

# With Perth Regiment At Niagara-On-The-Lake

BY WES DAVIS

Things are happening speedily these days in Perth Regiment circles, both at Niagara-on-the-Lake and at Niagara Falls, Ont. The officers and men hardly know what is coming next. No sooner do they move into a location and become settled than the orders are changed and the men have to get into action again.

We were walking along the tent lines yesterday when one of the soldiers approached us.

"Wes," he said, "what does this remind you of?"

Taken somewhat by surprise the writer looked puzzled and then replied, "A circus."

The troops around looked up in surprise and then the questioner added: "That's just what I was thinking." He said: "Here we are. We put up the tents one day and take them down the next, just like the men in a circus."

He hit the nail on the head, for only Thursday a few extra tents, both the bell type in which the troops sleep and the mess tents in which they eat, were put up at Niagara-on-the-Lake to take care of the new arrivals from the rear guard at Stratford. They were taken down Friday and removed to Niagara Falls.

"Boy, things happen in a hurry around here," Sergeant "Buck" Thorne said yesterday. "The C.S.M. told me I had better hurry and get my blankets rolled up this morning. The funny part of it is that I did not bother unrolling them Thursday night. They are all ready to take to Niagara Falls."

The Perth Regiment is going to replace the Veterans who have been guarding the power sources of Niagara Falls district including the big Hydro Electric Power Commission's plant at Queenston. This was announced officially Thursday morning but behind the changes are a few interesting facts.

The position of Italy as a possible belligerent nation caused the Ontario Hydro Commission some concern in regard to its properties at Victoria Park, near where the Perths are stationed. This is said here to be the chief reason the Ontario authorities approached the Department of National Defence at Ottawa with the request that soldiers be placed on guard.

It may be recalled that some months ago when war was declared the Ontario authorities failed in their appeal to Ottawa for military guards. Armed veterans were placed on the job instead but they were under the Royal Canadian Mounted Police who furnished the uniforms and the arms. Shortly after the system was inaugurated the Mounties collected clothing and rifles and as one of the guards told the writer, "All we had to work with them were short wood billys. We had nothing with which to defend ourselves or to protect the millions involved in these properties."

Next followed the armed guard under the Ontario Provincial Police, the latter organization clothing and arming the Great War Veterans. They have been a busy lot and, as the writer observed during a tour of the district with Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer of the Perths, and other officers, have done a yeoman's job. But still the authorities in Ontario feel the protection is not adequate and the Department of National Defence has finally consented that soldiers take over the job.

The average citizen living in parts of Ontario far removed from Niagara Falls, has no conception of the importance of the power sources not only to Canada but to the United States. During our tour we spotted plants that we didn't know existed, some of them American-owned which export electrical energy across to the United States.

"I feel that officers and men of the Perth Regiment have been honored in being assigned to this important duty on the Home Front," Lieut.-Col. McComb declared. "I think the families of the soldiers should also be advised of the importance of this work for they should realize that the majority of our communities in Western Ontario and many across the line depend upon these plants for their electricity." The O.C. added that in most Western Ontario centres water systems are also electrically operated and if anything should happen to the plants thousands of citizens would suffer.

The O.C. has assumed a heavy responsibility in taking over command of the guard on the power plants. It is understood that he turned down the task of guarding the Welland Canal, at points where it does not immediately concern the power development. He felt that the numerical strength of the Perth Regiment was not great

enough to patrol the areas and at the same time maintain the training of his unit. The Perths were highly recommended to the Ontario officials. In fact, we were told that the Perths are considered the best permanent force regiment in Canada at the present time. It is believed that Lieut.-Col. McComb desires to maintain this reputation for his officers and men and moved to that end.

## A NEW ATTRACTION FOR TOURISTS



(By Staff Photographer)  
These two soldiers of the Perth Regiment (M.G.) were members of the first guard to take over duty at the gate along the drive of Niagara Falls, leading to vital power units. With fixed bayonets they proved an interesting sight for tourists from the United States. On the right is Pte. C. W. Hewitt of St. Marys and on the left is Pte. C. A. Wolfe of Mitchell.



(By Staff Photographer)  
One of the first things a soldier does in the morning is to see that he is clean shaven for the day. The camera clicked when these three members of the Perth Regiment (M.G.) were busy with the lather and the razor one recent morning in Niagara Falls, soon after a section of the unit had been transferred to a camp not many yards from the brink of the great falls. Left to right they are Cpl. A. Gibson of Stratford, Pte. C. Oliver of St. Marys and Pte. F. J. Costick of Ellice Township.

## Stratford Men In Service



Private Robert Neely of No. 1, M.T.V.R.D., Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, now in England, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Neely, 23 Youngs street. He was born at Currie Crossing, Woodstock, on March 2, 1914. Private Neely received his education in Hamlet public school and at the Stratford Collegiate-Vocational Institute. In civilian life he was engaged in the construction industry. He is a member of St. John's United church. Private Neely, who enlisted at London, Ont., on September, 15, 1939, has regimental number A9342. His wife is the former Miss Grace Eke. His brothers are John, Harrison, B. C.; Adam, Windsor; George, Detroit, and William, Stratford, and his sisters, Mrs. A. Miller, Detroit; Miss Margaret, Toronto, and Miss Helen at home. Private Neely's residence is at 123 Brunswick street.

As commanding officer of the Perths Lieut.-Col. McComb comes across some interesting incidents during his rambles around the camps and guard posts. Sunday he stopped at one place and after discussing matters of a military nature with the corporal of the guard, the latter touched upon a hobby of his O. C. "There's some good fishing here, sir," he said. "We caught four nice perch and fried them for breakfast." The commanding officer smiled. He loves fishing. "I think I'll have to take over this guard myself," he ventured. And then the corporal said: "There's a pole right here. The provincials left it for us." It's a safe bet that before camp is broken up Lieut.-Col. McComb will be trying his luck in that spot. Yeah, it's in the Niagara district.

Some of the soldiers' ladies spent the week-end at Niagara-on-the-Lake. Among those spotted were Gladys Litt, Mrs. John B. Cline, Mrs. L. W. McKay and family, Mrs. C. Funnell, Mrs. G. Smith, Mrs. C. S. Bell and Miss June Kelterbourne.

One of the popular company sergeant majors had a real Saturday night in Niagara-on-the-Lake. The C. S. M. who recently distinguished himself by displaying his fistic ability over at Niagara Falls, went dancing and the fair young lady was not his sister this time. Yes, those Perths are doing all right at their camp.

Officers and men who were in camp at Niagara-on-the-Lake under command of Major D. M. Ross, attended a church parade on Sunday morning at St. Mark's Anglican Church. During the course of the service in the historic little edifice Major Ross read the Scriptures. Those troops who are Roman Catholics attended Mass under command of Company Sergeant Major E. M. Hutchinson.

Troops who were not on duty in the Niagara district and who did not have friends to entertain had a real outing in the camp district. They found plenty of interesting historical spots to visit and here and there along the roads could be seen groups of the soldiers in search of markers which designate the locations of the events which recall the war of 1812-1814.

We must acknowledge a letter received from Private F. G. Durdin of the Perth Regiment who is at Connaught Ranges in Ottawa. He writes to say that the detachment there is doing well and all the boys "are feeling fine." The lads in Ottawa send their regards to all their friends in Stratford.

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Entire authority over Canada's greatest tourist attraction—Niagara Falls—lies in the hands of a Stratford citizen, Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer of the Perth Regiment. By virtue of the fact that he is head of the troops guarding that important area, the O.C. can open or close the thoroughfares leading past the scenic wonder and in the interests of safety to power development he has decided that the roadways remain barricaded.

What the decision of the Government of Ontario, which decided to place the Niagara power sources under the military guard and follow the militia's instructions, is costing the treasury in tourist revenue, cannot be estimated but it is reliably reported it runs into thousands of dollars per month. There is some talk of relaxing the regulations which prohibit passage of traffic through the Niagara Boulevard but at this writing the order had not been issued.

Before a person can pass through the barricade which leads to the Perth Camp, across the river from Goat Island, he must secure a pass from Lieut.-Col. McComb who is the only person authorized to issue the little pasteboards. Guards show no favoritism regardless of how intimately they are acquainted with the person seeking admission. It's a case of "no pass, no entry." And all the pull and drag in the world won't relax the attitude of the guards who stand at all the posts with fixed and sharpened bayonets. The rifles are loaded and the orders are to shoot if instructions are disobeyed.

Sunday morning Lieut.-Col. McComb, Major W. I. Kemp and Capt. C. B. Arrell were walking along the boulevard, inside the barricades. The trio halted for a view of the Falls and after standing looking at the beauty of the scene for a few moments, Major Kemp turned to his associate officers and said: "Do you know this is the first time that I have ever been able to look at the Falls as long as I want to without anyone telling me to get out of the road and let someone else have a peek."

The group of Perth officers who have rented a large summer place at Niagara-on-the-Lake are going to call the dwelling "Clark Villa." They have concocted the name from the first few letters of their names. There are "Cl" from Capt. H. G. Clark's name; "Ar" from Capt. C. B. Arrell's name and "K" from Major W. I. Kemp's name. Capt. H. R. L. Davis of No. 1 Infantry (M.G.) Holding Unit respectfully suggested today at Perth barracks that the home be named "Perth Seraglio."

Capt. Arrell, by the way, has an oblique patch of sunburn on his forehead while that of Lieut.-Col. McComb is somewhat of a brunette variety rather than the usual red shade. Major E. C. Shelley's sunburn extends to the frontal regions of his forehead.

Boys down in Niagara Falls and at Niagara-on-the-Lake will appreciate the fact that members of No. 1 Infantry (M.G.) Holding Unit are having parades on Sunday too. The unit, under command of Major W. C. McQuade, V.D., attended a church service in Stratford armories. It was conducted by the garrison padre, Rev. Norman McKay of Mitchell.

Private Charlie Funnell left camp for Stratford late Saturday and enroute missed his wife who had left the city for camp. Along with Mrs. Dan Funnell she spent the weekend in the Niagara district. Private Dan Funnell is also in Niagara with the Perths.

Hundreds of friends and relatives of members of the Perth Regiment, who are under canvas in the Niagara district, visited the officers and men on Sunday. While there were some disappointed at not seeing their relatives or friends because duty kept them at their posts, there were many of the men who were able to get leave for various periods to visit.

Although the visiting hours at the Niagara-on-the-Lake camp are from 2 until 7 p.m. there were dozens of folks who arrived at the headquarters early, bent on spending as much time as possible with the troops. If a visitor found that his man was not at the base camp, he motored over to Niagara Falls in the hopes of seeing his friend outside the gate or at one of the other vantage points.

Officers not on duty received their wives at Niagara-on-the-Lake. Among the guests were Mrs. McComb, wife of Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer; Mrs. Kemp, wife of Major W. I. Kemp; Mrs. Herb Mason who motored over with her husband, Lieut. Herb Mason, from the depot in Stratford; Mrs. Clarke, wife of Capt. H. G. Clarke; Capt. A. F. Hunter of London headquarters staff and Mrs. Hunter of Stratford and Capt. H. R. L. Davis, medical officer of No. 1 Infantry (M.G.) Holding Unit from Perth Barracks.

Lieut.-Col. McComb put in a busy morning inspecting Niagara Falls camp and visiting the various outposts where Perths are on guard over vital power development sources. He inspected the posts along the Niagara river, at Chippewa and at Queenston Heights and then early in the afternoon motored over to Niagara-on-the-Lake to the camp base from which end the administration of the regiment is carried on.

