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## Uncle Sam's Defence Program Speeded Up By Congress Action

### Two Billions More For Army and Navy; More and Better Planes, Warships, Soldiers and Fighting Material Included in Latest Legislation

Washington, June 12.—Maintaining the tempo with which President Roosevelt's defense program is moving toward enactment, the House today passed and sent to the Senate a \$1,706,053,908 supplemental appropriation bill to provide further expansion of the Army and Navy.

The vote was 401 to one, with Representative Vito Marcantonio (A-L, N. Y.) the lone dissenter. The New Yorker has voted against all preparedness bills on the ground that Mr. Roosevelt is putting the nation on the road to war.

Action on the bill, after only brief debate, highlighted a score of important developments on the defense and foreign affairs fronts. It brought to well over \$5,000,000,000 the cost of re-armament under measures already approved or pending.

It carries funds for 3,000 additional Army planes, for starting construction of 68 new warships, and for increasing the standing army from 227,000 to 375,000 men. It carries \$1,381,917,147 in cash and \$34,186,761 in contractual authorizations, and is \$319,731,898 above Mr. Roosevelt's estimates.

The increase was due largely to the House Appropriations Committee's decision to provide for the expanded standing army, although the President had not requested it.

The bill would give the Army \$777,502,047 in cash and \$254,176,761 in contractual authority. The Navy would receive \$504,963,170 cash and \$63,560,000 contractual authority. The remainder would be divided among civil agencies participating in the defense program.

President Roosevelt prepared orders which will put all government shipyards and arsenals on a three-shift, 24-hour basis to speed production of arms and armaments. Chairman Carl Vinson of the House Naval Affairs Committee, to whom the Chief Executive outlined the plans, said it will go into effect "mighty soon."

Chairman David I. Walsh of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, who also was present, said the 24-hour day will call for new employment rather than overtime for present workers.

Arthur B. Purvis, head of the Allied purchasing mission, said "more surplus war materials" are to be made available to the Allies, but that he had not been informed of their nature. There were widely-circulated, but unconfirmed reports that the materials include some old destroyers. Purvis spoke after talking with Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., who earlier conferred with ranking officials of the War and Navy Departments.

## Special Feature At Paramount Theatre On June 20th-21st

In addition to the regular picture program at the Paramount Theatre next Thursday and Friday, June 20th and 21st, will be a runner showing the Origin and uses of the American Flag.

This feature is being brought to the people of this section by the Farmville Post of the American Legion. There is always something interesting to be learned in studying the origin and uses of the American Flag, and it is hoped our citizens will take advantage of this showing to refresh their memories and learn more about our Flag.

### SMITH KEEL

Mrs. Alice Keel announces the marriage of her daughter Alice Lee to

Mr. William Leslie Smith, Jr. on Saturday, the eighth of June, Nineteen Hundred and Forty Greenville, North Carolina.

Miss Alice Lee Keel, daughter of Mrs. Alice Keel, of Greenville, and Mr. William Leslie Smith, Jr., of Greenville and Farmville, N. C., were married in private ceremony on Saturday evening at eight o'clock at the Presbyterian Manse, with Dr. Robert S. Boyd officiating.

Only members of the immediate families and a few close friends witnessed the ceremony. Miss Keel wore a becoming dress of shades of roses crepe with white accessories. Her shoulder corsage was of white roses and valley lilies. After a brief wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Smith will be at home at 409 Jarvis Street, Greenville.

## Garden, Canning And Lunch Project In Pitt County

The preservation of foods by canning is an industry that has a great influence upon the well being and economic development of modern people. While the table of the average family is supplied with a well assorted variety of foods the criticism is often justifiably made that a proper balanced diet does not exist among those classes of foods essential to the maintenance of the best health. There seems to be too large a proportion of manufactured foods such as flour, polished rice, and similar products, too much oily or fatty foods and other pastries eaten. The need is for more fruits, vegetables, natural foods supply the mineral salts organic acids and other essentials which enter into a properly balanced diet. It is impossible to obtain fresh fruits and vegetables in the winter to be used in our lunch rooms, so the inclusion of canned fruits and vegetables in a diet provides the normal supply of vitamins during seasons when fresh foods cannot be obtained.

