

BARRIEFIELD WAR CAMP; IN BIVOUAC AND BARRACKS

146TH MESS TENT

IS ONE OF THE FEATURES OF THE CAMP.

The Kingston District Unit Is Better Served Than Any Other In Camp—Col. Low Has Made a Great Hit.

Lieut.-Col. C. A. Low was kind enough to extend an invitation to lunch to the Whig representative on Thursday. The invitation was accepted, and the acceptance brought with it the additional opportunity of getting a clearer insight into what is being done for the 146th men while under canvas.

At noon the big tent recently erected was visited. In it were the long tables around which were seated the men of the battalion. The rain came down in torrents, but they did not care. It was dry and warm in that tent, and the pleasing odors from the cook house were floating through. The piano was going, and the men were talking and laughing, and everywhere the very best of spirits prevailed.

There are eight messes to each company, and the senior at each table or mess acts as "president." When the system is brought to a nicety there will be two orderlies at each table for every meal. These will be appointed by the "president" of that mess, who will be responsible that every man gets all he wants to eat. Every soldier is served in the same way as he would be at home.

Compare this system with that which is now taking place all over Canada where troops are mobilized into battalions!

Every company has a cook and cook house where the rations for that company are prepared for consumption by the soldiers. At meal time by the old system the men formed long lines, and with a plate, knife, fork and spoon in one hand and a mug in the other, followed the bread line to a window where the food is dished out. The greatest of patience must be used by every man in that line waiting for his turn at the window. Picture the average civilian in the same position and what would his feelings be?

Col. Low has found another advantageous side to the plan that is completely offsetting any of the drawbacks that might be launched by less optimistic commanders. The canteen is doing a rushing business, and not one cent has had to be taken from the battalion funds or from the men for the big circus tent. It is paying for itself, or rather the soldiers are paying for it by the increased business in the canteen. Col. Low insists that every cent made by the canteen be spent on the comfort

of the men, and this is one of the many uses that are found for the money.

The tent is used for lectures, as a recreation room, and in fact it takes the place of an armory and eating quarters. It is one of the best investments made by any unit, and the 146th Battalion deserves credit for its initiative in the matter.

LIEUT.-COL. T. C. D. BEDELL,



Commanding the 156th Brockville Battalion.

THE FIELD AMBULANCE

Under Capt. R. M. Filson Is Doing Good Work. The Field Ambulance Corps at Barriefield is doing splendid work under the able command of Capt. R. M. Filson. There is a good staff on the work, and this important branch is being well taken care of. On Thursday twenty-four cases were received and dealt with in the Field Hospital or the Base Hospitals in the city. Probably three times that many patients called at the hospital, but many of these are sent back for light duty and given only slight medical treatment.

In the Field Hospital there is a library that could easily be filled up if citizens would donate their books for the purpose. It is in a good book-case that was built last year by Engineers. The books are in constant use by the patients, who are crying out for more.

There are at present five patients in the Ongwanada Military Hospital, and more will be taken in from now on. The hospitals of the city are filled and a few more soldiers can be received.

THE GRAND OPENING

OF ATHLETIC SPORTS ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

It is Expected that the Lacrosse Track and Field Work will be Commenced—The Schedule.

It has been decided that the grand opening of athletic sports will be on Saturday at Barriefield camp in which baseball and football will be featured. It is expected that on Saturday following the lacrosse track and field work will be commenced. The schedule for the games on Saturday have been announced as follows:

Soccer. 156th vs. 155th on 156th grounds. 154th vs. 146th on 146th grounds. 130th vs. 93rd on 93rd grounds.

Baseball. 93rd vs. 109th on headquarters diamond. 130th vs. 126th on headquarters diamond. 139th vs. 146th on 139th diamond. 154th vs. 156th on 156th diamond.

Big Field Day July 1st.

Capt. James T. Sutherland, president, and Capt. "Nick" Bawlf, secretary, and Lieut. J. Bews are working on the plans for the big field day which will be held on July 1st at the camp. This is expected to be the biggest and best military event ever attempted at Barriefield. There will be 10,000 troops taking part with such an immense field from which to receive entries some close contests are expected. The programme will include military manoeuvres and a concert by the massed bands of the camp. At night, at the suggestion of Col. T. D. R. Hemming, commandant, a tattoo will be held. The committee is co-operating with Lieut.-Col. S. A. Simpson for these events.