It is of general interest that the Perths have mounted machine guns at strategic points around the big plant of the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario at Queenston. The guns command a vantage point over the building and the waterways that feed it and they are in charge of one of the largest guards assembled at any one point in the area over which Lieut.-Col. McComb has charge.

There is a spirit of cooperation existing between the defence forces of Canada and those of the United States, it is learned. Down at Queenston on the Canadian side of the river the Perths keep a weather eye on the properties, guarding them against sabotage and across the waterway can be seen the American guard composed of New York State troopers who also watch the vital areas. Americans get electricity from Queenston, hence their desire to prevent anything which might interfere with the service.

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Among the newcomers to Stratford when the Perth Regiment mobilized was Private James Clarence Pitblado, son of David Pitblado of Goderich and the late Mrs. Pitblado. He was born in Goderich and received his education in the public and high schools of his home town. In civilian life he was engaged in farming and trucking. Private Pitblado enlisted on September 10, 1939. His wife, the former Miss Margaret Aitchison of Stratford, lives at 162 Brunswick street. He has one brother, David, of Goderich and six sisters. They are Wilma, Ada, Dorothy, Marion, Margaret and Kathleen, all of Goderich.

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Capt. H. R. L. Davis of No. 1 Infantry (M.G.) Holding Unit at Perth barracks at Stratford, who was a guest at the Niagara-on-the-Lake Camp last Sunday, had many fine things to say about the home of the Perth Regiment. Boiled down into a sentence the sentiments of the medical officer from the Pacific coast are that the people of Stratford do not appreciate and, perhaps, realize the many scenic and historical values of their city.

"Where is Avondale Park?" the captain quizzed the writer. We suggested it might be from the Stone Bridge on Huron street right up the Avon River and along the banks of the lake into Queen's Park. "You're just the same as the ten others I have asked today," the M.O. replied. "I am convinced now that you Stratford people do not know your town." He informed us that according to a map drafted by the city engineer Avondale Park is a "beautiful grove of trees near the hospital."

"You have a wonderful city," Capt. Davis continued. "The scenery is magnificent and I have enjoyed it during my stay in the city." Capt. Davis said that one seldom is privileged to stand on the banks of such a beautiful river within view of buildings typical to those in the Old Country and within sight of St. James' belfry from which peal forth the chimes. "It is beautiful to the eye," Capt. Davis remarked in reference to the scenes that greet one who stands on the bridge and glances up the river.

It is a fact that the writer, since living in Stratford, has often heard outsiders make complimentary reference to the splendors of the scene as above described. But it is odd, too, that residents of the community hardly ever take time to stop and survey the scene or refer to it when talking to friends or strangers. The latter are left to find out for themselves and this is what Capt. Davis had to do.

This is supposed to be recreation day within the ranks of the Perth Regiment at Niagara camps but with the greater number of the men engaged in important guard duties it is unlikely that the troops will be together for their sports. A week ago the weatherman favored the Perths but the sudden change in orders, taking three companies to Niagara Falls, Ont., meant cancellation of the sports and the men spent most of the afternoon cleaning web equipment. But that is army life. One hour everything is fine and the next one brings a change.

Major E. C. Shelley, commander of A company, did a real service to the officers of the Perths shortly before the troops left Perth barracks. The popular officer set out the full machine gun course, drawings and all, and then had the set duplicated via the photostat system. The result is that all the officers can now have the lectures available in one volume which can be carried in his map case. Hours and hours of work were devoted to that job.

According to word from Galt the Scots Fusiliers of Canada, Kitchener, and the Highland Light Infantry of Canada, Galt, who are forming a composite battalion from Waterloo County under the latter regiment's name at Perth barracks, recently vacated by the troops now at Niagara-on-the-Lake and Niagara Falls, Ont., will do further recruiting in Stratford if they do not get the required number of men in the Waterloo County centres. We hear, too, from an authoritative source "on the lake" that there will be about 950 men of all ranks gather at Stratford instead of the reported 900. That ought to make the people of Stratford smile for it looked at one time as though the barracks would remain empty until fall.

Provost Sergeant W. G. Fergusson never forgets a good deed and in this instance he has not forgotten a series of kindnesses shown the officers and men of the Perth Regiment. He asks the writer to publicly thank the Perth Regiment Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire for their good work in en-

tertaining the soldiers while they were in barracks at Stratford and for their expressions which have shown that they are still maintaining an interest in the troops while they are at camp.

According to Provost Sergeant Fergusson a few of the I. O. D. E. executives whom he has termed "The Fair Maids of Perth" wondered what would be the best means of showing their appreciation of the step the men have taken and before you could say "Jack Robinson" the various dances were lined up. They proved to be the means of developing an esprit de corps that is being developed to an even greater extent in the camps in the Niagara district.

When the Perth Regiment Chapter took the initiative in sponsoring the Women's Auxiliary to the Perth Regiment "The Fair Maids of Perth" headed by their regent, Mrs. R. J. Thistle and the convener of the soldiers' welfare committee, Mrs. John Murray, did something for the troops that will never be forgotten. Provost Sergeant Fergusson says that the auxiliary is filling an important gap in the local army because it is bringing the ladies of the soldiers together in a manner that they could never have met without this leadership. Thus it is little wonder that the Provost Sergeant desires, on behalf of his associates in the Perth camps, to thank the ladies for their thoughtfulness.

"I heard that there were two companies of the Perths leaving for overseas right away," the wife of a good Perth non-commissioned officer told the writer Tuesday night. She said that the rumor started her thinking and she immediately dispatched an extra pair of socks to her hubby. Well, ladies, rumors or no rumors, the troops in camp can always use socks. It seems that a man can never have too many of them.

That the Perths in their Niagara camps have floors in their tents seems to surprise most of the fellows in other units who are contacted by the writer in his rambles. Pictures taken in camp show the floor boards quite distinctly and it seems that they catch the eyes of the troops immediately. "We never had them in the non-permanent camps," most of them say. Our only reply is that this is a different war.

Whoever said the batmen in a regiment have an easier time in camp than they do in barracks should follow those lads in their daily chores and perhaps they might alter their opinion. Privates Roy Hansford, Ted Baker, Jock McCall, Frank Stoneman and the others are a busy lot especially from the time their officers rise in the morning until they are done with their housework.

Batmen in barracks merely had to drive cars, tidy the cubicle, clean shoes, press clothing and so on but now that they are in camp with the officers the batmen must look after the tents by rolling up the sides every morning, lower them every time it rains, keep presses in the battle dress and clean shoes, besides their odd jobs. Keeping shoes clean is a bigger job at Niagara camps than it was in Perth barracks especially last week when rain, which fell almost daily, created considerable mud. No, sir, the batman earns his extra cash. The job is no cinch.

P.S.—Neither has Lance-Corporal W. S. Bell a soft job any more. He now carries an extra heavy load of Beacon-Heralds into camp every day. Many of the Perths are keeping abreast of the news of the day by having their personal copies of this paper delivered to them in camp, either at Niagara-on-the-Lake or at Niagara Falls, Ont., daily.

Corporal R. Brooks of "D" Company is sticking his chest out almost beyond the stretching capacity of his tunic. Of course there's a reason. Mrs. Brooks presented her husband with a baby boy in the Stratford General Hospital Sunday morning. The baby, weighing six and a half pounds at birth, has been named Albert Gerald.

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A cook in the Officers' Mess at the Niagara-on-the-Lake camp of the Perth Regiment is Private Alfred Ernest Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Smith, 104 Nelson street. Private Smith enlisted here on October 7, 1939, and had regimental No. A11726 assigned to him.

Born in this city on September 17, 1909, Private Smith received his education at Shakespeare school. Before joining the Perths he resided in Bowmanville where he was employed by the Ontario Government at the Bowmanville Boys' Training School as a cook. He had previously been in the baking business in that town.

Private Smith's family, his wife and two daughters, Patricia and Heloise, reside in Bowmanville. He has eight brothers and sisters. They are William, Fred, Harry, Louisa, Elizabeth and Lily living in Stratford, Victor with the Perth Regiment, and George of Windsor.

Readers will be interested to know that Private Smith's father is a veteran of the Great War. He served with the 18th Battalion.

Until we lived with the members of the Perth Regiment we always had a notion that camp life was the berries. It has its drawbacks, especially from the angle of getting out of bed in the morning. The camps operate on daylight saving time and the bugle sounds reveille at 6 a.m. But long before that hour, R.Q.M.S. George Mogg is out from under his blankets. It is his responsibility to see that the breakfast is on the way and more than once we have heard the genial warrant officer quietly slip out of the hut long before reveille. He works long hours, too, especially when camp is being established. It is not one of

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"Things are running along smoothly now and the officers and men appear to be enjoying their work both here and at the base camp," Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer of the Perth Regiment, told the writer via the long distance telephone from Niagara Falls shortly after he had completed his daily inspection of the guard posts in the Niagara district. "We are gradually getting things down to a routine and while there are a few details to be worked out, the plans are functioning fairly smoothly now."

The commanding officer divides his time between Niagara-on-the-Lake and Niagara Falls camps. He makes his headquarters at the base where the regiment's administration officers are located and each morning, after conferring with members of the staff at headquarters, strikes out for the Falls. Enroute from Niagara-on-the-Lake, Lieut.-Col. McComb visited the posts at Queenston and then on passing through the main gates at the Falls usually has a word or two with the corporal or sergeant of the guard at that point. From here the O. C. moves on to the camp.

One of the qualities that makes the commander of the Perths a likeable fellow in the eyes of his officers and men is the ease with which they can approach him. Usually after issuing general instructions or advice to his men, Lieut.-Col. McComb makes it a point to touch on a personal subject. He is keenly interested in the individual welfare of his men and makes it a practice to inspect the kitchens frequently and to observe the reception which the men accord the food that is served there at the camps.

Companies at Niagara Falls, where the troops are guarding the vital power sources, have their own field kitchens in which the cooks prepare meals which are virtually the same as were available at the base camp in Niagara-on-the-Lake. There is a great rivalry among the camp cooks. They get particular delight in "dishing up" something just a little different than their brother cooks in the other companies.

The above paragraph reminds the writer of the pride with which Private Gordon S. Donaghy, self-styled king of the hashmakers, permitted us to taste his special pudding. The ingredients of that pudding were no different than the pudding which Cook Sergeant F. J. Brown makes—and all the Browns, male or female—know how to cook. It seems to be born in them. But the difference between the Donaghy pudding and the Brown pudding is that Private Donaghy boils his a little more and then allows it to thicken.

One thing must be said about the cooks. They co-operate with one another, and if one fellow needs a pinch of this or a certain type of an, all he has to do is ask for it. But like good neighbors they always return what they borrow. Our Perth cooks are not stingy, either. If there is some little ingredient required to make a dish taste a little better, a cook will try to get it from the stores but if it's not available you can bet a hat that friend cook will send someone to the first corner store and the cost will come out of his own pocket.

Provisions at the Niagara camps are furnished the Perths through the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps. That unit has a warehouse, if it can be called that, in connection with the military camp at Niagara-on-the-Lake and from there the Perths draw their daily rations for the whole battalion. So much of everything is allowed each man in the regiment and the whole order is delivered to the quartermaster who, in turn, deputizes R.Q.M.S. George Mogg to see that it is properly distributed to the cooks. What is required at Niagara-on-the-Lake is left there, and what is needed for the camp at Niagara Falls is trucked there, also by the R.C.A.S.C. which provides the vehicles.

the softest jobs in the regiment.

