

German Snipers Too Match For British Shots

BRITISH NET ENTANGLES ONE OF GERMANY'S BIG "FISH"

HOW BELGIUM
LIVES UNDER
GERMAN RULEPeople Hate Invaders Worse
Than Enemy Hates British.

ARE BY NO MEANS SUBDUED

Old and Young Take Delight in
Teasing Conquerors.

BIG SHORTAGE OF METAL

Germans Strip Roofs of Cop-
per and Zinc To Send
Home.

[BY H. J. PHILLIPS.]

[Special Correspondence of The
Advertiser.]

London, Eng., March 22.—Brussels is a city of spies, a city of whispers, a city of hatred, and armed camp of stern discipline for conquering army and conquered civilians alike.

I have spent several days in Holland but I have met numerous persons who have been in Brussels, relief workers and such. What follows I have learned from them.

The people of Brussels have spent six months under the rule of the Germans and so great is the rage of the native population at this term of attempted subjugation has failed to subdue them in the slightest.

Unprejudiced persons tell me that whatever the feeling of Germany toward England, and vice versa, it is but a fraction of the intense hatred of Belgians for Germany. Riots are narrowly averted daily. Fresh troops from Germany have been accused of tearing flags from the coffins of Belgian soldiers and from women on the streets, although I have not seen an actual instance.

Humorous Incidents.

However, the German civil and military authorities all under the direction of Gen. Von Bissing, the governor-general of Belgium, have warned the troops against interference with the civilian population except on orders.

But amid all the pathos an occasional humorous incident inserts itself. A Belgian businessman received a call from a German officer, who said after the British naval victory off Heligoland. The latter noticed the clock over the desk was set at Belgian time, an hour later than German time.

"Your clock is wrong," said the officer. "It is nine, not eight."

"It is eight o'clock in Belgium," replied the Belgian.

"It is nine o'clock in Germany," the officer came back. "This is now Germany and you are a German."

"I am a German," repeated the businessman, "and you are a German? We are both Germans."

"Yes," said the officer.

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BATTLE FLAGS FOR
ITALIAN WARSHIPSSignificant Incidents May
Show Imminence of Greater
Fleet Activity.

HURRYING PREPARATIONS

Rome Believes Negotiations
For Peace Are, However,
Still Going On.

[Canadian Press.]

Rome, April 5.—Via Paris, April 5.—Increased activity on the part of the Italian fleet may be presaged by incidents regarding various ports which, while of no great importance in themselves are regarded here as significant.

A battle flag blessed by the bishop of the diocese was presented to the Duke and Duchess of Aosta paid a visit to Leghorn to say farewell to their son, Prince Amedeo, who is a student at the naval academy there, and who expects soon to be ordered to sea.

PROMINENT CITIZENS RETURN
FROM 'FRISCO AND DESCRIBE
WONDERS OF EXPOSITIONDr. Drake and Dr. Stevenson Think Trip To the Fair Mag-
nificent Treat For All Who Can Take It — Ex-
Mayor Stevely Says Canada Leads—
The List of Candidates.

NO. 1 DISTRICT.

North of, and including both sides of Dundas street; west of, and including both sides of Wellington street.

MISS JOSEPHINE BENEAT, 128 Albert street. Nominator, Mrs. J. P. Lewis, 691 Talbot street.

MISS HAZEL G. TANNER, B. A., 428 St. George street. Nominator, Mrs. E. H. Nelles, 270 Huron street.

MISS MINNIE RAYMOND, 508 Talbot street. Nominator, Miss A. Saunders, 355 Dufferin avenue.

NO. 2 DISTRICT.

North of, and including both sides of Dundas street; east of, and not including Wellington street.

MISS ELISIE ANDERSON, 579 Central avenue. Nominator, Mrs. W. Anderson, 579 Central avenue.

MISS BLANCHE B. BALL, 526 Ontario street. Nominator, Hugh A. McLaren, 737 King street.

MISS WINNIFRED COLBERT, 830 Dundas street. Nominator, William C. Zoelner, 691 Talbot street.

MISS LEONORA COUGHLIN, 297 1/2 Pall Mall street. Nominator, Mr. P. A. Reynolds, 297 1/2 Pall Mall street.

MISS META MACBETH, 423 Colborne street. Nominator, Mrs. E. Yarker, 72 Wortley road.

MISS JOSEPHINE MORKIN, 66 Palace street. Nominator, Jay G. Steele, 204 Dundas street.

MISS FRANCIS E. RANKIN, 421 Oxford street. Nominator, Robert A. Somers.

