

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

There is an unfortunate fellow at Moore Barracks where the Perth Regiment is completing mobilization as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force. He cannot see at night. In the daylight his eyes are perfect. Reluctantly, Major S. H. McComb says, he will have to strike the young man off the strength of the regiment despite pleas that he be permitted to remain in the ranks.

The soldier passed all the qualifications necessary from a physical standpoint, going through the medical board and being classified in "A" category—the high standard required by the Perth Regiment. He was placed on night guard duty and to the surprise of the O.C. appeared with a request that he be allowed to do duty in the daytime. Informed that every man would like a day job, but that night work often falls to the lot of many, the soldier started the O.C. with the statement that he cannot see at night. Another optical checkup revealed the fact that he is blind at night. It's an exceptional case, one of the most interesting the doctors have encountered.

Mrs. R. Coles, 403 Ontario street, is a contributor to the Perth Regiment's Recruiting Fund. Major S. H. McComb today acknowledged Mrs. Coles' cheque for \$2. Any other citizens desiring to aid in recruiting by making cash donations may send their money to Major McComb at Moore Barracks or to The Beacon-Herald.

One of our buck private friends says the army is now digging down deep for toggery with which to dress the Perths. He was examining his cap on Saturday and discovered it was manufactured in 1914. That beats that 1916 greatcoat item carried in this column last week.

But it's a case of "cheer up" for new clothes are on their way—maybe before Christmas.

Four Brantford volunteers found their way to Moore Barracks Saturday night and enlisted with the Perths. They were joined by a man who had endeavored to sign up with the 48th Highlanders at Toronto but found that unit over-strength. It is understood Toronto officers suggested the man come to Stratford.

Said the Captain: "Private, you have not cleaned your shoes behind."

Private: "A good soldier never looks behind, Captain."

The gals back home are getting some great yarns since their boy friends joined the army. We were tipped off today that one chap from up country has his sweetie address his mail as: Pte. So and So, Dispatch Rider, Moore Barracks, Stratford. Wonder who he is? The postman won't tell us.

Private R. I. Bell won the rifle shooting contest staged Saturday night at Loughrin Memorial Home. He turned in a score of 92 out of the possible hundred. There was a large entry for the event sponsored by the Stratford branch of the Canadian Legion for members of the Perth Regiment.

One of our Legion friends suggests that George Bradley, an old Imperial crack shot and reputed to be the best marksman in the Legion here, is having a telescopic sight made for his personal use on the range at the Home now that Pte. Bell is a challenger.

Lieut. Douglas Bricker of Kitchener, formerly an officer in the Scots Fusiliers of Canada, has joined the Perth Regiment and reported for duty today. Lieut. Bricker was a member of the Kitchener unit for several years securing his qualifications at the officers' training school in 1935. Of late he has been employed in Toronto.

cepted. The courses continue for four weeks.

Pte. H. Beckner of Stratford, who had had considerable training as a member of the Perth Regiment when it was a non-permanent force, has been promoted to the rank of acting corporal. If he makes the grade during the probation period his appointment will be confirmed.

Mayor George W. Gordon of Kitchener is credited in The Kitchener Record with stating that "approximately 50 Kitchener district men have already signed up with the Perth Regiment." His Worship suggested that it is desirable to have a Kitchener company of some 135 men enlisted in the Perths. A quiet campaign of recruiting is underway in that city as well as in Waterloo. No recruiting office is being opened.

Capt. W. H. Bishop of Woodstock, a former resident of this city, was a visitor at Moore Barracks today. He went through the medical board with flying colors and then announced he is offering his services in any capacity they will be accepted. His application for attachment went forward to London headquarters today.

"We have sufficient billet accommodation on our list at the present time," Major Frank Walker, quarter-master, said today. "You might also ask the housewives who are billeting men in their homes to be patient for a few days in respect to their accounts for September. We are checking them and just as soon as the work is completed cheques will be sent them."

Pte. Jack Skowby, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Skowby, 20 Jones street, a member of the First Division Supply Column, Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, was a visitor at his home over the weekend.

There are a few sore arms reported around the barracks today as a result of vaccinations which were administered Saturday. None of the cases is serious.

Good news for the troops comes to this column from an outside source. It is to the effect that the soldiers in Canadian armies, being mobilized now as a part of the active service force, will not have to struggle with that long, flendish hatchet-shaped straight razor that characterized the shaving equipment in the Great War. The Government has ordered more than 60,000 modern new-type safety razors which will be in boxes with mirrors on the covers.

Through the courtesy of Silverwood Dairies Limited the Perths enjoyed a refreshing drink of chocolate today after completing a stiff period of physical exercises. Major McComb expressed his appreciation to E. M. Snyder, Silverwood's local manager.

Lieut. Herb Mason and Lieut. R. S. Reid of the Perth Regiment left today for London where they will take a qualifying officers' course at Carling Heights. O. H. Mantle of Stratford and Rev. George Gladman of Crediton are also in London to take courses preparatory to joining the regiment's staff as officers if their applications are ac-

Crossed Atlantic In Freighter To Join Army

Sergeant John Murray is home again. He came 4,000 miles so that he might enlist with Perth Regiment (M. G.). He was just fortunate in missing the Athenia when she sailed. He came in the hold of a freighter and spent perhaps the most exciting week afloat he will ever experience.

Sgt. Murray, who lives at 7 McKenzie Street, sailed from Montreal June 29 and arrived in the Old Country July 10. He spent two months in Scotland visiting with relatives of his father, W. J. Murray, and was at Inverness, Scotland when war broke out. Immediately he went and reported to the Cameron Highlanders. He was told he could either join that regiment or return to Canada and join his own Perths.

Sgt. Murray then went to Glasgow in a chase to catch the Athenia before she sailed but was too late getting there. He then went to the consul at Glasgow and was advised to cable home. He did so and was told to go to Canada House to see what could be done about his returning across the ocean. He was booked aboard a fast freighter and, with 14 other Canadian passengers, sailed for Canada. The men had to bunk in the fo'castle of the boat.

Ship Was Ramméd

The freighter was sailing in the Irish Sea when she was ramméd by another boat during one of the nightly black-outs. No serious damage was done, however, and the boat put in at another port farther south to wait for her convoy and to make repairs. After leaving the coast good weather was encountered for five days by the 17 ships conveyed across. Then one day they got word a tanker had been sunk a short distance ahead of them. Several hours later they came upon a large patch of oil on the water and an overturned life-boat drifted by. "It gave us a bad shock," said the young man. "We had been trying to forget all about the war but that brought it home to us rather suddenly."

The men received orders to leave their clothes on at all times and except for taking their boots off they were fully clothed from the time they left England until they arrived in Canada.

Sub Off Labrador

Later in the journey they received word that a sub was lying a short distance off Labrador. They made a run for it, however, and arrived in Canada safely, but without money and without any cigarettes. "It was a tough trip all the way," said John. "Although we were allowed on deck at night no lights were allowed and we used to go down into the hold and play cards until we got so sick of the look of each other we were ready to fight."

Arriving in Canada it took two days to hitch-hike to Stratford and only a few hours after his arrival back in Stratford he was in the

army. The young man was in pretty fair physical condition apparently because, although the anxieties of his trip across "the pond" had caused him to lose 25 pounds, he was still able to pass the medical test.

Speaking of his visit in Scotland, he said the people were very calm about the whole thing. "They are still making jokes in Aberdeen," he said.

Hear Timely Sermon At Weekly Church Parade

Every soldier should resolve to do his duty as Christ would have him serve and thus help to bring about a victory over the enemy, restoring eternal liberty and freedom to the world. In this manner did Rev. J. N. McFaul, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, speak to members of the Perth Regiment at Moore Barracks Sunday morning when he preached the sermon at the weekly church parade.

Rev. Mr. McFaul spoke around the Biblical text: "For the sake of the name they went forth." He said from the earliest time, men have had to go forth, just as they are going forth today in defence of Christian principles. In every case, whether it be business or war, men have always been called upon to sacrifice. In this particular instance, the pastor said, men are going forth and will be called upon to make a great sacrifice in a great cause.

"As in the days of old, you are going forth for the sake of the name," Rev. Mr. McFaul explained. "In this case it is to uphold the name of Christ that you are going forth." The speaker said that people of this land are enjoying a wonderful heritage, a freedom and a liberty in a glorious Empire.

Mentioning another text: "Ye shall know them by their fruits," Rev. Mr. McFaul told his listeners that they will fight for the fruits of truth and liberty in the name of Jesus Christ. "Therefore resolve to

do your duty as Jesus Christ would have you do it and you will overcome the enemy and we will find an eternal liberty and an eternal freedom," he said.

Can Overcome Anything

Christian soldiers fighting for God's cause can overcome anything, Rev. Mr. McFaul declared, but he pointed out that man must never lose sight of the fact that the help and strength of God Almighty must be sought. He recalled the days of 1918 in the Great War "when the Empire called upon Christ and He answered and the men on our side broke through for victory." He denounced talk of a discouraging nature and urged that the fight be entered with a determination for victory.

At the outset of his talk, Rev. Mr. McFaul said he was pleased to have the privilege of addressing the members of the Perth Regiment. He extended an invitation to the soldiers to use St. Andrew's church facilities as well as those of other churches in the city, telling those from out of town that he would be pleased to have them join in the various functions of the church so that they might meet members of the congregation and citizens of the city.

With a beautiful morning sun shining down upon it, the service was held outdoors on the parade ground. Organ music, played by Lieut. Otto Henderson, accompanied the men as they sang the hymns.

Perth Regiment Soon Will Have Own Band

Pranks Play Part In Army Life In Barracks

Things are starting to brighten up at Moore Barracks for recruits enjoying their first taste of military life. The pranks are beginning to come forth as they will where any large number of men, especially those in the late 'teens and early 20's gather. But everything is being done in fun and the jokes are being taken in the spirit in which they are intended.

One raw recruit was sent to the quartermaster's stores the other day under instructions to get "the paint and brush to brighten up the Last Post." He went on his errand in all seriousness. He did not tumble to the prank until it was explained to him later that the Last Post is not a wooden post but a bugle call, sounded the last thing at night and over the grave of a dead soldier.

And then there is another story that is being told. The new recruit boasted so much of what he would do to the enemy in time of war that his pals decided to take a rise out of him.

One morning he received the following signed by a prominent general: "Heartiest congratulations on enlistment. We need men like you." The recruit pinned the message up on his locker, where all could see it.

The next day he got another, even more important than the first. It read: "Thanks and compliments. Britain is proud of you. George R.L." The young soldier showed this cable in all sections of the barracks.

But he smelled a rat when the third cable arrived. It said: "Goering says he will resign unless you do. How much to remain neutral?" It was signed "Hitler."

There are many good bits of reading on the bulletin board at Moore Barracks. Besides the orders of the day which are official and strictly serious, there are cartoons and pieces of verse. Though it is too lengthy to publish in this column, recruits should make it a point to read "We Demand Our Rights," extracts taken from Mrs. Pankhurst's speech "in the British House of Commons on Women's Suffrage."

Present Band Insuring Enlisted Men Will, However Might Become Burden Be Continued Acting Dental Officer

Perth Regiment will have its own band soon, Major S. H. McComb announced today, as he continued general plans for entertainment of the troops now being mobilized as a machine gun battalion in the Canadian Active Service Force.

The officer commanding made it very clear, in speaking to The Beacon-Herald, that the intention is not to break up the Perth Regiment band which has served faithfully during the years the local militia acted as a non-permanent force. It is planned to permit the band, under First Class Warrant Officer, David Withrow, to continue using the Stratford armories as a rehearsal headquarters and also allow his bandmen use of the regimental instruments.

The proposal is to have the permanent force bandmen use the instruments throughout the daytime when they will not be required by the other band. They will be transported to and from the armories so as not to inconvenience Bandmaster Withrow's work which has for so long been an asset to the regiment and to Stratford generally.

Major McComb declared there are some fine instrumentalists in the ranks of the Perth Regiment. There will likely be a band of some 25 pieces organized by a director to be selected from among the soldiers. Besides bandmen from Stratford's three bands there are others in the regiment who have played with bands in Mitchell, Listowel, Owen Sound, Kincardine and other points.

Good Vocalists Too

"We also have some real vocalists," commented the officer commanding. He said he understands there are men in the regiment who are good actors and string instrumentalists.

The boys of the Perth Regiment are going to have a good time this fall and winter, especially after they move into the new barracks at the McLagan plant. Major McComb suggested that the officers and himself will co-operate to the utmost in organizing the different forms of recreation. Opportunity to pursue the different arts will best come in the new barracks where more space will be available. "When we get things down fine enough for a public presentation we may seek the use of one of the theatres for a concert," the Major said. And then with a smile that characterized his seriousness of the need for a good morale among soldiers, he added: "Everything in the army is not just drilling and hard work. There is the lighter side as well."

Acting Dental Officer



DR. C. W. HAMILTON of this city whose appointment as acting dental officer for the Perth Regiment here, pending organization of the Canadian Dental Corps, to serve Canadian Active Service Forces, was announced today. Dr. Hamilton will work under Major J. F. Blair, London, in charge of dental work throughout M.D. No. 1, pending his permanent appointment.

IS NAMED ACTING DENTAL OFFICER

Dr. C. W. Hamilton, 14 Market Place, has been appointed acting dental officer for the Perth Regiment machine gun battalion now being mobilized at Moore Barracks. Intimation to this effect was given today by Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding.

It is understood Dr. Hamilton has passed the medical board and while he has not been attested as yet, his papers are under consideration at headquarters. His appointment as a permanent member of the Canadian Dental Corps may be announced in due course though organization of the dentists is still in its early stages.

Major J. F. Blair, London dentist, has been placed in charge of dental officers in military district No. 1. He was in Stratford Sunday and along with Dr. Hamilton considered the local setup. It is not known at present, Major McComb said, where the dental office will be located but for the time being emergency work of the regiment is being looked after by Dr. Hamilton at his own office.

Mayor Thomas E. Henry expressed the opinion today, that while the matter of insurance for men who enlist has been unofficially discussed, the city might not be able to carry out such a scheme because of the financial burden it would entail.

Mayor Henry explained there may be 1,000 men in the Regiment here before everything is "cleaned up" and if the premium was \$75 annually for each that would mean an expenditure of \$75,000 for the first year alone.

"We wouldn't want to start such a scheme and then have to drop it after the first few had been insured. All men should be treated alike and we wouldn't want to insure a few and then have to back down," said the mayor.

A special wartime amendment to the Municipal Act gives municipalities the right to grant money for patriotic purposes and to make gratuities to municipal servants who enlist, but some authorities are of the opinion this clause does not give any municipality wide enough powers to insure enlisted men.

Mayor Henry said the matter of insurance has been unofficially discussed by aldermen but the question has never been brought up for discussion in a committee meeting or before the council.

Windsor board of control has endorsed a move, not yet sent to the city council, which would insure all enlisted men for the duration of the war. The insurance policies would have no cash surrender value during hostilities but once the war had ended men might either cash them or carry on the insurance at their own expense.

46 Additional Men Are Taken On Regiment

Enlistment of 46 more men into the ranks of the Perth Regiment over the weekend was announced at Moore Barracks today as the mobilization campaign enters into its last week. The total is nearing the 600 mark and recruiting officers anticipate the full strength being reached by Wednesday.

Twenty-five were successful in passing the medical board examinations Sunday and during the half day sitting of the doctors on Saturday 13 were approved.

Included among the enlistments over the weekend are many from out-of-town points. They came from Waterford, Toronto, Grand Valley, Orangeville, Durham, Dobbinton, Owen Sound, Chesley, Holyrood, Palmerston, Teeswater, Atwood, Formosa, Stratford and one man gave his home address as Pipestone, Manitoba.

With outside regiments being virtually over-strength, Perth officers anticipate little difficulty in completing the ranks of the Stratford regiment since it is evident there will be an influx of prospective soldiers coming into the city from the outside. Those enlisting over the weekend were:

Cecil Walter Beckerson, Waterford, A11537; Harvey Bruce Nelson, Toronto, A11538; Charles Law Hayes, Lakeside, A11539; John Gordon Murray, 7 McKenzie street, Stratford, A11540; Paul William Mertens, 19 Worsley street, Stratford, A11541; James Charles Napier, 272 Albert street, Stratford, A11542; Charles Samuel Bell, A11543; Orville Gliddon Hardy, Grand Valley, A11544; Thomas Johnston Bieth, Grand Valley, A11545; Claire Herbert Holmes, Waterford, A11546; James Hanagan, St. Thomas, A11547; Lawrence Ranney Hartmeier, Orangeville, A11548; Nathaniel Wesley Thomson, London, A11549; William Marshall Abram, Belmore, A11550; Frank McAuley Cameron, Mitchell, A11551; Edward Elwood Fowler, Blyth, A11553; Stanley Lorne Pallingham, Durham, A11554; George Edgar Ross Cain,

Durham, A11555; Ivan Caesar Connor, Dobbinton, A11556; Louis Swinghammer, Chesley, A11557; George Robinson, Chesley, A11558; Harold Ballantyne Iles, Owen Sound, A11559; Edward Bruce Acton, Chesley, A11560.

George Edward Streeter, Chesley, A11561; Kenneth Earl Eidt, Owen Sound, A11562; Hans Christian Franz Blohm, Chesley, A11563; Robert John McCullough, Meaford, A11564; James Francis Wood, London, A11565; Murray Alexander Roane, Teeswater, A11566; Ernest Francis Stepan, Teeswater, A11567; Stuart Alexander Milne, Chesley, A11568; John Alfred Charles Thompson, Teeswater, A11569; Earl Austin Muir, Chesley, A11570; Arthur James Woodcock, Pipestone, Man., A11571; James Woodhouse, Atwood, A11572; Benjamin Charles Willmore, Toronto, A11573; Alastair Cross, 405 Romeo street, Stratford, A11574; Edward Arthur Wilding, Palmerston, A11575; Wilbert Smith, Formosa, A11576; Ruthven Wilton, 86 McNab street, Stratford, A11577; Adlour George Soeder, 48 Brant street, Stratford, A11578; Jack Tomsett, 213 Romeo street, Stratford, A11579; Lawrence George Moeller, London, A11580; Norman Smith, Holyrood, A11581; Gordon Richard Miles Atkinson, 24 Wellington street, Stratford, A11582; Robert William Stears, 271 Erie street, Stratford, A11583.

THERE are a few boys joining Perth Regiment who are a bit leery about stepping into the squared circle with the proficient boxers at the Moore Barracks. Some of these boys have taken themselves to the Y. M. C. A. to see what can be done about getting a little practice at leather-pushing before they are caught cold at the Barracks. For this reason the Y. M. C. A. is badly in need of an extra pair of boxing gloves and so, anyone having an extra pair can help the army by communicating with the Y. M. C. A.—J. M. R.

May Spend \$35,000 On M'Lagan's

Heating Plant Repairs Will Be Big Item

With the heating plant requiring extensive repairs after remaining idle for some time, estimates of the cost involved in preparing the Mc-Lagan plant on Trinity street as a barracks for the Perth Regiment run anywhere from \$20,000 to \$35,000. When completed the building will house the Perth Regiment, now mobilizing as a machine gun battalion of the Canadian Active Service Force at Moore Barracks on King street.

Because the improvements and renovations are being carried out under the direction of the Department of Public Works, Ottawa, it is impossible locally to get an accurate estimate of the cost. However, men who are in the know as to the work involved in preparing the four-storey building for the soldiers told The Beacon-Herald today that the cost will run between \$20,000 and \$35,000, with the major portion being on heating facilities which have deteriorated badly in recent years.

Among the major construction jobs that must be done to make the building suitable as a home for approximately 700 men is the erection of a number of wide stairways.

There will be double bunks of a wooden nature erected for some 650 men, the lumber alone being a costly item.

To Instal Showers

In the way of conveniences additional lavatory accommodation is necessary. There will also be shower bath rooms for both men and officers. Facilities of this nature were not to be found in the plant when it was used as a furniture factory.

Alterations and improvements in the electrical facilities, the creation of mess rooms for officers and non-commissioned officers, canteens for the ranks, recreation rooms for both officers and men, dining room and kitchen quarters, orderly rooms and private offices for the commanding officer, paymaster, adjutant and others working in an executive capacity are among the tasks confronting men doing the work.

While Staff Sergeant E. L. Horan of the Royal Canadian Engineers, London, is advising the Department of National Defence, Ottawa, through the officer commanding military district No. 1, London, of the progress of the work at the Mc-Lagan plant, the supervision here is actually under a foreman in the employ of the Department of Public Works. He has engaged laborers and tradesmen on a day basis. Materials, it is learned, are being secured through the new Defence Purchasing Board.

Winter quarters for Canadian Active Service Force troops stationed in Western Ontario will cost the government approximately \$200,000, according to a dispatch from London. Of this sum about \$170,000, it was said, would be used in preparing accommodation for troops in London. The new quarters will be in Western Fair buildings at Queen's Park. It is planned to abandon the Carling Heights Camp for the winter just as soon as the new place is ready.

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When anyone mentions Moore Barracks nowadays in reference to the present headquarters of the Perth Regiment, it makes many veterans of the Great War prick up their ears. They think a person is talking about that famous old barracks in Shorncliffe, England. It's funny that by coincidence old soldiers like Sergeant "Scotty" Hamilton and Sergeant Art Whitehead, who once lived in the old country's Moore Barracks, should today be serving in another Moore Barracks.

"This one is far different from the old Moore Barracks" the old sergeants tell the writer. Just for curiosity we looked it up and find that Shorncliffe troops were once commanded there by Sir John Moore back in 1803 to 1806. Old Moore Barracks in the days of the last war, when Sergeants Whitehead and Hamilton and many others were there was a long two-storey whitewashed brick affair. Strangely enough our Moore Barracks of today is a big two-storey white brick structure.

"How did Moore Barracks, Stratford get its name?" challenged Sergeant Whitehead. That had us stumped. This column started calling the building by that name soon after the Perths took it over—on Sunday, September 3—but why no one knows. "Well, I'll tell," volunteered Sergeant Hamilton. "I was walking along the street when I met 'Whitey' (Sergeant Whitehead) and he asked me where I was going. I replied 'down to Moore Barracks' and he said 'Moore Barracks, that's a good name for it, it reminds me of Shorncliffe. That's where this Moore Barracks got its name.' Sergeant Hamilton said it is appropriate, too, because of the fact that the building was formerly occupied by the Moore-Bell Limited.

And that brings this column around to another thought that is occupying the mind of Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the Perths these days as he bears in mind the day when the regiment will move into the more commodious quarters at the McLagan plant. "What will we call the new barracks?" he queried of the boys at his press conference today. "There'll be plenty of names for it before we leave the old plant," the major chuckled. Then in a more serious vein the O.C. said he observes the new barracks will be on Trinity street and he has been wondering if the place cannot be called "Fort Trinity."

Back in the days of the Great War when the 110th Battalion was raised in this city, the government took over the former Kemp factory, (now the Kroehler Mfg. Co. plant) as a barracks for winter months. It was popularly called "Fort Kemp"—a name that remained with the building for many years.

Another 30 volunteers who were successful in passing the medical board Monday, brought about a call for more billets from Major Frank Walker, quartermaster, and Lieut. G. E. Carr, billet officer, today. They specify, however, that the quarters should be in homes located in Romeo Ward. Training is getting harder these days and the officers do not want to make the soldiers walk too far to and from the barracks. Anyone having rooms and board available in Romeo Ward is invited to call the barracks. The phone number is 577.

W. J. Anderson of the Stratford Chair Company has presented the Perth Regiment Recruiting Fund with a cheque for \$25. Major S. H. McComb expressed the thanks of the recruiting officers for the donation. He said the regiment still needs funds and anyone caring to

make donations may send them to the barracks or to The Beacon-Herald.

Lieut. John Carlisle Dent of the 7th Fusiliers, City of London Company, will report for duty with the Perth Regiment on Wednesday. Lieut. Dent will be one of the first reinforcement officers to be attached to the local regiment.

Orders today note the promotion of Pte. W. S. Bell to the rank of lance corporal. He has also been designated official postman for the regiment and as such will look after all incoming and outgoing mail at the barracks. Lance Corporal Bell will work out of the orderly office.

Rev. Donald Gladman, who has resigned his charge at the United Church in Crediton, is now in London taking an officers' training course. He has been an army padre for some years but now desires to become a combatant officer. Should Rev. Mr. Gladman, who is a son of F. M. Gladman, Exeter lawyer, be successful in the examinations following the course, he will be attached to the Perth Regiment as a reinforcement officer.

As old soldiers of the Great War probably read this column with as much interest as those who may serve in the present European war, Sergeant "Scotty" Hamilton requested today that we announce the 21st annual reunion of the 29th Battery. It is being held in Woodstock on Saturday. Sergeant Hamilton will be attending and he would like to see any other former men of that battery also make the trip.

The bulletin board today contains papers where members of the Perths may sign their names if they are interested in participating in sports. Games will be a regular feature every Wednesday afternoon. Boxing, wrestling, softball, soccer and track events are on the program. There will be a place for every man in the regiment. Those who do not play games will find P. T. in full swing in another section of the training grounds.

Because of the large number of men engaged in drilling and other work, the Juliet school grounds are too small and for the first time today, officers found it necessary to take half the regiment to Queen's Park. Training in rifle and other small arms work, marching and similar drills are the order of the day for the Perths. For many it was the first occasion they have handled a rifle. Instruction is being supervised by Sergeant-Major Instructor R. B. Hughes of London.

Major Frank Walker was a visitor to headquarters of Military District No. 1 at London this afternoon.

Running shoes and underwear have been added to the supplies at Moore Barracks. The light shoes are much easier on the men engaged in exercises. They were supplied through a Kitchener firm, which made a substantial reduction in price for the soldiers. The underwear, too, is of a light quality. It is understood that when winter approaches a heavier issue will be given the men.

Pte. J. O. S. Morgan has been removed to Stratford General Hospital. It was not learned what he is suffering from although general reports are that his condition is not serious.

Pte. Art. Eglinton, formerly messenger for the C.P.R. telegraph office in Stratford, has been promoted to the orderly office.

MITCHELL MAKES GRANT TO ASSIST PERTH REGIMENT

Guarding of Power Plants and Other Utilities Debated by Clinton Councilors

(By our own correspondent)

MITCHELL, Oct. 3.—The October meeting of the town council was held on Monday night with Mayor George Ronnenberg presiding, and all members present. On motion of Reeve Vosper and Councilor Kane the sum of \$25 was voted to the Perth Regiment, and the council pledged its support to any society doing patriotic work in the town. The mayor reported that some consideration has been given to the reorganization of the old Patriotic Society and the formation of a local Red Cross branch. It was pointed out, however, that the Lions Club, one of the strongest organizations in the community, and fundamentally a service club intended to carry out a program of patriotic service, and that the local chapter of the I.O.D.E. was already actively engaged in this work, and in addition there is the Canadian Legion Branch. The opinion of the councilors was that the number of existing clubs is sufficient, that there is strength in union, and that the community should co-operate wholeheartedly in supporting their efforts.

Clerk A. W. Blowes had prepared an interesting resume of the financial support provided by the town council during the four years of the Great War to recruits and to numerous organizations. The donations made amounted to nearly \$3,000.

The Rambling Reporters

HE WAS a veteran of almost one month and was very proud of it. In his new uniform the lad, barely out of his teens, swaggered in front of his girl friends on Ontario street. He was explaining what an important post he, a private, has in the army. During the course of the conversation two other khaki-clad lads walked by on the opposite side of the street.

"Who are they?" one of the girls asked.

"Those guys! Why they're just recruits. I've been in the army ever since the war started."—R.W.

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Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, and Major J. L. Lind of the Perth Regiment at Moore Barracks here, were in London this afternoon conferring with staff officers at headquarters of Military District No. 1. "Routine matters pertaining to the regiment will be discussed. That's all I can say about the trip," Major McComb declared.

Corp. Lionel Nadon was removed to Stratford General Hospital today suffering from an attack of tonsillitis. He is a former Kitchener Scots Fusilier and a former member of the Governor-General's Bodyguards at Ottawa. Incidentally the orders today show the corporal's promotion from the rank of private. It is believed his throat condition became aggravated from overwork in drilling squads.

Pte. William Bayford permits this column to announce today that he will be married to Miss Bernice Brennan, a former St. Catharines lass, at St. Joseph's Church in this city on October 14. The hour is 8 a.m.

Lieut. John Graham of the District Ordnance Office, military headquarters, London, arrived at Moore Barracks today. He will remain here for several days acting in an advisory capacity in the quartermaster's stores of the Perth Regiment.

Incidentally Major Frank Walker, Quartermaster, was in London Tuesday conferring with officers of the Ordnance Department. He was advised by Capt. R. L. Merricken that it may be a month before the new "battle dress" uniforms arrive in Stratford. A supply of boots was promised the Perths within the next seven to ten days.

A young lad in the regiment who is getting married soon is busy in his spare time arranging details of his wedding. He jokingly said neither himself nor his best man will need to worry about getting new suits for the nuptial event. Military orders require that uniforms be worn and as both are soldiers they will appear in khaki.

Pte. Eddie Mullis, a Kitchener man who was at one time a member of the old North Waterloo Regiment, is among the ranks of the Perths. He has had considerable training with Lewis machine guns but says the Vickers type, which are used by the local regiment, are vastly different. The private has had considerable banking and truck driving experience.

"I think we should thank the people of Stratford for the kindness they are showing the members of our regiment, especially us fellows who are from out of town," Private Mullis told the writer today. "The Stratford folks have been simply grand." He said that the other night the girls at the house where he is billeted took some of the boys to a wiener roast. There are 12 soldiers living with him.

Church parade on Sunday will take one half of the Perths to St. Paul's Church and the other half to St. Andrew's Church, it was announced by Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding today. The soldiers will march along Douro street, from the King street barracks, the first half going on to St. Andrew's. Following the service the men attending St. Paul's will be dismissed in front of the church and those going to St. Andrew's will march to the Stratford Armouries on Waterloo street for dispersal.

