

# GERMAN PRISONERS COMING TO AMERICA WHEN THE WAR IS OVER

## Times Man Talks With 50 Captives

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**WITH THE AMERICAN TROOPS IN FRANCE,** Sept. 25.—President Wilson is absolutely right in assuming it is the German autocracy, and not the rank and file, that is behind this world war.

I have just had the rare privilege of interviewing a number of German war prisoners.

There was not an officer among them. They were all enlisted men, so their views are likely to reflect the sentiments of the millions of Germans plunged into the war without any say-so on their part.

There were two spokesmen for the 50 odd German prisoners who gathered around me. One was a man of 30, who had lived in Buffalo, N. Y., three years preceding the war. The other was an architect of 28, a graduate of a great German university.

"What are your feelings toward America now that we have come into the war against Germany," I asked them. "Do you hate us?"

had nothing to say in the making of the war," said the architect. "We were called out and we either had to go or be shot."

"Hundreds of thousands of us have been killed, many more wounded, our businesses revived and our families left to get along as best they can. Want war? There isn't a prisoner that wouldn't cry for joy if peace were declared today. We want to get home."

Again the crowd voiced approval when he explained what he had said.

One young German pushed his way thru and offered me his hand, talking rapidly in German.

The Buffalonian, interpreting for him, said: "He says he has two cousins native born Americans, one now a soldier with the American army in France. He wonders if you know him?"

### All Say "Naw"

"Not at all," the architect replied. "You'd be surprised how many of us have relatives and good friends in America. We can't forget them. I had felt for a long time America might get into the war but I had hoped it would all be over before that."

He told his comrades in German what he had said and they all nodded approval.

"How many of you fellows wanted this war?" was my next question, directed at the German from Buffalo. "Take a poll."

He did. There was a chorus of "Naw."

"Why should we want war?" he asked. "Take my own case. I have a wife and two children. I was just getting a good start in America. Early in 1914 I returned to Germany to take my family back to America. My father got sick. I remained with him. The war came on and I was sent into the first line. I would have been an American citizen by now."

He added he and his family were going to America as soon as the war is over.

### To Emigrate

"Eight or ten others to this crowd of prisoners are also going to America to live," he said. "That wouldn't indicate our masses hate America, would it?"

"The masses in Germany

### Heard News

I didn't happen to, but I suggested he ought to be glad he was a prisoner so he wouldn't have to fight his cousin.

"What do you think of your submarine warfare?" I asked.

"Not as effective as we thought," the architect replied. "We believed we could starve England in a few months, but they seem to be building ships as fast as we can sink them. America will probably make matters worse for us."

He said he understood that Germany had 250 submarines. The architect had been taken prisoner since America entered the war. He exploded the theory, held in America, that the German army had been kept in ignorance of America's entrance.

"I heard of it within a few days. You can't keep such a thing secret. It spread like wildfire. That was about all we talked about for days."

"Do you honestly believe Germany can win this war?" This to the architect.

"Not now," he replied. "I think the best we can hope for is a draw. The enemy has become too strong. America has given the allies renewed courage, and will furnish a big army. The average German would be satisfied, I think, with a draw."

"But the allies won't agree to a draw," I insisted.

"IN THAT CASE," HE REPLIED, "IT WILL BE VERY BAD—FOR MY COUNTRY. WE CAN DO ONLY SO MUCH. THERE'S A LIMIT TO EVERYTHING, YOU KNOW."

# THE TIMES DAILY LAUGH-MAKERS

## Doings of the Duffs

A Lot of Us Have the Same Trouble.

By Allman



## CHESTNUT CHARLIE



## Squirrel Food

If It Belonged to Someone Else He'd Run Over It.

By Ahern



## OUST N. G. W. OFFICERS

Thru the efficiency system of the war department a number of Washington National Guard officers will lose their commissions soon, according to reports from Washington, D. C.

Ever since the guard officers were taken into the federal service they have been under close observation to test their efficiency. Those that do not have the qualifications to make good officers will be weeded out.

## PREPARING LOAN DRIVE

The building at 114 So. 12th st. will be used for the local headquarters of the Liberty Loan campaign, thru arrangements completed for southwestern Washington.

