

THE OFFENSIVE MUST BE TAKEN, SAYS GEN. FOCH

Significant Declaration Is Made by the Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Armies.

London, June 9.—That battles can be won in the end only by the army which takes the offensive is the significant declaration made by General Foch, commander-in-chief of the allies, in an important article contributed by him to the weekly Journal, the Field, in which he discussed the problem of the soldier and the way of victory.

"Modern warfare to arrive at its end and to impose its will on the enemy," says General Foch, "requires only one means—destruction of the enemy's organized forces."

"War undertaken and prepared this destruction by battles which brings about the overthrow of the adversary, disorganizes his command, destroys his discipline, and nullifies his units as far as their fighting power is concerned."

"Our first action must be that completely to achieve its object, a battle must not be purely defensive. A purely defensive battle, even well conducted, does not result in a victor and a vanquished. It is simply a game that must be begun over again."

"From this it is an obvious corollary that an offensive, whether started at the beginning of an action or whether it follows the defensive, can only give results and in consequence must always be adopted at the finish."

"To maintain our position is not synonymous with being victorious and even prepares for a defeat. If we remain where we are and do not pass to the offensive to fix the direction of attack to guard against the plans of the enemy and prevent him from carrying out the same maneuver, we must undertake to carry on and sustain numerous combats, each with determined aim."

RAILROAD SCHEDULE

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Southbound.	Northbound.
No. 29, 3:27 am.	No. 44, 5:00 am.
No. 31, 6:47 am.	No. 36, 12:10 pm.
No. 37, 9:54 am.	No. 136, 11:38 am.
No. 137, 9:06 am.	No. 46, 3:45 pm.
No. 11, 10:00 am.	No. 12, 7:00 pm.
No. 45, 3:20 pm.	No. 32, 8:00 pm.
No. 38, 7:50 pm.	No. 38, 10:30 pm.
No. 43, 10:10 pm.	No. 138, 9:56 pm.
	No. 30, 1:25 am.

TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 1918.

ALLIES MUST HELP RUSSIA.

Washington Post.

The allies are fighting Germany only in one place. It is true that they are temporarily inferior in numbers and have no choice but to fight against an enemy offensive. Their resources, however, are not confined to the western front, and it is quite within the possibilities that all the fighting on the western front will be indecisive so far as the defeat of Germany is concerned. Germany cannot force a decision in her favor on that front. She is up against the strongest side of the three strongest nations in the world, one of them much stronger than herself and rapidly concentrating its strength against her. After the balance has turned and German forces are outnumbered, the work of ejecting the enemy from France will begin in earnest and will never let up.

But in the meantime there is much to be done elsewhere, and Germany is doing it on her side. Her offensive in France does not deter her from the work of absorbing Finland, penetrating Russia, assimilating Roumania and Ukraine, intruding in Mexico and South America, opening up the Black Sea, working toward Persia, and otherwise carrying on the war. What are the allies doing in all these war areas to defeat German encroachment?

Germany can stand the defensive a long time on the western front, after she has been halted. The allies' defensive enables the United States to gather a force that will eventually overwhelm Germany's. Will not Germany's defensive then enable her to reassemble forces that will eventually overwhelm America's. If the allies do not checkmate these efforts?

Russia is the great storehouse of military resources for Germany. Leave Germany alone and she will develop a system in Russia that will not only be able to defy but to conquer the whole world. America included. If it be argued that Russians will not consent to become soldiers in a vast army under German control, let it be asked how the individual Russians can keep out of the German uniform, once Germany has established her system in Russia. There are now in the enemy's uniform tens of thousands of men who are deadly enemies of Germany and Austria, men who would willingly lay down their lives if by so doing they could break Germany's hold upon their country. But they can do nothing; they must fight for Germany until an opportunity arises for successful mutiny and revolution. The same condition would control Russian soldiers.

The allies cannot afford to become so absorbed in the western front as to lose the war. They must broaden their view and adopt Germany's method of fighting the war everywhere, wherever advantage is to be found. The situation is, Russia clamors for statesmanship in the allied nations. It is reproach to the allied nations that they should go on month after month, without unity of counsel, while Germany utilizes every moment to fasten her grip upon Russia. Where is the foresight of the allied rulers? Where are their diplomats? Has all the initiative concerning Russia passed to Germany, and must the allies accept humbly whatever Germany decrees for Russia? In that case the war is lost eventually, whatever the result of the struggle in France.