After the meeting of the committee the members interviewed Col. T. D. R. Hemming, commandant, who expressed himself as being more than pleased that the association had been formed and that he would give every possible assistance. Saturday afternoon have been allotted for sports, and will be put on as part of the syllabus for the building up the men physically.

The recreational fee from each battalion is to be \$15, which will be used in the purchasing of prizes for the successful contestants in the various events.

THE MACHINE SECTION

OF 146TH BATTALION

Now in Charge of Lieut. H. M. Snider—Those in Section.

The machine gun section of the 146th Battalion is now in command of Lieut. H. M. Snider. The men are working hard. There is still room for fifteen more men in the section, but rather than draft from companies the positions are being held open as an inducement to recruits. Under the circumstances it is a splendid opportunity, and is not expected to remain open for any length of time.

The men of the section have been carefully chosen, and Lieut. Snider has a good basis for the building up of a highly qualified body. The names of those in this section are: Lieut. H. M. Snider, command; Lieut. G. A. R. Emery, Sergt. G. Lashford, Corpl. F. Clench, Privates W. Ackland, H. R. Ashby, H. Cockburn, W. Easton, A. Edwards, H. B. Ince, W. T. Marsh, A. McKay, T. Poffey, P. Shea, R. Taylor, L. Cameron, E. Gease, E. Kenny, J. W. Moore, N. Reynolds, R. Lanos, R. Stevens, G. S. Walker.

Three more Lewis guns have arrived and were issued on Thursday. In future more time will be devoted to the very interesting work on the machine guns, and the only other work will be in a little squad drill, bayonet fighting, and physical training.

154th Lacrosse Team. The 154th Battalion claims to have the makings of a splendid lacrosse team in its ranks, and by the line-up that it appears that when the contests begin the battalion will make a satisfactory showing. The team (Captains of Ottawa), are: Goal; Mike Cummings, inside (now on Cornwall line-up); Lorne Grogan, third; "Nick" Bawlf, centre; Louis Cook and John Brodwick, defense.

Owing to the fact that the Barriefield Camp Athletic Association has organized a system of sports for every man at the camp, the sports branch of the Y.M.C.A. is quiet as yet. O. P. Pearson and J. S. Whyte are looking after this work and will begin their plans as soon as it is possible to do so without interfering with the work of the camp association.

On Wednesday evening P. Carriers, a former acrobat for Ringling Bros., who is in the 139th Battalion, gave a very pleasing entertainment in the Y.M.C.A. tent. He was assisted by entertainers of the highest class from battalions at the camp.

boy got out and were carrying the cans up the Green when a woman ran out, pointed a bayonet at them and compelled them to give her one of the cans, which she took into the Park and returned it to them empty, when they were coming back.

The Nurse from the Rathmines district arrived home about four o'clock with the news that the soldiers were guarding all the bridges over the canal. She was walking along a street when a rifle appeared through a window of a public house just beside her, a shot was fired, and an officer, who was driving by, on a car, fell dead a few yards from her.

The two Nurses returned from Howth at 8.30 p.m., having had to walk the whole way owing to all vehicles being stopped. We retired about 11.30 p.m., and slept a little in spite of the "enemy" being still in the trenches opposite our door, but we were awakened many times during the night by the awful firing.

Tuesday, April 25th. It is only six a.m., but it is impossible to sleep, so we are up at the windows to see what is happening. The rebels are still in the trenches and the "Countess" is walking about

FIVE TONS OF BREAD

DAILY NEEDED TO FEED THE BARRIEFIELD CAMP.

Twenty-seven Ovens in Constant Use—Sergt. J. McCammon and His Bakers Are Kept Busy.

To feed the overseas men now in camp at Barriefield over five tons of bread daily are required. The bakers under Sergt. J. McCammon are kept on the jump from morning until late at night. There are twenty-seven ovens in constant use all the while. The bakers commence at four o'clock in the morning.

On account of there being so many soldiers in camp the militia authorities found it necessary to erect a wooden building where the dough is prepared for the ovens. Until this year the work was done in large tents, but the bakers found it very unsatisfactory, especially on wet days.

The bread is baked in ovens capable of holding sixteen pans. Each pan contains eight pounds of bread. The following men are working with Sergt. McCammon; Bakers, G. Stanford, A. Bennett, W. J. Harris, W. Buesby, John Row, helpers W. Phillips, R. Bucknell and H. Powers.

A number of bakers who have enlisted for overseas service are also helping in the work.

MEN NOT DEJECTED OVER THE WET GROUNDS.

