

DRAFTING FROM UNITS CAUSES GREAT HANDICAPS

And Creates a Good Deal of Dissatisfaction.

NEWMAN'S RESPIRATOR WAS DEMONSTRATED IN CAMP ON MONDAY

Prof. R. Carr-Harris Is Preparing Trenches For His Demonstration This Week, of How To Fight Poisonous Gases.

The troops at Barrieffield camp are getting down to real hard work and are showing the effects of life under canvas by working better than ever before.

Every unit in camp is under a handicap due to the reinforcement drafts that have been or are being taken out. The strength of the 38th Battalion was increased by 500 men on Monday. These 500 men are from the Base Battalion, and although they have never had a drill it has been impossible to teach them more than the rudiments. They have been taken out of their "class" (the Base Battalion which to some extent is composed of recruits) and put among 500 other men who have been drilling all winter and must know quite a bit about their work by this time. It is certainly wrong to imagine that the new men can be expected to do the advanced work that the remainder of the Battalion have been doing to date. The 500 veterans do not speak, must start all over again and do the elementary work. This scheme demoralizes men and officers.

Exactly the same conditions exist in every one of the overseas units in camp. The 8th C.M.R., has already sent over fifty men as reinforcements and recruits who have never had a uniform on before are arriving every day to fill up the ranks. On the 7th Artillery Brigade there is a draft of men waiting to go in a very few days, and recruits are being taken out to fill their places. In both of these units the effect of taking the draft has been to more or less demoralize the work of the men.

This is the only complaint of the men and officers in camp and though it is seldom expressed, it is the sincere wish that if the authorities want men, let them take the complete unit without officers and then the officers know that they are to be simply instructors rather than commanders.

Lieut. Wright, 8th C.M.R., reported for duty on Monday afternoon after visiting with friends in Ottawa.

The 7th Artillery Brigade, if the present arrangements work out, will take a route-march down the Gananoque road on Wednesday starting in the morning and returning late in the evening, meals being furnished from transports. The brigade is working hard and progressing satisfactorily. Every day, mounted parades are held and the men and horses are being broken into the work. The horses which have pretty nearly all been secured since the camp opened, have had to be trained but now answer the signals like veterans.

If it takes all kinds of people to make a world, it takes all kinds of men to make a qualifying class for officers. There are several Kingstons attending the Provisional School of Infantry at Barrieffield camp. There is among the prominent ones Rev. S. J. M. Compton who wants to learn to fight Germans on the field as well as in the pulpit. Next in line is James T. Sutherland, the famous James T. manager of the Franconia Hockey team which has won hockey laurels for many years. Next in line is H. H. Hill, known all over the province as one of the best football players Queen's has ever had.

Paul A. Newman, Toronto, demonstrated a respirator, of which he is the inventor, to the officers at Barrieffield camp on Monday afternoon. The respirator is of metal and fits snugly over the mouth and nose, the peculiar construction making it possible for the wearer to exhale foul air but impossible to inhale any but that which passes through a sub-

stance that neutralizes the effects. He claims that it will act against any heavier than air gas. In the office of the A. D. M. S., chlorine gas was generated and Mr. Newman entered and remained in the room for some time apparently unaffected by the poisonous gas.

Prof. R. Carr-Harris is having trenches dug on the parade grounds and will give a demonstration of his method of fighting the poisonous gases of the Germans. This demonstration will likely take place in a very few days and it is also likely that the Minister of Militia will be on hand for it. The method Prof. Carr-Harris uses, is entirely different from the one demonstrated on Monday afternoon.

It is likely that a large number of the Base Battalion will be taken to Ottawa and be the basis for the formation of the 59th Overseas Battalion, Lieut.-Col. H. J. Dawson's command. The list of officers who have been recommended for commissions has been forwarded to Ottawa for the formal approval of the Department. Several Kingston names are included.

Fifteen recruits arrived for the Base Battalion from Trenton on Monday.

There is an average of ten on the morning sick-parade of the 7th Artillery Brigade. As there are about 500 men in the brigade, this makes only two per cent. of the men of the brigade on the parade, which is a tribute to the sanitary conditions of the camp. There was not a man from the Ammunition Column on the sick parade on Monday.

