

BARRIEFIELD WAR CAMP; IN BIVOUAC AND BARRACKS

HOW RECRUING IS GOING

STANDING OF DEPOT BATTERIES IN THE CITY.

Field Ambulance at Camp Has Secured Forty-one Men in Two Weeks—Dental Corps Has Now Twenty Men.

The Field Ambulance Depot at Barriefield camp secured forty-one of the 54 men in the strength within the last two weeks. For the Army Service Corps bakers for overseas service nine more have volunteered.

The Dental Corps at Barriefield and Ottawa took on three more men, and there are now twenty in the popular branch of the service.

The depot batteries in the city are now as follows, according to the last semi-monthly statement:

- 72nd Battery—1 recruit; 39 strength.
73rd Battery—20 recruits; 31 strength.
74th Battery—5 recruits; 21 strength.
75th Battery—0 recruits; 26 strength.
Ammunition column—0 recruits; 10 strength.
"O" R.C.H.A.—6 recruits, 339 strength.

Transfers and Appointments.

Lieutenants J. A. Fleming and A. C. Burgess, 77th Battalion, are transferred to Signal Training Depot.

Lieutenants W. J. Hoar, R. E. Nicholson and H. F. Wilson, 136th Battalion, are promoted to the rank of Captain, provisionally, in the 136th Battalion.

Lieut. R. R. Williams, 9th Battery, C.F.A., is appointed to 73rd Battery, vice Lieut. Wickett, 5th Battery, resigned.

Capt. E. H. Ross, Lieutenants D. K. MacDonnell and G. R. Merrick, 77th Battalion, are transferred to 238th Battalion.

Lieut. G. Mortimer, G.G.F.G., is appointed to 77th Battalion.

EIGHTY-NINE PROBATIONERS

Are Attending the Infantry School of Instruction.

There are eighty-nine probationers in attendance at the Infantry School of Instruction. The staff of fourteen, including Lieut.-Col. D. Barragor, commandant, and Capt. H. C. Wotherspoon, adjutant, is able to handle this number on the revised principle with more individual training, without difficulty.

Individuals who wish to qualify as officers at the C. E. F. Schools of Infantry, and, for such purpose, enlist in the C. E. F., should they fail to qualify, may, if they desire it, be discharged from the C. E. F.

OFFICERS MUST ATTEND

At Lectures Given at the Camp in the Evenings.

Capt. W. J. McManus, instructional cadre, gave a lecture to the N.C.'s of the 154th Battalion on Friday afternoon and in the evening lectured to the officers of the same unit.

In these evening lectures for officers, an order issued a short while ago stated that leave would be granted only sparingly, and it is being followed out to the letter. Practically every officer in the camp must attend and secure the knowledge imparted by these able lecturers such as Capt. McManus, Major Pontor, and Major Porter, who are in charge of the training for the other two brigades. Lectures are given three times a week.

A SIX-DAYS' COURSE

In Bayonet Fighting and Physical Training Starts Monday.

A six-days' regimental course in bayonet fighting and physical training for all officers and N.C.O.'s, who have not qualified at a twenty-one days' course at the B.F. and P.T. school, will commence on Monday.

In order to interfere as little as possible with the ordinary training, half of the officers and N.C.O.'s, of each unit will undergo instruction from 8.30 a.m. until noon and the remainder will be given the instruction from 2 p.m. until 5.30 p.m.

