

# BRITISH RETAKE GROUND LOST IN FRESNOY FIGHTING

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time after intensive artillery fire from a great concentration of guns. The attacks are very costly efforts but so long as they continue the fighting will swing to and from certain positions in the long lines.

## On French Front.

PARIS, May 9.—The French last night captured first line German trenches over a front of three quarters of a mile northeast of Chemin-Des-Dames and on the Chemin-Des-Dames plateau. Although the Germans were stopped by French artillery and machine gun fire, new assaulting waves resumed the effort several times until the ground was strewn with German dead.

## German Official Report.

BERLIN, May 9.—Fresnoy, on the Arras battlefield, has been held by the Germans against fresh attacks by the British. An additional 100 prisoners have been captured, said today's army headquarters statement. The statement reads: "The statement reads: 'Army of Crown Prince Rupprecht: During the unfavorable weather conditions the artillery fire increased in liveliness at only a few points. 'The Bavarian-Frankish regiments which stormed Fresnoy yesterday with great dash held the village against fresh attacks and brought in an additional 100 prisoners. 'Local advances by the British at Soeux and Bullecourt were repulsed.

## On Other Fronts.

BERLIN, May 9.—German and Bulgarian troops have administered a severe defeat upon entente forces in Macedonia, army headquarters announced today.

## PETROGRAD, May 9.—Russian

troop on the Rumanian front northwest of Senne yesterday broke through the Teuton positions and advanced toward Jannwar, says an official statement issued today.

# WAR REVENUE BILL WILL YIELD \$1,800,000,000

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\$150,000; 20 per cent \$150,000 to \$200,000; 24 per cent \$200,000 to \$250,000; 27 per cent \$250,000 to \$300,000; 30 per cent \$300,000 to \$500,000; 33 per cent on all exceeding \$500,000.

In addition to the inheritance tax now in force, the bill imposes a further tax upon the transfer of net estates. The exemption is lowered from \$5,000 to \$25,000 and a new tax of one per cent levied on estates between \$25,000 and \$50,000.

The bill proposes to bring in \$200,000,000 by doubling the present eight per cent tax on excess profits.

On distilled spirits, the present tax of \$1.10 per gallon is doubled; to the rectifiers' tax 15 cents a gallon is added, and fermented liquors are assessed \$2.75 per barrel, instead of \$1.50.

The tobacco tax is doubled, except as to cigars which are graduated from 50 cents to \$10 a thousand. Cigarettes, made in or imported into the United States would be taxed an additional \$1.25 per thousand if weighing less than three pounds per thousand and \$3.00 per thousand if more than three pounds.

## Amusement Taxes.

The amusement tax is one cent for each 10 cents or fraction paid for admission, applying to charges remitted in the cases of persons admitted free, except bona fide employees. Places where the maximum charge for admission is five cents, or where the proceeds of the place admitted to are for religious or charitable purposes are exempt.

Clubs would be taxed 10 percent of dues or membership fees (except initiation fees) the members individually to pay the tax. This is effective June 1, and the club receiving the payments or fees is required to collect the tax from the person so admitted and make the returns.

## CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors, also the Olive Rebekah lodge, for their kindness and sympathy during our late bereavement, also for the many beautiful floral offerings.

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MR. & MRS. RICHARD SHERWOOD AND FAMILY.

# CAPTIVE WOMEN'S SCREAMS QUICKEN STORMING OF GREAT GERMAN REDOUBT

Dead Girls, Naked and Horribly Mutilated, Left Behind Invaders in Retreat; Babies Jabbed by Bayonets; Wounded Soldiers Clubbed in Head!

(Staff Special.)  
BY MILTON BRONNER.

NEW YORK, May 9.—"When I hear Americans doubting the truth of the stories of German atrocities in Belgium and France, I don't know whether to laugh or swear. As one of the first hundred thousand England sent to battle I not only saw atrocities committed by German soldiers, but am myself a victim of them."

So said A. H. O'Connor, a Brooklyn boy, who, with his father and five other members of his family, crossed the Atlantic and joined the English army.

O'Connor joined the First Life guards of the household cavalry and saw service in Belgium and France, taking part in the defense of the road to Calais, the battles at Ypres, Neuve Chapelle, Loos, Hill 60, Hohenzollern redoubt, Armentieres, Arras and the great Somme offensive.

In the latter he was permanently disabled, and retired from service. He was decorated by the king for bravery. Back in America, he expects to deliver talks on his experiences.

## Babies Bayoneted.

"Over in Brooklyn," he said, "I had many German acquaintances and when I read of German atrocities in Belgium I could not believe them. Now it makes me shudder when I think of what I have seen."

"My regiment was helping in the great fight to keep the Germans from going Calais-ward. It was during the battle of Ypres. We took a little Belgian village from the Germans."

"As, with my comrades, I charged through the streets, I saw the naked bodies of women, girls and babies. They were terribly disfigured by bayonet jabs, even those of helpless babies."