Fine Spirit Shown on Thursday in the Lines of the 154th Battalion.

Ceremonial drill was carried on to some extent by some of the battalions on Thursday, but for the most part all work was difficult to carry on with the constant rain. After 10 o'clock the drill grounds were vacated and lectures were carried on in the tents of the battalions.

The grounds are muddy with the constant pouring down of so much "juice," and the prospects for a good appearance before the Minister of Militia on Friday were not good.

In the lines of the 154th Battalion, however, a typical example of the spirit of the men was shown. A group had just been relieved from the work at the field, and were sauntering into their tents. Suddenly one man started to sing "O Canada," and it was less than a minute before the song was coming from a thousand throats in the tents of the fact that the rain was coming

down in torrents. No person seemed to worry, and that wonderful spirit that "it cannot rain forever," which has made Canada famous, is clearly demonstrated by the men in khaki at Barriefield.

LIEUT.-COL. C. T. WILKINSON,



Second in Command of the 156th Brockville Battalion.

WORK OF THE Y. M. C. A.

Nine Good Choirs Are Soon To Be In Camp.

The Military Y. M. C. A. is keeping up its reputation of putting on entertainments for the soldiers. It has been arranged that on Tuesday and Thursday evening religious services are to be held. Thursday evening Mr. Dunsted, Royal Military College, assisted with well-rendered solos. These meetings will be addressed by the chaplains at the camp, and should soon become quite an important feature of camp life.

R. Hudson, a former organist and choir leader of London, Ont., is taking over the troubles and responsibilities of the musical entertainments at the camp, and, assisted by Corpl. C. G. L. Rickwood, 126th Battalion, is planning to have a choir in every battalion. Corpl. Rickwood has also had extensive experience in the work, and in the near future there should be nine splendid choirs at Barriefield.

Lieut.-Col. R. J. Stuart, inspector of contracts and supplies is inspecting all the battalions at Barriefield, and is at present engaged with the 146th. The colonel looks over all the books and checks up the stock on hand.

At The Morning Sick Parade

(From the Splint Record published at the Front.)

For the benefit of those who do not know a few definitions are given: Morning sick parade—What would look like heaven to a struggling young doctor but like something else to the M.O.

M.O.—Medical officer a specialist in every disease except housemaid's knee and twins.

Doctor—One who thinks he knows a little medicine. When he sheds civies and dons khaki he becomes an M.O. (see M.O.)

M. and D.—Medicine and duty. Medicine—Two No. 9's.

Duty—Work. Light duty—More work. Excused Duty—Work in the kitchen.

Destination—Duty, dressing station, rest station, C.C.S., honeyard and base.

C.C.S.—The pivot point of the collecting zone and the executing zone. Dressing Station—Where the wounded are first dressed. Syn.—Ruined house, cellar, etc.

Flu.—Influenza; when a man looks sick and has a temperature.

N.Y.D.—Not yet diagnosed; when a man looks sick and has a temperature.

Sergeant calls up first man:—M.O.—"What's the matter with you?" Private—"Chilblains, sir."

M.O.—"Take off your boots." Examines feet carefully. "What did you say you had? Chilblains? The girls at home go to a dance with worse feet than those, then go home and cry themselves to sleep; they don't go to a doctor. Grease your feet and carry on."

Next man. M.O.—"What do you complain of?" Private—"Insomnia, sir." M.O.—"Insomnia, what's that?" Pte.—"That's what our doctor says it is. When I hear a shell explode at night I can't sleep."

M.O.—"How long have you been out here?" Pte.—"Two weeks."

M.O.—"Pats him on the back. That's all right, my boy, after a while you'll wake up on a quiet night wonder what's wrong; run away and learn that song. Sing me to sleep where the bombs explode. It's great. Next!"

Education is powerless where there is no virgin soil of intelligence.

IRISH NURSE KEPT DIARY

Of What She Saw During the Dublin Uprising.

SHE HEARD THE SHOT

FIRE BY COUNTESS MARKIEVICZ AT POLICEMAN.

Countess was Dressed in Green Uniform with Brooches—Nurse who Writes is Niece of Canon Fitzgerald, Kingston.

