, R. M. Glancey and W. F. Repp, Signal Corps; Second Lieut. Orva E. Zeesley and Edwin F. Ely, Quartermaster Corps.

READY FOR FIGHTING. America Will Have Large Part. Pershing Says. LONDON, June 8.—Gen. Pershing made the following statement to the Associated Press to-day: "The trip has been delightful, particularly the latter stages, when we were in the cockpit of a biplane by our own destroyers. Speaking for myself and my staff, we are glad to be the standard bearers of America in this great war. It is an opportunity of landing at a British port and the welcome we received are very significant and are deeply appreciated. We expect to be playing our part, which I hope will be a very big part, on the western front."

FRANCE AWAITING. Arduous Task for Pershing, Col. Fabry Asserts. PARIS, June 8.—Gen. Pershing's task in France was described as a most arduous one by Col. Fabry in an interview with a representative of the Petit Parisien, Col. Fabry said: "It is not an expeditionary corps that we are expecting, but a real army, which will be increasingly swelled by fresh contingents and is destined to occupy an ever increasing front."

100 U. S. AVIATORS ARRIVE IN FRANCE. First of American Fighting Forces to Reach the European Republic. WASHINGTON, June 8.—One hundred American aviators from the Army flying corps have arrived safely in France for any duty that may present itself, according to a statement issued to-day by Secretary Daniels. They are the first of the American fighting forces to reach France.

GERMANS ATTACK U. S. FIRMS. Demand State Supervision of Harvester and Singer Companies. COPENHAGEN, via London, June 8.—The German Government has demanded that the United States Government should demand that the Harvester and Singer companies be placed under state supervision, and that exempted workers employed by the companies be assigned to German factories. Chicago, June 8.—Secretary Daniels, secretary of the International Harvester Company, said to-day: "While it is not true that we have accepted contracts for military motor trucks, it is true that we have accepted and are now filling an order from the United States Government for army escort wagons. Furthermore, we stand ready to make any supplies which the United States Government may require within the ability and capacity of our plants."

NO-DRINK BAN HITS NAVY. Gregory Rules Prohibition Includes All Branches of Service. WASHINGTON, June 8.—Prohibition provisions of a new army law apply to the navy and Marine Corps as well as to the army. An opinion by Attorney General Gregory made public to-day holds that the statute covers all the military branches of the United States, whether on land or sea. Secretary Daniels asked the Attorney-General to pass upon the question, and he has interpreted the ruling to the officers commanding all navy posts. Specifically the law forbids the sale or possession of liquor at military posts except for medicinal purposes under regulations and makes it unlawful to sell intoxicants to any officer or member of the military forces while in uniform.

TWO KILLED IN TORNAO. Oklahoma City, Okla., June 8.—Two men are killed, several were injured and incalculable property and crop damage was done by violent tornadoes which swept over parts of Oklahoma last night. The two men were killed in Muskogee county, where the storm demolished buildings and oil derricks. Council Hill, southwest of Muskogee, was razed by the tornado. In that village of 200 inhabitants in Oklahoma county, every building save the school-house was demolished.

COAST GUARDMEN SAVE 72. Schooner Runs Ashore in Fog Off Block Island. BLOCK ISLAND, R. I., June 8.—All the passengers and crew of the schooner Ruler, bound from the Cape Verde Islands for New Bedford, Mass., were rescued by coast guardmen and fishermen to-day when the vessel went ashore in a heavy fog. The schooner carried seventy-two passengers. She was fifty-nine days out from Cape Verde. On account of the heavy sea no effort was made to save the schooner or its cargo.

WANT EX-CRIM IN PRISON. Workmen Vote to Transfer Nicholas to Kronstadt. LONDON, June 8.—A despatch to Reuters' Telegram Company from Petrograd says that the workmen of the Kronstadt section of the Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates and the Leninists vote was passed in favor of transferring former Emperor Nicholas and his family to Kronstadt. "In consequence of the ill-treatment by alternative proposals by the Leninists, such as the sending of the Emperor to work in the Siberian gold mines, some groups refrained from voting," says the correspondent.

