

FOUR SALES TO AMM AT DOOR MORALE

Military Observers Believe They Have Fathomed Plans of Allied Generalissimo.

PERSHING KEEPS SILENCE

Washington Officials Unable to Say What American General Plans to Do as He Has Sent No Report Concerning Action.

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 this 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 advancement of his own battle-front. Destruction of the enemy army, after all, they say, is the only certain way to military victory.

Attack May Not Stop. 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 would be a better base "for future offensive operations."

No official reports had come, however, to show the course General Pershing is following in his attack. It was clear 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 struggle. Pershing is advancing directly towards that important region.

Yanks Work Quickly. 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 in the last one to go; the narrowest and most angular of all salients, projecting 13 miles into the French line and having important military bearings 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 XIV and XV and En-Haye, up through the undulating plain of the Vesere. 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."

"The removal of the salient shortens the line 21 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."

Entire Division Captured. "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 13,000 men 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 swing of it the minute he gets there. The quickness and rapidity with which they handled the fight at St. Mihiel is attributed not only to the fine staff work which brought it off but to the individual soldier himself. It is h-t stuff."

Lacking official news of further advances by General Pershing's troops within the salient, the opinion that this movement has already reached the immediate limits it was planned to attain, gained strength among military officers.

With the French now taking up the fight in the center of the great arc, which comprises the western front from Arras to Verdun (the brief official announcement today said they attacked on the Oise-Ailette sector south of the Aisne), it is probable that the American Army is dependent upon the results of this offensive. An advance of any importance by the French will threaten the stability of the famous Chemin des Dames ridge, and to a less extent, possibly, will affect the St. Gobain massif upon which the new defenses of the Germans seem to be based. Some observers expressed the belief that today's attack might have the primary object of cutting behind St. Gobain forest.

Notes May Be Enucleated. Collapse of the German position at La Fere and Laon would mean a considerable retirement and there is every reason to expect, officers say, that Marshal Foch would take quick advantage of the resultant confusion to press an audacious campaign against Metz itself, employing both General Pershing's Army and the French forces at Verdun in development of the movement. In that event, a double American thrust is anticipated, one in cooperation with the French east of Verdun and the other aimed to pass Metz on the opposite flank.

NEW STAFF IS ANNOUNCED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—General Pershing has organized a staff for the first American Army separate from his personal staff which remains at general headquarters of the American Expeditionary Force, General March, chief of staff, announced today.

the chief of staff of the new army and his assistant chiefs of staff are Colonel Robert McCleave and Lieutenant-Colonel Jens Bugge, Willey Rowell, John L. Dwyer and Lewis H. Watkins. Major-General Edward F. McGlachlin is chief of artillery and the heads of the administration and technical services are:

Adjutant-General, Colonel Joseph F. Barnes; Inspector-General, Colonel Jacob C. Johnson; Judge Advocate, Lieutenant-Colonel Albert W. Smith, chief quartermaster; Major George Luberoft, chief surgeon; Colonel Alexander N. Stark, chief engineer; Chief of Ordnance, Colonel Edward F. O'Brien; Chief of Signal, Colonel J. J. Morrow; Chief Signal Officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Parker Mitt; Chief Ordnance Officer, Colonel Edward F. O'Brien; Chief of Transport, Colonel William H. Winters; Chief of Air Service, Colonel William Mitchell.

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

DEBS GETS TEN YEARS

CONVICTED SOCIALIST SENTENCED ON TEN COUNTS. Motion for New Trial Overruled and Writ of Error to U. S. Supreme Court Is Granted.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 14.—Eugene V. Debs, charged with violation of the espionage act, was sentenced to 10 years in the Moundsville, W. Va., penitentiary on each of three counts of the indictment by Federal Judge D. C. Westernhaver here today. The sentence was pronounced immediately. Motion for a new trial was overruled and an exception on behalf of the defendant was allowed. A motion for writ of error to the United States Supreme Court was granted. The court admitted Debs to \$10,000 bond with permission to leave the Northern Federal District of Ohio only to go to his home and stay there. The further condition was specified that Debs observe the law while large.

PATRIOTIC SHOW IS PLAN

Lane County Fair Bans Sideshows and Fake Attractions.

EUGENE, Or., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—The Lane County fair which opens its gates Wednesday will be held as a great patriotic agency in directing the people to serve their country more efficiently. Practically every feature in connection with the fair this year has direct bearing upon war work at home.

A racing programme that promises to bring to the county some exceptionally good horses is the only exception. The other amusements will be entirely of a patriotic nature and will include military drills and maneuvers, in which the Eugene National Guard, militia and the Lane County militia company of deputy sheriffs will participate.

Fake sideshows and catch-penny attractions of similar character have been entirely eliminated.