Canned foods have found a warm welcome in our meal planning program for our school lunches. We realize more than ever the value of preserved foods, and appreciate their contributions toward the solving of one of the biggest lunch room problems. Shelves of canned food insure much to the P. T. A. and sponsors of lunch room projects, for they have variety, out of season foods, easily prepared products and inexpensive emergency addition to the pantry.

A W. P. A. garden and canning project is being sponsored by the Farmville P. T. A. and all the jars, fuel and donations of canning equipment will be greatly appreciated. Send all the jars to the Farmville High School and be one to have a part in feeding the undernourished and underprivileged children in the Farmville school next winter.

There will be a canning demonstration given at Farmville School lunch room on Monday, June 17 at 1:30 P. M. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## Carolians Make News Without War

All is not war news—well, in the Carolinas, at least.

At Goldsboro, U. J. Ward caught an eight-pound "possum in front of a downtown hotel and commented, "I thought he might be looking for a room so I took him home and gave him a room."

A rambler rose bush at the home of John H. Sigmon in Hickory went party-wary patriotic and put out both red and white blooms on the same stem.

W. E. Nelson of Union, S. C., reported an Irish potato vine in his garden is bearing potatoes on the lower section of the vine and tomatoes on the upper section.

Anticipating a sharp drop in its snake production when the reptiles stopped eating, recreation park in Asheville appealed for snake contributions. Two of the park rattlers haven't eaten in six months.

Person County Sheriff, M. T. he found an illicit still near Rox-Clayton, offered to return a purse brook—if its owner would appear to identify it. The purse was caught on the limb of a tree near where its owner had tied a heavy string around the still in an effort to trip approaching strangers, the sheriff said.

Miss Sallie B. Lovelace

Crisp. — Miss Sallie Barksdale Lovelace, 27, daughter of County Commissioner and Mrs. E. Y. Lovelace of Crisp, died in Edgecombe General Hospital at midnight Wednesday. She had been ill for about a year and a half.

Miss Lovelace was an active worker in the Eagles Baptist Sunday school at Crisp and the Presbyterian Mission Sunday school at Sugg's Cross Roads, where she continually maintained two classes as long as her health permitted.

She was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Pinetops and was graduated from Meredith College, Raleigh, in 1934.

She is survived by her parents; two sisters, Mrs. Frances Lovelace Dawson of Stantonburg and Miss Nan Lovelace of Crisp; three brothers, Edward Lovelace, a student at Richmond Dental College, Richmond, Va., and William and Benjamin Lovelace of Crisp.

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## Farmville Post 151 American Legion Elect New Officers

### R. LeRoy Rollins Re-elected Commander of Farmville Post; Delegates Elected to State Convention

At the regular monthly meeting of the Farmville Post American Legion, held Friday evening, June 7th, in their own club rooms, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Commander, R. LeRoy Rollins; Vice Commanders, L. P. Yelverton, G. E. Beckman, Jr., and W. B. McKeel; Adjutant and Finance Officer, C. F. Bacon; Service Officer, J. H. Paylor.

Following the election of officers, W. E. Joyner and W. B. McKeel were elected delegates to the State Convention to be held in High Point, June 24th and 25th, with R. LeRoy Rollins and W. D. Diddy as alternates.

Under the Commandership of Mr. Rollins, who was re-elected to the same high position, the local Post has continued to move forward and grow in membership.

The usual delightful dinner was enjoyed by the goodly number in attendance at the meeting.

### DIES AT THROTTLE

Salina, Kan.—Just as he brought his fast Union Pacific passenger train to a stop at Ellis, Kan., Engineer Frank E. Patterson, 57 dropped dead of a heart attack.

## FOUNTAIN NEWS (By Mrs. M. D. Yelverton)

James Lane Jefferson is visiting relatives in Washington, D. C.

Miss Ann Marie Jefferson is attending Summer School at Appalachian State Teachers College.

Norman Gardner and Graham Jefferson left Tuesday to attend the C. M. T. C. at Fort Bragg.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Perley left Monday for Raleigh where Mr. Perley will be in school at State College.