"We must again ask the landladies who are billeting members of the regiment in their homes to hear with us for a day or two," Major Frank Walker, quartermaster, said today in reference to the delivery of board money. Lieut. G. E. Carr is personally distributing the cash to the ladies. Errors in some of the forms sent in by the landladies must be rectified during the personal calls and while half of the deliveries were completed today several days will be required to complete the big task.

A few more boarding houses are needed in Romeo ward, especially in the vicinity of Moore Barracks. Any person who can accommodate a few men is asked to telephone Major Walker or Lieut. Carr at 577.

among a group of recruits who were drilling at the park. At the first opportunity they had, the lads removed shoes and socks and bathed their feet in the river. "While the officers didn't like it, our feet did," one private said.

And that reminds us of another private who is still wearing civies. He hung his tunic on the hall tree Tuesday night at his boarding house. After he walked several blocks on his way to the theatre several of his friends remarked that he was right in style with a dark coat and lighter trousers. "Holy smokes," he exclaimed, "I've got the wrong coat." He hurried home to restore the coat to its rightful owner, a local banker. Later he remarked: "That won't happen when I get into khaki."

Lieut. Douglas Bricker of Toronto, a former officer in the Scots Fusiliers of Kitchener, reported for duty with the Perths at Moore Barracks today. He appeared in the dress of his former regiment and therefore is the only Scot in the group of officers undergoing training.

"Yes, the officers have to train just the same as the other ranks," Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding explained today. "It would not do to put the men through their pace while the officers loaf about. It's part of the duty of an officer to set an example to the men and drilling faithfully is one way to do so. We all have our work to do but that does not keep us out of the P.T. class," the O.C. said.

Promotions announced in orders at Moore Barracks today raise nine privates to the rank of corporals. They are R. Ferguson, M. W. Sherwood, W. E. Belwood, R. Marquis, Lionel Nadon, James P. Michael, Victor Hicks, Wilfrid Furzer and David Kay.

Vaccination of the troops at Moore Barracks has been practically completed, it was announced today. Within a few days inoculations will start. Three treatments will be administered by Dr. J. G. Jose, acting medical officer. They are intended to offset typhoid fever and similar diseases.

We hear that the ire of several officers was raised Tuesday afternoon at Queen's Park. It appears there are a few cases of sore feet

Noted Marathoner Now With Perth Regiment

Sport stocks of the Perth Regiment soared today when it was announced that Clifford Bricker, Galt marathon runner and a star of Canada's 1928 Amsterdam Olympic team, had reported for duty as a soldier.

Pte. Bricker will be of unestimable value in helping officers, in charge of athletics, coach the regiment's track and field team which swung into action for the first time today at the National Stadium track.

Bringing honor to his city and Canada, "Cliff" Bricker as he is popularly known around Waterloo County and throughout sport circles, has had considerable experience in track work. He has joined the regiment as a motor mechanic, having been engaged in garage work in Galt and Clyde for some years. He is a married man.

Lieut. Frank Hunter and Lieut. John S. Whyte have been designated officers in charge of softball, soccer and track events while Capt. M. W. Andrew is taking hold of the wrestling and boxing in an advisory capacity.

Ten softball teams are in a league and games will be played at Queen's Park, the barracks drill ground and at Kroehler starting this afternoon.

Five soccer teams will swing into action, two games being scheduled for today at the C.N.R. Stadium. The fifth team will practice at Queen's Park.

Registrations for the various events have been completed and men not playing in sport teams will participate in light drilling at the barracks.

The softball teams are: Pte. Frank Doney's "Milk Shakes"—A. Heath, G. Loucks, W. Ellis, J. A. McKay, A. Kerr, L. E. Fournier, E. Weaver, J. Fletcher, P. W. Phillips, J. F. McKnight, H. White, R. Brooks.

Pte. Tom Carrick's "Texas Rangers"—Steve Cordell, C. Griggs, S. Rose, A. Gibson, J. Muirhead, J. Barnes, W. McElgie, V. Heywood, S. Culbert, D. A. Newman, W. J. Hay, V. Hicks.

Pte. Barker's "Dispatch Riders"—D. Jeffrey, J. Welch, W. H. Gillard, R. E. Hendry, C. L. Welch, A. Scott, William Rhodes, L. Hughes, R. Ashcroft, W. D. Flint.

Pte. William Wilmore's "Whang Bangs"—Russell Drennan, J. Barclay, W. Naylor, S. E. Windling, C. King, D. Funnell, L. Dean, J. Headley, L. Adams, W. H. Bayford, C. Salisbury, R. A. Miller.

Pte. W. McRobb's "St. Marys Cut-Ups"—T. L. Welch, P. McRorie, E. Baulk, E. Schneider, H. Ebel, W. Love, J. Morgan, W. J. Emm, I. Smith, W. E. Kelly, V. Collins and J. Mitchell.

Pte. Adam's "Wild Cats"—A. R. Stubs, R. G. Whale, J. W. Nichols, R. C. Huras, N. Wheeler, A. W. Welch, E. Douglas, E. Douglas, R. Stratton, F. Manson, A. Rouse, M. Marshall, J. Lyons.

Corp. Hobson's "Physical Jerks"—J. Horsburgh, J. W. Hart, E. McDonald, W. Day, E. Atchison, A. Reid, W. Jessome, A. Harwood, L. F. McClelland, W. A. Irwin, R. Norris, W. M. McCrae, J. McGraw.

Sgt. Gillingham's "Whiz Bangs"—F. J. Cosstick, Q. Westcott, D. Matheson, J. Charlesworth, R. Freeman, M. Yeo, I. Goodwin, P. J. Morrison, H. Carter, C. Roth, L. Rutledge, J. Fokett.

Corporal Binnington's "Lime Juicers"—D. W. Ranney, R. Turner, S. Howe, R. Lee, J. Ashley, F. Harding, J. Long, W. Tyers, G. Hogg, W. Thiel, R. Wismer, G. Lyons.

Pte. Gallagher's "Irish Tenors"—E. Akiwenzie, W. Corey, C. V. Salt, J. Johnson, E. Tschirhart, C. Near, S. Atkinson, J. Hanley, W. Kaufman, L. V. Oliver, H. Patridge, C. Benner.

Soccer Players.

Soccer players have been divided into the following teams:

First team—G. H. Parkinson, A. Trotter, E. La Conte, J. Hunter, A. Gibson, D. Rhodes, C. Messenger, G. Evans, A. Prior, T. McFarlane, J. Leckbridge, E. O'Brien.

Second Team—A. Baird, C. Baird, F. Stoneham, W. H. Dickey, L. Bailey, J. Greenshields, H. Harding, H. Locke, J. B. Atkinson, C. Smith,

Athlete Joins Army



PTE. CLIFFORD BRICKER of Galt, who joined the ranks of the Perth Regiment at Moore Barracks today. He brought honor to Canada in 1928 when a member of the Dominion's Olympic track team that competed in Amsterdam, Holland. Pte. Bricker is a marathoner.

R. Butler, J. Robertson, Third Team—G. Haines, P. Manson, C. D. Winteringham, W. S. Bell, J. Armstrong, F. Sapwell, A. Rouse, E. Taylor, R. Ferguson, E. Roulston, C. Peterson, W. Tyers.

Fourth Team—E. Akiwenzie, W. Willmore, C. Near, K. Hepburn, L. Barnes, W. Gibb, Corporal Binnington, J. H. Jones, A. Findley, T. McColl, A. Baillie, C. Salisbury.

Fifth Team—Littlejohn, Morgan, Fulcher, Emm, Brooks, Cossey, Clark, Kydd, Eglinton, W. A. Smith, Willis, Souter.

Those enrolling for wrestling are: Percy Elgie, V. Baird, N. Foreman, Ed. O'Brien, J. W. Sheardown, D. Goodwin, W. Thiel, C. Salisbury, W. Gibb, E. Mullis, W. Baird, A. Scammell, R. Jones, W. Liddle, A. Baird, C. L. Welch, L. Rhodes, C. H. J. Near.

The track team includes: C. King, S. E. Windling, C. E. Mansz, A. Baird, A. C. Huras, F. Mills, E. Akiwenzie, W. Gibb, Corporal Binnington, W. Thiel, C. Salisbury, A. Baillie, Steve Cordell, R. A. Mullis, A. Gibson, A. Bevington, H. Thompson, L. East, M. Hepburn, J. Hunter, L. Nelson, R. McCullough, J. Fulcher, A. D. Emm, W. J. Emm, D. Mathieson, R. Brooks, D. Herlick, J. Bishop, Jim Wood, W. R. Stewart, W. Souter, L. LeClare, A. Frey, K. McLeod, C. Solomon, F. Phillips.

The boxers are: Percy Elgie, George Deacon, William Rhodes, H. Catley, C. Messenger, A. Melville, A. Partridge, L. Bailey, F. Baker, F. Harding, V. English, W. A. Doyle, C. Whalley, L. V. Oliver, J. Redfern, D. Wheatley, Corporal Binnington, W. Walterburg, H. Beckner, C. Wilson, A. Kerr, F. Mills, J. R. Jones, J. Michael, John Spencer, Charles King, A. Jones, E. Ellis, B. Moddess, George Hillis, G. Smith, David Palmer, C. M. Peterson, E. C. Kirk, W. Henderson, J. Rowe, J. E. Milholl, J. R. Soderberg, J. C. Bell, L. Nelson, R. McCullough, M. Ellis, A. W. Duff, E. Akiwenzie, T. Smith, M. Hepburn, C. Baird, D. W. Banney, J. Robertson and W. Liddle.

Boxing and wrestling will be held at the Y.M.C.A. Scores of the different events will be published in Thursday's Beacon-Herald.

Regiment Now Up To Strength

Recruiting Of Base Company To Continue

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams

Full battalion strength was attained by the Perth Regiment Tuesday night, it was announced today by Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the unit which has been mobilizing at Moore Barracks as a machine gun section of the Canadian Active Services Force. Recruiting officers will now concentrate their efforts on organizing the reserve company.

"Any men who are contemplating enlisting with the Perths had better do so by Thursday, or Friday at the latest," Major McComb said in indicating that it will take only a day or two to complete the base company of 70 men. Approximately one third of the required number will have attested when the recruiting depot at Moore Barracks closes today and as there are men arriving from outside points, the officer commanding gives the last hint to Stratford and district volunteers.

Took 33 Days

It took exactly 33 days to mobilize the regiment of approximately 700 men. On September 1, Lieut.-Col. Arthur Garrod, M.C., then officer commanding the non-permanent militia here received a telegram from district headquarters at London ordering immediate mobilization of the Perth Regiment as a unit of the Canadian Active Service Force. A recruiting depot was established at the Stratford armouries on Waterloo street that night and from that date on there has been a constant campaign to secure the required number of officers and men. The ranks have been filled with volunteers from all parts of the country though with a heavy response by men of Perth County.

The base company will now be recruited and drilled with the main battalion and if the order comes to entrain for duty elsewhere, the base company will remain behind as a reserve for filling future vacancies. Four officers will be attached to the base company which will always be kept at strength as long as the Perth Regiment remains a permanent militia force.

Who will command the base company has not yet been decided. This information will be available when the complete slate of Perth Regiment officers is announced by military headquarters either at Ottawa or London.



WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

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Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

H-I-T-L-E-R

H is for HORROR, for HAVOC, for HATE—Caused by the "Aryan" Chief of a State.
I for his INSOLENT towards men of high station. Each representing a kindlier nation.
T for the TYRANT, an Austrian Cur, whose slogan was "Gimme' or I'll start a war."
L for his LAWS, promulgated like waves—They have turned mainly Germans to miserable slaves.
E for his ERRORS, of unknown dimensions, meant to add to the pride of this upstart's pretensions.
R for the ROAR of mankind for his head—for this world won't know peace until Hitler lies dead.

This column is indebted to Pte. George Sayers for the above bit which he clipped from the Belfast Weekly Telegraph after its arrival Wednesday. "I think that piece explains things pretty well," the Kitchener soldier told the writer at his billet address, 153 Front street. Incidentally the Belfast paper is filled with war news and pictures. It is the September 23 edition.

It would appear from the bulletin board that the boys of the Perth Regiment are going poetical. "Hitler's Dream," an arrangement by "Steve" is attracting considerable attention. It couldn't be printed in this column. We were wondering whether the rearrangement is by Pte. Steve Cordell. "The Revenge of Hitler," another ditty on the board is an original offering by Pte. Frank Stoneham. The barracks critics think it's quite good.

Pte. D. Wheatley, a Londoner with the Perths, is more than a soldier. He's a life-saver. The young Perth got an emergency call from the War Memorial Sick Children's Hospital at London today. He is requested to give a blood transfusion to a little tot who is critically ill with bronchial pneumonia. His leave-of-absence was speeded through the regular channels. Pte. Wheatley gave another child similar aid shortly before he enlisted with the Perths.

Orders from headquarters of Military District No. 1, London, today formally place all members of the former Perth Regiment, as a non-permanent militia, who failed to make the grade physically in the permanent force now mobilizing at Moore Barracks, on the "non-effective depot strength." They will, however, be liable to call for duty in Canada at any time, the orders explain.

Members of the Perth Regiment who can play band instruments are requested to place their names on the bulletin board in the lounge room. They are being asked to state whether or not they have their own instrument and the type of horn they play. The data is needed in connection with the forming of a regimental band.

A letter from the Stratford branch of the Canadian Legion asks members of the regiment to refrain from visiting Loughlin Memorial Home on the first and third Thursdays of each month. This is the regular meeting night of the veterans and the place is usually pretty well crowded on such occasions.

Pte. Verdun Randall of Goderich told the writer today that he thinks life in the Perth Regiment is just "IT." He got a particular kick out of the field day on Wednesday and said that coming in the middle of the week, as it does, the sports help to break the routine of training.

Boys of the Perths may get some fine home-made khaki handkerchiefs if the plans of the Salvation Army women in this city materialize. Major S. H. McComb, O.C., announced today that the Army ladies are intending to do some sewing for the soldiers and it has been suggested that handkerchiefs would be most acceptable.

Capt. M. W. Andrew, recruiting officer, announced today that two more donations to the recruiting

fund have been received. The Town of Mitchell has sent along its cheque for \$25 and W. E. Ryerson, city, has given \$2. In addition a treat for the soldiers was received from C. V. Lloyd of James Lloyd and Son, Stratford. Six large hampers of McIntosh Reds, good eating apples, comprise the gift.

With the arrival in the ranks of Bruce Acton, a private from Chesley, there is a possibility that a regimental barber may be established. An experienced man with the scissors and razor, Pte. Acton brought all his equipment with him and there may be a location found for him in the barracks. Incidentally a supply of shoemaker's equipment arrived from London today and the shoe repair shop will be started shortly. Two or three men in the ranks are qualified for the job.

J. R. Mercer, secretary of the Stratford Y.M.C.A. is mighty grateful to the ranks of Perth Regiment for the manner in which the men are conducting themselves when they visit the Downie Street institution. He told Major S. H. McComb that every soldier who has entered the building has acted like a perfect gentleman. "I am pleased to hear that said about our men," Major McComb said in mentioning the fact. "The 'Y' has been especially good to us and we appreciate the co-operation," the O. C. added.

Brigadier D. Macdonald and a staff officer from headquarters of Military District No. 1, London, dropped into Moore Barracks this afternoon for a brief visit with Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the Perths. Brigadier Macdonald was enroute to Guelph.

A supply of greatcoats arrived from the district ordnance office at London today and will be distributed to recruits as they enlist. Major Frank Walker, quartermaster here, expects the boots in any day now. His latest word is that they are being manufactured and should be ready for shipment shortly.

So far as this column has been able to learn today, there was only one casualty from Wednesday's sport activity of the regiment. Pte. Bob Boyes is confined to his billet with a sore ankle suffered when he misleaped during a high jump. He should be around again in a day or two, once the "egg" disappears.

Lieut. Reg. Reid has left for London to take the officers' qualifying course at the training school being conducted in that city at Carling Heights. The four-week course gives the officers plenty of work to do. During the morning they take three lectures and a physical training period. In the afternoon, there are two long lectures. In between times, a practical training course is also on the agenda which includes study in small arms and anti-gas warfare.

Reference was made Wednesday in this column to officers' drilling. An example developed this morning. After their regular P. T. period, which is pretty stiff, under the direction of Major J. L. Lind and Capt. E. C. Shelley, the officers had a run. As fast as they could travel, they circled the long block from the parade grounds along Trinity to Douro street and thence to Brunswick as far as Trinity to the barracks. "It's surprising how many muscles kick up a fuss after such exercise," one officer said.

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Names Of Additional Recruits To Regiment

In the final three-day drive for recruits to complete the battalion strength, officers of the Perth Regiment secured 70 enlistments on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Activity is now confined to the recruiting of the base company.

In the last group of men to enlist for the main battalion of the machine gun corps for the Canadian Active Service Force, many places in Ontario are represented. One man also gave his home address as Amherst, Nova Scotia.

It is of special interest to followers of the regiment to know that included among the latest group to enlist is Pte. Clifford Bricker of

Galt, member of Canada's 1928 Olympic team. He won honors for Canada at Amsterdam, Holland. The names, addresses and regimental numbers of the final additions to the battalion are:

Gordon Joseph Slattery, Brantford, A11584; Bernard Clement Stone, 165 St. Vincent street, Stratford, A11585; Ernest William John Watson, Graton, A11586; James Norris Percival, Galt, A11587; Charles William Minzen, Wilton Grove, A11588; Walter Joseph Spencely, 210 Norman street, Stratford, A11589; John Cecil McLeod, 481 Ontario street, Stratford, A11590; Harold David Aldridge, Galt, A11591; Edward Leslie Offer, Leamington, A11592; Ivan Leroy Pettit, Leamington, A11593; Robert James Stroud, Harriston, A11594; John Hay Weir, Warton, A11595; Roy Wilson Metcalfe, Tiverton, A11596; Walter Ernest Pendle, Galt, A11597; William Edward Moulton, 94 Regent street, Stratford, A11598; Clifford Bricker, Galt, A11599; James Clare Edwards, Teeswater, A11600; Hugh Miller Prentice, Wingham, A11601; Frank Dominic Nadjiwan, Cape Croker, A11602; Charles Cecil Nadjiwan, Cape Croker, A11603; Stanley Richard Shears, Owen Sound, A11604; Lorne Newburn Graham, Owen Sound, A11605; Alvin Bremner, Wingham, A11606; Carfrey Edward Brown, Teeswater, A11607; Frank Edward Cronin, Teeswater, A11608; Stuart Frederick Holloway, Wingham, A11609; Harvey William Weiss, Teeswater, A11610; Ross Leroy Samuel, Arthur, A11611.

Glen William Martin, Listowel, A11612; Charles Henry Gardner, 284 Queen street, Stratford, A11613; George Frederick Curtis, Belwood, A11614; George William Lenz, Owen Sound, A11615; Bruce Ashton Charters, Waterford, A11616; Wilfred Samuel Hopps, Meaford, A11617; Hugh Stanley Good, Waterford, A11618; Earl George Johnson, 87 Mowat street, Stratford, A11619; Lloyd Joseph Coulthard, St. Marys, A11620; Louis Gurney, Science Hill, A11621; Allister Schell, Pike Bay, A11622; John Edward Jepson, Mitchell, A11623; Elgin Roy Finch, Warton, A11624; Lawrence Joshua Finch, Warton, A11625; Reginald Kitchener Brown, 265 Front street, Stratford, A11626; George Albert Mogg, Preston, A11627; George Teagher, Galt, A11628; Gordon Kingsley Stoneman, Mitchell, A11629; Sidney George Creek, Gorrie, A11630; Clifford Charles Isaac, Chippewa Hill, A11631; Ernest Franklin Karn, London, A11632; St. Clair John Maxwell, Haldimand, Teeswater, A11633; Archibald Agnew, Galt, A11634; Wilfrid Thomas Cameron, Mitchell, A11635; Abram Martindale, Lion's Head, A11636; Milborne Henry Bailey, Durham, A11637; James Henry Herbert Carter, Ripley, A11638; Allen Brough, Lion's Head, A11639; George Wellington Allan, Meaford, A11640; Charles Norman Young, Brantford, A11641; Allan Alexander Cameron, Kewatin, A11642; Clifford David Roulston, 430 Ontario street, Stratford, A11643; Glen Nelson Greer, Kingston, A11644.

Richard James Baird, Owen Sound, A11645; Roy Livingston Border, Owen Sound, A11646; Lorne Frederick Maddess, 2 McNab street, Stratford, A11647; Percy Kitson Hugh, Stratford, A11648; Douglas Crossman, Amherst, N.S., A11649; Edward Arnold Wright, Harriston, A11650; Edward Phillip, 292 Queen street, Stratford, A11651; Edward Joseph Martin, Lucknow, A11652; Fred Smith, Kingston, A11653; and Harry Wilson, Kingston, A11654.

Perth Regiment Nearing Its Personnel Objective

Strength of the Perth Regiment, which has completed mobilization of the main battalion and is now concentrating efforts to complete the base company, is now over the 700 mark. It was announced at Moore Barracks today. About 75 more men are needed to complete the personnel of the regiment.

Twenty-two men from all sections of the province, including a number from this city, attested on Wednesday. Over 20 more were going through the medical examination today and it is expected that by the end of the week the books will be closed and the unit will be able to devote full time to organization and training.

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, is giving some thought nowadays to company organization in preparation for the announce-

ment of officers' staffs. Recommendations for staff personnel have been sent to Ottawa by Brigadier D. Macdonald, officer commanding Military District No. 1, with headquarters at London, but as yet ratification of the slate has not been received from the Department of National Defence in Ottawa.

Approval of the highest military authority is required before the district officer commanding or the local commanding officer can make the list public.

Apart from Major McComb, whose promotion from second in command was announced with the retirement of Lieut-Col. Arthur Garrod, M.C., none of the officers knows definitely where he will be located after the reorganization of the Perth Regiment as a permanent unit in the Canadian Active Service Force.

Sports Events Enjoyed By Regiment Members

Softball, football, boxing, wrestling, track and field events featured the Wednesday afternoon sports program staged by the Perth Regiment. This will be a weekly outdoor event for all members of the unit being mobilized at Moore Barracks.

The games were played on the drill ground at the barracks, at Queen's Park, the Y.M.C.A., Kroehler Field and the National Stadium.

Softball attracted the greatest number of men and there was considerable interest in the games, the first of a series to be played in the newly formed regimental league. The Irish Tenors beat the Lime Juicers 28 to 11; Whizz-Bangs trimmed the Physical Jerks 39 to 19 and Whang-Dangs administered a 55 to 20 drubbing to the Dispatch Riders. Lieut. John S. Whyte was in charge of the softball which was played at Queen's Park.

At the Y.M.C.A., Provost Sergeant William Fergusson, Capt. M. W. Andrew and Lieut. Otto Henderson had charge of some 30 boxers and wrestlers. They were assisted by Pte. Bobby Jones and Pte. Pat Michael, both of whom have had some ring experience, the former having boxed in the Silver Glove Tournament at Sarnia a few years ago. Some of the boxers are said to be quite capable, requiring only steady training before entering the ring for competitions.

Sergeant-Major Instructor R. B. Hughes and Lieut. Harold Snelgrove had a big squad at the National Stadium. One lot played "scrub" softball while the remain-

der engaged in field events. The high jumping was an attraction with many of the soldier-athletes scaling the five-foot mark.

The football played at Queen's Park consisted chiefly of practice games, the league play to start next week.

"While I was not able to attend the sports events, I am told the afternoon was quite successful," Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, said. "They will continue each Wednesday as long as the weather permits."

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

Major Frank Walker, quartermaster, is wearing a smile these days and today he confided that he unknowingly became a matrimonial match-maker. It all happened the day he sent Pte. George Weames over to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Landers, 302 Douro street. Pte. Weames is a native of Belfast, Ireland, and one of the first recruits into the regiment. When he came to this city to enlist he had to be billeted. Assigned to the home of the Landers, the soldier met Miss Ruth E. Grieve who also lived there. A romance started and the couple were married Wednesday afternoon at the parsonage of the Memorial Baptist church by Rev. J. G. Connor.

Captain W. M. Andrew today paid tribute to the splendid manner in which Sgt. J. R. McRobb demonstrated the use of the Vickers machine gun at Thursday night's meeting of the Lions Club. "He did a fine job and the members of the club listened attentively," the captain says. "I don't think I have ever heard the subject handled as efficiently as the sergeant discussed it before the club," Captain Andrew added.

Major S. H. McComb today acknowledged receipt of a cheque for \$25 from the Stratford Lions Club. It will be added to the regimental recruiting fund. Another donation of \$10.70 was announced from Kalbfleisch Brothers, Limited.

A local jeweler has placed a clock in the orderly room for the convenience of the staff. Its an advertising stunt and under the clock is a sign which says "Watches and Radios Loaned By—". The display prompted several of the boys, who admit they cannot afford new timepieces, to say they may take advantage of the merchant's offer.

Thanksgiving Day, which will be observed on Monday, will bring relief to members of the regiment. Major S. H. McComb says that drill will be lighter during the morning and in the afternoon the men will attend a concert being staged in the city hall under the auspices of a leading oil company. Under instructions from London headquarters, the orderly room staff will work as usual.

When one section of the Perth Regiment goes to St. Paul's church Sunday morning, the soldiers will have an opportunity of hearing the quarter-master, Major Frank Walker, play the organ. He is organist at St. Paul's.

Incidentally Major Walker announced today that the Perth Regiment Band army uniforms have been taken over by the regiment.

to relieve the clothing shortage and when the bandsmen join in the church parade Sunday they will turn out in their scarlet uniforms.

Pte. J. Handy, a Bruce Peninsula recruit left for his home near Warton late Thursday after receiving a telegram stating that his mother had passed away. He has been granted five days leave of absence.

The nine new corporals, announced in this column Thursday, enjoyed a social evening last night when they performed the old army custom of "wetting their stripes." It meant the "rounds" for the boys.

Pte. J. J. Irwin of the Perths has found value in instruction which he took in first aid work under the St. John Ambulance Association. He has been made a medical orderly in the office of Lieut. J. G. Jose, medical officer of the regiment. He prepared the men for the recent vaccination.

An airplane hummed over the drill ground at Moore Barracks Thursday afternoon and provided Sergeant-Major Instructor R. B. Hughes of the R.C.R.'s with the chance he has wanted for some days. Immediately a corporal advised him that a plane had been sighted the instructor gave the order for every man to "duck." There was a great scurry for bushes, trees and any other place that offered protection. Some men even crawled under parked automobiles. The officer merely wanted to see how fast the men would react to the order.

Pte. Jack Miller is one of the youngest lads in the regiment. He was the first man to enlist from Mitchell and states he was so anxious to get into the army that he also went to Seaforth and Goderich before he could find a recruiting depot equipped to take him on. As soon as he heard that the Perths were attesting men he made a bee-line for Stratford. When it was suggested he'd make a good signaler, he said "Nothing doing, I'm going in the machine gun section."

Pte. Cliff Bricker, the Galt man who achieved athletic fame in the 1928 Olympic games at Amsterdam, was tendered a farewell chicken supper at the home of Albert Newlands in Branchton shortly before he left to enlist with the Perths. Present were some 25 friends and employees of the Bickle Motors of Galt. During the course of the evening Pte. Bricker was presented with a handsome wrist watch.

According to The Galt Reporter 124 men from that city have enlisted in the various Canadian Active Service Force units recruiting there. Pte. James Percival of the Perths holds the honor of being No. 124. By the way, the item says, he's 32 years of age and married.

John Stevenson, 330 Ontario street, has sent his cheque for \$10 to the Perth Regiment Recruiting Fund, according to Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding. He voiced appreciation of Mr. Stevenson's thoughtfulness. Any citizens wishing to help the fund along may send their contributions to Major McComb at the barracks or to The Beacon-Herald. They will be acknowledged in this column.

Corp. Dunseith, one of the St. Marys boys who is billeted at 302 Douro street, is reported to be a great sleeper. In fact his pals say he simply loves his bed. Recently when the corporal tarried too long resting his eye lashes, the boys filled the bath tub with cold water and then carried the sleeping corporal to his bath. Needless to say he woke up and the boys have experienced little difficulty with him since.

Regular inspections are being held at Moore Barracks. The staff gives the troops the once-over every day to see if they are clean, well shaven and if their boots and buttons are polished. "A good soldier likes to get close to the razor," an officer says to those with a slight beard.

When he passed through Stratford Thursday en route to Guelph, Brigadier D. Macdonald did not stop at Moore Barracks. Consequently there was at least one

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Vickers Machine Gun Is Explained To Lions

The Vickers Machine Gun, the weapon used during the Great War so extensively by Allied forces and which has not been improved upon in the 25 years that have passed by reason of its being so highly efficient, was explained and demonstrated in detail at the meeting of Stratford Lions Club Thursday evening. It had been felt by those in charge of the program for the evening that something of a military nature might be opportune at this time and so, Captain Maurice Andrew, himself a member of the Lions Club, and Sgt. G. R. McRobb, both of Perth Regiment (M.G.), gave the demonstration.

Setting up a machine gun in the banquet hall at the Y.M.C.A., Captain Andrew and Sgt. McRobb showed clearly the intricate workings of the gun and explained each step in the operation of the weapon. The Vickers machine-gun, which is the type used by Perth Regiment, weighs 97 pounds, Capt. Andrew explained. He pointed out that Perth Regiment is now a fully mechanized unit and has numbers of motor vehicles and motorcycles. Machine-gun units now consist of only 673 men instead of a much greater number used in the last war, said the officer. The range of the gun has been increased to 4800 yards as compared with the former range of 2,500 yards.

Different Use Now

In order to dispel any confusion between the two weapons, Capt. Andrew explained the Bren gun and stated that the machine-guns would be used mainly for indirect fire in the present conflict. Unlike the last war the machine-gun crews will be fighting back behind some natural obstacle where the men can get cover from air and land forces alike. It will be only in unusual circumstances that the men will see the enemy, the speaker said. The gun fires 500 rounds per minute, he said.

