

### AMERICANS ACROSS THE OLD GERMAN FRONTIER OF 1914 INTO LORRAINE

#### Swinging Northward Into Grand Duchy of Luxemburg, They Are Enthusiastically Received Everywhere.

American Army of Occupation, Nov. 20. (By the Associated Press.)—The Americans had another triumphal day Wednesday in the forward march of the army of occupation. Crossing the old German frontier of 1914 into Lorraine and swinging northward into the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg, the Americans were enthusiastically received everywhere. On the left the American marines occupied the town of Arlon, (Belgium), where the day has been proclaimed a holiday. Thousands of civilians greeted the Americans who entered Arlon early in the morning. To the south the Americans went into Fontoy and Vitry in Lorraine, and several villages to the northeast of Vitry.

Swinging northward from Metz, the American first division crossed Luxemburg just before noon today, entering Esch, a mining town of 20,000 inhabitants. The civilians expected the Americans Thursday but when the vanguard appeared, the news spread quickly. The whistles at the mines were blown, bells were rung, children were excused from school, stores were closed and the afternoon was proclaimed a holiday. In the store windows and public buildings along the principal streets, there were pictures of President Wilson drawn by an artist of Esch, who had worked night and day, painting by hand as many drawings as possible. Pictures of President Poincaré, Marshal Foch and King Albert also were prominently displayed.

To the first division fell the honor of crossing the Lorraine line, the advance guard entering Esch soon after 9 o'clock. For three days the civilians of Aumetz had been looking for the Americans, expecting them every minute. There had been no school all week and the children had been drilled in singing and flag-waving to receive the advancing army.

Two hundred pupils, attired in fancy dress, those of the girls being of the colors of France, and boys carrying the red and yellow colors of Lorraine, a home-made American flag and tricolor bunting of France, met the troops at the archway over the road entering the town from Audun-Le-Roman. By the time the marching troops reached Esch, the civilians were ready to receive them. The children tossed flowers at the soldiers as they passed through the streets. The Esch band which had been called to assemble in a hurry led the march of the civilians to the city hall, where the mayor and officials received the military officers. After mid-day even the mines closed in order to give the workers, many of whom are women and girls, an opportunity for assembling in the square, where formal ceremonies were held.

The advance guard later advanced on beyond Esch, but division headquarters were established there for the night.

At Fontoy, a railroad center, the streets were decorated and civilians were out in force to receive the Americans. Here the Americans found 21 locomotives in good condition and a yard full of passenger coaches, flat cars and freight cars. The roundhouse also is in such condition that it can be used by the Americans.

In Aumetz, a number of stragglers from the German army were disarmed and made prisoners. Everywhere the Americans found excellent roads. German tractors were found abandoned along the road at various places, having broken down during the haste in the withdrawal. Nowhere are the Germans intentionally damaging property, so far as is known. The army report of Tuesday said it appeared everywhere the Germans were observing the terms of the armistice.

#### CONSTRUCTION WORK ON TANKERS IS STOPPED

Concrete Shipyard at Wilmington to Continue to Build Smaller Cargo Carriers.

Special to The Observer. Wilmington, Nov. 21.—The Liberty concrete shipyard here, which had a government contract to build six tankers of 7,500 tons each, has received orders to cease work on such contracts and resume its activities in building cargo carriers of 3,500 tons each. The change is attributed to peace. It is said that if government construction should at any time wholly cease at this yard the company having so much invested would continue to construct concrete ships on private contracts.

#### CASE OF WILL CARTER IN HANDS OF THE JURY

Special to The Observer. Fayetteville, Nov. 21.—The case of Will Carter, well-known white farmer, charged with the murder of Evandar Bacon, negro, was given to the jury by Judge C. C. Lyon in Cumberland superior court at 7 o'clock tonight. Solicitor E. B. MacLean asked the jury for a verdict of murder in the second degree.

The principal witness against Carter was Richard Judge, one of the negro defendants indicted for the killing of Deputy Sheriff Frank Dees two years ago, but who was acquitted by direction of the court. Judge testified today that he was with Bacon when the two met Carter crossing a mill dam, and that the defendant pulled a pistol and shot Bacon.

Carter took the stand in his own defense and denied the killing. He testified that he met Bacon but passed him and went on to a negro house, where he expected to employ a cook. He admitted that he was drinking and stated that he drank more whiskey at the house but swore that he knew nothing of the killing until he awoke the next morning.

Arguments to the jury were made by Solicitor MacLean, V. C. Bullard and D. M. Steinfeld for the prosecution and E. S. Smith, of Raleigh, N. C. and R. H. Dye and John G. Shaw for the defense.

