

TON AND HALF OF READ CONSUMED IN THE CAMP

Every Day--One-Fifth of the City Supply.

THERE ARE 1,000 MEN

IN THE BASE BATTALION AT THE PRESENT.

Ottawa Likely To Get a New Battalion--Sanitary Conditions at Barricade Good--Very Few Men Ill. All the bread used in camp, amounting to a ton and a half a day, is cooked right in the camp. This is a fifth of the amount of bread used by the city of Kingston every day. From this may be imagined the system which allows such a large amount of good quality to be made

and handled so well. At the south end of the Army Service Corps lines are two sections of eighteen ovens for cooking of the bread. Each oven is shaped like a half circle and is about four feet long. The bottom is of brick and the steel shell roof is also bricked on the outside. The method of heating is to build a fire right in the oven and after this has been burning long enough to heat the steel shell and the bricks and earth around, the fire is pulled out and the bread put in. The doors are then put into place and the final result is 3,000 pounds of the very finest quality of bread.

The quality of bread, in official language, must be "sweet and wholesome; must be inspected; made from strong superfine wheat flour of the best quality with sound, wholesome yeast and be baked in loaves of two pounds weight each.

It is to be twelve hours drawn from the ovens and to keep sweet and good for twenty-four hours after delivery.

The same high standard is maintained in regard to vegetables and groceries. The following are the specifications in use in contracts for these articles. The potato to be of good size, sound and free from sprouts and decay and to weigh 50 pounds to the bushel. Breakfast bacon, best quality, thin rind, mixed fat and lean and well cured. Green bacon, best quality, thin rind, firm, mixed fat and lean. Beans, whole, clean and good color. Cheese, rich, fat and good flavor.

The best meat is provided for the soldier. The conditions under which this must be supplied are: The beef shall be ox or heifer; the mutton must be wether or ewe; oxen must not be under two or over five years old; heifers and cows not under two nor over four years old; both to be of the best quality, properly fed and to be well slaughtered at least twelve hours before the time of issue.

When it is considered that the Army Service Corps is responsible for the transportation, housing and feeding of every man in camp, the work done can be appreciated.

Recruits are being taken on at Ottawa for the 7th Artillery Brigade but as no men have yet been sent down to the camp, the efforts seem to be in vain. There are no lack of recruits, however, in other centres, and in a very few days after the departure of the overseas detachment, the brigade will be brought up to strength again. The men are in readiness to go at any time, but it is learned that this will not be for at least a week, although absolutely nothing definite had been decided on.

As mentioned some time ago, Lieut. Charleson, at present with the Army Service Corps, intends to take the course in the School of Aviation at Toronto. Lieut. Charleson was in Toronto a few days ago, and made the necessary arrangements, and expects to leave at the end of the month if his services can be dispensed with here for the time being. He is already an experienced aviator having made a great number of flights but this is the only course which would entitle him to a certificate for overseas service with the Royal Flying Corps.

The Base Battalion is now about 1,000 men strong and after having transferred 100 to the 39th Battalion on Thursday. The men transferred have been training for some time, and will bring the 39th Battalion up to full strength. A full company of 250 men, however, will have to be drafted after the company, which is going overseas as reinforcements, leaves. Two new officers are in camp in the persons of Capt. Charleson and Capt. G. N. Kennedy, both of whom came down with the 330 men from Lindsay. They are 45th Regiment officers, and will remain in camp and assist in the drilling of the men of the Base Battalion.

On Thursday for the first time battalion drill with the Base was attempted and the men went through complicated movements in a way that was highly satisfactory to the officers. Lieut-Col. Fee has a right to be proud of the way the men of the Base Battalion are rounding in to shape, as he has to deal with absolutely raw material in most cases, but when they are drafted to other units they must be well-trained soldiers.

It is now practically certain that the Base Battalion will not be numbered the 59th as at first announced, but later cancelled. From the latest order issued by the Minister of Militia, it is likely that Ottawa will be given another battalion taking the place of the 38th. This will in all probability be the 59th. Men from all over this division and altogether likely sent from Barricade Camp as well will go to form this battalion.

Some men are being secured for the Royal Army Medical Corps for which a request was made a few days ago. One of these men, who will no doubt be accepted, is Sergt. Paul, 8th C.M.R., Medical Staff. Sergt. Paul is a graduate of Toronto University and is very highly regarded by the medical officers in camp. Unable to secure a commission at the time, Sergt. Paul enlisted as a private and has on his merits proved to be one of the best medical men in the camp.

The 8th C.M.R. lines are a credit to the camp as well as to the regiment. It is comparatively easy to keep infantry lines in good condition, but where horses are kept in large numbers, to do this means a great deal of extra work. Nevertheless, the lines of the 8th C.M.R. are neatly lined with white-washed stones, and even flower gardens are being planted.

Several of the officers in camp are bringing their families to the city to live. Among those who are doing this are Lieut-Col. Munroe, Major Routh, Capt. Archibald and Lieut. Bate, 8th C.M.R.

Corpl. J. Reid, P.A.M.C., has been promoted to the rank of sergeant.