Furniture and equipment is being made ready so that the work may be in full swing next Monday, the day set by the treasury department for the beginning of the four weeks' subscription campaign.

Homer T. Bunker, secretary of the investment firm of George H. Tilden & Co. of Seattle, has been appointed special representative of the federal reserve bank of San Francisco to have active charge of sales, with headquarters in Tacoma. The names of all committees and their chairmen will be announced in a day or two.

## LETTERS TO SAMMIES

Tacoma school boys and girls are writing letters to the Sammies in France. The letter-writing began in Sherman school Tuesday. They will be sent in the Christmas "good cheer" bags, and with them will go contributions from the school kids, ranging from a penny up.

The letters are not always spelled correctly, but they contain brighteners for Uncle Sam's fighters in France.

## GEORGE IS MODERATOR

At the semi-annual session of the Olympia Presbytery held Tuesday in the Sumner Presbyterian church, Rev. Dr. Alexander George, pastor of the Calvary Presbyterian church of Tacoma, was elected moderator of the Presbytery for the next six months.

Rev. Osier of Montesano was elected reading clerk.

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## Here and Elsewhere

Tacoma butchers say whale meat is plentiful on local market. It goes at 12 1/2 cents a pound, and it's all right.

State offices now located in Seattle will be moved to Olympia within a year when new capitol office building is completed.

E. P. Marva, president of state federation of labor, may resign position and also from state council of defense because of his duties on federal commission for investigation of labor disputes.

Washing Machines, Wringers, Mops, etc. Palace Hardware Co., 1511 Pacific av. adv.

Capt. George Guyonmar, famous French aviator, believed to be dead.

City of Portland is planning to go into wood fuel business, delivering at \$5.75 to \$6.50 a cord.

Tacoma chapter, American Institute of Banking, holds first fall meeting in Commercial club.

KELSO—Lettia Ashton of this place, is suing a New York dancing teacher for \$10,000 for a broken hip. Miss Ashton claims the aesthetic dancing steps he taught were too difficult, and dis-

## WOMAN KILLED BY N. P. TRAIN

Struck by a Tacoma-bound Northern Pacific passenger train at South Tacoma, Mrs. Narem Peterson, 60, of 6431 So. Montgomery street, was instantly killed shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The woman was picking dandelions on the railroad right of way between 64th and 65th streets, half a block from Union avenue.

Just as she stepped out from behind a box car on a siding to the main track the locomotive of the passenger train from Portland hit her, killing her instantly.

Engineer Abraham Geary said he was unable to see the woman until she stepped in front of the train.

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 Lv. Tacoma—10:30 a. m. and 4 p. m.; Sunday 8 a. m. and 11:00 p. m.; Yelm—7:30 a. m. and 1 p. m.; Saturday night 10:30 and Sunday 11:30 p. m.

## EATONVILLE—KAPOWIS—TACOMA AUTO STAGE

11th St., Op. P. O. and Central Bus Station.  
 Lv. Eatonville daily 8 a. m.; 1 p. m.; 4 p. m. Sunday 8 a. m., 1 and 4 p. m.  
 Lv. Tacoma daily 8 a. m., 1 p. m., 4 p. m. Sunday 8 a. m., 1 and 4 p. m.  
 Saturday Evening Special—Leave Eatonville 7 p. m.; leave Tacoma 8:15 p. m.

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 MAIN 6525.  
 NORTH 11TH & TACOMA AVE.

## CENTRAL BUS STATION

Leave Tacoma: 11:00 a. m.; 6:00, 6:15 p. m.  
 Leave Carbonado: 7:30, 8:15 a. m.; 2:00 p. m.  
 BUCKEY—TACOMA  
 Lv. Tacoma 10 a. m.; 8:30, 8 p. m.; Lv. Buckley 8 a. m.; 12:30, 6 p. m. Saturday and Sunday. Leave Tacoma 10 a. m.; 8:30, 11:30 p. m.

## DUPON—TACOMA

Lv. Tacoma—6:40, 10:30 a. m.; 2:45, 5:30, 11:10 p. m.  
 Lv. Dupont—7:30, 9:00 a. m.; 1:00, 4:50, 6:15 p. m.  
 Sunday Special—7:00, 10:00 p. m. and 12:00 m.

