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ALLIES EMPLOYED BUCKLERS IN WARRING AGAINST ENEMY ON THE BELGIAN SAND DUNES

An Ancient Contrivance Figures Prominently in the Fighting on the Coast of Belgium

BIRTHDAY PRESENT KAISER DIDN'T GET

How Gallant French Detachment Defended a Hill Top Until the Last Man Was Slain

Paris, Feb. 8.—An official eye-witness statement has been issued by the French war office, covering a period of the campaign in France from January 16 to January 26. It says: "Our advance has been slight but regular. Under cover of night, troops, protected by portable bucklers, slip along the dunes and roads, rapidly improvising new defences with sacks, baskets and cases filled with earth, for deep trenches are impossible on the sandy ground. The artillery supporting these operations have made many of the German trenches in the dunes untenable. "The only infantry action around Ypres occurred at dawn January 25, when a German infantry company deployed 150 yards from our lines and charged at double quick. Three companies followed each other at short distances, supported by an entire brigade. This attack was instantly checked by the violent fire of our infantry, supported by artillery. "The officer commanding the leading company was the first to fall, and in a few minutes the ground was covered with more than 300 German dead, while many became entangled in the barbed wire and were made prisoners. Some of them, notwithstanding painful injuries from the barbed wire, tore themselves out of the tangle. The prisoners said that the attack was also supported by other forces, which were dispersed by our artillery fire.

Violent Attacks Repulsed. "British infantry and French artillery repulsed a violent attack at La Bassee. Hundreds of dead still lie on the field. The attack was renewed and again repulsed, the German losses being at least two battalions, 2,000 men.

"From La Bassee to Arras, there have been continuous artillery engagements, the most violent at Blangy, which was followed by an infantry charge in force. The entire shock was received by three companies, which held their ground in spite of a formidable cannonading by 3-inch, 4-inch, 6-inch and 8-inch guns, bombs and grenades. It became necessary to abandon the burning houses at La Forderie, which were destroyed by grenades. Part of our force succeeded in retreating; the others were killed or wounded, and fell into the enemies hands.

"Three companies from the second line of defence delivered several counter attacks with fire and bayonet until the lost ground was regained.

"The action was particularly violent at La Boisselle, being nearly continuous from January 16 to 26. A prisoner, taken January 8, said that Emperor William had ordered the occupation of this place in honor of the anniversary of the founding of the empire, and promised 700 marks to whoever brought back a French machine gun. No French machine gun was captured, but nine successive attacks were repulsed.

Germans Exploit Melanite. "The explosion of a depot of melanite demolished the enemy to capture a small section of the trenches, but they were driven out, all an hour later, and the cemetery of La Boisselle was found to be full of German dead, including several officers.

"Around Soissons the enemy had gained no advantage since January 14. At Paisey the two adversaries are within twenty yards of each other and the same line of barbed wire serves as a defence for each side. Four companies of Germans attacked at this point after the explosion of a mine, but were repulsed and a counter attack drove the enemy from the trenches.

"They left hundreds of dead and many wounded. Our loss was forty killed.

"There was a three days battle at Berry-au-Bac, beginning with a demoralized trench and permitted a successful attack by the infantry. The enemy installed himself in our advanced trenches and resisted our counter attack on January 21. The other trench was held until the 23rd, when an attack by a single company of French infantry succeeded. The enemy left twenty prisoners in our hands, but immediately engaged in an artillery action lasting four hours.

This was followed by a counter attack by the German infantry, which was repulsed with heavy loss.

In the Region of Perthes. "In the region of Perthes the Germans tried desperately to reconquer the positions they had previously lost. We maintained our positions and made further gains.

"The Germans gained about one hundred yards of our advanced trenches, but we gained more than that.

"In Le Pretrie wood, north-west of Pont-a-Mousson, we have gained important successes, in spite of the fact that part of the ground has since been lost. The entire forest two months ago was in the hands of the Germans. Foot by foot, we have conquered nearly the whole of it. The fighting in this region has been particularly severe. In one instance, on January 17, we captured several of the enemy's works in a counter attack. An entire company was taken, including several officers. On the 18th we gained 500 yards of the enemy's trenches, while on the 18th we made an advance of 100 yards beyond those trenches. We picked up dead and wounded in sufficient numbers to indicate that the enemy's losses in these engagements were more than a battalion.

"Since the 19th the Germans have continually attacked this point desperately, but have regained only a third of the ground lost.

"In the Vosges, Harnes and Wellerkopf was held by two sections in the beginning—a section numbers 60 men). Later these were reinforced by three companies. Here our chausseurs made a heroic stand, but this force was obliged to succor a small guard at the summit, which was furiously attacked by important forces of the enemy. In the heavy snowstorm and fog, and unable to see more than ten yards ahead of them, this small detachment, knowing that the guard had only 300 cartridges, set out on January 9, over a rocky declivity which was obstructed by thickets, to save their comrades.

Ice Impedes Advance.