MOTHERS ARE LAUDED

Dr. Esther Pohl Lovejoy Speaks for Loan Drive at Corvallis.

CORVALLIS, Or., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—Dr. Esther Pohl Lovejoy addressed a crowded house here this afternoon at the National Mothers' day parade, a week earlier in order to have it on the occasion of the opening of the liberty loan campaign.

Dr. Lovejoy gave an interesting account of her experiences in France. She paid an eloquent tribute to the mothers, saying that they were the chief arm of the military in this country, that they had produced the sons who did the fighting.

O. T. STORLI IN NEW POST

North Bend High School Principal to Be Burns Superintendent.

NORTH BEND, Or., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—Professor O. T. Storli, principal of the High School of this city for several years, has tendered his resignation to accept the position of superintendent of schools at Burns, Or., and will leave with his family within a few days to assume his new duties.

Mr. Storli has taken active part in school athletics and was leader and director of the High School band here for some time.

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TRIBUTE PAID TO GENERAL

London Press Gives Chief Place to American Achievements in Late Battles; Hun Explanations Are Declared Childish.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—King George has sent a message of congratulation to President Wilson on the victory won by General Pershing in the St. Mihiel salient.

The King's message read: "On behalf of the British Empire I heartily congratulate you on the brilliant achievement of the American and allied troops under the leadership of General Pershing in the St. Mihiel salient. The far-reaching results secured by the successful operations which have marked the active intervention of the American Army on a great scale under its own administration, are the happiest augury for the complete and I hope, not far distant triumph of the allied cause."

Chief place is given again in this morning's London newspapers to the American achievements in the St. Mihiel sector. Both in the news and the editorial columns hearty tributes are given to the thoroughness with which the operation was completed, a thoroughness which is regarded as showing that General Pershing and his staff made preparations beforehand and used great care at the same time.

American Advance Expected. No surprise is implied that the Americans should have succeeded so well. On the contrary, the newspapers say that what happened was only what might have been expected from the fighting qualities the Americans displayed when they fought as units under French and British commands. Nothing like a first-hand technical account of the flattening of the salient had reached London up to this morning and such inadequate detailed stories as are to hand do not carry the operations further than Thursday evening.

The Daily Telegraph congratulating the Americans on their "feat of arms—a real triumph accomplished in masterly style," says: "The full story will be awaited with the deepest interest. It seems tolerably clear that the great majority of German troops holding the salient were cut off by the rapidity of the American advance and that the opposition on the other side of the wedge collapsed on the second morning. It will be a great tale when it is told."

Hun Explanations Childish.

The explanations of the reverse offered in the German communique are childish. "The Daily Mail, under the headline, 'America Has Made Good,' discusses the value of the removal of the salient. The newspaper says: "General Pershing is breaking into a perfect web of railways which has been of priceless importance to General Ludendorff for maneuvering. Here, if anywhere, is the enemy's Achilles' heel."

"The Americans have not yet reached this heel, but by threatening it they have forced the Germans to concentrate for its defense. While this stroke menacing the enemy's communications, it opens the way for other American attacks on a still larger scale. The German nation now will begin to realize, as it ever has yet done, the overwhelming and decisive character of the new factor which is emerging in the war."

"More was destroyed at St. Mihiel than a German salient. General Pershing shattered at a blow the monstrous web of lines which sustained the pretense that the immense weight and almost illimitable resources of the United States would be of little or no account on the European field of battle. He has shown that the Americans are as quick and apt to learn the art of war as they have been to develop the pursuits of peace."

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comported itself in the first independent offensive."

Story of Battle Awaited. The Times records the belief that the final return of prisoners will considerably exceed the number given in the official statement and says: "For all the allied nations the deep interest in the American victory lies not so much in its results, which are substantial and valuable, but in the fact that a great American force has gone into battle acting separately. The German nation now will begin to realize, as it ever has yet done, the overwhelming and decisive character of the new factor which is emerging in the war."

"The Daily Chronicle says: "General Pershing's brave troops deserve congratulations on their very skillful and efficient piece of work. The United States may well be proud of the manner in which its young army

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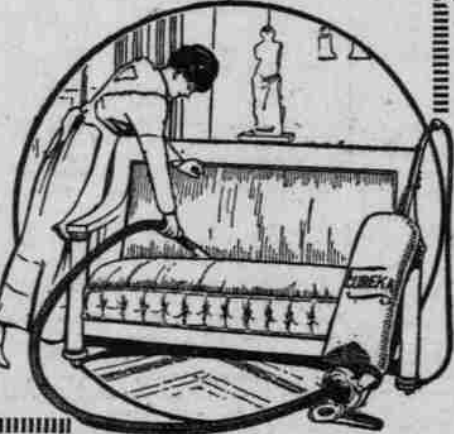
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