AK-Sar-Ben Dates

Carnival-Fifteenth street and Capitol avenue, September 25 to October 5. Electrical Parade-Wednesday night, October 2.
Daylight Military Parade

Thursday afternoon, October 3.

GET YOUR WANT-ADS IN FOR THE BIG SUNDAY BEE BEFORE 9 O'CLOCK TONIGHT

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Fair and cooler Saturday: Sunday unsettled and cooler, probably showers.

THE WEATHER-

MIHIEL SALIENT FA 13.300 PRISONERS TAK

VAST OMAHA HOST PAYS TRIBUTE TO GENERAL PERSHING CENTER BUTTRESS

Thousands March in City Streets to Honor Leader on Birthday Anniversary; Hugh Cake Cut and Portions Sold For War Funds; Crowds Cheer News of Great Victory.

General John J. Pershing was probably asleep over in France while the great Omaha celebration of his birthday Isolation of Fortress of Metz by Great Encircling Movewas going on last night, for at 8 o'clock in Omaha, it is already 2 o'clock the next morning in France.

But into his dreams must have come a whisper from the home-land, the home state, the state where those nearest and dearest to him live. And that whisper must have been of the big celebration in the state's metropolis where his 58th birthday was commemorated with a grand parade, patriotic songs by many thousands of voices, an oration and finally the cutting of the gigantic birthday cake and its sale for the benefit of the Salvation Army war drive.

Celebrate Victory.

Never before was such a birthday celebration held in Omaha. Particularly enthusiastic were the people in honoring the state's most prominent citizen because of the news from France which indicated that the general and his brave boys were having a little celebration of the event there with the addition of unlimited "fireworks" and hrecrackers, 12,000 German "guests" who had been brought in to the celebration—after being deprived of their arms.

The Omaha streets were crowded with people long before the parade started. A great number of automobiles were lined up at vantage points even before 6 o'clock. Boy scouts acted as patrols. They also distributed many thousands of leaflets containing patriotic songs and the crowds sang these while waiting for the pa-

Huge Birthday Cake.

The feature of the parade was the Pershing birthday rake float, the handiwork of Gus Renze, famed Ak-Sar-Ben artificer. On this was a chef at work at a table and an enormous birthday cake with 58 candles on it and, at the rear, a big picture of General Pershing, draped with flags. The whole float was brilliantly illuminated with incandescent lights.

It was drawn by 25 Omaha Elks. Fifteen more Elks held a rope at the back of the float, acting as a brake going down hill.

The order of march of the parade was as follows:

Soldiers from Fort Omaha, 600 strong. Home Guards.

Soldiers' mothers. Red Cross and other women's war

organizations in uniform.

Omaha Elks. The cake on an illuminated float.

Salvation Army. High School cadets.

Municipal Guards. The six bands which participated in the parade are: the Midwest

band, formerly called the Postoffice band, composed of postoffice em-ployes; the Omaha Musicians' association band, the Bohemian and Dan Desdunes' band, the Union Pacific band, composed of Union Pacific employes, and the Boy Scouts' drum

Vast Crowd to Witness.

The court house square was crowded to the limit when the parade was done. A choir of 200 girls directed by Frances L. Range, over the main entrance, led in the singing of patriotic songs.

The appearance of the float was greeted with a great cheer from the crowd at the court house.

Charles R. Docherty, exalted ruler of the Elks, was master of ceremonies and introduced Capt. C. E. Adams, commander-in-chief of the grand Army of the Republic, who made the

patriotic address. He only spoke 10 minutes because the crowd was so solidly jammed all around the platform that people could not get out and the ceremonies were hurried as much as possible.

Captain Adams declared that General Pershing is "the central figure of America's hopes at the present time. He gave a brief history of the general's life and his rapid promotion following upon military services brilliantly performed. And the declared that a still greater celebration even than this one will take place some time in the future when Pershing comes home crowned with victory over the enemies who have sought to threaten the liberty of the peoples of the world.

Besides these there were 20 Elks day. But the evening could not have Then came the event which the great audience had been awaitingmanning a rope at the back to act been finer.

the cutting of the cake.
Forward stepped M. Gerard Cosette in the full white uniform of a pastry cook, a French pastry cook, a (Continued on Page Four, Column Three) the figures in his age, 58, when added rade had passed.

by Woman After Killing Colorado Springs Chief of Detectives.

