

FRENCH FOOLHARDINESS



A French military surgeon performing acrobatic feats on parapet of trench in full view of the enemy's guns. The surgeon had a wager that he would perform certain gymnastic stunts on the top of a parapet, in spite of the fact that the trench was only 300 meters from the German line. The daring officer won his bet, but also won a ten-day *arrêts simples*, a slight punishment, for having exposed himself needlessly to the enemy fire.