

CIVILIANS REFUSE TO LEAVE TOURNAI

Special Trains Offered by Huns Not Used—Refugees Reach Holland

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Washington, Oct. 27.—Thirty-two thousand civilians, despite the request of the Germans, have refused to evacuate the city of Tournai, which is being approached by the British forces, according to advices received to-night from Rotterdam by the Commission for Relief in Belgium. Special trains put at their disposal by the Germans were unable to leave for lack of passengers.

Six thousand Belgian refugees have so far reached Holland, the despatch added. Because of the large number of refugees, a special committee to look out for their welfare has been appointed by the Dutch Government.

Reports from Brussels say difficulty is being experienced in housing refugees from other parts of Belgium and many are suffering from exposure and grippe.

MUST NOT LIBERATE HUN SHIPS AFTER WAR

BUT THEY SHOULD BE USED TO HELP MAKE GOOD ALLIED LOSSES.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

London, Oct. 27. — German ships should not be set free after the war "to extend their share of the world's carrying trade and so profit by the losses which their Government by means mainly piratical had inflicted upon the ships of the allies." This plan is urged upon the British Government in a resolution adopted by the council of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom.

The council points out that heavy losses have been suffered by shipping companies at the hands of the Germans. Half of Germany's shipping is declared to be in neutral or other ports, and Germany may have added to it by construction or purchase during the war.

The allied countries, the council says, will find themselves short of ships for some time after the war, and declares that while Germany cannot make restitution of all shipping sunk, there is no reason why she should not make restitution in kind to an extent to which she is able.

45 VILLAGES FREED AND 165 SQUARE MILES

ACHIEVEMENT OF AMERICAN ARMY IN LITTLE LESS THAN MONTH'S TIME.

(Associated Press Despatch.)

With the American Army Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 27.—In its first major operation against the Germans, considering the clearing out of the St. Mihiel salient as a local affair, the American army in a few days less than a month has liberated more than 45 villages and advanced to an average depth of ten miles, freeing 165 square miles of territory. In the offensive the Americans have captured more than 20,000 prisoners.

In addition to the prisoners Gen. Pershing's men have taken more than 187 guns of large calibre, numerous machine guns and anti-tank guns, a great store of ammunition and much war material, including locomotives and railway cars.

No Armistice Terms Till Wilson Answered

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

London, Oct. 27.—It is understood in authoritative quarters that the allied Governments will not reveal their armistice terms until Germany has replied to President Wilson's last note.

Premier Lloyd George and Foreign Secretary Balfour, accompanied by naval and military officers, have gone to France.