The speaker was introduced by Past President W. Sinclair who took charge after the business part of the meeting had been dispensed

with, it being Past President's night. A visitor at the meeting, special representative Bruce Malcolm of Niagara Falls, commended the Stratford Club on its excellent humanitarian work in and about Stratford and for its organization efforts in other centres. Mr. Malcolm spoke of the newly formed Palmerston club which he said had a membership of over 40 and which promised to become a highly successful club. He pointed out that service clubs in smaller centres do as much good in their respective communities as do the organizations in larger centres. The men he felt are able to contribute time and money more freely and are in closer contact with the needs of the community.

Dental Clinic Will Be Opened For Soldiers

Just as soon as facilities for the work are available here, every man in the Perth Regiment now stationed at Moore Barracks will have every tooth in his mouth checked and charted.

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, today confirmed a London report that a dental clinic will be established here for this purpose. It will be in charge of a dentist operating under the newly formed Canadian Dental Corps.

When the clinic is opened every soldier will appear before the dentist and as each tooth is examined a notation of its condition will be made on the special chart provided for each man. Those requiring attention, if the condition is serious, will be given treatment.

According to Major McComb, the plan has a two-fold purpose. It provides an opportunity to check on any dental work needed by the troops and it also provides a record for considering when a recruit makes a claim for dental work any time in the future.

Besides the Stratford clinic, the Canadian Dental Corps will also open similar institutions in Windsor, Sarnia, Guelph and Listowel.

Major J. F. Blair, London dentist, who is commanding the dental corps, is now effecting organization of the branches in the different centres. The corps is working on the basis of a non-permanent force at present but it is likely to become a unit of the Canadian Active Service Force later on.

keenly disappointed man. He was Corp. Gordon Hanley. The corporal is in charge of the guard and in expectation of the visit of the District Officer Commanding, he had his dozen men all slicked up for the occasion. Buttons were polished and shoes were clean. One of our officer friends remarked that the men really were a credit to Corp. Hanley and the regiment.

According to orders received today from the headquarters of military district No. 1, London, Capt. W. I. Kemp, who was assistant adjutant of the regiment when it was a non-permanent militia unit, has been relieved of that duty. The order is effective as from September 1. Capt. Kemp is now in charge of the recruiting office in Moore Barracks.

Apart from a few cases of sickness, the general health of the battalion is pretty good, Major S. H. McComb said today. He added that with a strength of over 725 men there is bound to be some cases of hospitalization and general ailments.

Provost Sergeant William Ferguson is "C.B." today. In this case it means "confined to billet." He will be back on duty in a day or two.

There may be a military inquiry into the accident in which Pte. Ernie Smith, R.R. 2, Goderich, a member of the Perths, was injured Thursday night. It was suggested at the barracks today that such a course may be adopted for the sake of records. Pte. Smith suffered one broken rib when his bicycle and a motor car collided on Ontario street.

Base Company Ranks Are Filling Rapidly

But 40 more men are required to complete the mobilization of Perth Regiment as a machine gun battalion of the Canadian Active Service Force, according to Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding. Indications are, he said, that the full number will be enlisted by Sunday night.

In the 60 men who attested on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, there are many centres in the province represented though the majority are from Perth and adjacent counties. One man gives his home address as Chicago, Ill.

The ranks now being recruited are for the base company that is being established. The following are their names, addresses and regimental numbers:

Frederick Watson, Tobermory, A11665; Donald Edward McDonald, East Chicago, Ill., A11666; John Derney Vere, 180 Queen street, Stratford, A11667; King Clair Belrose, Tobermory, A11668; Wesley Albert Belrose, Tobermory, A11669; Robert Charles Bartley, Tobermory, A11670; Ephraim John Robson, Tobermory, A11671; Walter Joseph Gray, Simcoe, A11672; Wilbur Fairburn Howie, Elmwood, A11673; Jonas Jantzi, Kitchener, A11674; Edward Martin O'Halloran, Guelph, A11675; Albert Walter Neaves, Durham, A11676; Goldwin Long, Durham, A11677; Alvin Joseph Keeso, Listowel, A11678; James Gilmore Simpson, Galt, A11679; Eornden Richard Brown, 69 McNab street, Stratford, A11680; Norman Wesley Spencer, Calvin, A11681; William Riddell, Toronto, A11682; Reuben Baetz, Chesley, A11683; John Kerr Ross, New Hamburg, A11684; James Patrick Duncan, Regina, Sask., A11685; Donald Henry Daub, St. Agatha, A11686; William Davis Clark, Mitchell, A11687; Charles Alexander McCullum, Chatsworth, A11688; Patrick Curtin, Mitchell, A11689; Verton Alexander Heathers, Owen Sound, A11690; Roy Thurkle Barr, Meaford, A11691; Gordon John Currie, Owen Sound, A11692; Murray Andrew Fleming, New Hamburg, A11693; Walter Daniel Holst, Baden, A11694; Kenneth Lorne Haines, 234 Nelson street, Stratford, A11695; Joseph Arthur Witt, 251 Cobourg street, Stratford, A11696; Lorne Waugh McKay, 33 Ontario street, Stratford, A11697; Malcolm McDougal, St. Marys, A11698.

Charles Wheatley, 50 Strachan street, Stratford, A11699; Louis Abraham Arcand, 185 Church street, Stratford, A11700; Murlin Joshua Pickens, Gooderham, A11701; William Allen Bowers, R. R. 2, Auburn, A11702; William John Howlett, Woodstock, A11703; Gordon Souter Taylor, R. R. 2, Lucknow, A11704; William John Watt, R. R. 7, Lucknow, A11705; Alexander Bryce, Owen Sound, A11706; John Desjardine, Tobermory, A11707; Donald Fisher, Shakespeare, A11708; Alfus King Adams, Tobermory, A11709; Thomas Ashbury Sutcliffe, London, A11710; Christopher Wren, 93 Well street, Stratford, A11711; John Snider, 179 Church street, Stratford, A11712; Morris Leroy Near, St. Marys, A11713; Joseph Burnie, Milverton, A11714; Arthur Sapwell, Shakespeare, A11715; Charles Telford, Peterborough, A11716; Earl Ward Binkle, R. R. 3, New Hamburg, A11717; Alexander Hugh Binkle, R. R. 5, St. Marys, A11718; Frederick Jordan Massengale, Brantford, A11719; Gordon Kitchener Ross, Guelph, A11720; William Playford, Owen Sound, A11721; Harold Mote, London, A11722; Gordon Moore, Orangeville, A11723; James Edward Hillis, Meaford, A11724; David McAllister, Goderich, A11725.

Commands No Longer 'Barked' By Officers

The day when an army officer "barks" a saucy command or reprimand to a soldier is gone forever. This is the opinion of Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the Perth Regiment at Moore Barracks.

"Definite instructions have been given the officers, sergeants and corporals that civility must be practised when addressing the men," the O.C. told The Beacon-Herald today when it was observed that the tone of officers issuing orders is quiet, even dignified.

"That is the way it should be," Major McComb remarked. "If an order is given in a decent manner the men appreciate the fact and are more inclined to do their duty with a sense of responsibility and co-operation." Major McComb declares that if an officer cannot get the required co-operation from a

man through civil treatment, there is the other alternative—that of parading the soldier before the proper authority.

Old soldiers say that in the Great War days the British officer used to "bark" his commands and at times treated the men in a nasty manner. They have frequently commented from the sidelines down around the barracks here that there is a marked change—a move that they believe is for the betterment of military life.

It used to be that the old-time officers would "bawl" a man out if he made an error. Now the instructor calmly walks over to the young recruit and explains details of the movement. No blustering or bellowing is heard and as a result the men seem to be taking a keen interest in their work.

Recruiting For Regiment Is Halting

Full Strength Attained By Unit Here

Perth Regiment has attained its full strength and recruiting stopped at Moore Barracks shortly after 10.30 o'clock today. Approximately 760 men, including officers, comprise the personnel of the machine gun battalion which will form part of the Canadian Active Service Force.

While it was announced late Friday night that about 40 more men would be needed to complete the ranks, orders issued today by Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, brought recruiting activities to a standstill. Major McComb acted upon instructions from the headquarters of Military District No. 1 at London.

A small group of men, a few from Tobermory in the Bruce Peninsula and two from Sarnia, who arrived late Friday night, were the last ones to go before the medical board. They were attested a few minutes before orders were issued to stop recruiting.

It was on Friday, September 1, that officers of the Perth Regiment, as a non-permanent militia unit, received instructions from London to mobilize for the permanent Canadian Active Service Force. That weekend was featured by developments in the international situation that added considerable impetus to the movement and when the Moore Barracks was opened on September 4 to receive enlistments there was a ready response from men in Perth County and other nearby districts. For the past 37 days officers have been kept busy with recruiting and the medical staff has worked daily examining men. Right until the last moment there was a keen interest apparent, especially from men in the rural areas of Stratford and they traveled by all modes to reach this city in an effort to get into the army.

The strength attained today includes requirements not only for the regular machine gun battalion but for the base company as well. Major McComb told The Beacon-Herald. He said that immediately organization work of the various companies and staffs will get under way and drilling will be continued on a more intensified scale than has marked activities to date.

It is anticipated that orders will be issued soon announcing the personnel of the officers who will be in charge of headquarters and company operations. The slate has been recommended to the Department of National Defence at Ottawa by Brigadier D. Macdonald, London, and ratification is expected in a few days.

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

The last six men to be accepted into the ranks of Perth Regiment when recruiting stopped at Moore Barracks for the machine gun battalion of the Canadian Active Service Force, their addresses and regimental numbers are: Francis W. Greiner, Sarnia, A11731; Hendrie A. Stennett, Mattawa, A11730; Alfred Ernest Smith, Bowmanville, A11726; Harry R. Young, Tobermory, A11727; Peter John McConnell, Toronto, A11729, and Robert Victor Greenfield, 185 Albert street, Stratford, A11727.

Mr. Greenfield is an employee of The Beacon-Herald mechanical staff and a member of the Perth Regiment Band with the rank of sergeant. It is presumed he will become a member of the new band being formed for the permanent force.

Capt. W. I. Kemp, who has been in charge of the recruiting depot at Moore Barracks, announced today that a citizen who desires his identity to remain anonymous, has donated \$10 to start off a Perth Regiment Tobacco Fund. Voicing his appreciation of the splendid gesture, Capt. Kemp said he will be pleased to receive any other contributions for the fund.

Eighteen men have already volunteered for duty in the regimental band that will shortly be organized. They play all sorts of instruments including trombones, horns, drums, cornets and clarinets. Those who have signed the questionnaire on the bulletin board are Steve Cordell, John Jones, W. C. Schneider, W. S. Bell, R. W. Stears, A. Gibson, M. Dale, A. Fischer, H. Isles, J. A. C. Thompson, W. Tyers, J. Bishop, R. Wilton, W. Barker, R. Mitchell, F. Brown and M. H. Bailey. There are others in the regiment too who play band instruments. They are asked to attach their signatures to the form stating whether or not they have their own instrument and what type.

"Why do soldiers carry swagger sticks?" That is a question that is puzzling many of the girl friends in communities where men in khaki are frequently noticed walking along the streets. The reason is that a stick keeps a man's hands occupied. The soldiers, especially officers who served in the Great War, take a particular pride in displaying their swagger sticks. Locally the men in the former St. Marys machine gun company have neat sticks with an appropriate crest or monogram. It's rumored that the Perths will have their own distinctive stick before many weeks have passed.

Lieut. G. E. Carr, billeting officer of the Perth Regiment, said today he has checked over disbursements made to landlords for room and board for soldiers in September. He finds the records correct but in case anyone feels a mistake has been made, he would appreciate a telephone call to 577 and a further checkup will be made. October accounts will be paid early in November.

Members of the regiment will be permitted to enjoy a restful weekend. While there will be the usual church parade on Sunday, with troops going to St. Paul's and St.

Andrew's churches, they will be dismissed for the day following worship. On Monday, which is Thanksgiving Day, the soldiers will report for light drill in the morning and in the afternoon they will attend a concert in the city hall. It's free and has been arranged for the soldiers by officials of a leading oil company. After the show the men will be dismissed.

Few leaves of absence for the weekend and holiday have been issued to the Perths, Major McComb said today. There have not been many requests for days off duty. It must be that the men like Stratford and its people so well they do not care to go home at every opportunity. They may know also that if they ask leave too often it will be refused as orders call for a large strength always being in the city.

A local radio repair man knows that the guards at Moore Barracks don't fool. They mean business. He had an experience Friday night that makes him realize this. He was taking a short cut through Juliet school grounds on his way to the barracks to interview Lieut. Otto Henderson. The barracks guard was on the job and gave the usual order: "Stop, or I'll shoot!" The cold steel of the bayonet brought the radio man to a sharp halt. When the soldier could not recall ever hearing the name of Otto Henderson the man was escorted to the orderly office, the guard keeping the steel plenty close to the shoulders of the civilian. Here Lieut. Henderson immediately realized the position of his friend and explained the situation. The officer told the writer he is satisfied that the guards are on the alert down around the barracks property. Incidentally the radio man was enquiring about enlistment.

Another lot of privates have been made lance-corporals and one man has been promoted to corporal, it was announced in orders issued today. Pte. J. J. Irwin, medical orderly, is the new corporal, and Privates A. Woolgar, D. Youngs, J. Tait, W. H. Dickey, J. R. Jones and S. H. Mantle have been made lance-corporals. The promotions take effect immediately.

Lieut. J. Stevenson is in London today consulting with officers at headquarters.

Inoculations for officers and non-commissioned officers started at Moore Barracks today under the direction of Lieut. J. G. Jose, medical officer. Like the vaccinations which took place earlier in the week, the inoculation of each man takes but a minute. The anti-typoid serum is injected into the chest.

Another airplane hovered over Moore Barracks this morning and again the men received orders to "duck." There was a merry scramble for shelter as the men made their way from the open drill ground to places of safety as they would in the event of an air raid. The presence of planes over the barracks is not pre-arranged.

Sergeants A. J. Whitehead, A. T. Kentish and J. Hamilton went to Woodstock today to attend the weekend reunion of the 29th Battery. Major Gus Edwards of Guelph, officer commanding the 29th, will address the gathering, which will include men of the 35th and 36th Batteries, which were amalgamated with the 29th in the Great War.

Lieut. J. H. Graham of the ordnance office at military headquarters in London and his staff, who have been here for several days conducting an inspection of the stores at Moore Barracks, left for London today. Before departing Lieut. Graham witnessed the actual signing over of the stores to Major S. H. McComb's command. Lieut.-Col. Arthur Garrod, M.C., former

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(By WES. DAVIS)

We are the boys of the Perth Regiment.
We'll blow up the Siegfried Line
With a rat-a-tat-a-tat of machine
gun fire;
We'll dunk Adolf Hitler in the
sloppy mire—
We'll take Herr Goebels by the
seat of his pants
And we'll feed him little apples till
he gets the cramps;
Then we'll pick up Mr. Goering by
the scruff of his neck
And kick him right hard on his
"after" deck.
Then we'll take the three of 'em
and throw 'em in the Rhine
And the boys from Perth will have
a merry old time.

The above is a contribution from
a friend of the Perths—Harold
Thomas—who thinks it might be
worked into a regimental song to
the tune of "Turkey in the Straw." An
amateur composer, Mr. Thomas
says that some of the regiment's
musicians might have to change a
word or two to make the verse har-
monize properly.

And while we're on the subject of
a regimental song, it doesn't hurt
to mention here the manner in
which the boys joined in on the
"Beer Barrel Polka" down at the
city hall during the good-will con-
cert Monday afternoon. It's said to
be the most popular song wherever
Canadian troops are located and
Moore barracks' gang is no differ-
ent from the rest—and equally as
good singers. There are a few good
soloists, among them Private Arm-
strong who made quite a hit during
recruiting meetings at fall fairs.

There's one family very much in-
terested in the Perth Regiment,
now training at Moore Barracks as
a machine gun, battalion of the
Canadian Active Service Forces. It
is the family of Mr. and Mrs. Wil-
liam Foreman whose home is at
Scott's Corners, a settlement a short
distance from Galt. Their three
sons, Noel, James and Robert are
in the Perths. Noel is a married
man whose home is established in
Galt, while James and Robert re-
side with their parents.

While there are many sets of
brothers in the ranks, it is believed
that the Foremans are runners-up
to the Hutchinson family repre-
sented by four members in the
Perths. They are Sergeant-Major E.
M. Hutchinson, 121 Milton street,
who is the father of Private D.
W. Hutchinson, Private J. D.
Hutchinson and Corporal E. M.
Hutchinson. The Hutchinson group
was one of the first to volunteer
when the order for mobilization
came early last month and as mem-
bers of the non-permanent force
their experience is valuable in
assisting with training activities
now under way.

Stratford Y.M.C.A. was a popular
place for members of the regiment
on the holiday. Many of the men
who did not leave the city paid
frequent visits to the reading rooms.
The ping-pong table was busy all
day. Many took occasion, too, to
use the "Y" showers which, in the
absence of any daily schedule the
baths, were open to the men
throughout the day and early eve-
ning.

Provost Sergeant William Fer-
guson is around the barracks again.
Along with others of the regiment
the policeman was "C.B."—con-
fined to billet—for a few days. He
reports having a good rest but one
of the officers in the orderly room
says he's "like a man that's been
in jail for ten years."

Promotion of Pte. George Albert
Mogg, a Preston man who enlisted
with the Perth Regiment at Moore
Barracks, to the rank of company
sergeant-major was announced to-
day by Major S. H. McComb, officer
commanding. The latter states that
the new non-commissioned officer
served in the Great War and at-
tained a commission on the field
of action. When the European War
broke out and the Perths called for
soldiers, Sergeant-Major Mogg ap-
plied for a commission. Rather
than wait for an opening to develop
he signed on as a private and now
is again on the way up.

Major David Withrow, W.O. 2,
has called a meeting and a re-
hearsal of all men in the Perths
who play a band instrument. The
gathering takes place tonight at 20

hours (8 o'clock) in the Stratford
armories on Waterloo street. Musi-
cians are asked to take their instru-
ments with them but if they do not
own any to be present anyway.

Major F. J. Cavanaugh, district
medical officer, London, was in
the city Monday night. He paid a
brief call upon Major S. H. Mc-
Comb, officer commanding the
Perths, at Moore Barracks. His
visit was purely routine.

Lance-Corporal W. H. Dickey is
receiving the congratulations of his
buddies today on the occasion of
his 31st birthday. There will be
doings this evening to mark the
event.

Officers took advantage of the
holiday to visit relatives in differ-
ent sections of the province. Lieut.
Otto Henderson visited in Toronto
and Waterloo; Capt. M. W. An-
drew was in St. Thomas; Lieut.
Douglas Bricker was at his
Kitchener home and Lieut. J. E.
Tipler, acting adjutant, visited his
parents at Fort Erie North. Its the
first respite from duty he has had
since mobilization orders came
through from London on Septem-
ber 1.

Lieut. Herb Mason, Lieut. George
Gladman, Lieut. S. A. Mantle and
Lieut. R. S. Reid, who are attend-
ing the officers' training school at
London, spent the weekend and
holiday at their homes. They re-
sumed their studies today.

W. S. Hodges, 178 Caledonia
street, was in Toronto over the
weekend attending the reunion of
the 21st Battalion at the Carls-
Rite Hotel. The battalion paraded
to St. Paul's Cathedral for divine
service. Sergeants J. Hamilton and
A. J. Whitehead of the Perths were
also reunion attendants. They
gathered in Woodstock over the
weekend with the 29th Battery
which held its annual gathering.

Sappers Reg. Downing and Wil-
bert Vint of the Royal Canadian
Engineers were visitors at their
homes here over the Thanksgiving
weekend. The former lives at 4
Ontario street and the latter, at 74
Home street.

Private Brooks Boots Lone Goal

(By our own correspondent)

TAVISTOCK, Oct. 10.—For the
first game in the W.F.A. semi-fin-
als, played here Saturday afternoon
between the Tavistock Greenshirts
and the Stratford Nationals, the
visitors took the fixture by the close
score of 1-0.

The game was hard-fought
throughout, and was either squad's
right to the final whistle. Only a
fair crowd attended the game
which was the first one played by
the 'Shirts in over two months.

Play opened with the 'Shirts tak-
ing the offensive and working a
corner on which they failed to
capitalize. Play was mostly mid-
field, with neither team giving an
inch.

Then Stratford got a break, and
two streaked through, but Harris
between the posts for the 'Shirts,
made as smart a save as seen all
season. Again play steadied, but
with less than five minutes to go,
and the Nats pressing, Armstrong
cleared to J. Brooks, who booted the
sphere home for the only tally of
the game.

The second half was devoid of
any spectacular playing, though on
one occasion, Rudy and Sam Stein
worked through, Stein missing the
upright by inches.

The lines: Stratford, goal, Disch;
backs, Flood, White; halves, James,
Harrisko, D. Robertson; wings, J.
Robertson, Mertens, Brooks, Mc-
Gee; centre, Armstrong; alt.,
O'Connor.

Tavistock: Goal, Harris; backs,
Val Stein, Wylie; halves, Vogt,
Crawley, Schippling; wings, Rudy,
Zimmerman, Sam Stein, Matthies;
centre, Helmuth; alts., Schlitt, Mel-
bourne.

Referee: J. McDonald, Kitchener.

SHOW SPONSORED BY OIL COMPANY

John Public was treated Monday
evening to something he had never
believed would be his lot—a free
show, sponsored by a business firm
and without any advertising con-
nected with the program.

The two-hour musical show, en-
titled, "A Sure Cure for the Blues,"
was presented in the City Hall audi-
torium by the Imperial Oil Company
on behalf of Imperial Oil dealers in
this vicinity and on behalf of the
agent for this district.

In the afternoon a matinee was
held for the men of Perth Regiment
(M.G.), who turned out in large
numbers. In the evening the auditor-
ium was packed and persons had to
stand throughout the entire per-
formance.

The variety show lived up to its
name in every respect. There was
plenty of variety, any number of
laughs, talented entertainers and
wholesome fun from beginning to
end. The show is purely a goodwill
gesture by the company on behalf
of dealers and agents. The idea was
first thought of in Western Canada
and was so well received in the
Western provinces that it was de-
cided to bring it on through Ontario.
There are at present two troupes of
entertainers traveling the province,
one in the east and the other in the
west.

J. D. Thomas, resident manager of
this area welcomed the guests to the
auditorium and in the afternoon ex-
tended a special welcome and the
well wishes of the company to the
soldiers.

The music pleased young and old
alike for there were the well known
old songs as well as the modern
pieces played by the orchestra. Solos
were rendered by other members of
the troop. Tap dancing done by the
young ladies in the company shared
the honors with the special "Euro-
pean Dance" put on by the men of the
band—a sensation in lace gleaned
from half the trunks stored away in
the attics of the prairies. Solo num-
bers done by members of the troupe
bore out the statement of the genial
master of ceremonies that the arti-
sts were all accomplished music-
ians.

The comedy act put on by Chris.
Kenny, ventriloquist and magician
with the show were highlights of en-
tertainment. Every time the young
ladies appeared in the afternoon
performance the army yelled as
with one voice, "More."

A spirit of patriotism injected into
various numbers of the performance
served to make the audience even
more enthusiastic in its reception.

Troops Attend Services At Three City Churches

Soldiers of the Perth Regiment who
are stationed at Moore Bar-
racks as the machine gun battalion
of the Canadian Active Service
Force, attended services in Strat-
ford churches Sunday morning. Ap-
proximately 600 men worshipped.

Major S. H. McComb, officer com-
manding, led a large company to St.
Andrew's church while Major J. L.
Lind, acting second-in-command,
took the other half of the regular
Sunday morning parade to St. Paul's
church. Those of the Roman Cath-
olic faith attended the 8.30 mass at
the Church of the Immaculate Con-
ception.

The parade, which moved off
along King street from the barracks
proceeded to Douro street headed
by the Perth Regiment Band, first
to St. Paul's and thence to St. An-
drew's.

A former padre and a veteran of
the Great War, Rev. J. N. McFaul
welcomed the soldiers to St. An-
drew's church. During the course of
an eloquent sermon based on the
text: "A Good Soldier," Rev. Mr.
McFaul pointed out that the taking
of an oath of allegiance to the King
is one of a soldier's first duties.
Likewise when a man desires to
serve Almighty God, he unites with
the church of his choice and vows
that he will at all times serve his
Master by helping to carry on the
Lord's work.

Rev. Mr. McFaul said he sincere-
ly hoped that those who are wearing
the uniform will truly serve the
King and not do anything that will
besmirch what it represents. In a
like manner the soldier of Jesus
Christ should conduct himself so
that his life will be an example to
others.

"Soldiers are trained in the arts
of defensive and offensive tactics
designed to overcome the enemy
who, in the case of the present war,
was created by a man who has no
regard for democracy and religious
liberties of the world," said the
speaker. "Every soldier should out-
fit himself that he may assist
materially in ridding the world of
this tyrant and those aiding him in
a work of injustice. The devil is the
enemy of the church and Jesus
Christ and all good followers ought
to join in the battle to oust him and
thus help make the world a better
place in which to live."

The choir, under the direction of dispersed for the day.

A. Allan Harrington, contributed
two anthems which were in keeping
with the festive season.

At St. Paul's

Members of the regiment were
also welcomed to St. Paul's church
by the rector, Rev. J. R. Thompson.
He said that St. Paul's congregation
had suffered heavily during the
Great War and it was with "that
remembrance that the congregation
extended this hearty welcome."

Rev. Mr. Thompson based his ser-
mon upon the text, "Wherefore take
unto you the whole armor of God." He
said the church plays a more im-
portant part in the life of a man
than the army—a fact that was
borne out in the memorable battle
of Ypres when, with the Allies
outnumbered, the soldiers on the
British side placed their faith in
God and carried the battle out vic-
toriously.

The rector told the story of St.
Paul who faced danger from assas-
sins, soldiers, mobs and even
perils of the sea. St. Paul placed his
trust in God and received the nec-
essary strength which made him
victorious over his enemies. To go
forward placing continued faith in
God is not to be despairing of
Him, the rector said.

"Peaceful homes of men and wo-
men, all living in a contented world
are possible even in this day if the
peoples of all the world will but
place their trust in God," Rev. Mr.
Thompson declared, "but all must
carry the shield of faith. There
comes a time in every man's life
when there is doubt and discourag-
ement but it must be remembered
that God's promise is not to fore-
sake men."

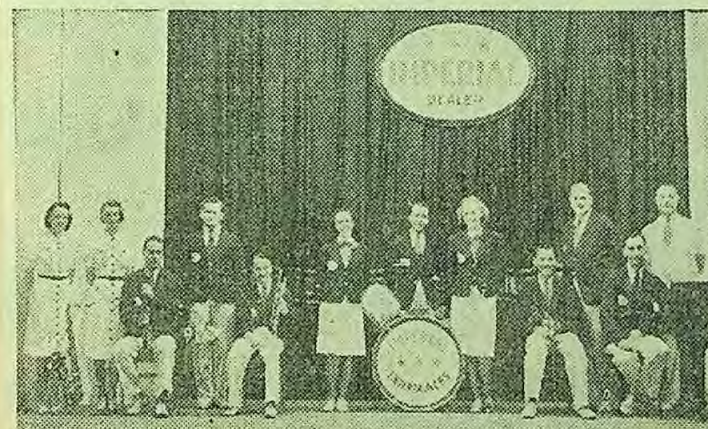
Recalling the habit of the late
King George who read a portion of
his Bible daily, Rev. Mr. Thompson
said that the word of God is the
best battle armor in the world.

In his closing thought Rev. Mr.
Thompson asked his listeners to fol-
low Christ, to put trust in Him and
to go forward for His strength
nothing can overcome.

At the Immaculate Conception
Church, the pastor, Rev. W. T. Cor-
coran extended a welcome to the
soldiers.

Immediately following the ser-
vices members of the regiment were

PRESENT FINE MUSICAL SHOW.



The clever group of entertainers, shown above, delighted large
audiences in the city hall here yesterday. The show was presented by
the Imperial Oil Company. In the afternoon a matinee was held for
members of the Perth Regiment, while the evening performance was
open to all.

Life In Army Agreeing With Men

Perth Troops Gain Weight, Looking Fit

Regular army life is agreeing with men who have enlisted with the Perth Regiment, it would appear from observations made by officers in charge of the men since their arrival here during the past 40 days.

"It is really amazing to see the changes in the appearance of some men," Major S. H. McComb remarked today when discussing the general improvement in the physical condition of the soldiers. That just about covers the statements of other officers and non-commissioned officers who are in daily contact with the men of the ranks and who are in a position to observe more readily, the gradual changes that are coming over the soldiers.

During the early stages of recruiting a number of persons in unfortunate circumstances found their way into the ranks of the regiment. They were men who had been unemployed for months and in many cases were poor fellows who had taken to the highway in search of work in different communities. Repeated failure to get steady employment was a determining factor in many of them being among the first to answer their country's call for help in this war against Hitlerism.

Filling Out Well.

Officers state that the men are "filling out" and their muscles are taking on a sturdier appearance. They describe the development as being the reaction to good substantial food, plenty of fresh air, exercise and regular hours.

When the soldiers came to this city and their billets were arranged, landlords were advised to give the men healthy foods, devoid of too many sweets. The men were told to be in their beds at a respectable hour and the drilling, which provides exercise for every muscle in the body, has been looked after by the officers. "If these rudiments are adhered to strictly, there is no reason why a man should not be healthy and gain weight," The Beacon-Herald was told today.

The men are gaining weight. Sergeant J. Bullock testified to this in the orderly room when he remarked that in five weeks of army life he has gained ten pounds. His is just one case out of hundreds of men in khaki.

Curtail Working Hours At McLagan Building

Work in the McLagan building at Douro and Trinity streets may be delayed somewhat owing to a Department of Labor order which curtails, to some extent, the hours which mechanics preparing the new barracks may be permitted to work. Intimation to this effect was given The Beacon-Herald today by Sergeant-Major H. L. Horan of the Royal Canadian Engineers, London, who is in charge of the work.