Men are being received every day for the 8th C.M.R., and are given places vacated by the men sent on the overseas draft.

There is not one case of contagious disease in the camp.

A number of the Camp Engineers under Capt. Wilgar are constructing a tank near the 8th C.M.R., lines for the use of the men in their shower baths and the horses for drinking purposes.

Three marquees and a cook-house are being erected near the Detention Hospital for a Field Hospital. So many cases have had to be removed to the city hospitals that the authorities thought it more economical to treat the minor ailments in the camp.

Dogs of all varieties are plentiful in camp. There are some very valuable dogs and there are also mongrels of all sizes running around seeking adoption. A soldier who was surrounded by four at one time was heard to remark: "A sausage maker could make a fortune here." Nevertheless the soldiers treat the dogs well.

Pte. Wasker, 38th Battalion, is in the Detention Hospital with rheumatism in the ankle.

The men of the 8th C.M.R., are being issued with new blankets by Major Routh, quartermaster. The blankets are thoroughly aired all day, and every day and periodically new blankets are given out and the old ones cleaned.

Thirty-seven patients who are in the City hospitals (the Military Hospital, General Hospital and Hotel Dieu), will be removed to the newly established Field Hospital in camp.

The Base Battalion is receiving steadily increasing orders to good hard work. Monday was one of the subjects taught on Monday, some of the men receiving rifles for the first time.

Sergt. F. T. Hart, 39th Battalion, has been transferred to the Base Battalion as armourer-sergeant.

Prof. W. L. Grant, adjutant of the 14th Regiment, is attending the Provisional School of Infantry at the camp and will qualify for a higher rank.

The bright days are taken advantage of by the signallers and the dif-

ferent sections are one on the plains from morning until night throwing their signals through space by means of the heliograph and flags. Every man in the Machine Gun sections must become acquainted with the semaphore method of signalling.

There are about fifty signallers in the 7th Artillery Brigade.

There were twelve cases in the Detention Hospital on Monday.

Two patients were transferred from the Detention Hospital to the Base Hospital on Monday afternoon.

The 8th C.M.R. was engaged in mounted and dismounted out-post work on Monday in the woods across the road from the camp. Out-post work is the establishment of protection to convoys, etc. The work is very interesting.

Lieut. Glass, assistant adjutant of the 38th Battalion, returned from Ottawa on Monday after spending the week-end in that city.

J. Webster and A. S. Watson have been taken on as clerks in the headquarters paymasters office.

The subalterns of the 38th Battalion were given an opportunity of taking command of the complete battalion on Monday for the instruction in the work. Enlarging the command and the responsibility in very instructive to the officers.

The Machine Gun Section of the 38th Battalion was engaged in bayonet practice on Monday morning and on semaphore signalling in the afternoon.

Brigadier-General Hodgins, who is in the city for the closing exercise at the Royal Military College, was a visitor at the camp on Tuesday and expressed himself as highly pleased with the arrangements.

S. S. W. Boss, C.M.S.C. Ottawa, has been transferred to the headquarters office here.

W. Duncan, clerk in the Paymaster's Office at the camp, has resigned.

CITY COUNCIL

Sat Through Till Midnight on Monday.

DECIDED UPON TARVIA

AS PAVEMENT TO BE PUT ON UNIVERSITY AVENUE

The Mayor Wants the Board of Works and the Engineering Department to Push Street Operations.

The City Council sat until midnight Monday, and then adjourned until this evening to transact further business.

Two hours and a half were occupied in discussing the recommendations of the Board of Works regarding the type of pavement for certain streets. By a vote of 11 to 7 the Council adopted the recommendation that tarvia be used on University avenue, on Aberdeen and William streets, aztec asphalt, the same type of pavement laid on Princess street, between Clergy and Barrie streets, will be used.

The Board of Works had recommended Burmudez asphalt for Aberdeen and William streets, but after some discussion it was decided to change this recommendation to aztec, which is considered fully as good and which will cost \$37 less.

