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**Passive Defence at Sea**

A NOTABLE FRENCH CRITIC.

By H. W. WILSON.

Defensive war spells ruin.—William Pitt.

"The Germans give to their operations at sea a character of violent aggressiveness, while the Allies content themselves with the employment of means which rather belong to the system of war called 'defensive.'"

Such is the general judgment passed on the naval policy of the Allies by a French officer of the greatest distinction, Admiral Degouty, in his remarkable volume "La Guerre Navale et l'Offensive" (published by Chapelot, Paris, 3s.).

Admiral Degouty is an able and fair critic. Though his book has been very heavily censored by the French authorities, so that it has many blank pages, it is nevertheless of extreme importance. In an introduction dealing with the submarine peril he makes a new and valuable point. He asks whether it is quite certain that the ships sunk by the German submarines are not those the cargoes of which are most urgently required by us. He has a touch of gentle sarcasm for the "benignity, not to say the partial and accidental character," of the blockade as practised in the past, and he urges the necessity of enforcing a close and effective investment of Germany, cutting off all traffic along the Danish coast and closing all the routes from Scandinavia.

One of the anti-submarine plans which he discusses is that of a great barrage or mass of obstacles across the North Sea, composed, as he suggests, of special mines and special nets.

What is quite certain is that if this barrage proved effective the Germans would try to destroy it. While the British would endeavour to repulse their attacks. There would be engagements, first of light ships, then of more and more powerful ships, and at last perhaps an engagement between the battleships on either side.

If such a barrage is constructed across the North Sea, he says, the entrance to the Baltic must also be closed.

Examining the Allied operations in detail he finds at every turn signs of what he calls "the Collingwood method," not "the Nelson touch." It should be said for those who do not know naval history that Collingwood, though a very brave, noble, and devoted officer who rose to the loftiest heights under Nelson's magnetic influence, was yet when away from Nelson usually a mediocre and unenterprising commander. The first example of this passivity he finds in the failure to use the Allied submarines vigorously against the German Fleet on the outbreak of war before, the enemy had had time to take precautions.

Our French seamen, and, above all, those who man our excellent submarines in the Channel and Straits of Dover, were not responsible for the decision not to undertake this operation, which at the outset would have been as fruitful as it would have been easy. The reasons for so surprising a forbearance are well known to the well informed. I refrain from stating them, despite the light which a discussion of them would throw on the question of "temperaments."

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**Our Baseball Column.**

PLAGIARISED AND OTHERWISE.

**CORRECTION.**

When reporting the Red Lions-Wanderers game in yesterday's column, the word "bungled" was printed instead of "bingle" thus destroying the sense, as the latter means a hit that allows the batter to reach first base. We apologise to these players who "bungled" in yesterday's column but who successfully "bingle" during the game. [The apologies are ours, since it was we who "bungled." If our kind contributor could supply us with a baseball dictionary, it might help us to distinguish merely typographical errors from highly scientific terms.—Ed. Ev. Tel.]

**THE HASBEEN.**

His face has lost that scrappy grin And he shuffles from the coop. He never heeds the coachers' din, His back has quite a stoop. He doesn't fear the pitcher's lob; His mouth is mighty grim; Two years ago the bleacher mob Went mad at sight of him.

The kid out on the hurrying hill Is greeting him with glee. He zips across his smoky pill So fast the vet can't see. And when he tries a dinky curve The vet swings like a gate. But pitchers used to lose their nerve When he came to the plate.

He knows he's slipping inch by inch. He knows the rooters swear Because he's up there in a pinch. They know his hits are rare. The fielders hear their boss' call To play in for his fly. They used to play out near the wall When he was clean-up guy.

Yes, Old Kid Time is warming up. The has-been's out is near. But, oh! He packed a famous clout. This star of yesterday.

**UNFORTUNATE.**

McCaskell's "southpaw" throw to third in the fourth inning was unfortunate as the error allowed 2 runs.

**UNUSUAL.**

More surprising still was MacLeod's handling of Jenkins bunt with the sacks soused, when he threw to first instead of making an unassisted double play with the possibility of a triple.

