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## Canadians Did What History Not Recorded

General Sir Sam Hughes Tells Partial Story of St. Julien to Britannia Audience.

General Sir Sam Hughes made his first public appearance in Ottawa since his return from a visit to Britain and the battlefields of France and Belgium in the Britannia Auditorium last night and in spite of the cold and unpleasant weather an audience filled the huge building to overflowing was there to hear him give an address under the auspices of the Woman's Canadian Club. It was perhaps the largest audience that has attended any of the Sunday night at- tractions that have been given during the summer by the club, which may be taken as an indication of the popularity of the minister of militia.

General Sir Sam spoke on the war and the part Canadians are taking in it. He made the announcement, the first that has been made officially, that there are three Canadian hos- pitals and several Canadian nurses at the Dardanelles. He also praised highly the women of Canada and held that they are doing their duty equal- ly as well as the men at the front or preparing to go; in fact, they are doing a great deal to create the spirit that is inspiring the men of Canada to do their duty so nobly, he main- tained.

Col. A. T. Thompson was chairman and in an introductory speech out- lined the career of the speaker of the evening. Solos that were well re- ceived were sung by Miss Warfield and Mr. Salmon. The collections, a very liberal one, due no doubt to a large extent to the fine appeal made by General Hughes, will go towards the Ottawa Women's Canadian Club fund for the purchase of another motor ambulance for the Canadian forces at the front.

An Innate Cussedness  
 General Hughes began his address by explaining that he never held the opinion that there would be no more war—that is, prior to the outbreak of the present one. Whoever held such an opinion could not have been a very close student of history. Then there will come out of an element of the people at times. Some think that they have the right to tyrannize over others with the result that the spirit of liberty and independence in other objects and of course there is a clash. History does not record where tyrants have given up without a struggle.

"I have never yet been able to see where a nation could be expected to place aside the weapons of war," and Sir Sam.

"I have studied Kaiserism, which is now causing Europe to be drenched with blood, for several years," he continued, "and I have no hesitation in saying now what I said before the war, and that is that the Kaiser wants to dominate the world by sea and land. To-day Germany desires Denmark, Holland and Belgium, while Austria wants the Balkan States, so that the two countries, or rather Germany alone, for Austria is a mere tool of Germany, could be better fortified to carry out their plans for world domination. The Kaiser said that he would not go to war until the Kiel canal was completed. It was opened early in July, 1914, and by the end of the month he had declared war."

**German Preparedness**  
 The general proceeded to outline how Germany had been preparing for war for many years, and disclosed the surprising information that she is now using 1910 and 1911 ammunition at the present time for "firing at our boys," while Britain and Canada are using 1815 ammunition. Germany has been able to hand over to Austria as many as a million rifles a month, while the Allies have been short of war munitions since the war began and are just now, thus showing that they were not seeking to get into a conflict with other nations. Germany, however, thought that the British Dominions would not aid the Mother Country. She thought that her people had successfully chloroformed the "Colonials," but she got a surprise when on the night of the 7th of August, 1914, Canadian, Australian, New Zealand and all the other parts of the Empire offered to aid Britain—offered without being asked for help.

General Sir Sam referred to the read response of Canadians to the call of the colors, of how in a few weeks an army of 33,000 was in training at Valcartier, of how they marched away to embark for England well equipped, with the biggest percentage of the army made up of the best shots in the world, which was later proved. He then told a graphic story in his own characteristic and soldier-like way of the gallantry of the Canadians when they were put to the test in France last April and since then.

**Canadians Proud Record**  
 "The history of the world," he said,

has never recorded where, what might be termed untrained, soldiers held the line at St. Julien last April against an army from 20 to 30 times its number, without the aid of artill- ery, aeroplanes and other equipment, which usually supports infantry units, yet this is what the Canadian boys did. They faced the assaults of the enemy for over five days and held their ground.

"I have always pointed out that intelligent, freeborn citizens 'make better soldiers than conscripts' and the Canadians have afforded a fine ex- ample in support of my statement. Col. Frank Meighen of Montreal stood at the head of his regiment, the Can- adian Highlanders, for days in the thick of the fighting. Col. Loomis and other colonels did the same. These men, who before the war controlled large private interests, carried into the fighting the same spirit they had shown in their business. When the Canadian Highlanders were forced to retire after several days of fighting, it took the enemy more than a day to drive them back a mile and an eighth. At Festubert shortly after- wards the Highlanders took the off- ensive, drove the enemy back, captured several of their trenches and to-night the British soldiers are occupying the trenches that those Canadian boys took."