Speaking of trucks reminds us that the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps has placed a car at the disposal of Lieut.-Col. McComb. But the machine and its driver are for purely business purposes and the O.C. has to find transportation, just like the rest of us, when he wants to make a personal trip.

The troops in camp are getting a break from the Weather Man this week, it would appear. They were a bit down in the mouth last week when rain fell at some time or another nearly every day.

Private Bill Flint, on leave from Niagara district for a day or two, was a visitor in Stratford Monday. He was to spend yesterday at his home in Owen Sound before returning to camp at midnight.

While the Perths are busy on guard and general duties in the Niagara area, Lieut. Herb Mason and Corporal C. S. Chessman are keeping regular office hours at the regimental depot in Perth Barracks. Just how long they are going to be there with their few other ranks is hard to say but when the writer dropped in yesterday they apparently had plenty to do. Some of their staff chase up men who are A.W.O.L. from the Niagara camp, return them to the barracks and guard over them while they are doing their C.B.

It's a great life, this C.B. in barracks. We heard of one chap yesterday who completed his "stretch" and likes barracks life so well that he would not mind staying in Stratford on the depot. He is developing into one of the best soldiers in the regiment according to a fellow Perth.

Corporal Chessman sends his regards to all his former associates in the quartermaster stores. He says he does not know when he'll be joining them but he still has hopes of getting down to the Niagara district.

Members of No. 1 Infantry Holding Unit, who were in barracks with the Perths for a considerable time before they later went to camp, had a great time looking over the writer's snapshot which he took at the camp last week. So enthused was "one way" Corrigan over a picture of Private Smith, cook in the officers' mess that he just cabbaged it. He says he will take it overseas with them.

Cooperating with Lieut.-Col. McComb, in placing army guards over the vital power sources in the Niagara district is Inspector C. F. Airey of the Ontario Provincial Police at Niagara Falls. He offered the Perth commander every assistance. It appears that this assistance has lightened the burden of the O.C. to some extent. Members of the Perths might also be interested to know that Inspector Airey is convening a church parade for members of the Veterans' Guard, whom the soldiers succeeded, on Sunday, June 9. The Vets are going to march to Lundy's Lane United church at 10.15 a.m.

We hear that when a man is discharged from the regiment for any reason he is presented with his kit bag. Perhaps that is the reason those Screwball Club members were so anxious to have autographs on their bags. They will make fine souvenirs in years to come. For some reason or other the Screwball Club has been rather quiet. Like good Screwballs they are taking seriously to this war effort and to camp life. (That ought to be one for the book, Mr. Secretary.)



One of the busy men at the Perth Regiment (M.G.) base camp at Niagara-on-the-lake is Major D. M. Ross, M.M., commander of headquarters company. Major Ross is a native of Stratford and is a popular officer with the men under him. In this picture he is shown at his desk in the Stores Office doing some checking on incoming supplies.

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—photo by Roger's Studio

A well-known member of the other ranks in the Perth Regiment is Private Elmer Clayton Solomon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Solomon, 324 Brunswick street. He was born in Gederich on April 17, 1914, but came to Stratford as a child with his parents and their family and received his education at Juliet public school and the Stratford Collegiate-Vocational Institute. For eight years prior to enlistment on May 27, 1939, Private Solomon was an employee of the Stratford News Company. He is a member of the United Church. His wife is the former Miss Inex E. Doell, Sebringville. Lorne and Gordon Solomon, 324 Brunswick street, are brothers.



It was dinner time at the Perth Regiment (M.G.) camp at Niagara-on-the-Lake when this picture was taken and caught some of the boys having their noon-time meal right out in the open, despite the fact it was misty and rain was threatening. They look quite healthy and pleased about camp life. In the group are: Pte. G. H. Kitchener; Lance Corporal Scammell, Stratford; Pte. H. Large, Stratford; Pte. H. Keeso, Kitchener; Pte. G. Shuter, Stratford and Pte. J. Handley, Stratford. On the left is the regimental bugler, Lance Corporal H. Naylor, as he called the men to meal-

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## Says Perths Remaining As Machine Gun Unit

BY WES DAVIS  
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NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, June 7—"There are all sorts of rumors flying around but we know nothing of them here insofar as anything of an official nature is concerned," Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer of the Perth Regiment said today respecting tall stories that are being circulated, not only in camp here but, throughout Stratford.

"That's a new one," the commanding officer said, when he was asked if there is any truth in the report that the Perth Regiment is going to be converted from a machine gun corps into an infantry battalion. "I have not heard that story before, but you can say that it is without foundation. We are a machine gun corps and until the department says otherwise we will continue to be so."

Members of "D" company, who moved into Niagara-on-the-Lake from Niagara Falls where they have been on guard duty, are settled in their camp and Lieut.-Col. McComb advised The Beacon-Herald that about 50 per cent of the company's personnel will be eligible to apply for weekend leave which would permit them to visit their homes in Stratford and the various parts of the district from which they enlisted.

"Things are running smoothly and the men appear to be quite contented," the commanding officer declared. He said that "A" company is settled in Niagara Falls for the first time and members of that unit under command of Major E. C. Shelley assumed their duties of guarding the power resources for the first time today. They are working with "C" company which is remaining in Niagara Falls until the next change is made, possibly the latter part of next week.

### Relinquishes Post

Because of his heavy duties as commanding officer of the Perths who are now guarding the power plants in Niagara Falls, Queenston and Chippewa, Lieut.-Col. McComb has relinquished the post of camp commandant here and has been succeeded by Colonel A. S. Lee, M.C., of Toronto. The new camp commandant arrived here Thursday afternoon and completed an inspection of the Perth Regiment's quarters along with Lieut.-Col. McComb. He expressed himself as quite pleased with the work the Perths have done and with the manner in which they are maintaining their camp.

Major D. A. Grant of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, Toronto, will stay at the Niagara-on-the-Lake camp as deputy adjutant and assistant quartermaster general.

It was also announced today that Company 2B of the Veterans' Home Guard, which is mobilizing throughout the Niagara Peninsula, will be quartered at Camp Niagara.

Thirty-nine officers and 225 cadets of the Osgoode Hall branch of the Canadian Officers Training Corps, Toronto, are due to arrive in camp to stay from June 17 to 29. This weekend one officer and 35 cadets from the University of Toronto branch of the C.O.T.C. will arrive to be under canvas until June 22.

## With Perth On The Niagara

BY WES

Waterloo County men who form "A" company in the Perth Regiment moved into Niagara Falls from Niagara-on-the-Lake Thursday afternoon and will now participate in the duties of guarding the important power plants of the frontier. In command of the company are Major E. C. Shelley and Lieut. R. S. Reid. The men replace members of "D" company, under Capt. C. B. Arrell and Lieut. John S. Whyte who returned to the base camp.

Reports were current in both camps that since the men of "D" company completed their first period of guard duties, they will enjoy a few days leave-of-absence during which they would be free to visit their homes. Confirmation of the rumor could not immediately be received but just as soon as this column is advised by camp authorities the information will be passed along to the readers because it might affect the week-end plans of many families doubtlessly planning a trip to the camps.

Four beds and other equipment have been placed in the new hospital tent at the Niagara Falls camp but when this column was being written there had been no patients admitted. The health of the men in both camps has been excellent, a tribute to the splendid manner in which the military camps are being operated. So far as could be learned Private Paddy Barr is the only man on the hospital list and he is getting along nicely in St. Catharines general hospital. Paddy is suffering from a severe cold.

Our Perths are right on their toes when it comes to guarding the Niagara power plant properties and the vital adjacent areas. Corporal Andy Akiwenzie was in charge of one outpost late Wednesday night when two prowlers apparently failed to heed the challenge of the guards. It was not long before the Cape Croker non-commissioned officer had the camp machinery in operation and the men under guard. After a stiff warning the pair were driven in an army truck to the main gate and told to "scram."

Mention of "army" trucks might be a bit suggestive to some folks so in explanation we ought to say they are just ordinary privately owned trucks which the Government has hired for use of transporting the troops around the Niagara Falls outposts. Civilian drivers have also been engaged. Some people might think that the Perths have received some of the military trucks that are being manufactured for war purposes. Not yet, but they are said to be on the way.

Transport Sergeant P. J. Tyers was telling the writer about his trip from Camp Borden to Niagara-on-the-Lake about two weeks ago. It appears there were nine Royal Canadian Army Service Corps trucks in the fleet which hauled the soldiers of the advance party and their equipment to the new site. They were operated in convoy style which is something like the old game of "follow the leader."

Under the convoy system the transport sergeant rides in the front vehicle and guides operations of the whole movement by means of signals which he gives to the driver behind him. The latter, in turn, passes it on down the line. It is understood that not a word is spoken and every movement is done by signals. Incidentally while awaiting the word to mount the vehicles the drivers stand on the left hand side of their machines and at the appointed time rush around to the right to get into the driver's seat.

It is a fact that today under their training the drivers of Perth Regiment trucks, who are taking practical training, stand on the left hand side of their vehicles and then when Transport Sergeant Tyers gives the sign, as in real service, the men run around to the right and jump into the cab. It is of interest that the proper military vehicle has a partition between the driver and the second man at the front. If the "key" man gets bumped off the other takes his place, but he must stop the truck first, run around the front to the right hand side and then take over.

When citizens accorded the Perths such a rousing send-off some ten days ago at the Stratford depot, Private Johnny Johnston, one of the flute and drum bandmen, lost his flute. It has not been returned by the finder and Corporal Steve Cordell would appreciate it if the person who has the instrument would send it on to the Niagara-on-the-Lake Camp. If Private Johnny does not get his instrument back he's going to be nicked for the best part of a \$20 bill. It's a rule in the army that if a soldier loses any of his equipment he pays for it. If the flute is left with the writer at this office he'll be glad to take it to the camp. Let's have one flute, please.

When members of "A" company issued their Waterloo County souvenir book shortly before going to Niagara they turned out something that was unique in regimental publications, according to an item appearing in the Canadian Veteran, published in Toronto. The item says in part, "A 24-page mimeographed job, it is further distinguished by the fact that practically every page carries advertising—a somewhat unique departure in C. A. S. F. publications. Waterloo County business men appear to have supported their soldiers nobly." That's a fine tribute to Editor Vincent Lee Smith and Company Commander E. C. Shelley who had a hand in it somewhere.

The minute the footballers in D company got off the transport at Niagara-on-the-Lake after a week of duty at Niagara Falls, they found a soccer ball and for the greater part of an hour they exercised on the campus. It looks as though D company could turn out a team that might give Corporal Andy Akiwenzie and his B company Indians a run for their money.

Perth Regiment cooks who work in Niagara Falls camp are soon going to be working a-la-riz. The Government is having modern permanent cook houses erected on the flat. They will be complete with water and sewage facilities and will be a vast improvement over the field kitchens which have been a headache to more than one cook since the camp was established there.

