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THE SCHOOL OF COOKERY

THE PRACTICAL VALUE OF THIS SCHOOL IS EVIDENT.

Course Closed on Friday—The Qualified Cooks Will Return to Battalions and Spread Knowledge.

There is one institution at Barriefield camp which certainly deserves the greatest credit. Although many things have crossed the path of its career and hindered its progress somewhat, the School of Cookery is carrying on a splendid work at the camp and progressing rapidly. This school, which is being conducted by three very experienced instructors, Sergeant-Major Kerrison, W. G., Sergeant-Major Rolfe and Sergeant Inst. Brown, closed its latest course on Friday afternoon, and some twenty graduates will now be able to go back to their units and teach the remainder of the men in the big battalion a system of cooking that will undoubtedly prove of wonderful value in giving the soldiers all they want to eat in such a manner that practically no waste results.

Like any business, those in charge of the school aim to conduct it along lines that will bear "efficiency" as the proof of the work. Efficiency in feeding 1,000 men in a battalion means a great deal, and the lack of it may result in the loss of thousands of dollars to the Government. Needless waste is avoided, but not at the cost of a shortage in the amount of food to every man. Soldiers receive more than enough by the Government ration. It may be cooked, however, in such a way that some go hungry. This is not the fault of the rations, but of the cooks, and the School of Cookery is going to remedy this condition of affairs.

The scientifically correct method of cooking food is used throughout. The various articles of the equipment of the school are made to combine theory with practice. The practical value is shown by the fact that the men eat their meals after cooking them on the different kinds of fireplaces that the school has constructed.

The exhibit of apparatus at the school is well worth going a long way to see. It has been well built and is well kept. The grounds are fenced off and whitewash has been used advantageously. The various ways in which food may be cooked are shown clearly. After passing through, one immediately realizes that here is a school that is bound to go ahead.

It is possible for a soldier to cook his mess tin dinner in a dozen different ways, but the field stoves or other equipment that is commonly used is not necessary. In all kinds of weather, and in all kinds of earth there is

at least one kind of field kitchen that can be used.

It is a great system and one that will prove by its own value its worth to the service. When more classes, like the one examined on Friday, have completed the course, the work will become more and more recognized until every cook will have to take the course.

Camp Notes.

Capt. J. M. Wilson, A.D.D.S., proceeded to Petawawa on Wednesday on duty.

Capt. C. J. Garofalo, A.M.C., has been detailed for duty to the 136th Battalion.

Monday next, July 3rd, will be observed as a half holiday in camp. Parades will terminate at 11 a.m. No leave to the city will be granted until the athletic meeting is over.

Lieut.-Col. Moran, P.V.O., is in the city from Petawawa.

Colonel McManus, Instructional Cadre, and in charge of the training of the 3rd Brigade at Barriefield camp, has a brother overseas with the 29th Battalion.

The members of the 156th Battalion take a great interest in keeping their lines in good condition. One of the latest improvements is a mound in front of the paymaster's tent.

The camp branch of the Bank of Montreal are cashing cheques for the men at the camp.

About 350 men of the 93rd Battalion are spending the holiday in Peterboro. A special train has been arranged for.

Several cadets from the Royal Military College were in camp on Thursday afternoon inspecting the School of Cookery.

The 155th Battalion camp was lighted for the first time on Thursday night, and the new system of illumination proved of great value.

Major Carew, 109th Battalion, was visited by his four sisters on Friday afternoon.

Herbert E. Smith, who graduated from the Urbana, Ill., college, has enlisted for overseas service with the Queen's College Field Ambulance Corps.

Capt. Hicks, A.M.C., has returned from Valcartier.

VALCARTIER A MODEL CAMP

RIVALRY BETWEEN UNITS FOR DECORATION OF LINES.

General Wilson, Who Commands the Camp, Is a Strict Disciplinarian, But Popular With All Ranks.

The Quebec Chronicle, in a recent issue, says: There is no doubt but that Valcartier will be a model camp this year if General Wilson has his way. The general, who, in spite of being a strict disciplinarian, is very popular with all ranks, is doing everything to encourage all that will make for the brightening and betterment of the camp and the rapid improvement due to his efforts is most noticeable in every direction. With him he has associated what is perhaps the best staff that has been at Valcartier since the camp was organized, and the result has been an excellent administration.

There is keen rivalry among the different battalions as to which will have the best decorated grounds, and competition promises to grow in intensity. The Irish Rangers seem to be the most ambitious in the matter of floral schemes, but there is every evidence that other regiments will not lag behind long.

