

PEACE TO BE MADE BY DESTRUCTION OF GERMAN ARMY

Foch Aiming at Morale of Enemy Forces by Harassing Tactics as Much as at Advancement of Battlefront; Chief of Staff Hints at Continued Offensive by General Pershing's American Army.

Washington, Sept. 14.—Military observers here believe General Foch plans each phase of the offensive to reach some limited tactical position, while collectively the series of blows will serve to keep the entire enemy defensive line in a state of perpetual unrest.

Many officers believe the purpose will be shown more clearly as the winter sets in by continued pressure against the German lines all along the front, to keep the enemy from stabilizing his position and to keep his men from getting any rest.

There is no question in the minds of these officers that the supreme commander is aiming at the morale of the German army by these harassing tactics as much as he is at the advancement of his own battle front.

May Continue Offensive.

Destruction of the enemy army after all, they say, is the only certain way to military victory. General March, chief of staff, hinted today at a continued offensive by General Pershing on the St. Mihiel front. At his weekly conference with newspaper correspondents he said elimination of the salient furnished a better base "for future operations." No official reports had come, however, to show the course General Pershing is following since the two wings of his attack formed a junction and closed the mouth of the St. Mihiel trap on the enemy.

Berlin reported officially that Pershing's men were feeling their way toward "our new line" east of Combrès and northwest of Thiaucourt. Just what line this referred to was not clear. It appeared probable tonight, however, that the line of defense upon which the Germans have fixed will be found well to the north and east of the positions held by Pershing's outposts at last authentic reports. It is not believed here, however, that the enemy will yield control of the Briey iron fields without a stubborn fight and Pershing is advancing directly toward that important region.

Pershing's Operations Explained.

Discussing the American operations of the last two days, General March said: "The old St. Mihiel salient was the first one that was established along the western front in September, 1914, and is the last one to go, the narrowest and most angular of all salients, projecting 12 miles into the French line and having important military bearing because it is across the railway of the Meuse valley, cutting off Verdun from Commercy and Toul and leaving only one supply line, the one that goes out to the west toward Rheims. This salient was cut off by the American army in less than two days, parts of Thursday and Friday, by quick, sharp blows on both flanks.

"On the south flank our troops advanced along a 10-mile front between Niverny and Fay-en-Haye up through the undulating plain of the Woivre. On the north flank on an eight-mile front, they advanced across the heights of the Meuse, a ridge which is six miles wide and broken by deep, branching ravines. By the evening of the first day, the south flank had been driven in five miles and the north flank three miles. By evening of the second day (Friday), the salient had been wiped out.

Line Shortened 22 Miles.

"The removal of the salient shortens the line 22 miles, restores rail communication between Verdun and St. Mihiel and Toul and gives a very much better base for future offensive operations than existed before this drive began.

"It is to be noted that the German communique says they withdrew quietly from this sector in accordance with a carefully arranged plan, but this does not cover the 13,300 men they left behind. They constitute the combat strength of an entire German division.

"All reports from the fighting sections in France indicate the same high spirit, the lack of pessimism which has always characterized our troops in France, and everyone gets into the

American Casualty List

The following casualties are mentioned in the casualty list for Sunday, September 15: Guy S. Hampton, died of disease, next of kin, Mrs. Virginia Hampton, Des Moines; Melvin B. Ingebrigtsen, wounded severely, next of kin, Martin Ingebrigtsen, Radcliffe; George F. Kelley, wounded severely, next of kin, Maude Kelley, Waukon; Corp. Stanford A. Myers, missing in action, next of kin, Ivan C. Myers, Des Moines.

The following casualties are reported by the commanding general of the American expeditionary forces: Killed in action, 13; missing in action, 28; wounded severely, 72; died of disease, 4; wounded, degree undetermined, 9; died of wounds, 1; wounded slightly, 1. Total, 128.

Killed in Action.

Sergt. Raymond Duzak, Kankakee, Ill. Corp. Roscoe Gray, Lima, O. Earl J. Conley, Apollonia, Wis. Robert Craig, Centralia, Wash. William McK. Kitter, Cincinnati, O. Sylvanus Hokin, Mazon, Ill. Edgar H. Leland, Detroit, Mich. Lee C. Meadows, Portland, Ore. Milton Korvick, Jamaica, N. Y. Neils S. Pederson, Wilmar, Minn. Walter A. Rand, Worcester, Mass. William T. Kelly, Washington, D. C. Hyram Shulson, Sandy, Utah.