When the alterations commenced it was understood that operations would be carried out on a schedule of ten hours per day, seven days per week. This was to speed the work along so that the Perth Regiment, now quartered at Moore Barracks on King street, would have more suitable and permanent headquarters as soon as possible.

It appears now, the officer says, that labor department regulations have been exceeded and it is necessary to conform to them despite the emergency that is confronting the

regiment. "Just what the new code of hours will be, I cannot say at present," Sergeant-Major Horan explained, "but you can rest assured they will be adhered to from now on."

The officer said it will be all of four weeks before the soldiers can take possession of the new barracks. Materials commenced to arrive over the weekend and holiday in sizeable quantities and it will now be possible to rush operations right ahead.

Officers of the Perths are anxiously awaiting the day when they can take up quarters in the McLagan plant because they fear the thought of spending cold days in their offices at the Moore building. Fortunately the weather has been mild recently and the staff has been comfortable. During the cool spell, however, doctors who were examining recruits, as well as office staffs, felt the cold considerably as no heat is available.

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Youthful Perth Officers Win Promotion

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

Deep appreciation to the directors of the Y.M.C.A., its secretary, J. R. Mercer and physical director, J. H. Macqueen, for consideration being shown members of the Perth Regiment who visit the institution daily, was voiced today by Capt. M. W. Andrew. In his capacity as good-will ambassador of the soldiers, Capt. Andrew was one of the officers who negotiated arrangements with the "Y" officials in securing use of facilities there.

"The Y.M.C.A. has become a home away from home for the men and we have had only the highest praise from Mr. Mercer and Mr. Macqueen for the manner in which the men have conducted themselves when there," Capt. Andrew said. "I cannot endorse the work of the Y.M.C.A. too highly and I think that when the opportunity arises—as it will in the future—the citizens of our city should respond wholeheartedly to any appeal that might be made."

Capt. Andrew pointed out that when the soldiers made an appeal, through their officers, for the use of "Y" facilities, the request was immediately granted and Messrs. Mercer and Macqueen placed their services and all association equipment at the disposal of the boys from Moore Barracks. The great number of men to be served meant adequate and to illustrate the demand that the "Y" equipment was in-sure to co-operate "Y" officials bought softball bats and balls to augment their supply. "That's the spirit that has characterized our every dealing with the "Y" and that is one reason why the people of Stratford should not overlook the service the institution is giving this city," Capt. Andrew added.

Four permanent military policemen have been designated to oversee the movements of soldiers while they are in this city, it was learned at the barracks today. The men who will work under the supervision of Provost Sergeant William Ferguson, a thoroughly experienced policeman with both civic and provincial training, are Privates G. E. Scott, R. Beattie and John Chesney. They commenced their duties Tuesday.

Sergeants Carder and Roth have been promoted to the rank of company quartermaster sergeant and Corporals E. LaConte and H. Binnington have been raised to the rank of sergeant. In making the announcement Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, declared that any man showing the ability will be given the opportunity to attain higher rank. There are plenty of openings in the organization of the different companies, a task that is now confronting the staff. There will be four machine gun companies, a headquarters company and a base company composed of the first reserves.

Inoculations are continuing at Moore Barracks today in charge of Lieut. J. G. Jose, medical officer. The treatment is to counteract typhoid fever. Some of the men who were treated Tuesday are feeling the effects of the serum today and they may continue to feel "tough" for the balance of the week. In view of this the regular Sunday morning church parade will be called off and the men advised to worship in churches of their own choice. "We expect every man to attend a church service on Sunday and then go home and relax," Major McComb said in making the announcement.

Men of valor marching onward
Knowing they'll emerge victorious
Men of Perth your cause is glorious
On to victory.

Postmaster D. V. Macpherson and his clerical staff sent along an order for \$5 today for the Perth Regiment Recruiting Fund. In making the announcement, Major S. H. McComb expressed his appreciation to the postal workers.

Incidentally the Perth Regiment Tobacco Fund is not growing very fast. It includes only a \$10 donation from an anonymous citizen. Others caring to contribute to this phase of the soldiers' comfort are asked to forward their donations to Capt. W. I. Kemp at Moore Barracks. There's nothing a soldier appreciates more than a good smoke.

All ranks dispensed with the usual morning drill today because of wet grounds. The morning was occupied by a long route march, the 700-odd men being split into two units for the hike. "It's a Long Way to Tipperary" and similar Great War songs liven up the parades and as one private told the writer recently: "When you sing with the other fellows you don't notice the strain of a long march."

One man is keenly anxious to get into the McLagan plant when it is opened as a barracks for the Perths. He is Private Herb Smith, a Kitchener man who served as a cook in the Great War, first with the Royal Field Artillery and later with the King's Own Royal Regiment. He hopes to cook for the Perths. Private Smith enlisted in January of 1915 at Bournley, Lancashire and served throughout the war. He emerged unharmed with the 1914-15 medal, the British War medal and the Viceroy's Indian medal.

That fellow Steve Cordell at Moore Baracks does not fool when he puts a notice on the bulletin board. He signs himself "Ex-Sgt. S. H. Cordell, 2nd Machine Gun Battalion, Acting Corporal, Perth Regiment Band, N.P. and Pte. Perth Regiment, M.G." But his notice calling musicians out to the bandmen's rehearsal at Stratford armories brought the desired results Tuesday night and Bandmaster D. A. Withrow, W.O. 2, had a good turnout.

The hospitality which Stratford citizens are showing the men of Perth is more evident every day to those stationed at Moore Barracks. Another example was recounted to the writer today by a private who is billeted in a city home. It appears that the landlady figured on treating her boys to a real chicken dinner on Thanksgiving Day. When she learned that several of the lads were on guard duty for the day she postponed the dinner and Thanksgiving Day was celebrated in real home-like style Tuesday night. "Our landlady thinks so much of us that she would not think of staging the dinner unless we were all home," our private friend said. "She is a motherly old soul and we like her."

OBTAIN RANK OF FULL LIEUTENANT



Lieut. H. A. Snelgrove (left) and Lieut. J. S. Whyte (right) whose appointment to full lieutenant rank was announced today by Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the Perth Regiment, now training as a machine gun battalion of the Canadian Active Service Force, at Moore Barracks. Heretofore both officers have been second lieutenants.

Snelgrove and Whyte Now Lieutenants

Promotion of two junior officers, Harold A. Snelgrove and John S. Whyte, from second lieutenants to full lieutenants, was announced today by Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the Perth Regiment at Moore Barracks. Their commissions have been approved in orders issued by the Department of National Defence.

Lieut. Snelgrove is a son of Canon W. H. Snelgrove and Mrs. Snelgrove of St. Marys. One of the younger officers in the Perths, Lieut. Snelgrove was born in Galt 21 years ago. He was educated in the public school and the Collegiate-Vocational Institute of that city where his father was for many years rector of the Church of England. Upon his father's transfer to the rectory of St. Paul's at St. Marys, Lieut. Snelgrove entered the service of the Royal Bank of Canada there where he remained until mobilization. The young officer was a member of the St. Marys Company of the Perth Regiment (M.G.) as a non-permanent militia unit and is now attached to the permanent force.

Lieut. John S. Whyte is in his 23rd year, and the bearer of a name long linked with the industrial history of Stratford. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Whyte of Toronto and a great grandson of the founder of the Whyte Packing Company, Limited, of this city.

Born in Toronto, Lieut. Whyte attended Toronto public schools and later graduated from Upper Canada College. Last term he was a student at the Ontario Agricultural College but when mobilization orders were received by the Perth Regiment, Lieut. Whyte offered his services along with all the other officers of the non-permanent force. It is just a little more than four years ago that the young officer joined the regiment. He had been working during the summer months at the packing plant and took up military work more as a hobby, little dreaming that it would pave his entry into the active service where he is now engaged.

A young Chesley lad—just a boy of 15 summers—hitch-hiked into Stratford Tuesday intent upon joining the Perths. Turned down because of the regiment having attained full strength the lad wandered uptown where he met Constable George Canning. He inquired of the officer if it would be any use going to Toronto or London and when informed that all units in the province are up to strength the boy said: "Gee, I hate to go back home after telling all the fellows I was going to enlist." Incidentally he confided he had told the army officers he was 18.

The provost sergeant's staff is doing a full time job now. They are paying frequent visits during the evenings to places soldier boys might be frequenting. An order has also been issued at the barracks that all men must be in their billets by 11.30 p.m. daily.

Officers' training classes are continuing daily in their quarters at Moore Barracks. Major J. L. Lind and Capt. E. C. Shelley are the instructors in map reading and drawing; contour work and typography.

Houston, Tex. — William Rowan reached Houston safely aboard a British freighter which survived attacks from U-boats. He sighed happily as he set his feet on land. A few hours later he was killed in an automobile accident.

An invitation has been extended the Perth Regiment to attend divine service at Knox Presbyterian church on Sunday, October 22. The invitation will be accepted.

William Richards, secretary of Romeo Lodge No. 164, has written the regiment inviting all Oddfellow-soldiers to make use of the lodge's facilities while they are in Stratford.

Former Staff Sergeant A. H. J. Innes comes to bat today with a piece of poetry dedicated to the Perth Regiment (M.G.). He suggests that it be adopted as the marching song and accompanied by the tune of "Men of Harlech." It follows:

MEN OF PERTH

Men of Perth march forth to glory,
As thy fathers did before
No tyrant horde shall e'er oppose thee
On to victory.
Vain boastings never heeding,
Their liberty ne'er yielding,
Marching on against the foe
Their homes and loved ones shielding.

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

Major F. J. R. Forster, Major David Smith and Capt. F. H. Nelson, members of the military medical board, were back at Moore Barracks today after a brief absence. They are examining guards from the Kitchener armories. Other groups are expected from Woodstock, Galt and Preston in the next few days.

Capt. Walter Bean of Kitchener led the guards from the Scots Fusiliers of Canada to the barracks for the examinations today. Accompanying him were 2nd Lieut. E. F. Flugman, Sgt. Roy Hoffman, Fus. Lloyd Dufton, Corp. A. N. Bassam, R.S.M. V. W. Christianson, Fus. J. K. McKee, Sgt. C. L. Bignell, C.Q.M.S. R. L. Muir, Cpl. J. D. Heinrich, Fus. M. F. Flynn, Fus. W. J. Ray and Lance. Corp. Milner Seibert.

Dr. C. W. Hamilton, Stratford dentist, was at the barracks today for a medical examination. It is understood he will shortly be named dental officer attached to the Perth Regiment by the Canadian Dental Corps. At present he is attending to the dental needs of the local soldiers. Harry T. Patterson, Stratford, also appeared before the board today and it is reported he may be assigned to Dr. Hamilton's office when it is established in barracks.

Incidentally, a London report states that Major J. F. Blair, recently appointed district deputy dental officer for Western Ontario, has opened his office at headquarters of military district No. 1 in London. He was in Moore Barracks recently discussing with Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the Perth Regiment, matters relative to opening a clinic here but it is expected it will be some time before arrangements can be completed locally.

In Corporal James P. Michael the Perths have uncorked a real boxing instructor. It was evident Wednesday afternoon when he put about 30 prospective boxers through their paces at the Y.M.C.A. Corp. Michael came here the latter part of last month and gave his home address as Winnipeg, Man. It is of interest to the ranks to know that he was formerly with the Princess Patricia's Light Infantry in the western city.

Corp. Michael taught the men the rudiments of hitting for an hour Wednesday afternoon and then the gang went through a period of boxing. Three rounds of two minutes each provided each man with just about enough for one afternoon's workout. "Draw your punches but hit straight," the corporal would tell the men in the ring as they

attempted to hit a little too hard where the opposition was weaker. Another of his familiar cautionary words were: "No slugging; remember you're just learning."

At the other end of the room, "Mac" Macqueen, physical instructor at the "Y" had about 30 more men doing mat work. The wrestlers were taught a few holds and then went through a stiff series of jumps over the horse. They perspired freely as the grind became more strenuous, an indication the men are gradually getting into condition.

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, dropped into the "Y" during the workouts there Thursday afternoon and took a profound interest in the boxing. He saw a few good rounds. Other officers present were Capt. C. V. Arrell, Lieut. Otto Henderson, Lieut. William Charters, Lieut. J. C. Dent, Lieut. John Bell and R.S.M. Thos. Soper.

One of our fair friends suggests that Lieut. G. E. Carr, popular billeting officer at Moore Barracks, and a newcomer to the city, is a fairly good bagpipe player.

Milt Dunnell, sports editor of The Beacon-Herald, would appreciate a call from Pte. Clifford Bricker of the Perths.

Men on guard duty today are Corporals W. Dickey and J. Tait and Privates W. MacKay, J. Nicholl, C. Near, J. Pitblado, W. Pennegan, W. Parkins, J. Redfern, J. Robertson, P. Ranny, C. Olin, F. J. Oliver, A. Prior, W. Phillips, W. Rhodes, E. Roulston, V. Randall, R. Stratton.

During the period that men from the Perth Regiment are in the Stratford general hospital, the orderly officer of the day will visit that institution in the course of his day's duty.

An order on the bulletin board states that the officer commanding has received complaints that members of the Perths are "begging" from citizens. The notice states it is a practice that will not be tolerated and severe action will be taken against any offenders.

Former Staff Sergeant A. H. J. Innes, who contributed a suggested regimental song to the Perths, Wednesday, told this column today that he does not claim all the credit for the composition. He asks that we also mention the co-author who was B. D. Cymro. Incidentally it might be added here that the boys

at the barracks appreciate the former staff sergeant's interest and it will not be surprising if the song is adopted once the men get into permanent barracks.

Permission to marry has been granted Pte. R. Brooks and according to the order on the bulletin board today the bride is to be Miss Kay Scott.

Pte. P. J. Morrison of the Perths is a patient in Westminster hospital at London. The nature of his ailment has not been revealed.

Alex Vivian, 152 Albert street, has forwarded a cheque for \$25 to the Perth Regiment. Mr. Vivian's donation is "ear-marked" and will be "for comforts of the men." Major S. H. McComb said the contribution will be highly appreciated by the officers and men and he extended his thanks to Mr. Vivian.

Capt. M. W. Andrew and Sergt. McRobb have accepted an invitation to address the Mitchell Lions' Club on Friday night. They will discuss a military subject.

Pte. William Bayford of the Perths called this column today to say that the hour of his wedding on Saturday at St. Joseph's Church has been changed from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Beacon-Herald Linotype Operator Is Honored

Members of The Beacon-Herald family gathered in the composing room Wednesday afternoon to honor R. V. Greenfield of the linotype staff who is temporarily severing his connections with the firm to take up military duties with the Perth Regiment, now training at Moore Barracks as a machine gun battalion of the Canadian Active Service Force.

Speaking on behalf of the company and employees, Chas. D. Dingman, managing director and editor, voiced regrets at Mr. Greenfield's departure from the staff after nearly 20 years of service. He added, however, that the firm is proud that "Vic" has decided to offer his services as the first member of the staff especially after having fought in the Great War. Mr. Dingman assured Mr. Greenfield his position would be kept open for him and he was informed his union seniority will be protected.

M. A. Robinson, superintendent of the mechanical staff, presented Mr. Greenfield with a handsome toilet kit on behalf of the employees, and A. E. O'Loughlin, secretary-treasurer, made the presentation of two weeks' pay, the gift of the company, and said that during Mr. Greenfield's absence his group insurance premiums will be taken care of by the company.

Following the presentation, Mr. Greenfield, who joined the regiment today, replied in a fitting manner. Mr. Greenfield has been a member of the Perth Regiment band for a number of years.

Military Law Outline Is Given Optimists

"Military Law" and the change that it brings about in the life of a young man entering the army or of a community coming under martial law, were described to members of Stratford Optimist Club at the meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Thursday evening by Capt. E. C. Shelley, of Perth Regiment (M. G.).

Capt. Shelley, who was introduced by Howard Galloway, told the club members that he would bring the first part of his remarks to them from the viewpoint of a young man being informed that his country was at war with another nation and who felt that if his country was good enough to live for it was good enough to die for. After he has passed all the required medical tests and answers such routine questions regarding his life as are required and has finally signed his name for the last time for military service, he comes under military law.

Soldiers are still citizens and are subject to civil law, the speaker said. Military law is super-imposed upon civil law. The young recruit must learn that discipline is the back-bone of military life and that the back-bone of discipline is courtesy, said Capt. Shelley. He pointed out when the command is given to 700 men to move they must do so and failure to obey that command may mean the lives of some of them. Furthermore, he added, the day of the old sergeant-major barking crisp commands tinged with acid is gone. Better work is accomplished when the men do it willingly, he claimed. However, the recruit must learn he has superiors and no matter how he may hate an individual officer he must respect the uniform of that officer.

All Crimes Recorded

He spoke of the various types of crimes that are sometimes committed by men and said all these are recorded on a crime sheet and are not stroked off as long as the war lasts.

Turning to the other part of his subject, Capt. Shelley explained that martial law means that through conditions arising beyond the control of civil authorities, ordinary law has ceased to function and the policing of the community is handed over to the military authorities. He made it quite clear a tremendous responsibility rests upon the shoulders of the commanding officer in a case of this kind and that the officer is responsible to the civil authorities after the matter has been cleared up. In the case of martial law officers are cautioned to use force as a last resort. The appearance of armed troops usually is successful in quelling any trouble in this country, however, the Capt. said.

E. G. Davis, a veteran of the last war, related a few humorous incidents in regard to his own training as a recruit and moved a vote of thanks to the speaker.

Makes Donation to Regiment

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the C.B. of R.E. was held Wednesday evening with the president, Sister T. Whittemore, in the chair. A good attendance answered the roll call. It was decided to send a cheque to Toronto to assist with the gift for the retiring president of the grand lodge, Mrs. Kemp. It was also decided to donate five dollars to the Perth Regiment. A euchre will be held at the home of Mrs. Harris, 57 Guelph street, the last week in October. The chaplain, Sister T. Forrest, read the closing prayer. The conveners of the evening, Mrs. A. Ledger and Mrs. Verner, served a dainty lunch.

Col. Garrod Honored by Perth Officers and Men

In recognition of his leadership of the Perth Regiment (M. G.) for more than six years, Lieut.-Col. Arthur Garrod, M. C., who relinquished command of the regiment on Sept. 22, was honored in the officers' mess in the Armoury on Thursday night at a large gathering of the officers, non-commissioned officers and associate members of the regiment. Col. Garrod's record as a soldier, a commander and a comrade was the subject of several congratulatory speeches. As tangible evidence of their admiration for the former commanding officer, his associates presented him with a Sheffield tea and coffee service. On the tray were engraved the crest of the regiment and the following inscription:

"Presented to Lieut.-Col. Arthur Garrod, M. C., by the Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men and the Associate Members of the Perth Regiment (M. G.), in appreciation of his devoted leadership, January 2, 1933—September 22, 1939."

Praised By John Stevenson

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the Perths, named as master of ceremonies John Stevenson, senior honorary member of the officers' mess, who was mayor of Stratford when war was declared in 1914.

Inviting Lieut.-Col. Garrod to his side, Mr. Stevenson announced that the members of the mess had gathered to honor the former commanding officer. The speaker emphasized that Col. Garrod, through his long experience, his human qualities and his unflinching devotion to duty, had brought the Perth Regiment to a high degree of efficiency. That this was so was evidenced by the fact that the regiment was one of the first to be chosen for active service when war seemed imminent. The people of Stratford, of Perth and of the neighboring counties were justly proud of the Perth Regiment. Much of the credit for the recog-

nized high standing of the unit was due to the leadership of Col. Garrod. In conclusion, Mr. Stevenson said:

"In behalf of the officers, non-commissioned officers and men and associate members of the regiment, I ask you to accept for yourself and Mrs. Garrod this silver service as a token of their esteem and affection."

Gives Credit to Officers, Men

Lieut.-Col. Garrod expressed his thanks in warm terms. He said that he had enjoyed his long association with the regiment and had relinquished command of the battalion with profound regret. "These last two weeks have been unhappy ones for me," he said with a wry smile and lamented that he had been unable to pass the medical examining board. "I certainly would like to be back in uniform," he declared, adding that he was hopeful that he would yet be able to serve the militia in some capacity.

Modestly denying that his leadership had been an important factor in building the regiment to a high point of efficiency, Col. Garrod said that he had merely tried to measure up to the standards set by previous commanding officers. The Perth Regiment had always had a good record and he had strived to maintain its standing. He had been able to do so only because of the wholehearted cooperation of the officers and men of all ranks, for whose faithful support he was deeply thankful.

Praises Successor

He mentioned particularly Major McComb, "your commanding officer, a soldier of long experience, who, as second-in-command, was content not with merely doing his part but was ever alert to assist in regimental matters in every way. I know that Major McComb will do honor to the Perths as officer commanding."

Col. Garrod concluded his remarks by expressing his satisfaction with the rapid improvement in the appearance of the regiment. He said that he watched the unit on parade whenever opportunity offered and he congratulated the officers and men on their marked progress.

Col. Garrod's Military Record

Major McComb said that he was both sorry and pleased to assume command of the Perths. He was sorry because, in accepting command, he was "taking over" from a man whose record had marked him as the logical commander of the regiment in war time, a man thoroughly competent and honored by officers and men. He regretted that Col. Garrod had been unable to carry on. Major McComb, on the other hand, was happy in his new post because he was aware of the fact that he was aided by efficient and faithful officers and men.

Major McComb sketched briefly Col. Garrod's military career. He had enlisted in Stratford on Sept. 6, 1914, with the 18th Battalion, and Major McComb, a member of the same unit, recalled their happy association in those days. Private

Garrod had won promotion on the field to the rank of regimental sergeant-major. He had been awarded the Military Cross for valor in action. He had been given his discharge in 1919. In 1921 he had enlisted with the non-permanent militia here, and successive promotions had culminated in his appointment as officer commanding the Perth Regiment.

The Major said that the officers and men were proud to have served under Col. Garrod and he was confident that their performance would merit their former colonel's praise and would do honor to the name of Perth.

Urges Officers to Study

Major D. Smith, M. D., in congratulating Col. Garrod on his record, held that the high standing of the Perth Regiment was due very largely to the tireless zeal of its retiring commander. It was true of any regiment that the character of the man at the top decided the character of the unit as a whole.

Major Smith urged the officers to study diligently, that they might be at all times sources of strength to those who depended on their leadership. Moreover, important promotions could not be earned without study. Col. Garrod and Major McComb had risen from the ranks to become battalion commanders and their record was a worthy example to all officers and men.

Speaks for N. C. O's.

Sergt. W. J. Plume, in behalf of the non-commissioned officers, said that Col. Garrod had had the confidence and respect of the men and that it was generally regretted that he had had to step aside. He was confident that the N. C. O's and men would give every support to the new commanding officer, who was highly regarded.

Capt. Kemp Honored

Another Perth Regiment officer was honored at last night's gathering in the Armoury. Capt. W. J. Kemp was presented with a nest of tables in honor of his recent marriage. Major D. M. Ross, M.M., and Capt. M. W. Andrew, speaking in behalf of the members of the mess, extended congratulations to Capt. Kemp and expressed the hope that he and Mrs. Kemp would long enjoy happiness and good health.

Capt. Kemp thanked his associates for their good wishes and generosity.

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

Capt. M. W. Andrew was all smiles today at Moore Barracks where the Perth Regiment is training as a machine gun battalion of the Canadian Active Service Force. Ever since the soldiers have been mobilizing in Stratford, Capt. Andrew has been actively engaged in recruiting work and finding ways and means to make the lot of the men more pleasant, especially during the time they are taking a form of P.T. commonly called recreation.

C. V. Lloyd of James Lloyd and Son had a lot to do with making Capt. Andrew feel happy. Mr. Lloyd has advised the officer that he is donating \$100 towards a fund that will provide sporting equipment for the regiment. The handsome donation is just what the army needed for it takes a lot of equipment to go around a regiment as large as the Perths, especially if everyone is to engage in some form of sport. Volleyball, hockey, soccer, softball, wrestling and boxing are included in the program that is getting under way gradually. Appreciation of the officers and men will best be shown to Mr. Lloyd when they enter into the games with a vim and vigor that characterizes every soldierly move.

Major S. H. McComb also announced a contribution to the regiment today. It is \$10 from a citizen who does not wish his identity disclosed. The money will go into the recruiting fund.

Major Frank Walker was in London at headquarters today where he conducted regimental business as quarter-master. One of the men in the stores department, noting the popular major's absence, remarked that the old saying, "The closer you are to headquarters the better you get looked after," still holds true and Major Walker is making the best of Stratford's close proximity to London.

Before nightfall every member of the Perths will have been measured for the new uniforms which are expected to arrive here before Christmas. The men, especially those boys who hike down the back streets because of their shabby dress, are hoping the new battle togs will be here before that, but they realize the situation and little grumbling is being heard.

Leave it to Provost Sergeant Bill Fergusson to figure out some way of cracking this column every day or two. When the writer walked into Moore Barracks today the big officer was waiting for him at the door. At first sight it looked as though an arrest would be made, but then the M.P. confided that someone has stolen his cane and wondered if an inch or two of reading matter here might encourage its return. He says he hates to think he will have to adopt an ordinary policeman's billy.

Private A. Wallace has been promoted to rank of Lance-Corporal, according to orders issued today.

Permission to marry has been granted two members of the Perths—Lance-Corporal W. S. Bell and Private J. C. Bell—both of the Atwood district. The former is to marry Elizabeth Graham and the latter Lois Ronnenberg. The addresses of the young ladies are not available.

"Have you had the buzzer yet?" In barracks parlance that means have you been to the medical officer for an inoculation. The M.O. is now pretty well into the second round with the men and some of them are feeling the effects of the injections which are expected to make the soldiers immune to the ravages of typhoid fever.

Sergeant A. J. Whitehead was orderly sergeant today and as usual had a timely one for this column. He is sporting a new home-made cane. Someone asked him where he got it. "Well, you see, it was like this. Some lady gave me the stick of an old umbrella. Someone else gave me the knob and I found the bullet for the end of it."

And just then a big black cat strolled along King street the full width of Moore Barracks. "There's a black cat," someone shouted. "Sure enough it is," Sergt. Whitehead agreed. "Oh, well, it is all right today. They say it is lucky to have a black cat cross your path on Friday the 13th," the sergeant concluded.

Capt. Robert Shantz and Second Lieutenant Robert Hilborn of the Preston company, Highland Light Infantry of Canada were at Moore Barracks today. They accompanied a group of guards who are undergoing medical examination.

The doctors examined 14 men from the Highland Light Infantry, Galt, and the Oxford Rifles, Woodstock, Thursday afternoon. There were 12 placed in "A" category, one in "D" and one in "E." From Galt Kenneth W. Massel, Thomas Harvey, Allan W. Scherer, Albert Houghton, Ronald A. Erison, Arthur V. Waterman, Sherman W. Erison and Edward R. Newland were examined. Those from Woodstock were William A. Hastie, Ronald H. Wilson, Matthew Brown, Lewis Green, Clair G. Revell and Maurice A. Adair.

Privates W. Wilmore and E. Drennan, the former of St. Marys and the latter of Goderich, have moved their families to Stratford. They are among the first of the outside troops to establish their homes in the city but it is understood that a number of other will follow the same course within the next few weeks.

Private William Thompson, one of the St. Marys men with the regiment, is an old soldier who had experience in the Great War. He enlisted with the 16th Field Ambulance at London and served as an ambulance driver at Vimy, Passchendaele and Ypres in 1917 and 1918. It was well on in 1919 before he was demobilized. Pte. Bill knows the horrors of war but they did not deter him from answering his country's call when the Perths got word to mobilize for this European tiff. He has been a member of the St. Marys company in the non-permanent unit.

W. M. McGuire, of Simcoe, was a visitor to Moore Barracks Thursday afternoon to renew acquaintances with Sergeant E. LaConte. Both were at one time in the ranks of the Royal Canadian Regiment in Toronto. Before leaving for his home Mr. McGuire intimated that he will make application to Major S. H. McComb for enlistment with the Perths. There are five former R.C.R. men now in the ranks of the local regiment, among them also being Sergeant J. Armstrong.

The young private who receives his mail addressed in care of the "dispatch riders' department" at Moore Barracks has a sweetie that certainly looks after his comforts. If she keeps up the good work his feet won't get cold this winter. The mail brought him a swell pair of hand-knitted socks on Thursday. They're green in color but the envy of all the boys at his billet house. This column hears the young lady resides in St. Marys.

Sergeants in the Perth Regiment are already turning their thoughts to comfortable quarters in the new barracks when the troops move into the McLagan plant, it was learned today. They are looking to the day when they will have their own mess and to this end one of their number has been deputized to discuss the matter with Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding. The sergeants are planning ahead for they realize that it will require considerable money to properly outfit their new quarters and they are contemplating starting a fund for this purpose.

THE STORY is that a uniformed gentleman of the city was asked to go to a farm in the district and help rid the place of the starlings that were doing much damage there. He took a heavy shot-gun with him and went to a tree in which swarms of the black pests were fluttering about. The man raised the shotgun and began to back away from the tree to get a better shot. Suddenly he struck a cement curb, fell backwards and fired the gun. The recoil sent the butt of the gun crashing against the ground and the starlings flew to another nearby tree.—J. M. R.

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(By WES. DAVIS)

Private W. H. Gardner, who formerly operated a shoe repair store at 334 Downie street, has set up shop on the second floor of Moore Barracks. He has been appointed regimental shoemaker and with over 700 men, including officers, to look after, Pte. Gardner has a pretty big clientele. He is an old soldier, having enlisted with the 122nd Battalion for active service during the Great War. Slated for an early promotion to the rank of corporal, Pte. Gardner states he will take the usual drill and instruction with the men and in his odd moments attend to the foot-wear requirements.

Permission to marry has been granted Private E. J. Peppler of Waterloo. The bride-to-be is Miss Audrey Preuss of that town.

There's a theatre story in today's paper that should be of general interest to the rank and file of the regiment.