Col. McBain, who is Superintendent of Construction, is offering three handsome prizes for the most attractive regimental grounds. As usual the colonel is very busy, and is doing much in the way of effecting improvements. Most of the battalions have a mascot, that of the 19th being an Irish terrier. One battalion, which arrived last night, had four dogs in line leading their band. Another had a goat, while the attendant genius of the 148th, in some ways the show regiment of the camp, is a bear cub, which aroused some trepidation by breaking loose the other night and creating discord in a tent occupied by one of the regimental bands.

Shirley MacDonnell, son of Mr. P. J. C. MacDonnell, of the Bank of Montreal, Perth, has joined the ambulance corps connected with Queen's University, and may leave any day to join his company. Dr. Scott, of Lanark, has two sons in this organization, and Chris. Forbes, of the same place, one son in it.

Lieut. Lanos, Royal Military College, is giving a series of lectures in the French language to the men attending the School of Signalling. He is also carrying on several series of lectures given by Rev. H. H. Bingham in the "Y" tent was much increased by the singing of Mrs. Evans, of Queen Street Methodist Church.

The Coward's Soliloquy.

I.

Tell me, ye rushing winds, That round my pathway roar, Do ye not know some spot Where I may dodge the war— Some deep sequestered vale, Lone region out of sight, Where craven man may crawl And hide him from the light? The moaning winds take up the wail Of Belgium's agonizing call, "The allies' sons will pay the toll, Let cowards and cravens hide."

II.

Tell me, my shriveled soul, Oh, speak, my blasted faith, Do ye not know some hole Where I may hide from death— Some dugout or some cave Where I may save my skin? Quiet, silent as the grave, Far from the battle's din, His dying-senseless starts the sting, "Hold on to mother's apron string, The allies' sons will do the thing, Dodge down and plead 'unfit.'"

III.

Tell me, my country's God, My country, tell me plain, Can manhood fold the arms While innocence is slain? Shall bloody Turk or Hun Tear Virtue's jeweled band From maiden's bleeding brow, To trample in the sand? Ten thousand trumpets sound alarms, "See bleeding, handless, infant forms."

IV.

Oh, woman, hidest thou thy son? His place is in the ranks of steel To save thee. Let him meet the Hun, The blood of innocence on thee! To hurl from the neck of truth, From bloody lust his sister save, E'en with the rich, red blood of you, And sleep him in a soldier's grave. Blow, bugles, blow, the skies are clear, Hark! the martial millions cheering, Allied banners broad uprearing, England's "scrap of paper" wins. —(Rev.) G. E. Ross. Trenton, June, 1916.

The boys of the 136th Battalion were the guests of the "Y" for a treat of coffee this morning before their leaving for Port Hope to receive their colors.

Lieut. Johnson, School of Infantry, left on Friday night for Ottawa to be with his father, who is suffering from injuries received in an automobile accident.

EVERY SOLDIER EXAMINED

OVER 5,000 MEN ALREADY INSPECTED AT THE CAMP

Examination is Very Strict — Men Must Pass Before Being Allowed to Go Overseas.

Every man wearing the King's uniform at Barriefield either has been or will be examined to determine his medical fitness for the service at the front. When the men were first enlisted they were stripped and the medical officer of the battalion or some other qualified officer of the Army Medical Corps made an examination and recorded several figures such as height, weight, etc.

In endeavoring to secure the full complement of men for the battalion there are some cases where men have been taken on who would not stand the grind of the work at the front and rather than risk the danger another and stricter examination is being held.

Capt. Malone, Capt. Houstone and Capt. MacGregor, all officers of the A. M. C., are doing the work and have already inspected over 5,000 men. The soldiers undress in their tents and wearing their great-coats go to the tent where the examination is being conducted. Here the three doctors make different criticisms, and if a man is able to go back and take with him their approval he is certainly well up to the military regulations of physical fitness.

The 146th Battalion men have all been examined and the board will next turn its attention to the Army Service Corps who will probably be going overseas in the near future.

His Generosity. "Tommy," lying in hospital, beside him a watch of curious and foreign design. The attending doctor was interested. "Where did your watch come from?" "A German giv it me," he answered. "A German giv it me," he answered.

A little plucked, the doctor enquired how the foe had come to convey his tokens of esteem and affection. "E'ad to," was the laconic reply.