Canon Fitzgerald has received a copy of the Kings County Chronicle containing the published diary of his niece, Miss Geraldine Fitzgerald, who is a nursing sister in St. Patrick's Nursing Home, Stephens Green. St. Patrick's House is the residence of highly qualified nursing sisters, all protestants, who give their time and skill to district nursing among the Dublin poor. Miss Fitzgerald is daughter of the late J. R. Vesey Fitzgerald, inspector of the National Bank. Another brother is manager of the Bank of Ireland, Waterford. Her diary tells of the recent uprising in Dublin and is in part as follows:

Monday, 24th April. I went out on my district in the morning as usual, and nothing out of the ordinary happened until I got to High street at 12.30 p.m. I noticed groups of people standing and talking excitedly. A patient told me there had been "terrible doings" all the morning the Sinn Feiners and Larkinites having fired on the military and taken possession of the Castle, Four Courts, and many other important buildings. I heard shots which confirmed her story. I went towards Christ Church Cathedral and was told by the caretaker that the Sinn Feiners had entered the Synod Hall. I looked in the direction of the

Quays, and, to my horror, saw a soldier lying dead on the bridge. I could hear the shots from the Four Courts. I decided to wend my way homewards, but when I got near Jacob's Factory I was told it was not safe to go by there as the Sinn Feiners had taken possession of that building, so I went another way.

On arriving at Stephen's Green I was greatly astonished to see the Sinn Feiners in the Park, digging trenches inside the railings, while others of them were ready with rifles to fire on anyone in military or police uniform who passed that way. I felt thankful when I reached the Home in safety.

Two of the Nurses had gone to Howth for their half-holiday, and another did not return from her district, so there was only two of us in for dinner, with the two matrons. Dinner! Such a meal! We were just seated and were taking our soup when we heard the most awful firing outside the house. We all jumped up immediately and rushed to the front room to see what was happening.

What we saw was this:—All the men with their rifles fixed towards Harcourt street. A lady, in green uniform, the same as most of the men were wearing (brooches, slouch hat, with green feathers, etc.—the feathers were the only feminine feature in her appearance), holding a revolver in one hand and a cigarette in the other, was standing on the footpath giving orders to the men. We recognized her as the Countess Markievicz—such a specimen of womanhood! There were other women (similarly attired) inside the Park, walking about and bringing drinks of water to the men. We had only been looking out a few moments when we saw a policeman walking down the path from Harcourt street. He had only gone a short way when we heard a shot, and then saw him fall forward on his face.

"I Got Him" said Countess. The "Countess" ran triumphantly into the Green saying, "I got him," and some of the rebels shook her by the hand and congratulated her. In the meantime, a crowd gathered round the poor victim, and we couldn't decide whether to go to his assistance or not, until a man came to the door and said they could not get a doctor and would we come. We rushed for bandages, etc., and all four of us walked across the road in front of the trenches where the rebels had their rifles ready to fire. We were quite prepared to be shot at any moment, but we got to the poor victim in safety. He was shot in the lung, close to his heart, and was bleeding profusely. A doctor arrived just at the same time as we did, and almost at the same moment an ambulance came along. The doctor bandaged the poor fellow, but we

could not stop his life blood ebbing away. He was alive and conscious. A priest attended to him and then accompanied him to the ambulance. We returned to our cold soup. Twice during the remainder of the meal we were startled by shots and ran to the front windows, but, thank goodness we saw no more murder.

A man in uniform, with a "G. R." badge on his arm—we suppose him to be a veteran—was marched up and brought into the Park as prisoner. On the pathway, a short way in from the gate, he was searched, his badge removed from his arm, and trampled on, and then his hands were tied together, and he was blindfolded. We fully expected to see him shot, and we were so relieved when he was marched across the Park. Shortly after this a young soldier walking along the road was ordered to stop and give himself up. He was about to do so when two girls ran after him, stood between him and the rifles, but their arms round him and would not let him go. The excitement was intense, but the girls carried the soldier successfully away, and the rebels, much to our surprise, did not fire. Next thing we saw a milk cart stopped. The driver and

WOUNDED CANADIAN GENERALS.



Brigadier-General Williams and Major-General Mercer, who were wounded in the recent heavy action at Zillibek. Gen. Williams is reported a German prisoner, while General Mercer, who commanded the 3rd Canadian Division, is likely dead.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years

Friday, April 26.

The guns in the Green are active continuously this morning. The explosions used to make my hand shake when writing, but now I do not notice them. Such tragedy! An old man was shot a few yards from our door, and some men who were passing carried him here. A lady wearing the

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A Man's Worth

depends upon his power to produce what the world recognizes as of value. And when you skirmish around you'll find that this power—which is just power of mind and body—depends to a remarkable degree on the food one eats.

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