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TO ELIMINATE OLD SALIENT AT ST. MIHIEL

ALLIES MAKE GREAT OFFENSIVE ON 20-MILE FRONT NEAR GERMAN BORDER

HUNS DEFENDING DESPERATELY

Metz, 15 Miles Northeast of Pont-Au-Mousson, is Another Objective of the Drive

Paris, Sept. 12.—The American-French offensive on a 20-mile front near the German border is aimed primarily at the elimination of the famous St. Mihiel salient southeast of Verdun, which has projected into the allied line for four years.

There have been many predictions of the American offensive this fall. The German citadel of Metz lies 15 miles northeast of Pont-Au-Mousson and is probably the further objective of the drive. The Germans are defending their positions desperately, but the Americans continue to slowly advance.

MENNONITES IN AMERICA SWARMING TO CANADA

Lawiston, Mont., Sept. 12.—Under a transaction recently completed, the Hutterische society of the Mennonite church has exchanged its land holdings in this county, totaling 10,034 acres, and valued at \$350,000, for a tract of land east of Warner, in Alberta, Canada. The colony had resided here for the last six years.

Another Mennonite colony near Utica disposed of its holdings of 2,700 acres early in July and removed to Canada. It consisted of some 50 persons. The Mennonite colonies of German-speaking residents; have kept to themselves and maintained their alien point of view in many of their relations with their neighbors.

HAYS DENIES MAKING STATEMENT CHARGED

Washington, Sept. 12.—Will H. Hays, chairman of the national republican committee, replying to the message from Secretary Tumulty, stated that it was not true that he recently said democratic leaders "would even end the war with any kind of a compromise if that would insure the continuance of the democratic party in power."

NAME LEGAL ADVISORS FOR JOSEPHINE CO.

The adjutant general and authorities at Portland have appointed G. W. Colvig, O. S. Blanchard and E. S. Van Dyke as legal advisors for this county in regard to matters pertaining to registration, filling out questionnaires, etc. Associate members of the board are, E. E. Blanchard, Fred A. Williams, J. N. Johnston, W. T. Miller, C. A. Sider, H. D. Norton and James T. Chinnock. Lay members of the board are, Sam H. Baker, Frank Bramwell and Geo. E. Lundburg.

Registrants who are in doubt as to what to do in regard to their registration cards, or filling out their questionnaires, can secure free advice and help from any member of the above board. The board will give full information on any question that may arise under the draft law. G. W. Colvig is chairman of the board.

SANDERS IS READY TO FACE CHARGES

His Attorneys Wire From Utah for Full Information in Regard to Charges Against Him

A telegram was received at the sheriff's office this morning from the attorneys of George E. Sanders, at Salt Lake City, requesting full information in regard to the charges against Mr. Sanders. They state that Mr. Sanders is temporarily in the east but will return shortly and come voluntarily to Oregon and face any charges that have been made against him in this state.

It was stated yesterday that the arrest of Sanders had occurred, but as he volunteers to come and face the charges against him in this city the matter was not pushed. His arrest, therefore, was not a hindrance, therefore will be merely a formality.

U. S. CASUALTY LIST

The following casualties are reported by the commanding general of the American expeditionary forces for today:

Killed in action	56
Died of wounds	26
Died of disease	11
Wounded severely	359
Wounded, degree undetermined	13
Missing in action	102
Died of aeroplane accident	1
Died of accident and other causes	1

Total 556
Killed in action—Herman J. Kolka, Portland; A. M. Tomlinson, Portland.
Wounded severely—James F. Harding, Cottage Grove; Kenneth Melver, Riverside, Ore.
Missing in action—Ernest W. Perrois, Portland; Ruel M. Bond, Corvallis; Thomas R. Fowler, Rainier; Edward Hoffman, Sandy, Ore.

BATTLE CRIES FOR THE FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN

San Francisco, Sept. 12.—"Put a service star on your pocketbook" is one of the scores of slogans submitted as battle cries for the Fourth Liberty loan campaign.