Writing in his home-town paper, Lieut. J. G. Bell of the Perths says, in an article headed "Wind Blows

Niagara Spray on Tents of St. Marys Boys," that: "The boys like Niagara, but most of them are rather disappointed at not going overseas to try their tempers on the blitzkrieg army of the dastardly Hitler, scion and disciple of the notorious Kaiser Bill of 1914 vintage. However, there will be plenty of time for a reckoning—and it won't be a letdown like November 11, 1918. If I am any prophet of the future, a victory by the British army this time will be the blackest day for every single, man, woman and child in Germany, that the murderers of that infamous country have ever seen or even dreamed of. From the experiences of the past twenty-one years it is evident that humane and sympathetic treatment are things never to be understood by the Prussian mentality—only the sword, fire and the blast of high explosive bombs will make any impression on the thick skulls of these people and by all that is mighty, they will some day have it. That is the spirit of Canada's army today."

Sergeant J. H. Bullock was a busy man when the writer visited him at the Niagara Falls camp Thursday. The Sarge was supervising the sharpening of bayonets which the troops use in their guard duties. A hand emery is used and it puts a cruel looking edge on the steel which is affixed to the loaded rifles.

Corporal John Chesney and Private J. Handley have taken over the military police duties at the Niagara Falls camp. They have a tent pitched in a shady spot and appear to be enjoying their new field. They have been assured of cooperation by the city and provincial police in the Falls.

# With Perth Regiment On The Niagara Front

BY WES DAVIS

News that 50 per cent. of "D" Company will be eligible to apply for week-end leave, as announced by Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, was received with enthusiasm by the officers and men who have just completed a strenuous period of guard duty at Niagara Falls. Doubtless many of the men will find their way back to Stratford for a visit to the city which gave them a rousing send-off at midnight on May 25.

Five men who have been with Lieut. Herb. Mason at the regimental depot in Stratford for various periods were new arrivals in camp at Niagara-on-the-Lake Friday. With only a small number of the troops stationed at the depot it was not necessary to maintain a large staff in Stratford when there is so much to do at the Niagara frontier.

If his many friends in Stratford met Company Quartermaster Sergeant A. T. Kentish, one of the Four Musketeers in the Perth Regiment, they would hardly know him. C.Q.M.S. Kentish arrived back in Niagara-on-the-Lake with "D" Company on Thursday. He is properly tanned and looking fit as a fiddle. "Boy, I thought Niagara-on-the-Lake was paradise," he told the writer, "but I think Niagara Falls camp has this one beaten."

Platoon Sergeant Major W. A. Gillingham of Headquarters Company, was called to his home in Stratford owing to the death of Mrs. Gillingham's mother, Mrs. John Brennan.

His many friends on the staff of the Perth Regiment will learn with interest that Capt. A. F. Bartlett, of Toronto, who secured his commission with the local regiment in Stratford following the Great War, has volunteered to serve on Toronto's Home Guard. He has been appointed one of the officers.

Capt. Bartlett attended an officers' training school before the war of 1914-1918 but he served during those years in the ranks and received his commission in the non-permanent militia on his return. Capt. Bartlett's study with the officers' training corps was at Cranleigh school in England in 1908. He says that it did not mean a thing for he enlisted at the outbreak of hostilities and became a sergeant.

Serving with the First Canadian Divisional Signal Company, Capt. Bartlett came to Canada after the war and was with the Bank of Montreal for some years. He was stationed in this city and ceased his military activities here on his transfer out of town in September of 1933. Capt. Bartlett retired to the reserve of officers in 1939.

Private P. D. Dempsey of "D" Company, has consented to be camp correspondent for The Beacon-Herald and "Phil" as he is popularly known to his associates, will welcome odd bits of news. So fellows, how about the same cooperation with Phil that the writer enjoys? Give him your pranks and jokes and he'll send them into this office. Private Dempsey has a hunch that after the war is over he'll go back to Edmonton and be a scribe on the Journal where he used to be a reporter.

"Why not give a little credit to my staff," Private Gordon S. Donaghy, cook for Headquarters Company suggested in reference to some of the complimentary things we said about his work in these columns recently. "A cook in the army cannot do much without efficient help and I have it," Private Donaghy said as he battered a vanilla cake, prior to putting it in the oven of his field kitchen. The men to whom Private Donaghy gives the pat on the back are Privates H. Isles, C. Roelsson, Corporal Dunseith, the regimental butcher, George Allen, Jock Beattie and all those fellows who take their turn at kitchen fatigue.

Lieut. J. G. Bell gave us a new version of a mechanized army the other day when he rode around the camp on a bicycle. In the absence of army trucks and motorcycles, with which the Perths are supposed to be equipped, a bicycle is better than nothing.

caps. No change for this ad. Mac.

Young Joe Nadjivan, one of the Indian boys from the Bruce Peninsula, realizes that a feller cannot even get by the guard at Niagara Falls camp to see his brother. The lad visited the Falls the other day and when he was refused admission to see Private Frank Nadjivan he tried other means. Corporal "Tex" Carrick outguessed him on several attempts to get past the barricades.

## Stratford Men In Service



—Photo by Rogers Studio

Corporal Charles Dyke, who is on duty with C company of the Perth Regiment at Niagara Falls, is a son of Captain Albert E. Dyke, proprietor of the Empire Hotel in this city.

Born here, Corporal Dyke attended Romeo and Shakespeare public schools and later the Stratford Collegiate-Vocational Institute. In civilian life he was employed for a time by his father and also in a local restaurant.

Four years before he joined the active militia, Corporal Dyke belonged to the Perth Regiment. He attended the Royal School at London, Ont., in 1938 and attained his present rank. Enlisting with the Perths on September 6, Corporal Dyke has shown a keen interest in his duties with the regiment. He is not married.

Two of the popular young Perths are said to have had lessons in a form of night trench warfare. They were returning to camp recently on a jet black night when they accidentally stumbled into a ditch which parallels the camp property.

Messages—To Provost Sergeant Fergusson: Mrs. R. J. Thistle, regent of the Perth Regiment Chapter of the I.O.D.E., sends along her thanks for the nice things that were said in reference to "The Fair Maids of Perth"; To Private Reg. Miller: She arrived home safely in time for supper; To Lieut.-Col. McComb: Sir, your message has been delivered; To Private G. Matthews: Parcel coming in on Monday.

Perths will be interested to know that the Highland Light Infantry of Canada, which is mobilizing at Perth Barracks, is being outfitted with the new Summer battle dress. The troops say the new clothing is quite light and cool.

Private McAllister, one of the hair-cutting Perths, is doing a big business down at Niagara Falls. Nearly all of his spare time is spent in cutting hair. There's a reason. A new order makes it imperative that the troops adopt the army style of haircut. That calls for no hair showing beneath the

# With Perth Regiment On The Niagara Front

BY WES DAVIS

The signal section of the Perth Regiment is really showing its worth these days at the camps at Niagara-on-the-Lake and at Niagara Falls. Under the leadership of Lieut. J. G. Bell and Signal Sergeant W. P. Ewart the signallers have just completed the installation of a camp telephone system. It is a perfect hook-up and is manned by members of the unit who learned the rudiments of communication in barracks at Stratford during the fall and winter months.

The field telephone system has an exchange located just inside the door of the battalion orderly room from which connections can be established with the headquarters of each company, the office of Capt. J. G. Jose, the medical officer and his personal quarters, the camp at Niagara Falls where three companies are doing guard duty and the Regimental Quartermaster's Stores Department.

Privates in the signal section operate the system, just like the young ladies at the Bell Telephone office in Stratford and it gives them an opportunity to put into practical use the knowledge which they gained in barracks. The troops work in shifts of two hours each and the men are quite pleased with their duties and the equipment. As Private R. I. Bell put it "The phones really work swell."

Members of "D" company wish to publicly thank Mrs. "Bonnie" Martin of Stratford, for the letters and post cards which they have received. Members of the company declare they really got a "kick" out of reading them.

Corporal J. A. McKnight of "D" company is going around with a very red face that cannot be termed a sunburn. After all it is embarrassing for a man to awake at 5 a.m. and find his straw tick on fire. The corporal claims "internal combustion" but—

One Niagara Falls, Ont., rendezvous has been declared "out of bounds" for men in khaki who are serving in that community. Orders to this effect have been posted at the two camps occupied by the Perths.

Corporal C. C. "Tex" Carrick is going around these days with his chest sticking out farther than usual. While he has been noted for his good looks and his Southern drawl, he has blossomed forth now as the delight for camera addicts who daily frequent the main gate on Niagara Boulevard. Recently Corporal Carrick was asked to "do his stuff" while a movie man wound yards of film. The date of the premiere has not been set because "Tex" cannot find the producer.

Brigadier W. W. Foster, head of the Canadian Legion War Services, Inc. and Colonel C. R. Hill, chief of the associated war services in Canada were visitors recently at Niagara-on-the-Lake camp. They surveyed the facilities available for the men and promised that some assistance will be given the men in camp. There is a suggestion that a Legion centre will be provided but the plan has not been fully developed.

The Salvation Army in Niagara Falls has also proposed to the Perths that they make use of quarters in that city where a women's auxiliary would be willing to do mending and other odd jobs for the soldiers. Lieut.-Col. McComb has assured the Army of his appreciation of their thoughtfulness and while it is not possible for the men to use the rooms as freely as they would like, because of the number required for guard duty, the Niagara Falls folks said they would cooperate in any plan that the commander may inaugurate.

Reports from Connaught Ranges, Ottawa, indicate that Lieut. H. A. Snelgrove, Corporal W. V. Furzer of A company, Corporal G. H. Hogg of D company, and Lance-Corporal H. A. Wright of B company, are getting along fine. They are taking a course at the Canadian Small Arms School.

Mail entering Niagara-on-the-Lake for troops at the military camp now passes through the hands of members of the Canadian Postal Corps. Sergeant P. E. Hitchcock and Sergeant J. Kitley are in charge of the post office from which point Lance-Corporal W. S.

distribution to the men.

Just before they left for Niagara-on-the-Lake the staffs of the company quartermaster stores tried examinations and the results have just been made available. According to "orders" those who have been successful are R.Q.M.S. George Mogg, C.Q.M.S. Bert Carder, C.Q.M.S. Carl Weir, Private F. L. Billings, Private C. T. Carter and Private A. J. McDonald. They have now qualified for the rank of company quartermaster sergeant under the N.P.A.M. and are eligible for appointment to that post in the active militia.

We hear there are a number of camp cots for sale among the men of the Perths. When the unit moved into camp some of the fellows bought the cots. They have been ordered to remove them from the tents following an inspection of the camp by Col. S. A. Lee, Toronto, the new camp commandant.

Those Perths who were fortunate enough to get home for the week-end after a week of guard duty at Niagara Falls appeared to be making the best of their holiday. We spotted many of them throughout Stratford and got a greeting from nearly all of them.

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## Stratford Men In Service



Sapper Alan M. Corke is serving with the 7th Field Company, London, Ont. He was born in Norwich, England, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Corke. Before he enlisted he was a member of the band of the Perth Regiment, a member of St. James' Church and an employee of H. D. Anderson Motors, Ltd. Sapper Corke, who is a member of the band of his present unit, had two brothers serve in the Great War. Tom was killed in action at Courcellette, France, with the 5th C. M. R.'s and Cecil, a member of the 2nd Battalion, resides at 37 N. St. Vincent street. There are two sisters, Miss Clara Corke, at home, and Mrs. F. Hawes of 14 Albert street.