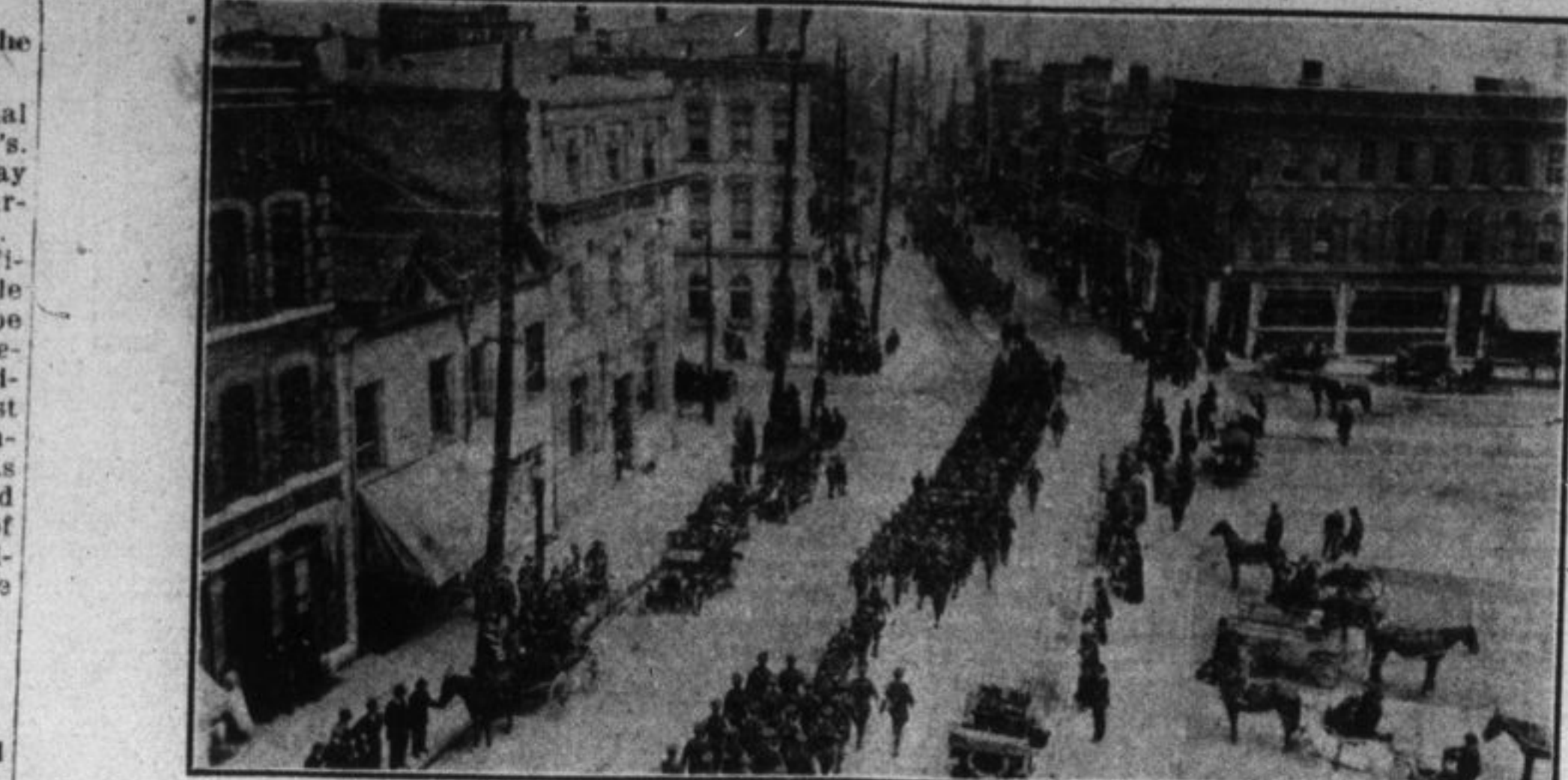


LIEUT. J. H. GRAHAM, 154th Battalion at Barriefield Camp.

More Invalided Soldiers Arrive.

The following invalided soldiers, most of whom have been through to the firing line, arrived in the city at 2.30 p.m., Saturday, from Quebec, having sailed on the S.S. Missanabie:

Pte. F. Fox and Driver P. Neilson, Ottawa; W. Yates, Kingston; J. McFaulds, Perth; Pte. H. Slater, Grafton; Pte. J. Harwood, Port Hope.



TROOPS PASSING ALONG KING STREET. The 13th Artillery Brigade in Parade Before It Left Kingston for Petawawa.

CAMP GROUND AGAIN MUDDY

AFTER SO MUCH RAIN OF PAST TWO DAYS.

The Soldiers Smile, But all the Same They Have No Friendly Feeling For the Weather Man.

The rain fell in torrents all day Friday. The grounds have become muddy again, but through it there is a smile on the faces of the boys in khaki. Their spirit is wonderful, and that true British soldier characteristic of never complaining but facing facts with a smile is ever present. The work of training goes on in spite of what comes from the skies be it sunshine or rain. The syllabus as laid down by headquarters and worked out by the battalion commanders, is varied enough to allow for lectures in the many marquees such as the sergeants' mess, officers' mess, recreation tent and in the other large tents in use by every battalion. In these officers of all ranks take squads and instill into them the principles of warfare as decided by the best of authorities. The company, battalion or platoon drill, musketry and all kindred, are dealt with. No practical work is possible, but the lectures keep the men's minds on their work, so that when the field practice can be recommenced it will be done with renewed progress—the men being able to put in practical form that which was given to them in the lectures of the rainy days.

