

Headquarters, 1st Division,
American Expeditionary Forces,
France, October 11, 1918.

General Orders,)
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No. 66.)

1. Pursuant to the orders of the Commander in Chief the undersigned relinquishes command of the First Division to assume command of the Fifth Army Corps.

2. It is with feelings of the most profound regret and with a sense of great personal loss that the honor which has come to me in the command of this division must be interrupted for service in other fields of usefulness. To the officers and the enlisted men of the First Division I extend the most profound gratitude for the loyalty and devotion with which they have answered every call to duty during the great campaigns in which we have participated together. Throughout its service the First Division has served as a model not only to the troops of our own land, but to the armies of the world. They have met and defeated the flower of the great Prussian Army, and in every case where duty has called them they have shown themselves worthy of the finest traditions of our great country and of the armies that have made its history brilliant. The history of the First Division will form one of the most brilliant pages in the annals of our nation, and through all generations to come those who formed a part of it will associate with pride their participation in its campaigns, and the highest honor that their posterity can enjoy will be that of having an ancestor who shared in the glory of its campaigns.

3. It is with a feeling of certainty that the traditions of this division will be preserved by all who come after us, and that its future will bring even greater victories than those that have distinguished its past. My interest will be continuous and it will be my earnest and constant hope that its successes will contribute in the future as they have in the past to the restoration of the world-peace, and to the maintenance of the lofty ideals for which our country has entered the war.

C. P. SULLBERGALL,
Major General, U.S.A.,
Commanding.

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES.

GENERAL ORDERS
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FRANCE, NOV. 10, 1918.

1. The Commander in Chief desires to make of record in the General Orders of the American Expeditionary Forces his extreme satisfaction with the conduct of the officers and soldiers of the First Division in its advance west of the Meuse between October 4th and 11th, 1918. During this period the division gained a distance of seven kilometers over a country which presented not only remarkable facilities for enemy defense but also great difficulties of terrain for the operation of our troops.

2. The division met with resistance from elements of eight hostile divisions, most of which were first class troops and some of which were completely rested. The enemy chose to defend its position to the death, and the fighting was always of the most desperate kind. Throughout the operations the officers and men of the division displayed the highest type of courage, fortitude and self-sacrificing devotion to duty. In addition to many enemy killed, the division captured one thousand four hundred and seven of the enemy, thirteen 77 mm. field guns, ten trench mortars and numerous machine guns and stores.

3. The success of the division in driving a deep advance into the enemy's territory enabled an assault to be made on the left by the neighboring division against the northeastern portion of the Forest of Argonne, and enabled the First Division to advance to the right and outflank the enemy's position in front the division on that flank.

4. The Commander in Chief has noted in this division a special pride of service and a high state of morale, never broken by hardship nor battle.

5. This order will be read to all organizations at the first assembly formation after its receipt. (14790-A-306.)

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL PERSHING:

JAMES W. McANDREW,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

ROBERT C. DAVIS,
Adjutant General.

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