

## "MOST WONDERFUL FIREWORKS SHOW I HAVE EVER SEEN"

Wounded Canadians Tell of "Going Over the Ridge" at the Battle of Vimy; Spirit of Confidence in Victory More Marked Than a Year Ago

By Courier Leased Wire.

London, April 28.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—A number of wounded Canadians who participated in the battles of the past fortnight on the western front have been brought back to British hospitals for treatment. Although the use of names is still forbidden, newspaper reporters have been allowed to visit some of these men who are in hospitals near London.

The number of wounded arriving in England has thus far been very much smaller than has always been anticipated when operations of this magnitude were considered and therefore the task of dealing with them has been much easier than expected.

A great spirit of confidence in victory pervades these men fresh from the trenches. This spirit is far more marked than it was in the case of the wounded men brought back last year from the battle of the Somme. Their confidence is contagious for it is no mere careless haphazard confidence, it is a quiet unshakable, indubitable spirit, based on what they have seen behind the British lines as well as what they have learned by going "over the top."

It is the confidence, not of the casual observer, but of the man who really knows. These men are invariably satisfied that the allied armies possess greater striking power than the Germans, that the organization behind them is infinitely superior, and that, man for man, Germany can produce nothing to equal the French and British troops in morale, training, fighting efficiency and staying power.

The popular conception of the returned warrior shows him preoccupied exclusively with the conflict from which he has just emerged—the actual fighting. Some of the wounded men from Arras are like that. But others, and these the great majority, are mentally quite remote from the matter of combat and blood shed. Their minds are dominated by an odd, detached interest in some side line, some external manifestation of the fighting, such as the marvellously effective organization of the supply and medical departments, the color effect of the bombardment or the star shells, some characteristic feature of some French village, or some suddenly revealed angle of their enemy's character. Thus one western ranchman who is in the hospital with a shell shattered shoulder is greatly preoccupied with his memory of the wonderful scenic effect of the German star shells, which he calls "the boches' distress signals."

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either dead or doing well—that is a prisoner. "We went over the parapet at 5.30 in the morning, like steeplechasers and were up the ridge before we knew we had started. The Germans didn't show much fight where I was. The first one I planned was so astonished that he hardly got his bayonet up. As for the second one, I've seen month-old recruits put up a better show at high parry and low. Our men gave plenty of evidence that they knew the right way to use a bayonet."

"Of course a large part of the credit for the dazed condition of the Germans is due to our artillery. Their trenches were just a mass of craters. We walked right through to our company objective, which was their third line, and we cleaned up the rest. A German left standing. We ought to have stopped right there, and it was bad soldiering not to do so. But we could not refuse to go on. We were ordered to take the matter of combat and blood shed. Their minds are dominated by an odd, detached interest in some side line, some external manifestation of the fighting, such as the marvellously effective organization of the supply and medical departments, the color effect of the bombardment or the star shells, some characteristic feature of some French village, or some suddenly revealed angle of their enemy's character. Thus one western ranchman who is in the hospital with a shell shattered shoulder is greatly preoccupied with his memory of the wonderful scenic effect of the German star shells, which he calls "the boches' distress signals."

A Canadian sergeant, who was a real estate man in a great lakes city before the war, expressed keen admiration for the technical side of the British performance. "It is a great push," he said, "and the reason of it in my opinion is that nothing was left to chance. It was an assured success before it began. My battalion had done the whole thing over and over again behind the lines. I've been studying organization ever since I was a boy, but I never dreamt of a more perfect organization than has been going on behind our lines since last autumn. People talk of a German organization. I don't believe the German army people can touch what is now opposing them. If they could, they would have smashed the allies to atoms in 1914 and 1915, when they had a ton of metal to every hundred-weight against them and more. To-day the odds in brains, material, and organization are all heavily against them. I don't know exactly where we were when we got to their trenches, and the whole operation ran on wheels."

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## CANADIANS UNMOVED BY GAS SHELLS

(By Stewart Lyon, special correspondent of the Canadian Press in France.)