MRS. LILY F. REAL, 563 Dufferin avenue. Nominator, Col. A. E. Somerville, 563 Queen's avenue.

NO. 3 DISTRICT.

South of, and not including Dundas street; west of, and including both sides of Wellington street.

MISS CARRIE BRIGHTON, 151 Every street. Nominator, Mrs. P. S. Brighton, 787 Dundas street.

MISS WINNIFRED HICKS, 178 Bruce street. Nominator, H. D. McCall, 643 Waterloo street.

MISS MARY LONG, 54 Elmwood avenue. Nominator, W. G. Bendle, 205 Ridout street.

MISS ANNIE PAGE, 118 Bruce street. Nominator, M. J. Page, 118 Bruce street.

MISS EDNA WESTON, 64 Stanley street. Nominator, Harry C. Coates, St. James' Park, city.

MISS FLORENCE WIDEN, 130 Wortley road. Nominator, E. W. G. Quantz, 161 Duchess avenue, South London.

NO. 4 DISTRICT.

South of, and not including Dundas street; east of, and not including Wellington street.

Nominator, George Wood, 321 Central avenue.

MISS EMMA KIDNER, 604 York street. Nominator, George G. McCormick, 298 Dufferin avenue.

According to Londoners who have returned home from San Francisco within the past few days, the lucky winners of the Advertiser's trip contest have great pleasure in store for them this summer.

"The trip and the Panama-Pacific Exposition will be a magnificent treat for anyone who goes," is the verdict of Dr. F. P. Drake, who further believes special enjoyment will be derived by the Canadian girls from the richness and variety of the coloring of the Californian landscape, the luxuriance of the vegetation.

Dr. W. J. Stevenson, who returned at the same time, accompanied by his mother and sister, is equally enthusiastic. His tribute is this:

A Wonderful Spectacle.

"Eastwarders will revel in the marvelous riot of color, the beauty of the palms and flowers. The eyes are delighted and refreshed in whatever direction they turn. Even the fences are covered with green sward. 'Safety first' has been a prominent consideration, and there is no danger of accidents from shoddy construction. All approaches to railroad stations, piers and places where they may be crowding are in marble and other materials which guarantee strength and permanency."

Visitors to both San Francisco and San Diego are obliged to take off their hats to the Japanese. The Japanese Government voted one million dollars to be used for exhibition purposes and the buildings, lovely in themselves, are filled with treasures of art, of jewels, of fabrics to rival the finest products of any other nation in the world. All the Japanese wares are for sale, and the bargains are irresistible.

Lighting Is Concealed.

"Perhaps the greatest novelty of the San Francisco Exposition is the illumination. Artificial illumination is brought into competition with daylight and moonlight. The direct source of all lights is concealed and fairyland effects in coloring have been achieved. Among the many effects and to us the most wonderful of all was the Aurora Borealis spreading mile upon mile and enveloping the exposition in clouds of glory. Huge steam engines send out curtains of vapor on which banked searchlights play in a great variety of coloring. You can perhaps imagine the weird and beautiful effect on the floating clouds. In these fireless fireworks are seen the Beam Dance, Spooks' Parade, the Sunburst, and too many others to name."

An Open-Air Organ.

"We heard some splendid music and enjoyed particularly the magnificent open-air organ in the grounds at San Diego. The finest organists in the world are being brought to the Pacific coast to give recitals throughout the exposition."

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ALLES GAINING
HEAR VAUQUOISGet Foothold in One of the
Enemy's Works To
Southwest.

GERMANS CLAIM REPULSE

Official Statement Says the
French Were Later
Driven Back.

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, April 6, via London—2:50 p.m.—The statement from the war office this afternoon is as follows:

"Rain and mist continue over the whole front. To the southwest of Vaucouis we gained a footing in one of the enemy's works. In the wood of Alilly, southeast of the front, our gain of three successive lines of trenches, already announced, was marked also by the capture of prisoners, a machine gun and a bomb thrower."

"We made progress in the wood of Brule, eastward of the wood of Alilly. We have maintained our possession of the positions captured to the northeast of Remieville, already announced."

GERMAN REPORT.

Berlin, April 6, via London—1:36 p.m.—The following report from the military headquarters was given out here today:

"Western theatre of war:

"Since yesterday the French have become particularly active between the Meuse and the Moselle employing strong forces and a large amount of artillery. They attacked northeast, east and southeast of Verdun, and also at Alilly, Apremont, Flirey and northwest of Pont-a-Mousson."

