

MISS BY THE CABLES

Graphic Incidents of the War, Told in Soldiers' Letters and by Wounded Men From the Front.

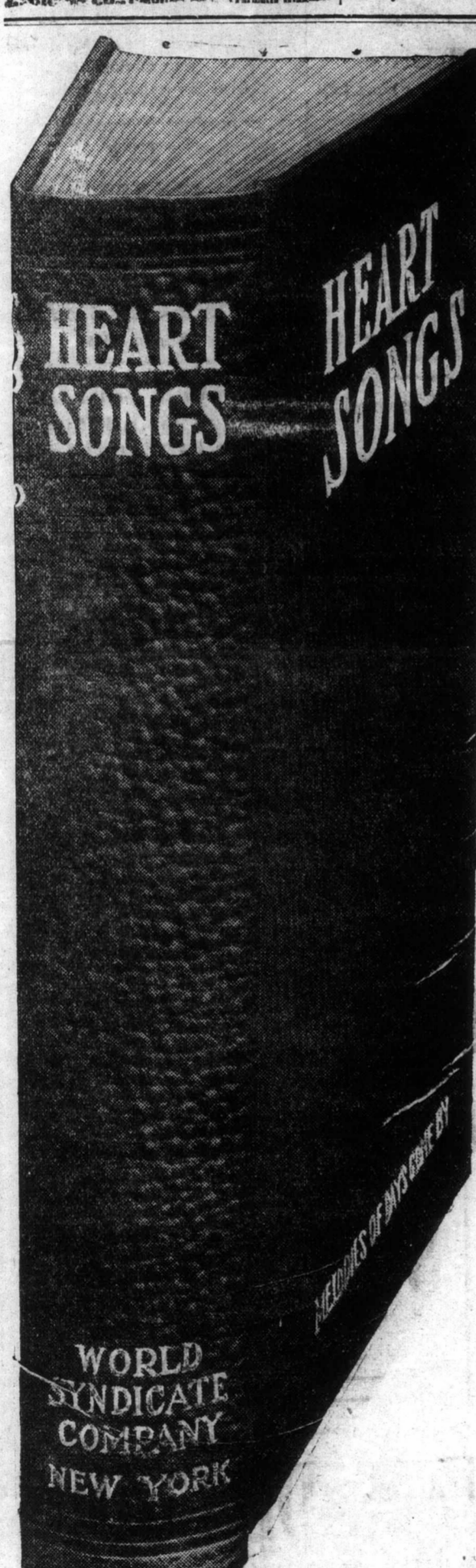
Lieut. H. Lancelot Tells, writing from one of the hospitals in the neighborhood of Rouen to his partner, Dr. F. G. Grapel, of Thornton Heath, Surrey, makes an appeal for safety matches. "Tommy," he says, has an intense dislike to French matches, which he has christened "Wait-a-bits." Lieutenant Tells adds:

This huge battle in the north still drags on without any definite result, but all agree that the German losses are appalling. Of one thing I am sure, and that is that the Germans pile up their dead cover them with earth and use their dead bodies as protection from our fire.

We have had a few cases of tetanus

but the mortality is very high. Now every shell wound gets a dose of antitoxin on the field as a prophylactic, so we hope to reduce the number. It only follows shell wounds, due, it is supposed to the intensive system of agriculture prevalent in all parts of France. Also we get bad cases of gangrene, due to the B aerogenes capsulatus; but the treatment of this is much more satisfactory. We inject the whole limb with 20 vol. hydrogen peroxide till the limb is completely swollen up. It is most painful, however, and the difficulty is to make the solution alkaline without destroying its efficiency. Iodine is figuring very greatly in this war, and what a difference it makes. If a man comes in here having had iodine painted on at the field ambulance he rarely gets sepsis, or at least, only slight; but if he has not it is a dead certainty that his wound is septic.

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Infantry Lieutenant Tells of His Experiences in the Campaign.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—One of the most human descriptions yet received from the front is the following story of his experiences from a young officer:

"The other day I was with another subaltern, holding a farm in front of our trenches to prevent the German's massing troops behind their cover and rushing us."

