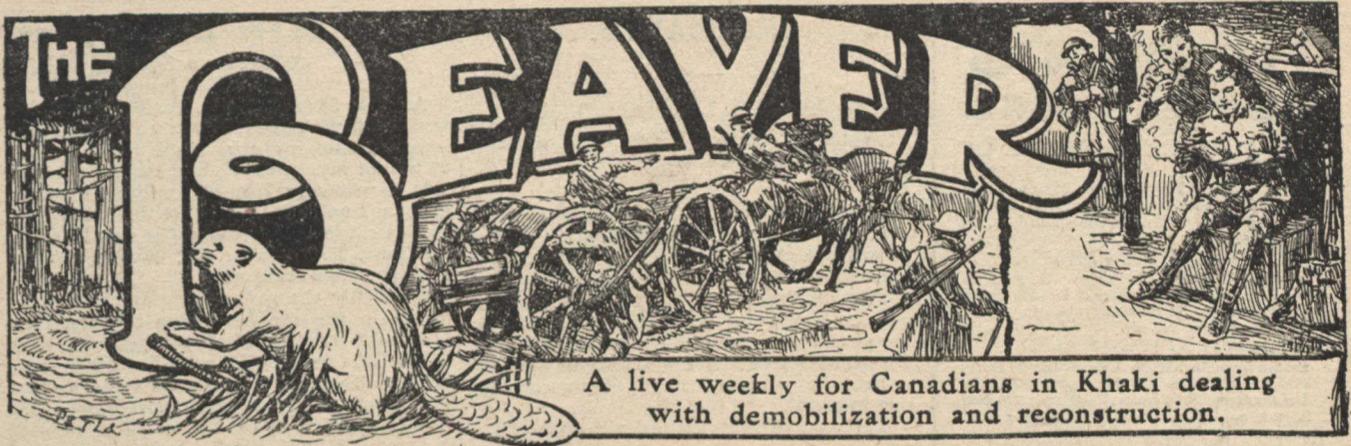


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CANADA has produced many remarkable soldiers during the war—soldiers who have held their own with the most highly-trained professionals in some of the fiercest and stiffest fighting on the Western Front.

Newspaper men, barristers, assurance brokers, financial experts, manufacturers, school teachers, in a few short months have become Battalion Commanders, Divisional Commanders, Corps Commanders, directing the movements of large bodies of men in the Great Game, with as much skill, daring and audacity as they formerly directed a reportorial staff, pleaded a case, arranged a risk, floated a company or reduced to orderly discipline an unruly mob of youngsters in a backwoods school.

Lieut.-General Sir Richard W. E. Turner, who is Chief of the General Staff, is the keystone, so to speak, of this Canadian Arc de Triomphe. A business man from Quebec city, he probably knew more about actual fighting than any of his compatriots who have reached so high a degree of military eminence during these four furious years, for he made a name and won fame during that far-off event, the South African war, as a dashing cavalry officer, in which arm of the service he had specialised in the Canadian Militia. He took part in one of the most daring feats of that pigmy contest, a cavalry charge which saved the British guns and won him that glittering prize, the glorious V.C. Twice severely wounded before the fight was finished, he was mentioned in despatches; and he

CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF



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Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard E. W. Turner, V.C., K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

returned to Canada a seasoned veteran.

South Africa was only a kind of a war, but it taught the future Canadian General many things which he turned to account when he went into camp with the Canadian Militia before hell was let loose in Europe.

One of the first to volunteer when war broke out, he was given command of the 3rd Brigade with the rank of Lieut.-Col. The 3rd did some tremendous fighting in Belgium in the earlier stages of the conflict, and Lieut.-Col. Turner led the Canadian Highlanders at Langemarch in a never-to-be-forgotten battle and came through with flying colours.

General Turner is as good an administrator as he is a fighting man, and that is why he was chosen as General Officer Commanding the Canadian Forces in the British Isles when reinforcements arrived in large enough numbers to form a Canadian Corps. He would have preferred the Corps Commandership to the administrative post, but his was not to reason why, but to prepare officers and men for the arduous work which awaited them on the other side of the Channel. And well he performed the task. A further staff development saw him appointed Chief of the General Staff, a position which he at present holds. The fighting efficiency of the Cana-

dians has been equalled by brilliant staff work which has made this efficiency possible.

Besides holding the V.C., General Turner is a K.C.M.G., a C.B., and has the Distinguished Service Order to his credit.