Died of Wounds.

Lt. Raymond Preston, Chicago, Ill. Died of Disease.

Stephen S. Hoyatt, Meridian, Miss. Guy S. Hampton, Des Moines, Ia. John McLaughlin, Cypress, Tex. David M. Van Meter, Covington, Tenn. Wounded Severely.

Melvin B. Ingebrigtsen, Radcliffe, Ia. George F. Kelley, Waukon, Ia. Missing in Action.

Walter J. Hatfield, St. Louis, Mo. Thomas A. Jones, Dexter, Mo. Jesse L. Murray, Roaring Springs, Pa. Elmer Arons, Oakley, Barr, Mo.

Died of Disease.

George Hooper, Thornton, Ark. Previously reported killed in action, now reported wounded.

Sergt. Clifton E. Campbell, Clarian, Ia. Previously reported missing in action, now reported wounded.

Bernard L. Booth, Emmetsburg, Ia.

AREA OF 155 SQUARE MILES FREED OF FOE

American Soldiers Greeted Warmly by Inhabitants of St. Mihiel Salient; Sad Stories Heard.

London, Sept. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—North of the old St. Mihiel salient the Germans are readjusting their lines. In the neighborhood of Chatillon, six miles northwest of Fresnes, the enemy is retiring, and French patrols are in touch with him. The Germans have gone back for a distance of one to two miles at this point.

Big Territory Gained.

With the American Forces in Lorraine, Sept. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—Thirty-six hours of fighting netted General Pershing's forces approximately 155 square miles of territory in the St. Mihiel salient, which has been in German hands since the autumn of 1914.

Following the American troops through the captured villages, the correspondent found on every hand evidences of long control by the Germans. Bills for supplies had been paid with currency on which the Germans had printed French monetary terms.

The inhabitants of the salient were absolutely ignorant of the events of history in the last four years, knowing only what their captors had told them. Here the sad stories heard in the whole of the reclaimed districts of France were accentuated by the long years of German control, which had isolated the people from news of relatives and of world happenings.

Given Warm Greeting.

Every American entering the villages experienced the same reception as that given to Secretary of War Baker and General Pershing and their party. Aged men and women seized and kissed the hands of the officers and correspondents, crying and laughing, the curiously aged children imitating their leaders unknowingly. For their own compatriots, how-

Omaha Nurse Soon to Be Sent Overseas.



Miss Abelona Winter

Miss Abelona Winter is in the city on a short furlough from Fort Riley. She has been stationed at the post for several months and expects to be sent overseas very soon after her return. Miss Winter received her training at the Swedish Mission hospital.

Later in the evening General Pershing and Secretary Baker resumed their journey in other sections of the regained region.

Lines are Advanced.

With the American Army on the Aisne Front, Sept. 14.—(By Associated Press.)—American infantrymen advanced their lines slightly at several points southeast of Villers-en-Prayer, to the northwest of Revillon, today.

An American raiding party was sent out against the enemy east of Villers-en-Prayer before daylight today. The party brought back a few prisoners.

There was the usual amount of artillery firing during the day.

LIEUT. COL. DRUM CHIEF OF FIRST U. S. ARMY STAFF

Names of Officers Who Handled Movement at St. Mihiel Under Pershing Made Public.

Washington, Sept. 14.—General Pershing has organized a staff for the first American army separate from his personal staff, which reminds at general headquarters of the American expeditionary force, General March, chief of staff, announced today.

Lt. Col. Hugh A. Drum is the chief of staff of the new army and his assistant chiefs of staff are Col. Robert McCleave and Lt. Col. Jens Bugge, Willey Howell, John L. De Witt and Lewis H. Watkins.

Maj. Gen. Edward F. McGlachlin is chief of artillery and the heads of the administration and technical services are:

Adjutant general, Col. Joseph F. Barnes; inspector general, Col. Jacob C. Johnson; judge advocate, Lt. Col. Blanton Winship; chief quartermaster, Maj. George Luberoff; chief surgeon, Col. Alexander N. Stark; chief engineer, Brig. Gen. J. J. Morrow; chief signal officer, Lt. Col. Parker Hitt; chief ordnance officer, Col. Edward P. O'Hern; chief of motor transport, corps, Col. William H. Winters; chief of air service, Col. William Mitchell.

