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THE SHIPING OF A SNIPER

How Scrubby Stones Put End To One of Them

A Story of the Front Trenches and No Man's Land—German Lay Hidden Behind Dead Comrades

(By Rifleman Pat MacGill, Author of "The Great Push" etc. Special Correspondent of the Toronto Star.)

London, July 22—Scrubby Stones beat his head under the shelter of the parapet as the glass of his periscope fell to the ground in a shattering fragment. Then he looked at his mate, who was sitting at the door of the dug-out opposite.

"That was a near go!" he said. "A mighty near go!"

"No wonder!" said the man opposite. "If you go poking your head up like that what can you expect, Scrubby?"

"Wasn't expectin' this, anyway, Bill," said Scrubby. "It's so bloomin' quiet 'ere and 'ere on two unner and fifty away from the other trenches."

"Snipen, I bet," said Bill. "One of our blokes in Company A got a pocket this mornin' and him in a mob that's a good three hunner away from the Gerzys."

Scrubby felt in his pocket, brought out a shaving mirror and fixed it to the point of his bayonet. This he held up face to No Man's Land, and looked in it.

"Nothin' to be seen," he said. "Umpteen shall 'ole, half a dozen dead Gerzies, stumps o' trees, barbed wire and mud. I don't envy a bloomin' sniper as lies out there."

"If there is one he's well camouflaged," said Bill, lighting a cigarette as he spoke. "They never see 'em unless they see themselves, the swine."

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"That ain't no sniper, no more than it's your grandmother," said Scrubby, with an air of certainty. "It's camouflaged. Bet you that it's a cap put there by Jerry to throw us off the scent."

"They're up to something, but I saw something more out behind the dead uns. Bet that it's the sniper, out there lookin' for his prey. Let me 'ave another peep at him."

The periscope changed hands, and Scrubby looked in it. For a while he kept silence, his body rigid, his mouth a little open. As he looked a rifle shot rang out clear and sharp across the levels. Scrubby brought his bayonet and glass down and looked at Bill.

"Got 'im that time," he said. "Saw the bloomin' smoke just where I said. 'E's lying there behind the dead uns, and I'm going to see that 'e'll be there for duration. . . . A good floor comin' along. I'll speak ter him and ask him about it."

"Ehenty, sir," said Scrubby. "E've got my eye on one o' them, and 'im camouflaged behind a 'cap o' dead uns. It's that there sniper that's been trouble us since we've come in 'ere. 'Just 'ave a look, sir, and see."

The officer saw the spurt of smoke even as Scrubby spoke, and at the same moment the glass in which he was looking was smashed to pieces above his head.

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Nobody Allowed To Dodge Their Duty

How An Arkansas County Made Everybody Get Into Harness for War Work—Sixty-Seven Clubs Formed

(American Lumberman.)

Early in the work of obtaining money for the Red Cross and the Y. M. C. A., as well as in selling Liberty bonds and Thrift stamps, it was learned that organization of some kind was necessary. In response to this need organizations have been formed in many communities, but too often these various organizations are either working at cross purposes or are failing to secure the best results by covering their entire territory in a thorough manner.

At each new call made upon these communities for war work of one kind or another the need of more perfect organization is seen and the need is met; but it has remained for an Arkansas county to provide an example of thorough and effective organization including every community in the county and covering its entire area without waste of effort or conflict of authority. And while the Phillips county organization was designed primarily for war work, the direction that that work took was such as to operate to the permanent benefit of the county. At the same time that it served to provide the government with the sinews of war it eliminated all slackers and made every resident of the county a loyal and enterprising citizen.

The organization of the county began with the forming of the Phillips County Central War Club under the auspices of the local Business Men's League. This central war club was subdivided into two parts or sections, one at Helena and the other at Marvel, twenty miles away; the idea being that by this form of organization all the communities of the county could be covered more systematically.

When the two divisions had been formed the business men of each immediately organized groups and teams of speakers who each Sunday afternoon traveled over their respective sections of the county and organized local community war clubs. Thus sixty-seven clubs were formed with memberships all the way from 20 to 500.

Phillips was one of many counties in the south whose people could think of agriculture in terms of cotton only; and the principal problem of the war club was to convert them to thinking of farming in terms of food and feed. Therefore, each member was required to take this pledge: "I agree to plant not more than 60 per cent of all my cultivated land in cotton for the year 1918, and I further agree to plant the remaining 40 per cent in food and feed crops."

That was a pretty hard pill for many of them to swallow, considering the prevailing market prices of cotton. But it went down and the effects produced this year have demonstrated the wisdom of the physicians and the efficacy of their prescription.

At the same time that the farmer signed a pledge to plant food and feed crops he gave on his card particulars regarding his acreage in cotton, in garden, corn, sorghum, hay and other crops; as well as the number of sows, pigs, cows, calves and work stock. He tells how many persons are in his family and whether he has enough seed to plant the

Hint That Gov't May Take C.P.R.

Significant Remark by Premier Borden—175,000 Canadians at Front

Toronto, Sept. 2.—Sir Robert Borden was the principal speaker at the Labor Day directors' luncheon at the Canadian National Exhibition today, and late in the afternoon addressed an immense gathering of the general public in the open air from the main bandstand. Probably fifteen to twenty thousand people listened to what was essentially an appeal to labor not to subtract from the national effort to win the war by controversy or discord.

Sir Robert declared his belief that the Canadian board of adjustment, consisting of six members representing the Canada railway board and as many representatives of the various organizations of railway employees would be able to adjust all differences promptly and satisfactorily and might continue after the conclusion of the war as a permanent arrangement.

Out of 384,750 Canadian troops overseas, he told them, more than 227,000 had been classed as "working men."

Railway Ownership.

At the directors' luncheon the premier devoted some time to the question of government ownership and operation of railways.

"With one exception," he declared, "the largest railway proprietor in Canada is the Canadian people," and he added, significantly, "the day may come when there will be no exception."

The premier said that Canada had 175,000 troops in France and Belgium. Up to August nearly 414,000 men had gone overseas. This was made possible by Canada's resolve to stand by her army and provide adequate reinforcements.

Jewett-King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen King of Woodstock was united in marriage to David Budge Jewett of Burrill's Corner on Aug. 27 by Rev. Frank Baird.

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