"Two companies tried to reach the enemy's left two others marched towards the right, but the Germans were strongly organized, and the advance was slow. The men, slipped on the ice, and falling back on accessory defences, fought all day. From the summit, the guard heard the firing, and in the evening their trumpets sounded a salute. Our men continued to gain ground on the 21st, up the slope, but slowly. The chausseurs still held out. Assault after assault was delivered. Two officers fell at the head of their men, but in spite of the ice and barbed wire, the force advanced.

"At nightfall nothing more was heard from the summit, and the handful of valiant defenders succumbed before help arrived. The relieving party now command the summit of the heights, preventing any offensive movement by the enemy."

TRAGIC ENDING TO COLLIER'S WAKE

Watchers Slept and House Caught Fire—Corpse Was Cremated

The house of a man named Murphy at Collier's, C.B., was destroyed by fire a few nights ago.

The corpse of a child was in the house at the time and as it could not be removed was cremated. Candles were burning in the room and the members of the family having fallen asleep, one of the candles in a thought burned low and ignited the bed clothing.

When the parents woke the house was in flames and they barely escaped with their lives. A crowd soon congregated but the fire had gained such headway that it could not be extinguished and the corpse could not be removed.

The dwelling was completely demolished and the charred remains were later found under the debris.

STEBAURMAN'S OINTMENT

Mr. L. Stebaurman.
Dear Sir,—I was suffering for the past eight months with a sore leg and during that time was treated by several doctors, but all to no avail. I was recommended to you for treatment and after using your remedies, I was made a perfect cure.

Yours truly,
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Cash Must Be Sent With Order.
P.O. Box 651, or 15 Brazil's Square.

Libel Suit Case Has Been Set Back To Await Witness

This case which was set to be heard to-day before the Supreme Court and a Special Jury, came up, and was adjourned, owing to the absence of operator Berkeley of the Florizel.

It was stated in Court that he was not now on the Florizel. He is said to have been transferred to another ship while the Florizel was in England recently. He is now on a ship en route to South America.

The Jury was dismissed and the case will come up again in the near future.

VICTORY Flour, Fresh and Sweet while the loaf lasts,—feb12

Repeated Concert For the City Poor

The Grand Dramatic Entertainment, consisting of the comedies "Between the soup and the savoury" by Mesdames H. Outerbridge, Colwell and Chater, and "French Before Breakfast" by Mrs. H. Outerbridge, Mrs. Chater Miss Emily Mare, Miss Jean Emerson, Messrs. W. W. Blackall, Basil Jackson and Chas. Hutton, was repeated at the Casino Theatre last evening in aid of the poor of the city.

There was a large attendance and the entertainment was successful in every particular.

The acting was even better than on the previous evening and that is saying something.

Each artist did exceptionally well and was enthusiastically applauded.

The work of the orchestra was also very favorably spoken of, each number being heartily enjoyed.

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EXAMINED PRISONERS

The preliminary hearing into the charge of larceny against a young lady lately employed at H. Blair's was commenced at Judge Knight's office this morning. Recess was taken at 1 p.m. and the hearing will be resumed this afternoon.

The first girl arrested from S. E. Garland's was also removed from the Penitentiary to the Lock-up this morning, and the preliminary examination of the charge against her will likely take place this afternoon.

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'Fogota' Returns

The Crosbie coaster Fogota, Captain Dalton, return last night, having been able to get north of Westleyville.

She was icebound at Bay deVerde for nearly a week on her way north.

It is not yet known if she will make another trip north.

Stephano to Sail

The s.s. Stephano sails at 11 a.m. tomorrow taking the following passengers:

A. Jones, W. W. Watson, Mrs. Brown, Miss L. Holden and five steerage.

Portia Sails

The Bowring Coaster Portia sailed West at noon taking the following passengers:

H. Dillon, Miss Tibbo, W. Lake, A. W. Lake, G. Vallis, Capt. Vigas, Mr. Ridges, J. Forbes and ten steerage.

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SUPREME COURT

Present: Mr. Justice Johnson.

Abram Kean vs. W. P. Coaker and the Union Publishing Company. Limited.

This is an action for \$10,000 for damages for libel.

W. J. Higgins for plaintiff, Morine, K.C. and Kent, K.C., for defendants.

Morine, K.C., moves for adjournment on account of the absence of principal witness and reads his own affidavit in support of same. Higgins for plaintiff, consent to a short adjournment.

The Special Jury summoned for the case are discharged and the case adjourned sine die.

The Court adjourned till to-morrow at 11 a.m.

Demand VICTORY Flour, the sooner the better,—feb12

Stole Rabbits

A city laborer, while under the influence of liquor stole a pair of rabbits from an uptown grocer yesterday and was arrested.

He was before Judge Knight this morning and was fined \$5 or fourteen days for being drunk. Sentence was suspended for the stealing of the rabbits.

C.L.B. NON COMS' ANNUAL MEETING

And Wind Up Business Proceedings with a Supper and Impromptu Concert

The non coms. mess of the C.L.B. held its annual meeting last night.

