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With the American army in France—(By the Associated Press) Sept. 13, 10:40 a. m.—The Germans last night and early today attempted to remove their artillery from the town of Vigneulle...

May Catch German Divisions

General Pershing's attacking south of St. Mihiel salient advanced a distance of eight miles today.

German prisoners say that the American attack was expected but was delivered so rapidly they could not put up the stubborn resistance they were ordered to do.

Pans which has been energetically defended by the Germans was captured by the Americans. The Americans report the capture of Vigneulle 7 1-2 miles north of Xivray...

If these plans have been really captured in the rush on the St. Mihiel salient this means that the lines have been removed an average of six miles.

From the war maps it would seem almost impossible for the Germans to evacuate the salient as they apparently are trying to do, without huge losses in men and material.

Germans Preparing to Evacuate Lille

London Sept. 13.—Numerous fugitives from Lille are reported in the Belgian newspapers as arriving at Meslines and Atwerp...

French Approaching St. Quentin

Paris, Sept. 13.—The American attacks in the region of St. Mihiel have continued successfully, the war office announces.

Paris, Sept. 12.—The first big offensive, which began at daybreak between the Meuse and Moselle rivers, was conducted under Gen. Pershing's personal supervision...

state, which have been embodied in a bill to be laid before the Chamber. The bill was approved by the Council of Ministers Wednesday.

Under this bill married civilian public servants drawing salaries under \$2,400 a year will receive additional war pay of forty cents a day.

All those who are mobilized and draw their pay monthly, that is to say, all officers will receive in addition to the present allowances for their families an extra dollar a month for each child.

The total cost to the country of these increased allowances is estimated at \$100,000,000. The new scale of allowances, it is proposed shall date as from the beginning of July last.

TELL OF DEPRESSION IN THE GERMAN ARMY Soldiers on Dutch Frontier Beg for Civilian Clothing in Order to Escape

The Hague, Sept. 12.—"The war cannot last long because the German soldiers will refuse to fight. Some regiments have already refused to return to the front, and others refuse to fight at the front, saying they prefer to give themselves up as prisoners rather than continue to be slaughtered."

Thus a Dutch doctor, just arrived from Germany, expressed himself to a correspondent. "The army is in a terrible state of depression, as also are the civilians at home, who no longer believe in the official reports."

MARKETS

STOCKS

New York, Sept. 13.—Resumption of trading on the stock exchange today after the holidays marked an irregular price exchanges and a few leaders were disposed to improve while a number of specialties extended their losses of the past week.

Reactionary tendencies were in evidence before the end of the first half hour when Marine Preferred forfeited an advance of three points as a result of an unfavorable annual report, while United States Steel and the smaller rails yielded from one to two points.

COTTON

New York, Sept. 13.—The cotton market opened unchanged to 11 points higher and sold from 25 to 35 points above Wednesday's closing figures right after the call owing to Liverpool buying and covering. At this point the market met with increasing hedge selling and realizing and before the end of the first hour the active months sold from 25 to 29 points lower.

Cotton futures opened steady with October 34.75, Dec. 34, Jan. 33.85, March 33.70, May 33.63.

RAIN TOMORROW

For North Carolina fair tonight and Saturday, except probably rain on Saturday near the coast and slightly cooler tonight with gentle to moderate and shifting winds.

GERMANS USING WOMEN AS AIR FIGHTERS

With the American Army in France Sept. 11. (Associated Press)—That the Germans are using women as military aviators is indicated in a report that in a machine recently brought down by the Americans the pilot, who was killed, was a woman.

The captain of a company of the 167th infantry says the pilot of a German plane brought down near Serzy, Aug. 28 by Lieutenant Miller Thompson of the American air force was a woman.

ITALIAN TROOPS ALSO ACTIVE

In Giving the Austro-Hungarians a Hot Time of It. N They Put

THE ENEMY TO FLIGHT

Rome, Sept. 13.—Italian troops entered Austro-Hungarian positions at Pramaggiore the Italian war office announces. An enemy attacking party on Monte Asolene was put to flight.

MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Merchants Association held an interesting meeting last night in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce. The advisability of the local Association joining the Southern Traffic League, as the State Association has already done, was left to the Finance and Legislation Committee.

Mr. Harriss and Mr. Humber, both representatives of the State Food Administration were with us and gave interesting and valuable facts regarding the Food situation.

Mr. Harris also gave the facts about the flour proposition. There are to be on the market as substitutes for four three kinds. Corn meal, corn flour and barley flour.

Mr. Humber brought out the One Deliver a Day system. It will be necessary to carry out this or the Cash and Carry System in order to let the men go to war or to more essential work.

These talks were very interesting and will prove valuable to all who heard them.

NEGRO GIRL LOSES LIFE IN SAVING THAT OF MOTHER

Goldsboro, Sept. 13.—Following the rescue of her mother from the track on which a log train operated by the Empire Manufacturing Company was backing into their yards here early this morning Mamie Hebron, a 17-year-old negro girl, was instantly killed.