Pte. Tom Carrick arrived back in his home town of Goderich on September 13 and six days later he appeared before his wife and three little kiddies in a uniform of the Perth Regiment. A girl from Houston, Texas, in Canada for the first time, Mrs. Carrick was not surprised. "I expected you would enlist with the Canadian army once you got here," she is reported to have said. Her husband admitted the fact in a well developed southern drawl.

"And I cannot say I'm sorry I did it," Pte. Carrick said today. "The only regret I have right now is that my wife and family are not living here in Stratford. But I hope to get them moved to this city shortly. In the meantime they are quite at home in Goderich where I hope some of our family acquaintances will make my wife feel at ease. She knows very few people in Goderich."

Recalling his former school days, Pte. Carrick said he still remembers Principal Roy Stonehouse of Victoria school where he used to attend classes in the three R's. "We had a lot of good times there and during my travels through China, Japan, South America and the Suez, I often used to think of the geography lessons he taught us," the former sailor said. He served on ocean going vessels for three years. Pte. Carrick is a son of Thos. H. Carrick and the late Mrs. Carrick, Victoria street, Goderich.

Note to all citizens: If you're walking along any street in town and find a clip containing five .303 D.P. bullets, please return them to Moore Barracks. If you do not, some soldier, who cannot afford to do so, will be 'stuck' for \$1.50.

Each member of the unit was issued with a set of bullets Thursday afternoon. They are all blanks. The issue was made to impress upon the minds of new soldiers the importance of carrying munitions and making sure that they do not lose them. The five rounds are

actually hooked against each man and if he loses them he will be docked a buck and a half out of his next pay. A kit inspection will be held frequently to ascertain whether he has them in his possession. Each man is supposed to carry them daily.

Private T. J. Reith was removed to the Stratford general hospital today suffering from an illness, the nature of which was not given out at Moore Barracks. He is the sixth man to be placed in hospital, the other patients being Privates Nadon, Greevy, Smith, Hepburn and Morgan. After Lieut. Otto Henderson, orderly officer for the day, had completed a visit to the sick men, he told this column that the lads in hospital are being treated well and are quite happy. "They do not know how lucky they are," the genial officer said. "Those boys are at least warm up there. It's pretty cold here in the barracks."

Major Frank Walker issued an appeal to Stratford citizens today. He asks the loan of some Quebec heaters and stove pipes for several weeks. "They will be well taken care of and returned in good order," Major Walker promised. They are to be used to heat the various departments in Moore Barracks where the thermometer registered 50 degrees. Officers and men had to wear greatcoats in the offices to keep warm.

Private William Bayford was all smiles today after his marriage at St. Joseph's church. Along with the bridal party the young benedict drove past the barracks. He will be absent for five days on a honeymoon.

Capt. M. W. Andrew was busy today buying football equipment. He said the regimental team will soon commence a series of practices in anticipation of a game with the C.N.R. team. The following have signed up for practices: W. J. Stark, C. S. Messenger, J. Brooks, J. Greenshields, H. Locke, G. H. Pattinson, P. Mertens, J. F. Jones, J. Johnson, W. Rhodes, J. Ball, W. Gurgmer, A. Jones, W. Ball and W. Souter.

Private J. Ruby has returned to the regiment after being discharged from Westminster hospital at London. He has been a patient there for several weeks.

A shipment of boots is expected to arrive at Moore Barracks early next week. Major Frank Walker, quarter-master said today after he had telephoned the sizes required to the stores department at London district headquarters. Today's receipts included a shipment of 500 pairs of socks. They were a much appreciated addition to the local stores especially with the weather turning colder.

Guards on duty over night got their first taste of nasty weather during the early hours of today. When the storm was at its worst the men took up positions in the big front window of the barracks and in sheltered points at the rear and sides of the building. One officer said men coming off duty were trembling with the cold. It did not take them long to crawl under blankets for their rest period. Sentry boxes are being constructed and when finished will provide a shelter for the guards at both Moore Barracks and Stratford armories on Waterloo street.

Men interested in playing basketball are asked to place their names on the proper form on the bulletin board. Those who have signed to date are: J. Bishop, C. Messenger, W. Souter, A. Lloyd, T. Littlejohn, R. E. Gunn, J. Vere, E. Akiwenzie, Manketow, G. Smith, T. Carrick, G. Allen, R. J. Butler, J. Hanley, G. E. Mullis, A. Cameron, J. Redfern.

Dr. C. R. Quinlan of this city has consented to assist J. H. Macqueen, physical instructor at the Y.M.C.A., in coaching regimental wrestlers. He has had considerable ring experience and according to Mr. Macqueen will be a decided asset to the wrestlers who are beginning to take a keen interest in the mat game. Work will start in

THIS IS PAY DAY FOR THE TROOPS

This is a big day in Moore Barracks where members of the Perth Regiment are training as a machine gun battalion of the Canadian Active Service Force. It is pay day.

Approximately \$10,000 was distributed to all ranks before dispersal at noon, the sum being about \$3,000 less than was issued in pay envelopes two weeks ago. The reason for the decrease, Major S. H. McComb states, is because there is one "short" pay under the bi-monthly system. Each man receives his allowance of \$1.30 per day with higher schedules pertaining to higher ranks.

In making reference to pay day, Major McComb stated that he is placing the men on their honor not to create any disturbance in public places. He recalled that when pay day was held two weeks ago but one incident occurred and he is hoping that as good a record of behavior is reported this time. The use of pickets will not be resorted to and military police will again have the enforcement of military law and order in their own hands this weekend when the men will be particularly free to do as they like.

While the usual Sunday morning church parade has been dispensed with because of many not feeling well, due to inoculations, the troops are expected to attend churches of their own denominations Sunday morning. The usual guard and orderly room services will be maintained at the barracks with guards also operating at Stratford Armouries on Waterloo street.

Perths Still Hope To Be In First Overseas Draft

Announcement from Ottawa today that the first division of the Canadian Active Service Force will go overseas in December created considerable interest at Moore Barracks today where the Perth Regiment is training as a machine gun battalion. It raised the hope that the Perths are still considered a first division unit for no word to the contrary has been received in orders since the mobilization instructions were received here on September 1.

"It may be that our regiment is considered a headquarters company and that we will go over later as a part of the first division," Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, remarked. He added that there were occasions in the Great

War when divisions went over and were later followed by corps troops.

A source outside the regiment told The Beacon-Herald today that he had been discussing the matter with a leading Canadian officer—a man high up in the Canadian Active Service Force—and he had suggested that the Perths will be the leading machine gun battalion of the second division.

Officers of the Perths state there is a possibility of this but that so far as they know they are still rated a first division unit. "We cannot go contrary to orders," one officer said. "We were mobilized as a first division unit and that order has not been changed, so I guess we are still in there."

City Workmen Benefit As Barracks Prepared

Thirty-five residents of Stratford are being employed daily in preparing the former McLagan plant at Dourno and Trinity streets as a barracks for the Perth Regiment, now training in this city as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force. These men are receiving an aggregate of \$200 daily for their labors, according to Sergeant-Major R. L. Horan of the Royal Canadian Engineers, who is supervising the work for the Department of National Defence and the Department of Public Works.

Although official notification that the Perths will be moving into the McLagan building is lacking, there is every indication that the big structure, containing 120,000 square feet of floor space in the four storeys is being prepared for them. They will likely take possession in the next 30 days—six weeks at the outside.

When a Beacon-Herald reporter visited the former furniture plant late Friday afternoon he found the place a hive of industry. Because of a general scarcity of plumbers and heating experts in the city, carpenters were the chief tradesmen engaged in getting the interior into shape for the soldiers.

Asked if the total expenditure on the building would aggregate \$35,000, Sergeant-Major Horan replied courteously that he is not permitted to divulge information of the sort. He did not, however, deny that at least that sum is being spent in making the building habitable for one of the finest units Perth and the surrounding counties have ever turned into khaki for defence of the Empire principles.

Comfort and Safety

There is one predominant factor evident in the alterations under way. It is a definite trend to insure the comfort and safety of the main ranks of the regiment. More thought has been given to the welfare of the 'buck' private than has characterized the laying out of quarters for those of non-commissioned and commissioned officers.

Sergeant-Major Horan took a reporter through the plant yesterday for the first time since operations commenced in the big building. The big kitchen on the ground floor will adequately serve the general ranks on that floor when all the work is finished and the big stoves are set in operation in charge of capable army cooks. Tables six feet long will be placed end to end in long rows in the several dining rooms. The troops will line up for their food in a sort of cafeteria style because waiters for 700 men are out of the question. Such a system is not conducive to speed and soldiers hate to be kept waiting for their meals once the bugle announces they are ready.

Offices On Second Floor

On the second floor the general executive offices of the regiment will be located and in these little change must be made. The odd partition or two is necessary to provide space for company commanders

the adjutant, paymaster and orderly staff, but generally things will remain pretty much as they are now.

Also on the second floor are the medical officer's and dental officer's suites; the officers' mess, dining room, kitchen, and dormitory; sergeants' mess, kitchen, dining room, dormitory and other headquarters' staff accommodation.

On the third floor will be dormitory for the ranks. Long rows of bunks are being built. A double decker style is being followed out and each company will have its separate room for sleeping, washing and toilet preparation. In connection with shaving and washing, long rows of combination tables and sinks are being built. Both hot and cold running water will be available at all times. In between the bunks sufficient space is being left for the personal use of the troops. There will be room for a small table or two and plenty of wall space so that a man may properly place the picture of his best girl upon the wall.

The fourth floor will command the interest of every man in the regiment for it is here that the privates have fared best, in the opinion of those well acquainted with regimental affairs. The show rooms of the former furniture firm were located on the fourth floor and the small display rooms are being arranged conveniently into "wet" and "dry" canteens. The hardwood trimmings are luxurious compared to that which will be arranged in the officers' quarters though the latter will be in keeping with the ranks held by those in command.

Adjacent to the canteens will also be the men's recreation rooms. Here the soldiers will spend many hours at games such as cards, darts, checkers, dominoes and any other table games they care to play as pastimes.

Generally there will be no drill rooms in the new barracks but small quarters will be available for lectures.

"Taking everything into consideration this building will make a mighty fine barracks," Sergeant-Major Horan said. He has had considerable experience, despite his youth, in supervising construction of barracks accommodation for Canadian troops. He admits that the local contract is a small one when compared to the new structure he engineered in Calgary a few years ago. Sergeant-Major Horan has been in the Royal Canadian Engineers for ten years, enlisting soon after completing his schooling at Ottawa where he was taking an arts course.

Theatres Cut Prices To Regiment Members

MEMBERS of the Perth Regiment will be admitted to performances at the Majestic and Classic theatres at a reduced admission price, it was announced today by Manager C. B. Hider. Commencing Monday soldiers in uniform will be admitted for 25 cents. Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, said he feels certain that the men will appreciate the consideration the theatre management is giving the regiment. "On behalf of the officers and men I would like to publicly thank Mr. Hider for his offer," Major McComb said.

The first taste of army competitive sports will be enjoyed by the Perth Regiment's football team Wednesday afternoon when it goes to London to play a group from the Royal Canadian Regiment. On October 25 the return game will be played at Queen's Park here.

Needless to say Sergeant-Major Instructor R. B. Hughes, a member of the R.C.R.'s is looking forward to the series with his home regiment. He has been attached to the Perths as instructor since training commenced. It is reliably reported that the London officer is prepared to back his contention that the Londoners will win with "greenbacks."

When the Perth soccerites make their appearance on Wednesday in London they will wear, for the first time, a set of new sweaters, gaily decked out in regimental colors. They are blue with bands of amber and black. The sweaters are being made by the R. M. Ballantyne Limited of Stratford.

Officers and men were quite pleased today when they viewed a sample of the new regimental sweat shirt. It is solid white with a large Perth Regiment crest emblazoned on the front. "The men will look pretty snappy when they get out for drill in the morning all wearing the shirts," Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, declared as he announced the special "knock-down" price to the troops will be \$1.25. "The regiment has not got the funds or we would give every man a sweat shirt free," Major McComb added.

Lieut. J. E. Tipler, adjutant, was busy when the writer called on him today. He had just received his English mail. Included were several weekly publications filled with war pictures and cartoons. There was one of interest to newspapermen. It showed the country office of the London Sketch, located in a big estate. The editorial office has been located for the war period in the mansion's ballroom. There were other pictures that appealed to Lieut. Tipler.

"Army food today is what old soldiers only saw in dreams," a note in the news columns of The Sketch says. The periodicals will be placed in the Officers' Mess.

With nearly 800 men in uniform at Moore Barracks today, half the squad was sent to Queen's park for drill. The other section remained on the barracks' parade ground for arms drill.

Private Peter McRorie, a member of the Perths, is anxiously awaiting the opening of the regimental hockey season. He played for Hibbing, Minn., for several years in an international league. Incidentally there are quite a number of hockeyists signing the form on the bulletin board. The list will be published within a day or two as it is incomplete at present.

Major Frank Walker, Quartermaster, announced today that stoves to heat the different offices in Moore Barracks have been given by Lester Makins, 188 Elizabeth street; H. W. Dempsey, 181 Water street; Joseph Clayton, 170 Rebecca street; James Hamilton, 265 Douglas street and Leonard Johnston, 169 Cambria street. The regiment has sufficient stoves at present and Major McComb, officer commanding, expresses his thanks to all who answered the appeal.

Provost Sergeant William Ferguson said today he was quite pleased with the behavior of the ranks over the weekend. While there were one or two incidents that marked the white sheet, the conduct on the whole of nearly 800 men was good.

A donation of \$5 from the Ladies' Auxillary of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees, Stratford, is acknowledged by Major S. H. McComb. The money will be added to the recruiting fund. The communication expressing best wishes to the officers and men was signed by the president, Mrs. G. Whittemore, and the treasurer, Mrs. M. Young.

Pte. Lloyd Stevenson is a patient at Stratford general hospital. He is said to be suffering from an attack of the 'flu.

Privates Arthur D. Emm and J. Woodcock of the Perths were crack shots at the Canadian Legion range Saturday night. They were tied for top honors with scores of 92. Competition is said to have been quite keen.

From practically all churches in

the city, officers of the Perths have received word that the morning and evening services on Sunday were well attended by soldiers. This was pleasing news since the men were put on their honor to attend one service over the weekend in place of the weekly church parade at the barracks. Next Sunday the regiment will attend Knox Presbyterian church.

There were 39 men in the sick parade today. Major S. H. McComb and Major J. Jose, medical officer, reported none of them serious and most of the boys were able to return to their work after getting medicine or pills. "On the whole the health of the unit is good," Major McComb said.

Lieut. Jay Stevenson was glad to get finished with his big pay task Saturday. His office paid nearly 800 men throughout the day and considering all the official "red tape" that characterizes a pay day, the job was finished by 5:45 p.m.

Perths Gets Mention In Cameronians Journal

Pleasing reference to the Perth Regiment, machine gun battalion, now training at Moore Barracks for the Canadian Active Service Force, is made in The Covenanter, official journal of The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles) of Hamilton Barracks, Hamilton, Lanarkshire. The Perths are affiliated with the Cameronians. The article, received in a copy of the journal today, states:

"The editor is pleased to have received a communication from the officer commanding The Perth Regiment in Canada — one of the units allied to the Cameronians (Scottish Rifles).

"Acknowledgment is made of the photographs taken at Pinehill Camp last year and which are forwarded to the Depot at Hamilton. It is regretted, however, that these photographs were not suitable for reproduction in The Covenanter."

The report goes on to state that St. Andrew's Day greetings are exchanged each year with The Cameronians. Christmas cards were sent and also received from the allied units in New Zealand, Australia, South Africa and Scotland and to the 1st Battalion, The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles) at Barrackpore, India, and the 2nd Bat-

talion stationed at Catterick, England.

Group photographs were received by the Perth Regiment from the 1st Battalion in India and from the 6th and 7th Battalions (Territorials) in Scotland. These have been framed.

A set of Perth Regiment badges have also been sent to Greendyke Branch Museum and Art Gallery, Glasgow, to complete the collection of badges there of the Cameronians and allied units.

The pictures and badges were sent to The Cameronians on the order of Lieut-Col. Arthur Garrod, M.C., former officer commanding the local unit as a non-permanent force and for the first month of its being an active service force. A close contact has been maintained with the overseas unit and its affiliates for some years past.

Major S. H. McComb, present officer commanding, states that the affiliation will in no way be affected because of the local militia now being an active service force. In fact, officers are anticipating getting to England that they may visit Hamilton barracks when on leave. Sergeant Murray, who returned recently after a sojourn in the Old Country, was royally entertained by The Cameronians.

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Regiment Will Enjoy Real Army Life Soon

Members of the Perth Regiment will enjoy real army life when they take up residence in the new barracks at the McLagan plant, in the opinion of Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the local machine gun unit now training at Moore Barracks on King street.

Handicapped because of the men being billeted in homes scattered over the city, officers have been unable to develop the true spirit of army life among the men. When they are quartered in their permanent building, soldiers will become better acquainted with one another and a livelier atmosphere will characterize the ranks than is now possible when they meet chiefly in going to and from their work.

Both the lighter and the serious sides of army life will be promoted, Major McComb states. There will be something doing for every man, officers included, from the time he rises with the sounding of reveille in the morning until lights out at night.

While the staff has not established the time schedules as yet, it is possible that the reveille will be sounded earlier at the McLagan building than the 8 o'clock reporting hour which now brings the soldiers to the Moore building. In the neighborhood of 90 minutes will be allowed for washing, shaving, dressing and breakfast after which

a period of setting-up exercises will be indulged in by all ranks.

To Stiffen Drills

As the men will be keeping steadier hours under strict supervision in the new barracks, the drills will become stricter, the officer commanding explains. It is natural, he says, that such an advance should be made as the men become more adept at the work. Squad drills will be an important part of the daily morning routine—out in the fresh air at the rear of the building where plenty of space is available for a parade ground.

Lectures will also take on a more serious trend. The courses will include studies in range finding with the highly technical instruments a machine gunner is called upon to use in active service. Light firing equipment will also be used in practices and a general all-round training will be given in military tactics and movements.

During the evenings entertainments will be arranged. There are artists of every description in the ranks and it will be with little difficulty that programs will be planned.

The canteens for officers, non-commissioned officers and men will be busy spots during the leisure hours of the soldiers.

"It's safe to say there will be many pranks and jokes pulled off," Major McComb said as he recalled Great War days when he was in barracks and camp. "They are incidents that make the life attractive."

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

The president of the Cameronians' Association of Canada, George S. Stemp, 144 Winona Drive, Toronto, wrote the officers of the Perth Regiment, now training at Moore Barracks, suggesting that they keep their ears open for any former members of The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles), the unit in Lanarkshire, England, with which The Perths are affiliated. He hopes that any ex-Cameronians will communicate with him.

President Stemp states in his letter that a constitution and set of rules for membership in the Canadian association has been arranged and are now enroute to Hamilton Barracks for approval of the powers-that-be. He states that the vice-president in Canada is Lance Corporal A. Macpherson, Toronto, and the secretary-treasurer is Corporal Charles Keir of 66 Millbrook Crescent, Toronto.

The stage is virtually all set for the Perth Regiment soccer club to make its trip to London Wednesday afternoon for an exhibition game with the Royal Canadian Regiment. The shoes arrived today and appear to be the best on the market. They are the "Alex James" type, hand-made in England.

Quarter Master Sergeant Instructor R. B. Hughes, W.O. 2, whose home regiment is the R.C.R.'s took quite a razzing from the men of Perth for the suggestion in this column Monday that he was willing to back his regimental soccer club. He has learned since, however, that the chances of the locals against the Londoners are more than even since there are no less than four Old Country players of experience on the local team. Among them are A. McColl, described by Provost Sergeant William Fergusson as "one of the best centre forwards in Canada today," and Jock Beattie, both of whom played football for good Kitchener teams.

History was made today by the Perth Regiment when it officially assumed charge of the new barracks in the McLagan plant at Trinity and Douro street. At 9:30 o'clock, a guard was posted by Regimental Sergeant-Major Thos. Soper. A corporal and nine men are on duty. One man is patrolling along Trinity street; another at the rear of the buildings across the vacant portion of the property and a third along King street the full width of the McLagan property.

Incidentally, work inside the McLagan plant is going right ahead as carpenters continue preparing for the arrival of the troops who, it is expected, will make the move from the Moore building, within a month's time. Additional supplies of lumber arrived today and the men will not be held up in this regard. Among the other equipment to reach here are the big stoves that will be used in the kitchen. They were made in Sherbrooke, Quebec.

According to Lieut. J. E. Tipler, adjutant, the Perth Regiment is continuing to receive letters, telegrams and personal applications from young men in all parts of Ontario who are seeking to join the Perths. "We regret that we have to turn them down," the officer said, "but we cannot take on any more enlistments until we receive further orders from headquarters of M.D. 1 at London."

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the Perths, is in London today where he is conferring with officers of the staff at headquarters of M.D. 1. Prior to leaving, Major McComb said no word as to the appointment of officers for the regiment has come through either from London or Ottawa, although he hopes to be able to make the staff personnel public at an early date. The Department of National Defence at Ottawa has gazetted a number of officers in other regiments and it is likely that the local slate will be handled in its turn.

An announcement on the bulletin board today states that the regimental barber shop will be opened immediately on the second floor of the Moore Barracks, at the front end. The barber, Pte. B. Acton, will be in attendance from 10.30 hours (4:30 p.m.) until completed with his work. The price for haircuts is set at 15 cents.

The long arm of military law reached out at the barracks and confiscated a quantity of lottery tickets. They had been prepared by a man bent on selling his automobile. He adopted the popular method of present days and was running a lottery all of his own. He made one mistake. He pulled out a book of tickets within sight of a military policeman.

Lieut. J. G. Jose, medical officer, was busy administering inoculations to another large group of troops today in the quarter-master's department where the medical office is located. While there are no serious cases, many of the men have sore arms as a result of the injections which are of an anti-typhoid nature.

Private V. L. Smith, a Kitchener man, has moved to the city and taken an apartment with his wife at 355 Romeo street. He says they like the city fine and will make their home here while he is in the army.

There is an agitation among the ranks for a regimental paper and just as soon as arrangements can be made there is every likelihood that one will be published. The plan calls for a sheet to be issued frequently on a mimeograph. Right now those who are promoting the idea are wondering what to call it. Someone suggested that since the Perths are affiliated with The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles) that the local paper be called the Canadian Covenanter, after the official journal of the parent regiment.

A cold wind blew across the Moore Barracks parade ground today but it did not deter the men from going through their routine work. The drills and marching helped keep the men warm.

Capt. H. G. Clark took a joke in good humor Monday. Like all troops, the officers have to undergo training in marching. They were taken to Kroehler's Field for the rehearsals and as usual they took turns in giving the commands. Capt. Clark had the men on a march and as they approached a barricade he failed to give any command. That meant to continue right ahead. The officers hurdled the fence and were on their way to the bleachers when Capt. Clark realized that they required an order. "We would have gone right up the stand if he had not changed the command," one lieutenant said.

The Tobacco Fund, in charge of Capt. W. I. Kemp, is virtually at a standstill, the officer reported today. But \$11 has been donated. Any citizens caring to help furnish smokes for the men are invited to send their contributions to Capt. Kemp at Moore Barracks. They will all be acknowledged.

Major Frank Walker, quartermaster, announced that another supply of underwear has been received and is being distributed to the men. This issue is coming in mighty handy with the weather turning cooler. Several privates contacting this column say they are quite pleased with the quality of underwear, a radical improvement over that heavy "itchy" type issued in Great War days.

Hockey Talent Plentiful Barracks Check-Up Shows

Intimation that the Perth Regiment will enter a team in the Stratford Industrial Hockey League this season is given on the bulletin board at Moore Barracks today where the troops are training as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force.

Sixty-six men have registered and if the slate of prospects is any indication there will be plenty of material available from which the management can select its team.

Players not getting the nod for the regimental club will probably be formed into a Perth Regiment League. Unofficially it is reported that a local manufacturer has promised to place rinks at the disposal of the regiment teams.

The Roster

Experienced players and their positions, as noted on the bulletin board are: P. McRorie, defence; E. Schneider, wing; H. Ebel, wing; A. Hendry, wing; M. Elgie, wing; H. McArthur, wing; P. J. Steel, wing; O. Hilloran, goal; H. Blohm, defence; T. E. Jones, centre; Bruce Acton, centre; E. F. Stepan, wing; F. Mills, defence or goal; D. Gib-

bons, wing or goal; A. Gibbons, wing; A. Lloyd, goal; W. Dalzell, wing; A. Potter, right wing; D. Habbirk, centre; T. Littlejohn, goal; C. Funnell, defence; A. Akl-wenzie, goal; G. Mitchell, goal; R. Lee, left wing; S. Howe, right wing.

A. C. John, defence; E. R. Akl-wenzie, right wing; D. Livingstone, right wing; C. Bummer, right wing; C. Brooks, right wing; M. Dale, goal; I. Taylor, left wing; J. Abraham, defence; J. Smith, defence; M. Graham, goal; J. Foreman, right wing; H. Wright, left wing; M. R. Marshall, left wing or defence; G. Bevington, left wing; A. D. Haldane, left wing; Frank Doxey, centre; A. Wright, wing; C. D. Winteringham, centre; Stanley Falkingham, goal; W. D. Clark, left wing; W. Hopps, goal; S. Culbert, left wing; A. Scott, left wing; Tom Carrick, goal; P. Pugh, wing; R. Turner, goal; E. Douglas, defence; R. Stratton, centre; C. D. Hardy, right wing; J. McClure, goal; B. Playford, wing; E. Hutchinson, left wing; R. Huras, defence; G. Griggs, defence; G. Allen, goal; John Headley, wing; W. J. Emm, wing, and L. Swinghammer, defence.

County Grant To Perth Regt. Is Commended

A second cash grant of \$250 has been made to the Perth Regiment by the city of Stratford, it was announced today by Mayor Thomas E. Henry following Monday night's council meeting. The \$250 grant was passed by council along with general accounts. A few weeks ago the council gave its first grant of a similar amount and while the actual cash contributions by the city to the regiment is \$500, Mayor Henry explained that considerably more has been given to aid enlistment in other ways.

For instance, children of enlisted men who are not on relief have been without shoes and stockings and other clothing, pending the arrival of the first government pay day, and the city has aided these families by providing necessary clothing and giving help in other ways to tide the families over until they get a government allowance, the Mayor said.

Mayor Henry expressed himself as highly pleased with the action of the county council in giving \$800 to the regiment.

"They certainly made a noble gesture in giving that sum and I think we'll find them quite willing to co-operate. I know the county council during the last war gave the city every co-operation."

During the last war, the Perth county council purchased a set of band instruments for the 110th Battalion band. Mayor Henry said a delegation approached the council asking if such a purchase could be arranged, and without asking what the cost would be the county council purchased the instruments. The amount expended was over \$1,000.

Mayor Henry said the county council also contributed dollar for dollar with the city council in providing field kitchens for the 34th Battalion, a company of which was organized here.

SWAGGER STICKS GO TROOPS MOURNFUL

Officers in the Perth Regiment, now training at Moore Barracks as a machine gun battalion of the Canadian Active Service Force, got good news today. In future they will wear their Sam Browne belt without any shoulder strap.

Word to this effect came from London headquarters today, virtually at a time when most of them were contemplating buying new ones to go with new tunics.

There is only one general exception to the order and that is when a sword is carried. Swords will be used only by officers and class 1 warrant officers of horsed units. As the Perths do not use horses they are exempt.

In the London dispatch announcing the change it says that officers will wear a belt to match their service dress during the war period. The belt is to be two inches wide and fitted with a plain gilt two-pronged buckle. Warrant officers of class 1 will not wear the belt.

No Dress Uniforms

Full dress, undress and mess dress will not be worn on any occasion. Service dress or battle dress will be worn on all occasions by all ranks except that officers on leave may be permitted to wear plain clothes and all ranks at their stations may be permitted to wear plain clothes for the purpose of athletic exercises for which a special dress is necessary.

The wearing of orders, decorations and medals will cease. The ribbons of orders, decorations and medals will continue to be worn in service dress and will also be worn in battle dress.

The carrying of regimental or other types of canes and whips by other ranks will cease.

Restricted use of canes came as a shock to men of the ranks for many of them have been showing great pride in carrying the sticks. It is understood that the officers will be permitted to continue using their canes.

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

Social activity entered the life of the Perth Regiment Tuesday night, the honor of having the first party going to Squad No. 14 led by Sergeant Kay. It was a jolly evening for some 35 men of the squad and their guests.

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, delivered a brief address at the gathering, remarking that he was pleased to see and approved of such gatherings taking place in the barracks for they will create a better spirit among the ranks. Other guests included Regimental Sergeant-Major Thos. Soper, Major Frank Walker, acting quartermaster, and Lieut. J. E. Tipler, acting adjutant. Community singing, several selections by Pte. W. Hart, who was accompanied by Major Walker on the piano, and cards formed the program. Later refreshments and a lunch were enjoyed.

Although the bulletin does not say for what purpose the enrolment is being taken, Owen Sound boys with the regiment are being asked to place their names on a register. It was suggested in the orderly room that the Owen Sounders may be planning some sort of a gathering at which they may get acquainted with one another. At noon today the list contained 45 names. Others are expected to sign.

T. A. G. Watson, a past grand and now recording secretary for Avon Lodge, No. 41, I.O.O.F., in Stratford, has written the Perth Regiment suggesting that any Odd Fellows from out-of-town points who are members of the order, consider themselves free to attend the lodge on any Wednesday night. The lodge quarters are on Downie street.

There are many absentees from the ranks of the Perths owing to many having received a second and stiffer injection of anti-typhoid serum on Tuesday. They are confined to billets for the day. The injections, this column learned, sometimes create a slight fever, making the soldier boys feel irritable. A day's rest usually sees the sick feeling depart. Incidentally the third and final injection is the most important since it is four times as strong as the first.

Many of the lads will not be participating in the Wednesday afternoon sports program because of sore and stiff chests from inoculations. They will attend lectures on bayonet work and engage in unit drills. The others will be participating in softball, wrestling and boxing.