There was still a cheaper asphalt offered by the Imperial Oil Company, but it did not appeal to the Council. However, Ald. Newman moved that it be taken, asking if there was anyone with "sufficient strength of character" in the Council to second his motion.

No one offered himself, and Ald. Nickle was led to remark: "Now you know why people uphold the Utilities Commission, for there does not seem to be another here with strength of character."

Ald. Hughes tried hard to get the Council to lay sheet asphalt on University avenue, and was backed up by Ald. Litton. However, Ald. Graham pointed out that sheet asphalt was too costly. The price for a running foot was \$3.93 as against \$1.78 for tarvia. Aids. Couper and Nickle backed up Ald. Graham as to the good road that tarvia would make.

Ald. Hughes moved that the recommendation in the Board of Works report regarding University avenue be struck out, but this was lost on the following division:

Yeas—Mayor Sutherland and Aids. Fair, Gillespie, Hughes, Litton, Peters, Wright.—7.

Nays—Aids. Bews, Couper, Clugston, Graham, Kent, McCann, Newman, Nickle, O'Connor, Richardson, Wormwith.—11.

The recommendation adopted was as follows: That in reply to the communication from Public Utilities asking Council to decide upon the type of pavement for University avenue, that avenue from Princess street to Stuart street be reconstructed with water bound macadam, concrete curb and gutter on the Local Improvement Plan and then treated with Tarvia X.

The Finance Report. These recommendations of the Finance Committee were adopted: That the account of the Provincial Board of Health for \$451.37, being the proportion due by the city of salary and travelling expenses of the District Officer for this district be

paid, this sum has not been provided for in the budget.

That an incinerator, building and equipment committee be appointed consisting of the following: Ald. G. Wright, the Mayor, A. W. Hill, Litton. The duties of this Committee will be to take charge of the construction and purchase of the equipment of the incinerator and also of the equipment necessary in connection with the collection and disposal of garbage.

That Civic Holiday be held on July 26th.

That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare a by-law regarding the license and condition of circuses on the same terms as to one which has been recently repealed.

That the City Solicitor be asked to prepare an amendment to the traffic by-law as follows:—when a motor vehicle meets or overtakes a street car, which is stationary for the purpose of taking on or discharging passengers, the motor vehicle shall not pass the car on the side on which passengers are getting on or off until such passengers have got on or got safely to the side of the street as the case may be.

That a committee consisting of three members to be known as "The Sinking Fund Committee" be appointed consisting of the following: the Mayor, Ald. Kent and the City Treasurer.

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In attendance at the meeting were: Mayor Sutherland and Aids. Bews, Clugston, Couper, Fair, Graham, Gillespie, Hughes, Kent, Litton, McCann, Newman, Nickle, O'Connor, Peters, Richardson, Wright and Wormwith.

IN MARINE CIRCLES.

Movements of Vessels Reported Along the Harbor:

Steamer India due Wednesday morning from Montreal.

Steamer Toronto, down on Tuesday morning.

Steamer St. Joseph is unloading coal at Swift's wharf.

Steamer St. Lawrence will make her first trip on Wednesday morning to Alexandria Bay.

Steamer Thousand Islander will make her first trip on Sunday afternoon.

Steamer Kingston, which was expected to be running by June 22nd, has now been detained until July 1st.

Steamer Haddington will have to go into the Kingston Shipbuilding drydock for extensive repairs. It is expected she will enter the dock on Wednesday. The barge "Burmudez" at present in the dock, will leave on Tuesday night.

Steam-barge John Reynolds arrived from Bay of Quinte ports Monday afternoon.

Schooner Bertie Calkins arrived at Crawford's wharf with coal from Charlottetown.

Found Him a Kingstonian.

Capt. William Smith, of the First Canadian Artillery Brigade, in writing to Kingston friends, said he had a fine young Kingstonian drafted into his company, Joseph McCandless, son of W. McCandless, a Princess street jeweller. He formerly was on the Whig staff, and a student at Queen's. He joined the forces at Fredericton, N.B.

To Inspect Camp Cooking.