ITALY NEEDS PRESENTED. Mission Seeks Ships to Insure Food Supply. WASHINGTON, June 8.—The Italian mission resumed conferences with the Shipping Board to-day on what Italy still have from America's new merchant fleet. "Italy's principal need is food, and to have food we must have ships," said Mr. Arlotto, Italian Minister of Transportation and member of the mission, in discussing the situation. "Realizing the need of the other nations we have cut down our estimates of our needs to the minimum. The only ships is immediate. We cannot wait for the big fleet which will be ready for delivery in two or three years. We must have ships within six months."

MAKED MEN ATTACK GUARD. Twenty Minute Battle Occurs at Fort Dodge, Ia. FORT DODGE, Ia., June 8.—Six masked men last night attacked Iowa National Guardsmen guarding a bridge here, and a fight lasting more than twenty minutes ensued, it became known to-day. It was said that one of the attackers was shot. None of the soldiers was injured. Secret service men began investigation of the affair.

ELKES ARRIVES IN PARIS. Former American Ambassador at War. PARIS, June 8.—Abram L. Elkes, former American Ambassador at War, arrived in Paris from Berno to-day, accompanied by his family.

AUSTRIA PREPARES TO MAKE ITALY. Von Mackensen at Trentino Front With Troops From Russian Border. VENETIAN DRIVE FEARED. Attacks on the Carso Line and Monte Vodice Are Repulsed. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. ROME, June 8.—Russia's disorganization has become Italy's peril. With a virtual truce on the Russian front, large forces of Austrian troops have been drawn thence to the Italian line. It is feared that an invasion of Italy is about to be attempted. Field Marshal von Mackensen, the most brilliant of German Generals in attack, is asserted to be on the Trentino front. It is believed Germany may send troops to aid Austria, drawing also from the Russian front. Two-thirds of the entire Austrian army already face the Italians, it is reported.

RUSSIAN PRISON HORRORS REVEALED. Petrograd, via London, June 8.—The last act of the executive body of the Kronstadt secessionists before surrendering to the Petrograd Government was to permit the Associated Press correspondent to inspect the prison in which are confined the army and navy officers suspected of actively sympathizing with autonomy. With the horrors of these prisons, partly real and partly imaginary, Russia has been ringing for the last ten days. Heretofore no independent investigation has been allowed.

ALL OF BIG GAINS HELD BY BRITISH. Continued from First Page. and strong points, but at 3:45 P. M. the village of Oostvaerne, lying just west of the centre of the line, was captured. By nightfall practically the whole of this trench system was also in our hands and we had gained the whole of the trench system and a number of German dead lying in the captured positions proved the severity of the fighting. The proportion of the enemy's losses, a large number of the enemy's wounded, and our own losses were light. The enemy made no attempt to recover the night to recover his lost positions.

Halls Overcrowded. The halls are incredibly overcrowded. There is an average of but one foot of space between the beds. There are no chairs or other furniture except tables. The officers sit and eat on the beds. The common sailors are supplied with no bedding whatever, and the officers, except in cases where they have a private room, are obliged to sleep on the floor. The officers sit and eat on the beds. The common sailors are supplied with no bedding whatever, and the officers, except in cases where they have a private room, are obliged to sleep on the floor.

GERMAN DIVISION WAS ANNIHILATED. Capture of Officer Tells of Messines Attack. (By Associated Press.) BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, June 8.—Comparative quiet reigned to-day along the front of the latest British attack, which wrested the Messines Ridge from the Germans Thursday. "We had heard much of the conditions on the western front," said one of the captured German officers to the Associated Press, "but I always thought there was much exaggeration about them. We had no realization what war was. When we came from Russia a few weeks ago we were told that we were going against the British, but that we need not worry, as the English were not in a position to accomplish anything serious against us. In view of this we were confident that our offensive at Arras would be successful. Then a week ago the English started their intensive bombardment. It was thought to be a mere bluff, but we were wrong. The English were not in a position to accomplish anything serious against us. 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