

HOW I RECEIVED MY VICTORIA CROSS

LT.-COL. W. A. BISHOP RELATES NOTABLE EXPERIENCE

When Canada's Foremost Airmen Appeared Before the King at Buckingham Palace.

One day I had truly a wonderful surprise, says Lt.-Col. Bishop. It had been a very rainy day, and as there was no flying I went over to lunch with a cousin of mine, who was stationed only three miles away. After luncheon I returned, and upon seeing my squadron commander, went up to speak to him. He told me that the general in command of the Flying Corps had been trying to get me on the telephone, and said he wanted to speak to me when I came in. I could not imagine why so important a person as the general should want to speak to little "me," but rang him up. My cup of happiness overflowed when he told me that he wanted to be the first to congratulate me upon being awarded the Victoria Cross.

I could hardly hold myself down after hearing the great news. Walking across the aerodrome to the squadron headquarters, which was stationed on the other side, I had tea with the men there and then came back. The next night we had a big celebration in the way of a dinner, and managed to collect guests who came quite big distances to be there. It was a wonderful success, lasting until after midnight, and several of our guests remained all night and returned early the next morning.

A few days afterward I returned to England on leave, when I went to the investiture by the King. I had, on the previous day, received a telegram of instructions, telling me to report at Buckingham Palace at 10.30 in the morning dressed in Service uniform. At 10.10 I was there, not wishing to be behind time on such an occasion, and realizing I had better find out before it happened just what was expected of me.

The Ordeal of a Lifetime. Walking into the Palace, I came to a hat-stand, where everybody was checking things. I handed in my hat, gloves, and stick, whereupon I was told to hang on to the gloves, wearing one on my left hand and carrying the other. Then, following a number of other officers, also there to be decorated, I came to a room in which a general was standing. I asked him where I was to go, and he asked me what I was getting. I began the long recitation of V.C., D.S.O., and M.C., but before I had finished he told me to go in with the D.S.O.'s, as I was the only V.C. So I slipped away into a room where there were about 150 other officers. After waiting there for over half an hour, another general came in and gave us explicit instructions as to what to do in the King's presence. It was a terrible moment for us all.

Finally the door opened, and we were headed toward the room in which the King was standing with his staff. Following some generals and colonels, who were being admitted to the Order of St. Michael and St. George, it came my turn to march in. I knew my instructions well. Ten yards across to the middle, another room, and then a turn to the left and bow. Imagine my consternation when, at the first of those ten paces, one of my boots began to squeak. Somehow or other I managed to get to the proper place, where I was facing His Majesty. Here I had to listen to an account of my own deeds, read by one of the staff, while I myself stood stiffly at attention. Then, approaching the King, he hooked three medals on my breast. These had been handed to him on a cushion. He congratulated me upon winning them, and told me it was the first time he had been able to give all three to any one person.

Modest Hero Escaped Crowd. After a short, one-sided conversation, in which my only attempt to speak failed utterly, although I was trying to say "Yes, sir," he shook hands with me, and I bowed and backed away, turning and walking thirty squeaky paces to a door in the corner of the room. The moment I reached the outside of this door I thought I had been thrown into the arms of a highway robber. A man suddenly stepped from one side, and before I could stop him had snatched the three glittering medals off my chest, and was fifteen yards ahead of me on the way down the hall before I realized what had happened. I took after him, not knowing what to do, but he picked up three boxes from a table, put the medals in, and handed them back to me. Then he returned to meet the next man coming out, who incidentally was a great friend of mine, and also in the Flying Corps. The next thing to be feared was the crowd at the Palace gates and the photographers. Luckily, I had a car waiting in the enclosure, and by getting into this managed to evade everybody.

British Air Uniform. British air ministry announces in London that a light blue uniform has been approved for officers and airmen of the Royal Air Force. Some months must elapse before the new uniform can be generally provided, but khaki uniform will shortly be unavailable, and will gradually be replaced by a blue uniform.



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LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE

British Scientists Have Evolved Many New Materials. Becoming economically independent of Germany, in the future, and to a lesser degree of other nations, is an incentive which has appealed to the best brains among the Allies. What has been accomplished by British scientists so far promises much for the future.

