

## Extra Great Battle! The Height of the Struggle

The Allies have held their position at the edge of the woods facing rolling country, over which Germans are approaching. The foreground to the right the French field pieces are being fired by its last man who went give up the effort, to check the onrushing Germans, all of his companions being killed by a bursting shell. In the centre a hand-to-hand conflict between British officers and Germans. The onrush of the German lancers is appalling, but is met by the much-dreaded charge of the British Highlanders on the left. Other German columns are crossing the fields and will be met by the Allies beyond the burning farm house. The German siege and armored aeroplane guns are in the centre. In the sky is a German Zeppelin with its monoplane scout whose aerial supremacy is about to be disputed by an approaching French biplane. Maddened horses are rushing wildly about, and the bursting shells makes this picture a thrilling one.

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## TACTICS OF THE GERMANS INDICATE EARLY RETREAT

**Very Strong Indications That the Enemy is Abandoning His Attempt to Reach Calais — German Machine Shaken, if not Shattered**

Northern France, Nov. 27.—(Despatch to the London Standard)—There are very strong indications that the fresh attempt by the Germans to force their way to Calais by turning or piercing the Allies' left wing, is being abandoned almost as soon as begun. This can mean only one thing—an immediate retirement of the Germans in West Flanders.

The Allies have maintained their line intact from the North Sea to Switzerland. They are stronger at almost every point than ever before. Mobile

reinforcements are ready for emergencies with excellent railway service to every important position.

The Germans have hurled enormous forces upon the northern portion of the Allies' line during the last six weeks and have been repeatedly repulsed. Worst of all for them, it has been impossible to conceal the truth from the German soldiers whose faith in the invincibility of the German machine is shaken, if not shattered. Broken faith in the war lord means divided counsels and unsteady morale for German officers and men alike.

The proudest man in Europe at this moment is the heroic King Albert. At last, after weeks of anxiety, he sees the Germans about to retreat, balked of the immediate triumph on which they counted as a foregone achievement—a complete conquest of Belgium.

## GERMANS CAUGHT IN TRAP OF THEIR OWN DEVISING

**Only Salvation For Their Forces Would be Decisive Victory in Battle, but They Are Unable to Precipitate Such a Conflict**

(By William F. Simms.)

With the French Army at the Front, via Paris, Nov. 27.—Like a giant in a trap largely on his own making, Germany is slowly bleeding to death, without any apparent means of extraction. After three weeks of observation on the western battle front, this it appears to me is the situation, at present. I am convinced that the Allies are highly satisfied with the situation and are perfectly content to let Germany wear herself out.

From a notably trustworthy source I gather that Germany is very much dissatisfied, but is unable now to either force the issue or to withdraw. The only remedy for Germany is a decisive battle which she is unable to force, despite constant endeavors, owing to her extended lines and the con-

sequent impossibility of concentration.

In an endeavor to force the issue in the west the German lines were further extended to the sea. This left her worse off than ever. The necessity of shortening the line is imperative, yet if it is shortened it will create a bad impression in Germany. It will be taken as a sign of failure. Such a realignment would also expose the German flanks to powerful smashes from the Allies. Germany is therefore condemned to hold on, despite the urgency of her turning loose, and of the realization daily that she is growing weaker, while the Allies are growing stronger.

The Allies have nothing to gain by immediate action. Germany has everything. The officers are enthusiastic over the tactics of Generals Joffre and French, the French and British commanding officers. One foreign neutral observer likened the Allies and the Germans to two heavyweight boxers, each blocking the onslaughts of the other until one is weakened by his own exertions, and the stronger lands a knock-out blow.

## GERMAN SPIES ARE PARADING AS BOY SCOUTS

**Their Use of the Baden-Powell Uniform Causes British Much Trouble**

**MANY ARRESTS  
ALREADY MADE**

**And Precautions Taken To Prevent Sneaks Gaining Useful Information**

London, Nov. 21.—The intense public interest in the case of Carl Hans Lody, the German spy recently put to death in the Tower of London, is being paralleled in lesser degree by the amount of attention which the trial of the man who claims to be Bridgeman Taylor is attracting.