Men like former President Taft see clearly the absolute necessity of lifting Russia to her feet. It is not solely an altruistic task. It is primarily in self-defense that the western allies must save Russia. If they do not keep Germany out of Russia they will not be able to keep Germany out of France and England and America. The needs of future conquest of the world are now being sown by Germany in Russia. The allies have the easier task, which is to frustrate Germany's attempts. If they will not take counsel and agree upon some plan to save Russia they need not boast of their unified command in the west, for the war will be only beginning.

There are several ways in which the allies can act immediately in behalf of Russia. The statesmen and soldiers of the allied nations should confer and agree upon the best plan. Germany's cunning men are not all on the fighting front, but are busy in Russia making war in a peculiarly effective manner. The allies' cunning men should be these thwarting the Germans and aiding Russia to organize a self-governing republic. Only in this manner can the allies help Russia.

ENGLAND ALSO HAS HER WAR MYTHS

Many Myths and Hoaxes Are Continually Cropping Up.

London, June 8.—There must be as many millions possessing a sense of humor as a sense of humor. Otherwise, how is one to account for the prevalence of the most extraordinary war myths and hoaxes that are continually cropping up?

One that had a great vogue recently told how St. Quentin had been mined and blown up on the eve of the great German offensive, and an entire enemy division destroyed. Then there was the great "bombing of Berlin" hoax, started about the same time. Another popular myth that attained to world-wide publicity in the early days of the war was the legend of the angels of Mons. About the same time, too, there cropped up the extraordinary story, heard by everybody and by most people believed, of the 100,000 Russian soldiers, supposed to have been transported by way of Archangel to the north of Scotland, and thence by rail to Southampton, whence they were embarked to the Continent.

Legions, once rooted, die hard. Quite a number of otherwise sane and sensible people still believe that Lord Kitchener survived the sinking of the cruiser Hampshire, and is living somewhere in anonymous retirement, whence he will emerge in his own good time. Similarly, there are still many timid Londoners who will not travel by the underground railways because of a story, once widely prevalent, that they are all to be blown up simultaneously by German secret service agents.

SENATOR MARTIN UNOPPOSED

No Candidates File Papers in Campaign Against Democratic Leader.

Senator Thomas S. Martin, of Virginia, majority leader in the Senate, will be returned for his fifth term without opposition. The time for the filing of necessary papers by candidates expired at midnight Thursday. No aspirants have entered the field. Mr. Martin first entered the Senate March 4, 1895, and has risen to the rank of acknowledged party leader in the Senate, and for many years has been chairman of the powerful committee on appropriations.

Senator Martin and Senator Bankhead are the only remaining civil war veterans of the South now in the Senate.

COLD WAVE STRIKES EUROPE

Hail and Snow Injures Fruit and Other Crops in Germany.

Amsterdam, June 7.—A sudden cold wave has struck central Europe, including Germany, and spread over Holland and Scandinavia, according to reports from many points.

There have been local snowfalls, hailstorms and severe night frosts. Widespread damage to the grain, fruit and potato crops is reported.

Prof. Oliver Discovers a Bright New Star.

Washington, June 10.—A star, the brightest discovered in several centuries, was detected last night at Leander McCormick observatory, at the University of Virginia, by C. T. Oliver, professor of astronomy. He described it in a telephone message to the Associated Press early today as a bright blue star, of magnitude 0.5 degrees, located in the constellation Aquila, a size that makes it nearly the largest and brightest in the sky during the present months.

Get Ready for War Savings Week.

Salisbury Day Killed at Jefferson City, Missouri.

Salisbury, June 8.—P. D. Romeche received a telegram stating that a son, Joe, was dead at Jefferson City, Mo. Later by long distance telephone Mr. Romeche learned that the son was injured in a railroad accident last Wednesday night and died from his injuries Saturday.

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Held Up by U-Boats Off North Carolina Coast.

New Bedford, Mass., June 9.—Two whalers which arrived here today reported they had been held up by a German submarine off Cape Hatteras. Capt. J. T. Gonsalves, of the schooner A. M. Nicholson, said that on his pleading with the captain of the U-boat that he was a poor man and that the loss of his vessel meant ruin, he was allowed to proceed with his ship and \$30,000 cargo of sperm oil unharmed.

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