#### DIES OF DISEASE IN FRANCE

Chester, S. C., Nov. 21.—Private John Robert C. Cockerel, 21st, private master corps, died of lobar pneumonia in France, October 18, according to telegram received here tonight from Adjutant General Harris.

### EXTRA SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE PROPOSED

#### Sentiment Grows in Favor of Very Short Session Until Peace Settlement is Concluded.

Special to The Observer. Raleigh, Nov. 21.—With the nearer approach of the 1919 session of the North Carolina general assembly and the indications that the world peace readjustment will scarcely be more than barely under way by that time and with certainty that the post-war conditions that will develop with the conclusion of the peace negotiations and consequent readjustments will require far-reaching readjustment of state laws governing taxation and all the legislative matters that affect the industry and civic life of the people, there should be merely the briefest possible session in January with an adjournment or recess subject to the call of the governor when he and his advisers deem the time for legislation of a permanent nature to be enacted for adjusting the affairs of the state to the settled new conditions.

This view of the situation was heartily endorsed today by State Senator Holderness, of Edgecombe, who will be in the next senate and will head, as heretofore, the legislative finance committee. Numbers of the other members-elect of the legislature are voicing the same views and the sentiment among the state officials is much the same. The only trouble will be to hold the legislature down to two or three weeks work and shut off the grind of little bills that always burden the session.

A movement is on foot to get something of a poll of the members of the legislature as to this matter before the assembly meets.

### TO DEVELOP COMMERCE OF PORT OF WILMINGTON

#### South Atlantic Maritime Corporation Organized for Benefit of Five Ports.

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 21.—Plans to develop the commerce of Wilmington, N. C., Charleston, S. C., Savannah and Brunswick, Ga., and Jacksonville, Fla., through organization of the South Atlantic Maritime corporation were announced today following the final meeting here last night of business men from the five south Atlantic ports. Through the organization, headed by Mathew Hale, vice president of the Liberty Shipbuilding company of Savannah, it is planned that the five cities shall work together through the corporation to obtain a broad and scientific development of their harbor and port facilities, to acquire and operate ships under government control and ownership during the war and arrange to continue to operate them after the peace terms are signed, and to develop import and export trade with the east and west coasts of South and Central America and the West Indies.

Sufficient funds to enable the corporation to begin its work have been pledged, it was announced.

#### KILLED IN ACTION.

Chester, S. C., Nov. 21.—A former well-known Chester county farmer, Private William H. Stewart, infantry, killed in action October 8 in France, according to a telegram received by his father, Hugh Stewart, of the Rossville section, tonight from the war department.

### FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR THEO. F. KLUTZ, SR.

#### Body Laid to Rest in Chestnut Hill Cemetery, Beneath Bank of Flowers.

Special to The Observer. Salisbury, Nov. 21.—The funeral services of the late Theodore F. Klutz, prominent citizen and well-loved man, was held from the First Presbyterian church this morning at 11 o'clock, being conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Byron Clark, and the body was laid to rest in Chestnut Hill cemetery under a bank of beautiful floral offerings.

A feature of the funeral service was a solo by Mrs. F. P. Smith, "One Sweetly, Solemn Thought," a special favorite of the deceased. The other hymns were also favorites of his.

Theodore Franklin Klutz was born October 4, 1846, in Salisbury, N. C., the son of Caleb and Elizabeth Moore Klutz, both of Salisbury. His father was sheriff of Rowan county for many years, a whig in politics, a man of strong character and convictions and great personal popularity. At an early age Theodore F. Klutz was left an orphan and thrown almost entirely upon his own resources. He entered the drug store of Henderson & Ennis as a clerk, and before he was 21 purchased the interest of Mr. Ennis and founded the firm of Theo. F. Klutz & Co.

In 1870 he began the study of law under Hon. James M. McCorkle, of Salisbury, with whom upon his licensure he formed a partnership which ended only with Mr. McCorkle's death.

In 1880 Mr. Klutz was district presidential elector on the Hancock ticket. In 1892 he was chairman of the North Carolina delegation at the national democratic convention at Chicago and seconded the nomination for President of William J. Bryan in a

speech that at once caught the ear of the convention and won great praise for the speaker. The same year, 1892, Mr. Klutz was a democratic presidential elector on the Bryan ticket and made a canvass of the seventh district which is memorable for eloquence and effectiveness. In 1898 he was nominated for Congress by the democrats of the seventh district and was elected to the 56th Congress by the largest majority ever given a candidate for Congress in North Carolina. He was re-elected to the 57th Congress from the seventh district, and to the 58th Congress from the eighth district, defeating Representative E. Spencer Blackburn, then regarded as the most popular republican in the state. Mr. Blackburn and Mr. Klutz had been thrown into the same district by a redistricting of the state. In March, 1908, Mr. Klutz voluntarily retired from Congress, a distinction then regarded as almost unique. He declined renomination.