# Stratford Men In Service



A recent arrival in England with the Royal Canadian Regiment was Private Charles Scott of this city. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Scott, 42 Grange street. Born in Stratford on January 14, 1915, Private Scott received his education in local schools and later was employed as a knitter. He is a member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. A married man, Private Scott's wife resides at 294 Albert street. His regimental number is A3357.

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## Stratford Men In Service



Serving with the Perth Regiment is Corporal A. W. Welch, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Welch, 270 Douro street. He was born in Stratford on August 7, 1911, and received his education in local public schools and at the Stratford Collegiate-Vocational Institute. In civilian life he was employed by Silverwood Dairies Limited. Corporal Welch is a member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. He enlisted with the Perths on September 8, 1939, and has regimental number A11086. His wife, the former Miss Helen Keen, lives at 271 Erie street. They have two children, Jack and Larry.

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BY WES DAVIS

A St. Marys native in Niagara Falls Camp of the Perths is in charge of the hospital tent which has been erected on the grounds, from which point the troops operate in their guarding of important power development and distributing centres. He is Corporal John J. Irwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John I. Irwin of that town. Corporal Irwin resides at 27 Brant street, Stratford.

Corporal Irwin was born in St. Marys where he received his education in the public school. Later he worked for the Brennan Construction Company of Hamilton and the Towland Construction Company of London. Shortly before he enlisted with the Perth Regiment for active service Corporal Irwin worked at the Imperial Rattan Co. Ltd. in Stratford.

It is of general interest that Corporal Irwin was the first resident of Stratford to actually enlist with the Perths. He signed up on September 4, but because the medical board could not function until the following day it was September 5 before he became a fully accredited member of the regiment. He had been a member of the non-permanent militia for five years before joining the C.A.S.F. for he served with the stretcher bearers' division.

One of the men who brought honor to the Perth Regiment, Corporal Irwin was a member of the first aid team which won the Dominion and District Shield or the Mary Otter Trophy in 1937. Associated with him in winning the award were K. H. Langford, captain, A. Hill, Corporal Smith and Private James Brookes. Each was presented with a St. John Ambulance Association ring by the city in recognition of the championship.

Less than a month after he entered the active service force, Corporal Irwin received his promotion from the rank of private to his present position. He married Miss Susan M. Deloee of this city and has one daughter, Joan Susan, and one son, Garron John.

Private Roulston, who has been a patient in the military hospital at London for some time and who has recently been at the Depot at Perth barracks, has rejoined the troops at the Niagara camp. Also in the party who returned to the base on Monday were Privates Bailey and Matheson.

The sympathy of the troops is being extended to Private D. A. Newman on the death of his mother, Mrs. John Newman. She passed away at Little Current and the funeral was held today from the family residence in St. Marys.

From all reports the officers and men enjoyed the regatta that was staged at Niagara-on-the-Lake on Saturday by the Ontario Garagemen's Association. We hear that some of the troops saw the conclusion of the meet before leaving for their homes for the week-end.

Corporal P. W. Mertens, one of the Stratford N.C.O.'s returned to camp yesterday after visiting at his home in Stratford. Corporal Mertens says that Mrs. Mertens and their new son are now doing nicely. The young fellow weighs nearly seven pounds.

Quartermaster Sergeant Bill Horan, the young N.C.O. of the Royal Canadian Engineers, London, who oversees construction work around Perth barracks, gave the writer the third degree about that train ride down to camp several weeks ago. He had a few complimentary remarks to pass about the Perths and offers his regards to all. Q.M.S. Horan is helping the Highland Light Infantry get established in the former home of the machine gunners.

The Perths, especially those fellows who worked with him in the quartermaster stores, will be pleased to hear that Corporal C. S. Chessman, who is on the Perths' depot in Stratford, is now wearing three stripes. His promotion to the sergeancy came over the week-end and he mounted the extra stripes on Monday.

stood in the light of this story. A civilian workman digging in one area of the camp came across what he thought was "some new kind of root," and neatly severed it. It was a 36-line telephone cable.

Private Murray Daer, one of the Goderich men at Niagara Falls camp, figures it takes a guard about half an hour to clean his gun and web equipment after completion of a round of duty. "That is," he explained, "if you clean it all up properly." It is surprising the way the dust gathers in the equipment, especially in the barrel. The dirt shows up clearly on a piece of white gauze after it has been pulled through.

Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer of the Perths, left camp early yesterday for a business visit to London. It is understood he was transacting business pertaining to his regiment which required the attention of authorities at headquarters of Military District No. 1. Prior to returning to camp the O.C. spent a short time in Stratford.

Major Worthylake of the Salvation Army in Niagara Falls was a visitor to the Niagara Falls camp on Monday. He distributed writing paper and envelopes to the Perths. At the Niagara-on-the-Lake camp the troops are being "serviced" by Adjutant Meder, a Toronto Salvation Army officer.

Members of the Perth Regiment, especially the advance party which went to Camp Borden a few days before arriving at Niagara-on-the-Lake, will probably be interested in a paragraph from Bob Gowe, a Toronto writer who is at Camp Borden. He says: "Since the hot weather struck this camp of sand the troops haven't been as happy as they might be. Route marches in the boiling sun with a lot of equipment and with winter battle-dress are not relished. The mosquitoes, they claim, are a special brand peculiar to Camp Borden and as 'big as dragon-flies,' and 'absolutely without fear'."

We think it was R.Q.D.S. George Mogg who told a few of us at Niagara-on-the-Lake one night recently that the mosquitoes at Camp Borden were so large that their eyes resembled headlights on a motor car. We were told that one of the flies, with wings removed, weighed four pounds.

About the telephone system at Camp Borden, Mr. Gowe adds: "The telephone system at Camp Borden has not been ranked with the best, even at the best of times. Some idea of the new words that floated about the other day can be better under-

# Perth Regiment Issues Call For 200 More Men

With both the Perth Regiment and the Highland Light Infantry of Canada calling for recruits there is plenty of scope for men deciding to join the active militia.

Announcement was made Tuesday evening by Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer of the Perth Regiment that 200 reinforcements are required for the unit which is now stationed at Niagara-on-the-Lake and at Niagara Falls, Ont. Lieut. Herb Mason, recruiting and intelligence officer, was authorized to open a recruiting depot in the Stratford armories immediately and yesterday morning six men were accepted out of 12 volunteers.

Lieut. Mason will be present at the armories daily from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and in the evenings from 7.30 to 9.00 until the quota is raised.

A medical board has been established at the armories. It comprises Major F.J.R. Forster as president, Major H. B. Kenner and Capt. F. H. Nelson, all of this city.

Immediately the men are medically attested they will receive an issue of army clothing from the depot stores which are in charge of Sergeant C. S. Chessman of the Perths.

## Clerks Are Needed

There is an immediate need of first class office clerks, Lieut. Mason states. Men who apply should be at least five feet, six inches in height and it is preferable that they be between the ages of 19 and 35 years.

The general plan is to accept the recruits here, give them quarters at Perth barracks, where they will be temporarily attached to the Highland Light Infantry of Canada for food and billet and then when a sufficient number is available they will be transported to the base camp at Niagara-on-the-Lake for training so that they can take their places with the regiment proper.

Lieut.-Col. McComb, in Stratford for a short time yesterday, told The Beacon-Herald reporter that he also proposes to accept a number of recruits from Niagara Falls, Ont., where the Perths are now engaged in guard duty and also from Brantford where there are some good prospects.

Because the Highland Light Infantry of Canada is recruiting in Galt and Kitchener, Lieut.-Col. McComb is not encouraging the acceptance of men from Waterloo County unless the men themselves express a definite desire to enlist with a machine gun battalion.

"We have a splendid camp at Niagara-on-the-Lake and a big job to do at Niagara Falls, Ont. and for that reason we would like as many good men from Stratford and district as we can get," the commanding officer said. "Any young men from this city enlisting with the Perths will find they will be associated with a splendid group of officers and men and they will get a particular delight out of camping in the Niagara district."

The commanding officer said that conditions existing in the camps at Niagara-on-the-Lake and at Niagara Falls, Ont. are good and there is no basis for rumors to the contrary. The men are enjoying themselves and things are running along smoothly.

Lieut.-Col. McComb returned to London for a conference at district headquarters yesterday afternoon and went on to the camp later in the evening.

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# Machine Guns Guard Hydro Even Soldiers Need Passes

Vickers machine guns today protect the power developments at Niagara-on-the-Lake and at Queenston. And the 400 men of a machine gun battalion who patrol the barriers have orders to fire on anyone who refuses to stop.

At Queenston, at the entrance to the power plant, huge stones have been piled. They leave a narrow pathway for cars, with a turn which would force a vehicle to slow almost to the speed of a walk to pass through. That is so no armored car could rush the entrance.

Guards patrol inside and outside the barbed wire barriers. The machine guns are inside the barriers, strategically located to command every part of the buildings and the approaches.

In fog, the guards have orders to take extra precautions to prevent being rushed, but they are not look-

ing for trouble—there is no danger of an accidental shooting. Even soldiers, bivouacked under canvas in Victoria Park opposite the Horse-shoe Falls, cannot get in or out of camp without proper credentials.

The regiment has been mobilized since Sept. 1, and has had nine months training. Attached to it are specialists of the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps.

No one is allowed in the Victoria park camp, beautifully situated in full view of the falls. Only selected persons are allowed inside with ration truck and supplies, and the men are specially warned to have nothing to do with inquisitive strangers.

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ON, June 13 (CP)—Every of the British Commonwealth last autumn was also with Italy today.

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Corporal Irwin was born in St. Marys where he received his education in the public school. Later he worked for the Brennan Construction Company of Hamilton and the Towland Construction Company of London. Shortly before he enlisted with the Perth Regiment for active service Corporal Irwin worked at the Imperial Rattan Co. Ltd. in Stratford.

It is of general interest that Corporal Irwin was the first resident of Stratford to actually enlist with the Perths. He signed up on September 4, but because the medical board could not function until the following day it was September 5 before he became a member of the regiment. He has been a member of the militia for some time, joining the C.A.S. with the stretchers.

One of the men who received the honor to the Perth Regiment was Corporal Irwin. He was the first aid team with the regiment and distributed the Mary Offer Trophies. He was awarded with him. The award were K. J. A. Hill, Co. Pri. e James B. pre lan in

stood in the light of this story. A civilian workman digging in one area of the camp came across what he thought was "some new kind of root," and neatly severed it. It was a 36-line telephone cable.

Private Murray Daer, one of the Goderich men at Niagara Falls camp, figures it takes a guard about half an hour to clean his gun and web equipment after completion of a round of duty. "That is," he explained, "if you clean it all up properly." It is surprising the way the dust gathers in the equipment, especially in the barrel. The dirt shows up clearly on a piece of white gauze after it has been pulled through.

Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer of the Perths, left camp early yesterday for a business visit to London. It is understood he was transacting business pertaining to his regiment which required the attention of authorities at headquarters of Military District No. 1. Prior to returning to camp the O.C. spent a short time in Stratford.

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# Perth Regiment Issues Call For 200 More Men

With both the Perth Regiment and the Highland Light Infantry of Canada calling for recruits there is plenty of scope for men deciding to join the active militia.

Announcement was made Tuesday evening by Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer of the Perth Regiment that 200 reinforcements are required for the unit which is now stationed at Niagara-on-the-Lake and at Niagara Falls, Ont. Lieut. Herb Mason, recruiting and intelligence officer, was authorized to open a recruiting depot in the Stratford armories immediately and yesterday morning six men were accepted out of 12 volunteers.

