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Many Military Matters

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There is very little doubt but that, if weather conditions are favorable, the battalions coming to Barrieffield camp shortly after the first of May will come here by road, the route marches being made directly from their present stations. It would be a splendid training for both the officers and men of the battalions and taken with reasonable rests would not be tiring.

This would mean that there would be troops arriving who had marched from Peterboro, Lindsay, Perth, Port Hope, Cobourg, Cornwall, Belleville, and Brockville.

The suggestion is now being worked out and the hundreds of different details that would arise are being planned for. It would be big move, but with the organization of Military District No. 3 could, in the opinion of qualified officers, be easily accomplished.

The soldiers who will be camped at Barrieffield camp this year will be given a training that will if they are in camps a sufficient length of time, enable them to leave Canada, and go directly into the trenches.

To answer the call for drafts, should they be asked for unexpectedly from any of the ten battalions at the camp, from the very first day the soldiers will start with squad drill, trench fighting etc. Lieut.-Col. W. J. Brown, General Staff Officer, hopes that every man in the camp will receive a much further advanced training than the elementary work.

It is now being planned to make night-work a big part of the programme. Practically all the important moves that are taken by the soldiers in France and Flanders now when near the firing line, are taken at night. This is done to prevent the immense casualties that would result should any big movement be attempted in the day-light hours.

The soldiers at the camp will receive instruction in the occupying and the relieving of other men in the trenches, outposts, advance guard rear guard and flank guard tactics and all such work that would be necessary to perform in the training of men for the battle front of trench warfare. During these night attacks and "workouts", fares, rockets, and other devices, likely to be used by an enemy, will be employed to give the men a thorough grounding in their use. Hand grenades will also

form a great part of the work as this branch is proving very important.

Some part of the training time will be taken up with instruction in the building of dug-outs, trenches and shelters of all kinds.

There will be at least seven different schools running for the duration of Barrieffield camp. The Infantry School of Instruction will be engaged in the training of probationary officers and N.C.O's. There will also be the School of Signalling which has been carrying on such splendid work here during the winter.

The school of Musketry, School of Cookery, School of Machine Gunnery, Equitation School and School of Bayonet Fighting and Physical Drill will all be carried on.

In this connection it was suggested to the Whig that the lady stenographers might attend the School of Cookery.

The 146th Battalion is "broke". This is the plainest statement of an all too true fact. Lieut.-Col. C. A. Low, commanding officer, has been holding recruiting meetings and using every known device in the way of advertising the need for men and he has used up the money that has been paid into the battalion fund by subscriptions. The assault-arms held on Thursday night was held first to entertain the men of the battalion and secondly to raise money for the carrying on of the recruiting campaign to a successful conclusion so that the 146th Battalion could march into Barrieffield camp at full strength.

The colonel has secured 900 of the 1,153 men for the 146th but it will still need a lot of hard work, time and money to bring in 300 more to the fold.

Considering the fact that a great many Kingston merchants have benefited to the extent of thousands of dollars by military contracts and the sale of goods to the soldiers, it was to be expected that the colonel would be financed for his recruiting campaign. Such has not been the case however, and except for \$500 from the city, a similar amount from the Federal Government and a few other subscriptions, not one of which was large enough to be satisfactory, the fund has never been at any time fully equal to the demand.

It has been calculated that every man distributes \$60 a month to the community. This means that King-

ston has been receiving almost \$20,000 a month since Nov. It costs at least \$5 on an average for recruiting a man or a total of \$5,000 for a battalion.

Lieut.-Col. F. S. Ferguson, 146th Battalion, is recruiting for the battalion through the country.

Capt. J. M. Wilson, Assistant Director of Dental Services, who will be in charge of the dental work for the camp, expects to have ten dentists and a quartermaster busy all season.

The 146th Battalion under Major Gray and the signallers attending the School of Signalling took a route march out the front road on Thursday afternoon.