**INEXPERIENCED.**

When, with only one man out, Berteau came tearing in from third on Brien's pop fly he very nearly made a mess of things. However, considering it was his first game and that he played well otherwise, some allowance must be made for him.

**BUCK UP!**

Both teams were most unsteady, and

Navy possessed seaplanes capable of torpedoing a warship in May 1916; indeed, had then possessed them for many months.

When the British battleships arrived he notes the curious situation which followed:

This pitched battle—for at last the two fleets drew up against one another and deployed methodically in line one against the other—was not in the least like what abstract reasoners had expected. There was no decisive result. They fired at one another, they suffered more or less injury, they inflicted more or less damage, and that was all. There was no really offensive stroke. There was no sensational manoeuvre. . . . "It is the fog that was to blame," we may be told. But the fog did not become thick till night, and nightfall does not come early on May 31 in high altitudes.

The result was one unexpected by all the theorists. The less numerous of the two fleets not only was not wiped out but actually stood the shock perfectly. . . . Neither of the adversaries was able to make up his mind to undertake an offensive after the battle in line, which would have proved beyond question his superiority in moral force.

The engagement of May 31 did not definitely decide the predominance of the British Fleet. The decisive battle at sea, he holds, in fact, has yet to be fought. For on one point Admiral Degouty is tolerably certain—that the German Fleet will come out and give battle with all its force and with new weapons.

It is interesting to note as a sign of reviving naval enthusiasm in France how many eminent writers she has in

It is clearly evident they must get in better working order if they hope to cop the flag this season.

Herewith we give the batting averages of Wednesday's game, from which it will be seen who the sluggers are in the Wanderers and Red Lions clubs. We will endeavour to make this a feature of the column this season, so that the fans may see how their favourites are swatting the old pill.

**BATTING AVERAGES.**

	A. Bat.	Slug Hts.	Runs.	Averages.
<b>Wanderers.</b>				
Dobbin	4	2	1	.500
Brien	4	2	2	.750
McLeod	4	2	2	.500
Ford	3	2	1	.666
Berteau	3	1	0	.333
Britt	2	0	0	.000
Jerrett	3	1	0	.333
McCordle	3	2	0	.666
Brown	3	1	0	.333
<b>Red Lions.</b>				
Ellis	4	2	2	.500
Quick	4	2	2	.750
Cooney	4	3	0	.750
McCaskell	4	2	1	.500
Hiltz	3	1	0	.250
Power	3	0	0	.000
Mullings	3	0	0	.000
Gowans	3	0	0	.000
Jenkins	3	1	1	.333

**YOU SAID IT.**

Some of the Lion supporters are greatly agitated. Want to know if pitcher has right to block pitcher off plate? These chaps are too impatient. Can't they wait till a Red Lion runner gets that far.

**SURE.**

Football and Baseball, Billy Higgins believes have several things in common as sports. Sure enough, after Wednesday's game, Fumbling, Booting, and Juggling the ball.

**PATHTIC.**

Remembering his prowess at the bat in other seasons, Hiltz' efforts to hit in pinches were pathetic. Wassa matter, Art?

**THEY MISSED HIM.**

Not only the fans, but the Wanderers as well, missed Tim Hartnett.

**NEXT GAME.**

On Tuesday night at 7 o'clock the B. I. S. and Cubs will clash in the second game of the series.

**THE PLAYER EXPLAINS HOW IT ALL HAPPENED.**

I'm telling you that ump's a nutt: He called me out, the great big boob! That shortstop never touched me, but He called me out, the great big boob!

I never was no guy to bleat. He called me out, the great big boob! Them umpires' domes is pure concrete; He called me out, the great big boob!

I stood there dustin' off my pants; He called me out, the great big boob! And, gee, I give that guy a glance; He called me out, the great big boob!

He sez, "The bench for yours. Be spy." And I sez, "Is that so?" sez I. You bet he hadn't no reply.

He called me out, the great big boob!

the ranks of her Navy. We are, unfortunately, not so well supplied. Against her Darriens, Daveluy, Baudry, Castex and Degouty we can only show two or three distinguished officers.

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