There were many vacant chairs owing to the fact that the majority of the non coms. have volunteered for active service.

The reports of the secretary and treasurer were presented and reported the mess to be in a strong financial condition.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—

Chairman—Col. Sergt. F. G. Reid.
Vice-Chairman—Sgt. Instr. F. Miles.
Secretary—Corporal W. R. Motty.
Treasurer—Corporal C. B. Stevenson.

Committee—Corps. Jerrett, Miller, Chafe, Goudie; Sergt. Crane, Bandmaster Cake.

Sick Investigating Committee—Corps. Edgecombe, Motty, Vavasour, Lance Corp. Ellis, Sergt. Jerrett.

An impromptu supper followed when the following programme was gone through:—

"The King"—Prop. Staff-Sergt. "The Officers"—Prop. Staff-Sergt. Cake.

"The Companies, Band and Old Comrades"—Prop. Staff-Sergt. Reeves; Resp. A Co's, Sergt-Instr. Miles; C Co's, Sergt. Jerrett; F Co's, Col-Sergt. Reid; Band, H. G. Martin; Old Comrades, B. Hussey.

"Absent Members"—Prop. Qr-Master Sergt. Williams.

"The Ladies"—Prop. Corp. Motty; Resp. Qr-Master Sergt. Williams.

"The Chairman"—Prop. Staff-Sergt. Reeves; Resp. the Chairman.
"God Save the King."

Songs were given by Non-Coms. E. Ellis, Miller, LeMessurier, Motty, A. Edwards, Crane, Barnes, and a reading by Corporal R. Chafe.

A cable of the result of the meeting was forwarded the C.L.B. Non Coms. and Warrant Officers at Fort George.

If you want to free your roof absolutely from leaks and repair bills, then use Elastic Cement Paint. P. H. COWAN, Agent.

EDWARD YOUNG OF THE RESERVE CROSSES THE BAR

Edward Young, a fine young naval reservist, died at the General Hospital at 4 a.m. from meningitis.

Deceased, who was only 27 years old, entered the Hospital on Wednesday.

He was a resident of Bonne Bay, and was well liked by all who knew him.

Rev. H. Uphill, of St. Mary's tended him during his last moments.

He will be buried from the hospital at 2 p.m. to-morrow, with naval honors. Mr. A. Carnell is the undertaker.

The barqt. E. S. Hoeken, Capt. Martin, passed Cape Race this morning, 30 days from Pernambuco.

SA-TO Mint Julebes. Smokers and Public Speakers find them invaluable. On sale everywhere. Soldiers endorse them as more beneficial than chewing gum. They keep the mouth moist and sweet.

ARMY ORDERS

The London Gazette, of date Tuesday, January 26th, contains the following War Office announcement:

With reference to Army Order No. 35 of January, 1915, Officers of Overseas Contingents are granted temporary commissions in the Army, with effect from date of embarkation from their respective countries, or subsequent appointment, and take rank with Officers of the Regular Army from such date.

The Viking is now at Bowrings northern premises fitting out for the fishery. She has been fitted with wireless.

There is now only one case of diphtheria at Petty Hr. the others having fully recovered.

The weekly meeting of the Civic Commissioners takes place this evening.

The local train arrived at 12.30.

The Glencoe left Grand Bank at 7.15 a.m. yesterday for Western ports.

The Ethel left Burin at 2.30 p.m. yesterday, going west.

The Meigs and Home are still detained in port on account of ice.

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Removal Sale Prices.

THIS is a golden opportunity for you to make a selection of high-grade, white, Swiss and French Embroidery and Insertions at low prices.

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THESE EMBROIDERIES are worked with extra fine, mercerized thread, on fabrics such as Lawn, Cambric, and Long Cloth, etc.; in pleasing, floral and geometrical designs, in the raised style—no ruff edges—similar to hand-work; in half, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, twelve, fifteen, twenty-four, twenty-seven, forty-two and fifty-four inches wide.

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Then think of your children—how clean and fresh they look when dressed in dainty white Embroidery frocks—so easy to make and so easily laundered. Come in and make your selection to-day.

Prices are extremely low for such splendid qualities.

Remember, the REMOVAL SALE PRICES continue on all our Dress Fabrics, Blouses, and all other goods that we had advertised recently.

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Built for R. H. Silver, Esq., at their premises, Greenspond, in 1912. Used by President Coaker the last two summers during his cruises North.

Boat is fitted with a 27 h.p. Fraser Engine, which has given splendid satisfaction. The boat is 40 feet long and 9 feet wide, and would make an ideal mission boat.

She contains sleeping accommodation for four, and tanks for 250 gallons of fuel. Nineteen-tenths of the fuel consumed by the engine is Kero oil.

The reason for selling is, the boat is not large enough for the purpose she is now used for.

The boat cost about \$1800, and is well fitted in every respect. She is provided with sails. She would make a fine boat for collecting bait or for fishery uses. Apply to

W. F. Coaker.

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