Paola, Kan., July 10, last.

automobile filling station near the enemy hopes to hold, central fire station by the detectives. Twenty shots were fired in the battle the line across the mouth of the dewhich followed. The robbers escaped stroyed salient which the Americans in an automobile and were last seen now hold, officers here will be unable headed for Denver.

tives had evaded posses, leaving the main road near Palmer Lake. tomobile on the road north of Colorado Springs reported tonight that as the car passed him he saw the less the whole German front from the of a man protruding through the

officers here. Premier Lloyd George's

David Lloyd George is suffering from French citadel of Verdun has reinfluenza and all his Lancashire en- leased the French armies from that gagements have been cancelled. His point to Rheims for active offensive at 8:30 p. m., said that his tempera- the railway line from Verdun to Comture was still high and it was doubt- mercy, Toul and Nancy. ful if he would be able to leave for

icult to keep up the gait set by the mans.

service flags and many of them were one gold star in it.

husky soldier lads who preceded them.

Four mothers wore black for soldier

A continual ripple of applause

marked by three or four stars.

earance, got a "hand."

as a brake, going down hill.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Sept. 13.— John Rowan, chief of city detectives, was shot and killed and John D. Riley, a city detective, was shot and probably fatally wounded in a battle ed and the full scope of the victory with robbers in the downtown district won by the Americans in their first late this afternoon. The robbers are independent action could not be thought to be three men alleged to gauged. It was regarded as probable,

larger scope.

Railway Line Liberated.

of many observers. It is out of all

(Continued on Page Four, Calumn One.)

In the section of soldiers' mothers

"Bob" Manley was hustled from

motorcycle with side car driven by

A big piece of the birthday cake

Those who had the affair in hand

The theaters had men out with

a Fort Omaha soldier.

where they live.

War Mothers Join the Parade,

Some in Mourning For Sons

Several hundred war mothers together. It came on the 13th day

marched in the Pershing parade last of the ninth month, and when you add

night. Many of them had snow-white these figures, 9, 1 and 3, you get 13.

hair and a few of them found it dif- Certainly "some jinx"-for the Ger-

sons who already have paid the sur- every woman carried a service flag.

preme sacrifice on French battle- One woman had a flag with four stars.

line. The Fort Omaha soldiers, es-pecially, in their fine, businesslike ap-where they live

The float was pulled by 75 Omaha were a bit worried about the weather,

Elks in lieu of the customary horses. which threatened a little during the

Not only was General Pershing's megaphones announcing that their birthday Friday and the 13th, but curtains would not rise until the pa-

All of the mothers carried And one proudly bore a flag with

The robbers were run down at an get in touch with the new line the

The car was driven by a woman, probable course future operations in who was at the wheel at the time of this theater will take. There is a It appeared early tonight the fugi-

A man who passed the bandits' automobile on the road north of Colothe car passed him he saw the legs North sea to the Swiss border. door, indicating that one of the bandits might have been killed or wounded in the exchange of shots with the

Illness Is Influenza ritory regained of the forces employed, it is said, for the removal

Manchester, Sept. 13.-Premier of this meace in the rear of the London on Monday.

NOW THREATENED ment Expected by Washington Observers as Sequel

OF GERMAN FRONT

Armies at Verdun Released.

to Elimination of St. Mihiel Salient; French

By Associated Press. Washington, Sept. 13.—The number of prisoners taken burg line, with the Americans and by the Americans in flattening out the St. Mihiel salient now French paralleling them closely from numbers 13,300, General Pershing reported in his communique for today, received late tonight at the War department. Jaulny, Xammes, St. Benoit, Hatton-

The text of the statement follows: "Headquarters American Expeditionary Forces, Sept. 13. -Section A: In the St. Mihiel sector we have achieved further successes. The junction of our troops advancing from the tions undertaken in the St. Mihiel resouth of the sector with those advancing from the west has gion. The two forces pushing reeast of St. Mihiel and has resulted in the capture of many prisenemy, advancing with a rapidity, precison and dash that disheartened

Bandits Escape in Car Driven number of prisoners counted has risen to 13,300. Our line now nature. includes Herbeuville, Thillet, Hattonville, St. Benot-Xammes-Biaucourt and Vieville."

Washington, Sept. 13.—Complete elimination of the St. Mihiel salient by General Pershing's army and cooperating French forces, many army INFLUENZA IN officials here believe, is only the entering wedge of operations of far Official dispatches were still delay-U. S. IS FEARED

have held up and robbed a train near however, that General Pershing's Outbreaks at Several Cities on men still were pressing forward to Eastern Seacoast Reported by Surgeon Gen-Until definite word comes as to eral Blue.

