

GENERAL BADOGLIO, U. S. GUEST, ARRIVES

Famous Italian Soldier Comes on Liner Verdi, Held Up Down the Bay.

ENTHUSIASTICALLY GREETED

General Bullard and Italian Ambassa- dor Meet Visitor on Tug— Other Craft on Hand.

General Pietro Badoglio, former Chief of Staff of the Italian Army, who started in the great war with the rank of Major and was made a full General before the armistice, arrived yesterday on the Italian liner Giuseppe Verdi as the guest of the Government. He will go to Washington today.

He was met at Quarantine by the army tug Lexington, which conveyed the General and his staff to the Battery, where fully 5,000 Italian-Americans, including many who served under him on the Piave, welcomed him.

On his left breast General Badoglio wore four rows of ribbons denoting twenty-five decorations awarded by the Italian and other allied governments.

Major Gen. Robert Lee Bullard, commander of the Second Army Corps Area, went down the bay on the Lexington, with his aid, Colonel Mervyn C. Buckey. The Italian Ambassador, Vittorio Rolandi Ricci, with his staff, from Washington, and prominent New Yorkers went along.

When the army tug arrived alongside the Giuseppe Verdi it was ascertained that there was a case of smallpox in the steerage, which prevented the liner going to her pier at the foot of Franklin Street, North River. But arrangements were made to permit General Badoglio and his staff to leave.

Several small steamboats had been chartered by Italians to go down to greet the General and they circled around the Lexington, those on board shouting, "Viva Badoglio!"

The Giuseppe Verdi was decorated with flags and had the General's flag, three red stars on a white background, hoisted at the foremast head. One large steam launch carried a delegation from the Italian Naval League and had banners flying and a band playing American and Italian patriotic airs.

General Badoglio said to the reporters:

"It is my first visit to your country, and I salute the glorious Republic of the United States and raise my cap to the army of the United States, the faithful ally with whom we fought throughout the war. I remember with great pleasure General Treat, commander of the American forces in Italy, and the wonderful regiment, the 332d, and their quality and bravery. It was a pleasure to us to permit them as a slight token of our regard to wear on their shoulders the emblem of the lion, the insignia of ancient Venice.

"I come to bring to the United States—America, I call it—the spirit of Italy to your great country."

The General said he expected to be away from Italy for about two months. The General drove to the Ritz-Carlton, where he has a suite reserved for him by the army.

The Secretary of War will entertain General Badoglio and party at an official luncheon at the Army and Navy Club in Washington tomorrow. The guests will include the Chief of Staff, the executive assistant to the Chief of Staff, the directors of the divisions of the General Staff and the chiefs of bureaus and services.

General Badoglio was formerly Chief of Staff of the Italian Army and is now a life member of the Supreme War Council.