Lieut. Mason will be present at the armories daily from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and in the evenings from 7.30 to 9.00 until the quota is raised.

A medical board has been established at the armories. It comprises Major F.J.R. Forster as president, Major H. B. Kenner and Capt. F. H. Nelson, all of this city.

Immediately the men are medically attested they will receive an issue of army clothing from the depot stores which are in charge of Sergeant C. S. Chessman of the Perths.

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# Machine Guns Guard Hydro Even Soldiers Need Passes

Vickers machine guns today protect the power developments at Niagara-on-the-Lake and at Queenston. And the 400 men of a machine gun battalion who patrol the barriers have orders to fire on anyone who refuses to stop.

At Queenston, at the entrance to the power plant, huge stones have been piled. They leave a narrow pathway for cars, with a turn which would force a vehicle to slow almost to the speed of a walk to pass through. That is so no armored car could rush the entrance.

Guards patrol inside and outside the barbed wire barriers. The machine guns are inside the barriers, strategically located to command every part of the buildings and the approaches.

In fog, the guards have orders to take extra precautions to prevent being rushed, but they are not looking for trouble—there is no danger of an accidental shooting. Even soldiers, bivouacked under canvas in Victoria Park opposite the Horse-shoe Falls, cannot get in or out of camp without proper credentials.

The regiment has been mobilized since Sept. 1, and has had nine months training. Attached to it are specialists of the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps.

No one is allowed in the Victoria park camp, beautifully situated in full view of the falls. Only selected persons are allowed inside with ration truck and supplies, and the men are specially warned to have nothing to do with inquisitive strangers.

# Interested In Preparation Of Food



(By Staff Photographer)

Members of "E" Company of the Perth Regiment always take a keen interest in the preparation of their food, as evidenced by this photograph, which was taken at the Niagara Falls camp. Head cook, standing at the extreme left of the picture, is Private Johnny Desjardine of Wiarton district. Right behind the cook's assistants, in full uniform, are Lance-Corporals Hans Blohm of Chesley and R. A. MacDonald of Chicago.

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## Recruiting Of New Perths

# With Perth Regiment Proceeding At Armory On The Niagara Front

BY PTE. PHILIP DEMPSEY

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Inter-company leagues in softball, baseball, horseshoes, and volleyball will be played every Wednesday afternoon at the Niagara-on-the-Lake camp of the Perth Regiment, it was decided at a meeting of the Perth Athletic Committee held Tuesday.

Present at the meeting were Lieut. D. J. Gladman, Regimental Sergeant Major Thos. Soper, Corporal Proulx, Private J. Walker Hart and A. Lockley, who is the Y. M. C. A. representative at the camp.

The Perths are well fixed as far as sporting equipment is concerned, having moved it all with them on the trip from Perth barracks to the camp at Niagara. Plans are under way for six horseshoe courts including the two now being used by the ever-active Perths. With the baseball and softball diamonds already initiated by the soldiers the committee has high hopes of a successful season of sport.

According to men who served in the Great War, sport is an important phase of army life. As one man said: "It is one of the main bones in the back of the army." There should be plenty of rivalry between the teams which will include teams from the staff, Canadian Officers' Training Corps and from the Niagara-on-the-Lake teams which will provide extra opposition. The league is going to operate under the guidance of Bill Greaves.

In other lines of sport there will be plenty of activity for the soldiers and it is proposed that in a few weeks the track teams of Stratford's regiment will get busy and there is a possibility that in the fall, if the troops are in this country, they will get into another district championship. If not here, they can always participate in some of the events elsewhere.

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Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer of the Perths, states that "everything is rolling along just fine at the camp and outside of the usual 'kicking,' which no army can get along without, the boys are having a lot of fun."

The Niagara-on-the-Lake camp had many welcome visitors on Sunday, among them Fire Chief John Albert of St. Marys. The chief was at the camp to visit his son-in-law, Private Joe Turner of Headquarters company. It goes without saying that the troops, who are not above getting homesick occasionally, really enjoy Visitors' Day.

When the sergeants go fishing, they sometimes go swimming too. It appears that Sergeant W. H. Gardner bears definite proof of this. On Monday night he was reposing on the river bank, hoping that the fish would not bite. The bank gave way, the shoemaker sergeant ending up in the drink. We draw a curtain of charity across the rest of the scene.

Corporal Steve Cordell, who is attached to the transportation department of the Perths took up his new duties at Niagara Falls camp today. The boys at Niagara-on-the-Lake are going to miss the popular bandmaster-soldier.

The Salvation Army has commenced operations among the troops in real style and according to the many comments making the rounds at Niagara-on-the-Lake that organization's officer, Adjutant A. S. Medler, is doing a great job. The Salvation Army has already outfitted a large recreation and letter writing room in the camp for the use of the Perths. The Salvation Army, as we mentioned on Tuesday, has also furnished the writing paper and envelopes.

Here's a chance for the folks at home to help out the troops at little expense. A few odds and ends are badly needed in camp for the comfort and appearance of the men. Among the items listed are several electric irons that the soldiers might press their clothes and some reading material. Magazines and weekly periodicals would be especially welcomed. As the recreation room is well supervised by Adjutant Medler the folks will know that any donations will be well looked after.

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Recruiting of reinforcements for the Perth Regiment is proceeding at Stratford Armouries on Waterloo street and while the number of volunteers is not quite as large as anticipated, the medical board has been handling an even flow of men eager to serve with the unit which is now camping and doing service in the Niagara area.

Six men were taken on strength Wednesday. They are Robert William Graham of Kincardine; Wilfrid James Woods of Preston; Charles Thomas Stears of 75 McNah street, Stratford; John Alexander Smith of 244 Nelson street, Stratford; Charles William Heider, 18 Brydges street, Stratford, and James Miller Perry McAllister, 191 Dour street, Stratford.

Private C. T. Stears is a brother of Private Robert W. Stears, who is now with the Perths at Niagara.

There have been a number of men go through the medical board, which includes Major H. B. Kenner, Major F. J. R. Forster and Capt. F. H. Nelson, who have not been rejected altogether, although their cases are being given further study. There is a somewhat different procedure being followed at the present time compared to original recruiting last September and October. Recruits are now subjected to x-ray and dental examination.

### May Report Now.

During the past few months, there have been many men appear before the recruiting and intelligence officer, Lieut. Herb Mason. Their names were recorded and they were advised at that time that they would be informed when more men were required. These men are now invited to report to the armories, Lieut. Mason states, and if they are suitable they will be taken on the strength.

The objective of recruiting at present for the Perths is 200 men and Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer, is desirous of securing as many men from Stratford district as possible. He contends that it is a Perth County unit and as such should include a good representation of men from this area.

Lieut. Mason is being assisted in his recruiting effort by Sergeant G. S. Chessman of the Perths, Private Hall, Private Finlay and some of the new enlistments. Considerable documentation is required and the men are helping with this work.

The medical board has established quarters in the men's recreation room in the armories and after a shower the recruit goes before the doctors, who give him a thorough examination. If he is successful he takes the oath and becomes a full-fledged soldier. Uniforms are being issued to the men who will be sent to Niagara for training and subsequently for duty. The recruiting depot is open throughout the day and in the evenings.

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"Ontario Street" at Camp Niagara, where the Perth Regiment is spending the summer, is really a tented thoroughfare, as indicated by this photograph. The laneway is a section of "C" company which is under command of Major M. W. Andrew of Stratford. The picture also shows the blankets and bedding out for an airing. Inserted in the lower left-hand corner is a picture of Private Bert Stroud cutting hair. He is one of the regimental barbers, who does a thriving business, especially as the week-end nears.

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# Perths Prepare For Guard Duty At Niagara



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One of the happy go-lucky men in the Perth Regiment is Pioneer Sergeant Arthur James Whitehead, E.D. He enlisted with the unit on September 9, 1939.

Born in London, England, on July 18, 1895, Sergeant Whitehead is a son of Mrs. Whitehead of London, England, and the late A. J. Whitehead. He received his education in the Old Country and came to Stratford before the Great War. He enlisted in the C.E.F. and served for four years and five months. On returning to this city after demobilization, Sergeant Whitehead followed the trade of a furniture worker and was an employee of the Stratford Chair Company. He is a member of St. James Church.

Sergeant Whitehead was a member of the Perth Regiment for 11 years prior to its becoming a C.A.S.F. unit. In recognition of his long service he was awarded the Canadian militia's "efficiency decoration."

One brother, Sergeant Edward Whitehead is serving overseas with the Royal Montreal Regiment. Sergeant Whitehead is the father of seven children. They are Mary, Patricia, Ted, George, Bill, Bob and Stella. The family residence is at 136 Perth street.

(By Staff Photographer)

Every week when the Perths change companies for guard duty at Niagara Falls, Ont., there is a great hustle and bustle at the base camp at Niagara-on-the-Lake. The troops prepare their kit bags and pile them ready to be trucked to the Falls and then line up in marching order with full pack and rifles. In the above picture Private Aylmer MacDonald is shown with his back to the camera as he walked into a quartermaster sergeant's tent. Private R. L. Hendry, with his sweater coat flying open is facing the camera. Others spotted are Corporal Charles Dyke, a Stratford boy and Corporal W. W. "Texas" Carriek, a Goderich native.

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## WRITING THEIR LETTERS HOME



Two of the Perths are shown in this picture as they were writing letters to friends and relatives. There aren't many soldiers in camp at Niagara-on-the-Lake who miss a day or two without writing to someone. On the left is Pte. A. Phillips of Carlingford, near Stratford, and Lance Cpl. G. Guymer, whose home is in Newcastle-on-Tyne, England. It so happened that he was working on a farm in the Stratford district when war broke out and he decided to enlist.

Inspector-General E. C. Ashton of Ottawa and Brigadier R. O. Alexander, commanding officer of Military District No. 2, Toronto, will pay an official visit to the Perth Regiment at its Niagara camps on Monday, it was announced yesterday by Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, commanding officer. Lieut.-Col. McComb, in Stratford and London yesterday on business, said there was no significance attached to the inspection and he did not think it meant any immediate move.

During the course of his visit to Niagara district Inspector-General Ashton will visit the different posts where Perths are stationed in connection with their guard duties. It is not expected that the official will call at all of the 60 or so posts but it is believed he will stop at Queenston and Chippewa.

The occasion will also be the first on which Brigadier Alexander of Toronto has inspected the Perths.

It will be recalled that during the early spring Inspector-General Ashton visited Stratford and dined with the officers at Perth barracks. On that occasion he said he would pay a visit to inspect the men and it is understood he expressed a desire to fulfill this obligation to the Perths at their Niagara camps.

During his visit to Stratford yesterday Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb called at the armories where Lieut. Herb Mason, recruiting and intelligence officer, is accepting volunteers. The commanding officer expressed his satisfaction at the way recruiting is progressing and remarked that from the number of new men he had met there is a fine type of volunteers seeking enlistment.

Recruiting efforts from noon Thursday until noon yesterday resulted in eight more men being sworn in as members of the regiment and just as soon as there is a sufficient number to make the trip they will be sent to Niagara-on-the-Lake. Some may leave today, traveling by train to St. Catharines, and from that city to camp by truck which will meet the train.

