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Canada's One Hundred Days













Canadian Operations

- The Battle of Amiens
- 8-11 August 1918
 The Battle of Arras,
 26 Aug 3 Sept 1918
- · Canal du Nord &
- Cambrai 27 Sept 11 Oct 1918
- Capture Valenciennes 1-2 November 1918





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Topic:

Canada's One Hundred Days

Who



"Canada's One Hundred Days" included Canadian and allied forces as well as the German Army. During this series of events, Canada contributed heavily into many significant battles across this time. Many individuals were prominent during this time period, however I will be focussing on private George Lawrence Price, the alleged last Canadian soldier to die at war.

What



Canada's Hundred Days is the name given to the series of attacks made by the Canadian Corps between August 8th and November 11th of 1918 during the Hundred Days Offensive of WW1. The Spring Offensives of 1918 were Germany's last attempt to defeat the British and French armies on the Western Front, and thereby win total victory. Their failure by the midsummer left the German army fatally weakened, demoralized and facing its own imminent and defeat through an Allied counteroffensive. This period of time is known as Canada's Hundred Days due to the substantial role that Canada played during the offensive. During this time, Canadian and allied forces pushed the German Army from Amiens, France, east to Mons, Belgium, in a series of battles. Due to the German forces growing weaker near the end of the war, Canadian's strong evolvement drove the Germans to surrender. After the Germans surrender through signing the Armistice Agreement, it finally put an end to this tragic war. Even though the agreement was signed early in the morning, battle still took place up until the clock stroke 11:00 and my story will be focussing of the story of the last Canadian who was reported to die in this war.

Where





Since this was a series of events and battles, there is not a specific location as to where it took place, however, this is where the Canadians Participated (in the Offensives; August 8th - November 11, 1918):

- Amiens
- Arras
- Drocourt
- Canal Du Nord
- Cambrai
- Valenciennes
- Mons

When



August 8, 1918 - November 11

Why



In 1918, Germany began launching a series of major offensives in March that pushed the Allied lines back. Despite these successes, this was to be Germany's last major effort to win the war as they had overextended their army. After years of war, their resources of men and supplies were dwindling. The Allied forces were being reinforced by American troops after the entry of the United States into the war in 1917. The Allies regrouped and stopped the enemy advance, then set about to make their own major push to finally end the war. Soon after, the Germans signed the Armistice Agreement with the allies that then put an end to the war.

Other Questions:

What is the armistice agreement? armistice is a formal agreement of warring parties to stop fighting. It is not necessarily the end of a war, as it may constitute only a cessation of hostilities while an attempt is made to negotiate a lasting peace.

What was the aftermath of the offensives? In 1918, a series of major German and Allied offensives broke the stalemate of trench warfare on the Western Front, resulting in the near-collapse of the German Army and the end of the fighting before the end of the year

How many Canadians died during "Canada's One Hundred Days"? 45,830 soldiers

How did the Allies 'win' WW1? When Russia exited the war, Germany gained ground against the Allies because the Germans were no longer fighting on two fronts.

What happened during the battles in the Spring Offensive? Overall, it ended with the Allies being victorious from every battle. The Spring Offensives of 1918 were Germany's last attempt to defeat the British and French armies on the Western Front, and thereby win total victory. Their failure by the mid-summer left the German army fatally weakened, demoralized and facing its own imminent and inevitable defeat through an Allied counteroffensive.

Which instruments of war were used during this time? Artillery was the dominant weapon in the battlefield in 1918. Guns fired high explosives, shrapnel, smoke and gas shells. They could provide barrage or harassing fire, bombardments and counter-battery firing; they could also be used against enemy aircraft.

Story Spine

Once upon a time	There was a 24 year old man named George Lawrence Price who worked as a farm labourer in Saskatchewan. After his birthday, in December of 1917, he was drafted in to fight in the war.
Everyday	After he was drafted, he would write to his girlfriend, Julia. The war was getting tough, but the Germans were losing their power after years of war; their resources of men and supplies were dwindling.
Until one day	The Germans decided to make a last final effort to create a dramatic advance and win the war.
Because of that	The Allies regrouped and stopped the enemy advance, then set about to make their own major push to finally end the war. George L. Price fought in Amiens, Cambrai, in the 'Pursuit to Mons and the allies continued fighting back harder, and stronger, with Canada's troops contributing immensely.
Because of that	The Germans continued to lose their power after many battles. On November 9, 1918, Kaiser Wilhelm II stepped down. Germany declared itself a republic.
Because of that	Germany signed an armistice agreement with the Allies on November 11, 1918. A representative of the new German government met with French Commander Marshal Foch in a railway car near Paris. The two signed an armistice, or an agreement to stop fighting. On November 11, WW1 came to an end.
Until finally	In the last ten minutes of the war, George Lawrence Price was the last Canadian to be killed on the battlefield at approximately 10:50, he was shot with a sniper to the chest and died a few minutes later.
And ever since then	Julia lost her love and never even got the chance to introduce their baby to him. The world was happy to be rid of the war and all that it has caused, however the war still left immense trauma, damage, and loss for people all across the world.

Story Board