### TWO ARMY AIRPLANES ARRIVE AT CAMP SEVIER

Special to The Observer.

Greenville, S. C., Nov. 21.—Two army airplanes from Camp Jackson, arrived here yesterday to take part in instruction work for the senior and staff officers' school conducted by British and French officers. The planes left Columbia Tuesday morning but were delayed somewhere by high winds and spent the night at Ninety-Six.

Why should you feel all out of sorts? You have no ambition, your mind is not clear, you do not rest at night, and you have no appetite. Had it occurred to you that your blood may be sluggish and impure? Better ask your druggist for Mrs. Jos. Person's Remedy today. Accept no substitute. Or write Person Remedy Co., Charlotte, N. C.—Adv. Fri

### CHARGED WITH KILLING YOUNG MAN AND WOMAN

#### Jerry Dalton Brought From Macon County to Asheville for Safe Keeping.

Special to The Observer. Asheville, Nov. 21.—Jerry Dalton, a young white man charged with the murder of a boy and a girl in Macon county, was brought here today for safe keeping. Dalton is alleged to have shot Merrill Angel and Miss Doris Grant, at Aquone, Macon county, S. C., November 10, shooting Angel through the windshield of the latter's car and the girl as she leaped and ran for safety. He was scheduled for trial next Monday, but the case was postponed, and because of feeling in the county it was deemed best to bring him to Asheville for safe keeping. He is held without bail.

Arthur Williams, a negro, was arrested here today charged with robbing D. L. Reader, a South Carolina stock buyer, of \$541 last night at a depot section hotel. The stock buyer charged that the negro sold him whiskey and while under the influence of the liquor went through his pockets. The money was found on the negro, who claims he was "taking care of it" for Reader.

Charged with killing Jim Shores, a negro, at Hickory, Ala. Warren, a white man of that place, was arrested here early this morning and was taken back to Hickory this afternoon. It is claimed that he shot the negro.

### ASHEVILLE CHURCHES TO HOLD SERVICES SUNDAY

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 21.—Following the two weeks' close-up owing to the new flare-up in the influenza epidemic as a result of the peace cel-

eration there on November 13, health authorities announced today that churches will be permitted to hold one service next Sunday, and in the places and to open the parlors and theaters during next week.

The quarantine has been lifted at the United States hospitals at Asaia and Kenilworth, near here.

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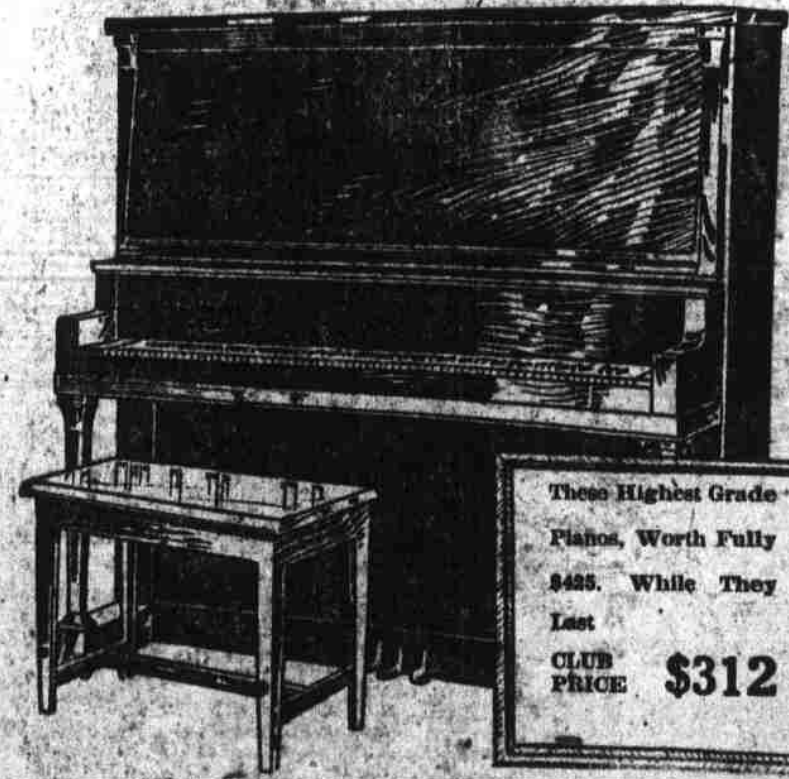


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