Col. T. D. R. Hemming, D. O. C. was in Belleville on Thursday afternoon inspecting the 80th Battalion.

Lieut.-Col. G. H. Gillespie, was in Peterboro on Thursday afternoon.

Major H. R. Wilson, D. A. A., and Q. M. G., is trying to find a soldier capable of filling one of the most important positions at the camp—that of camp sergeant major. The position should be filled by a man old in military experience.

Capt. J. C. Bonycastle, Bowmanville and Lieut. Gilven, Ottawa will proceed overseas in the immediate future to the Dental Corps.

Recruiting for the 146th Battalion has suddenly quieted down and Lieut.-Col. C. A. Low announced on Thursday that he had not attested a recruit in a week.

Pte. H. D. McDonnell has been transferred from the 180th Battalion to the 146th Battalion.

Lieut. J. M. Phelan, 80th Battalion, was in the city on Thursday.

The ground floor of the Kingston Armouries, will be reserved for the use of St. Mary's School Cadet Corps between the hours of 8 and 9 p.m. on Friday evenings.

Mike (who was in the trenches): "I woke up last night with the feeling that my wrist watch was gone." Pat: "Well, was it gone?" Mike: "No; but it was going."

In the World of Sport

The Boston series between Wanderers and Quebec was a frost, netting each team only \$103.

A triple schedule will be played by the teams in the N. L. U. this season, which will open about May 20th.

The new plan of the United States Golf Association, to limit the list of entries for the amateur championship next September to 400, has been announced.

President J. J. McCaffrey, of the Toronto Baseball Club, recently received an appeal from an inmate of the Illinois State Prison at Joliet for a donation of bats and balls.

The New York Americans have enough players for three ball teams, and Manager Birmingham, of the Toronto Leafs, expects to land a few of them before the end of the week.

The Toronto Lacrosse League will be revived if the efforts of a number of men interested in the national pastime do not go astray.

Both Nationals and Shamrocks will no doubt secure the services of a number of last year's M. A. A. players. "News" Lalonde, will again lead the Nationals.

An international battle is on for Easter Monday in London. Young Rosser, flyweight champion of America, is to meet Jimmy Wilde, title holder of England.

It is stated that the shares of the Wanderers and Quebec hockey teams, respectively, of the money taken in at the "post-season's" Boston games amounted to \$136 for each.

The Winnipeg Kennel Club's bench show to be held in May is expected to be one of the biggest ever seen in Western Canada. R. A. Ross of Montreal will be the judge.

The question of suspending, for the present season, the Canadian Canoe Association regatta, will be discussed at the annual meeting of the Canadian Canoe Association, which takes place in Ottawa the first Saturday in May.

John B. McLean, former catcher on the Cincinnati and New York National League Clubs, has acquired the franchise of the New Haven Club, of the Eastern Baseball League. The price paid is given as \$9,000.

Two brothers, Fred. Davis and Dr. Andy Davies, Ottawa, have enlisted, the former with the Fourth Battalion Pioneers, and the latter is seeking a commission in the 207th. Both are well known footballists, and played last year with the Ottawas.

The official closing of the English football season on April 30th will release a large number of soccer professionals whose contracts will expire with their various clubs, when a

further strong rally to the colors will be made.

Pantagos, of vaudeville fame, is said to be the man interested with the Patricks in the proposed launching of professional hockey at San Francisco. He has looked into it, and hopes to have a team next year.

Despondent because of his physical condition and because he killed a negro in making an arrest, Edward Hohnhorst, aged thirty, former National League and St. Louis Federal League ball player, committed suicide by shooting him at Cincinnati.

Mrs. Amelia Barr, the novelist, says: "The present young women take too active a part in athletics. For girls to play golf, tennis and other games that rightfully are men's sports is outrageous."

Ban Johnson, president of the American Baseball League is said to have engineered the deal by which Tris Speaker went to Cleveland, refusing to allow any of the stronger clubs to bid for the Boston star.

