

Kingston Soldiers Become Experts with the Bayonet

TEACH THE SOLDIERS

HOW TO FIGHT WITH THE BAYONET.

Lieut. Bews In Charge of the Work Here—The Great Importance of Knowing How to Handle Bayonet.

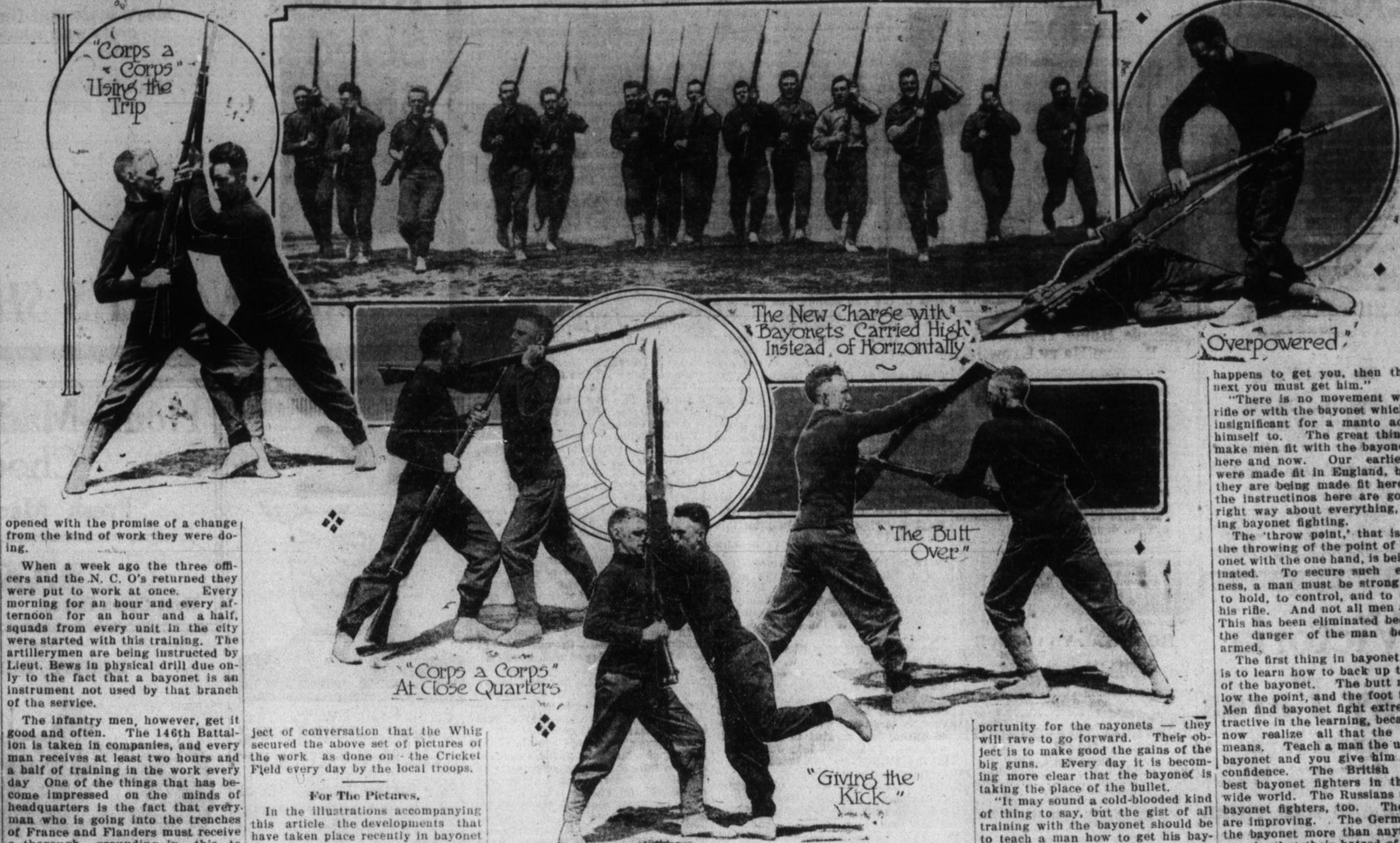
"The great thing is to make men fight with a bayonet right here in Canada, and now," said Lieut. Frank Purdy, one of the three local instructors of bayonet fighting and physical drill to the soldiers of the Kingston garrison. Lieut. James Bews, physical director of Queen's University, has been appointed to the position in charge of all of the physical training and bayonet fighting work for Barrieffield Camp. The needs of the 146th Battalion in this direction are taken care of Lieut. Purdy, son of the County Treasurer, and Lieut. W. H. Roberts.

