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### RECRUITING ARTILLERYMEN MUSKETRY VERY IMPORTANT A BIG EXCURSION COMING

**LIEUT. O'LEARY HAS GOOD SOURCE IN OTTAWA.**  
Other Districts Doing Little or Nothing, But This Condition Will Change—Strenuous Recruiting Campaign to be Launched When Camp is Put Into Shape.  
Lieut. O'Leary, training in Ottawa for the depot artillery brigade, was in camp on Wednesday, bringing down ten men. He was accompanied by Lieut. Seymour.  
With hard work, Lieut. O'Leary, who is a nephew of the deputy warden of the penitentiary, hopes to bring the brigade up to full strength in two months. The men of Ottawa are being chased hard by the recruiting officers of several different units, and can be convinced of the superiority of the artillery.  
The brigade is now securing the best athletes in Ottawa, and already two full teams from the Ottawa City Baseball League are at the camp.  
Recruiting for this Brigade outside of Ottawa has not been progressing very rapidly, due to the amount of work that is being done at the camp and the change of location, etc., all of which were responsible for this condition. It is also to be regretted that the unfortunate shooting affair which caused the death of Gunner Elliott should have hindered recruiting. Reports from there, however, indicate that for a while at least this source of so many excellent artillerymen is cut off.  
For some unknown reason Kingston has been doing practically nothing in filling up this brigade. Gananogue is sending only a very few also in spite of the fact that the first C.E.F. in Kingston was made up and commanded by residents of Gananogue.  
The attraction of the artillery cannot be denied, however, and as soon as the camp is put into shape and the time can be secured more strenuous recruiting efforts will be made. Horses may help, and there is the possibility that these will be secured.

**PARTICULAR ATTENTION PAID BY HEADQUARTERS STAFF.**  
Every Man Must Receive His Musket Training—Cooks And All Non-combatants Must Go to the Ranges Until Conversant With the Rifle—Importance Recognized of Good Marksmanship Against Huns.  
Musketry must be considered as the first and most important branch of training soldiers for service at the front, and to bring this about Lieut. Col. W. J. Brown, G.S.O., makes every available man go on the ranges until he has passed the efficiency examination to make him fit for the front.  
The ranges at the camp under the able direction of Capt. W. E. Swaine and a competent staff are in use practically all of the time. Every possible attempt is made to give the soldiers of the camp the best instruction in musketry that time will permit.  
The staff colonel has been paying particular attention to those who go to the ranges and has men even assigned to light duty to get this branch of the training completed. Cooks and every person that holds even a non-combatant position in the battalion must become familiar with the rifle, and the staff officers are making it as thorough as inoculation which, like death, seems never failing.  
At present the 154th Battalion occupies the ranges, the 109th having been completed. The next will be the 155th, which will commence next week.  
Musketry has been given to all of the men in these battalions, but the ranges at the camp not being available at the outlying points during the organization, preliminary training in this work could not be carried on when the instructional staff were conducting the preliminary course in the work during the winter.

**TO THE 154TH BATTALION FROM GLENGARRY DISTRICT**  
Train Comes from Lancaster and Arrives at 10.30 a.m. Saturday—Over 500 Expected—Lieut.-Col. A. G. F. MacDonald Making Extensive Arrangements for Big Reception.  
On Saturday next the 154th Battalion will be honored by having one of the biggest excursions visit them that ever ran out of the counties of Glengarry, Stormount and Dundas to the city to see the soldiers at Barriefield. As a motion of recognition Lieut.-Col. A. G. F. MacDonald, commanding the battalion is making splendid arrangements for their reception.  
The train will arrive over the Grand Trunk in the city at 10.30 a.m. Saturday, and if it can be arranged the discharging of passengers will be at Tete de Pont Barracks. Here a long line of automobiles will be drawn up and the excursionists will be conveyed directly to the camp grounds. In honor of their coming, the popular colonel will throw open the big reception tent of the battalion and all will be given carte blanche to make full use of it for their lunch, which in most cases will be brought with them. Tea, hot water and probably much more will be served by the battalion to the visitors. The wives of the officers of the battalion who are in the city or camping in this district will take charge of this work and see that all are made comfortable.  
At 1.30 p.m. the colonel will call a parade of the battalion complete, with pipe band and all the men present. The visitors will then be given an hour's entertainment in squad, company and battalion drill with features such as machine gun work, manual mounting, etc., by the men of the battalion. There may be some contests run off.  
After the programme of military drill and sports the visitors will be given the freedom of the lines and will entertain themselves until the train pulls out at 6.30 p.m.  
The soldiers of the 154th battalion are already anxiously waiting the coming of their friends and counting the days until the train will arrive. It will undoubtedly prove to be one of the most pleasant days spent by the men of the 154th battalion since coming into Barriefield.

