

## Following on The Heels of A Retreating Army

In The Wake of Canadian Advance After Second Battle Of Amiens—Impressions of The Battlefield and The Men Who Played Their Part in Great Struggle

(By Lucy Amy, Special Correspondent of The Times.)

With the Canadian Forces in the field, France, Aug. 12—To follow on the heels of a retreating army and a victorious one, is to look on a tremendous play. Incident follows incident so fast, impression after impression, that even the horrors of war are concealed behind the veil of unreality. It is a great scene of make-believe, where the realities are vividly portrayed by an expert cast and manager, where death loses its shock and blood its shudder, where menace of guns is only theatrical, where thousands move as before a moving-picture operator.

During the past two days I have looked on sights I could not have endured before the war. Every atom of gruesomeness passed before my eyes without more than a wonder at the extent of their heartlessness. Dead Germans lying as they fell meant nothing but an essential of the mechanism of the spectacle. The valuable material of war scattered over the field and roads was as trivial as stage properties. The thousands of shells which were but the pranks of a practical joker. The ruined towns filled in a few cases with personal possessions to make home comfortable and life pleasant, were careless branches of the completeness of the show. Shells burst within a few yards of me, machine guns chattered, aeroplanes whirled—all a daylight display of fireworks.

Fortunately our own dead within sight were laid out in orderly rows, with a patch working among them. It was the last rites in a glorious career—that was in my mind. Strongly enough it was the shattered horses left the most disagreeable impression. Our guns had caught the Germans in retreat, and the horses lay in the teams as they had been settling in the fight.

These are the films in the panorama upon which I will not care to dwell in the days to come. The rest was the great panorama of war at its greatest intensity, the picture of colossal things bent only on destruction. And we in our cars were such trifles in the scene.

The Second Day.  
The second day opened with the enemy eight miles behind the front lines and still going. Over a shell-pitted road we ran into territory so bravely won of late weeks, into the territory through a large town which has passed from our hands several times we picked our way among the ruins out to our own conquest territory. The fields about were in crop, with here and there the broken lines of trenches, now shattered into ugly heaps by our gunfire. Over a stretch of country there was scarcely twenty feet unbroken by the wonderful barrage that had opened the fight. One could pick out the lines of barbed wire, with comparatively unbroken spaces between. It was a remarkable demonstration of the accuracy of our fire as it leaped each hundred yards in the course of its advance.

The German front lines were now only jagged ditches, so torn were they with the shelling. It was difficult to conceive that thousands of men had hidden there for the past four months. Never adequate, as we knew, they were pitiful protection against the hail of steel and lead.

Out over the fields lay little mounds of clothing; closer they became Germans with staring eyes and outstretched arms, their faces twisted in the throes of their last moments. Though hundreds had been collected during the early hours of Canadian possession, the task was too great even for two days. And the dust of traffic followed close on the heels of the warriors had spread a merciful veil over their lifeless forms.

Working parties had roughly filled the shell holes in the road, and the larger ones were left to pass around. In the fields the larger ones were to be graves for the horses. The trenches had been missed in spots, and before them lay heaps of equipment—helmets piled in

the strange futuristic designs recently adopted by the Germans for camouflage, rifles, packs, bayonets, heaps of shells, machine guns and their belts and clutter—gruesome testimony to the speed with which the owners had departed or been shot down.

A Captured Village.  
The first village we entered that had fallen to the Canadians was a huge ruin. Not a house had a roof that would shed rain in any corner; walls were down, doors and windows gone. Yet much of the furniture was still there, much of it intact. Fine old mahogany beds and secretaries, kitchen stoves still bright and whole, chairs—there was the stock of a dozen furniture stores. But more important were the stores of equipment left by the Germans. Rifles lay everywhere, packs that had been hastily cleared of their contents, and a few machine guns, ready to be fitted with machine-gun belts, ready rifles, and piles of boxes of cartridges. Even great coats had been thrown aside and helmets and caps.

Already an advanced dressing station had been established in the town. Along these or four roads within sight traffic was rolling eastward in a cloud of dust like smoke from a big fire. Labor gangs were working furiously on a railway that had not carried a train for many a day. All along the sky our balloons were sighted, crowding close to the enemy's heels as to leave me in doubt sometimes as to whose they were.

