

## BELGIUM'S ARMY NO MEAN FORCE

Tattered Remnants of 1914  
Are Well Equipped  
and Trained  
FEW ORIGINALS LEFT  
Many Have Made Their Way  
Through Holland to Join  
the New Army

In the Arlington, England, Northern Echo, William Ridsdale writes as follows:

Four years ago, this month, I watched a weary, latered army of Belgians, staggering from want of sleep and food, drag themselves westward to the banks of the Yser, and turn to fight again. They were a strange sight. No two uniforms seemed alike, and all were bizarre. They looked for all the world like a soiled crowd of superstitious Puritanism, who, by some incredible blunder, had become implicated in heavy tragedy.

And the full force of the tragedy came home to us in those days on the banks of the Yser. Our nerves were raw and sensitive to it all, for we had not grown those callouses which four years of war have induced. That strange-looking army had fought a losing battle for ten long weeks. They had simply tangled themselves in the coils of the great military machine that had come rumbling through their country. But east of the Yser there was still a strip of Belgium which remained—just a taken of it left. And they had stood to keep it. There were British monitors on the coast and a few French Territorials and Fusiliers and Marines, but the battle of the Yser was a Belgian's battle, and at the last resort it was the Belgians' dykes—the work of their own hands—that finally held back the Germans from the Channel ports. Weeks after those small brown waves had slopped over the Yser's banks and caught the invaders about the knees, I saw the nozzles of field guns poking out of the flood, and grey, swollen bodies drifting slowly to the sea, or piled in macabre heaps on the mudbanks.

Forty thousand Belgians, hungry rain-soaked, dispirited, but determined, had saved the situation for us. Hardly half that number survived the sufferings of that first winter. In these days I took them up carloads of shirts and socks and mufflers and distributed them in Ransscapelle and Pervyse. The Belgians were wearing simply the thin rags of the clothes in which they had come away from the Yser. During the hot days of August, and they waded up to their thighs in ice water with boots which were imbedded in soles. It was a bitter winter, and typhoid took a heavy toll in that swamp. Yet in spite of their unbelievable hardships, those Belgians held grimly to their muddy bit of Flanders in face of many fierce attacks. And every day of snow and rain there was one tall figure of a man, soaked but smiling and very dirty, who waded about that front line, cheering and helping the men. It was King Albert.

A Different Army Now:  
It is a different army that King Albert leads now. Few of the old army remain. Out of occupied Belgium has trickled a steady stream of recruits bringing with them a fiery hatred of the invader born in intimate suffering. It is said that 30 per cent of those Belgians who have attempted to pass the frontier guards into Holland have paid for the adventure with their life or with years of forced labor in the interior of Germany. To have passed through that ordeal is to have proved oneself a brave and resourceful man. But today the Belgian army have something else besides bravery and resource. There is no suggestion of Ruritanian about them now. They are newly and immaculately accoutred. From their sharp-edged helmets to their artillery every thing is of the best. And they have been trained to the last ounce.

Those of us who have been in the line near the Belgians know their quality. Mine was a Lancashire battalion and we boasted a football team that was something rather special. Some Belgian officers came over to arrange a game. It was a wish to appear disinterested, we agreed to play them, expecting a rather comic result. When the Belgians beat us 3 goals to 2 our Lancashire boys carried the victors shoulder high to the nearest stadium.

If our enemies had been desolated by Germany for four years had spread her tentacles over the land we call our own, if our relatives were the other side of the German line, then we might understand the spirit in which the Belgians are going forward. The Germans who face them are now paying the 'redemption' for which the Belgian army have long waited.

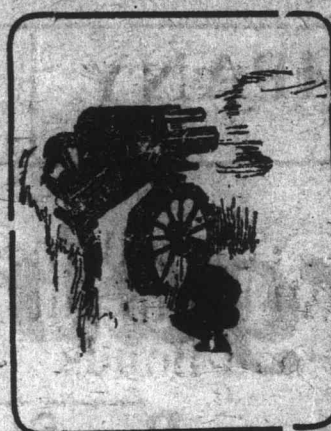
IN FLANDERS' FIELDS.  
In Flanders' fields, the poppies grow between the crosses, row on row. That mark our place, and in the sky

The larks, still bravely singing, fly scarce heard amid the guns below. We are the dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow Loved and were loved; and now we lie In Flanders' fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe. To you, from falling hands we throw The torch. Be yours to lift it high. If ye break faith with us who die, We shall not sleep, though poppies blow

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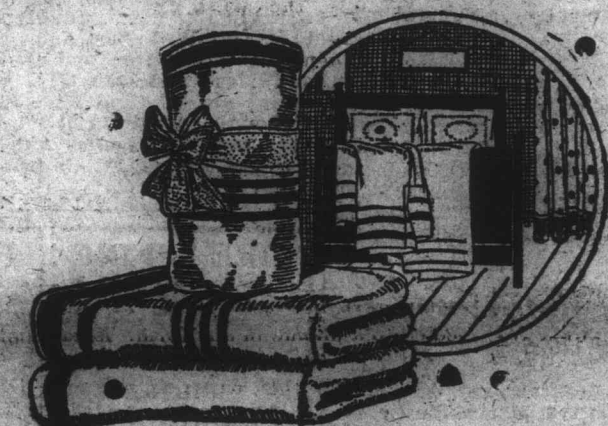


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