**Best Hospital in Britain**  
 General Hughes said that the losses of Canadians had totaled over 7,000 and it was in caring for the wounded that the Red Cross Society came in. He told of visiting several hospitals in Britain, France and in Belgium, and said the Duchess of Connaught hospital at Oliveden, in command of Col. Gorrell, is regarded as the best hospital in Britain. It is called Canadian, but there are Brit- ain, Australian and New Zealand sol- diers besides Canadians in it.

In the hospitals he visited he found all the Canadian boys anxious to get back to the front. They had begged him to give their love to the women of the Red Cross Society of Canada. "Many of the women of Canada," stated the general, "are doing their duty equally as well as the men at the front. They are largely instru- mental in creating a spirit that a spirit that encourages the men to do their duty."

**Canadians at Dardanelles**  
 Sir Sam made the first public an- nouncement that there are three Can- adian hospitals and several nurses working in the Dardanelles. "The war is not yet over," he said. "Our soldiers are in trenches facing the enemy as near, in some cases as thirty eighty and one hundred yards from him. My intention is, that the rela- tive position shall change and that German autocracy must at all costs be crushed. The Germans must be driven out of their trenches and out of Belgium until peace is dictated at Berlin. It may cost us a thousand lives; it may cost us a million, but for the liberty and freedom of human- ity Kaiserism must be smashed."

General Hughes stated that there were over 160,000 Canadians now under arms in the Dominions, Brit- ain and France and if need be this number could be quadrupled.

The auditorium was loaned for the evening by the Ottawa Electric rail- way, Mr. D. M. Murray and Prof. Laine. The pictures shown were loaned by Mr. H. Low, of the St. George's theatre.

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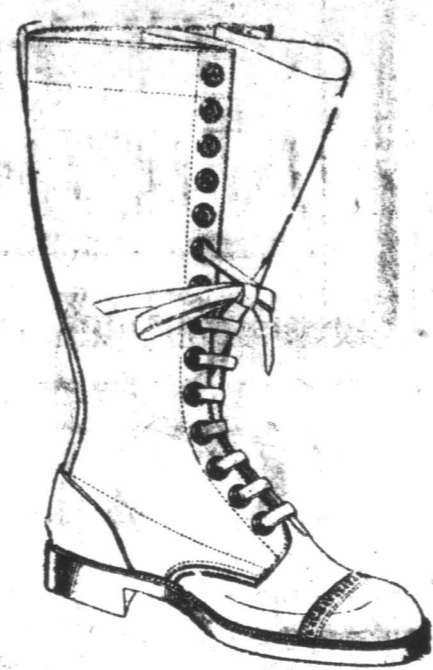
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## American Liner Saint Paul is Chased By Submarine

London, Sept. 13.—Word reached London to-day of an exciting chase of the American liner St. Paul, by a Ger- man submarine as she steamed to- wards Liverpool on Sunday. In the face of the crisis at Washington over the Arabic and Hesperian attacks, the pursuit of the liner flying the Ameri- can flag is regarded here as likely to create an extremely acute situation between American and German dip- lomacy. The St. Paul was moving easily along south of the Irish coast early Sunday when the captain es- pied a submarine in the distance off the stern.

**Top Speed Put On**  
 The captain, evidently persuaded that it would be discreet to avoid con- tact with the German submarine, signalled the engine-room to put on 'top speed. At the same time he or- dered the wireless to signal for help. Wireless messages were caught up by the Admiralty and help arrived in due time. Before the Admiralty got the word, however, the St. Paul found 'herself in a hot chase. Although the words were painted twelve feet high on the sides of the steamer, "Ameri- can Line, St. Paul," that did not in the least deter the submarine from pursuing. The passengers soon learn- ed of the presence of the submarine, and excitement prevailed, many of them donning life-preservers, while all made ready for a possible torpedo- ing of the ship. It was early in the morning and the sun was just over the horizon.

**The Liner Too Fast**  
 The submarine clung to a straight course off the stern of the ship, some 250 yards away. The St. Paul speed- ed up to 20 knots an hour and the submarine was unable to gain, altho it was evidently intent on reaching her. The submarine kept up its ef- fort to come abreast of the liner until the St. Paul had got to the bar leading to the channel. By that time help had arrived and the submarine turned tail and disappeared into the distance.

## Would Protest Before World

London, Sept. 17.—"If I were Count Zeppelin, I would protest before the world against the Kaiser using my in- vention as I saw it used last night," Guglielmo Marconi, the wireless in- ventor, thus commented on the Zep- pelin attack. "How sick at heart the count must be," he said. "If my in- vention were used to kill harmless men, women and children like that, I would shout out a protest to my own king before the entire world. Death and fire have no more effect on war in such case than if caused by light- ning. The Germans might as well have killed them in Berlin as far as affecting the allies is concerned."

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