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Activity of the Canadians Very Costly to the Enemy

Canadian Headquarters in France (via London), June 13.—(By Stewart Lyon, Special Correspondent of the Canadian Press.)—The activity on the Canadian front which is still continuing, is confined to the northern sector, in the region of Souchez river. His loss of several strong points during the past few days has stirred the enemy up to vigorous action. Last night he counter attacked in the hope of recovering the machine gun positions from which a dozen German machine guns have been removed during the past few days and the Canadian Lewis guns substituted. The attack was preceded by a heavy barrage fire, but it broke down completely under the Canadian artillery and machine gun fire. The assaulting party retired in the direction of Lens, after sustaining material losses. How costly to the enemy the continuous activity in the Souchez region is has been conclusively established by documentary evidence.

Little Worries In The Home

These Bring the Wrinkles and Pallid Faces That Make Women Look Prematurely Old

Almost every woman at the head of a home meets daily many little worries in her household affairs. The care of her little ones, the work about the house all contribute to these worries. Most of them may be too small to notice an hour afterwards, but they constitute a constant strain that affects the blood and the nerves and make women look prematurely old. The effect of these little worries may be noticed in sick or nervous headaches, fickle appetite, tiredness after slight exertion, and the coming of wrinkles which every woman dreads. To those thus afflicted Dr. Williams' Pink Pills offer a speedy cure; a restoration of color to the cheeks, brightness to the eye, a hearty appetite and a sense of freedom from weariness. Among the many thousands of Canadian women who have found new health and strength through these pills is Mrs. G. Strasser, Acton, West. Ont., who says:—"I am the mother of three children and after each birth I became terribly run down, I had weak, thin, blood, always felt tired, and unable to do my household work. After the birth of my third child I seemed to be worse, and was very run down. I found the greatest benefit from the Pills and soon gained my old time strength. Indeed after taking them I felt as well as in my girlhood, and could take pleasure in my work. I also used Baby's Own Tablets for my little ones and have found them a splendid medicine for children's ailments."

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The company roll in one of the enemy battalions in the line only two days shows that during these two days 25 out of a total strength of 114 were killed or wounded. On the third day seventeen were captured, making a total loss of forty-two. Other companies and battalions in the area must have lost men in about the same proportion. Some subjected to gas were in perhaps a higher ratio. It is extremely useful occasionally to be able to check up in this exact way statements of a more general sort that the enemy suffers severely as a result of our never ending shelling.

A veteran officer who passed through the worst phases of the defence of the Ypres salient says the conditions now are exactly the reverse of those of a year ago, so well remembered by thousands of men, now mustered out who took part in the great events of June, 1916. The Canadians then had endured the enemy's concentrated fire from commanding positions. Now the Germans suffer greater losses daily from Canadian guns that are posted on even more advantageous ground than the enemy when occupied.

Another Mighty Blow Coming?

British troops are striking along almost the entire line they hold in Northern France, not with the terrific force which marked the victories of Arras and Messines, but in a more or less tentative manner, giving weight to the belief that Field Marshal Haig is preparing to launch a mighty blow on a hitherto unprecedented scale. Two features of the fighting stand out with sharp significance: the first is the feebleness with which the Germans are reacting, and the second is the surprising promptness with which Berlin admits retirements in various sectors.

The whole situation is entirely similar to that existing prior to the great "strategic retreat" of the Germans from the Somme. There is considerable evidence that Field Marshal von Hindenburg is planning another great withdrawal, and that Field Marshal Haig is pressing him at all points in the hope of delivering a shattering blow if such a second "retreat to victory" materializes.

The Italians, having successfully maintained their advance in the face of the most formidable Austrian counter-attacks, are apparently preparing for a resumption of their offensive.

Vienna reports that the Italian guns have opened with the greatest violence in Carniola, indicating that Gen. Cadorna has chosen a new sector in which to deliver his next blow. The scene of the bombardment is some thirty miles north of Gorizia, and an offensive in this region would support the reports that the Italian commander has far more ambitious plans than even the conquest of Trieste.

The upheaval caused by the great war, which has already dethroned two monarchs, now seems to menace the ancient crown of Spain. The utmost exertions of the Spanish censors have failed to completely suppress the reports of grace happening in the peninsular kingdom. From what little is known the Spanish army is taking the lead in the revolutionary movement, which is further accelerated by the food

scarcity and industrial unrest. Rumors of revolt have been current for several months and at the end of May it was announced that the constitutional guarantees would be suspended while the government prohibited all public manifestations in respect to international questions. This was followed by an outbreak at Barcelona on June 1, the seriousness of which was indicated by the fact that the soldiers sided with the rioters and imprisoned a number of their officers.

The exact part which the issues of the war play in the Spanish crisis is difficult to determine. The masses of the people have been generally credited with being strongly pro-Ally in sentiment, while the aristocracy leaned toward the side of Germany.

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Queen Mary As Waitress

(London Paper.)

Her Majesty the Queen and Princess Mary this week graced with their presence the opening of the first kitchen under the control of the Ministry of Food at Westminster Bridgeroad, London. Her Majesty and the Princess were welcomed on arrival by Lord and Lady Devonport, Lady Rhonda, Mrs. Davidson (wife of the Archbishop of Canterbury), and others. Both Royal ladies signed the visitors' book, and made an inspection of the premises, after which they took their places behind the counter to watch the actual serving of foods. Women and children were admitted, and having purchased tickets, were supplied with any of the articles of food figuring on the day's menu. The Queen and Princess chatted freely with intending purchasers, asked what they wanted, passed their plates, and generally assisted in the work of supplying their needs. One old lady, who was very deaf, found difficulty in understanding Her Majesty's questions, and the Royal ladies were amused to find she was seeking to be served with beef when they were trying to obtain soup for her. The old woman left the kitchen before learning the identity of the lady who had taken such interest in her. On learning that this lady was the Queen, and that Princess Mary was with her, she promptly returned and made a profound curtsy. The Queen asked one tiny lad whether he found his plate too hot, remarking, "Be careful my dear child, or you will upset it all." Her Majesty expressed the opinion that the food was very good and very well cooked. The rhubarb mould in particular appealed to her, and she was anxious to sample it, but as she was wearing a veil she got Princess Mary to do putise for her. The Princess took a second helping, and informed her mother it was "very good indeed." The following was the menu which Her Majesty helped to serve:—Carrot soup, 1d.; roast beef (per plate), 4d.; baked apples, 1d.; boiled onions, 1d.; rhubarb mould, 1 1/2d.; rice pudding, 1 1/2d. One child asked for rice pudding, and a brimming supply was loaded upon the plate. "My dear, do take care!" cried the Queen. Her Majesty made a gesture of despair. "Don't, don't upset it." "Rice? No? Blanche? Oh, meat! Yes, right up to the end. Have you brought a plate?" A smile and a nod, and the Queen was attending to the next. A pudding-ladle was handy, unused for a moment. "For you? Rice?" In went Her Majesty's ladle, and a generous supply was piled on the plate. Princess Mary took the ticket and stuck it on a file quite in the regulation way. It was a very human and informal visit. Everybody who watched was delighted.

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