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**GERMANS MISUSED RED CROSS,
SO CHAPLIN TOOK UP RIFLE**

**Indignant Parson Charged With the Rest of the Regiment,
And Now is its Idol, With Shrapnel Wounds
In Both Legs**

Havre, France, Sept. 20.—Some- where down in a little Devonshire village is an ivy-covered church that will be proud of its fighting parson.

I heard the story from a Red Cross man who came in with him this morning on one of the last trains through—this way—from the firing line.

It was at Peronne, east of Amiens, where the incident occurred. The British were being driven back at heavy cost, for they were fighting for time, so that some, at least, in the base hospital at Amiens might be saved. It was the Devonshire Regiment that was in the hottest part of the fight, and the parson had come up with a Red Cross detachment detailed to comfort the dying and assist the less severely wounded.

No Regard for Red Cross

Twice German shrapnel, only too well aimed, burst over the Red Cross flag, wiping out one detail and injuring several of the doctors. The rest did not retire, but continued the collection of the wounded soldiers. Then came a rush of German cavalry, and the unarmed Red Cross men were sabred and shot right and left until they were compelled to flee for safety behind their own trenches. The parson was one who escaped, and, as the withering fire front from the Devonshire halted the cavalry charge, he stood up defiantly, and cried out what must have been a strange oath for a parson: "Give them hell, boys," stripped off the black band from his tunic, the sign of the Church, seized the rifle of a wounded comrade, and charged with the rest of the regiment.

Now he is in an English hospital with shrapnel wounds in both legs, but he is the idol of the Regiment and my Red Cross friend tells me he is going back into the ranks as soon as he is well again.

Censorship Hides Brave Deeds

Officially we are not allowed to see these heroes, much less talk to them. It seems a mistaken idea of censorship to keep such deeds hidden in secrecy. We generally have to get them second-hand from the boys of the Army Medical Corps—sometimes we ride along the dock with the ambulance train and snatch a word or two, and give the fighting men a cigarette—and even the medical corps are punished if they are found talking to us. But many are the heroic tales that come from newspaper men.

At St. Quentin last week, there was a sergeant gunner of the Royal Field Artillery, a South African V.C., who, when well aimed shrapnel practically slaughtered all who manned the battery of six guns, managed with the aid of an ordinary infantry private, who handed him shells while he load-

ed, aimed, and fired, to keep back the advancing German cavalry until reinforcements came and rescued every gun.

"Bury Me in Britain"

He came down yesterday with both legs shattered and blind in both eyes, his life still flickering in the balance, his only spoken words a wish to be buried on British soil.

He was tenderly carried on board the white hospital ship, which, although she had not her full complement of wounded, at once steamed away, that the hero might live for a time at least in the Homeland for which he had fought so bravely.

It was a Sutherland Highlander who set the fashion which has completely unnerved the German infantry. One of his comrades told me the incident—also at St. Quentin. Every man of his regiment is a marksman, and many have been in finals at Bisle. They picked off the German officers with ease and played havoc with the solid mass of advancing German infantry long before the enemy fired a single volley. Then the Germans let go and the bullets whistled far overhead.

Jeered at Prussians

The Sutherland man got up in his trench, waved his cap on top of his rifle, and jeered the oncoming Prussians. So did his comrades, and so did the piper of the regiment, who let out a skirl on his pipes. The Germans, surprised, hesitated, until forced on by the pressure behind. Then the Scotchmen dropped into their trenches and poured in more withering volleys and the advance was checked.

Every man at the front has played the part of hero and has kept up the traditions of British arms. Many tell you, and it is confirmed by the Belgians themselves, that when the Belgians get separated from their regiments they wander along the Allies' lines until they find the men in the khaki. Then they drop into the trench and take their orders from British officers.

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Some unofficial reports have placed the Allies' losses at 50,000 and those of the Germans at 100,000 in the series of engagements comprised in the great clash of arms. How near these figures are to the truth no one will know until the official figures are compiled. However, the impression derived from individual accounts of wounded soldiers, and from prisoners, the only unofficial sources of information at present would indicate that these estimates are conservative.

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