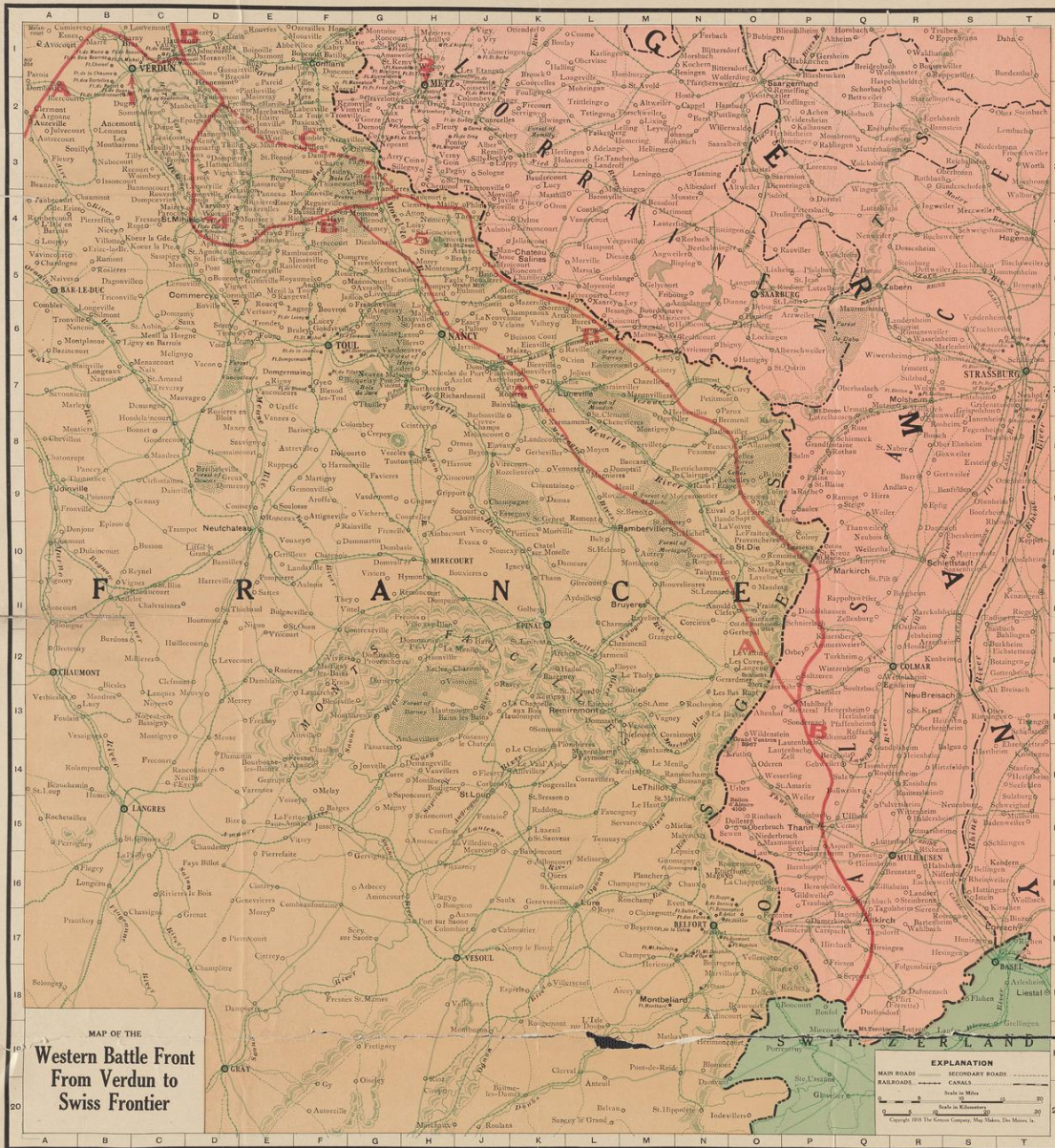


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MAP OF THE
**Western Battle Front
From Verdun to
Swiss Frontier**



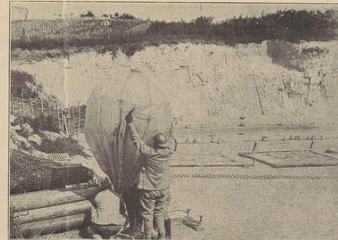
Wounded U. S. Marines Arriving at a Base Hospital

AMERICANS CAPTURE ST. MIHIEL SALIENT AND MOVE TOWARD METZ

On Friday, Sept. 13th, the American Army under Pershing captured the Salient of St. Mihiel. Over 15,000 prisoners and a large number of cannon, machine guns and general booty were taken in two days. The Action was a clear-cut, well executed, brilliant success and has been greeted with warm congratulations from the English and the French. The St. Mihiel salient has been in the possession of the Germans since early in the war. It formed a menace to Verdun. Its capture closes the last opening for a sudden German attack.

American Guns are now firing into Metz in German Lorraine. This is one of the most strongly fortified German cities. The center of this city is only ten miles from Pagny and Homecourt. From Pagny the American heavy guns are firing into the heart of Metz. The American Advance continues under most favorable conditions.

- A** Battle line showing the German's farthest advance in 1914.
- B** Battle Line May 1, 1918.
- C** Battle Line September 18, 1918.
- 1** The battered City of Verdun made safe by the capture of the St. Mihiel salient.
- 2** Very strongly fortified German town of Metz. A dozen strong Forts surround it—some within four miles of the American Line.
- 3** Pagny, from which town the American heavy guns are now bombarding the Forts around Metz.
- 4** St. Mihiel, captured Friday, September 13. (General Pershing's 5th Birthday).
- 5** The Historic Moselle River, along which the Americans are advancing. It passes through the center of Metz.



Inflating a Messenger Balloon to use in Dropping Allied Propaganda Over the German Lines