### Camp Notes.

Capt. Norwell, headquarters staff, has returned from a trip through Victoria and Haliburton counties, where he was engaged in business of the 45th Regiment.  
The 154th, 155th and 156th Battalions are arranging concerts for the men, each battalion furnishing talent for the other.  
Major King, Ottawa, who was at the camp, returned to his home on Thursday.  
The twelve officers of Camp Borden who have been qualifying at the School of Cookery, returned this week. On Wednesday next ten more will take the course.  
The camp dentists have completed the work on the teeth of the men of the 109th Battalion, and have commenced with the 155th Battalion.  
The battalion numbering 93rd, 109th, 136th and 139th, which formerly occupied the infantry lines near headquarters at Barriefield Camp, have all gone. In their places have come artillery. Not a bad successor, but the infantry have been missed.  
The signallers of the 136th, 139th, 146th and 207th Battalion are now attached to the 154th for rations.  
**RECRUITS ARE SECURED**  
For the Ammunition Column—It Is An Interesting Branch.  
Lieut. R. T. Quinn, of the Ammunition Column of the Depot Artillery Brigade being mobilized in Kingston is at Lieut. O'Leary's recruiting office, Ottawa, looking for recruits for the column. It is to be 150 strong, and has just been organized. It has 14 men enlisted so far. Many mechanics and particularly men accustomed to horses are wanted. Lieut. Taylor, of Montreal, is in command of the column. The work of the Ammunition Column is to supply the batteries with ammunition while the latter are in action, and also replace the ranks of the column any casualties which occur in the batteries. Accordingly the men of the column have to be trained in the battery work as well as their own drill.  
**Wireless in Use.**  
The class at the School of Signaling which is attending a course in wireless instruction by Sergt. Inst. Hicks is progressing rapidly, and is advanced enough to do actual field work with the instruments. On Thursday one station was taken to Grassy Creek, about four miles down the Gananogue road, and communication with the station at Barriefield was made. There are about twenty in the class.  
**Recruits for Battery.**  
The following Artillerymen recently enlisted at the Ottawa recruiting office, and left Thursday morning for Kingston, where they joined the 73rd Battery: C. B. Smyth, James Semple, F. H. Deeprose, Montreal; J. M. Cox, R. A. Rice, M. Matheson, R. D. Theberge, H. E. Verdon, Westboro; W. A. Burnett, Britannia; R. R. Lahaie, Britannia; D. D. Morris. Lieut. O'Leary went in charge of the detachment.  
**Recruiting is Better.**  
Recruiting has been better in Ottawa this week, not only for the infantry but also for the artillery and the Forestry Battalion. The last two weeks were very slow, only 510 men being recruited in this entire division as compared with the previous average of about a battalion of 1,100 men each half month. This indicates that Ottawa is not the only centre in which July showed a falling off.  
**Recruiting Team Returns.**  
The recruiting team of the 73rd Battery, which has been in Ottawa for the last week, returned to Kingston Thursday morning. His stay there was very successful, and the battery is now almost 90 strong. The strength when complete will be 143 and Ottawa is expected to furnish all the men needed to bring the unit up to establishment.

### THE MILITARY REPORTERS' NEW MACHINE GUN COURSE AT TETE DE PONT BARRACKS

**AT CAMP BORDEN BRING TROUBLE AND A CIRCULAR**  
Trouble for Themselves and Circular Letter Giving Directions as to their Management Throughout Canada—Barriefield Officers More Than Satisfied With Honest Efforts Being Made by Kingston Press.  
The newspapers at Camp Borden have been sending out articles that have finally brought down a censor on all messages sent over the wires and a circular letter that effects every military camp in Canada. The letter states that newspapermen are to be allowed every facility for gathering reliable information, but any wrong reports published must be either retracted by the newspaper so doing or the privileges of both newspapering or circulating of that paper in the camp may be cancelled.  
The order cannot possibly affect Barriefield Camp and officials, while not commenting, seem more than satisfied with what the Kingston press has been trying to do in assisting the recruiting and giving reliable information of the soldiers' movements to the people at home.  
The policy of the Whig has always been to keep the highest of patriotic ideals and help rather than hinder, what the officers in charge are trying to do in making the men of the C.E.F., in their hands as efficient as possible so that they will be a credit to this part of the country when they go into the trenches.  
**Commanders of Batteries.**  
The 72nd Battery at the camp is commanded by Captain Lawson, the 83rd is commanded by Major Barrett, the 74th commanded by Captain Grierson, the 75th commanded by Lieut. Latorell, and the ammunition column commanded by Lieut. Taylor.