"Northeast and east of Verdun their attacks did not develop on account of our fire. Southeast of Verdun they were repulsed. On the eastern edge of the Meuse heights, the enemy succeeded in obtaining temporarily a foothold in a small part of our outer trenches, but was driven out again during the night."

"The battle in the neighborhood of Alilly and Apremont continued throughout the night without any success to our opponents."

Everywhere Repulsed.

"In the neighborhood of Flirey the fighting was very bitter. Several French attacks were repulsed there. West of the forest of Leprieux a strong French attack on the high road between Flirey and Pont-a-Mousson broke down."

"Notwithstanding the very heavy losses which our troops have suffered during the engagement it must be assumed that in accordance with the recent dispositions of their forces they will continue their attacks in the district, the hopelessness of all their efforts in the Champagne having become clear."

"Eastern theatre of war:

"Russian attacks to the east and south of Kallarja and also to the east of Augustowo were unsuccessful. Otherwise the situation is generally unchanged."

L. AND P. S. RY.
CASE UP TODAY

Will Ask Commission For an
Order To Operate Over
G. T. R. Tracks.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, April 6.—An unusually long list of cases was down for consideration of the railway commission today. The Imperial Oil Company, an offshoot of the Standard Oil Company, is asking for a reduction of the freight rates between Vancouver and Alberta points on the Canadian Pacific, Grand Trunk Pacific and Canadian Northern. Hon. W. J. Hanna, provincial secretary for Ontario, counsel for the company, appeared to urge the application.

Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the hydro-electric and radial railway commission, is on hand to support the request for an order to grant the London and Port Stanley Railway Company the right to operate its electric cars over the Grand Trunk tracks at London. This case will not be reached till late this afternoon.

Employees' Complaints.

Quite a lengthy discussion took place over the complaint of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Locomotive Firemen, with respect to their complaints against the C. P. R. for a violation of the uniform flagging rules and for failure to equip locomotives with flagging signals.

Calvin Lawrence, legislative representative for the engineers, and W. L. Best, who holds a similar position with the firemen, outlined the nature of their complaints. They said they had received hundreds of letters of complaint from members of the two organizations.

Assistant General Manager Alfred Price of the C. P. R. said no complaints had been made by the men to the company. The reason for this, both Messrs. Lawrence and Best explained, was that the men were afraid to make complaints.

It was finally arranged, on the suggestion of Chief Commissioner Drayton, that the representatives of the men and the company get together with a view of arriving at an agreement.

"The C. P. R. is one of the richest railways in North America, and a strong advocate of safety first, yet for a few paltry dollars refuse to have the dump ash pans," said Mr. Best.

Mr. Price assured the board that there would be no delay in equipping all engines with the modern ash pans.

AS IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN!



Advertiser Illustration.

This cartoon from a recent issue of the New York World shows how the best section of the American press regards the action of the Kaiser in sending his ships against defenceless passenger ships. The strongest cartoons on the war have been in the American papers. Even the English papers have not shown such contempt as is expressed in the pictorial denunciations of Life, the World and the Herald. Recently Robert Miner had a cartoon showing a steamer with a number of women and children standing at the rail. A German submarine had just come to the surface, and the commander was crying, "The Enemy." A Detroit newspaper man in London last week said that 99 per cent of Detroit sentiment was with the British.

CASUALTIES AMONG BRITISH
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[Canadian Press.]

London, Wednesday, March 24.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—An officers' casualty list for the fortnight ended yesterday shows that the British army, since the beginning of the war, has had 1,844 officers killed and 3,201 wounded, while 782 have been reported missing. This is a total of 5,877.

During the fortnight in question, 301 officers were killed and 468 were wounded, while 27 were reported missing.

In some organizations the casualties were particularly heavy. For instance, the Cameron Highlanders had 16 officers killed and 17 wounded; the Gordon Highlanders had 9 officers killed and 23 wounded; the Northampton Regiment 11 killed and 16 wounded; the Rifle Brigade 11 killed and 14 wounded; the Royal Irish Rifles 9 killed and 11 wounded, and the Worcester Regiment 13 killed and 11 wounded.

Belgian Warrior Back to Toronto

Prof. A. Ledoux Fought Six
Months—Army in Fine
Condition.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, April 6.—Professor A. Ledoux, the head of the department of mineralogy in the University of Toronto, who fought six months in the Belgian army as an officer in the route for Toronto. The professor was honorably discharged from the army some weeks ago.

Although Belgium has been devastated, and the outlook is dark for the Belgian people, says Professor Ledoux, no one despairing, and they fully expect that, although it may take some time yet, the Germans will be finally driven back into their own country and Belgium and France will be free from the invaders.