"Well, we held on for perhaps an hour without any one taking any special notice of us, and then they turned the big guns on us. My hat! I didn't get half a time. Within fifteen minutes they put 55 shells (weight about 60 lbs., and probably 8 in. in size), fired from a howitzer into a wood on the farm within a circle of 40 yards radius. We literally 'smelt hell.'

SCOTCH DOCTOR MURDERER

A surgeon on the staff of the Third Army Corps, writes to a Belfast friend:

We rescued one of our cavalymen, who gave us his experience of the treatment he got while he was a prisoner. He was only a few hours in the hands of the Germans. They tied him up and took him to their headquarters. They kicked and beat him and spat in his face and cursed and howled at him. He managed to slip away when the sentries were watching and was back in blue."

"* * * They killed Macnab, the doctor of the London Scottish Territorials, actually bayoneting him while he was sitting on a stretcher under the Red Cross on his arm and no weapons to defend himself."

COBB'S INTERVIEW

Washington Herald.—One thing seems quite certain, Mr Irving Cobb neglected to get the censor to put the following question to the interview with Lord Kitchener. Another thing that will strike most readers is that both Mr Cobb and his paper displayed the story in a most amateurish way, giving preference to a lot of nothing that Mr Cobb said to Lord Kitchener in reply to questions that were apparently intended to make the interviewer feel at home, and putting at the end the really significant information that brought forth a denial from the British war office. Mr Cobb evidently labored under the misapprehension that he was giving information to the war chief and the doubt depends on sources much nearer the front.

THE FALL OF BASRA

London Times.—For the world at large and for Germany in particular, the fall of Basra has a meaning even greater than its significance to the British. The railway and is seizure by the British will be felt more keenly in Berlin than the loss of Kiao Chau. It means that the dreams and schemes of twenty years, the ripening fruits of the world policy which began when the Kaiser paid his memorable visit to Abdul Hamid, have crumbled to dust and ashes.

RUBBER AND OIL SUPPLY

Westminster Gazette.—There are two products without which the operations of the German armies are found to be most seriously hampered. With Russia establishing herself in Galicia, the oil supplies from the fields there will be cut off, and the measures which have been taken should prevent any large quantity getting into Germany from other sources. The present difficulty is Italy, but no doubt we shall be able to see that that country does not obtain more than its normal imports.

BRITAIN'S STRENGTH

London News and Leader.—As compared with any of the other belligerents the jar to our economic system has proved very much slighter and very much less enduring. This is undoubtedly due to the inherent strength of the country, but it called for the bold and resolute intervention of the government to enable our natural resources to have proper play. Nobody can deny that the intervention of the Treasury carried the country through the gravest economic peril which has ever assailed it, at a cost relatively small, and with gratifying rapidity. For this Mr. George and his advisers deserve the thanks of the country.

OUR SPLENDID ALLY

London Telegraph.—No words ever used in the description of warfare could be too strong to apply to the gallantry and determination with which the French armies have defended this enormous front for so long against the overwhelming forces which Germany, the only combatant to begin the war in a state of complete readiness, was able to fling against them at the very outset. Their guns and gunnery, in particular, have been one of the decisive factors in the war, and whatever Germany may be able to do with her dwindling supplies of necessary material, to add to her strength in artillery, that of the French and British must infallibly grow much more rapidly.

REVISING THEIR OPINION

The Broad Arrow.—If the people of this country underrated the quality of the German sailor, the people of Germany underrated the British soldier. In the circumstances, perhaps, nothing else was to be expected, the conditions which produced each being so dissimilar. To the Germans, who look on personal service as a privilege as well as a duty, volunteerism is synonymous with mercenary. To the British who is able to reconcile the soldier and the citizen more harmoniously than any other nation, the concept, at any rate on the Teutonic model, is something of the swash-buckler. But whereas our men have never despised the German as a fighting man he has never concealed his contempt for us. That the war is teaching him to revise his opinion is clear.

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