Capt. Hollis, Medical Officer of the Base Battalion, has a medical tent which is well equipped and in a good location.

Among the guests present at dinner at the Headquarters Officers Mess on Thursday evening were the officers commanding the several units in camp and also Lieut-Col. N. Perreux and Lieut-Col. R. E. Kent.

Pte. Simmons of the 39th Battalion received a bad fall on Thursday morning. While walking over a tent rope he tripped and in his fall he fell on a tent peg which gave him a severe blow in the kidneys which necessitated his being removed to the Kingston General Hospital for treatment.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

DECIDED TO CLOSE SCHOOLS ON FRIDAY

A Number Of Appointments To Teaching Staff Made At Meeting On Thursday Night--Needs Of Commercial Department.

The school children are happy today. The Board of Education, at its regular meeting on Thursday night, decided to close the schools to-day, (Friday).

The meeting was given over for the most part to the receiving of reports and routine business.

Management Committee.

The following recommendations of the Management Committee submitted by the chairman, Trustee Henderson were adopted:

That all the members of the Public School teaching staff, those who have not accepted re-appointment (5) and those who have tendered their resignations to take effect at the end of June excepted, be engaged for the year 1915-16, by the rules and regulations of the Board.

That D. McDougall, of Comber, Ont., be appointed Principal of Frontenac School in succession to Mr. Greenlee, at an initial salary of \$1,200, with annual increases of \$100 until a maximum of \$1,300 is reached. Mr. McDougall is a teacher of ten years' experience and has been most successful in all departments of his work.

The Heta Hiscock B.A., Jean Crozier, Rosa L. MacLellan, of Petrolia, and Edith C. Wallace, of Lansdowne, be appointed to the vacancies on the Public School teaching staff under the rules and regulations of the Board.

That Nellie Spooner, B.A., be appointed to the permanent staff, to act as Model assistant during the September term, and to take regular work from January to June.

That A. E. Thompson, B.A., of Borham, Ont., be appointed as assistant in mathematics and to do general work in the Collegiate Institute, at an initial salary of \$1,000 with increases provided by schedule.

That Miss Florence Elliott, B.A., be appointed as assistant in English and to do general work in the Collegiate Institute at an initial salary of \$900, with annual increases under the schedule.

The following recommendation of the Management Committee was withdrawn for further consideration:

At the present fee list bears heavily upon non-residents where more than one member of the family are in attendance at the Collegiate Institute, your Committee, after due consideration, recommends that clause 8 of the Management report, adopted on Sept. 14th, 1911, be reconsidered and that the non-resident rate be as follows:--Forms I. and II., one pupil \$30; two pupils from the same family, \$40; and the third one, city rate, \$1, making a total of \$45 per year for three pupils of the same family. Forms III. and IV., the same as the foregoing with the exception of for one-pupil, which shall remain at \$25, making a total of \$70 for three pupils above Form II. Trustee Meek and Godwin held that if a reduction was made for outside pupils, the city pupils should be given the same consideration.

During the discussion Principal Slinger presented an interesting piece of information, to the effect that there were five members of one family attending the Collegiate Institute.

Trustee Meek moved a resolution to the effect that any taxpayer who has two or more children attending the Collegiate Institute, and paying fees, be allowed a reduction in the same proportion as has been suggested for non-residents.

Commercial Department.

These recommendations of the Commercial Advisory Committee of which Trustee F. Anglin is chairman, were adopted:

That in order to improve the efficiency of the commercial department in the Collegiate Institute the course be changed from two to three years, in September next.

That six new typewriters be purchased for the use of the department at a cost of \$420. These machines are badly needed even under present conditions, the equipment now in use causing delay and inconvenience owing to lack of necessary accommodation for the securing of good results.

That the fee for the third year of the commercial course be \$10, the same as for the second.

That pupils outside of the commercial form be allowed to use the typewriting machines for a fee of one dollar per year.

The Finance Committee through the chairman, Trustee Mills, presented a report containing a great amount of accounts for payment, which was carried.

Trustee Godwin made a strong protest against outside teachers being employed by the Board. He claimed that there were many Kingston teachers who were anxious to secure employment, and that they should be given the preference. He also voiced a protest against the Board giving out the work of pointing the school buildings to a contractor who secured men to do the work. He held that the work could be done by day work, and that any member of the Board could hire the men and see that the work was done, and that in this way money would be saved.

Reports Presented.

The report of Principal E. O. Slinger, of the Collegiate Institute, for May was as follows:


Enrollment, 422 or 27 more than last year, average 374, or 7 more than last year. No teacher was absent or late during the year.

The report of Inspector J. Russell Stuart, for the month of May was as follows:

The total enrolled attendance at the end of the month was 2,512. This is 68 more than for May 1914. The total daily average attendance was 2,246, an increase of 29. The kindergarten enrollment for the month was 221.

During May, fire-drill was duly practiced in all the schools. The report of the school nurse, Miss Jean McCallum showed the following: Pupils inspected, 750; number of instructions given, 25; consultations

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