Sergt-Major Kerrison, Royal Military College staff, leaves on Tuesday for a two months' inspection trip, accompanied by Major-General L. Lessard on a trip through Canada. Sergt-Major Kerrison is recognized as one of the best chefs in the country and will look into the conditions of the cooking arrangements in the military camps.

CATARRH LEADS TO CONSUMPTION

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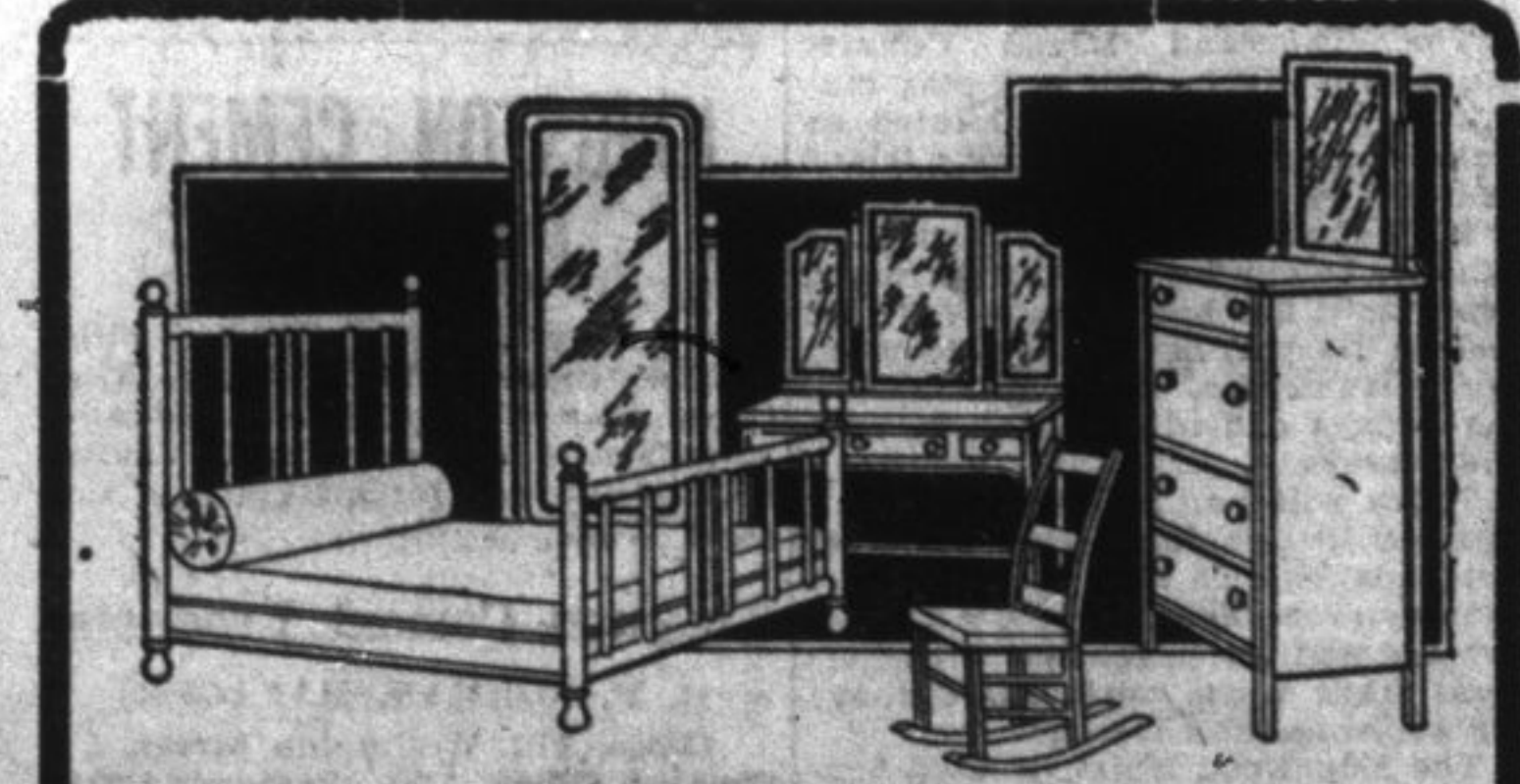
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