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GRAPHIC STORIES OF THE FIGHTING

Cool Nerve of the Belgians

Antwerp, by mail to New York, Sept. 3.—Stories of the cool nerve of Belgian soldiers under fire are being told everywhere by refugees and correspondents arriving from the battlefields in lower Belgium. The story is told of one volunteer who returned after a skirmish with Uhlans and calmly announced, "Well, I killed two." Then, as he filled his pipe he added, "I hit one right there," putting his finger to his forehead. "His helmet went spinning and I picked it up later and saw the hole my bullet made."

Clerks, brokers, and business men have been turned into fighting devils. The Belgians were not out of their uniforms for days at a time. Sleeping and eating in the trenches when they could, they became veritable vagabonds. Even when catching a few winks of sleep the men lay with their rifles on their arms ready for action.

Aim at Button, Hit German

New York, Sept. 6.—A London cable to the Tribune says: Many striking stories are told by wounded soldiers returning from France.

"The blue grey uniforms of the Germans are hard to see at a distance," said a Yorkshire Light Infantryman, "and for concealing movements are more effective than our khaki. But it is surprising how quickly you learn to pick out such things as buttons, badges, armbands, and even peaks of caps or spikes of helmets in the sun and tell by them of the moving men. You cannot see otherwise."

"Aim at a button a mile off and you hit a German in the stomach is what we say, and near enough to the truth."

"The Germans are such sticklers for rules that I have seen their artillery keep firing away at a position of ours after it had been occupied by their own men, and at hospitals they find quite a number of Germans hit by their own fire."

Welcomed With Kisses

London, by mail to New York, Sept. 3.—When the British expeditionary army landed on French soil the natives went wild with joy and women overwhelmed "Tommy Atkins" with kisses. A letter received by the wife of one of the soldiers at the front declared: "You would have been jealous if you had seen the women, old and young, kiss us. I was kissed scores of times. The natives went frantic with joy when they saw us. The women screamed with joy as they hugged us. Many wept bitterly and then wiped away the tears and offered us small presents."

Mumm Shot as German Spy

New York, Sept. 6.—Miss Helen Vincent, a singer just home from Versailles, tells a story that Henry De Mumm, the millionaire wine merchant, was shot by the French soldiers as a German spy.

She said: "We were awakened by the clatter of horses' hoofs and half a troop of cavalry escorting a closed carriage. The soldiers dragged a man out of it. He struggled desperately, but was bound and his eyes bandaged. Then he was stood up against a wall. He bitterly protested against his eyes being covered, and I could not look longer. Then I heard a volley and the sound of the horses proceeding back the way they came. Later I heard that the victim was Henry De Mumm and that it had been found that he was a German spy, and in his possession when searched were copies of the French mobilization plans."

"Paris, when I left, was a veritable city of dread and silence. There was no meat to be had by anyone. On August 7, eighty men, some convicted of being spies, others of having rob-

GHEENT SPARED BY GERMANS

London, Sept. 9.—The correspondent of The Telegraph at Ghent says it is expected that the German occupation of Ghent is not to take place. The Burgomaster was summoned to Cordegom last night to confer with the German commander and the latter intimated that the town was not to be occupied nor was any money contribution levied on the condition that the inhabitants would furnish requisitions in accordance with a list handed to the Burgomaster.

Dead Piled High

The correspondent at Paris says an eye witness told him of having seen in the plains of Northern France piles of German dead as high as a man could reach with the uplifted arm. All the evidence shows that the German losses were enormous. In its frantic march on Paris the German column was not even stopped to bury its dead.

They lie there still heaped up in the French fields.

Paris, Sept. 10.—An Antwerp despatch, dated Wednesday, gives the following official communication:

"The Germans did not enter Ghent to-day but contented themselves with calling out the Mayor and demanding of him that he furnish provisions to be delivered at Bellegem."

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bed houses and people, were taken out and shot by firing squads. On August 9, Joseph Caillaux, chief figure in the Caillaux scandal, was shot twice in the head, but not killed."

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