Churches Used as Forts In Desperate Fighting

VILLAGE CHURCH OF FRISE, FRANCE, IN THE VERY HEART OF THE TERRIFIC SOMME FIGHTING. THE PLACE WAS HELD AS A FORT BY THE GERMANS UNTIL THE FRENCH DROVE THEM OUT WITH SANGUINARY LOSSES.

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COMPLETELY UNROOFED BY ARTILLERY FIRE IS THIS CHURCH AT VIE CHAPELLE IN THE DISTRICT AROUND LA BASSEE, WHERE BATTLES RAGED FIERCELY IN THE GREAT GERMAN DRIVE OF THE SPRING OF 1918.