The new enlistments are: A11739 Private L. Mogk, 159 Birmingham street; A11740, Private R. E. Sager, St. Marys; A11741, Private C. G. Stone, 73 Dufferin street; A11742, Private C. Boyd, 139 Bay street; A11743, Private K. W. Ditchfield, 126 Wellington street; A11744, Private H. Lotz, Shakespeare; A11745, Private W. J. Coles, 403 Ontario street, and A11746, Private C. Schell, Kitchener.

Reports from Niagara-on-the-

Lake are to the effect that Lieut. J. E. Tipler, adjutant of the Perths, is now the owner of an automobile. He makes frequent business trips on behalf of the regiment and found it rather difficult to get around without some mode of transportation since the government provides only one staff car. Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb has also purchased a personal car for business and pleasure purposes.

Among the men in Stratford on leave in the last few days are Staff Sergeant R. V. Greenfield and Signal Sergeant W. P. Ewart. The latter has recently supervised the installation of a telephone system between Niagara-on-the-Lake camp and the Niagara Falls, Ont., camp and he says that while it was rather difficult to secure sufficient materials for the 16-mile line the Perths were not stopped and communication is being maintained.

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# With Perth Regiment On The Niagara Front

BY PTE. PHILIP DEMPSEY

Sergeant A. Adams of "A" company at Niagara Falls was the only papa, so far as can be learned, to receive a telegram on Father's Day. He was all smiles and he had reason to be because it came from his daughter down Belleville way.

The laneway which leads to the Sergeants' Mess at Niagara Falls has been given a name. It is called "Blue Top Avenue." We hear that Platoon Sergeant Major Ernie Hobson, who hails from Kitchener, had something to do in the selection of the name. His old friend Bill Renaud of Kitchener should heartily approve of the monicker.

According to the various company records the young Perths may be full of vim, vigor and vitality but they have a habit of taking a few unofficial holidays occasionally. It still takes the "old sweats" to stick on the job.

Perths, who are doing guard duty at Niagara Falls, especially at the main gate on Victoria avenue drive, are outdoing the Falls from an attraction standpoint. It has been noticed that the tourists, especially those from the United States, take more pictures of the Perth troops than they do of the magnificent waterfall.

In this connection some of the troops have issued a plea to their

friends and relatives. It says: "Mr. and Mrs. Home Town Folk—please, oh please, leave your camera at home when you visit us." The boys say they are so tired of posing they would rather face a firing squad than another camera.

When your correspondent wandered up to "D" company's quartermaster stores the other day he was greeted with a barrage of words, not all of which are printable. C.Q.M.S. Kentish was on another rampage and thundered: "Who's the busiest man in Camp?" He answered his own question with "I am." Don't pay too much attention to the C.Q.M.S. He gets that way occasionally. The sun's been a little too hot for him.

Many of the visitors to Niagara Falls ask the boys at the front gate when they do their washing. The best answer is "every day is wash day in camp." Tubs of soapy water, bars of soap and brawny perspiring men may be observed daily washing out underwear, socks and handkerchiefs. The clothes lines are not of the modern city type and the back fence is proving quite handy.

Corporal R. Brooks announces that he cracked his rib during a softball game last Wednesday and he issues an emphatic denial that it came as a result of "sticking his chest out too far after the arrival of his young son."

## Stratford Men In Service



Trooper Clarence Homuth, son of Mrs. B. Homuth, 5 Douglas street, and the late Albert E. Homuth, is serving with the 1st Hussars. He enlisted at London, Ont., on July 31, 1939. Born in Wingham, July 31, 1921, Trooper Homuth came to Stratford as a child and received his education at Avon Public School and at the Stratford Collegiate-Vocational Institute. In civilian life he was an employee of the Richmond Hosiery Ltd., at Mitchell. He is a member of St. Andrew's Church.

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## THE LATEST IN HAIR STYLES



Cpl. D. C. Dunseith, St. Marys, a member of the Perth Regiment, is shown on the right having some fun with Cpl. Herb Smith of Kitchener, a favorite with the boys at Niagara-on-the-Lake, especially at meal-time. Cpl. Dunseith, with the coming of summer weather, visited the barber shop and had the clippers put on in real fashion. He had his hair clipped off, all except a little tuft resembling a tooth-brush. Well, that's army life for you.

## WHEN THE MEALTIME BUGLE SOUNDS



This is what a hungry group of soldiers looks like just about noon hour and the cook has given the signal to "come and get it." This picture was taken at Niagara-on-the-Lake, the base camp of the Perth Regiment (M.G.) and those shown in the lineup are members of Headquarters Company.

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Gunner John Reginald Harmer is a son of Mrs. R. Harmer, now a resident of St. Catharines, but who formerly resided at 64 Inverness street. He was born in Sussex, England, and after coming to Canada with his parents as a lad received his education in Stratford and Brampton. He was at one time employed at greenhouse work at Dale's and Calvert's in Brampton and for four years prior to enlisting he was with James Lloyd and Son in this city. A member of "A" Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery, Kingston, Gunner Harmer enlisted on March 11, 1939. He had been a member of the Perth Regiment from 1927 to 1936. Previously he had been in the permanent force of the R.C.H.A. at Kingston, serving for three years, 1924 until 1927. A married man, Gunner Harmer's wife is the former Miss Olive Harris. They have three sons, Douglas, Donald and Kenneth and one daughter, Marion. Their home is at 93 Guelph street.

## Transferred To London



CAPT. R. JAY STEVENSON, paymaster of the Perth Regiment, who has been transferred to London, Ont., to become paymaster of No. 1 District Depot at Wolsley barracks. He has been succeeded in his Perth Regiment post by Capt. William Charters of Stratford.

## JUST A BIT OF RELAXATION



(Staff Photo and Engraving)

Like the men under their command the officers and non-commissioned officers have a rest at the end of a day's duties in Niagara camps of the Perth Regiment. In the above photographs are shown Major E. C. Shelley and Lieut. R. S. Reid, sitting outside the former's tent having a smoke. On the right is Regimental Sergeant Major Thomas Soper, outside his hut, cleaning his pipe preparatory to having a puff or two, after his evening meal.



## Stratford Men In Service



With the Perth Regiment in the Niagara district is Private Elmer Baulk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baulk, 508 Albert street. He was born in Walkerton in 1913 and came to this city as a child with his parents. Receiving his education in Juliet public school and at the Stratford Collegiate-Vocational Institute, Private Baulk later was employed at The Glass Guild. He is a member of Zion Lutheran Church. His regimental number is A11398.

### Guarding Hydro.

The Perth Regiment, commanded by Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, maintains approximately 400 of its personnel at Camp Victoria on the Niagara River opposite the Horse-shoe Falls. They are the hydro guards, who know how to handle both machine guns and rifles.

According to present plans, schools for officers and non-commissioned officers of non-permanent active militia units will start here on July 1. First school, lasting thirteen days, is to complete the practical portion of promotion examinations for artillery and engineers. Second school, starting July 15, will do the same for cavalry, infantry, signals and army service corps.

Five Hamiltonians of the Veterans' Home Guard Company, when assigned to occupy the same tent today, discovered they represented five nationalities. George Latham was born in England, Vic Huckle in the United States, Mike Krasnovitch in Russia, Alf Barr in Wales, and Joe Faguy turned out to be a French-Canadian. Officer commanding the Veterans' Company is Lieut.-Col. W. C. Fletcher of Hamilton.

## VETERANS JOIN NIAGARA CAMP TRAINING UNITS

Hamilton Home Guard Company 2 B Arrives; C.O.T.C. Cadets Present

### MILITIA SCHOOLS

(By BILL ROCHE.)

(Staff Writer, The Globe and Mail.)

Niagara-on-the-Lake, June 21. — Both the strength and variety of personnel in the historic military camp here were increased today by arrival from Hamilton of Company 2B, Veterans' Home Guard Companies, C.A.S.F. The doughty "Vets," second C.A.S.F. unit to go under canvas here this year, moved into their tented area with assurance and nonchalance that impressed their young neighbors, the C.O.T.C. contingents from University of Toronto and Osgoode Hall, and the Perth Regiment (M.G.), a C.A.S.F. unit from Stratford, that for several weeks has been combining guard duty on the Hydro power developments with regular summer camp training.

Although far smaller than Camp Borden, the local camp, commanded by Colonel S. A. Lee, M.C., is playing a specially important part in the war effort of Military District No. 2 by affording field training for cadets of the Canadian Officers' Training Corps, who, when qualified and commissioned will form a pool of officer reinforcements for C.A.S.F. units. Fifty per cent of all officer reinforcements in the future will be secured from the C.O.T.C.

### They Work Hard.

There are instructors here for every branch of the service, and they put the budding officers through their paces without mercy. Leaving camp tomorrow after a two-weeks' stay is the sun-bronzed C.O.T.C. contingent from University of Toronto, commanded by Lieut.-Col. H. H. Madill, E.D.

One instructor to the Varsity boys said: "Since this is their last full day in camp and also the longest day in the year, we're giving them the works. But they're taking it all in the right spirit."

Part of "the works" for many cadets was the donning of respirators for a trip through the camp's gas house. Even the veteran Sergeant Ian Strachan, K.C., M.L.A. for St. Paul's Riding of Toronto, and Liberal Party whip in the Ontario Legislature, who is an infantry instructor to the Varsity contingent, made the journey through the gas, too.

Jim Boeckh, Ontario amateur golf champion in 1938, is here drilling as an artillery man with his old Varsity mates instead of competing in the 1940 Provincial tournament now being played at Summit Club, Toronto.

Slated for another week in camp are Osgoode Hall's two C.O.T.C. companies—the lawyers and the students—commanded by Lieut.-Col. H. W. A. Foster, D.S.O., M.C. They, too, are putting into practice the theories they learned on winter courses indoors. Some of this includes downright manual labor, such as digging trenches.

## LOUIS' NIAGARA WITH OL'

Champion at Atlanta

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## Extra Holes



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## Opener Series

## Wings Defeat Face-Setters

Hamilton, June 21 (Special).—The Hamilton Red Wings caught up a game on the league-leading Clippers when they defeated the Jack Sanford crew by a score of 5-3 at the Scott Park Stadium in a Pony League game. The Wings had everything in baseball from the opening inning until the big seventh, when the Wings scored six of their seven counters. Lucas team trailed the Clippers, in this session Warren Auchenbach, diminutive centre fielder, led out a rousing triple to left which cleared the bases ahead and turned the tide in favor of the homesters. Auchenbach, the best runner in the Pony League, attempted to stretch the three-run homer into a homer, but was nipped at the plate. Herman pitched masterly for the winners until the ninth, when he was replaced by Johnny Johnston, who finished the tilt. Johnston allowed one hit in the ninth, but he

• JUST A BIT OF RELAXATION



# VETERANS JOIN NIAGARA CAMP

TORONTO, SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 1940.