The Brampton Lacrosse Club will again play in the senior series of the Ontario Amateur Lacrosse League, of which they were winners last year. Several of their players enlisted and there will be several vacancies in the ranks.

Toronto Globe: Of all the "infant" or amateur talent that was promised for the National Hockey Association last winter, Arbour of the Canadiens was the only one to come through, and he was an O. H. A. junior from Victoria Harbor.

Official time of the run-getting in the opening games were kept at baseball headquarters, and a Canadian had the honor of scoring the first run of the season. "Glad" Graney, the St. Thomas boy, did the trick for Cleveland. The Indians though couldn't stand prosperity, and their run-getting ended there.

The first of the King's Plate candidates to arrive at Woodbine from outside points is John Peel, which came from Hamilton, in charge of Bert McDonald. He is a son of Martin and The Lintie, and was bred at the Valley Farm. He was raced by Sir John Hendrie and was a winner at two years old, but unsuccessful in his three-year-old career for the King's Guineas. He is now owned by G. McIntyre, of Hamilton.

At a meeting of the Western Ladies' Hockey Club it was decided not to enter the proposed Ladies Baseball League. The team may play a few exhibition matches with another local club.

No baseball season ever had such glorious prospects as the present one. The signing of the Cincinnati peace treaty passed the Federal out of existence, and Organized Ball is now left to do larger business than ever. Financial conditions are better now than they ever were across

the border, which means a lot to amusement magnates.

The progress of the New York Americans, under Donovan's management, will be watched with keen interest by baseball fans everywhere this season, not only because of Donovan's personal popularity, but also because of the genuine and painstaking efforts which have been made by him with the generous aid of Messrs. Ruppert and Huston, the new owners of the franchise. Montreal fans will watch particularly the work of Frank Gilhoolay.

Tris Speaker, ranked with Ty Cobb as the greatest of all outfielders, who was sold by the Boston Red Sox to the Cleveland Club, has an enviable record with the bat.

Since 1908, when he joined the Red Sox, he has failed only once to hit over the 300 mark, and that was in his first year.

His best season was 1912, when he reached the remarkable total of 333. Last year he dropped off to 322.

The Toronto Sportsmen's Battalion has a grand chance to win the famous Boston Marathon next week. Thanks to the generosity of Jacob Cohen, J. P., the sportsmen are able to send down Corporal "Jim" Corkery for the big race. Mr. Cohen presented the sportsman with \$100 toward Corkery's expense and he is going down in charge of Capt. Elwood A. Hughes, who handled him when he won the English Marathon in 1912. The runner's physical condition will be looked after by Corporal Tommy Daly.

Toronto Mail-Empire: If the United States immigration officer that turned back Billy Fitzgerald at Niagara Falls on Tuesday had heard all the uncomplimentary remarks said about him yesterday he would certainly ask for a transfer to Mexico. Fitzgerald was on his way to Hobart College, Geneva, N.Y., where he was to coach their lacrosse team again. "Billy," in addition to being one of the greatest lacrosse players that Canada ever produced, is a thoroughbred through and through. If such things are going to happen, why it's time a little reciprocity was used, and some of these cheap actresses and bad ball players kept from setting foot in the Land of the Maple Leaf.

While no one can venture to predict when Hans Wagner will play his last ball game, it is a pretty good guess that Nap Lajoie will retire after the coming season, for his nine thousand-dollar contract will expire at the end of the 1916 campaign, and he will not be likely to accept a cut or take the management of some minor league club. Lajoie is a player who has enjoyed a big salary for a long period of years. He has managed his income well and probably is better fixed than any other player now in harness. Wagner, too, is a wealthy man and it is doubtful if Lajoie has drawn more than Hans in the last ten years or so. But Hans is a more agile player than Larry and there is no telling how many more years the Flying Dutchman will be coveting around the Pittsburgh diamond.

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