Rorrespondenz aus Demichland (Bon Matheus hantselo.)

Boften 107 fei Coremberg, Rieber: Laufin, 19. Bannar 1915.

Berte Bolisblatilefer im fernen Tegas ! Bir haben bier bis jest noch immer teinen rechten Binter, bas Beift Sonee und ftrengen Froft gebabt. Am 16. Januar tamen 100 friegegefangene Ruffen auf bem Bege nach Reuborf burch Spremberg, um in ber bortigen Roblengrube ju arbeiten. 3m Degember bn. 38. find icon 100 Mann borthin gebracht morben, Diefe tamen in brei belgifchen Baggons bon Gorlis nach Spremberg : es waren alles bubiche junge Danner in felbgrauen Uniformen. Jest ift bier Mangel an Arbeitetraften und in ben Tuchfabriten fehlt's an Baumwolle, benn bie Englander halten die Schiffe zu lange auf ober behalten fie bort. Dafür follte Ontel Sam forgen, bag ber über. feeifche Banbel nicht geftort wirb: Amerita bat ja etliche gute Rriegs. fciffe. Bon bier ift fouft nichte Reues zu berichten und fomit will M follegen und bie Befet bes Boltsblattes gum Renen Jahr aufs betalichfte begrüßen.

Der Eifenbehnet.

Correspondence from Germany (by Matheus Hontschko)

Post 107 near Spremberg, Lower Lusatia January 19, 1915

Dear Reader of the *Volksblatt* in distant Texas!

We have not had a real winter until now. that is to say snow and hard freeze. 100 Russian prisoners came through Spremberg on their way to Neudorf on January 16th to be put to work in its coal mines. 100 were already transported in three Belgian railroad cars out of Goerlitz to Spremberg in December of last year; they were all nice looking young men in field-grey uniforms. We currently have a shortage in workers and we are lacking cotton in the cloth making factories because the English retain the ships too long or confiscate them altogether. Uncle Sam should take care of this since his oversea trade is not hindered: After all, America does have a number of capable war ships. Not much that is new is to be reported from here and I will thus close with heart felt greetings for the New Year to all the readers of the *Volksblatt*.

The Railroader.

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