Among those who were graduated this week from the University of North Carolina were Jennis Owens and Mack Smith, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Owens visited Mr. and Mrs. William Walker in Washington, N. C., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Horton had as their dinner guests Wednesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Newman, Mr. and Mrs. William Walker and Mrs. Eric Copeland.

Frank Owens, a student of the law school at Duke University, was this week awarded a two hundred and fifty dollar scholarship for next year. The scholarship was awarded on a merit basis for scholastic work.

L. P. and Guy Eagles are spending this week at Blowing Rock. They have as their guests Walter House of Tarboro and Hugh Williams of Red Oak.

Mrs. John Fountain and sons, John, Jr., and James Barker, returned Tuesday from Lumberton where they visited relatives.

Mrs. R. A. Fountain, Jr., spent Wednesday and Thursday with relatives in Greenville.

M. D. Yelverton is spending the week at Seven Springs.

## WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS

The Fountain Woman's Club met recently at the home of Mrs. G. W. Jefferson. On arrival the guests were served punch by Misses Mary Emma and Martha Jefferson and Anje Gray Bundy.

Brief talks were made on mental health by Dr. Ennett of Greenville and the Rev. R. L. Wilson.

At the conclusion of the program the hostess served ice cream and angel food cake.

## ENTERTAINS FOR MRS. NEWMAN

Honoring Mrs. Leslie Newman, a recent bride, Mrs. W. R. Harris entertained at bridge Wednesday evening.

High score prize was awarded to Mrs. Earl Trevathan and Miss Lucille Yelverton received the second high award. The honoree was presented silver in her chosen pattern and Mrs. Eric Copeland of Durham and Mrs. R. L. Eagles of Richmond, Va., were remembered with pretty handkerchiefs.

The guests were served coco-colas while playing and at the close of the game the hostess served a delectable salad course.

## PLEASE!

Kansas City.—L. B. Reed, police chief, received a letter from a 2-year-old girl, which read: "Dear Policeman: The war is getting on my nerves. I would like for you to stop it." It was signed by Betty Ruth Morris, Grade 2-A, Jefferson School.

## Tobacco Vote

Washington, June 12.—Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace today stated definitely that the flue-cured marketing referendum is being planned for July 20.

Pointing out that the date can not be set before July 1, Wallace nevertheless gave assurance that department officials are planning for the vote to be held July 20. This date, he said, is in accordance with the request of growers, warehousemen and business men in the flue-cured area that the vote be held before the market opens.

Present stocks of flue-cured tobacco make it certain that the quota supply will exceed the quota level and that a referendum will be required, Wallace said.

The present stocks of bright tobacco are the largest on record as a result of the huge 1939 crop and sharply reduced exports. Present indications are that the July 1 carry-over will be around 1,425,000,000 pounds.

## Goodman Predicts Biggest Farm Week

Present indications point to a record-breaking enrollment at this year's Farm and Home Week, to be held at State College, July 29 to August 2, announced John W. Goodman, assistant director of the State College Extension Service.

Their attendance at these annual events always far outdistanced by women, men delegates will have their strength bolstered this year by county and community AAA committees who will attend the convention.

Goodman pointed out that all of North Carolina's 100 county committees, composed of three men each, have been scheduled to attend. In addition, one delegate from each township committee will be present. This should assure at least 1,200 farmers in attendance at the convention. Ordinarily, from 1,200 to 1,500 farm women register for the event.

Plans for the week are now nearing completion, Goodman said. Subjects of interest to both men and women will be taken up during joint sessions of the two groups, while separate sessions will be held for other topics.

In addition to the educational side of the program, a full schedule of entertainment and recreation have been planned for the delegates. Tours, contests, games, group singing, square dancing, and other lighter features will serve to enliven the program.

As has been the custom for the past three years, Governor and Mrs. Clyde Hoey will appear on the Thursday, August 1, night program. Other than these two, there will be no speakers scheduled for the evening recreational periods.

Rooms will be provided in State College dormitories, and meals will be served in the college cafeteria.