The prisoner has an American passport in the name of Bridgeman Taylor, but Scotland Yard insists that he is Horst von der Goist, was remanded for a further hearing. It is intimated that his case will be heard before court martial.

**The Charge.**

The only charge against von der Goist as yet is that he has not registered as an alien. It is alleged, however, that the circumstances of the case in some particulars are similar to those of the Lody trial. The prisoner arrived in London on Nov. 3rd and registered at a hotel as B. H. Taylor, of El Paso, Tex. According to stamps on his passport he had just come from Germany. He is said to have boasted of Germany's great prowess. In the hotel he spoke mostly in German, and when he used the English language it was with a decided German accent.

Other guests at the hotel say that the man told them that he was born in America, that his mother was a German and his father an American. Upon the death of his father, he said, he was taken by his mother to Germany, where he was educated.

**Without Friends.**

The prisoner was about thirty-five years old, tall and athletic, and conspicuously well dressed. He was penniless when arrested and apparently was without friends in London.

German spies disguised as scout masters, and in some cases even as Boy Scouts have been giving considerable trouble to the British military au-

thorities in England recently, although it is understood that the latest espionage scheme so far has gleaned little information of value to the Kaiser's General Staff. The Home Office and Sir Robert Baden-Powell have been co-operating to stamp out these spies' activities and already many arrests have resulted.

**Roaming at Large.**

A notice posted at the Boy Scouts headquarters in Victoria Street, however, shows that at least one German secret agent is still roaming about in the uniform of a British Scout Master. Scouts are directed to watch out for this man, a full description of whom is given and who is characterized as a dangerous international spy.

His methods appear to be to visit the strategic military points ostensibly performing a Scout Master's duties, but really supplying sentries with liquor, which apparently he hopes will lead them to divulge secrets, or at least permit him to enter forbidden places. He is considered the most daring of all who have adopted this form of disguise.

At present the Boy Scouts have access to many areas, such as military camps, closed ports, etc., barred to the ordinary public, and there is grave peril in an alien enemy's donning the Baden-Powell's world-famous uniform to satisfy his illegitimate curiosity with regard to British armaments.

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London, Nov. 25.—The soccer clubs throughout the British Isles have every reason to be proud of their splendid contribution to the Prince of Wales' relief fund, which has now just exceeded the \$100,000 mark. Every club in the country has made a generous response from a percentage of gate receipts, practice games, special donations, and lately even the professional players have decided to give up 5 per cent. of their salaries which is sent forward weekly.

**Head the List.**

The English and Scottish football associations head the list with a donation of \$5,000 each, followed by the Durham F. A., \$2,000, and the Irish and Welsh association, \$1,000 each while the big League clubs such as Everton, Chelsea, and Tottenham Hotspur, have contributed over \$2,000 each.

The attendance this season on the whole has shown a falling off, but with an average of 400,000 to 500,000 people seeing the principal league games each Saturday, the war fund has benefited considerably for the 5 per cent. of the gate receipts promised by all the clubs.

**Great Recruiting Ground.**

The beneficial effect of playing off the games, in addition to the large amount of money contributed, has been very noticeable in the work of the recruiting sergeants, who attend at all the grounds every Saturday, and have met with great success in securing men to complete the second 500,000 volunteers called for by Lord Kitchener. Every club in the country has had a rifle range erected on their ground, which is taken full advantage of by all the members.

It was recently announced by the English Football Association that between 60,000 and 70,000 amateur players registered on their books are serving with the colors, while nearly 200 professionals have answered the call. If the latter have not enlisted so freely, there is much to be said in their favor, the vast majority of them having a wife and family or old folks dependent on them, and their enlistment and stoppage of the games would entail much distress.

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