Rare metals have been experimented with for use in both war and peace; chemicals which have become available make a long list. There is a new stainless steel, among other things, and the discoveries in glass-making places optical work well beyond German monopoly. Dyes are also out of Germany's control. Among the new materials which have been evolved is one made of resin that will soon appear in parasol handles, frames of lognettes, cigarette holders and numberless dainty accessories. It comes in finest clear amber color as well as in green and brown.

Herb growing holds a noticeable place in this research work and hygienic appliances for the caring of milk and the making of cheese show the importance which these will have in the future. Much of this work lies easily within women's sphere. Already she has shown herself to be an expert in optical work and nothing more delightful can be imagined for the woman gardener than herb growing. Everything pertaining to dairy work is legitimately in women's realm and if many of the flagrant shortcomings and omissions existing today are carried over into the new world of to-morrow it will be due quite as much to woman's neglect of her duty as to man's. Indeed, the day is already passed when women can rightly complain of many things which need improvement. The world of to-morrow will be a place where men and women will work together and where praise and blame will be shared equally.

An Unsinkable Spirit. There was a submarine on the port bow. The captain and every member of the crew knew it. There was the usual nervous efficiency. Seamen who had been torpedoed before were assuring their comrades that they would all get off safely, hurrying while they spoke to get their life-belts adjusted. One of the stewards, full of anxiety for his commander, rushed up to the captain and asked where his life-belt was.

"I wanted to buckle it onto you, sir," he said, excitedly. "Mind your own business," retorted the Irish captain promptly, "and you help with the guns. I'm from Cork and I don't need any life-belt."

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Chinamen at the Front. In France at the war's close there were about 50,000 Chinamen employed in road and railway making, machine repairing, and blacksmith and carpentry work for the allies. Their wages range from \$9 a month for coolies to \$6 a month for skilled fitters; board and lodging, clothes, light and fuel being found by the Government, which also conveys the workmen from and to China free; and gives a bonus in hard cash of \$270 on embarkation, \$75 in case of injury, and \$150 in case of death.

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CURIOS FACTS ABOUT COLD.

Strange Effect Which Extreme Cold Has Upon the Human Body.

Cold presents many odd facts. In the first place, water made by melting snow is very unwholesome and causes painful inflammation of the throat, palate and tongue.

Intense cold causes a dulling of the senses, taste and smell becoming almost nil. The lack of these two senses seems, however, to be a very kind and wise provision of nature to enable the traveller in the cold regions to eat all kinds of oily, disagreeable foods like blubber and fat, which are necessary as heat producers. The effect of cold on the eyes is very dangerous. It causes them first gradually to close and then to freeze tight.

Ears do not freeze except where the moisture from the breath is converted into snow; but the cold glands are rendered somewhat torpid by the cold, and dark beads gradually become lighter, until after a while they seem entirely changed in color.

Another curious fact about the cold of the Arctic regions is that when a person stops walking or working in any way whereby the feet get exercise, the sole of the foot loses all sense of feeling.

In all extremely cold lands, the moisture exhaled from the body condenses into small, hard crystals which make quite a bit of noise as one walks about.

To Utilize Old Tin Cans.

It is estimated that \$2,000,000 worth of used tin cans are wasted every year in Canada. A company, called Can Conservers of Canada, Ltd., has been formed in Toronto to collect these, and cleanse, sterilize and re-top them for use again. It is understood that MacKenzie-Mann interests and J. P. Morgan & Co., of New York are interested in the undertaking.

Origin of Sandwich.

Sandwich takes its name from John Montague, fourth Earl of Sandwich, in 1792, who used to have slices of bread served to him while he was at the gaming table so that he need not stop playing. To go farther back, he derived his title from Sandwich, a town in Kent, England, the name of which was made up of the Anglo-Saxon words, sand and "wic," meaning town—sandy town.

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Australia's Contribution.

Australia sent abroad 336,000 men of a population of 5,000,000. Of that number the total casualties were 290,191. The dead reached the remarkable figure of 54,431, while the prisoners numbered 3,401, and the wounded 156,000. The recruiting when the war ended was at the rate of 4,240 a month.

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