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HUMBERTS ARMY Strength of Bolshevism **CROSSES SOMME** In Number of Its Enemies French Advanced Guards Premature Disclosure of Intrigues Leads to

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eparate banner of emancipation. But

ntrigue-and only through intrigue

can disarmed men wrest the sword

from their oppressors-premature dis-

closure and overwhelming disaster are

apt to ensue. Such is the story of

aroslav and other towns, where the

loisheviki have most bloodily punished

undeveloped risings. Such is not the

The true voice of Russia, the voice

f nonbolshevist Russia, besought the

elp of the Allies, and the Allies could

ot continue deaf to that insistent

on with the world at large, perceived

supplies, in greater need of armed in-

size of Russia and the completeness

man subtlety on Russian simplicity,

grim fanatic chaos had taken the

magination might well have shrunk

from such a mammoth task of na-

But the story of Archangel will be

ficulties dwindle in proportion to the courage with which they are con-

fronted. Large events are usually

quarters. In this narrative, however,

focused through the control of Consul

Repugnance for Bolsheviki

lous repugnance in all classes of the

population, in all, at least, save the

eless which is suffering from a pitiful

itself on fraternal terms with the most

effective elements in the disorderly,

armed forces of Bolshevism, German,

Broadly speaking, the principles of

First. Instead of fostering produc-

tion and taking toll of increase after

the manner of conventional govern-

ments, the Bolsheviki, that they might

fee their soldiers and agents, forcibly

entered warehouses and banks, and

helped themselves to food and money

thereby paralyzing industry and

destroying the foundation of security

iomination were three in number:

Lettish and criminal elements.

at interior conditions.

lescribed in general terms that cover

unneal Patriotic Russians, in com-

tell you why.

ional salvage.

Disaster-Many Patriotic Russians at

Archangel Are Slain

By ARTHUR COPPING

vigilance they had shown

were taking place before them.

Now Nearing Ham and Berlancourt

FOE'S MAN-POWER CRISIS

Bandaged Men Forced Back Into Line With Partly **Trained Youths**

By WALTER DURANTY

al Cable to Evening Public Ledger With the French Armies, Sept. 6. General Humbert's army, having bit off the block which was formed y the angle of the enemy's line bewhere a community is honeycombed

by the angle of the enemy's line be-tween the Somme and the Olse, con-tinued to advance yesterday. The left of the line of the Somme has been crossed at Epenancourt. Hill W, the scene of several days' obstinate fighting, has fallen. Our troops have occupied Esmery-Hallon, midway be-tween the canal and the Ham-Guis-card road. Here our advanced guards are not more than three miles from Ham, and the guns will soon be able to play on the Ham-St. Quentin rail-way, which is the enemy's main means of access to his front in the sector way, which is the enemy's main means of access to his front in the sector between the rivers. Three hundred prisoners were taken Further south Humbert's troops at Flavy Meledux are a thousand yards from the Ham-Berlancourt Guiscard road, on which the enemy anticipated he would be able to make a further stand. As our troops are on the outskirts of Berlancourt and Ham is menaced from the north, it is obvious that

that Russia stood in great need of food from the north, it is obvious that further retirement is imposed on the enemy. On the Aisne front Missy has with which through the play of Ger-

Germans are retreating on part of the French battlefront. The British victory, combined with Maugin's dog-ged pressure, is beginning to produce the inevitable result. All Tuesday the inevitable result. All Tuesday night the heights behind the Vesle were illuminated with the same fires that preceded the retreat from the

Wednesday morning patrols crossed the river in the belief that the enemy was abandoning his position. On the Alleffee and the Olse front

the Germans are working their artil-lery to the utmost. They know it is impossible to evacuate their vast accumulations of shells-and probably suns also—and are trying value of the production of reckoning. Never-theless, the French continue to progress on the outskirts of the Courcy forest. But it is northwest of Noyon the ad-

vance is most considerable. Toward Guiscard a double movement is being carried out. On the left Humbert's troops are pushing the dispirited boche restruard eastward from Chevilly toward the high road, and along the road itself there is a along the road itself there is a aimultaneous push north from the region of Noyon. At the moment of cabling, cavalry is reported to be cabling, cavalry is reported to be cabling, cavalry is reported to be within a short distance of Gulscard. The enemy must long now for the noble trees that bordered the road cut down in last year's retreat. Time has been wanting to mine the highways, and there is nothing to bar the pas-sage of armored automobiles, whose machine guns and light cannon aid the progress of horsemen spread out fan wise on either flank.

Makes Von Hutier Anxious On the French left, Ham is menaced hardly less than Guiscard, and the astward march along the Somme val-ley offers possibilities that must fill ley offers possibilities that must fill Yon Hutier with anxiety regarding the men and material still packed in the Noyon massif. Chauny and posi-tions southward. "Can the Allies end the war this

year?" is a question one is beginning to hear seriously debated. As was said to your correspondent

Tuesday, it is less extravagant now to enertain such a hope than on July 14 to anticipate that the enemy would be in the position that they are on which the fabric of civilized society rests. The results already gained by

Second. All newspapers were sup-

the tragic pantomime. The tug wen alongside the yacht and those inotfensive Englishmen were seized, carried away to "Archangel, and there imprisoned.

