

CHRISTMAS CHEER FOR UNFORTUNATE

New York, Dec. 14.—Christmas cheer for the people of the warring nations of Europe, refugees in the Near East and American soldiers abroad is going forward through this port in greater volume than ever before. Postoffice officials here estimate that the volume of the 1920 Christmas foreign mail will approach twice the amount of previous years.

Thousands of packages have already been received here from all parts of the country and postal officials prepared for a unprecedented rush during the first two weeks of December. The bulk of the mail, officials state, is being sent to Germany and Poland and comprises principally foodstuffs and clothing. Italy and the Balkan states will also receive large shipments with smaller amounts going to France, Britain, Norway, Sweden, Belgium and the Latin-American countries.

In addition to the Christmas packages going direct by parcel post and by express, various American relief organizations are planning to bring something of the season's spirit to many thousands of destitute children. The Near East Relief has made elaborate Christmas plans for the refugee youngsters in the Near East and the Red Cross has planned cheer for children in the various districts in which it is operating.

The volume of soldier mail this year has materially decreased over recent years because of the withdrawal of most of the American forces from Europe. The several thousand "doughboys" still on the Rhine will be well remembered as a large shipment of gifts has been accumulated at the Army Transport Service at Hoboken. Soldiers serving in the Canal Zone, Hawaii, the Philippines and Alaska will also be remembered. Some of the vessel's bearing gifts for these men sailed during November.

Men of the navy, wherever stationed will also be the recipient of Christmas gifts from home and the Navy Department has made special

arrangements to give each man the maximum opportunity for a "Merry Christmas."

Co-operating with the Junior Red Cross, Secretary Daniels of the Navy Department has ordered a vessel to take Christmas gifts for thousands of Dalmatian children. This action was taken upon recommendation of Admiral Andrews, in charge of American warships stationed in the Adriatic. Two thousand pairs of shoes and stockings, thousands of cans of condensed milk, hundreds of bars of chocolate and toys from Red Cross warehouses will go to destitute children in Northern Italy and in Jugoslavia.

The Near East has made arrangements whereby United States sailors and marines stationed in Turkish waters are to make Christmas merry for thousands of children.

Each of Uncle Sam's fighting men there have been asked to "adopt" a child and provide some kind of a Christmas present.

A Christmas tree with elaborate exercises will be placed in the Near East Relief tubercular hospital in Constantinople. In Harpoot, where there are 6,000 Armenian orphans another tree will be provided by the Near East Relief organization. At Batum, on the Black Sea, where conditions are at the worst the population is looking forward to a shipment of one thousand tons of flour from America to add joy to holiday. The flour left here November 23 and is expected to arrive before Christmas.

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

A special meeting of the stockholders of the Planters Bank is hereby called by the directors to meet in the office of the president of said bank at 12 o'clock noon Thursday, December 30th, to consider a resolution adopted by the directors to increase the capital stock from \$40,000 to an amount not exceeding \$100,000 and to transact any other business that shall come before it.

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PLACE FOR AUSTRIA FOUND IN LEAGUE

First Former Enemy State Elected Without Opposition—Thirty-Five States Vote in Affirmative

Geneva, Dec. 16.—The assembly of the league of nations elected today the first former enemy state member of the league without opposition. The vote on the admission of Austria came after an unexpected passage at arms between Giuseppe, Motta, Switzerland and M. Viviani, representing France.

M. Motta, speaking on the report of the committee which was called for the rejection of Germany's application for admission by the peace conference, saying that Switzerland had always regretted it and that there were now three places vacant in the league, which ought to be filled by the United States, Russia and Germany.

At the mention of Germany, M. Viviani sprang up and asked for the floor, and upon the conclusion of M. Motta's speech in which the Swiss delegate appealed to the assembly for justice, M. Viviani mounted the tribune and launched into a fervid defense of the French viewpoint. It was soon apparent that the assembly was with him and his remarks were greeted with frequent applause. When he descended from the tribune he received the greatest ovation of the assembly.

The voting for the admission of Austria, which immediately followed developed 35 votes in favor of Austria's entrance, two members were absent and four abstained from voting.

The four elective members of the league council chosen by the assembly today were Spain, Brazil, Belgium and China, the final success of China coming after several ballots, being greeted with enthusiastic applause.

China today took rank among the principal powers directing the affairs of the world through its entry into the council of the league of nations in succession to Greece. The

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election of China had been discounted largely since the assembly previously had adopted the recommendation of the committee on organization that another elective member be allotted to Asia.

It was doubtful up to the last moment, however, whether the members who for the last few days had been advocating Slav or Scandinavian representation would not succeed with their argument that the Asiatic races could not expect two places on the council while two important European countries were not represented at all.

The majority of the delegates, however, held to their implied promise, but the success of China was due largely to the personal strength that Dr. Wellington Koo of the Chinese delegation has acquired in the assembly.

The delegates appeared to be less interested in the election of new states to the league and followed the recommendation of the committee on the admission of new states which it had long been known as a foregone conclusion they would approve.

Woman made her debut in the league today and was cordially received and welcomed by the assembly. In the discussion of action to suppress the white slave traffic Mlle Henri Forthammed, a substitute for Denmark, took the floor and in the purest English gave the delegates an example of clearness and conciseness which if it had come earlier might have shortened the meeting of the assembly.

GOVERNMENT BORROWS
SUM OF \$500,000,000

Washington, Dec. 16.—A bill for \$840,000,000 against the government falls due today and at the same time the treasury is to collect \$656,000,000 in income and excess profits taxes.

About \$700,000,000 in treasury certificates of indebtedness mature today and at the same time the semi-annual interest on the first liberty loan and the victory loan, aggregating about \$140,000,000 became payable. In order to provide for current expenses and to meet the remainder of the heavy obligations which mature in January, including \$300,000,000 in certificates Secretary Houston has offered two new issues of certificates aggregating about \$500,000,000.

Over 5,000 mules and burros daily pass over the La Paz-Yungas road in Bolivia, which goes from La Paz up and over the Andes and down into the valley of the Unduavi.

Mademoiselle Napierskowsky, a famous Russian dancer, has insured her feet for fifty thousand dollars.

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