The defense of nations seems to be built on the theory of being so strong that other nations will have to look out for their own defense.

## Farmville Red Cross Committee to Begin Drive for Relief Funds

### All Club and Society Heads Called to Meet with Red Cross Committee Friday to Formulate Plans for Drive

The local committee of the American Red Cross, consisting of T. Eli Joyner, Jr., Chairman; Mrs. R. S. Scott, Vice Chairwoman; Ed Nash Warren, Stanley Garvin and John B. Lewis, will have a meeting Friday afternoon at 4:30 in the City Hall, with the heads of all the clubs and societies, for the purpose of perfecting plans for receiving funds for war relief, and also for the production of garments for war refugees.

The Farmville Chapter expects to begin its drive next week. The need is great and it is the hope of the committee that every citizen of Farmville and this community will contribute liberally to this great cause.

The Red Cross national appeal for war relief funds now enters its fifth week. More than \$2,000,000 of the \$20,000,000 goal was raised in the first four weeks. The original plan made on May 10, asked the public to contribute \$20,000,000 by May 25. It became obvious that twice that sum would be required if even the most urgent needs were to be met. Consequently Chairman Davis wired all chapters to double their quotas.

## Pitt & Greens E. M. C. To Hold Annual Meeting Here Monday, July 1

### Meeting To Be Held In City Hall at 10 A. M.; Big Barbecue Dinner To Be Served at 12:30

According to information furnished us by R. A. Joyner, secretary, the annual meeting of the Pitt and Greens Electric Membership Corporation will be held in the City Hall in Farmville on Monday, July 1st, beginning at 10 A. M.

Among items of interest of the meeting will be reports from the officers, directors and various committees; the election of seven directors; consideration of an amendment to the by-laws to change the annual meeting date from the 1st day of July to the first Saturday in July, each year, as well as any other matters that may come before the membership.

Following the regular business meeting of the Corporation a sumptuous barbecue luncheon will be enjoyed.

Since the forming of this corporation about two years ago, the membership has grown by leaps and bounds, with the result that more than a thousand families of rural communities are now receiving electric current from Farmville's modern Electric Power plant.

A large delegation is expected in Farmville for this annual meeting, and "The Enterprise" joins our business houses here in extending you a most cordial welcome.

## WALSTONBURG NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Carl T. Hicks and children spent the week end in Rockingham with Mr. Hicks' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hicks. Ann remained for an extended visit.

Miss Eloise Burch of Windsor spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Burch.

Mrs. W. D. Owens of Fountain spent Saturday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Evey Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Brooks of Raleigh spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Smith.

Miss Alice Talley spent the week end at her home in Siler City.

Mrs. W. I. Shackelford spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Holloman at Samotoga.

Friends will regret to learn that Mrs. E. T. Bass is ill at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Earl Lang spent the week end with relatives in Windsor.

Mrs. W. V. Redick and daughter, Emma Jean and Mrs. J. C. Gardner were Wilson business visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Floyd of Roper have returned after spending some time here with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Burch.

Friends will regret to learn that Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Fields were called to Winchester, Va., Tuesday on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Fields' mother, Mrs. Edmonia Baker.

Mrs. W. E. Lang and Mrs. L. F. Smith attended the funeral of Miss Sallie Lovelace at Crisp last Friday morning.

## C. E. PICNIC

On Thursday evening Mrs. A. J. Craft and Mrs. Tryphena McKeel entertained the Christian Endeavor with a basket picnic.

The young people met at the home of Mrs. McKeel at five-thirty and hiked out to Elm Grove. Games, songs and stories were enjoyed for a while and then supper was spread. A box of good things was packed for some children who could not go and brought to them on the way back.

After a happy time around the supper table the party marched back home to the tune of rollicking march songs.

It was voted a very happy outing by everyone attending.

## MISSION STUDY CLASS

The Women's Missionary Society of the local Christian Church held an all day study class Wednesday in the home of Mrs. A. J. Craft. Mrs. H. H. Settle of Greenville, state secretary, conducted the study; "To-Day 'The Kingdom Comes'."

At twelve-thirty the meeting adjourned for lunch which was served in the dining room.

