

(Couzeacourt is on the Hindenburg line southeast of Havrincourt woods and is one of the outer defenses of Cambral. It lies nine miles southwest

British patrols, continuing to push

toward St. Quentin, have occupied

Vermand (sir miles northeast of St.

Quentin) and Vendalles (two mile-

The British have reached the west-

ern and northwestern edges of Ephey

dour mfles south of Gouzeaucourt on

the Hindenburg line). British patrols

are reported to have passed through

The War Office announces that the

French north of the Somme have en-

larged their progress eastward of

Avesnes toward Clastres and have

accupied the notable La Motte farm,

Artillery fighting on the Arras-

Cambral road and in Flanders during

the night was reported today by Field

Marshal Haig. A hostile raid was repulsed at Arleaux-en-Gohelle, between

By the United Press

Paris, Sept. 9 .- The French are now

only four mlies from St. Quentin and

cavalry patrols are close to La Fere,

a bastion of the Hindenburg line

twelve miles south of St. Quentin. The

French now hold the Crozat Canal on

virtually its whole length. They have

crossed the canal opposite Liez (north-

With the French at the gates of TA

Fere, the town is still aflame. The fall

of the city, which the Allies were

unable to occupy in 1917, is probable.

It is one of the principal objectives

southwest of St. Quentin.

Cambria and Doual.

west of La Fere).

of Cambral)

north of Vermand.)

the village.

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has retired a strikeout victim, Vaughn

come and the sacrifices to be suf-

by their commander is always exe-cuted whatever difficulties to be over-

trusted with the job of beating off the onrushing American lads was a contingent of the Fifth Grenadier Guards, a regiment of case-hardened junker veterans, who were put out

ably not greater than President Wilson thinks Mr. Baker possesses.

Long Ceased to be Secretary

A change is moreover in order. Mr. Wilson tends to agree with public opin-ion about his subordinates in the end, when his hand does not look to be forced and when clamor has died down. All who have been criticized have gone in the President's own season except Mr. Baker. Now it looks as if Mr. Baker's ay had con

Moreover, Mr. Baker has long ceased really to be Secretary of War. A man high in the Administration described high in the Administration described him to me as "masked" by the stronger forces in the conduct of the war pre-cisely as an advancing army surrounds and masks a fortress which it fails to take. The fortress remains in the rear-but is rendered harmless. The "mask-ing" of Mr. Baker took place some months ago on the occasion of his first trip to Europe. Stronger men took the War Department in their hands. Mr. Baker's work since his return has been to any "yes" to these men.

Haker's work since his feturn has been to say "yes" to these men. Particularly has he said "yes" to Gen-eral March, the chief of staff, who more than any other man has been running the war for the last few months. Gen-eral March is a man for force. He is not a man who tells his superiors what he thinks they want to know. His will bee travelled Yout to McInnis. No runs, one hit, no

has prevailed

March Finds His Level

The change in March is one of the interesting things observed by one who has been away from Washington and

has been away from Washington and who has recently returned. Two months ago March was extremely nervous. As he talked he bit his lips, and the end of his pointed beard, which seems to be the index of his feelings, rose and thrust itself out sharply almost at right angles to his chin. He was a man creating a big job; he was a man fighting for his hasd. Now his face is calm. He talks in a short, hard, choppy, unsmilling way, but with confidence and without facial twitchings. He has won. He is sure of himself. The best informed know that he is the big force in the War De-partment; that he runs it. He speaks for the army, and the army's volce rules. But while it has been a good thing

Inhed the head of that department, and it is the best possible prediction now that department, McAdee Weuld Cantrol If Mr. McAdoo should be made Secre-tary of War, the conduct of the war would once again center in the head of the War Department. This is not mere-ly true within the department itself, hut in the various co-ordinate agencies which have to de with running the war. Mr. McAdoo is a man of authority He is a matural landes. Coordinate au-there would look to hum for leader-the Time Would se a gain in unity would provide a state in unity.

the orders. Strategy is now dictated by Foch and his associates. Supplies have to be co-ordinated with army pians and co-ordinated with them in France. An organization is being worked out toward that end. Mr. Baker will play a large part in that organization. The belief here is that he will have a permanent part. It is a task worthy of the best abilities in this country, worthy of greater abilities than most observers here think Mr. Baker possesses, but probably not greater than President Wilson thinks Mr. Baker possesses.

clean single to right. Hollocher met the ball squarely but it was an easy liner **JAPANESE LINES** for Scott, Flack had to hurry to beat Sectt's throw to first base after the catch. Flack was anxious and made **MENACED BY FOE** three o rfour false starts for second. One he took too bit a lead and a perfect peg. Agnew to McInnis, caught the fleet outfielder flatfotted. Flack inci-Continued on Page Twelve. Column Four