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By this time Kedroff was feeling more himself, and after taking counsel with Elduck, his Germanic associate, he issued secret, orders that the captives be put to death. Secret orders? Yes; but the news leaked out. My readers will understand the anxiety felt, not only in Allied circles, but among our Russian Griends, Never pecial Cable to Evening Public Ledger, action, which we have noted in our were wise men tempted more sorely to Russian friends, is equally charac, embark on a premature rising. But teristic of their Russian foes. While that way lay ruin and massacre, so The chief strength of Bolshevism the Bolshevisk tug was casting aus the diplomatic representatives of all nay be said to lie in the number and picious eyes on the yacht, a party of the Allies crossed the river and waited variety of its enemies. It is com- Bolsheviki ashore had been casting in a throng on Kedroff; for that passed about by divers groups of foes suspicious eyes on the tug. They did prudent man, with foreboding of penain solid sections of the population, more. They opened brisk riffe fire ing retribution, had taken up quarters each with a glowing, growing sense of upon her, killing one Bolshevik and near the railway. 'Denial and equivowrong, each waiting to unfold its wounding another. It seems that Ked. cation were followed by concession; roff was less indignant than alarmed, the sentence on the sailors was reduced to imprisonment in Moscow. for he is a man who hates to have

by half a dozen independent avenues of builets sputtering about him; and Meanwhile, Colonel Ivanoff, a brave and big-hearted Russian officer, had when a little later his comrades had desisted from their fusiliade and excommitted the glorious indiscretion of reflecting that a sum of money might planations and apologies had followed. the magnanimous commander, everbe of value to the captives, and failing looking their mistake, commended the also to take counsel with less impetuous minds, he embedded a twenty. five-ruble note in a cake of soap. Meanwhile, five mesmerized English which, having wrapped in a paper story of Archangel, and I am about to sailors had been overhanging the bearing the words, "for the English taffrail of the small yacht, trying to sailors, from Colonel Ivanoff," he dismake head and tall of the queer inpatched to the prison.

ternecine military operations that Tearing asunder the cake of soap, the Bolsheviki discovered the money, Destiny appointed them a part in and soon Colonel Ivanoff was missing





STORE OPENS DAILY AT 10 A. M. AND CLOSES AT 4:80 P. M.

hopes, and the demoralization of the enemy-which prevented him from holding the colossal Hindenburg line published the Bolshevist mandaies to the people of Archangel, and indus-triously sought, by erroneous statee-render more than precarious such an operation of general retreat as he seems about to be forced to undertake. As early as 1915, it was declared to ments, to breed enmity with the Allies, specially the British.

As early as 1915, it was declared to your correspondent that the key to the German line in France lay east of Arras. At last the opportunity is given to put that conviction into practice. The confusion of the Ger-man units, shown by the British identification of troops of eleven dif-terent divisions on a front of barely three and a half miles, will be ac-centuated in the retreat—always the most difficult of military operations. their own dwellings. They and their

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Nor does the quality of the reserves
wailable hold out a chance of retrieving matters. War-worn recuperated vounded are hurried back, still wearing theis bandages, to the battlefields;
old, feeble and disguised factory hands or miners, and boys of just eighteen are being thrown into the furnace under well-night panic conditions, after a few weeks of insufficient training. A recently captured captain of the regular army spoke bitterly on the biblect to a French officer who interrogated him.

terrogated him. "It is all over," he said. "We will be lucky if we can stave off defeat this year. Some of our men fight well mough, but the majority seem to have lost hope and energy. And where are our old noncoms and officers?" our old noncoms and officers?" "If they were all like me," he added naively, "we might hold out until winter gives a breathing space; but the ones we have got seem to know nothing, and only care for their own sting. And this dry season has served skins. And this dry season has served you well. Your infernal tanks can pass through places that were marshy this time last year."

CALLS TRUTH INSANE RUMORS

Hindenburg Warns German People Against Allied Propaganda By the Associated Press

shagen, Sept. 6 .- Field Marshal Copenhagen, Sept. 6.—Field Marshal yon Hindenburg, according to a dispatch room.Berlin, has issued a proclamation to the German People, declaring that the enewy, in addition-to the armed offensive, is conducting an offensive by printed matter containing "most insane rumers" which are distributed in Switz-erland, Holland, and Denmark, from which countries they are spread though-out the whole of Germany. The field marshal warns the people to be unanimous against this enemy who fights with scraps of paper and disunion among ourselves and between us and our Alles" and exhorts all Germans to remember "these poisoned scraps" come from the enemy.



Third. There was furtive killing of influential opponents. Within the town no shot was heard, and no blood seen. The victims were merely missing, a fact of no significance save to an inner circle of intimates, for most men and women of the better classes remained voluntary prisoners within

children seldom or never ventured out of doors, and only trusted servants of the household went into the streets, chiefly to purchase food that ever tended to become scarcep, coarser, and more expensive; for in that topsyturvy world, the well-to-do had become the submerged class and only persons in rags and humble raiment could hold up their heads and breathe

the air of freedom. Leading Citizens Missing

Considerable is the number of leading citizens who were missing before. are missing still, and will forever so remain. Their groups of graves outside the town are every now and then coming to light. I have looked upon certain of such graves, crude mounds formed of clods, built clumsily over the shallow excavations; for the Bolsheviki are hasty and inartistic sexons.

So much by way of introduction.

Now for the story proper. Having besought aid from the Alies, the responsible citizens of Archangel

naturally accepted their aid. During the period of waiting, preparation and restraint there occurred certain stirring incidents which resulted not only in five English sailors being, cast into prison by the Bolsheviki, but in the errible penalty which a gallant Rusian officer had to pay for his attempt to aid them.

Near the neighboring stretch of seashore the Bolsheviki came upon and promptly seized a Canadian and Serb who were just having a look around. It was by no means an unlikely area to be visited by individual allies, and

Kedroff, the commissioner who had come from Moscow to lead the Archangel Bolsheviki, at once embarked on a tug and made haste thither. Ar-

riving off the beach, this suspicious commander spied a little sailing yacht for which nobody could account; so he assembled his armed men on deck as a preliminary to overhauling her. But an inaptitude for connected