FIVE NEW PETS

Have Been Attached to the 146th Battalion.

The 146th Battalion has five new pets for the amusement of the soldiers. Three are crows and two are foxes. The crows are former residents of the woods near the battalion lines and were caught by some of the soldiers while out for a stroll. The foxes came from the district, and were brought in, each wearing a collar. They are little fellows, and as yet are strange to their surroundings. They are great pets, however, and treated well by the men.



LIEUT. P. BROWNE, 154th Battalion at Barriefield Camp.

Capt. Munro, 93rd Battalion, is spending a few days in Bowmanville.

555 MEN WERE RECRUITED

IN THIS DISTRICT DURING THE PAST FORTNIGHT.

Of This Number the Battalions at Barriefield Secured 62—The Engineers Get the Most Men.

Half a battalion was recruited through the district in the last two weeks, 555 men being taken out of civil life and put into khaki. This is a splendid showing, considering the fact that the home influence of a battalion training in the country has been lost by bringing the soldiers to Barriefield. The Engineers Training Depot has proved the greatest drawing card in the period just closed. In that half a month 122 men were taken on the strength. The battalions which are at Barriefield and their strengths are as follows:

- 93rd—11 recruits; 982 strength.
109th—4 recruits; 939 strength.
130th—2 recruits; 969 strength.
136th—3 recruits; 791 strength.
139th—2 recruits; 948 strength.
146th—6 recruits; 951 strength.
154th—8 recruits; 1,113 strength.
155th—6 recruits; 1,186 strength.
156th—20 recruits; 1,077 strength.

It is worthy of note that the three "junior" battalions—that is, those having the largest numbers—are the three strongest of the nine.

To avoid the inconvenience that results from guards being unable to know the time at different hours during the night, the 154th Battalion has a large alarm clock fitted into a specially made box which keeps the time piece weather proof, and enables the sentries to know the time at any hour.

Lieut. M. Morrison has returned to duty with the 154th Battalion after attending the School of Musketry at Ottawa.

T H OSTAL CORPS BUSY

IT HANDLES OVER 12,000 LETTERS EACH DAY.

Sale of Stamps Amounts to \$150 a Day—Two Collections of Mail Are Made Daily.

It has long been known that the Canadian soldiers are most consistent letter writers, and spend most of their spare time telling the news of the day to their friends at home. This peculiar trait is felt in the immense work that the branch of the Canadian Postal Corps at Barriefield camp is called upon to do. Under the able direction of Lieut. Crochitliere, who is assisted by four clerks, the system is working splendidly in spite of the fact that over 12,000 letters a day is a fair average of the amount handled.