Discussion was resumed at one-thirty and continued until three.

Those present were: Mrs. W. E. Lang, Mrs. J. E. Henson, Mrs. Ray West, Mrs. W. E. Mays, Mrs. L. N. Shelton, Mrs. R. D. H. Gay, Mrs. L. F. Smith, Mrs. J. C. Gardner, Mrs. Paul Craft, Mrs. Tryphena McKeel, Miss Lillian Corbett and Mrs. W. I. Shackelford.

## BEN L. WALSTON DEAD

Funeral services were conducted

## FRENCH STRUGGLING TO SAVE PARIS; ALLIES BOMBING ITALY

### EUROPEAN SUMMARY

London.—British rushes thousands of men, guns and tanks to aid hard-pressed French battling before the gates of Paris; air force carries war to northern Italy, Africa, Germany and against Germans in France; empire marshals war machines.

Cairo.—Egypt breaks off diplomatic relations with Italy.

Valetta, Malta.—New Italian air raids follow those which killed 30 civilians and injured 30 Tuesday.

Tours, France.—Germans cross Marine at Chateau-Thierry; others drive to 20 miles from center of Paris; three main thrusts nearly complete half-circle about French capital; French defenders inflict great losses on Nazis.

Berlin.—Germans claim their divisions are 12 1-2 miles from Paris; report another French force blasted out of combat in channel drive; German artillery action on upper Rhine may prelude to another drive.

Rome.—Italians sow mines to halve Mediterranean; Allies bomb Milan, Turin, other industrial centers; Italian high command silent on operations; between 60 and 70 divisions mass on French frontier.

Ankara.—Turkey, watching Russia, withholding action following Italy's entry.

Moscow.—New Ambassadors from Italy, Britain and France arrive to woo Soviet Russia.

### ON A DIET

New London, Conn.—Although he is on a diet, Frank Mariani, on a bet, ordered and consumed two bowls of soup, three portions of spaghetti and meat balls eight roast beef dinners with potatoes and vegetables and a roast chicken, washing it down with four glasses of beef.

## Golden Anniversary Celebration Held Here

White Oak Camp No. 917 of Farmville, N. C., celebrated the Golden Anniversary of the Woodmen of the World by securing one hundred members from February to June 6, birth date of the society. Through the untiring efforts of all the local camp officers as well as the entire membership, won the silk banner in sixty days for fifty thousand of new business delivered.

The camp made this outstanding record under the direction of Special Representative James E. McAbee.

To bring the celebration to a close on June 6, the local camp had a chicken dinner and dance at the Home Demonstration Club House with one hundred members and their wives and sweethearts present. Starting the dinner at 7 p. m., with Rev. C. B. Mashburn of the Christian Church of Farmville returning thanks.

All the local officers were seated at a special arranged table, with the birthday cake with fifty candles in the center of the officers' table.

The meeting was in charge of C. C. Seth Barrow.

After the birthday cake was cut by Rev. C. B. Mashburn, the Consul Com. Seth Barrow called on Past Consul Com. John Hill Paylor to outline the purpose of the meeting which he did. Then the secretary of the local camp C. B. Mashburn, Jr., made a short talk thanking each one for their presence there.

Then James E. McAbee, special representative of the Woodman of the World and Field Representative for White Oak Camp No. 917, N. C., of Farmville, was introduced by the Consul Com. Seth Barrow and he urged not only the members that could not stay for the dance and the program at the Club House, but everyone to tune in at home for the program over W. O. W. radio station through station W. T. F., Raleigh, N. C., at 10:30 P. M. Also thanked the ladies for the chicken dinner that was served and prepared by the ladies of the Home Demonstration Club.

After the dinner those that wished to dance, danced until 10:30. Then the meeting was called to order again and all enjoyed the program from Omaha; especially the speech by our beloved president, Dr. E. Bradshaw.

C. B. Mashburn, Jr., Sec. Camp No. 917, N. C.

for Ben L. Walston from the home near here Tuesday morning by the Rev. B. E. Fordham, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Farmville.

