

One On The Canadians Who Knew It All

A Secret Movement of Troops That Proved To Be a Real Secret; New Brunswick Battalion on the Move

(By Lacey Amy special correspondent of The Times.)

With the Canadian Forces in France, Aug. 17—You who stand afar and read from the printed pages see little of the heart of war. It is the music of war, the action pulsed through the great frame of Mars by those hidden valves, that speaks to the man standing away on the hilltop of reading in the isolation of distance. Even we, who look out from the inside, miss much that will come to be interwoven into the chronicle of the struggle as to its essence.

But we do see some of the throes of life that makes possible the great events with which the outside public is familiar, the skeleton on which the body of the struggle is built. And as the days pass I find my interest centred more on the plans and preliminary operations than on the big campaigns as they are made public through the fighting line. For it is the movement behind the lines that makes victory possible, not alone the valor of the man, but the plan, the we have never doubted. A link in the chain of the former I would describe.

Of the possibilities of secrecy, at least to a certain point, I am now convinced. The Canadian Corps was settled after its hard fight at Passchendaele, and the following winter's operations about Lens. Then for a few weeks it took over a portion of the line about that much fought over town near Arras. Again it seemed to have settled for the fall and winter, though constant movement continued those who considered it worth while to play the prophet.

Suddenly came orders to move. So sudden were the orders that even reviewing it today from the advantage of knowing what has followed, there was no indication that any change of importance was contemplated. There were many other attendant circumstances that made the orders more startling.

Everybody Knew.

But when the move was announced of course every one of us was aware of the destination. Somebody's chauffeur or batman told somebody else's chauffeur or batman, and "my officer, who is in the know," says that we are going up about. Even the French people at the estimate knew all about it. As a secret it was a dismal failure. Orders were issued that no one was to talk. And of course none of us did. We just listened to the talk of others and smiled inwardly at the superiority of our own information. We even had the ensuing campaign mapped out and could read the story of the past in the light of the future, a reversal of the procedure most popular in the army and among war critics.

Tomorrow we were to pull out at a certain hour of the morning. Now, if anyone wants to feel the thrill of panic, he should come inexperienced into the operations of an army and be faced with an order to move within twenty-four hours. It means packing up the huge paraphernalia of a half hundred busy offices in such a manner as to be at work in the new location while the last chair is being unloaded. It means finding transportation for this and for the officers, taking down the fixtures of an organization which must have every convenience, and getting everything to the last minute, checking the entire equipment, and getting under way at the minute set. A few of the details of movement obvious to the layman.

Knowing so well where we were going, much of the shock of hasty change was eased for us. We chatted and laughed about the movement without breaking the regulation, packed up our own private things and had our batmen do the rest. Then the interest for the meeting of officers which was to take place a half hour before the order under the cloak of the secrecy of army orders.

A Surprise.

Breakfast was early that morning, so early that only the zeal of our batmen and the indulgence of the chefs enabled us to break our fast at all. Then we gathered for the little conference. The officer in charge spoke of the secrecy of the move and its destination as if every one did not already know it. We smiled and waited. Then he staggered us by smiling back and telling us that our inside information was all wrong. Instead of going north we were to move south. We managed to stand up under the shock. Indeed, it was a matter of keenest delight, for it meant getting down nearer the heart of recent events.

But we cannot forgive our batmen and chauffeur and the general tendency of things official for having misled us.

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(Toronto Star.)

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Presently the brigadier came up. We talked about the previous day's experience and the possibility of the coming night. But of the plans not a word. There had not been a casualty on the route down. Ahead lay a perfect line for marching. There was a restrained gaiety and excitement through the khaki uniforms.

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Prize Winners.

The Knights of Columbus fair was brought to a close last evening. A large number of people was in attendance and the various games, etc., were well patronized. The prize winners were: John Crawley, a pipe; Patrick Delaney, a box of cigars; Pte. Edward Hansen, a necktie; Miss Annie Travis, 1st prize bean toss; Mrs. James McCormack, second.

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FELL INTO SHIPS

HOLD AND KILLED

An Atlantic Port, Sept. 26—Seaman John Dunn, of Prince Edward Island, was killed yesterday when he fell fifty-five feet down the hold of the steamer Dagobald. He was three other men had been painting the interior of the vessel in separate stagings when he fell. Corner Townsend took the evidence of the captain, mate and the man working next to the deceased and decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

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