> Washington, Sept. 13.-Surgeon to form opinions as to the most General Blue of the public health service has made a telegraphic survey to strong opinion, however, that the determine the extent of Spanish inquick evacuation of the St. Mihiel fluenza in the United States. General salient will be made the cornerstone Blue said there was a sharp outbreak of a great encircling movement aimed at isolating the German fort- at Fort Morgan near Mobile, Ala., in August, and at about the same time a tramp steamer arrived at Newport News with almost the entire crew prostrated. Philadelphia reported a Strategic importance of General few cases, some four weeks ago, and Pershing's smashing victory hardly can be overestimated, in the opinion a few have been reported from New York. The Boston outbreak was re-

pandemic has appeared at New Lonproportion to the extent of the terdon, while New Orleans has not wholly escaped. "The disease is characterized by sudden onset," said Dr. Blue to the Associated Press. "People are stricken on the streets, while at work in facphysician, after a visit to the premier operations. It has also liberated tories, ship yards, offices, or elsewhere. First there is a chill, then fever with temperature from 101 to 103, headache, backache, reddening It was the loss of this railroad, and running of the eyes, pains all over the body and general prostration. Persons so attacked should go to their

ported September 11, since when the

lay and call a physician. Treatment under direction of the physician is simple, but important, consisting principally of rest in bed fresh air, abundant food, with Dover's powder for the relief of pain. Every case with fever should be regarded as serious and kept in bed at least until temperature becomes normal. Convalescence requires careful management to avoid serious complications, such as bronchial pneumonia, which ot infrequently may have fatal termination. During the present outbreak in foreign countries the salts of quinine and aspirin have been most generally used during the acute attack, the aspirin apparently with much success in the relief of symp-

homes at once, get to bed without de-

The Home guards marched like one place to another in a military Petrograd Reported Taken By Anti-Bolshevik Forces greeted the marchers all along the was sent to General Pershing's son Paris, Sept. 13 .- (Havas)-Dis-

patches received by English news-

papers through Helsingfors apnounce

that Petrograd has been taken by the anti-revolutionists. Suffers Paralytic Stroke. F. J. Otis, peddler, 222 North Nineteenth street, while buying groceries

at Seventeenth and Cuming streets, appointed deputy commissioner of in-underwent a paralytic stroke. He was taken to the Lord Lister hospital and Roper. was attended by Dr. Moon.

SWIFT DRIVE THROWS FOE OFF BALANCE

BEFORE FOE CAN ORGANIZE DEFENSE

YANKS SWOOP DOWN ON HUN LINES

Germans Prepared for Attack on St. Mihiel Salient, but Powerless to Withstand American Dash.

By Associated Press.

With the American Army in Lorraine, Sept. 13 .- The St. Mihiel salient has been wiped out and the enemy forces are now virtually with their backs on the famous Wotan-Hinden-Verdun to the Moselle.

ille, Hannonville and Herbeville. Brilliantly supported by the French, General Pershing has accomplished the "limited objectives" of the operaso much ground of so important a

Bombardment Paralyzes Enemy. The preliminary artillery work in the dark hours of Thursday morning was demoralizing in the thoroughness WORK OR FIGHT, of its destructiveness. The enemy was prepared for a possible blow in this region, but four hours of almost unsurpassed shelling with gas and from guns of all calibers left him powerless to bring up his reserves or maintain communications. His roads were torn up, his supplies and ma-terial destroyed, his ammunition dumps sent skyward and villages behind his lines fired. A large number of prisoners, quantities of supplies

and many guns fell into the hands of the allies. Eventual stabilization here will free mportant lines of rail communications as well as roadways, and leave n the possession of the French and Americans high ground which will

be of great military advantage when he wet season begins. Crack Division Overpowered.

In the military sense, the action has been normal in all its aspects, except in the rapidity of execution. This does not mean there has been no hard fighting. There has been fighting, both brilliant and fierce, because one vitally important point was held by famous well-tried German division. Nevertheless the division was unable (Continued on Page Four, Column Two.)

France Is Thrilled By American Success In Independent Drive

Paris, Sept. 13 .- News of America's first independent offensive on the western front has thrilled France. The newspapers print the battlefront dispatches in the largest type and accompany them with maps and explanations regarding the ground fought over. No one doubts that the effort was crowned with full success.

Editorial writers pay a tribute to the moderation of General Pershing's official communication which abstained from mentioning the villages regained or surrounded in the imposing advance.

AMERICAN TROOPS ON GERMAN BORDER AT MOSELLE RIVER

Battle Line Now Runs From Hattonville on North to Pagny, Closing Mouth of St. Mihiel Sack and Trapping All Germans Remaining There; Important Railways Restored to France.

By Associated Press.

The American First army has carried out the initial task. assigned to it—the leveling of the famous St. Mihiel salient in Lorraine.

In a little more than 24, hours not only had the work been accomplished but General Pershing's men had all the towns, villages and strategic positions in the sector within their hands and were standing on the banks of the Moselle river at Pagny, looking across the stream into German territory. And the southern outer fortifications of Metz, the great German strong. hold in Lorraine, were only four miles distant.