The Hebron girl, who was employed in the vicinity where the accident occurred, was approaching the track in company with her mother when she realized the latter's danger of being struck by the rear end of the long train backing into the yards. She snatched her mother to safety and in so doing lost her balance and was herself caught between two cars, resulting in her body being badly mangled and life crushed out in a flash.

CASUALTY LIST SEPTEMBER 13

Table with 2 columns: Description, Count. Rows include Killed in action (76), Missing in action (41), Wounded severely (173), Died of wounds (35), Died from accident and other causes (14), Died of disease (19), Wounded, degree undetermined (8), Prisoners (2), Died of aeroplane accident (1), Killed in action, Connie D. Wheeler, Creedmore, N. C., Wounded severely, Alvin L. Denton Brookfield, N. C., Died of wounds, Jesse V. Elliott, Holton, N. C.

DEBATE ON REVENUE BILL

Prevented the House From Closing General Talk on Big Measure

CHARGES AND CHARGES

Washington, Sept. 13.—Partisan political clashes, unusually acid and continuing through most of the day, prevented the House yesterday from closing general debate on the \$8,000,000,000 war revenue bill.

Further delay in prospect for the tax measure are plans of leaders to take up today and first dispose of the new administration bill to facilitate Liberty Bond sales, which was ordered reported by the Ways and Means Committee.

Senate Finance Committee hearings on the revenue measure were confined to minor features while agitation among Senators for a recess while the committee is working on the bill was renewed.

A series of three-day recesses during October are being strongly urged by many members, particularly those from Southern states opposing cotton price-fixing.

In the political warfare of the House, Representative Hefflin of Alabama, who opened the day's partisan turmoil after a delay at convening, when only ten members appeared, with scheduled speakers absent or refusing to talk without an audience, charged Republican leaders with "seeking to discredit and destroy President Wilson at Home."

"A Democratic victory means an American victory," Representative Hefflin asserted in a vigorous address interrupted by derisive cries from Republicans and applause from the Democratic side.

After Representative Pou, of North Carolina, Democrat, followed with a speech, charging Republicans with attempting to "check the administration" with the concentrated purpose of embarrassing the administration, a fresh and heated controversy developed from an address by Representative Miller of Minnesota, Republican, sharply attacking Postmaster Burleson.

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Denouncing Mr. Miller's charges as "personal slanders," Representative Moon declared statements of the Minnesota members regarding the postal service to be "absolutely false."

"In these times," said Representative Moon, with vigor, "it is almost treason for any member of this body to tend to bring into ridicule and contempt any high official of the government."

Representative Foch of Pennsylvania, Republican interjected that he could submit "thousands of instances" of "ranked inefficiency" of the Postoffice Department.

OUR TROOPS IN RUSSIA

And are Working Their Way Down the Railroad Line to Vologda

NUMBERS NOT DIVULGED

Washington, Sept. 13.—American troops have been safely landed at Archangel, the headquarters and supply base of the Allied Expeditionary Forces now operating in the northern part of European Russia, and working their way steadily down the railroad line toward Vologda.

The fact that the army has dispatched soldiers from France to Archangel has been known in inner military circles in Washington for the past three weeks but not until news of the safe arrival of the men was received did General March authorize publication of the fact that any forces whatever had been sent to that part of the world.

The official announcement reads as follows: "By order of General March, the safe arrival of American troops at Archangel is announced."

The size of the force is withheld for military reasons. It is not permissible to disclose the identity for the units. The forces sent from this country and the Philippines to Vladivostok for participation in the Siberian operations however, are made up of regulars, and it is believed that the expedition sent to North Russia is also one of regulars.

British and French forces were landed at Kola and Archangel some time ago, and recently several contingents of Italian troops joined them. Simultaneously General Pershing selected units for dispatch by sea, around the Scandinavian and arctic forces were convoyed just as if sent across the Atlantic to France, for German submarines have been operating off the northern coasts and in the arctic.

Some months ago it was reported that American troops were co-operating with the allied forces in North Russia, but it developed that they were Marines disembarked from United States warships. The present contingent is the first sent by the army.

American forces are now in European Russia and Siberia, on the Flanders front of Belgium, on the French front, on German soil where the western line crosses the lower part of Alsace near the Swiss border, and on the Italian front.

KAISER IS WATCHFUL OF THE HOME FRONT

Amsterdam, Sept. 12.—Emperor William, in replying to a message from the German National Soldiers' Union, is quoted by the Cologne Gazette as saying:

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Help lick the Kaiser by buying War Savings Stamps and saving sugar and flour.

Another speech with politics as its theme, replying to the recent address of Chairman Ferris of the Democratic Congressional Committee, was made by Representative Goode, of Iowa, Republican, who reviewed past and present political conditions, charging that "repudiation and hypocrisy" had marked past Democratic campaign records.