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UOTES GENERAL FRENCH AS EXPRESSING BELIEF

oring Promises Well For Allies and Decisive Victory Assured-Germans Evidently Feeling Lack of Ammunition

Paris, March 23—"Ammunition, ammunition, nothing but ammunition," that the essential problem which the war presents, in the opinion of Field Mar-Sir John French, according to the Havas Agency correspondent at British

quarters.

"Ammunition is the prerequisite of all progress and all pushing ahead," lohn is quoted as saying, in an interview with the correspondent. "Everyneeds plenty of ammunition, but the Germans need it more than we do. I had a feeling for some time past that they were being sparing of their is. They do not squander them as at the beginning. They are economizbecause the lack of nitrates necessary for the manufacture of explosives is in itself fall in Germany. ing itself felt in Germany.

Neither is the morale of their troops the same. One gets from them an ession of fatigue and lassitude. They had based all their calculations on a en smashing victory. That plan failed, and the state of mind of their troops

suffered in consequence.

"Economic difficulties in the interior of the German empire are daily being more serious. No doubt the Germans are still far from famine, but manifestly are hampered in obtaining a food supply, and that is a great

believe it will be a long war. Spring promises well for the alconvinced, I and all those here, that a decisive and definite vicawaits us at the end of all those hard months of war."



Germans Giving Up At Ossowiec

Lifting Siege and Russians Believe General Retreat From Bobr River is In- Is in Fredericton to Attend tended—The Last Effort at Przemysl

Petrograd, March 23-That the Germans are preparing to lift the siege of Ossowiec, was officially announced here today. The fire of the siege artillery there is becoming weaker and several heavy siege batteries have been withdrawn. It is believed at the War Office that this forcasts a general retreat of the Germans from the Bobr

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Shouted "Vive La France" As They Went To Death

Officers and Crew of the Bouvet Stood at Salute as Battleship Sank—Turkish Forts Still Powerful

Paris, March 23.—Standing at salute and shouting "Vive La France," the officers and crew of the French battleship Bouvet, sunk in the Dardanelles on March 18, went down with their ship, according to the Tenedos correspondent

"The captain of the Bouvet had been ordered to cross a dangerous mine zone," he says, "and force a passage to Chanak Kalissi, thus making the allies masters of the straits as far as Nagara. At 12 p.m. the Bouvet was five miles masters of the straits as far as Nagara. At 12 p.m. the Bouvet was five miles from Chanak and was firing at Fort Dardanus. She had crossed two mine zones. The Gaulois followed, firing all her guns. The commander of the Bouvet avoided two mines which were exploded by a destroyer, but a third struck her in the regions of her magazine and she sank by the head.

"Seven survivors of the Bouvet climbed into a boat and spent the night in a bay on the European side of the Straits. They were taken off the next day by a British destroyer.

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"When the captain of the Gaulois saw the Bouvet was sinking, he ordered full steam ahead," but his ship had been struck seven times and he was obliged to put back, anchoring off Navrais Island."

A despatch from Mytilene says a division of the allied fleet is still keeping watch on the Gulf of Smyrna. A Greek ship picked up a floating mine near Imbros Island and another was found by fishermen near Lemnos.

Kalessi, Hamidieth and Kilid Bahr still are capable of offering a stubborn re-