Major J. L. Lind and Sergeant J. Armstrong accompanied the regiment's soccer team to London today for a game with the Royal Canadian Regiment's team. Others making the trip were Privates A. A. Parkinson, E. Akiwenzie, J. McColl, P. Mertens, J. Jones, F. Jones, J. Johnston, Jock Beattie, A. Messenger, A. Bailey, H. Stark, J. Greenshield, E. Balls and C. King. Each man was equipped with soccer shoes, a regimental sweater and trunks.

Commencing at 9 a.m. Thursday the guards for the next 24-hour shift at Moore Barracks and the McLagan plant will be Lance Corporals Mantle, Dickey, Tait and Privates G. Matheson, G. Mantle.

Because of the Toronto-Stratford baseball final at the National Stadium on Saturday, the regimental soccer team will not be able to play the C.N.R. team. It is understood the game may be played next week, possibly Saturday.

Good news arrived today from St. Marys. The Town Council of Major J. L. Lind's home town, on Tuesday night passed an additional grant of \$75 to augment its first contribution of \$100. The grant is greatly appreciated by Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding and Major Lind, acting second in command, and will be placed in the recruiting fund.

kow, P. Mitchell, A. Murray, J. E. Million, F. Mittles, R. Miller, M. Marshall, B. Morrison, R. Morris, B. Maddess, F. Muller, A. Milville, J. Muirhead, C. Manser, P. May, D. Manser, E. Moore, A. McInnis, J. McKnight, E. McLeod, J. McRobb, H. Miller and W. J. MacKay.

Several officers of the Perth Regiment will be in London tonight to hear Dr. Richard A. R. Maresch address the Military Institute of M.D. 1 on "Conditions In Nazi Germany Today." The lecture will be given in the officers' mess of the Dundas street armories. Dr. Maresch is a former officer in the 10th Dragoons (Austria) and during the Great War was taken prisoner by the Russians. He escaped. In 1936 he was forced to leave Austria because of his anti-Nazi views and is now a professor at Pickering College, Newmarket.

Several more stoves have been borrowed by the regiment for use in the guard room and in the sergeants' mess. The stoves have been loaned by Mrs. W. Carr, 294 Huron street, and by Mrs. Thompson, 160 King street. When he was collecting the heating appliances Sergeant A. T. Kentish expressed the thanks of the regiment to the owners. Speaking to this column later he said that "the people of Stratford are certainly using this regiment well. I never knew of such a fine spirit of co-operation."

"Gee, I'll miss a route march," one private remarked Tuesday night as he took sick from the effects of inoculation. "Do you like route marches so much you hate to miss them?" he was asked. "I sure do," came the reply.

Pte. Paul Mertens, a member of the Perths who lives at 19 Worsley street, city, with his wife and family, had a cheery word today. "How do you like it?" he was asked. "Fine, there's nothing like army life," this young man declared. "I have met some fine fellows since I got this on," he added pointing to his khaki uniform. Incidentally Pte. Paul was already to travel to London with the regimental football team when he bumped into the scribe.

Pte. Joseph McCarthy, 42 Erie street, son of Mr. and Mrs. Austin F. McCarthy, 18 Cambria street, and Pte. Kenneth Stovell of this city, have rejoined their regiment the 1st Divisional Signals at London.

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, was in London Tuesday conferring with Brigadier D. J. Macdonald, officer commanding M. D. 1. Major McComb had no announcements relative to the date of moving into the McLagan plant which is being turned into a barracks, nor on the appointment of the local staff.

Incidentally Major McComb said a name for the new barracks has not yet been selected. He has been giving the matter some thought as the date of moving approaches. There are some favoring the name "Perth Barracks" and others "Trinity Barracks" but the final selection is still some days away.

"I would just like to say," Major McComb added, "that I am very well pleased with the advancement the regiment is making. Its progress has been exceptionally good despite the weather conditions of recent weeks." That is a nice tribute to Quarter-Master Sergeant Instructor R. B. Hughes, W.O. 2 of the R.C.R.'s and the officers and men of the Perths.

Lance-Corporal W. H. Dickey, the imperial veteran mentioned in this column some time ago, who did service in India and other parts of the Empire, has the honor of being the first non-commissioned officer to be in charge of the guard at the McLagan plant, soon to be used as barracks for the Perth Regiment, now training at Moore Barracks as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force.

With the officer on the first 24 hour shift are Privates A. Funnell, V. Nerlick, J. Fulcher, R. C. Huras, V. Gallagher, G. Evans, W. Gordon and T. Headley.

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Grant To Perth Regiment Is Increased By St. Marys

(By our own correspondent)

ST. MARYS, Oct. 18.—The town council last night held a brief session in which several business matters were speedily dealt with. The meeting was over an hour late in starting as prior to the meeting a banquet was held at the Windsor Hotel when Major J. S. Lind, second in command of the Perth Regiment and Lieut. J. G. Jose, medical officer of the Perth Regiment were presented with pipes as retiring members of the council. Capt. John Bell who has occupied a place at the press table for a number of years and who has now become an officer of the Perths was also present at the banquet.

The council decided that their grant to the regiment had looked rather small and decided to add \$75 to it. This will make their total grant to the Perth Regiment, \$100. Mayor David White said it had been the custom to grant the non-permanent local company of the Perths, \$50 on the 15th of November each year and as the local armories had been closed this grant would be included in the extra grant to the Active Service Corp. now quartered in Stratford.

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

Members of the Perth Regiment, training at Moore Barracks as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force, who were in London on Wednesday afternoon for the Perth-R.C.R. soccer game had their first taste of regimental hospitality at the dinner hour when they were guests of the Royal Canadian Regiment at Wolsley Barracks. The privates were guests in the Corporals' Mess and the Sergeants were invited to the Sergeants' Mess. Needless to say they were well fed and royally entertained.

For many of the privates it was the first time they had ever been in a barracks of a permanent force, much less for dinner but they told this column they enjoyed everything. Their meal consisted of a salad, meat, cheese and tea. Each man helped himself in cafeteria style. The sergeants' menu included baked beans, headcheese and tea. Prior to their dinner they were entertained socially by the London sergeants.

There were quite a number of officers make the trip for the game, Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, said today. Among those present were Capt. E. C. Shelley, Lieut. J. Dent, Capt. W. I. Kemp, Lieut. H. Mason, Lieut. G. E. Carr, Major J. L. Lind, Q.M.S.I. R. B. Hughes, W.O. 2, Sergeants Tyers, Whitehead, Kentish, Hamilton, C. Q.M.S. Roth.

Sergeant A. J. Whitehead would like to see the Perth Regiment enter a team in the intermediate section of the Ontario Hockey Association. He feels there are enough men in the army to select a team that would be hard to beat. "It

should not be difficult," he added, "there are nearly 800 men to choose ten or 12." He intimated his intentions of approaching the powers-that-be on the matter.

Private Eldon Schneider, one of the Chesley lads in the Perths has had a pro tryout with the Indianapolis Millers of the American Hockey Association. He was invited by Joe Simpson, the Millers' manager to make the trip last year but failing to catch a berth landed back in Canada. He was also used by London in one M-O game in Detroit. His billet mate, Private Peter McRorie also had a tryout with the Millers and later played for Hibbing, Minn., in an international league. There are doubtless many others who have had similar experience who could uphold the regiment's colors in competition such as the O.H.A. provides.

Private H. Appleton is today observing his fifth wedding anniversary. His home is in Mitchell. At present Private Appleton is billeted at 153 Front street and this column is requested by the other boys there to say: "We wish him the best."

The Canadian Red Cross Society has made its first donation to the men of the Perth Regiment. Major Frank Walker, quarter-master, announces that 200 pair of socks have been received from the Toronto headquarters. "We very much appreciate this fine addition to the supply on hand and wish to publicly thank the Red Cross Society for their generous gift," Major Walker said.

Incidentally he states that when in London Wednesday conferring with the district ordnance officer, Capt. W. Merricken, he was assured that the manufacturers are being pressed by the militia authorities to rush an order of boots to the Perths and these likely will be received shortly. Just as soon as the weather warrants the issue, the Perths each will receive a pair of rubbers.

Private Lloyd Southall, a St. Marys man, is in the Stratford general hospital suffering from an attack of influenza, it is announced in orders.

Members of the sergeants staff of the Perth Regiment have been invited to attend a social affair to be held at the Royal Connaught in Hamilton on October 27. The bulletin board states that the invitation is extended to warrant officers, staff sergeants and sergeants. Service dress must be worn.

R.S.M. Thos. Soper announces that the new Sergeants' Mess in Moore Barracks is being opened on the main floor of the building in quarters formerly used by the medical board's documentation staff.

Major Frank Walker, quarter-master, acknowledges the loan of more stoves which will be used in heating the different departments at the barracks. The stoves were received from Mrs. W. Carr, 294 Huron street and Major W. MacPherson, 271 Cambria street and D. Forbes, 83 Brunswick street.

The Perth Regiment, which will attend divine worship at Knox Presbyterian church on Sunday morning will fall in at Moore Barracks at 10:30 and parade to the church so as to be in their seats by 10:55 Major S. H. McComb, offi-

cer commanding, announces. After the service the soldiers will march to Stratford armories on Waterloo street for dismissal.

A men's canteen and clubroom was opened today at the barracks, in charge of Corporal Wilson. There will be hot coffee, milk, soft drinks, soldiers' supplies and incidentals available there for the ranks.

Warton Canadian Legion has asked Major McComb to grant leave to about 100 men so that they might attend a Remembrance Day service there on November 11. The plan calls for the soldiers to secure a special railway rate. It is proposed that the men will leave here on Friday night, November 10 and return Sunday, November 12. There are many men from Warton and other Bruce Peninsula points in the regiment. Major McComb said he will consent to the request.

Lieut. J. G. Jose, medical officer with the regiment, stated that colds, from which a few soldiers have been suffering lately, are clearing up and the general health of the troops is pretty good at present.

Formal notification that men, below the rank of lance-corporal, must not carry canes or sticks is on the bulletin board at the barracks. The order also announces that "blues" and mess kits are taboo for the duration of the war.

William Jarrett, Church street and Tony Hartlieb, 223 Douro street, have left Stratford to join a unit of the Royal Canadian Air Force at Toronto.

According to a London dispatch, soldiers throughout military district No. 1 are shortly to receive copies of the New Testament through the auspices of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The Testaments are bound in a limp cover and are of a suitable size to fit into the tunic pocket. A message from the King is pasted inside the front cover. It says: "To all serving my forces by sea or land or air, and indeed to all my people engaged in the defence of the realm, I commend the reading of this book."

Perths Here For Winter Barracks Work Indicates

General indications are that the Perth Regiment, now training at Moore Barracks as a machine gun battalion of the Canadian Active Service Force, will remain in Stratford over winter. Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, admitted today. He added, however, that in the absence of any official statement from headquarters as to the future of the regiment his thought is necessarily supposition.

Major McComb said that with the McLagan plant being prepared for the troops as a barracks, he did not think that such arrangements would be made by the high command unless it was planned to have the soldiers continue their activities in this city throughout the winter months. "But it must be remembered," he said, "that anything is liable to happen and we might be moved on short notice."

The fact that the men may remain here indefinitely will be a disappointment to some men, the officer commanding said, and it will probably be welcomed by men living in the city or close to it for it will give them a longer stay among their families. He said that there is enthusiasm evident among many of the ranks who would like to "get over there" and it is this same spirit that is showing itself in the manner in which the ranks are taking up the work

of drilling and learning all they can about rifles, machine guns and general warfare.

Some of the squads in the barracks are advancing rapidly in their training. Corporal Michael had his group practising the use of rifles behind barricades today. There were two sides established thus giving the troops an opportunity to "fire" their blank guns at each other.

Gun and rifle training is laid out in a military syllabus so that instruction is received from elementary stages right through to an advanced stage, the course giving the soldiers a knowledge of everything there is to know about rifles and guns.

The parade ground at the rear of the barracks was a busy place today. The different squads, each in charge of a non-commissioned officer whose work is supervised by the regimental instructor, Quarter-Master Sergeant Instructor R. B. Hughes, W.O. 2, of the R.C.R. Instructional Cadre at London, were active. Some were drilling. Others were practising marching and some groups were engaged in work with rifles and bayonets.

Throughout the whole training scheme there is a suggestion apparent that practice makes perfect and the men go through their different movements many times.

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

Epidemics of scarlet fever in Kitchener and Owen Sound are having effect on the movements of members of the Perth Regiment. All leaves to the two cities and their immediate districts have been cancelled until further orders. Announcement to this effect was made today by Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding. He intimated that just as soon as there are signs indicating that the danger is over, the men will be free to visit those places again.

Staff Sergeant Fred Billings has been elected president of the Sergeants' Mess which is now functioning in the barracks. The secretary-treasurer is Pay Sergeant Harold Creasy. Members of the Mess met Thursday night to organize and make general arrangements for the conduct of the quarters which are located on the main floor.

Wedding bells will ring Saturday for two more members of the Perths. Pte. G. Deacon who hails from Preston and Pte. C. Near of this city are the men who will soon join the ranks of benedicts.

Newman O'Leary, grand knight of Kilroy Council, Knights of Columbus, has extended an invitation to Roman Catholic members of the Perth Regiment to use the facilities of the council during their stay in Stratford. They are located on Ontario street. Major S. H. McComb, in acknowledging the offer on behalf of the troops, said the co-operation is highly appreciated.

Dr. N. J. Hiscox of Mitchell, formerly of Stratford, has enlisted with the Royal Canadian Dental Corps, it was learned at Moore Barracks today. He is well known to officers and men in the ranks.

Guards for duty commencing Saturday morning are announced as follows: Lance-Corporals Mantle, Dickey and Tait, and Privates F.

Stoneham, W. Stewart, A. Stokes, V. Steele, F. Seigner, E. Smith, O. Schellenberger, A. Strasser, A. Summell, J. Sayers, W. Shuter, W. Sherwood, J. Stevens, C. Smith, C. Salisbury, W. Schneider, B. C. Stone, E. Schneider, H. Stead, W. Spears, J. R. Soderburg, C. Simpson and W. Thiel. They will take over duties for a 24-hour period on the Moore Barracks, McLagan building and Stratford armories.

Brand new sentry boxes have been set out at Moore Barracks for protection of the guards against rain and snow. They were built in the McLagan plant by carpenters from the Perth Regiment and look pretty nifty. The boxes have been placed in such a position that the sentry can command a clear view of his territory when standing inside the box as he will do when the elements are against him.

William "Chubby" Jarrett, who left today to join the Royal Canadian Air Force at Toronto, was entertained by his friends Thursday night at the home of Robert "Chick" Appel, 243 Douglas street. During the course of the evening Mr. Jarrett was presented with a pipe and a large container of tobacco, the presentation being made by Jack Wettlaufer.

Corporal Dalton Dunseith, one of the St. Marys men with the Perths, declares he likes the army and is looking forward to barracks life. "What do you like most about the army at present?" he was asked. "The way the boys are snapping into things. They are quick to learn and are all trying to do their best," he replied. "What don't you like about it?" the scribe wondered. "You have to report too early in the morning," came the reply.

Guards on duty at the barracks are sticking strictly to orders—which good soldiers usually do—and today even the scribes had to produce their passes to gain admission to the orderly room.

It is understood that a group of patriotic citizens in St. Marys are knitting an issue of socks for presentation to the Perth members from their town. It is reported that the ladies have already knitted dozens of pairs for the St. Marys men who are now stationed in London prior to entering active service with the first division.

All officers and men in the regiment will learn with regret of the serious illness in Stratford general hospital of Mrs. Snelgrove, wife of Canon W. H. Snelgrove of St. Marys and mother of Lieut. Harold Snelgrove of the Perths.

Capt. M. W. Andrew is limping around these days with a sore knee. It is understood that the popular officer indulged in P.T. a little too strenuously on a recent morning and slightly injured the limb.

The Chesley boys in the Perth Regiment hit the headlines in this week's issue of their hometown paper, The Chesley Enterprise. The paper pokes a bit of fun at the tunics offered some of the men but makes reference to the day when the soldiers will be all decked out in the new battle dress.

Avoid Bad Company Is Advice Given Soldiers

Popular Officer

Young men from homes where discipline is practiced and where average comforts are available make the best soldiers, according to Quarter Master Sergeant Instructor R. B. Hughes, W.O. 2, a member of the Royal Canadian Regiment Instructional Cadre. Quarter Master Sergeant Hughes is at present attached to the Perth Regiment which is training here as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force.

After 20 years in Canada's permanent force this well-known regular has gained a knowledge of psychology that enables him to tell at a glance whether the young recruit is going to be a success or a failure from the standpoint of a soldier and through the mill of experience Q.M.S.I. Hughes has arrived at some definite conclusions.

"The pampered son of an easy-going mother and father does not possess the background that will enable him to stand the routine to which a soldier is subjected. He is always afraid to tackle anything difficult because he has never had a chance to brush up against problems that can easily be confronted by the man who has been carefully guided by the hand and experience of a thoughtful parent."

"One look at a man's head and I can tell what position he is best suited for," the instructor told The Beacon-Herald today at Moore Barracks. He said that he bases his selection upon the approach, personal appearance, walk, talk and shape of the head in prophesying whether a recruit will go far in military work.

Twenty years in the Canadian army with one of the Dominion's crack regiments has taught Q.M.S.I. Hughes a lot about men. "The best advice I can give the young soldier is to avoid bad company. He should remember that he is a soldier and will often be tempted to go astray," the instructor stated. "Because he is a soldier the young man will be sought out by men who will take advantage of him at every opportunity and because he may like to play 'the big shot' he steps out with those who are too fast for him."

Take Care of Body

Every soldier should strive to maintain his health by taking good care of his body. He must be a man that can be trained to understand and appreciate the benefits of discipline and be ready to team with his fellow soldiers. The recruit should make himself likeable and mix well with his associates in the army and realize that the training he is undergoing is designed to help him forge his way ahead. He should never be afraid to tackle the job. These are the essentials which Q.M.S.I. Hughes considers go into the making of a man fit to wear the King's uniform.

Quarter Master Sergeant Instructor Hughes has a mighty difficult task with the Perths. For instance, he was in the position Friday afternoon where he had to select another class of 30 prospective non-commissioned officers. He picked out 60 and then considered each man individually until he had the required number.

He must have, and has, a full knowledge of every subject required in the service and be able, as he does now, to impart that information to both officers and men of the regiment. Quitting time each day for the troops does not mean quitting time for the instructor. He has hours of study and preparation to make each evening before he retires, for in the present instance, Canada needs trained



(Photo by Rogers Studio)

With 20 years of service in the Royal Canadian Regiment, Quarter Master Sergeant Instructor R. B. Hughes, W. O. 2, pictured above, is assisting officers of the Perth Regiment train the local machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force. Q. M. S. I. Hughes is most popular among the officers and members of the regiment.

soldiers and needs them badly. For that reason the instructor has to work long hours night and day on the courses that will eventually fulfill the requirements.

Satisfied With Progress

"I am quite satisfied with the way things are progressing in the Perth Regiment," Q.M.S.I. Hughes declared. He said he is getting the finest co-operation from all officers, non-commissioned officers and other ranks. Everyone seems to be putting his best effort into this thing, "and I believe that if we get the right kind of a break from the weather man we will be as far ahead, if not definitely more advanced within a few weeks than some of the other units that have mobilized."

The calibre of men in the ranks of the Perth Regiment is generally superior to the average run of recruits who enlist with armies, Q.M.S.I. Hughes declared. For this reason it is possible to make better progress than otherwise might be the case.

Born in Winnipeg, Man., Q.M.S.I. Hughes is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hughes of that city. He was educated in the public and high schools of the Manitoba capital and joined the R.C.R.'s there in 1919—a year after he left high school. For six months he was stationed in Montreal and then spent the next eight years in Quebec. Since returning to Ontario he has been at London where his wife and two children, a boy and a girl, reside.

Enlisting as a private, Q.M.S.I. Hughes was promoted to a lance corporal in 1922. A year later he got his second stripe making him a corporal and in 1924 he was raised to a sergeant. He entered the instructional cadre in 1927 and in November of 1934 was raised to the rank of quarter master sergeant.

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

An early appearance of the "Perth Regiment News" is expected, it was learned today at Moore Barracks. Led by Pte. Vincent Lee Smith, the Orderly Room boys are taking a particular interest in getting out the initial number of the regimental paper and already a call for reporters has been sent out to the different squads.

The advertising department reports that some space has already been sold, the proceeds of which will go towards the cost of the publication. From the circulation department comes word that about 900 copies will be issued. They will include items of general army interest, announcements, promotions, social and sport write-ups and jokes.

That the editorial chief, Pte. V. L. Smith, knows what he wants was plainly evident to one fellow who suggested a "take-off" on one of the collegiate publications be adopted. "None of that stuff in the Perth Regiment News," Pte. Smith replied. "Remember your dealing with men, not boys now. This paper must be made interesting to soldiers."

Seven men in different squads have already volunteered their services as reporters for The News. They are: R. Baetz, squad 13; F. Hall, squad 5; C. S. Bell, squad 14; M. H. Bailey, squad 18; R. A. Miller, squad 1; William Rhodes, squad 6 and A. Rouse, squad 7. Men from the other squads who are willing to help gather the news are requested to attach their names to the paper on the bulletin board.

Lieut. G. E. Carr, billet officer, is mailing prepared accounts to landlords who have soldier boarders. They are made up to and including October 31. He requests the recipients to fill in the necessary portions and return them as soon as possible as the pay sheets must be made up from the information contained on the billet accounts. Pay day is Tuesday, Oct. 31 and the final date for return of the accounts has been set as Oct. 24.

Lieut. John Whyte, generalissimo of sports at the barracks, informed this column today that a meeting of experienced hockey players will likely be held next week when "we will have an opportunity to look over the boys." There are over 60 players available for the prospective O.H.A. team, among them players from Chesley, Owen Sound, Warton and Stratford intermediate teams of other years.

There is every likelihood that Lieut. Whyte will manage the regimental team with Sergeant A. J. Whitehead as trainer. The latter has had experience in this important work and is keen on the idea of the team entering the provincial series. From outside the ranks of the permanent force comes word from a Great War veteran John Murray, local barrister. He is behind the hockey idea and has promised his co-operation in the movement.

Capt. R. A. MacDougall who attended the Central Camp School of Signals at Kingston some time ago, has been successful in qualifying "in signal, alarms advanced," according to word received by the officer commanding today. Capt. MacDougall will be assisting in the training of the signalling section when it gets underway.

Lieut-Col. Arthur Garrod, M.C., former officer commanding, visited Major S. H. McComb in the latter's office today and later accompanied the O.C. on a tour through the McLagan plant which is being prepared for a barracks for the Perths.

Work is progressing rapidly at the McLagan building and there appears to be every indication that the troops will take up quarters there early in November. Construction of the double decker bunks is under way. Major McComb says that as this is the major job there, considerable headway should be noted by the end of next week.

medical officer, on Friday. "I do not feel as tough as I expected I would; nevertheless I can feel it," he said. "The boys are not alone in that regard."

Lieut. J. E. Tipler, adjutant, drew attention to the shine radiating from every fire extinguisher in the building. "Just take a look at them," he told the scribe. "Why a man could use one as a mirror to shave." They did look bright, thanks to the efforts of a fatigue squad.

All ranks will report at the barracks for church parade Sunday morning. The soldiers will march to Knox Presbyterian church for the 11 o'clock service and then be dismissed for the balance of the day.

Through the co-operation of the Stratford Bottling Company and the Coca-Cola Company, the officers and men at Moore Barracks enjoyed a treat Friday afternoon at the end of a heavy day of training. Sixty dozen bottles of the beverage were distributed to the troops. Major S. H. McComb voiced appreciation on behalf of all ranks to Capt. Frank Hunter, head of the local bottlers, and to W. H. Cox and H. M. Kreutzer, Toronto, representative of the Coca-Cola Company, who visited the barracks during the refreshment period.

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, acknowledges receipt of a cheque from the Choralian Choir of Stratford. It is for \$5 and will be placed in the regimental sports fund.

Some of the boys have been shirking the morning P.T. by reporting late and it is learned on good authority—in fact there's a note on the bulletin board, too—that the military police are going to take the matter in hand and penalties will be meted out to offenders. It is pointed out that in order to keep the daily schedule up so that dismissal can be made at 4.30 p.m. it is necessary that a prompt start be made every morning.

C.Q.M.S. C. H. Weir will shortly bring his wife and family to Stratford. He expects to take up residence on Wellington street about the end of the month.

Major Frank Walker, quartermaster, announces the arrival in the stores department of another 90 pairs of socks from the Ontario branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society. "We greatly appreciate and can make good use of this extra supply," Major Walker declared in voicing the thanks of the regiment for the donation.

Inoculation is no respecter of rank these days at Moore Barracks. Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, admitted today he was feeling the effects of the injection he received from Lieut. J. G. Jose.

FIRST GUARD AT McLAGAN PLANT



The first guard over the McLagan building, which will shortly become a barracks for the Perth Regiment, was in charge of Lance-Corporal W. H. Dickey, standing in front and was composed of Privates W. Herlich, D. Funnell, W. Gordon, R. C. Huras, all in the rear row and pictured from left to right; in front of them from left to right are Privates J. Headley, W. Gallagher, G. Evans, J. Fulcher and G. Ford.

Promotions In Army Come Only On Merit

Routine military orders received through headquarters of military district, No. 1, London today, inform men of the Perth Regiment, as well as other units training for the Canadian Active Service Force, that there is plenty of scope for advancement in the ranks.

Headquarters officers point out that the Minister of National Defence has ruled that the granting of commissions and promotions is to be determined strictly upon the merits and ability of the applicants and that the minister will not make any personal recommendations on these matters. Enlisted men must feel free, the order says, to take advantage of the opportunities which are available in the Canadian militia.

Enlarging on the question, Lieut. J. E. Tipler, acting adjutant, told The Beacon-Herald that if the officers in charge of the regiment observe that the work of a man is such that he warrants promotion from the ranks to a commission, he will be given the opportunity to qualify.

The same situation holds good for the buck privates. There is plenty of opportunity for advancement to non-commissioned posts and as these men show their worth they are being schooled for advancement which carries higher pay.

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More than 600 officers and men of the Perth Regiment who are training at Moore Barracks as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force, attended divine service at Knox Presbyterian church Sunday morning. Parading from the King street headquarters, under Major S. H. McComb, the soldiers presented their best appearance since mobilization, the officer commanding said today. Acting second-in-command for the day was Lieut. J. G. Jose.

Together with the members of Knox congregation, the soldiers heard the pastor, Rev. Chas. S. Oke deliver a forceful sermon on "The Soldier Who Disobeyed," the speaker pointing out that one man can bring about disgrace to a whole unit. The regiment heard one of its own members, Pte. Aylmer McDonald sing twice, first in the anthem, "To Thee, Our God, We Fly" and later in a solo "The Lord is My Light." After the service the troops marched to Stratford armories on Waterloo street and were dismissed for the balance of the day.

Major S. H. McComb today visited Stratford general hospital with the orderly officer, Lieut. Otto Henderson. He reports that the soldier-patients upon whom he called, are all doing as well as can be expected and are receiving the best of attention from the nursing staff.

There is a notice on the bulletin board asking all men from Warton and district to sign their names in the event that they are interested in attending the Remembrance Day services there November 11. Close to 100 men are expected to participate in the weekend services in the peninsula town, the officer commanding having accepted an invitation from the committee in charge to send a company of soldiers from that district home for the weekend.

Lieut. Jay Stevenson, paymaster, today issued an urgent appeal for the loan of an adding machine or a comptometer. He promises that it will receive the best of care and will be returned to the owner whenever the regiment leaves town. The paymaster's office has had the use of a machine since the department was established but the rush of business in the owner's office requires its return. Anyone having such office equipment will be doing a service by calling Lieut. Stevenson at 578.

The reporters of the Perth Regiment News are meeting with Pte. Vincent L. Smith tonight to discuss plans for getting out the first issue of the army publication. He told this column that for a while the sheet will come out monthly.

Receipt of a cheque for another \$75 from the St. Marys Town Council was acknowledged today by Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding. There are no strings attached to the gift which makes the donation from that community \$100.

Pte. D. W. Raney of the local regiment is a patient in Westminster hospital at London, the institution from which Pte. E. B. Smith was discharged on Saturday. Pte. W. G. Snider has been admitted to the Stratford general hospital.

There are many strange young men from out-of-town points in the ranks of the Perths. They have been attending dances frequently. Several of them have enjoyed themselves and others state the reception they are getting from local gals is quite cold, in fact icy. Saturday night one young fellow, a perfect gentleman, asked a young lady to dance with him. "Can you dance?" she asked dryly. "Lady you'll never get the chance to know," the private replied as he gave her the cold shoulder.

Friends of Lieut. Harold Snelgrove will be glad to learn that his mother, Mrs. W. H. Snelgrove, wife of Canon Snelgrove, St. Marys, is doing nicely following a recent operation in Stratford general hospital.

It is a coincidence, but three of the St. Marys officers with the Perths are all Jacks. They are Lieut. Jack G. Jose, medical officer; Major Jack S. Lind, acting second-in-command and Capt. Jack Bell.

Hunt, Toronto, wearing the natty uniform of the Royal Canadian Air Force, was another visitor. The boys all look good and are apparently finding military life agreeing with them.

Pte. William Barker had his picture in the recent edition of the Goderich Signal-Star. The soldier is a member of the Perths at the local barracks, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Barker of Goderich. His two brothers, Charles and Frederick, were overseas with the Canadian forces in the Great War. The former is now president of the Goderich branch of the Canadian Legion. It is of interest that Pte. William is a keen horticulturist in civilian life.

Soldiers in the ranks who are fond of reading will be interested in a London announcement which says that Adolf Hitler's book, "Mein Kampf" has been officially recommended by the war office. Other publications on the approved list are Tolstoy's "War and Peace," Marx's "Capital" and a pacifist novel, "Under Fire" by Henri Barbusse.