**IT WAS STARTED ON THURSDAY AT BARRIEFIELD CAMP.**  
Particular Attention Now Being Paid to This Instruction—Will Endeavor to Have Every Officer at Barriefield Instructed in the Operation of the Machine Gun.  
A machine gun course of three weeks' duration has started at Barriefield Camp under Lieuts. Young and McGie. There will be twenty-one in attendance when all report.  
The value of the machine gun in warfare, particularly of trench warfare, has been increasing by leaps and bounds, and it shows the good sense of Lieut. Col. W. J. Brown, G.S.O., when so much attention is paid to this branch of the work.  
Before this war the machine gun was a novelty, and few men had ever seen it let alone operate it. Now these guns are common, and the knowledge of their mechanism is becoming more widely known. To make every officer commanding a machine gun section and a number of other officers of every battalion thoroughly acquainted with the working of this deadly machine these courses are proving of great value. It is planned to have every officer qualified, and if this can be accomplished the battalion will be far advanced for the firing line.  
The band of the 156th Battalion returned from Brockville after playing at a garden party given by the Women's Emergency Corps there for patriotic purposes.  
Mrs. Baker, wife of Capt. Baker, 154th Battalion, has arrived from Chesterville to take up a cottage on the St. Lawrence near the camp grounds.  
Lieut. Hyndman, who has been here with the R.C.H.A., has gone to Petawawa.

**DEPOT OF R.C.H.A. IS BEING CONDUCTED THERE.**  
Many Recruits Being Sent Here From Montreal, Where an Office Has Been Opened on Peel Street—Toronto Quiet a Recruiting Ground—Twenty-five Men Left for Petawawa on Friday.  
Citizens should not forget that located at the historic Tete de Pont is still a depot of the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery that is doing in its quiet way an immense amount of work in preparing men for the front. The recruiting for the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery has almost stopped in Toronto, but is picking up rapidly in Montreal. An office has been opened on Peel street in that city, and from that source forty-five recruits of the finest type came in last week. More are coming every day, and this office will soon find that it is practically as valuable for recruiting as the one at 20 Victoria street, Toronto. There are now about seventy-five men at the barracks, with some 200 at Petawawa, men left on Friday for the northern camp, and this opening should prove attractive to any Kingston men who are considering the question of enlisting.  
**Was His Sister.**  
Young Lady Visitor (at private hospital): "Can I see Lieut. Barker, please?"  
Matron: "We do not allow ordinary visiting. May I ask if you're a relative?"  
Visitor (boldly): "Oh yes, I'm his sister."  
Matron: "Dear me, I'm very glad to meet you, I'm his mother."  
Q.M. Sergt. Ryden, R.C.H.A., who has been on the sick list, is recovering, and expects soon to return to Petawawa.

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**ELECTRIC LIGHTS.**  
Being Installed Through Battalion Lines at the Camp.  
The electric lights throughout the battalion lines are gradually being installed. Lieut. Wallace, who before coming into the service, was in the electrical business in Belleville, has completed the installation of lights in the big tent of the 155th Battalion. Gradually the officers' lines and the larger tent of each unit are being wired. The current is obtained from leads put through a short time ago by the camp engineers. The current is supplied by the city, which also permits of brilliant lights, which are of great value to the camp.  
**INOCULATION AND FURLOUGHES.**  
These are Principal Thoughts of 156th Battalion Just Now.  
"Look out for my arm," is rather a universal cry in the lines of the 156th Battalion along with the words, "Farm furloughs," which mean so much trouble to Capt. Kyle, adjutant. The inoculation of every man from the colonel down is a necessary nuisance. The last dose for the Brockville Battalion was given by the medical officer on Thursday, and every person excepting those on guard or away were given their "shot."  
The raid on the battalion for farm help has somewhat abated, although applications are still coming in.  
Capt. Ringwood, adjutant of the 15th Brigade, was in the city on Thursday from Petawawa on business. He spent his last leave in the city before going overseas.  
The band of the 155th Battalion is on leave in Belleville.

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