Communications Threat. Fifteen Wounded and 21-Inch Monsters Have ened Between Manchuli Details of and Dauria, Says Tokio the Play ALLIES AID CZECH COUP TWO ARE MISSING SMASH FOE'S DEFENSES

FIRST INNING

The crowd gave Flack a good cheer when he singled sharply to right after the count was two balls and one strike Hollocher lined to Scott and Flack darted back to first base safely. Agnew picked Flack off first base with a lightning throw to McInnis. Mann

> errors. The home folks gave Harry Hooper a big hand when he came to bat. With the count two and three Hooper drove a high fly to Flack. Shean drove a long hit against the left field fence for two

bases. Strunk waited Tyler out till the count was three and two, and then farmed on a low curve. Tyler had pienty of speed and kept the ball on the corner of the plate. Whiteman flew to Flack. No runs, one hit, no errors. SECOND INNING

SECOND INNING Ruth took Paskert's grounder and threw him out. Scott came in fast for Merkle's grounder and threw him out at first. Pick beat out an infield hit which Thomas could not field in time. Deal singled sharply past Thomas. Pick going to second. Agnew almost picked Deal off first. Killefer forced Pick at third. Scott to Thomas. No runs, two bits, no errors.

strategical points in the hands of the Czechs to move into the heart of Russia, where considerable reinforcehits, no errors. McInnis sent up a high fly to Holfor the army, and the army's volce rules. But while it has been a good thing for the country that General March had emerged. It has not been a good thing for Mr. Baker. It is never a good thing for an erecutive to be reduced to say-ing "yes" (s a subordinate. The strong men in the War Department have dimin-ished the head of that department, and it is the best possible prediction now that there is going to be a new head of that department. ments from loyal Russian elements are certain, and striking a stunning

are certain, and striking a stunning blow at Germany. It is believed Germany will make the greatest sacrifices to hold con-quered Russian territory. [Olovyanna is in Transbalkalia, about 400 miles east of Lake Balkal, while Penza is on the railroad a little more than 600 miles south-east of Petrograd. The distance between Olovyanna and Penza is nearly 2000 miles. nearly 2000 miles. The fact that the Czecho-Slovaks Continued on Page Two, Column Six GOOD NEWS

Penza.

Fair tomorrow and today, This is quite surprising. Gentle, changing winds will play

By the United Press

"The enemy is threatening our com-

munication between Manchuli and

Dauris." said an official announcement

By the Associated Press

Vladivostok, Sept. 5 (Delayed).

The Japanese military staff has

It is now apparent that the unex-

pected climax in the Czecho-Slovak

breakthrough was due partly to the

Allied advance upon Khabarovsk, which caused the transfer of a large Boishevik force from Lake Baikal

toward Khubarovsk and the weak-ened front collapsed under the Czech pressure from the west and General Semenoff's pressure from the east.

The opportunity is now presented of the Allies taking advantage of the strategical points in the hands of the

been informed that the Czecho-Slovaks

hold the railway from Olovyanna to

of the War Department today.

Tokio, Sept. 9.

While the glass is rising.

"The magnificent results obtained are due to the energy and skill of the commanders and to the bravery of the

DIE IN FRANCE

"I am proud to have such troops.

Three Are Victims of

Poison Gas

on Latest Death Lists

Corporal (Marine) William H. Bul-

Private Frank Stanks, Passyunk

Private Andrew Baskin, 500

Private Francis Leo Caville, 6130

Private J. F. Wilson, Canadian

September 9, 1918

The full list of casualties announced

Seven Philadelphians, one of them a

corporal of marines, have been added to the overseas death list,

A lieutenant colonel, the second high-

est ranking Pennsylvanian to meet death while serving with the American army overseas, has been reported killed in action. He is Lieutenant Colonel Frank J. Duffy, of the 103d Engineers, who lost his life when a shell exploded over a motorcycle, in the side seat of which he was being conveyed to the

by the War Department is printed

man, 2633 South Hicks street.

Philadelphia Soldiers

outh Water street.

Kingsessing avenue.

Private ---- Gibble.

Private --- McPollard.

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to exploit to their utmost all the youthful, reckless courage opposed to them. Their weapons were machine guns and not a few murderous Ger-mans 77s.

FRENCH BIG GUNS

ROUT OUT ENEMY

Power to Wipe Out Whole

Regiment

By WALTER DURANTY

With the French Army, Sept. 9.

"Generally speaking, the enemy is

back on the Hindenburg line. Now we

shall se whether he can hold it," was

the summing up of the situation on

the French battlefront given to your

The pivot of the German system

confronting the Freith is the massif

comparable to that of Cambrai for

British operations. Hundreds of Ger-

man batteries are installed in the for-

est and the screened ravines around

On the southwest the town is cov

ered by the massif of Monampteuil,

behind whose crest, 600 feet high, are

huge underground caves and shelters

big enough, some of them, to hold an

entire regiment. The block of forest

west of Laon is crammed with a vast

store of munitions and material, and divisions can concentrate unseen in its

of St. Gobain, whose importance is

correspondent by an officer.