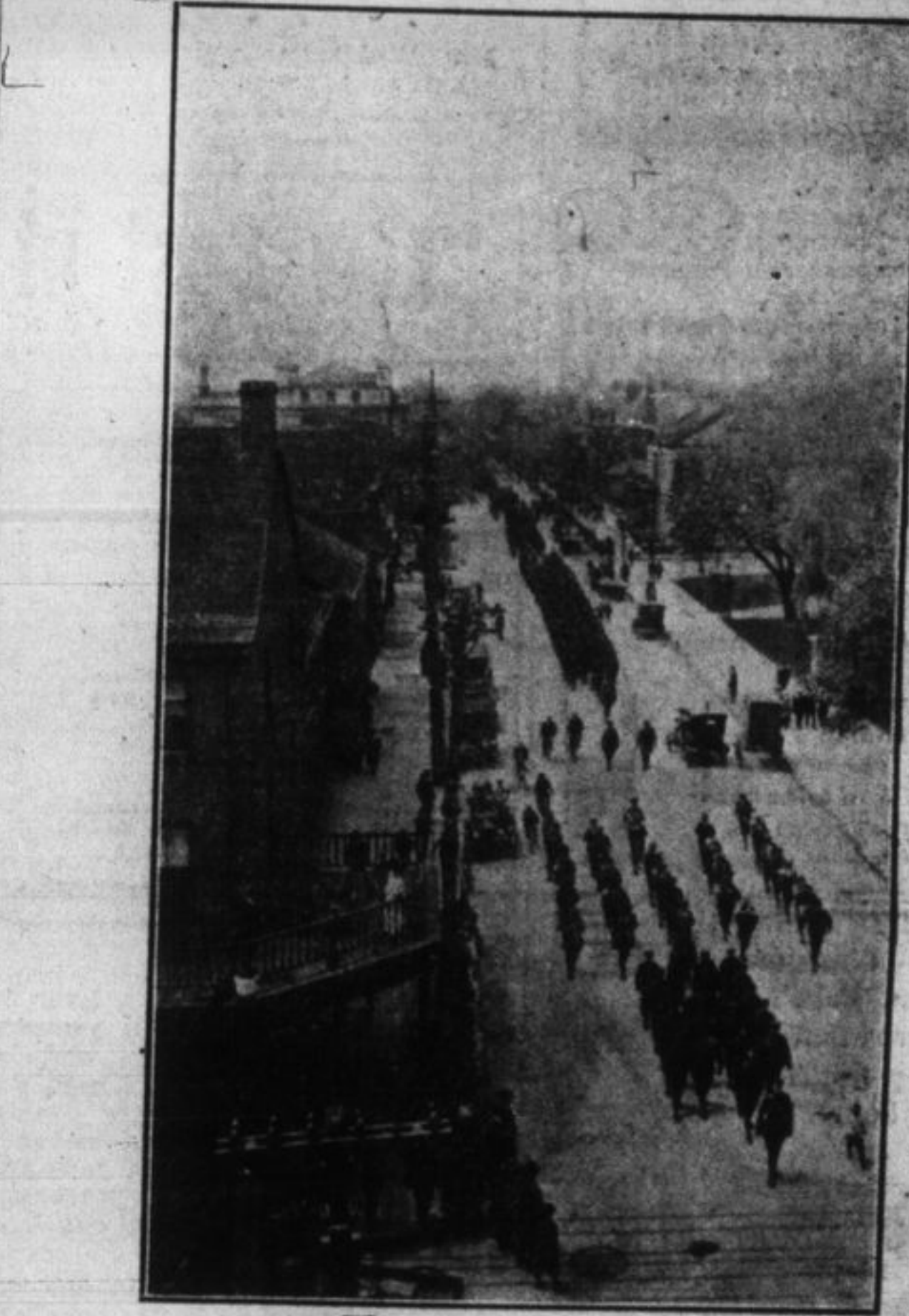
This is the work that the staff is called upon to do beside the numerous applications for postage stamps and money orders. The sale of stamps every day amounts to well over \$150, and \$3,900 or \$4,000 in money orders after a pay day is considered a very usual occurrence. The post office is situated in a separate building back of headquarters, and two collections of the mail are made every day.

INSTALLING TELEPHONES

Throughout the Camp—Two Trunk Lines to City.

Telephones will be installed throughout Barriefield camp immediately and the equipment is now here. Twenty-six jacks on the switch-board at the camp are in the equipment which will provide telephones for all of the battalions and the administration officers. As a great part of the wiring will be within the camp grounds, only two trunk lines to the Kingston Central are considered necessary. The central at the camp will be in a building back of the Headquarters Administration building, which is now partly occupied by the telegraph offices.

R. A. McEachern, E. A. Matheson, L. R. Lovell and T. M. Robinson have been promoted to the rank of sergeant in the 109th Battalion.



THE 146TH BATTALION Passing Along King Street in a Recent Kingston Parade. Lieut. Munsie is Leading.

Advertisement for Gillette Safety Razors. Features the headline 'BARRIEFIELD CAMP OVERSEAS BATTALIONS OF EASTERN ONTARIO MAKE FORWARD MOVE TOWARD BRITAIN'S FIRING LINE'. Includes illustrations of various overseas battalions (139th, 136th, 154th, 109th, Peterboro, Leeds and Grenville, Lanark and Renfrew) and a testimonial from an officer endorsing the Gillette razor. The ad concludes with 'WHOLE units are going overseas equipped privately with Gillette Safety Razors. Has your boy or your pal at Barriefield got his yet? If he has, then send him a generous supply of Gillette blades.'