With a number of 146th Battalion N. C. O.'s Lieuts. Bews, Roberts and Purdy a few weeks ago attended the School of Bayonet Fighting and Physical Drill at Montreal and for a month worked long hours at the handling of this all important weapon of attack and defense.

They returned to the city, in par-



LIEUT. JAMES BEWS
In charge of military physical training and bayonet fighting at Kingston. "chuck full of the stuff." It fairly vibrates from every one, and the same spirit has taken hold of the men they are now instructing. There is something fascinating about this particular kind of work, aside from the fact that it came just at the time that the monotonous squad drill had become tiresome and the men were simply working along until the camp



opened with the promise of a change from the kind of work they were doing.

When a week ago the three officers and the N. C. O.'s returned they were put to work at once. Every morning for an hour and every afternoon for an hour and a half, squads from every unit in the city were started with this training. The artillerymen are being instructed by Lieut. Bews in physical drill due only to the fact that a bayonet is an instrument not used by that branch of the service.

The infantry men, however, get it good and often. The 146th Battalion is taken in companies, and every man receives at least two hours and a half of training in the work every day. One of the things that has become impressed on the minds of headquarters is the fact that every man who is going into the trenches of France and Flanders must receive a thorough grounding in this, to him, virtually interesting and important part of the syllabus.

With characteristic initiative once the necessity was apparent, the military headquarters decided that schools should be started. These were opened at Montreal and London as well as other places. The officers and N. C. O.'s who were in attendance were given the instruction by men who had been at the front and knew what is needed in the instruction of common sense bayonet fighting. That training was passed on to instructors and now to the men in the ranks.

The subject has proved so interesting and came up so often as a sub-

ject of conversation that the Whig secured the above set of pictures of the work as done on the Cricket Field every day by the local troops.

For The Pictures.

In the illustrations accompanying this article the developments that have taken place recently in bayonet work are shown very clearly. One picture shows two men engaged in a corps-a-corps combat, one man using a short jab upwards at the throat, and the other using what is known as the trigger guard or magazine. This is a frequent occurrence in the trenches and in other places where room is circumscribed.

Another picture shows a corps-a-corps combat with two men engaged, while one is trying to get the other down by means of the trip. This is where physical strength and quickness tells. These men are at too close quarters for any other method of fighting.

In another picture the method of giving the kick is shown. This is a

ju-jit-su movement, and, of course, the kick could only be given at close quarters.

Yet another picture shows what is known as the "butt over." In this movement the one man, after parrying the direct attack, is seen giving his opponent a wallop on the head with the butt end of his rifle.

Lastly, we see the one overpowering the other.

In Service Practice.

Bodies of men who are attacking a position need the bayonet to dig

the foe out of the trenches. But the bayonet attack has to be made under cover of, and quickly following, a heavy artillery fire. The bayonet has more than justified itself in the present war, alike in repulse and in attack, and in driving the foe out of trenches that are already in process of capture. It is only with the help of the bayonet and of bombs that you can clear the trenches of the enemy.