The friends of Lance-Corp. W. Alf. Smith, formerly of the Whig composing staff, will be pleased to hear he came through the recent severe fighting of June 2nd and 3rd without a scratch, and has been promoted to sergeant.

Sergt. B. W. Mills, orderly room staff, 19th Battalion, is spending a few days in Lindsay.

SOLDIERS AT PETAWAWA

Are Well Fed — Denied That the Food is Scarce

In connection with the statement made at a meeting of the Toronto board of control by Controller Cameron, that the batteries at Petawawa Camp were not receiving sufficient food, Sergeant J. L. Rawbon of C. Battery, R.C.H.A., informed the Toronto World that the food is both plentiful and nourishing. Sergeant Rawbon was a commissioned officer in the Governor General's Body Guard, but joined C Battery as a private, being promoted later to a sergeant. He had been at Petawawa for several months, and says the food is better than that eaten in most families.

Cobourg Recruiting. Ten recruits have signed up at Cobourg with the new 235th Battalion. Lieut.-Col. C. G. Williams, chief recruiting officer for Canada, held conferences here with citizens and with the officers of the battalion. Several veterans of Ypres, Givenchy and Passchendaele have signed up again for overseas service. The recruits from that vicinity will be stationed at Cobourg.

155th Band at Headquarters. The 155th band under Bandmaster Hinchey played at the headquarters mess on Friday evening. This band is making rapid strides. Excepting of course the pipes of the 154th, there are few bands that are able to play both march and orchestral music as well.

Appointments in 154th. Lieuts. A. D. McDonald, E. T. Pennington, N. Bogart and H. S. Partridge have received their appointments to the 154th Battalion. Lieut. Partridge is a 47th Regiment officer and a resident of the city. He has been making good while with the 154th and proving to be a good officer. His brother is a major and company commander in the 77th Ottawa Battalion.

Know Earl Kitchener. Lieut. J. M. Lanos, who is giving a series of lectures in French at the camp, was well acquainted with the successor to Earl Kitchener's title. He was only nine at that time, some twenty years ago, when Lieut. Lanos was an instructor at Halifax. The little lad even at that age showed great ability.

Bandmaster Coughlin, 156th Battalion, is spending a few days in Picton and district in an effort to secure bandmen. Dr. Warthin, Ann Arbor University, Mich., will give the first of his addresses to-night at the "Y."

THIRD BATTALION TO LEAVE

THE 136TH BATTALION AND PART OF THE 146TH

Leave Barriefield Camp—136th Going to Port Hope for Presentation of Colors — Advance of 146th Left for Valcartier.

The 136th Battalion, commanded by Lieut.-Col. R. W. Smart left at 3 p.m. Friday for Port Hope, where colors will be presented Saturday, and on Sunday will go from that town to Valcartier. This makes the third of four battalions to leave for the eastern camp. On Friday morning the battalion was drawn up in front of the Y.M.C.A. lines and after inspection by Col. T. D. R. Hemming, commandant, was addressed by that officer. The commandant referred to the good work that the battalion had been doing while at the camp and he hoped it would continue to make similar progress at Valcartier. Himself and his staff deeply regretted that the order that it should move had been issued, but it was a step to the front for them and they had progressed rapidly enough to justify a forward step.

The battalion marched to the city at 2 p.m. and entrained at the Hay Market where a large crowd of people gathered to bid the men goodbye. Lieuts. Roberts, Burton, Emery, were in charge of the advance party of 100 men of the 146th Battalion, which left at 2:30 p.m. for Valcartier to prepare for the reception of the main body of the battalion which leaves the city on Monday at 2:30 p.m. Hundreds of friends of the men were at Tete de Pont barracks to say good-bye.

Father and Son in Uniform. Lieut.-Col. M. K. Adams, commanding the 155th Battalion, has a son now at the front, who, according to recent reports, is doing splendid work with the Royal Montreal Regiment. Lieut. E. A. Adams went overseas as an officer of the 59th Belleville Battalion under Lieut.-Col. J. A. V. Preston, and for some time was on the permanent instructional staff of that battalion. After a year of strenuous efforts, permission was at last obtained for him to proceed overseas.

The examinations for those attending the School of Cookery were held on Friday afternoon. Lieut. Lennox, A.S.C., made an inspection in the morning. Sergt. H. Holton, 155th, is attending the armourers sergeants' course at Quebec.

We Yankees Can Out-think Those Greasers Any Way You Look at It By Bud Fisher