About a half-mile ahead a German gun was lazily dropping shells. Almost with the boom of the gun came the whistle of the shell, and while the shell was still in the air the cloud of dust registered the explosion. A high-explosive shell was falling not far from the same place with a sharp report and a thin cloud of dust. No one paid attention, though working parties were all about mopping up the fields and paving the way for further advance.

But one day's strangest feature was such a warfare scene—and I experienced the same throughout the two days of fighting. The German machine guns were insignificant amount of enemy shelling. Not more than sixty or seventy German shells fell within sight, though there was at one time within a mile of the battle. The Germans were too busy getting their guns back to safety to take time to respond to our continued bombardment. It saved us many a casualty and enabled the war correspondent to keep in unusually close touch with the progress of events. And of all the shells I saw, not one fell in a village or caused a casualty.

The Useful Airplane.  
Over the fields on both days hovered flocks of our aeroplanes, flying low, like hawks in search of field mice. Up and down they came, and down they came, hunting out every corner and hollow for neglected wounded and for Germans not yet taken back to safety. The aeroplanes were working out many of the problems of war apart from observation. Over all that territory where thousands of men had fought and run away and died, where guns had been blasted of steel and cavalry had galloped into the retreating ranks, where tanks and whippets by the many score had rumpled and waddled on their irresistible way, there were only two whippets disabled and not one tank. More in the two days' covering of the whole Canadian front from close up I saw only four or five tanks and whippets not prepared to move forward at the word of command. Their packed trails led, climbing over fields and ditches, everywhere, and the aeroplanes were pushing their big bulks into woods.

One of the great pleasures of the route was the crowds of German prisoners I met everywhere. There were cages full of them and waiting evacuation before them could be taken to the front. The trenches had been Grouped down the roads where ever we went, their guard seemingly ridiculously inadequate in appearance.

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German war provisions had already been taken over by our men. There were fine huts with the German sign still in place, fitted with good bunks and all the conveniences of an army that seemed to have settled for the winter. In one place a prisoner's cap, evidently a permanent one, for there were shells and other buildings in it—now offered its hospitality to its recent guards. It was as if a working party had been through preparing the way for our troops.

The second day after the attack I determined to get as close to the line as possible and see the advance for myself. I got so close that I lost interest in everything but the rear. After the first day or six miles of the advance, the roads improved. They had not been broken by shell fire, as the Germans had steadily retreated there and our guns were following to get a chance to shell them. Our car rolled along, therefore, at any speed we liked over roads in precisely the same condition as they had been used only a couple of days before by the German military machine. Here, too, the fields were whole and ripe for cutting, the houses had whole roofs, though they were dirty and partly ruined by the late German occupants.

Y.M.C.A. on the Job.  
We passed through a village where the Y.M.C.A. was already serving out hot tea and biscuits and chocolate. Indeed, the supplies were in the village at one end before the Germans had left the other, having traveled all night over a much-bombed road.

From here the evidences of battle were in plain sight. To the south thick columns of smoke told of burning villages. Off on a ridge German machine guns were sending up clouds of black dust, and the flashes of our guns were in plain sight. A German aeroplane was seen circling the town only a half hour before and attempted to machine-gun the soldiers on the streets. But our pilots were too quick for him. The German plane was shot down and the machine-gunners were killed.

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## Is Strong For Intervention

Kerensky Says Russia is With Allies

The Big Labor Conference

Former Russian Premier Says His Nation Prevented Collapse of Europe When Britain Was Preparing—Labor and the War

London, Sept. 20.—At the inter-labor conference yesterday, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, replying to a criticism by James Ramsay MacDonald, former chairman of the labor party, regarding the conference endorsing President Wilson's fourteen points for world peace, declared that not one labor party in the allied countries had rejected the president's points.

"American labor," said Mr. Gompers, "is behind our government one hundred per cent and behind the allies whatever may be said." He declared he did not approve the declaration in the committee's report referring to the United States as the only ally which had stated its war aims with clarity. He thought this was an unwarranted criticism of Great Britain, but as the British labor delegates had not objected to such inference it was not for him to protest. He favored acceptance of the report, not because he shared these aims, but because he considered it the best obtainable from the conference.