This column learns that Quarter Master Sergeant Instructor R. B. Hughes, W.O. 2, is behind the moustache movement which seems to be gaining prominence within barracks' circles. It is said that many of the N.C.O.'s are quite young in appearance, if not in age and the moustaches, now in their infant stage, will make them look older when they are developed.

If the weather continues cold there will be little softball played this season by the Perths, Lieut. John Whyte, sports director of the regiment, informed this column. During the late fall and winter months the officer says the men will engage in indoor sports at the Y.M.C.A. and in hockey. In the latter game a regimental league will be set up for players who are not on the proposed intermediate O. H. A. and city industrial league teams.

Lance Corporal Jack George, who was on the staff of the Ontario Department of Highways here, prior to enlisting with the Royal Canadian Engineers, dropped into town for a few hours Saturday. He has gained a stripe since joining the army about a month ago and is now working towards a second one which will make him a full corporal. Private Eddie Youngs, who is also in London with the 1st Hussars, was also in town. George

Parted In England, Two Reunited In Regiment

Private Alex Gunn of the Perth Regiment says this isn't such a large world after all. He is an old Imperial, having originally enlisted at Fort George, Scotland, in 1922. He served with the Seaforth Highlanders at Belfast, Aldershot and Dover, getting his discharge at the last place in 1929.

Having completed his service, Pte. Gunn was entitled to an army vocational training centre course in farming at Chislehurst, Wiltshire, England. He took the course and six months later embarked for Canada, bent on taking up farming under an overseas settlement plan. He sailed on the Empress of Scotland after bidding good-bye to his school pal, W. H. Dickey. Pte. Gunn reached Canada and started farming here and there. He married Miss Helen Heath of Listowel. When His Majesty called for help in the present crisis Pte. Gunn responded. He joined the Perths.

On Saturday Pte. Gunn had to take his turn on guard duty and was assigned to the Stratford armories on Waterloo street, in

charge of a lance-corporal. He did a two-hour stretch and then retired to the guard room for four hours' rest. As guards do frequently, Pte. Gunn got playing cards with his fellow soldiers. Sitting opposite him was Lance-Corporal Dickey, in charge of the guard.

"It seems to me that I know you," the lance-corporal remarked to the private as he studied his face. "What's your name?" Pte. Gunn told him and added that he had been "trying to figure out who you are, too." Well, to make a story short, the two recalled the days at the farm training school in Wiltshire and then Lance-Corporal Dickey exclaimed: "I know you now," and Pte. Gunn thought for a minute and said: "Sure, you're young Dickey." They were still reminiscing when the scribe left them at the armories late Saturday afternoon.

Pte. Gunn has moved his family to Stratford where he is living with Mrs. Gunn and their two children—girls whom he says look like their mother—at 97 Grange street.

Fresh Group Starts On Machine Gun Training

Another 88 men commenced rigid training in machine gun practice at Moore Barracks today where the Perth Regiment is being groomed as a battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force.

Quarter Master Sergeant Instructor R. B. Hughes, W.O. 2, the Royal Canadian Regiment officer who is attached to the Perths staff as instructor, had a big task confronting him in selecting the men for the course which will take several weeks. Every detail of machine gun work is taught the soldiers by sergeants trained for this special duty—one of the most specialized in the army service because the machine gun forms the mechanized backbone of the district unit.

Selection of the new class took place after the usual setting-up exercises and drill period and resulted in a general change of the training syllabus which is being carried out. As a result of the selection of a new machine gun class the morning schedule was somewhat disrupted and for the balance of the morning period the troops engaged in a route march.

Q.M.S.I. Hughes states that the plan of training is bringing results and officers have generally agreed the regiment is showing the benefit of training not only from a physical standpoint but in knowledge of military routine which is being gained.

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, told The Beacon-Herald that there will be no actual firing of the arms within the city. There are not the facilities available locally for this phase of training. He said that in practice work the soldiers will use silent rounds so that they will gain an insight into the mechanism of the machine guns. The same rule holds true as far as rifles are concerned. No actual firing will feature training in that branch.

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(By WES. DAVIS)

Promotions are in store for 13 members of the Perth Regiment. Orders which became effective Monday and were posted today announce five acting corporals. They are Privates F. Smith, G. F. Levie, A. Trotter, A. Heywood and G. Grose. The eight acting lance-corporals are Privates G. H. Hogg, R. Mitchell, R. C. Stone, A. Gibson, W. C. Gillmore, A. Edlinton, D. A. Newman and W. Williams.

Another soldier's family has moved to Stratford to take up permanent residence. Pte. P. J. Steele of Owen Sound, his wife and five children are now living at 111 Grange street. Pte. Steele is on the staff of the orderly room. His children's names are June, Joyce, Nancy, Jimmie and Andrew. The family say they like Stratford very much though the soldier hinted he will miss the odd bit of fishing which he enjoyed prior to taking up military work.

Private "Chuck" Telford, a Peterborough man who came to this city to enlist with the Perths, has beaten the button polishing game. Soldiers generally hate the thought of shining their brass but not this fellow Telford up in the quarter-master's stores on the second floor. He's rigged up a quarter-horsepower motor and attached a soft cloth wheel to it. After he applies a little cleaning and polishing compound to the padding he turns the "juice" on and the wheel flies around at 3,600 revolutions per minute, taking all the dirt and grime off the buttons and badges. The operation gives them a distinguishing brilliance that cannot be done by hand polishing. In case anyone says the wheel does not turn 3,600 times per minute, Pte. Telford says he has been told that before but can prove it.

Q.M.S. Carder was having his brass slicked up when notes for this column were being gathered. Pte. Telford, when asked what his job actually is with the regiment replied: "Just plain handy man in this department." Incidentally it was discovered he did the bulk of the work on cleaning those fire extinguishers that were mentioned here recently.

Congratulations are in order today to Pte. E. Watson on the occasion of his 35th birthday. The event is going to be celebrated this evening at his billet, 195 Nile street. No, it's not a free-for-all. Ten guests have been invited.

Guards who will commence a 24-hour duty starting on Wednesday are Privates K. Duley, C. Diebel, M. Dale, L. Dewey, H. Ellis, W. Emms, J. C. Edwards, K. Eidt, W. Willis, A. Frey, G. Deacon, A. Fisher, J. Foreman, J. Fletcher, D. Funnell, W. English, P. Elgie, F. J. Ellis, W. J. Flint, C. Funnell, L. Fournier, C. Fraser and J. Friesen. In charge of the guards who will be stationed over McLagan building, Moore Barracks and the Stratford armories on Waterloo street, are Lance-Corporals Mantle, Dickey and Tait.

master, wishes citizens who have any boots in good condition, that can be spared, would send them to the barracks. Sizes between 7 and 11 are needed by fellows who have worn out their street shoes in training. It is expected that a government shipment will be received shortly but in the meantime the men are sorely in need of heavier boots.

Moore Barracks proved a good place to store the Stratford Parks Board piano. It developed today when Major Walker acknowledged the generosity of the commissioners in loaning the Officers' Mess the piano. The piano has been in the shell band stand all summer and board officials were thinking of placing it in storage for the winter when the officers dropped a hint that music would help them pass leisure hours. Lieut. Otto Henderson, a former orchestra leader, will play it frequently.

Another shipment of 50 pairs of socks for the Perth Regiment arrived today from the Ontario branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society. This makes the total gift 259 pairs to date.

Pte. Vincent L. Smith announced today that the assistant editor for the Perth Regiment News will be Pte. J. Dempsey, the advertising manager will be Pte. R. Hansford and the circulation manager Pte. L. Hartman. Reporters for the different squads have been selected and are as follows: Pte. Hall, 1 and 4; Pte. Bell, 10, 6 and 7; Pte. Arcand, 11, 13 and 14; Pte. Vere, 15, 16 and 17; Pte. Oliver, 3, 18 and 19; Pte. Greenshields, 2 and 20; Pte. Hardy, 12 and 21; Pte. Baetz, 9 and Q.M.S., Pte. Spiegelberg, N.C.O's and 5. Privates Murray and Slugoski will be reporters-at-large.

Welcome news was in store for the troops today when an order granting the men permission to wear their greatcoats was issued. They were particularly comfortable.

Lieut. J. G. Jose, medical officer, gave a lecture to the men today. He discussed ailments such as toothache, sore elbows and similar disabilities that are liable to arise during the course of a man's military life. The talk was highly informative.

Men who received the third and final injection of anti-typhoid serum at Moore Barracks today were given the balance of the day and Wednesday off in order that they may rest up from the sick feeling that comes from the treatment. The last inject is the stiffest of the three, being four times as strong as the first.

Reports from Goderich of the outbreak of several cases of typhoid fever in that community created little stir in regimental circles. Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, said that men of the Perth unit have nothing to fear for all have either been inoculated or are in the course of being treated.

We notice the name of G. Deacon in the list of guards. What a swell wedding present he gets from the regiment. Private Deacon returns to duty Wednesday morning from a few days leave of absence during which time he joined the ranks of the benedicts down Preston way. Congratulations are in order, boys for not very many permissions to marry are going through these days.

According to The Galt Reporter the nuptial event was solemnized Saturday by Rev. J. J. Lowe of Hespeler, Pte. Deacon's bride being Miss Norma Jean Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Campbell of Preston. Miss Audrey Denison was bridesmaid and the best man was Russel Hamill of Galt. Pte. Deacon's home is in Galt.

Word comes to hand today that the Perth Regiment Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire has voted \$25 to the regiment's recruiting fund. The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion has also placed a donation of \$10 in the regimental sports fund.

Although Lieut. Jay Stevenson is in London attending to business at the offices of the headquarters staff, military district No. 1, today, it was learned in the paymaster's department that an adding machine or a comptometer is still needed. Monday's appeal has had no response so far. The staff is using the slow system, double checking every item and it takes too long. Lieut. Stevenson's phone number is 578. Major Frank Walker, quarter-

Modified Dress For Officers Announced

When the colder weather set in a few days ago officers of the Perth Regiment began to worry about what type of overcoats they could wear. Orders from headquarters of military district No. 1 at London, however, arrived today and a rush on the tailors may now be expected.

"A modification of dress for officers" is the way one high ranking officer at Moore Barracks described the new order. It calls for the local officers to wear the customary officer's type of great coat. There are a few changes specified which will make the garment more serviceable than formerly. The old coat had a pivot or stand-up collar. The new one must lie flat.

Generally speaking the officers are pleased with the change.

The orders also announce that the trench coat with the swagger shoulder straps and leather buttons, a popular coat in Great War days, is abolished as army dress. Officers when off parade may wear a waterproof coat of MacIntosh pattern with detachable fleece lining for use in sub-zero weather.

Throughout the whole revision of the dress for officers, orders this year have shown a tendency to create a plainness—a movement which local officers believe will be more economical on their pocketbook.

"Many people think that the officers of a regiment have easy pickings; that they get their clothes and equipment gratis the same as men of other ranks," an officer told The Beacon-Herald today in discussing the new dress regulations. He said that while an allowance of \$150 is received each year towards purchases, that amount does not begin to cover expenses. There are many odds and ends needed. He mentioned a revolver at an average price of \$65; binoculars at about the same price and whatever extra clothing a man uses must come out of his pocket. There would not be much left out of \$500 after a uniform, overcoat and equipment was bought.

The Montreal Gazette carries a news photo of shoemakers working on 61,000 pairs of boots for the Canadian Active Service Force. The boots are similar to those which are on order for the Perths and include hobnails at the toe and steel plate inserts. The news item accompanying the picture says that work is being speeded up as much as possible and a partial shipment of 20,000 pairs is now being made ready to leave the factory.

Pte. John Hunter of the Perths calls attention to a typographical error which occurred in Monday's issue of The Beacon-Herald. The article was headed: "Man, 114, takes pride in 110-year-old teeth." The story said that the old gent, a Russian in New York named Benjamin Kotlowitz, was born in 1852. This date should have been 1825. Thank you, Pte. Hunter. It shows you read your paper carefully.

Lieut. William Charters, as well as hundreds of officers and men in the Perths are puzzled today. The story is that during the Monday afternoon route march a black Scotch terrier was standing in a field on Romeo street. As soon as the first lines of soldiers appeared in front of him he sat up on his hind legs and remained thus until the last man had passed. Then he resumed his normal position. What the Perths are wondering is this. Was the Scotty taking a salute or was it just plain Scotch curiosity that was behind his act? Whichever it was, Lieut. Charters says, that pup put on a real act to break the monotony of a long march.

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(By WES. DAVIS)

That love bug is certainly getting the troops at Moore Barracks these days, the latest to join the ranks of the benedicts being Private Earl Peppier, a Waterloo man with the Perth Regiment. He was married in his home town Saturday afternoon to Miss Audrey Preuss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Preuss, Waterloo. Rev. C. S. Rob- ertis, pastor of St. John's Lutheran church, tied the nuptial knot at the parsonage in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Pym of Waterloo.

Private Peppier made the best of Saturday for while he was on leave he also attended the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Preuss which fell on the young couple's wedding day. Back on duty at the barracks, Private Peppier left his wife at home. She will not take up residence in Stratford at the present time.

And then there are several other chaps who are shortly to take the plunge. They are Private G. Jackson who is to marry Miss Helen Berger and Private J. Kirby is to marry Miss Jean Campbell Jackson. When the actual weddings take place this column would appreciate the particulars.

While he has asked that his name not be used until after he gets permission of the commanding officer, another man of the regiment is contemplating marriage. He is a popular corporal.

The writer was glad to see Private Lloyd Southall back on duty again. He has been in Stratford general hospital suffering an attack of the 'flu. While he is still a little weak, Private Southall says he is feeling much better. Private M. J. Hepburn has also been discharged from the hospital but Private C. Carmichael has undergone an operation for appendicitis. Word from the hospital is that his condition is "quite satisfactory."

Things were rather quiet around Moore Barracks today as many of the troops are resting up in their billets from the effects of a final inoculation against typhoid fever. Lieut. J. G. Jose, medical officer, states that the results of the treatments have been very good and within a few days all will be well and around again ready to learn the ins-and-outs of military detail.

Incidentally whoever started that rumor that one fellow's "hide" was so tough that the needle broke while the doctor was trying to give him the inoculation has a great imagination. Lieut. Jose will agree. One of the boys told the writer he never even felt the needle piercing his arm. The only tinge was when the serum entered his body. It made the tips of his right hand fingers tingle and go numb.

When soldiers wear their great coats on parade they are to wear the webb belt on the outside and properly tucked in at the back.

Thirty pair of used boots were received from citizens of Stratford by the quarter-master stores on Tuesday. If anyone has boots or shoes, sizes 7 to 11, which they can spare, the officers of the regiment would be glad to receive them on behalf of the men. The boys have been using their oxfords for drill purposes and some are worn beyond repair. The request for used boots or shoes is to tide the men over until the new army order comes through from the ordnance department.

Information received in Moore barracks circles is to the effect that shoes which are being manufactured now are being used to outfit the troops who are classified for the first division of the Canadian Active Service Force. Consequently it may be some little time before the Perths receive their allotment. However the men can rely on the local quartermaster putting forth every effort to get supplies for the needs of the Perths are really urgent. Headquarters knows this

and are doing their utmost to alleviate the situation here.

Through the courtesy of the T. V. B. Bread Company of Stratford the regiment has been given the loan of several show cases which will be used in the sergeants' and the men's messes. Incidentally anyone having an unused kitchen range might give the barracks a call at 577. Good care will be taken of it and the range will be returned in due course. The paymaster, Lieut. Stevenson is still seeking an adding machine or a comptometer for his department.

The big event of today in soldiers' circles is the visit of the Royal Canadian Regiment's soccer team. It will play the Perths at National Stadium this afternoon and later will be entertained at the Stratford armories. A week ago when the Perths played in London the R.C.R.'s handed the locals a two to one defeat.

Quarter-Master Sergeant Instructor R. B. Hughes, W.O. 2, has a new instructor's room on the main floor of the barracks. Work on it was completed yesterday. Here the popular officer from the Instructional Cadre at London will impart knowledge in military work to the N.C.O.'s class.

The writer bumped into Private G. Grant, a Waterloo youth today. The young soldier says he likes the routine of army life but regrets that his hometown, as well as Kitchener, is still in the "out-of-bounds" territory because of a slight scarlet fever epidemic. He is not homesick, however, and will wait until the ban is lifted before applying for leave to pay his family a visit.

Nearly 100 have enrolled for the trip to Warton over the Remembrance Day weekend. Those who have not signified their intentions are asked to place their names on the list for that purpose which is on the bulletin board.

An invitation is extended to all Orangemen, members of Perth Regiment (M.G.) to attend the meetings of Stratford Orange Lodges, No's 759, 2668 and 2929. For information men should call K. W. Langford, 30 McNab street, or W. Senior, 46 Trinity street.

Considerable Work Yet To Be Completed

General indications are that it will be November 15 before the Perth Regiment, now training at Moore Barracks on King street as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force, moves into the McLagan building at Douro and Trinity streets. While work is progressing speedily under supervision of Quarter-Master Sergeant H. L. Horan of the Royal Canadian Engineers, London, there is still much to be done and considerable equipment to be received before the new quarters can accommodate the soldiers.

The different partitions are nearly all erected so that a general layout of the different quarters is available. Work is under way on the improvements to the heating facilities and plumbers have started to work, their material having arrived Tuesday. The electricians will be finished shortly.

One of the major jobs facing the workmen is the erection of the double decker bunks in the dormitories. Material for these is expected without delay.

Most of the equipment for the big kitchen on the main floor is in the building and will soon be set up.

Citizens Rallied Well.

Recollecting the events of the regiment since mobilization orders were received here on September 1, Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, today stated he does not know how the unit could have been accommodated in the city had it not been for the co-operation of 163 Stratford citizens who opened their homes to soldiers as boarders. "Our citizens certainly rallied to the call for help at a time when it was badly needed and on behalf of those in authority I wish to extend sincere thanks and appreciation," Major McComb said. "The people here have once again shown their loyalty to the crown in a most patriotic manner."

Major McComb also made reference to the assistance that had been received from organizations in the city. Many of them have contributed financially and others have helped in other ways. He especially mentioned the Y. M. C. A. which has placed its building at the disposal of the troops for training and recreational purposes. The churches have also been generous in invitations to the regiment, permitting the officers and men to worship in them and to participate in their social life as well. "It is to these groups, as well as to individuals who developed the recruiting fund and to those who are contributing to the fund for soldiers' comforts that I want to voice gratitude on behalf of the officers and men," the commanding officer said.

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

Everybody at Moore Barracks, where the Perth Regiment is training as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force, is talking about the victory the regimental soccer team scored over the Royal Canadian Regiment players at National Stadium on Wednesday afternoon. It was a 4 to 0 win for the Perths, a contrast to the 2 to 1 defeat the locals absorbed over in London a week previously.

Needless to say, the heroes of the game, in the minds of the Perths number five. They are Bailey, who got a goal in each of the first and second halves; Brooks, who tallied once in the first, and Greenshield who got his goal in the second; Parkinson, the Perth goalie, who had but one shot to stop throughout the whole game and handled it faultlessly, and Ernie Aikwenzie, the Indian player, who played a hard game as a forward.

The Perth lineup was: Goal, Parkinson; fullbacks, F. Jones, J. Jones; halfbacks, McCaul, Armstrong and Mertens; forwards, Greenshield, Messenger, Bailey, Brooks, E. Aikwenzie; sub, Ball. For the R.C.R.'s the team was: goal, Stilwell; fullbacks, Martin, Saunders; halfbacks, P. Hunt, Smythe, McCullough; forwards, Holmes, McCrossan, Horan, Wilson and Musgrave. Dick Hunt of London was referee.

Following the game, the players of the Perth Regiment entertained their visitors to a buffet supper and an entertainment at the Stratford armories on Waterloo street. The visiting officers, headed by Major Home, were entertained to dinner by Major J. S. Lind at his home in St. Marys. A number of the Perth officers joined in the company.

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the Perths, said he is mighty pleased with the showing of the regimental footballers for they played against a strong team, with mud and rain affecting their play. He asked the press to publicly thank the C.N.R. Recreation Association for the use of the stadium. Major McComb said that he regrets that many of the Perths, ill from the effects of inoculation, could not witness the game but added that they will have another opportunity at an early date.

Sport of any kind has its beneficial qualities both from a mental recreation standpoint and from a physical aspect. Q.M.S.I. R. E. Hughes, W.O. 2, told the men at Stratford armories during the course of a congratulatory address following the game. He recommends that every person devote some period of the day to recreation for it keeps both the mind and the body in trim.

Incidentally, the Q.M.S.I. confided that until the time he came to Stratford to help with the Perth training he engaged in a game of some sort daily. Work here has meant he had to give it up to some extent and the result is a big gain in weight. Now the popular officer thinks he had better get into sport again and he thinks he will take up badminton.

Private Vincent Smith, editor of the Perth Regiment News, announced today that the first edition of the paper will come off the press on November 7. The Ontario Office Outfitters of Kitchener have promised the regiment the use of a mimeograph machine and a complete set of stencils to print the first copy. Private Smith voiced his gratitude to the Kitchener firm for its offer, made through the offices of Sid. Wright.

Moore Barracks contains two temporary lines—takeoffs on the western front. They are the Maginot Line and the Siegfried Line. On the former which is the French possession, there is a sign "Non Passe" and opposite on the German Siegfried Line are pictures of Herr Hitler, one with the notation, "Kamerad" and another comic, showing the chancellor with a big frown, says "Ach Himmel."

The Sergeants' Mess would like some kind-hearted citizen to either donate or loan the members a piano for use in their quarters. Anyone obliging the sergeants can rest assured that good care will be taken of the instrument. Sergeant A. J. Whitehead is the man to call.

There are some good pianists in the ranks, among them Corporal A. Adams. He used to be a professional musician, having played on vaudeville circuits, over the air and was also a member of a ship's orchestra during a trip to Australia.

"We received quite a number of pairs of shoes and boots in response to Wednesday's appeal," Major Frank Walker, quarter-master said today, "but we are sorely in need of more." Citizens who can assist with sizes 7 to 11 are asked to telephone the stores department, 577, and the truck will call for them.

The majority of Perths were back on duty today after having had Wednesday off to rest up from inoculations with anti-typhoid serum. To give the men a further chance to rest over the weekend, Major S. H. McComb states that the usual Sunday morning parade this week will be dispensed with, though all ranks are expected to attend churches of their own denomination.

Word from headquarters of military district No. 1 at London is to the effect that regiments throughout the district will co-operate with branches of the Canadian Legion in commemorating Remembrance Day on November 11. Some 300 of the troops will parade in this city and the others will march in Warton and Chesley, both of which have asked for the co-operation of the commanding officer in this respect.

Private Arthur Stokes is around again after having been a patient in Stratford general hospital. Men of the regiment will learn with regret that Private F. J. Oliver is in hospital with an attack of the flu while Private E. C. Solomon has been admitted to Westminster hospital at London.

Sergeant A. J. Whitehead, whose duties include looking after the mail distribution, catering for the sergeants, supervising the fatigue

squads and what not, has posted a list of names on the bulletin board. He wishes these men would report to him to claim mail which is addressed to them. He has a parcel that has been waiting for one man for nearly a week.

Provost Sergeant William Fergusson states there will be 24 special military policemen sworn in for duty next Tuesday night on the occasion of Halloween payday. They will work under two sergeants and two corporals.

Incidentally Provost Sergeant Fergusson is not the only experienced officer on the military police force. One of his officers, Private J. R. Beatty, was for six years a member of the Windsor city police department. He is a cousin of Chief R. J. Beatty of this city.

Lieut. H. Mason, Lieut. W. Gladman, Lieut. R. Reid and Lieut. L. Mantle will return to the Perth Regiment this weekend after having completed examinations and a course of study at London. The examinations commenced Wednesday. During the past few weeks, the officers have been in London receiving training which, if they pass their tests, will qualify them for commissions in the Canadian Active Service Force.

Private Percy Sheardown had as a visitor, this week, his brother, James Sheardown of the Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto. There are three sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. Sheardown of Goderich serving in His Majesty's forces at present. Another son, Leonard, is with the Middlesex-Huron Regiment. It is of general interest that James Sheardown is an international bridge champion.

BEVERAGE ROOM BAN UP TO PERTHS

No beverage rooms in Stratford hotels will be declared out of bounds for soldiers unless the troops make such an order necessary, Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding the Perth Regiment which is training at Moore Barracks here, said. He was commenting upon a Toronto press dispatch which stated that the Canadian high command has given commanding officers authority to make their own rulings with respect to this matter.

Soldiers frequenting civilian beverage rooms have been conducting themselves like gentlemen according to the reports reaching the local military head. For that reason, Major McComb says, he sees no reason to make a ruling that will deny the men a privilege they enjoyed before enlistment.

Military police have been paying visits to all public places during the course of their rounds during the day and night and their presence tends to keep matters pretty well under control.

It is a ruling of the Liquor Control Board of Ontario that men under 21 years of age cannot be served in beverage rooms. The order holds true too in the case of soldiers. A hotelman of years standing states that even in Great War days, youths were denied intoxicating beverages.

Referring to the future, when the troops will be quartered in the McLagan plant, Major McComb declared that "wet" canteens will be established for the men of all ranks. They will be supervised by non-commissioned officers.

"What course will be adopted then with regard to civilian beverage rooms is a matter that will have to be determined later on," the officer commanding said. He hinted that if it is thought wise to place hotels out of bounds at a later date, an order can always be issued, but for the present he will rely on the men using good judgment.

Incidentally there are a great many soldiers—as there were in the Great War—who do not indulge in intoxicating beverages and for these "dry" canteens will be set up in the new barracks. Here the men may secure hot chocolate, coffee, soft drinks and other soldier comforts.

Like the "wet" canteens, the "dry" rooms will be governed and will be open only during certain hours of the day. Their operations will not be allowed to interfere with army routine.

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(By WES. DAVIS)

Another Empire champion has been uncovered in the ranks of the Perth Regiment. He is Private Gordon C. Scott, a member of the military police working under Provost Sergeant William Ferguson. Private Scott holds a medal as a member of the champion wire stringing team of the British Empire. He won it in the competition at Aldershot Camp in 1917.

Recollecting the event which brought together teams of 11 men from New Zealand, Australia, India, South Africa and Canada, Private Scott said the Canadian team of which he was a member strung 25 yards of barbed wire in four minutes. The Canadian team was in charge of Lieut.-Col. "Paddy" Pettigrew, who is now in Gowganda, Ont.

Private Scott enlisted for service overseas in the Great War with the 160th Bruce Battalion and then was transferred to the 1st Battalion. He left his home at Lions Head on January 5, 1916, and helped finish the war. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. David Scott of Warton, his father having celebrated his 80th birthday on September 16, last. Incidentally his brother, Dr. Emerson Scott of Warton, has also volunteered his services and expects to report for duty early next year.

Mayor George W. Gordon of Kitchener is co-operating with the Kitchener and Waterloo men in the Perth Regiment in an effort to establish a Twin City clubroom in the McLagan building when it is opened as a barracks, according to an article in The Kitchener Record. His worship is calling for donations of tables, chairs and other fittings suitable for a men's room. It is also understood that the municipal councils of Kitchener and Waterloo are moving towards a scheme for recognizing officially the actions of the 32 officers and men from their towns who are now wearing the King's uniform.

From Kitchener the Perths include: Capt. E. C. Shelley, Lieut. D. G. Bricker, C.Q.M.S. C. H. Weir, C.Q.M.S. B. W. Carder, Corporal E. A. Hobson, Privates D. F. Moore, J. J. McColl, N. P. Evers, W. J. McKay, W. P. Kipper, G. A. Sayers, H. Smith, L. C. Hass, L. A. Boltzky, M. W. Dickson, R. M. Livock, L. W. J. Carder, L. J. Bast, F. A. Slugoski, V. L. Smith, J. G. Beattie, Provost Sergeant W. G. Ferguson, Corporal Robert Ferguson, Corporal James Harvey, Corporal L. Nadon, Corporal A. C. Adams. The Waterloo men are: Privates O. Brenne-man, E. J. Peppier, P. G. May, G. E. Grant, J. H. Cossey and W. C. Dalgleish.

Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding, has consented to the marriage of Lance-Corporal W. H. Dickey. The bride-to-be is Miss Laura Ford, according to the order issued.

An enterprising Stratford war veteran who makes leather goods has posted a sign on the bulletin board offering money belts for sale. A group of young privates was reading the sign when one of them remarked: "Money belts, what are they used for?" His pal added: "Yea, they're to keep your money in but the trouble is we would never have any money left to carry around in a belt."

Private Eldon Schneider brought the men in the stores department to laughter today. He went to see the quarter-master about having his shoes repaired and the latter told him to go and see the shoemaker. Learning from the cobbler that there were no more nails or leather in stock, the young private, who is aspiring to be an N.C.O., returned to the quarter-master and reported. "The carpenter says he hasn't any nails or leather left." He couldn't figure out what the men were laughing at and then he tumbled to it. The sign on the door leading into the shoe shop and the barber shop says: "Carpenter and Barber."

partment and with Major S. H. McComb, commanding officer.

"There will be no advances of pay in future," reads a notice on the bulletin board.

Another note says that the shower baths in the barracks will be available for the use of the men on Wednesdays and Saturdays. They are free.

Word reached this column today that the C.N.R. soccer club will be unable to play the Perth Regiment team Saturday afternoon as had been planned. The railroaders, however, declared they are looking forward to a game or two with the soldiers at an early date.

Lieut. Jay Stevenson, paymaster, reported today that no response has been received to his appeal for the loan of an adding machine or a comptometer. As a result he sped to Kitchener Thursday and rented one at \$1 per week. As no official provision is made for the payment of the rent in the army set-up he is facing a perplexing problem. Somebody will have to look after the expenditure or else the young lieutenant is going to have to dig down in his pocket every week.

The Moose Lodge of Stratford, which has its rooms on Ontario street, has issued an invitation to soldiers who are members of the order to attend meetings on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. The clubrooms have also been placed at the disposal of the soldier-members at any time.