It was this staff which handled the movement at St. Mihiel under General Pershing, General March said. He added that the chiefs of the chemical warfare service and additional administrative and technical services had not been designated at the time General Pershing reported the other members of the new staff.

Yarn Stocks Released.

Washington, Sept. 14.—Stocks of wool yarn for knitting now in the hands of manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers were released today by the war industries board for sale to the public generally.

LIBERTY LOAN OFFICIALS TO TOUR THE STATE

Byrne and Folda to Meet County Chairmen to Make Arrangements for the Drive.

T. C. Byrne and E. F. Folda, chairman and secretary of the Nebraska State Liberty Loan committee, have gone for a two-weeks' tour of Nebraska in order to complete arrangements with county chairmen for the forthcoming campaign.

A series of district meetings have been arranged, which will be attended by all county chairmen in those districts. The first three meetings will be as follows:

Monday, September 16, Norfolk: County chairmen of Seventh and Eighth districts.

Wednesday, September 18, Holdrege: County chairmen of Third and Fourth districts.

Friday, September 20, Alliance: County chairmen of the First district.

Messrs. Byrne and Folda recently returned from a conference with the Tenth federal reserve district officials in Kansas City and will transmit information received at headquarters to the workers throughout Nebraska.

"We were able to obtain concessions at headquarters," announced Chairman Byrne, "allowing us discretion in figuring quotas of counties where there have been crop failures. We have always worked on the basis of estimating a fair quota for the individual. To be consistent, we must carry out this same plan in estimating county quotas."

"Nebraska's quota will be double that of the Third loan," says Secretary Folda. "Nebraska has never failed in any request made on it by the government. It will not fail now. The whole-hearted support of the people, which has been evidenced in previous loans, will be intensified in this, and the large amount required of Nebraska will be forthcoming. But everyone must do his or her part."

Last Big Gun Used In Bombarding Paris Removed by Germans

Washington, Sept. 14.—French soldiers have located the emplacement of the last big cannon used by the Germans in the bombardment of Paris. An official dispatch from France today says: "In the Corbi wood, in the neighborhood of Beaumont and Cutigny, the platform of the last Bertha fixed up to fire on the Paris region has been found. The spot is just as airplane photographers have shown it to be. The gun itself had, of course, been removed. The position is in two different parts, one for the real gun and one for a sham. Both are exactly alike. The emplacement consists of a pit divided in three parts, 12 meters long and two meters wide over all. The firing gun does not seem to have been hit by our airplanes, but the sham one bears marks of their fire."

Red Cross to Conduct Another Campaign for Clothes for Belgians

Washington, Sept. 14.—A second campaign for clothing for the 10,000,000 men, women and children in occupied parts of Belgium and France will be conducted by the American Red Cross during the eight days beginning September 23. In requesting that this drive be made the commission for relief in Belgium said that at least 5,000 tons of clothing will be required to keep these people warm during the coming winter.

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Epidemic of Influenza Spreading at Boston

Boston, Sept. 13.—The epidemic of influenza among officers and enlisted men in the first naval district which began nearly three weeks ago, continued to spread today, reports of 210 new cases reaching headquarters. A total of 1,693 cases had been discovered since the disease became prevalent, resulting in 34 deaths.

Operators' Pay Raised.

Montreal, Sept. 14.—Substantial wage increases, an eight-hour day and time and a half for overtime labor today were granted the operators of the Canadian Pacific Telegraph company by the labor committee of the Canadian railway war board. Eight hundred men are affected.

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Mean temperature	70	72	58	64
Precipitation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal:

Normal temperature	66
Excess for the day	4
Total excess since March 1	78
Normal precipitation	0.13 inch
Excess for the day	0.13 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	10.87 inches
Deficiency since March 1	12.81 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1918	2.41 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1917	9.40 inches

State Temperatures—High—Precipitation—Station of weather bureau—station Omaha, part cloudy..... 76 83 T.

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L. A. WELSH, Meteorologist.

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