Large numbers of Germans had been taken prisoner-more than 12,000 had been counted and others were still on their way "Forced back by our steady advance, the enemy is retir- him after his reverses of recent back to the prisoners' cages—and many guns and machine guns ing and destroying large quantities of material as he goes. The months. Few late actions have yielded and great quantities of ammunition and other war stores were in American hands.

WILSON'S DICTUM TO STRIKERS bereit of the approach of the offensive.

Notifies Union Machinists No Interruption of War Production Will Be Tolerated.

Washington, Sept. 13.-President! Wilson, himself, took a hand today in the enforcement of industrial peace and continued war production. In hands. The towns of Vigneulles, effect, he gave notice to employers Thiaucourt, Pont-a-Mousson and St. and employes alike that no interruption of production will be tolerated; height in the center of the salient, that both the government powers of and from which much trouble had order will be applied rigidly where Among the numerous prisoners taken necessary to deal with recalcitrants. The president's warning was given

in a letter to union machinists and other striking workmen at Bridgeport, Conn., who left their jobs in war material plants a week ago because by the war labor board to which wage demands had been submitted. The men were told to go back to service on occupational grounds. Plant Commandeered.

At the same time the president anof Springfield, Mass., the first employer to "flaunt" the rules of the war labor board approved by presidential proclamation, had been com-mandeered by the War department to be operated for the period of the

Close Mouth of Sack. From Hattonville, on the north-across the salient eastward to Pagns, the Americans have closed the Americans have closed the mouth of the big sack that extend-ed southward to St. Mihiel, trapping within it by their fast advance all the

In addition, along the eastern side of the heights north of Hattonville the Americans have debouched from the hill region and are astride the railroad running from Commercy to Verdun. Likewise the Thiaucourt-Metz and Nancy-Metz railroads are in American hands.

Beginning in the northwest and Fresnes, Les Eparges, Hattonville, Preny and Pagny and all the ground lying between them are in American Mihiel are far in the rear of the present line. Mont Sec, the dominating commandeering and the work or fight been expected, fell without fighting. were men from Austro-Hungarian

Hold Strategic Positions.

Although the operation of Americans has been described as having "limited objectives," it neverthey were dissatisfied with an award theless cannot but have a most important bearing on the future of the war. From the straightened line growing out of the obliteration of work on pain of being barred from the St. Mihiel salient the Americans employment for a year and of losing now are aligned on territory from all claim to exemption from military which it is possible to get behind both the Meuse and Moselle rivers and thus make null the reported plans of the Germans to stabilize front along the Meuse should they of the Smith & Wesson company be unable to hold the allies in the west in check:

Already allied airmen are heavily, combing the Moselle region around Metz and its outlying fortifications, having dropped many tons of bombs on the strategic railways leading from the great fortress, and it seemingly is not without reason to expect that with apparent supfemacy in the air Metz and the surrounding country henceforth is to be sadly harassed by the allied flying squadrons.

Meanwhile the maneuvers on the west front around Cambrai and St. Quentin should not be lost sight of by reason of the present American offensive. Here the British and in the process of outflanking and capturing these two important towns which are all but within their grasp. Farther to the north in Flanders the British also are keeping up their encroachments in the region of Basse and Armentieres, both of which

places are imperilled. Pershing's Sisters and Son Honor Guests at Dinner

having luncheon with Congressman Sloan.

Congressman Kinkaid's bill "authorizing the resurvey or retracement of lands heretofore returned as sur-Country club here tonight in celebration of the American commander's lived here, were present.

Arthur Mullen in Capital To Help Run Government

and all.

Washington Bureau of Omaha Bee, until after the election, for Morehead Washington, Sept. 13.-(Special Telegram.)-The junior partner of the firm of Hitchcock and Mullen arrived in Washington this morning on political business. Little Arthur is having difficulty over the postmasterships. Then the firm must take care of Mayer Jim Dahlman, who is still waiting to be fixed and for that and other reasons, notably to secure the Skinner Packing company the right to increase its captital stock. Nebraska's democratic national committeeman has been a right busy individual here-

The Dahlman matter, it is expected, will be settled tomorrow and a like-ly guess is that "Mayor Jim" will be

But he will not take over the job goes to the president

and Neville both have asked for French daily are enlarging their gains "Mayor Jim's" help, which is not to be sneezed at even though the Dahlman etar is temporarily in eclipse. Senator Hitchcock is expected in Washington in the morning and then the firm of Hitchcock and Mullen will settle the Dahlman matter for good

Victor Rosewater, editor of The Bee, was in the capital today for a few hours, en route to New York While in Washington he called on

of lands heretofore returned as surveyed public lands of the United States under certain conditions," was 58th birthday. Many friends passed by the senate today. It now who knew General Pershing when