## NORTHEAST TACOMA

Hylobus Creek and Hague Bus Factory  
 Lv. Tacoma: 7:30, 9:30 a. m.; 1:45, 3:15 p. m.  
 Lv. N. E. Tac.—7:00, 9:00, 10:30 a. m.; 1:30, 4:30, 5:30, 6:45 p. m.

## ORTING—TACOMA

Three Trips Daily  
 Lv. Tacoma—7:45, 9:00, 10:00 a. m.; 12:30, 2:00, 5 p. m.  
 Leave Orting—7:45, 9:00, 10:00 a. m.; 12:30, 2:00, 5 p. m.  
 Saturday Nights and Sundays  
 Leave Tacoma—9:30 and 11:00. Leave Orting—7:45.

## MINERAL—TACOMA

Elba Ave. and Tacoma  
 Lv. Tacoma 8:00 a. m. and 3:00 p. m.  
 Lv. Mineral 7:30 a. m. and 1:30 p. m.

## ASHFORD—TACOMA

Lv. Tacoma—8 a. m. and 3:00 p. m.  
 Lv. Ashford—8 a. m. and 2:00 p. m.  
 KAPOWIS—TACOMA  
 Lv. Tacoma—8:00 a. m., 1:00, 4 p. m.  
 Lv. Kapowis—8:00 a. m., 1, 4 p. m.

## TACOMA—ABERDEEN

Lv. Tacoma—8:30 a. m., 1:30 p. m.  
 Lv. Aberdeen—8:00 a. m., 3:00 p. m.

## TODAY'S MARKET PRICES

WHAT RETAILERS PAY

Poultry.  
 Hens, dressed ..... 22c  
 Live hens ..... 17@19c  
 Geese, dressed ..... 12c to 14c  
 Butter, Eggs, Cheese  
 Wash. creamery butter ..... 48c  
 Oregon butter ..... 48c  
 Fresh ranch eggs ..... 46c  
 Washington cheese ..... 26c  
 Swiss cheese ..... 32c  
 Cream brick cheese ..... 26c

Fruit.  
 Lemons, box ..... \$8.50@9  
 Bananas, lb ..... .06  
 Oranges, box ..... \$3.50@4  
 Grapefruit, Cal. .... \$1.25@1.50  
 Cantaloupes, crate ..... .65  
 Apricots, crate ..... .50  
 Peaches, crate ..... .65  
 Watermelons, lb ..... .15c  
 Plums, crate ..... \$1.50  
 Gravenstein apples, \$1.35@1.75  
 Yakima apples ..... 75c@.81  
 Pears ..... .31  
 Huckleberries ..... .80

Meats (Dressed)  
 Hefers ..... .17c  
 Mutton, wethers ..... .20c  
 Hogs ..... .25c  
 Ewes ..... .13c  
 Steer beef ..... .16c  
 Yearlings ..... .21c  
 Fancy veal ..... .17c

Vegetables.  
 New potatoes, lb ..... 1 1/2c  
 Onions, lb ..... 1-1/4c  
 Carrots, sack ..... \$1.50  
 Lettuce, local, crate ..... .50c  
 Cucumbers, doz. .... 25@65c  
 Beets, lb ..... .2c  
 Tomatoes, lb ..... .10c  
 Cabbage, local ..... 1 1/2c  
 Eggplant, lb ..... .5c  
 Sweet potatoes, lb ..... 3 1/2c  
 Cabbage, local ..... .2c  
 Cauliflower, doz. .... 80c  
 Cauliflower, crate ..... .92  
 Spinach, lb ..... .57  
 Rhubarb, lb ..... .6c  
 New peas, lb ..... 2 1/2c  
 Asparagus, Kennewick ..... .52  
 Radishes, doz ..... .20c  
 String beans, lb ..... .4c  
 New turnips, lb ..... .2c  
 Green corn, doz ..... .20c  
 Hay and Feed.  
 Corn, ton ..... \$87@88  
 Shorts, ton ..... \$41  
 Oats, ton ..... \$36  
 Bran, ton ..... \$37  
 Barley, ton ..... \$37  
 Timothy, ton ..... \$31  
 Wheat, ton ..... \$37  
 Alfalfa, ton ..... \$28  
 Scratch food, ton ..... \$79