Canadian Army Headquarters, May 11.—The increased strength of the enemy on this front, especially in artillery, continues. His use of gas shells is prodigious. On one small area of trenches held by the Canadians north of Arleux, over five thousand gas shells fell yesterday, and the men holding the line were under the necessity of wearing their gas masks continuously.

Despite these conditions, ground is gained. Yesterday morning, in the region of the Wood of the Swallows, south of Souchez River, an important sector of the enemy's trench was taken in a surprise attack from a point of vantage. The assaulting force attacked with grenades and bayonets. The enemy put up a strong resistance, but the element of surprise placed him at a disadvantage. In a very short time three hundred and fifty yards of his front line trenches and support trenches were in our hands. They have now been incorporated in our lines, which by these bites into the German defense are creeping nearer Lens.

A few prisoners were captured and from them it was learned that the Germans on this part of the front should have been relieved several days ago, but were told they would be given no period of rest in billets till they recovered the trench taken from them early this week. Several spoke of our artillery fire as unendurable.

The Canadians recently in action around Arleux and Fresnoy were reviewed this morning by the corps commander, who, afterwards expressed his admiration for their disciplined valor and urged the new comers in but ranks remember that not by courage alone could battles be won.

The wastage of the last few weeks is rapidly being made up by draft.

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## Artillery Fire Broke Attack

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London, May 11.—Desperate fighting was in progress all last night along the Arras battle front. Reuters' correspondent at the British headquarters telegraphs. The Germans launched many attacks, all of which were broken by the fire of the British artillery and machine guns. The night's fighting began with an attempt to force the British position between Gavrelle and the Souchez River. This effort broke down and then the Germans swarmed in and around Fresnoy were seen to be forming for an attack upon Arleux. The British gunners opened fire on them, and although they made an advance under their own barrage, the attempt cost them dear and resulted in a complete repulse.

South of Souchez River two formidable attacks were launched. Liquid fire was employed and large bodies of infantry were thrown in. Fierce fighting followed as the Germans came on with great determination, but they finally fell back under a hail of shrapnel and did not attempt to renew the attack.

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Beef, Iron and Wine, reg. 75c., Our price. ....	50c	Carbolic Tooth Powder, reg. 25c., Our price. ....	15c	Castile Soap, long bars, reg. 25c., Our price. ....	19c	Tooth Powder reg. 15c, 25c., Our price. ....	15c	Reg. \$1.25, Our price. ....	\$1.00	Toilet Soap, assorted odors, reg. 10c., Our price. ....	5c	Castor Oil, reg. 15c. a bottle, Our price. ....	10c
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## PIRATES WINNER OF WIERD CON

Six Pitchers Used in at Boston, Braves 11 to 4

Boston, May 10.—Pittsburgh 11 to 4 to-day in a 10-inning game. Each team used three pitchers. In the six who had relieved Barnes, Y and Pittsburgh scored five runs, three hits and two errors. Reulbach finished the game. Manauz started visitors and was wild. He pitched him and was little. Grimes worked well for the der of the game. Grimes is credited with the victory.

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At Brooklyn

Brooklyn bunched three in the first inning to-day and gained a lead that the local overcame, the visitors hit two straight by three to one. ghn was saved by sensation ing, a great one handed c. Dell with the bases full on two runs in the seventh, who robbed Daubert of two ex hits by brilliant catches. S

Chicago . . . 200010000  
Brooklyn . . . 000000000

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At Philadelphia

Philadelphia defeated 8 in a pitching duel between der and Meadows here to-day. Killifer scored the only the second inning on his de out and Paskert's single. T was played in one hour and minutes. Score:

St. Louis . . . 000000000  
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At New York

New York hit Times hard day, and easily won the game of the series with C by a score of 5 to 2. Chief a two-run lead in the third and three hits and an error. Giants by hard hitting c score, winning in the sixth gles by Burns and Kauff, man's sacrifice fly and a double. Score:

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Batteries—Tony and Harritt and McCarty.

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