Mrs. John Murray and Mrs. N. J. Hiscox were recent visitors to the office of the commanding officer, Major S. H. McComb. The former called to inquire what the Daughters of the Empire in Stratford could do in the way of providing entertainment for the men and the latter represented the Mitchell branch of the I.O.D.E. Mrs. Hiscox said the Mitchell ladies are willing to assist in entertainments and in providing soldier comforts. Further details in regard to these plans will be available later.

A plan is afoot in Moore Barracks to form a regimental orchestra which will provide music for socials and other forms of entertainment. Major Frank Walker is understood to be meeting with the singers of the battalion this evening with a view to organizing a regimental choir.

Invitations for the regiment to attend Remembrance Day services on November 5 have been received from the Stratford Branch of the Canadian Legion which is going to St. John's church, also from the Memorial Baptist church, where Rev. J. G. Connor is pastor and Zion Lutheran church where Rev. H. F. Gruhn is preacher. The Legion can accommodate about 200 men in addition to its members and Major McComb says there is a likelihood that the balance will be split up for parades to each of the other two churches. He voiced appreciation to the Legion officers and the churches for their invitations.

The keen interest that the new squad of prospective non-commissioned officers is taking in its work was evident at the barracks today. After the N.C.O. class had emerged from its room where Capt. R. A. MacDougall had delivered a lecture, one of the men was heard to remark: "That is the most interesting lecture I have ever heard. He could have talked all afternoon and I would not have gotten tired." Capt. MacDougall attended a course on signalling some weeks ago at a Kingston school. Professionally he is a Stratford school teacher.

An event of general interest in Moore Barracks circles was held Tuesday evening at the billet of Private E. Watson, 195 Nile street when he entertained ten of his friends on the occasion of his birthday. A pleasant evening was spent playing cards. During the course of the program Private Watson was presented with a set of military brushes. He responded to a toast in a fitting manner. A delicious lunch was served prior to the guests dispersing.

PERTH REGIMENT (M.G.)

will soon be known as Perth Athletic Regiment if the influx of troops to the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium continues. Thursday evening between the hours of 6 o'clock and 10:30 o'clock more than 200 persons, most of them soldiers, made use of the facilities of the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium. Boxing, wrestling, basketball and fencing were in progress at one time on the gym floor. "Mac" Macqueen expects to see a real revival in fencing this year and has a number of young fellows under his wing who can handle the fencing swords pretty neatly. A number of the young men are getting together to arrange classes in fencing.—J.M.R.

Nevertheless things were looking up for the troops in the quarter-master's department. Major Frank Walker reported the arrival of another lot of socks from the Ontario division of the Canadian Red Cross Society at Toronto. That makes the contribution to date 400 pair. A small allotment of boots also arrived and were distributed to the most needy cases. Rubbers for men doing guard duty have also come from the ordnance department and are being issued.

Thanks to the Stratford Country Club, the Sergeants' Mess now boasts a piano. It has been loaned for the winter months. Another plan is requested for the men's club room. Anyone caring to help the buck privates enjoy their leisure hours by loaning them an instrument is invited to telephone 578 and a truck will call for it.

Captain John Vipond of the district paymaster's office in London was a visitor to Moore Barracks Thursday afternoon. He conferred with staff of the paymaster's de-

Troops Doing Their Drill In Streets

Wet weather of the past few days has left Juliet school grounds in a muddy condition and consequently training operations of the Perth Regiment are somewhat hindered though officers and non-commissioned officers are carrying on activities on the streets and in the immediate vicinity of the barracks and indoors.

The 88 men selected a few days ago for the new machine gun class have been split into 12 squads by Quarter-Master Sergeant Instructor R. E. Hughes, W.O. 2, and each is being taught the ins-and-outs of the Vickers gun.

Other squads are getting instructions in the handling of rifles, some of them being taught the proper way to march while carrying the weapon. Others are taking them apart and cleaning them even though none has actually been fired.

The interior of the barracks is a busy place as every bit of vacant space is being utilized by squads, some of which are hearing lectures in the different phases of military tactics. In the work large pictures of landscape, showing the different positions of land movements, are being used. The imaginary Maginot Line and the enemy's Siegfried Line are also being used to advantage on the ground floor, the "sides" being taught the methods of attack from the wooden and sandbag fortifications.

Corporals and sergeants are busy with the men on the streets near the barracks. Trinity College, Well and Dours streets are echoing with commands, the majority of the squads concentrating their efforts on the new marching formation—the column of three's from a single file.

Following their rehearsals the men were taken on a brief route march, the regiment being divided into companies for the hike. It is understood the route marches are one of the most popular items on the syllabus of training for the long walk not only breaks the monotony of the day's work but the officers take the men through different parts of Stratford, giving them a splendid opportunity to see the residential areas of the city.

The daily lectures for officers are continuing in the Officers' Mess on the second floor of the barracks. Major J. E. Lind and Capt. E. C. Shelley being in charge of the "schools."

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Referring to a recent visit paid to the Barton family in Donegal, the Milverton Sun correspondent says that Private James Woodham, now a member of the Perths, will be greatly missed in that community. He was one of the first boys in that district to enlist in the Canadian Active Service Force.

The news item says: "Jimmie will be missed not only in the Barton home, where he has been for nearly 11 years, but also in the church and community in general as he was a member of the church and the Y.P.A., a teacher and the treasurer in the Sunday school. Altogether Jimmie is a wonderful example of young manhood and he has what it takes to make a good soldier; his straight-forwardness, clean living and high ideals having won for him a host of friends who admire and are very proud of him for hearing the call of his King and country."

The Lorne Scots of Brampton, mobilized as a Canadian Active Service Force unit, have a wee kiddie, Bobby Clarridge, as a mascot. He turns out for regimental parades and dines with the troops who are not allowed to eat "until after you have washed your hands," as the orders read. This item will be of interest to Lieut. J. E. Tipler, acting adjutant of the Perths who was a member of the Lorne Scots prior to his transfer to the Perth Regiment.

The Weather Man spoiled an afternoon's entertainment for the Perths today. Late Friday afternoon Lieut. John Whyte arranged a soccer game between the Canadian Army Service Corps of London and the local regimental team. When the weather appeared unfavorable the Londoners advised they would not come. They had planned to bring an 18-piece band and 75 men with them. The game may take place at a later date.

A regimental orchestra will be formed to provide entertainment for the troops when they get into the McLagan barracks and also to play at the different concerts that will be sponsored by outsiders on the soldiers' behalf. Already six Perths have volunteered. They are Privates William Souter, M. Elgie, S. Cordell, E. Lessard, J. B. Crawford and W. A. Neaves. Among the instruments they play are violins, mouth organs, banjos and flutes. There is a notice on the bulletin board calling for signatures of any other musicians who would like to play in the orchestra.

Sergeants A. J. Whitehead, W. Fergusson, C. Roth and P. Tyers were in Hamilton Friday night where they attended a social evening held by the Sergeants' Mess of the 91st Battalion, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. The sergeants report having a wonderful time. During the course of the evening they were introduced to a number of American officers who were in attendance at the event which took place in the Royal Connaught Hotel.

Private Lloyd Southall is on weekend leave. He left today to join a party of pheasant hunters in Oxford County. Private Pat L. Curtin is also spending the weekend out of town. He is visiting in Seaforth and Goderich. Private Curtin's home is in Mitchell.

The Mitchell Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, have sent a large number of books for the use of the Perth Regiment. They will be placed in the men's recreation room when the unit gets established in the McLagan building.

Private and Mrs. Fred Chapple of London were visitors at Moore Barracks today. They called to see Private P. A. Phillips. Private Chapple is a member of the 12th Battery, R.C.A.

There is a scarcity of regulation belts in Perth Regiment circles and today the orderly room boys felt the "depression." Their belts were taken from them in favor of the men going on parades.

Captain W. I. Kemp is somewhat puzzled. His tobacco fund, established several weeks ago, is not increasing. Two donations have been received to date, one being a \$10 bill. Anyone caring to boost the fund is invited to send a

cheque to the captain at Moore Barracks.

Church parade generally has been canceled for Sunday, though members of the Roman Catholic faith will meet at the barracks at 7.45 a.m. to parade to Mass. Protestant members are under instructions to attend churches of their own denomination in the city.

Second Lieutenants H. Mason, C. H. Mantle, R. S. Reid and D. J. Gladman, who have been taking a qualifying course at London for the past month, will return to the Perth Regiment Monday when they will continue their studies in machine gun work. At the conclusion of the local course they will appear before a board of officers, selected by headquarters at London for examination.

The Perth Regiment Chorus held its initial rehearsal at Moore Barracks Friday night under direction of Major Frank Walker. The chorus will assist in social functions and entertainments when the troops get stationed in the new barracks. Corporal W. Adams will be pianist and Private A. MacDonald will be librarian.

"It was a miserable night for guard duty," Lance-Corporal W. H. Dickey informed this column today shortly after completing his duty. "It snowed off and on all night and early this morning it was quite cold."

Route marches, machine gun and rifle drilling was the order of events at Moore Barracks today as the parade ground at the rear of the building remained wet and muddy. The soldiers enjoyed the afternoon off, though few are going away for the weekend.

To Accept Donations For Recreation Room

Citizens in the different communities represented by members of the Perth Regiment will have the opportunity of furnishing the men's recreation room in the new barracks at the McLagan building. Major S. H. McComb, officer commanding said today in reference to a Kitchener report that the Kitchener City Council is asking co-operation of Twin City people in donating furnishings for a club room.

Major McComb said he regrets that space in the McLagan building makes it impossible for the various groups from out-of-town points to have their own club rooms. He feels certain the soldiers will appreciate the fact that virtually all the top floor of the new barracks is being reserved for a recreation room and "wet" and "dry" canteens for the privates.

"With so much space available many pieces of furniture will be needed and we will appreciate any contributions which the citizens of the municipalities may make," Major McComb said. "On behalf of the men I can voice our appreciation of the efforts of the Kitchener officials. We have also had some fine offers from people throughout this district and when the building is ready to receive them we will be only too glad to accept the furniture."

The new recreation room will be outfitted with lounge chairs, tables, a number of radios and other incidentals generally found in a men's club.

Members of the "other ranks," as the privates are known in military circles will spend many leisure hours in their recreation room, the officer commanding explains. The routine of a soldier is organized daily so that he will be able to use spare hours in relaxation in the recreation room or outside the building. "A good many men seldom leave the barracks except when on parades," Major McComb said. "It was that way during the Great War and I believe such will be the case this time."

There is a long lunch hour on the time tables of soldiers in barracks. After they have eaten they will be at liberty to rest up in the recreation room, playing cards, games, listening to the radios or reading until the afternoon parade.

Evenings in barracks are generally entertaining for from the time the day's work is done the men are free until the "Last Post" which is the dead-line for entering the barracks after having been out for the evening. The signal after the door is closed is "Light's Out" and at that hour every man is expected to be in bed. What the hour for the Last Post or Lights Out will be has not been determined, Major McComb said.

Major Says Article Reflects On Soldiers

Major S. H. McComb, commanding officer of the Perth Regiment, which is training at Moore Barracks here, today took exception to a Wiarton dispatch which appeared in an Owen Sound newspaper. He said the article reflects upon the integrity of the troops.

According to the newspaper clipping brought to Major McComb's office by the Wiarton district members of the regiment, police court cases there have shown a marked decrease in September and October as compared with the same months of 1938. The article suggests that the decline is due to many men from that district joining the army.

"I feel that the men from Wiarton and district, and we have many of them in our regiment, represent the finest type of young citizen and I know from contacts with the men, as well as Major Bob Simmie of Wiarton, that their records are unquestionable. I cannot understand why such a report should be circulated. The Wiarton district boys have a justifiable complaint and I am dealing with the matter."

Notes On This 'n' That From Moore Barracks

(By WES. DAVIS)

Promotion of Sergeant A. T. Kentish to the rank of acting company quartermaster sergeant was announced today by Major S. H. McComb, commanding officer. C. Q. M. S. Kentish is one of the best known sergeants in the ranks of the Perths, having been attached to St. Marys "D" company during the days when the unit was in the non-permanent militia. He has been known as one of "The Three Musketeers" since mobilization at Moore Barracks. The other two are Sergeants J. Hamilton and A. J. Whitehead. They will likely be "wetting" the crown that is added to the stripes in due course.

Stratford Y.M.C.A. is preparing a small card which will be distributed to the Perths. It will tabulate the various recreation periods that are open to soldiers at the Y.M.C.A. Officers of the Perths, in approving the plan, commended secretary J. R. Mercer and his staff of "Y" assistants for their thoughtfulness.

"We certainly hope that some citizen is going to loan us a piano for the men's recreation room," Major Frank Walker, quartermaster, said today, in mentioning that so far the privates' quarters in the barracks is still without this means of musical entertainment. "You can tell your readers that the boys will take exceptionally good care of a piano and we will make certain that it is returned in good shape when we leave barracks here," the quartermaster added. He also said that a telephone call to 577 will bring the regimental truck around to any house in the city for a piano.

Hard luck man No. 1 of the Perth Regiment is Private Bob Boyes, a Chesley resident. During the first field day at National Stadium he went over a high jump bar and sprained an ankle. Sunday night, while alighting from a car after a drive about the city, he severely sprained the joint again and today was removed to Stratford general hospital for x-ray and treatment. For a few days last week he was sick from the effects of inoculation and a cold. The boys at his billet, 183 William street, hope he will be around again within a few days.

Soldiers attended churches of the different denominations Sunday morning and evening, according to reports reaching this column. Major Frank Walker, who is organist at St. Paul's church, says he noticed quite a number at both the morning and evening services. In the morning Corporal Hutchinson paraded the R.C.'s to mass.

Training was resumed on Juliet school grounds today when officers noted that Sunday's windy weather cleared up most of the mud puddles which kept the men off the drill ground Friday and Saturday. Squad drills along streets adjacent to the barracks and instruction in machine gun and rifle work were also among the orders of the day.

Quartermaster Sergeant Instructor R. B. Hughes, W.O. 2, had his prayers answered today when four more members of the R.C.R. arrived at the barracks to help him drill the Perths. The new arrivals are Sergeants J. R. Cook and W. F. Mackness, Corporal S. G. Mackness and Lance Corporal R. G. Holmes. The last mentioned is known to some of the Perth soccer players for he was a member of the R.C.R. team that recently engaged the locals in two games.

Second Lieutenants Herb Mason, C. H. Mantle, R. S. Reid and D. J. Gladman rejoined the Perths today after having attended the qualifying course for junior officers at London. Friday night they joined their classmates of some 80 officers from different units at a farewell party staged in Hotel London.

It is understood that Second Lieutenant Gladman will soon bring Mrs. Gladman to Stratford to reside. They have been making their home in Crediton where Mr. Gladman was a minister. He resigned his charge to enter the Canadian Active Service Force as a combatant officer. Padres, as a rule, are considered non-combatant officers.

series. He told the writer today he has not yet received a reply from Toronto but anticipates one within a day or two. Immediately upon receipt of word the soldiers will lay plans accordingly. This is one reason the hockey meeting planned for last week failed to materialize.

Hundreds of men in the ranks of the Perths are making their wills at the barracks. They have the services of four officers who are making out the papers in the room of the paymaster. Advice on many little problems is being offered by the officers who are providing the men with the regular military will form.

Permissions to marry have been granted Privates L. E. Sils and I. L. Pettit. The former's bride-to-be is Miss Kathaleen Walzac and the latter's is Miss Virginia Whittle. This column would be glad to have a report on the weddings when they take place.

Galt branch of the Canadian Legion has written Moore Barracks seeking the names, addresses and regimental numbers of all Galt men who are enlisted with the Perths. It looks as though the Galt veterans have something in store for the boys though the letter received here did not give any inkling of what is in mind. A list is being compiled on the bulletin board and Galtonians are asked to sign it.

Regiment officers today acknowledged, with thanks, receipt of a cheque for \$100 from the Mitchell Lions Club.

If you are a housekeeper in the Queen street vicinity of Ontario street and heard loud tramping on your verandah or sidewalk today, do not be alarmed. It was just a group of soldiers from the Perth Regiment seeking shelter from an "enemy." The squad was marching towards the barracks along Ontario street when a shrill whistle from the drill officer sent the 24 men scurrying in all directions. Some hid on verandas. Others went behind parked automobiles, trees and shrubbery. More than one housekeeper was seen looking out of house windows in utter amazement.

Lieut. John S. Whyte, sports director of the regiment, has written the secretary of the Ontario Hockey Association inquiring about the Perths entering an intermediate team in the provincial

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<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>As at 9th Dec.1939</u>	<u>Date of entry to Regt.</u>	<u>Date of present rank</u>	<u>Date appointed to C.A.S. F</u>
Lt.Col.	McComb	S.H.	15/12/36	Maj.9/10/26 Lt.Col.22/9/39	22/9/39 4/9/39
Major	Ross,	D.M. M.M. E.D.	"	30/6/29	4/9/39
"	Lind	J.S.H.	"	15/12/36	4/9/39
"	Shelley	E.C.	"	4/9/39	4/9/39
"	Kemp	W.I.	"	9/9/39	9/9/39 4/9/39
"	Andrew	M.W.	"	4/9/39	4/9/39
Capt.	Arrell	C.B.	"	5/3/30	6/9/39
"	Clark	H.G.	12/9/37	30/4/36	6/9/39
"	MacDougall	R.A.	15/12/36	2/4/39	6/9/39
"	Hunter	A.F.	"	6/9/39	6/9/39
"	Charters	W.	"	6/9/39	6/9/39
"	Walker	F.S. (Maj.-Mr) 18/1/38	"	4/9/39	4/9/39
"	Jose	J.G. R.C.A.M.C.	23/11/37	24/9/39	24/9/39
Lieut.	Bell	J.G.	20/3/37	20/3/37	4/9/39
"	Tipler	J.E. Att.1/1/38 to 1/7/38 Trans. 1/7/38		5/6/38	4/9/39
"	Whyte	J.S.	1/5/37	1/5/39	5/9/39
"	Henderson	E.O.	14/8/37	5/9/39	5/9/39
"	Snelgrove	H.A.	15/8/37	15/8/39	4/9/39
"	Carr	G.E. 2/Lt.-Capt.	27/5/39	27/5/39	4/9/39
"	Dent	J.C. Trans.27/9/39	29/9/39	1/8/36	29/9/39
"	Stevenson	R.J. (Pmr)	1/9/39	1/9/39	4/9/39
2/Lts.	Reid	R.S.	15/12/36	21/4/33	5/9/39 Attd.
"	Mason	H.E.	17/3/38	17/3/38	" "
"	Mantle	C.H. Discharged 8/12/39	20/9/39	20/9/39	20/9/39 "
"	Bricker	D.M.	27/9/39	27/9/39	27/9/39 "
"	Gladman	D.J.	29/9/39	29/9/39	29/9/39 "

Commander Of Perths Promoted To Rank Of Lieutenant Colonel

Now Lieutenant-Colonel



PROMOTION of Major S. H. McComb to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in command of the Perth Regiment, machine gun battalion of the Canadian Active Service Force, was announced today in orders received at Moore Barracks from Ottawa. Lieut.-Col. McComb is a veteran of the Great War and has been in command of the Perths since the retirement of Lieut.-Col. Arthur Garrod, M.C.

Major S. H. McComb Steps Up; Other Appointments and Promotions Are Announced

Promotion of Major S. H. McComb to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel was announced in Department of National Defence orders received at Moore Barracks today from Ottawa. Lieut.-Col. McComb will continue in command of the Perth Regiment which is training as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force.

Appointment of Major J. S. H. Lind as second-in-command of the unit was also announced, along with the appointments of a number of the other officers who will serve with the Perths. While a few appointments were observed as missing, Lieut.-Col. McComb states that he has been officially notified that these will be forthcoming shortly. Other appointments and promotions are:

To be Majors—Major D. M. Ross, M.M., Capt. E. C. Shelley, Capt. M. W. Andrew and Capt. W. I. Kemp. To be Captains—Capt. H. G. Clark, Capt. R. A. MacDougall, Capt. C. E. Arrell and Lieut. A. F. Hunter. It will be noted that the appointment of Lieut. Hunter carries with it promotion to captaincy. To be Lieutenants and Transport Officer—2nd Lieut. and Capt. G. E. Carr. It is explained that Lieut. and Capt. Carr, who came to the Perth Regiment upon mobilization early in September held the rank of Captain in the Oxford Rifles at Woodstock and must qualify for the captaincy in the machine gun battalion. In the meantime he retains his lieutenantcy and also the captaincy.

To be Lieutenants—Lieut. J. G. Bell, Lieut. H. A. Snelgrove, Lieut. Otto Henderson, Lieut. John S. Whyte and Lieut. John C. Dent. To be paymaster—Lieut. R. J. Stevenson.

To be temporary Captain and Medical Officer—Lieut. J. G. Jose. Attached To Regiment.

To be attached to the Perth Regiment, Canadian Active Service Force from the Perth Regiment, Non-Permanent Active Militia—2nd Lieut. R. S. Reid, 2nd Lieut. H. E. Mason, 2nd Lieut. D. M. Bricker and 2nd Lieut. D. J. Gladman. These officers are now taking the courses which will qualify them for appointment in the Canadian Active Service Force and are therefore being attached to the Perths.

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Lieutenant-Governor To Visit City Friday

Hon. Albert Matthews To Inspect Perth Regiment

Hon. Albert Matthews, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, will pay a visit to Stratford Friday morning, it was announced today by Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb. His Honor will inspect the Perth Regiment which is being trained at Moore Barracks as a machine gun battalion for the Canadian Active Service Force.

Brigadier D. J. Macdonald, officer commanding military district No. 1, London, will accompany the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Matthews to Stratford, the party arriving here in time to review the troops at Queen's Park at 11 o'clock.

Immediately following the inspection Lieut.-Col. McComb and officers of the Perth Regiment will entertain the lieutenant-governor, Brigadier Macdonald, their official staffs and Mayor Thos. E. Henry at luncheon in the Stratford armories on Waterloo street.

Mrs. McComb will entertain Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Henry and the wives of a number of the Perth Regiment officers at her home.

During the course of his visit to the city, which is the first since assuming his office, Lieutenant-Governor Matthews will inspect Moore Barracks, temporary headquarters of the regiment and also the new barracks which is being established in the McLagan building.

The visit of the official party will be part of a tour His Honor is conducting in Ontario as representative of His Majesty the King, acting on the latter's behalf in inspecting units of the Canadian Active Service Force. His Honor will be in London on Thursday inspecting the many units in that city and headquarters' departments of M.D. 1 and on Friday will also go on to Guelph.

Member Of Perths Is Agreeably Surprised

Taken completely by surprise, Regimental Quarter-Master Sergeant William Billings of the Perth Regiment was honored Monday night at his home, 129 Brunswick street, by former associates in the Federal Department of Weights and Measures. The R. Q. M. S. was preparing to attend an At-Home in the Quarter-Master Stores at Moore Barracks when his unexpected guests, Thomas A. Cada, district inspector of Weights and Measures, London; Major Henry G. Ashley, Port Stanley; Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs, Windsor; Roy Hicks, Brantford; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Plewes, London; Miss Ruth Atwill, and Captain Frank Miller, London, arrived. During the course of the social evening which followed Mr. Cada presented R.Q.M.S. Billings with a silver tray and coffee service as a remembrance of the seven years, from 1932 to 1939, when he served with the department. He made an interesting address in which he congratulated the former associate upon his answering his country's call by becoming a member of the Perth Regiment. R.Q.M.S. Billings replied in a fitting manner and before the party departed for their homes Mrs. Billings served a tasty lunch. Prior to his joining the Weights and Measures Department, R.Q.M.S. Billings was on the staff of the Stratford customs office.

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Hallowe'en of 1939 will long be remembered by members of the Perth Regiment. It's pay day for the troops and it could not have fallen at a more opportune time because most of the boys at Moore Barracks admitted today that they were "badly bent" and needed some ready cash to go to the Rotary Frolic which is being held tonight.

The Rotarians made the best of the opportunity too and as the men left the paymaster's office here was a bright little chap tending in the hallway. He did what might be termed a land-office business for the soldier boys bought liberally. Many admitted that a refrigerator, a bedroom suite or other materially big prizes would be of little use to them, but they generally agreed that the \$1,000 award, in lieu of a world tour, was more attractive and it was these tickets that the troops purchased. Many, however, bought the draw tickets on the furniture etc. because "it's a good cause and the poor kiddies need the helping hand of Rotary."

One private summed up his ticket purchases thusly: "Bedroom suite: No, I won't need one where I'm going; frig.: no, that's also out of the question. The army keeps mine in the canteen. World tour, no that's out too because I'm going on an all-expense tour paid for by the people of Canada but there is a \$1,000 cash prize that will come in mighty handy over there—or when I get back. Give me one of those tickets."

There was also a Hallowe'en touch to the bulletin board. It contained an announcement that "no masks or other decorations will be worn with the uniform." That's all there was to it.

Word that promotions and appointments had been received from Ottawa in routine orders went through Moore Barracks like wildfire. "Better see the colonel today," were the instructions this scribe received from different sources but everybody was "mum" as to the reason. You could not even get a hint out of any of them that the O.C. had received the word which has been awaited for weeks.

Another order that has all ranks of the Perths somewhat puzzled, pending further explanations from the higher-ups, is the announcement in official orders that "all ranks will be medically re-examined." "I do not know any more than you do about it," Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb said. Follow-up instructions can be expected later and more enlightenment offered. Most of the 800 Perths were exam-

There is a story in another column of today's Beacon-Herald about the At-Home which was held by Major Frank Walker and the Quarter-Master Stores' staff Monday night at Moore Barracks. It was a swell party and provided the men with an opportunity to get better acquainted with one another.

"I did not think it was in him," one friend sitting beside the writer remarked when Capt. J. G. Jose, medical officer, sang a little song for the privilege of giving out the eucure awards. That party convinced Lieut.-Col. McComb, Lieut. Col. Arthur Garrod, M.C., Major Frank Walker and others present that there is a wealth of entertaining material right in the ranks. Lieut.-Col. McComb intimated that the soldiers may appear on the public stage before next spring rolls around. The proceeds, of course, would be for the regimental fund.

Sergeant-Major H. L. Horan of the Royal Canadian Engineers, who is supervising work at the new barracks in the McLagan plant, was also invited to the party but sent word that he could not make it. He had to entertain London friends who dropped over to see him.

The "Wanted" sign is out again. Officers of the regiment are making another appeal for two pianos and this time they are hoping that someone either in the city or in Perth County will loan the Sergeants' Mess and the Men's Recreation Club instruments. The regimental truck will send for them and they will be returned in good condition—and tuned. A telephone call to 577 will bring an immediate response and a hearty thanks for, as Major Frank Walker says: "The men need entertainment to maintain the proper morale."

The Regimental Chorus will rehearse twice this week. The members are asked to report to the Quarter-Master Stores on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7.30 o'clock sharp.

Major Frank Walker is busy composing a song to go to the tune of "John Peel," which is the regimental march. He commented today on the suggested song "Men of Perth" published in this column some weeks ago.

This column was asked to convey to Harry Kastner the thanks of the regiment for his kindness Monday afternoon when he picked up Private Lorne Sills of No. 11 squad in charge of Corporal Smith. Private Sills was on a route march along Douro street when he became suddenly ill. Mr. Kastner drove the young soldier to the barracks in his car.

Former Indian Chief Has Sons In Regiment Here

Coming from one of Canada's leading Indian families are two members of the Perth Regiment. They are James and Frederick Jones, sons of former chief Charles Jones of Cape Croker Indian Reserve.

Ex-chief Jones, who is in his 88th year, is proud of his family. His sons and daughters have been active in business, music, the professions and the militia. Two daughters are registered nurses; one son is a contractor; another served as a machine gun instructor in the Great War and now James and Frederick are in the Perths, ready to serve with the Canadian Active Service Force.

Indians are natural musicians, according to Charles Jones. He says that for generations their ears have been attuned to music of the rivers and the forests and they find little difficulties in translating these impressions into songs and rhythms.

The father of Privates Frederick and James Jones gets his English name from Rev. Peter Jones, who with Rev. George Ryerson baptized the Saugeen Indians more than 112 years ago. His father, also an Ojibway chief, was the first to bear

that name. Charles Jones was born in a birch bark wigwam near the bay at Cape Croker. He attended school in Markdale and the Indian school at Muncey, where he studied agriculture and carpentry.

His grandfather was a half-brother of the famous Indian Chief Tecumseh. Ex-Chief Jones received the jubilee medal of King George V while he cherishes three medals presented to his father by royalty. He attributes his longevity to outdoor life and wholesome food.

The Indian soldiers from Bruce Peninsula where Cape Croker is located are among the most interesting members of the regiment. They mix freely with the men and appear to enjoy the regimental life for it has been observed they are always smiling.

Among the other sets of Indian brothers in the local ranks are Frank Dominic Nadiwan and Charles Cecil Nadiwan. J. A. G. Johnston and Ignatius Joseph Taylor are other Indian soldiers hailing from the Cape. Private Joseph Ernie Akiwenzie of Warton is another and he has been conspicuous in sport, his running being a big factor in the recent Perth Regiment victory over the R.C.R.'s soccer team at National Stadium.

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To be temporary regimental sergeant major — R.S.M. Thos. Henry Soper.

Shortly after word of the promotions and the appointments was received, Lieut.-Col. McComb received a telephone call from headquarters of military district No. 1 at London and Brigadier D. J. Macdonald, district officer commanding, conveyed his congratulations to the local officer commanding on his elevation in rank.

Word of the promotions and appointments came somewhat as a surprise to Lieut.-Col. McComb and other officers today. While it had been reported that they would be received "in due course" there was no intimation as to the date.

The defence department's blue bulletin, which is received periodically at Moore Barracks added that all the promotions and appointments are "subject to confirmation in the Canada Gazette." This is generally taken as a routine procedure which makes matters official in government circles.

While it was intimated some weeks ago, when an Ottawa dispatch from the Department of National Defence announced the First Division units for the Canadian Active Service Force, that the Perth Regiment would be what is known as a Corps Troop, the defence department's bulletin today clarifies this to some extent by listing the local appointments under that heading.