"THE COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE SIXTH ARMT." Mr. Butter read the general order in the House today.

FOURTH INNING_CHICAGO-Thomas threw out Mann. Scott threw out Paskert. Merkle flied to Whiteman. No runs. no hits, no errors.

BOSTON-Shean walked. Strunk flied to Paskert. Whiteman walked. McInnis forced Shean at third. Tyler to Deal. Ruth tripled, scoring Whitman and McInnis. Scott filed to Paskert. Two runs, one hit, no errors.

ADDITIONAL DETAIL OF PLAY

CANADIANS VISIT CHICAGO WAR EXPOSITION

CHICAGO, Sept. 9 .- The Duke of Devonshire, Governor General of Canada; members of his staff and Newton Wesley Rowell. president of the Privy Council of Canada, arrived in Chicago today to visit the war exposition. Tomorrow will be Canadian Day at the exposition and the Duke of Devonshire and his party will be the citys guests of honor.

STATE EDUCATORS URGE BETTER GRADING METHODS Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger Conuclast, 1918. by New York Times Co

HARRISBURG, Sept. 9.-The State Board of Education has issued a circular calling attention to the need of more rational grading and equalization of pupils in studies as mean for better housing. The work in reading is commended, it being stated that while there has been "an increase in enrollment of more than 3500 grade pupils since 1802, they are housed in four less rooms now than in 1902, without crowding."

U. S. GRAND JURY PROBES CHICAGO BOMB CASE

CHICAGO, Sept. 9 .- A number of witnesses appeared before the Federal Grand Jury today to testify in the investigation of the Federal Building bombb case. Four men and several women. believed to have been implicatd in the priving of the bomb, are still in custody ... John Wilsonn, secretary to William D. Haywood, I. W. W. leader, arrested shorthy after the explosion, has refused to talk.

recesses. Not without reason has the enemy FERDINAND RETURNS TO SOFIA WILL BENEFITS UNION LEAGUE

Bulgarian King Had Been Un- Woman Also Left \$10,000 to Consumptives' Hospital

Aring Ferninand of Burgaria had been undergoing treatment at Bad Nauheim, Germany. The King arrived at Bad Nauheim unexpectedly August 7. He reached there with the Burgarian Crown Prince, and while in Germany traveled incognito as Count yon Murany. On August 19 the King was visited by Em-neror William.

of the Allies and one of the strongest points in the Hindenburg defense system. It is of the highest strategic

importance.

The Allies are now within striking distance of St. Quentin.

distance of St. Quentin. The Germans are taking every pre-caution to defend St. Quentin and Laon against the advancing Allies. A German concentration of heavy guns has been observed north of Craome (on a line between Rheims and Laoge-the Chemistics Chemistics Formed just above the Chemin-des-Dames St. Gobain, in the wooded

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DOLLAR DINNER ON TRAINS

bated today. The major portion of the \$\$7,500 estate goes to relatives and friends of the decedent and engravings and bronze orinaments are left to the Union League. Other wills probated today were those of James Lafourcade, Eleventh and Pine streets which, in private bequents dis-poses of property valued at \$50,000; Mary A. Monges, \$311 Shawnee street, \$44,000; Sarah L. Black, \$37 North Beechwood street, \$16,500; Thomas Watson, Lankenau Hospital, \$4300 and Thomas Cunningham, \$929 Paschall ave-nue, \$3000.

McAdoo Abolishes a la C Meals Except at Breakfast

dergoing Treatment in Germany By the Associated Press Amsterdam, Sept. 9.—King Ferdinand of Bulgaria returned to Sofia on Sun-day, according to a dispatch received here today from the Bulgarian capital. King Ferdinand of Bulgaria had been undergoing treatment at Bad Nauheim, Germany. The King arrived at Bad Nauheim unexpeciedly August 7. He

William.



against the hardly less powerful posi-tion of the Thlescourt massif. French Know Maneuver Art When last spring Germany changed

always boasted of St. Gobain's im-pregnability, but today there are four new factors, whose combined effect may well shatter the mightlest of defenses. First is the French ability to maneuver, whose success was

which he was being conveyed to the front line. His wife was a regident of this city before their marriage. Fifteen men from this city are listed

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among the wounded in the latest lists received from General Pershing, three have been gassed and two others are

reported missing in action. A man from Malvern, Pa., has been wounded in action, and four Doylesthe struggle to a war of maneuver, her propagandists claimed that pre-vious training in such operations

wounded in action, and four Doyles-town boys have been wounded. Another from that section has been gassed. Two of the wounded from that place are brothers. In all 552 men are listed among the casualties reported today. In the morn-ing newspaper list, containing 304 names.

Laon.

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