No prizes were offered to slogan makers but many suggestions were made which will be used in this district during the drive beginning September 23 and closing October 19. Here are some of them:
"Stop the reign of Hell, With a rain of shell."
"Back up Pershing and he will Back the Kaiser over the Rhine."
"Liberty loan dollars, Work and fight."
"Civilization insurance — Liberty bonds."
"Your bond may throw the balance."
"Buy Liberty bonds and keep them."
"Buy Liberty bonds—the buy-way to Berlin."
"Buy Liberty bonds, Or bye-bye Liberty."
"The more bonds you buy, The fewer boys need die."
"Put four dollars in uniform."
"Liberty bonds speak a language The Kaiser understands. Talk to him today."
"Turn the eagle loose on every fighting dollar."
"Safe as the United States—Buy Liberty bonds."
"Take the Helm from Wilhelm, Buy Liberty bonds."

THE PRESIDENT SIGNS DRY ZONE MEASURE

Washington, Sept. 12.—The president has signed the resolution empowering him to establish prohibition zones around shipyards, munition factories and other war industries.

AMERICANS AND FRENCH LAUNCH BIG OFFENSIVE

Pershing's Forces Take Cambres, Near German Border—Allied Troops Fighting Magnificently, While Germans Reply Vigorously With Big Guns at Certain Points

London, Sept. 12.—The Americans captured the towns of Thiaucourt, Pannes and Nonsard. General Pershing's forces north of St. Mihiel captured Cambres and reached the outskirts of Donmartin and La Montagne.

The French have reached the outskirts of St. Mihiel.

The Americans made a five mile advance on an 11-mile front near Isras.

With the American Forces on the Lorraine Front, Sept. 12.—The Americans and French launched an attack this morning against the German positions on both sides of the St. Mihiel salient. They directed a terrific barrage on the German positions. The reply of the Germans' big guns was vigorous in some places although weak as a whole.

There are some indications that the Germans are going to withdraw their artillery, although it is more probable that they are going to fight

THE LARGEST FLYING CAMP IN THE WORLD

American Aviation Center, Issoudun, France, Sept. 12.—This American flying camp is the largest in France and is said to be greater than any other in the world.

A flying field of 36 square miles, the area of an American township, with nine separate flying fields on which American aviators advance to the stage of flight combatants, and airplanes—Liberties, Niueports, Capronis and all the others with officers, instructors and newly equipped aviators swelling our squadrons each month—these were some of the main features of this vast aviation ground.

As the Associated Press correspondent entered one of the fields a big gray machine rose from a nearby field with a loud droning noise.

"There goes a Liberty airplane," said one of the officers. It was one of the fast-increasing number now coming, and every flight was watched with keenest interest and growing enthusiasm by those who will put it to the supreme test on the fighting front. Only one opinion was heard among these men, that it was the biggest and fastest machine of them all. It was doing wonders in quick ascents, and besides straight-away flight it had been put through all the intricacies of acrobatic flight and had been pronounced equal to the whole range.

WOULD GET EXPLOSIVES FROM MINERAL LAKE

Bellingham, Wash., Sept. 12.—Old-time prospectors and miners in the Mount Baker district, believe that a mineral lake in that region, well known to them for years, could furnish ample material for explosives for the United States government.

This mineral lake, about a mile northeast of Whatcom Pass, is one of the most remarkable bodies of water in the Cascade range. There are 15 or 20 springs, with temperatures varying from 30 to 60 degrees, on its shores whose salts are useful in the production of explosives. Iron to the depth of more than 20 feet has accumulated where one spring bubbles forth.

THEY ARE SIGNING BY THE THOUSAND

Registration Day Opens With Many in Line Waiting to Sign Up to Fight for Uncle Sam

The five or six clerks composing the registration board have been busy all day registering the citizenship for war duty. There was a rush on the part of many to get registered during the early part of the day, but the work has eased up this afternoon. The work is being done in the county judge's office, and the office will be kept open until 9 o'clock tonight.

This registration of approximately 13,000,000 men, coming on the eve of a gigantic Liberty loan drive for several billion dollars, is a hard blow to the Kaiser and bodes ill for every Boche fighting that Prussian autocracy may survive.