Although the Belgian army has been in the front of the fight, and the losses have been very severe, the King and his valiant officers have worked day and night during the winter months, with the result that today the force under his majesty is in a fine condition to open the spring campaign.

City Soup Kitchen For 10th Battalion

Controllers Buy One For Sec-
ond Contingent Men at
Meeting Today.All Curbs, Gutters and Sidewalks To Be
Laid Departmentally This Year.

All curbs, gutters and sidewalks that will be laid in London this year will be done by the city engineer's department. When tenders for this cement work were opened by the board of control today, it was found that the department bid was the only one received for curbs, while for sidewalks it was a quarter of a cent lower than the next tender.

The prevailing prices will be 11 1/2 cents per square foot for sidewalks and 35 cents per lineal foot for curbs and gutters.

GERMAN SUBMARINE
CAUGHT IN A TRAPFrench Report Says One Is Entangled In Net Set For That
Purpose Off Port of Dover.

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, April 6—5 a.m.—A German submarine has become securely entangled in a net specially designed for that purpose and placed off Dover, according to the Petit Journal's Dunkirk correspondent, who adds that the French naval authorities expect to capture the submarine when it comes to the surface.

King Albert's Heir
Fighting In Ranks

[Canadian Press.]

Dunkirk, April 6.—The Duke of Brabant, eldest son of King Albert of Belgium, although only 14 years of age, has enlisted in the 12th Infantry. He was marching in the ranks with a rifle on his shoulder when the regiment was reviewed by his father and the Queen at Broquellie.

KEEP HEADS DOWN
IS TRENCH ORDER

Canadian Tells What Happens
When the Command Is
Disregarded.

[Special Cable to The Advertiser.]

London, April 6.—That Canadians at the front just now are having a quiet time is shown by a letter received at this office today from Sergeant Hugh Lindsay, 1st Brigade. "A few sandbags, gleaming white wire entanglements and German trenches, that is all there is to see. Put your head up to take in a larger view and bang, whiz. 'Keep your bally head down,' sings out some Tommy to you, and you keep it down. Fritz, over the wire, saw something looking remarkably British and pulled his trigger. Then you put your head down, and Fritz retires to his lair."

"It's a great game, but you can only afford to lose once."

His Dugout.

"I have a dugout, an excellent one, as far as dugouts go. True it is that dignity is lost, the mode of entrance being on all fours and getting out is just a case of backing out, with an inward glance at the sky. But, hey, never look round, as they say, for they are strolling round, as they never look where they put their feet."

Alas! My Brewery.

"This digout, a commanding appearance as a real estate agent would say. By poking out my head I see a lake, a lone tree, some grass and a brewery. When I look up, I see upon it as my brewery, as my dugout commands a best view, now no longer bubbling and foaming for its king and country, but full of queer holes and cats."

"Bridge of Sighs."

"There is a little trestle bridge over the lake—I call it the 'Bridge of Sighs.' Many a good man has stood on this bridge and sighed at the brewery, so near and not working. Should you care to visit us, the countryside will be searched to give you a good feed. After passing the church that was a church, but is now just a steeple, take the second turning to the right. Don't take the first, which is a dead end. You will walk into German trenches."

Become a Vegetable.

"If you see the searchlight turned on you, imagine yourself a turnip or something in the vegetable line, and lie still. Then resume when the searchlight has shifted away. When they come, all over barbed wire you will know you have arrived at your destination."

Sergeant Harry Merton, of Toronto, writes: "We have no personal view of what is going on generally at the front, but see a little section of the line where we happen to be. We are now resting for a week from the trenches, but expect to move again. Without doubt, there will be more going on."

GERMAN SPIES USED
CANADIANS' UNIFORMS

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, April 6.—How a German sniper enjoyed a brief immunity from death or capture by using a Maxim "silencer," and how the betrayal of his whereabouts in a little pit between the containing forces was eventually effected by a little dog, which had been in the habit of taking him food, is described in a letter by C. D. "Whitby," of the Royal Montreal Regiment, who is presently somewhere in Flanders. Both sniper and dog were killed.

Private Whitby also reports that the Canadian division has, curiously enough, been utilized by the Germans for their own nefarious ends. Before the contingent had landed in France the Germans were circulating through the British lines, wearing Canadian uniforms and posing as officers of the advance party. Several were captured and shot.

Reports of a decisive Russian victory in Italy with increased vigor. A Russian dispatch says negotiations are being continued with Austria, and there is still hope of a settlement by diplomatic means.

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THE DIARY OF MARS

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