



**THE RING, THE
CROSS AND THE
HAND OF IRON**

THE HUMAN WARRBNS ON THE WEST FRONT—In the drive of General Haig's troops against the German lines in the Somme Sector

soldiers dig holes just deep enough for cover until they have gained the Teuton trenches. © American Press Association



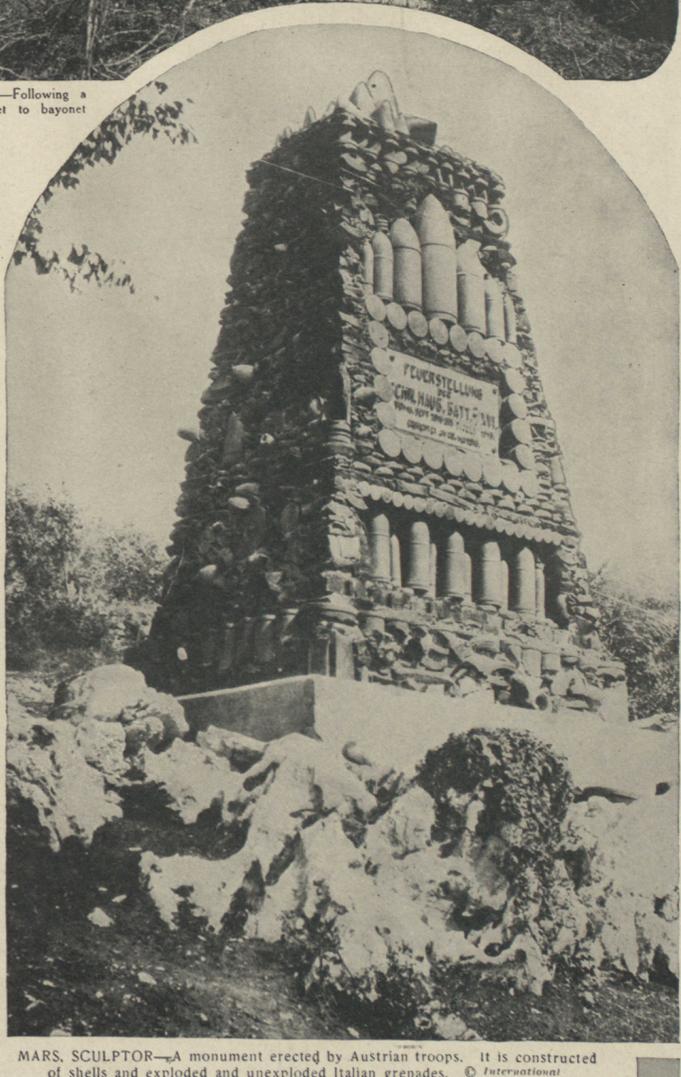
THE BELGIAN RATTLESNAKE AT OVILLERS—The British Army has adapted the Lewis machine gun, rejected by the United States Government, to the individual soldier by attaching it to a rifle butt. © American Press Association



MAMETZ WOOD AFTER THE BRITISH ONSLAUGHT—Following a withering bombardment, this was the scene of bayonet to bayonet encounters.



CONSOLIDATING THE GAINS—British soldiers are digging a trench in the shell-torn earth of Ovillers. What were cement and steel German trenches have been reduced to debris. © Central News Photo Service



MARS, SCULPTOR—A monument erected by Austrian troops. It is constructed of shells and exploded and unexploded Italian grenades. © International Film Service