"You know, in these village fights, we had to chase the Germans out from one house to another like terriers after rats."

"In one house we saw two Germans ransacking the drawers of a bureau. On the floor were the dead bodies of two naked girls horribly mutilated and cut open."

"No German got out of that house alive!"



A. H. O'CONNOR.

"The next time I myself saw German atrocities was later in the campaign when we finally took their famous Hohenzollern redoubt. These works were wonderfully strong. The Germans had dug down 50 feet below the surface and had comforts down there approximating those of a hotel—real rooms, with beds, carpets on the floor, mirrors on the wall, lights, etc."

"We subjected this redoubt to a terrible artillery fire for a long time. Probably an hour elapsed between the ending of the artillery fire and our going over, as we say, and taking the place."

"In that hour we life guardsmen could hear a constant screaming in

the redoubt. It was the terrible, anguished crying of many women. In the sector of the redoubt which our regiment captured, I saw the bodies of at least 50 women, many of them stark naked. The savages, who had taken these women away from their French villages, and held them captive here, had committed awful crimes. I saw dead women with their breasts hacked off. In this same sector they had buried 20 of their poor victims."

"In the first Somme offensive I personally experienced the chivalrous acts of our German enemy. I was put out of business by bayonet wounds through my left arm and side. It was in a field over which the rival forces fought back and forth."

"During one of those scrimmages a German came along, and, seeing me lying there helpless, hacked through my boot, cutting off three of my toes. By will power alone I remained conscious."

"When I saw the Germans retreating I closed my eyes and played dead, knowing the Huns have a habit of clubbing wounded men to death as they retire. Perhaps I did not look dead enough. At any rate one of the Germans clubbed me across the jaw with his rifle butt."

"When I woke up ten weeks later I was in a war hospital in London being nursed by ex-Queen Amelia of Portugal. The war office records show I and others had been buried partly by debris thrown by a huge German shell. They found life in me, but it took all those weeks to bring me around. And even then I could not talk."

"The tap that German soldier gave a wounded and prostrate foe kept me dumb for six months. Even now any sudden nervous shock keeps my vocal cords paralyzed for from five to six hours."

On recommendation of County Prosecutor Roberts, the complaint of assault and battery against Miss Hazel Stone Lowe, a teacher of the Talbot schools, which was sworn to by Mrs. Nettie Baker, was dismissed Wednesday by Justice of the Peace Taylor. The charge arose through Miss Lowe chastising John Hopkins, a pupil with a piece of rubber hose

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Orchid Cambrie, 36 in. wide; fine quality very special, yard <b>15c</b>	Large size Turkish Towels, worth 25c; for this sale, each <b>21c</b>	Women's Lace Front Corsets, sold up to \$2.00; to close out, pair <b>98c</b>	Women's and Children's fine white Lisle Hose; very special, pair <b>25c</b>
Bedspreads, full size, worth \$1.50; for this sale, each <b>\$1.39</b>	58-inch Mercerized Table Damask, new patterns; worth 50c; for this sale, yard <b>39c</b>	Red Fern Corsets—For every type of figure; new models in low and medium bust, in pink and white; priced from <b>\$3.50 up to \$10.00</b>	Women's fine grade white fibre Silk Hose; very special, pair <b>69c</b>
42 and 45-inch Pillow Slips, worth 18c; this sale <b>12 1/2c</b>	Good Table Napkins, full size, special, dozen <b>\$1.50</b>	Children's Knit Vests, very special for this sale, each <b>15c</b>	Women's guaranteed white Silk Hose, very special, pair <b>\$1.25</b>
<b>White Gloves</b>	<b>White Goods</b>	<b>Undermuslins</b>	<b>Wash Suits for boys</b>
Kayser's White Silk Gloves, tips guaranteed; special, pair <b>65c</b>	15c India Linon <b>12 1/2c</b>	Children's Muslin Underwear, values up to 50c, for this sale, each <b>29c</b>	A new line just in; splendid values; a suit, from <b>69c up to \$2.98</b>
White washable Chamousette Gloves, special, pair <b>69c</b>	18c India Linon <b>15c</b>	"Dove" Undermuslins, values up to \$1.00; for this sale, each <b>79c</b>	<b>CHILDREN'S WASH DRESSES</b>
Kayser's Fancy Silk Gloves, special, pair <b>75c</b>	25c India Linon <b>18c</b>	"Dove" Undermuslins, values up to \$2; for this sale, each <b>\$1.39</b>	All sizes from 2 years to 16 years; made of good gingham; priced from <b>69c up to \$3.98</b>
Kayser's heavy Fancy Silk Gloves, pair <b>\$1.25</b>	\$1.00 Organdie <b>89c</b>		
White Kid Gloves, very special, pair <b>\$1.50</b>	\$1.50 Organdie <b>\$1.19</b>		
	50c Batiste <b>39c</b>		
	65c Batiste <b>48c</b>		
	50c Gaberdine <b>35c</b>		
	75c Gaberdine <b>59c</b>		
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