The conference was engaged in a discussion of the resolution denouncing all intervention in Russia when Mr. Kerensky, former Russian premier, was invited to speak to the labor party. Mr. Kerensky said that Russia was not left the alliance of the Entente, and he offered once more his testimony that Russia never had recognized the peace of Brest-Litovsk and never had ceased to struggle against Germany. He declared that Russia at one time stood between Europe and collapse when Great Britain was preparing the efforts of the Russian revolutionaries had allowed the United States time to get ready. The basis of the alliance, he said, had never been in Russian blood, Russia had never yet found itself in a state of peace with Germany.

Mr. Kerensky said that the allies intervened in Russia in response to the plea of the Russian government and not the real interests of Russia and who were opposed to the Bolshevik terror. He said the Russian revolutionaries were not interested in the peace of Brest-Litovsk. The passage of a resolution condemning intervention in Russia, he added, was the tendency to aid certain private organizations and interests.

Mr. Kerensky declared that the allies should give up every relation with private persons or organizations and act with the organized government in Siberia to end the whole trouble and bring about the restoration of the whole country in accordance with the plans of the union for the regeneration of Russia.

Mr. Kerensky said the old assembly were meeting secretly in Russia and attempting to create a government for the whole of Russia.

Big movie content in September Canadian Boy, now on sale.

BRITISH STRIKE AVERTED

Announcement was made last evening that a settlement had been reached between the striking railroad employees and their employers in London. Thus the threatened national railway strike has been averted.

vine Breen, Maurice Delaney; Bob McDade; Jimmie Duke; John McManus; Five Ball Tiffany—William Magee; James McManus; Chip Olive; Penny in the Cup—Robert Harrington; Dr. Louis Fleming.

Spindles—P. J. Fitzpatrick; D. J. Connelly; Fish Pond—Mrs. Gallivan and committee of ladies.

Jingle Board—Alice Nugent; Clare McGehee; Beatrice Murray; Beattie Kennedy; Harry Hennessey; Candy Wheel—Dennis McCarthy; Austin McGuire; J. Harry Driscoll; Jack Keefe; Harry Driscoll.

Bean Toes—Mrs. William Monahan and committee of ladies.

Guessing Contest for a Pony's Weight—Douglas Hill.

Say boys! Don't miss current issue of Canadian Boy. It's great.

## THE BATTLEFIELD HONOR ROLL

Dr. Charles H. Smith, killed in action September 2, 1918.

Kings County Man Dead.

Apohaqui, Sept. 19.—Once again the sad message has come to another home when on Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. George Young, of Lower Millstream, received official news of the death of their son, Private Roy Young, who died on September 2 from gunshot wounds in the chest. Private Young was twenty years of age and enlisted with the 104th Battalion and crossed overseas in June, 1918.

Pte. Ford Smith  
Charles Smith, of Pokioke road, was advised recently that his son, Pte. Ford Smith, a member of a machine gun corps, had been admitted to the 3rd Australian Hospital, France, suffering from gunshot wounds in the chest. He is twenty-six years old.

The Night List.  
The names of thirteen New Brunswick men appear in the midnight casualty list. They are as follows: Wounded—Ed. B. Hickey, Woodstock; E. L. Rodgers, Fredericton; E. L. Murchison, Four Falls; L. Naudeau, Caron Brook; W. G. Dunham, St. John; W. Robt. Chaud, Logville; V. R. Jordan, St. George; A. Harrison, Goudville; W. Garret, St. John. Killed in action: H. W. Cameron, Pontiac. Died of wounds: H. Conway, St. John; L. A. Kindred, West St. John. Died: W. Gibson, Comore.

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SETTLED THE CASE

In the county court yesterday afternoon the case of Leahy vs. Grant Home was taken up before His Honor Judge Armstrong and jury, the plaintiff claimed a certain amount due for unpaid rent from the defendant. While the jury were out the plaintiff and the defendant got together and made an amicable settlement. J. T. Reed represented the plaintiff and A. Barry the defendant.

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