

PRESENT PLAN OF FIGHTING ON THE BRITISH FRONT

Is Impersonal by Day But Intensely Personal by Night—More Offer For Trench Raids Than Can be Accepted

With the British Armies in France (via London)—The present phase of the fighting along the British front may be classed as essentially impersonal by day but intensely personal, not to say intimate, by night. During the short hours of the grey winter daylight big guns back of the fighting line hurl tons of high explosives against the German positions. The targets are far, far away and on thick, misty days the results of this continuous harassing fire are conjectured rather than seen. This is the impersonal side of war.

The Nocturnal Offensive

With the coming of night, however, all is changed. Then men meet face to face and hand to hand, and primitive methods of mortal combat come again into play in the midst of all the modern machinery and gas of war. The long, dark nights are ideal for trench raids and they are carried out by the British in great numbers.

Few of these raids ever gain the distinction of mention in the official communications, but in the aggressive which fields most satisfying military results. Not only is there accumulative effect upon the German casualty list, but many prisoners are taken and useful information obtained.

The Styles Change

Styles in trench raiding change from time to time. Just now the popular method seems to be to bombard a given section of a trench and then set up a barrage or curtain of shells behind which the raiding party crosses that perilous strip of shell-plowed ground known as "No Man's Land." The raiders dash into the trench, clear it of its defenders in any way the exigencies require, and then dash home again for shelter from the inevitable retaliatory fire from the Germans. Many raiders

come in dragging helpless prisoners behind them. It is one of the strange psychologies of this strange war that while grim death rushes swiftly and surely into the German trenches with the raiders, these same British Tommies or Canadians or Australians a few minutes later may be sharing their hot midnight rations with the very men who by good fortune or quick decision, escaped the fury of their deadly onslaught. Later these prisoners are passed back behind the lines to join their brethren from other raids.

Canadians Use Hammers

There was a time when the Canadians carried out raids in true American Indian fashion. Small parties would creep snake-like over "No Man's Land," cut their way through the barbed wire entanglements, and lie in wait just behind the parapets of the trenches where they could hear all that was said and all that was going on within. Often it would take two or three hours to get across "No Man's Land." There have been many instances where, after work of this character, hot coon has been sent out to raiders lying under the German parapets to warm them and refresh them for the attack.

On raids of this sort men are allowed to choose their own weapons. Few take revolvers and none rifles. Rather terrifying trench knives have been invented for the work, but hammers prove the handy and popular weapon. There are often cases where the raiders reach over, grab some half-sleep German by the back of the neck, haul him out and hustle him to the home line without disturbing the peace of the trench. The captured men have been too startled to utter an outcry until means had been taken to prevent them from doing so.

Too Many Volunteers

Service on trench raids is purely voluntary. One of the greatest troubles commanders have is to select a limited party from the excess of volunteers. Some men volunteer time after time, but often have to wait their turn while others are given an opportunity.

Germs Paint Faces Black

Sometimes the flares show telltale white stripes of light laid forward in straight lines from a German trench. This generally means an attempted raid, and the tapes are laid to guide the attackers in the dark and prevent them from getting twisted about for trench lines are not straight. As a matter of fact they are extremely tortuous, and even in daylight it is difficult to keep positions clearly in mind.

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Canada As Senior Partner

LORD SHAUGHNESSY looked strikingly fit as he stepped briskly to the pier on his arrival in New York on Friday afternoon. He stated that he had been deeply impressed by the Canadian attitude toward Canada, and seems thoroughly imbued with the Imperial spirit, which is now the keynote of British effort.

When driven back to new positions the Germans endeavor to take advantage of dark nights to "wire themselves in." They are great believers in the efficacy of barbed wire. They sometimes build



Lord Shaughnessy, British Secretary of State for War, is seen here on his arrival in New York.

As to Canada's future, I have always been certain. The war has only hastened development. With a population nearly equivalent to that of New York State, and a territory larger than the United States, her possibilities are vast. The quality of her fighting and her share in the war has carried her hands to remote corners. Before the war immigration was scanty, but now it is a measure to what it will be when peace is declared. I firmly believe that Canada will have an influx of population not unlike that in the United States about fifty years ago. A great deal of money and many thousands of settlers have already gone to Canada from the United States. The investor finds there a good field for his wealth, and the settler a fertile soil for his plow. Rewards have come quickly to both. Canada looks to the United States more than ever she did before for two reasons: money and men are plentiful here and the supply from overseas is cut off.



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