

Sir Captain, officers, my dear soldiers.

Allow me to wish jou the heartiest welcome in the name of the population of this village.

It is now more than four jears since the german hordes overron our country, bringing with them nothing but distress and servitude. After having abolished our butemburgh laws, they wanted to germanize us and they did it with german radicalism. We had to endure the most horrible oracltics. Though a number of our countrymen had to loose their lifes for their resistance, though many others had been deported to East-Prussia, we never despaired.

In the long might of german terror, our eyes turned to the U.S. of America, the mighty land where so many of our countrymen had emigrated. There lives a great and noble statesman who already before the outbreak of war had told the world: To all nations, even to the smallest must be given the right of self-determination.

During the mournful hours of occupation these words of Roosevelt gave us courage and hope. We knew that the powerful nation of U.S. would obey the words of his President. And we were not disappointed.

To-day, and it must be said, it is the most beautiful gay of our history, jou come to us, sweeping away the masi tyranny and giving back to us our freedom and our independence.

Therefore allow me to offer the heartiest thanks of our population to the valorous U.S' army. These heroic officers and soldiers, who in so short a time delivered France, Belgium and Luxemburgh, and success without an example in history. Also we are proud to see the Prince Felix of Luxemburgh and his son the Heir-Prince John fighting in the ranks of this brilliant army.

Let me at last express jou our feelings of veneration and gratitude to the U.S' Government, to the Supreme Command of the army as well as to all American citisens who by their hard work contributed to realise the mighty army, which soon will deal the final blow to the masi terror.

Hoping that within a short time jou'll





