

FRANCE COVERED BY EXTENSIVE WIRE SYSTEM FOR YANKS

TOURS, Central France, Sept. 26.—(By Associated Press.) Along the railway routes and the great national highways of France one sees mile after mile of the new telegraph and telephone lines set up by the American army, with squads of linemen in khaki stringing the wires and laying out new lines. The telegraph offices all thru the war zones are crowded with khaki-uniformed operators and a personnel of American officers and enlisted men.

It is one of the extensive systems suddenly installed on a huge scale with the coming of the Americans, spreading a vast wire network over all France and realizing government operation of telegraph and telephones on foreign soil even before it was under way on home soil.

Cables and Wire Systems
This military nerve system is not alone telegraph and telephone lines, but cable lines across the channel so that American headquarters in France can be in immediate intercourse with American officials in London; wireless receiving and sending plants for detecting enemy exchanges and carrying on our own radio work; couriers and dispatch riders; weather observers to warn when storms may impede military operations, and all those modern methods of rapid communication which have become indispensable to warfare.

It is a complete linking together of the army, front and rear, headquarters, staff and line, keeping the commanding officers in constant touch with every division and every other branch in the huge field of operations. The movement of troops and the actual fighting of battles are largely dependent on this highly developed army communication, which not only joins our own army but keeps up the liaison of a vast united command.

It is something over 500 miles from the French coast to the battle line in eastern France, and thruout this distance there is a complete system of 10 and 20-wire American telegraph lines, linking the seaports with the front and also spreading thru the vast ramification of warehouses, camps, hospitals, construction shops and military establishments of all sorts extending from the ports inland to the firing line.

Trunk Lines Cross France
There is another multiple line running southward toward the Mediterranean and over to the Spanish frontier.

There are the trunk lines, extending clear across France and, besides these main arteries, every division and branch of the army has its own telegraph and telephone lines keeping up constant intercourse with headquarters. In every area occupied by the army along the front a complete system of lines runs back to switchboard central stations—from regiment back to the brigade, brigade to division, division to corps, corps to headquarters.

On the first day of the big battle above Chateau-Thierry when the Americans began their famous drive, there were 27,000 messages averaging over 60 words each—all the way from an extended report on an operation to a short sharp order for some new move in the swiftly-moving drama. Within six weeks, since the Americans had got into action, the communication between front and rear had quadrupled, and six weeks ago had quadrupled over the service on April 1 when the American activities were beginning to get into motion.

The culmination of the great battle late in July stirred into intense activity every branch of communication, with orders flying to hospitals, supply centers, ordnance works, and to the training and rest camps for the steady movement forward of fresh troops.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 26.—Railroad detectives have been notified by Federal Manager Galloway that persons found "hoboing" shall be liable to arrest, under the war revenue act.

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INDEPENDENT PORT FOR INLAND LANDS OF EUROPE SOUGHT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—A project to provide an independent Atlantic port for Switzerland, Bohemia and other inland European nations, in order to render them economically independent of Germany after the war, is receiving a great deal of attention in France and Switzerland, according to a report to the department of commerce from Consul General G. Bie Ravndal, at Nantes, France.

This project, the consul states, has aroused much interest in Nantes, whose municipal authorities are conferring with commercial interests in Switzerland with a view to combined action. The business men of Lyons also are said to be watching the movement with deep interest, although they have not yet joined it. The general idea seems to be to construct suitable rail connections between the inland production centers and one of the Loire ports—Nantes, St. Nazaire, La Rochelle or Bordeaux. It also is considered possible that the project may be forwarded by the construction of canals linking up the Rhine and Rhone rivers with the navigable lake system of Switzerland.

Certain existing railroads are available to form the backbone of such construction. Port facilities already have been developed at several of the ports because of war demands and railroad yards and warehouses ample for the beginnings of such a project are available at both Nantes and St. Nazaire.

It is thought that after the war the American passenger and freight traffic with Central Europe as well as with France will tend toward the Loire ports in preference to the most distant Channel and North Sea ports, which, owing to their location and to meteorological conditions, disproportionately increase the cost of navigation and insurance.

NEW YORK PLANS FOR BOND SALE

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—The opening for the campaign for the fourth Liberty loan in New York tomorrow night, will be proclaimed by powerful police, air raid sirens, the ringing of church bells and thousands of other sound producers about half an hour before President Wilson speaks at the Metropolitan Opera house. It will be the first test of the electrically operated air raid whistles, which it is believed can be heard for fifteen miles. Emergency whistles at 150 police stations also will be blown.

Police reserves and ten thousand volunteers will distribute 1,500,000 copies of "a surprise paper."

Saturday morning at 9 o'clock, every man, woman and child is requested to rise and stand facing the east, looking toward France and Pershing.

ELECTION EXPENDITURES PROBE IS POSTPONED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—The senate elections committee today by a vote of 10 to 1 decided to postpone until after the November elections, consideration of the resolution providing for an investigation into expenditures made in the primary campaign in Michigan which resulted in Truman H. Newberry receiving the republican senatorial nomination.

OVER SUBSCRIPTION OF CERTIFICATES BY BANKS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—The sixth bi-weekly issue of certificates of indebtedness in anticipation of the fourth Liberty loan, was oversubscribed by \$25,216,000, making total subscriptions \$625,216,000.

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