When the big drive comes to be made, and all positions have been taken after being broken up with the big guns, then will be the big opportunity for the bayonets — they will have to go forward. Their object is to make good the gains of the big guns. Every day it is becoming more clear that the bayonet is taking the place of the bullet. "It may sound a cold-blooded kind of thing to say, but the gist of all training with the bayonet should be to teach a man how to get his bayonet into his enemy's body. That is the gist of the training which is being given in Kingston to-day, which men take greater interest. For, after all, the bayonet is a very vital thing. You must get you man or he gets you, and that applies both individually and collectively. If he

happens to get you, then the man next you must get him. "There is no movement with the rifle or with the bayonet which is too insignificant for a man to accustom himself to. The great thing is to make men fit with the bayonet right here and now. Our earlier men were made fit in England, but now they are being made fit here. All the instructions here are going the right way about everything, including bayonet fighting.

The "throw point," that is to say, the throwing of the point of the bayonet with the one hand, is being eliminated. To secure such effectiveness, a man must be strong enough to hold, to control, and to re-cover, his rifle. And not all men are this. This has been eliminated because of the danger of the man being disarmed.

The first thing in bayonet fighting is to learn how to back up the point of the bayonet. The butt must follow the point, and the foot the butt. Men find bayonet fighting extremely attractive in the learning, because they now realize all that the bayonet means. Teach a man the use of the bayonet and you give him supreme confidence. The British are the best bayonet fighters in the whole wide world. The Russians are good bayonet fighters, too. The French are improving. The Germans hate the bayonet more than anything. It may be that their hatred of it is due to their ponderous training, or it may be that they have an actual fear of cold steel. The fact remains that they are not good bayonet fighters. "In the ultimate it will be the bayonet—the British bayonet—that will win this war," is the opinion of the instructors.

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THE DISTRICT NEWS

CLIPPED FROM THE WHIG'S MANY BRIGHT EXCHANGES.

In Brief Form the Events in the County About Kingston Are Told—Full of Interest to Many.

Dr. Forbes Baird, Carleton Place, has enlisted with the Dental Corps for overseas service.

Carleton Place's assessment for the current year is 2,388,614, an increase of \$80,000 odd over 1915, due to the water works, an advance having been made in the values along the line of the water mains. The population is about the same as last year, 3,850.

After an illness of about a month Mrs. James Warren, Carleton Place, passed away last Thursday of a heart affection from which she had been a sufferer for some months. The deceased lady was sixty-four years of age. She was born in Lanark township, her maiden name being Mary McCulloch, a daughter of the late William McCulloch.

Induction at Brockville

Brockville, May 18.—Before a large congregation, Rev. R. W. Hamilton, B.A., Toronto, was inducted into the ministry of the First Presbyterian Church. Rev. Mr. Hattie, Bishop's Mills, preached the induction sermon. Rev. Hugh Cameron, Morrisburg, addressed the minister, and Rev. D. H. Currie, Cardinal, the people. Rev. Mr. McLeod, Lyn, had

charge of the service and inducted the minister. A reception was later tendered Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton.

Died a Leper.

Peterboro, May 16.—Last Saturday the remains of Rev. John Davis were buried not many miles from Peterboro. He was a Baptist missionary and contracted leprosy in India. For years he has been an inmate of the Roman Catholic Lazaretto at Iracadie, N. B. The story of his sufferings and his experiences in the Lazaretto and that of his triumphant death are full of striking lessons.

A Lady Lawyer.

Belleville, May 18.—Miss Gertrude Alford, Belleville, is the only young woman to graduate this year in law at Osgoode Hall. She was born and educated in Belleville, attended to W. C. Mikel, K. C., and is now with the Legal Department, C. N. R. Miss Alford obtained high standing throughout her entire course, and will be the first lady lawyer Belleville has produced.

Lightning Burns Barn

Napanee, May 18.—This section was visited on Monday evening by a very heavy thunderstorm. Frank Milling's barn, two miles out, was struck and destroyed, with its contents. Gretna Church was also damaged considerably.

Owing to the meeting of the Utilities Commission to-night, the civic Finance Committee session has been postponed till Friday night. The Mayor is a member of both.

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