While in the larger cities bands are playing and whistles are blowing, a sharp reminder that the day for registration has arrived, the day has been a quiet though busy one in Grants Pass. Men are losing no time in getting to the registering places.

It is expected that nearly 100,000 men will have registered in Oregon by 9 o'clock tonight. It is predicted that none in Josephine county will overlook this prescribed duty today. The process of registering is simple but any who wish legal advice can secure the same free from any member of the legal profession.

NORTHWEST GROWERS WILL RECEIVE RECORD PRICES

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 12.—Record prices, due to an unprecedented demand will yield northwestern apple growers this year \$5,500,000 more than usual, in the opinion of P. R. Parks, general manager of the Spokane Fruit Growers' company, a cooperative association of fruit men.

Mr. Parks estimates the 1918 crop in Montana, Idaho, Oregon and Washington at 15,000 cars, and figures 756 boxes to the car under the government loading rules. This means an apple production of approximately 11,340,000 boxes. A conservative average price, Mr. Parks says, will be \$1.25 a box, which would give a total revenue to the growers of \$14,175,000. Prices he asserts, will average 50 cents a box more than last year.

KAISER SAYS ATTEMPTED TO SHORTEN THE WAR

Amsterdam, Sept. 12.—Emperor Wilhelm, speaking at the Krupp munition works at Essen, declared that everyone in the remotest corner of the Fatherland knew he had "left no stone unturned to shorten the war as far as possible for your people and the entire European civilized world."

RUSSIAN PEASANTS FLEE TO PETROGRAD

London, Sept. 12.—The Russian peasants who revolted against the Bolshevik government a few days ago are reported to have entered Petrograd.

STREET CARS COLLIDE, FORTY ARE INJURED

Seattle, Sept. 12.—About 40 persons were injured when two Rainier Valley street cars collided, due to the fog, while the people were en route down town to work.

HAVRINCOURT IN HANDS OF THE BRITISH

ADVANCE HALF A MILE ON A THREE AND HALF MILE FRONT

TIGHTEN GRIP ON ST. QUENTIN

German Use New Kind of Projectile in an Effort to Stop New Zealand Troops

London, Sept. 12.—The British have effected a crossing of the Canal Du Nord northwest of Havrincourt and captured Vermand, Attilly and Vendelles, northwest of St. Quentin.

London, Sept. 12.—General Haig's forces have captured the whole village of Havrincourt, except the northeastern edge of the town. The British have advanced half a mile on a three and a half mile front.

British Armies in France, Sept. 12.—British troops today gained a footing in Peziere and Epehy, on the railroad between Roisel and Marcoing.

Just before the British launched their attack this morning on the enemy trenches northwest of Peziere, below Gousecourt, the Germans for the first time employed a new kind of projectile in an effort to drive the New Zealand troops from nearby positions.

The projectiles, which were about the size of an orange, were fired at short range in salvos of from 200 to 300 each, and were sprinkled over an area of two to three acres. These projectiles burst into flames as they hit the ground and gave off gas.

The British are continuing to close in on the Hindenburg line by small actions and maneuvers. The lines in the northern part of the battle zone have now been advanced through Trescault, three and one-half miles southwest of Marcoing, to the eastern edge of the place, where the troops are actually in the old British trenches.

MEDFORD RAILROAD TAKEN BY GOVERNMENT

The Southern Oregon Traction company line, more familiarly known as the Bulls railroad, formerly the Barnum line between Medford and Jacksonville, including the trolley line in Medford, will soon go out of existence, at least for the period of the war. The fact that part of the rails of the line had been requisitioned by the government, together with the fact that freight and passenger traffic between the city and county seat, because of auto competition, had fallen to a low ebb, brought about this decision.

The dismantling of the railroad to furnish the requisitioned rails will begin within a week or two.—Medford Tribune.

M'CORMICK NOMINATED OVER MAYOR THOMPSON

Chicago, Sept. 12.—Medill McCormick, republican, has been nominated to contest the Illinois senatorship with James Hamilton Lewis, democrat. McCormick was nominated by 62,000 plurality over Mayor William Hale Thompson of Chicago, and Congressman George Foss.

Congressman Mann and Joseph Cannon were re-nominated, being unopposed.