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THROUGH WHOLE GERMAN LINE WERE IT NOT FOR MACHINE GUNS

Stirring Story of Battle Brought Home By Wounded Soldier

ATTACK WAS NOT A SURPRISE TO GERMANS

Had Brought Up Strong Reinforcements Before Fighting Began—This Man Remembers Only Two Orders and Then Was in Dash at Enemy Trenches

London, Oct. 1.—Relatives and friends of British soldiers who have taken part in the fierce fighting of the past few days have begun to receive letters from the front.

Further comments of wounded arrived at London at midnight. A picturesque story of the fighting at Hooge was told by one of these men, a territorial with six wounds in one arm, inflicted by a type of bomb known as the "whistle-bang."

"But never," he declared, "could I have imagined the awful havoc caused in the German trenches by our artillery. It was not followed by an infantry attack."

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"The only order I remember were a preliminary 'Get ready,' and then the sharp command 'Go over.' We jumped the parapet without any further questions, and then, like a flash, the whole front moved forward straight across the eighty yards which separated us from the enemy's front trenches. It was a bayonet work, and after an incredibly short time, we were fighting fiercely between the second and third line of German trenches."

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Second Contingent Have First Baptism of Fire

Ottawa, Oct. 1.—The second division of the Canadian troops has had its baptism of fire. In the trenches since last Saturday it has been in action though, from what has been received at Ottawa, the engagement was not severe and the casualties are stated to be few and what they are will pass through the ordinary channels.

Further Gains Made Today By French In Artois District

Paris, Oct. 1.—In the great battle in the Artois district, the French have made further progress, by means of attacks with hand grenades on German trenches east and southeast of Neuville. Announcement to this effect was made today by the war office. The report continues:—

"Two German counter attacks have been delivered, one against a fort which we conquered yesterday in the forest of Givenchy, the other against the trenches to the south of Hill 119, where French troops had installed themselves. Each one of these attacks was conclusively repulsed."

"To the north of the Aisne, near Souilly, the enemy conducted a violent demonstration against our trenches. The firing of their artillery and their infantry was not followed by an infantry attack."

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SPEED OF CHARGE KEPT CASUALTY LIST OF THE FRENCH DOWN

Paris, Oct. 1.—The French losses in the recent offensive, so costly to the Germans, were relatively very light, according to statements made by persons in a position to know. The soldiers explain this by the speed with which the charges were carried out. In speed they say, lies not only success for the attack, but safety for those who attack. Most of the wounded were struck either by bullets or splinters from high explosive shells.

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COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF GREEK ARMY

Prince Nicholas of Greece, brother of King Constantine, who will command the Greek armies in the event of hostilities. It is said that the King will also go to the front unless his physicians forbid it.

DEAD AT AGE OF 98

Mrs. Ann Palmer, widow of Jonathan Palmer, died in the Mater Misericordiae Home this morning at the advanced age of 98 years. She was a native of Hampton, but resided in St. John since she was a young woman. She was a daughter of the late James Kibbler. She is survived by three sons, James and Thomas of the North End, and Albert of New Hampshire. Her funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon from the residence of her son, Thomas, 45 Durham street.

SET FIRE TO SHIP, BUT TAKE THE CREW ASHORE

Copenhagen, Oct. 1.—The Norwegian bark Actie, 268 tons gross, with props from Kirgeroe to Letta, was set on fire last night by a German submarine, twenty miles off Norway coast. The crew was towed to shore in a small boat by the submarine.

DISASTER IN SWISS FACTORY; MANY KILLED

Berne, Switzerland, Oct. 1.—Between thirty and fifty workmen were killed in a fire which destroyed a large comb factory at Mueswilwil, following a dust explosion yesterday.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

Hale Reid, a Miramichi guide, is at the home of William Norrad, Fredericton. While a companion was clearing a 22-calibre high-velocity rifle, it was accidentally discharged, the bullet entering Mr. Reid's leg near the knee. Dr. H. McGrath removed the bullet.

LUMBER COMPANY IN TROUBLE

The Keswick Lumber Company, an American controlled company, carrying on business in the Keswick district, is reported in financial difficulties. The liquidator is Luke Morrison. W. P. Lowell, the manager, said that their assets were considerably more than the liabilities, which are about \$8,000.

NO WORD OF THE EASINGTON

Up to two o'clock this afternoon no word had been received regarding the steamer Easington, which is nearly five days overdue at this port. The total increase for the six months ending September 30, over the corresponding months last year was \$438,461.44.

HALIFAX BUSINESS MAN DEAD

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 1.—Henry Cook, who for more than forty years spent his life on a farm in Barrington street, died this morning. He was stricken with paralysis on Monday.

SOLDIERS' COMFORTS

The report of Alexandra Circle Soldiers' Comfort League for September shows many yards of pennies collected by the juniors. A cushion drawn for yesterday was won by Mrs. George Andrews, with ticket No. 40. Among the little ones who have been collecting yards of pennies the returns show Mary Logan and Helen Logan, four yards; Florence Lingley, Harold McKinnon, and Amy Parks, two yards; and each of the following one yard: Helen Black, Weyman Walters, Dorothy Allan, Lulu, Marion and Love Parks, Pearl Northrup, Vera Campbell, Beale Beckwith, Elsie Coleman, Florence Dunham, Mable Logan, Alva Parks, Olive Merrill, Edna Walters, Dorothy, Frank Wilson and Ada Estey.

SHOTS HIMSELF ON WOMAN'S GRAVE

Hastings-on-the-Hudson, N. Y., Oct. 1.—After placing a bunch of white carnations upon the grave of Mrs. Lucy A. Simmonds yesterday Maxilian Schmidt, a member of the New York Cotton Exchange committed suicide there by shooting himself with a revolver. He had written a note which led to his identification.

APPARENTLY EASY TO GET HALF BILLION FOR ALLIES' LOAN

New York, Oct. 1.—Members of the New York Stock Exchange, who are expected to manage the \$500,000,000 bond issue, negotiated by the Anglo-French loan commission, had received today a flood of applications from banks and individuals for permission to participate.

GERMANY KIND ENOUGH NOT TO HAVE DESIGNS ON HOLLAND

Another Sample of Teutonic Amrogance is Provided by Dr. Zimmermann

Berlin, Oct. 1.—Germany's attitude toward Holland, Belgium and Poland, was outlined in an interview given by Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, under secretary for foreign affairs, to the Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant.

Dr. Zimmermann insisted that Holland had nothing to fear from Germany. He said Germany would not violate the neutrality of Holland or interfere with her political or economic independence. Germany appreciates the fact that Holland is maintaining strict neutrality.

CAMBRIDGE HIT BY WAR

London, Oct. 1.—Ten thousand Cambridge men are fighting or in training to fight for the defense of their country. Already 470 have been killed, 700 wounded, and more than 300 have won distinction of the field.

The enrollment had shrunk to less than half its normal amount and thus has caused the university to begin the year's work with a deficit of \$10,000.

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