Born and reared in this neighborhood, he had lived here all his life except the time away served during the World War where he gave excellent service, winning honors as a sharp-shooter. As the flag draped casket was lowered to the ground "Taps" were sounded by a representative of the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Nellie Mercer Walston, three daughters, Mrs. Bessie Woods, Mrs. John Craft and Lucille and one brother, Seth Walston, all of Walstonburg.

The Italian announcement said that British air raids on desert airbases in Italian Libya, previously described by London as "a great success," had been beaten off without serious loss.

Italy Bombed By British. British bombers, roaring across Northern Italy to rain explosives on military objectives, brought home to the Italian people the meaning of the war into which Premier Mussolini plunged them less than 36 hours before.

Findings Dinosaur Track. Austin, Texas.—Dr. E. H. Sellards, director of WPA-University of Texas Paleontological Survey, announces the discovery of what he believes is the world's largest dinosaur track—a 51 inch imprint—near Glen Rose on the Palmyr River. The imprint is that of the herb-eating sauropod or brachiosaurus, a four-legged creature which roamed about fifty feet.

## Egypt Cuts Diplomatic Relations With Italy and Turks Ready To Aid Allies If Russia Stays Out; Italians Getting Taste of War On Own Soil

In the onslaught to Paris, Hitler's armies rode over bitterly contested World War battlefields and reached the closest point to the French capital since Bismarck's German armies marched into Paris in 1870.

It outdistanced by 15 miles the threat, against Paris poised by Von Kluck's German "death's head" Uhlans in 1914.

While Allied bombers carried the war into Italy, attacking the great industrial centers in the north, the fast-spreading conflict apparently neared a new theater of operations—in Egypt.

The Egyptian Chamber of Deputies, it was reported, approved a declaration severing diplomatic relations with Italy.

French Reported Holding Fast. Battle-stained French Poilus fought desperately in a "last ditch" defense of their beloved capital, the once gay city now half deserted. They were reported holding fast on the old World War battlefields of Chateau Thierry and Meaux along the Marne.

"Nowhere have the French defenses been pierced," said a Paris spokesman, who cited terrific German assaults all along the Western Front from the Lower (West) Seine to the Argonne Forest.

The Germans reported advances from 50 to 70 miles toward Paris "on many fronts" in the past six days of the titanic struggle.

Rome reported the first enemy assault on Italian soil since Premier Mussolini declared war Monday—an unspecified attack on the Ligurian coast, where the great Italian shipping port of Genoa is situated. Earlier London had reported a British bombing attack on Northern Italy.

To the quickening beat of the war tempo, Italy was reported to have handed an ultimatum to Egypt.

Meanwhile, Rome reports that enemy action against points in Northern Italy along the Ligurian Coast were authoritatively reported Wednesday, but details were withheld pending an official announcement.

Egypt Had Been Exempted. The ancient kingdom of the Pharaohs, guardian of Britain's vital Suez Canal, had been specifically exempted from Italy's war aims as pronounced by Premier Mussolini—if it maintained its neutrality.

For the third time since the Kaiser's imperial legions hammered at the gates of Paris a quarter of a century ago, French troops—outnumbered and blasted by superior enemy tank forces—dag in on the blood-soaked battlefield of Chateau Thierry and Meaux.

It was in the Meaux-Chateau Thierry sector that Paris' famous "taxicab arm" rallied in 1914 to turn the German tide.

The Germans were reported "staking everything" on the now full-blazing battle for Paris.

The din of the enormous conflict could be heard in the streets of the French capital, and flashes of gunfire were plainly visible from the housetops of the once gay "Paris."

A French military spokesman acknowledged that "the situation remains one of extreme difficulty."

French Take Determined Stand. News of the Italian military activity on France's new front in the south came as the French defenders of Paris took a determined stand along the Marne at Chateau-Thierry and at Meaux. Meaux is only 27 miles east of the heart of the capital and but 15 miles from the nearest suburbs.

West of the capital, a spokesman said, the French succeeded in destroying German units which had crossed the Seine at several points.

Approximately 32 miles north of the capital, the hard-pressed Poilus fought desperately to beat off persistent German attacks in the region of Senlis.

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