## Military Camp at Niagara-on-the-Lake Is Busy on First Day of Summer



Canadian Officers' Training Corps from University of Toronto and Osgoode Hall, at Niagara camp, received experienced neighbors yesterday when Company 2B, Veterans' Home Guard, moved in from Hamilton. Shown above are: (1) Major W. Heighington, O.C. of "A" Company, Osgoode Hall, C.O.T.C., studying maps. (2) Osgoode Hall C.O.T.C. getting a lecture on sending messages. (3) Men of five nationalities share tent in the Veterans' Home Guard. Top row, left to right, Privates Mike Krasnovitch, Russian, and Joe Faguy, French-Canadian. Bottom row, left to right, Privates George Latham, English;

Vic Huckle, United States, and Alf Barr, Welsh. (4) Sergt. W. G. Ferguson, Perth Regiment, demonstrates bayonet training. (5) Fitting on respirators before entering the gas chamber are Capt. S. L. Chapman, O.C. U. of T. machine-gunners (left), and Sergt. Ian Strachan, M.L.A., who is infantry instructor to the U. of T. C.O.T.C. (6) Col. S. A. Lee, Camp Commandant. (7) U. of T. 4.5 howitzer detachment. (8) Lieut.-Col. H. W. A. Foster, Officer Commanding Osgoode Hall C.O.T.C. (9) Jim Boeckh, 1938 Ontario amateur golf champion, who is toiling as an artillery cadet. —Staff Photos.

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## 45 Perth Recruits To Go Into Camp Today

Forty-five recruits, under Lieut. Herb. Mason, will leave Stratford today for Niagara-on-the-Lake to join the Perth Regiment at camp. Lieut. Mason announced yesterday. The recruits have been billeted at the barracks on Trinity street, now occupied by the Highland Light Infantry. They passed the medical board here within the past few days.

Lieut. Mason, who has been organizing officer in charge of the Perth Regiment depot here, will resume his post as intelligence officer at the camp. He will be stationed at the camp permanently.

Since the Perth Regiment moved off to camp under Lieut.-Col. S. H. McComb, officer commanding, Lieut. Mason has been acting as recruiting officer here and has handled a large number of applicants. The recruiting is being turned over to Capt. C. A. Bryon and Lieut. W. J. McCabe.

The recruits who have enlisted here are provided with clothing and kit bags. They carry no firearms until they reach camp, where arms are issued to them. They will assemble at the Armouries this morning and march to the C.N.R. station to board a train for London leaving the station at 10.35. From London they proceed to camp.

Left On Sunday.

Lieut. Nelson Bullock and Lieut. Reg. Masters, both of whom were captains in the Perth Regiment in its non-permanent militia days and before it became a machine gun battalion, went to camp during the week-end to join the regiment as reinforcement officers.

Capt. A. F. Hunter, who is in charge of military discipline, stationed at Westminster Hospital, London, was in Stratford and at the camp during the week-end.

## With Perth Regiment On The Niagara Front

BY PTE. PHILIP DEMPSEY

There have been many improvements at Camp Victoria since the Perths first took over this base, the latest addition to the "Canvas Village" being shower rooms, which provide every possible convenience for the lads, even to the point of supplying plenty of hot water at all times. The new camp kitchen was initiated for the first time Friday morning. It's as clean and spotless as a health clinic and the wooden building is a real step up from the wide-open, canvas-topped cookhouses the cooks have been using in the past.

Lieut.-Col. McComb intends to fill in the blank spaces in the Regimental band with talent drawn from the newly-recruited Perths, according to Corporal Steve Cordell, the bandmaster. Since the regiment is now divided between two camps, the band has been broken up, but with the new members it will again be able to function.

The peaceful stillness of Camp Victoria was rudely shattered one afternoon recently by a mixture of horribly anguished noises emanating from the tent of one of the corporals. The famous "Hungry Five," famed 'musicians' of the Perths, were in the midst of the jammiest of all jam sessions, blissfully unaware of the dire threats being flung at them from all sides. Suddenly the tent flap was flung aside and the 'talented' ones stared into the unflinching eyes of Capt. Arrell. A few moments later the officer emerged from the tent and peace and quiet again prevailed.

Private Wilfred "Slim" Gallagher, popular young Stratford man with the Perths, has been limping around camp and has been excused from duties for the last few days. "Slim" had an unexpected meeting in the dark with a tent rope. Nothing serious, however.

Owing to the lack of time there are no regular sports these days at Camp Victoria but the boys still manage to have a bit of athletic recreation. Horseshoe courts have been built and then too, there is always a bit of 'pick-up' football. The main attraction, however, seems to be fishing. Since most of the guard posts are situated on the Niagara River, the lads who are not 'on the beat' spend a good part of their time dangling lines into the deep waters of 'ole man river.'

'B' Company, having completed their turn of three weeks at Victoria Camp, will return to Niagara-on-the-Lake Friday for a well-earned rest. 'C' Company will take their place at Victoria Camp.

Hollywood has nothing on this regiment of ours when it comes to the matter of fan mail. Several of the boys, whose pictures were taken by tourists, have received letters wishing them well, from points scattered throughout the United States and Canada. The lads get a great 'kick' out of this unexpected popularity.

The boys on duty at the various posts in Niagara and district are being made as comfortable as possible. Tents have been erected at the larger posts and hot meals are delivered three times daily by camp trucks. Queenston, largest of the posts, is a small camp in itself, having been provided with a cook-house and large marquee sleeping quarters.

## MORE RECRUITS SIGN FOR PERTHS

More than two-thirds of the 200 recruits needed for the Perth Regiment have been signed up. Since the beginning of the week recruiting saw a sudden increase and the Perth Regiment depot, under Capt. C. A. Bryan, was one of the busy spots of the city. Yesterday recruiting had fallen off slightly, Capt. Bryan said, but even yesterday quite a number of recruits took their physical tests and it was believed that most of them would be officially signed up as members of the Perth Regiment today.

The second draft of recruits to join the regiment at camp this week will leave Stratford Friday morning. It is expected about 50 recruits will be in the party.

Capt. Bryan's prophecy that the 200 recruits would be signed by the week-end, appeared to be coming true. The recruiting office opened at the armouries on June 12th with Lieut. Herb Mason officer in command of the depot.

Lieut. Mason left Stratford Tuesday morning in charge of a party of recruits, about 45 strong. He has now rejoined the Perth Regiment at camp, resuming his post of intelligence officer.

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## Stratford Men In Service



Reporting recently for duty with the Perth Regiment was Lieut. Reginald J. Masters, son of Captain J. T. Masters and Mrs. Masters, 685 Ontario street. He enlisted in this city on June 15, 1940, and is now in the Niagara district with the local unit.

Lieut. Masters was born in Northampton, England, and came to Canada with his parents as a child. He received his education in Juliet public school and at the Stratford Collegiate-Vocational Institute.

In civil life, Lieut. Masters was employed for two years by Beatty Brothers at Fergus but for two and a half years prior to his enlisting he was assistant master mechanic at the North Empire Mines at Empire, Ont.

Joining the Perth Regiment, non-permanent militia, in 1923, Lieut. Masters entered the ranks and in 1925 he accepted a commission as a lieutenant. Five years later he attained the rank of captain and then transferred to the reserve of officers from which he was called for the active service force. It is of interest that his father, Capt. J. T. Masters served as adjutant during the years Lieut. Masters was in the N. P. A. M.

JUN 26 1940

## With Perth Regiment On The Niagara Front

BY PTE. PHILIP DEMPSEY

Three men of A Company and one man of C Company are named in promotions just posted on the Victoria Camp order board. Privates E. O'Brien, J. Friesen and W. J. Hansford become Acting Lance Corporals. They are all A Company men. Private R. Ferguson of C Company has been promoted to the rank of Lance Corporal.

Members of the Perth Regiment who have been discharged from the Toronto military hospital are: Lance Corporal P. J. McConnell of A Company, Corporal A. Gunn of B Company, and Private J. A. Kerr of C Company. Private E. C. Solomon of A Company, who was "under the weather" for a few days, has been discharged from the camp hospital.

Corporal W. M. Campbell of Headquarters Company has been granted permission to marry, according to orders just posted. The name of the bride-to-be is not given.

The cooks are turning out meals "just like mother used to cook." Their new equipment is helping them along. The camp kitchen has been equipped with six new cook-stoves, new pots and pans, running hot and cold water—all the conveniences of a modern culinary centre. Chief of the cooks, Private "Cookie" Baines, is as pleased as a young bride with a new set of dishes. The new kitchen leaves nothing to be desired at Camp Victoria.

The men are getting "specials" on their menu too. Strawberries, green onions, lettuce and other garden produce are making their appearance at the camp tables. One "old sweat" who served through the last war on army rations said, "This just ain't like the last war nohow."

Orders have just been posted announcing the transfer of Capt. R. J. Stevenson, paymaster to No. 1 Military District depot at London. The announcement of the transfer was made in the press recently, but the official order has just been posted here.

"Drummer" Steers, who was with the Perths in the non-permanent active militia days, is back with the Perths once more. He was among the recruits arriving at Camp Niagara recently.

There's a big difference between

an army truck and a private limousine. Ask Private Cecil Boyd. He can tell you all about it. He had his first ride in an army truck the other day. "It isn't a bit like the limousine I used to drive at Stratford," he said.

Roman Catholic members of the Perths are invited to attend services at St. Michael's Church in Niagara Falls. Passes are issued to men who attend church service there.

In this day of mechanized warfare we've heard a lot about mechanized cavalry. P.S.M. Armstrong now knows what is meant by that term. He was seen riding a horse on a merry-go-round at Niagara Falls.

Officers and men attended a church parade at Camp Niagara-on-the-Lake Sunday morning.

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## Stratford Men In Service



Willard Kearns, former Beacon-Herald newsboy, son of Alex Kearns, 112 Grange street, has enlisted with the Royal Canadian Artillery at Guelph. Born in Owen Sound he came to Stratford when a lad and attended Juliet Public School. After leaving school he worked on farms in this district, the last place he worked being the farm of J. Tanner on the Embro Road. Willard will be 22 years old next August 26. He has one brother and one sister, Duff Kearns and Mrs. S. Haviland, both living at home, 112 Grange street.

JUN 28 1940

## About 50 More Recruits Needed By Perth Regiment

The Perth Regiment needs about 50 more recruits to reach the quota of 200 men to be taken on the strength of the Regiment, Capt. C. A. Bryan, Officer Commanding the Perth Regiment Depot, stationed at the Armoury, announced yesterday.

Judging by the number of recruits who have been parading into the armory within the last two days and again yesterday, it is quite likely that the entire 200 men will have been recruited by the end of this week, Capt. Bryan said. Recruiting started here June 12.

There is a considerable number of recruits who still have to get their final medical and X-ray examinations before they are accepted on the strength of the machine gun unit which is doing guard duty in the Niagara district.

Meanwhile, recruits who have been taken on the strength are allotted quarters in the former Perth Barracks, now occupied by the Highland Light Infantry of Canada, until they are moved to camp at Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Early this week a draft of recruits under Lieut. Herb Mason, intelligence officer of the Perth Regiment, left Stratford to join the unit and today a second draft of about 50 recruits under Sergeant Alex. Trotter will leave for camp. The recruits will board a train for London at the C.N.R. depot here at 10-35. From London they will go on to the camp.

Recruits are kept busy while here. Odd jobs are found for them about the armory and in their quarters of the barracks.

Keeping sufficient supplies of uniforms, boots and other clothing for men, is a task that requires considerable work. Yesterday C. Q. M. S. C. S. Chessman was in London getting further clothing and boot stores for the recruits.

### Added to Strength.

Names of recruits who have been taken on the strength since Wednesday noon follow:

A11848, Rosario Lalonde, 179 St. David street, Stratford; A11849, Harold Humphrey, Lucknow; A11850, Edward Barker, Stratford; A11851, Herbert William Joseph Kieswatter, Wingham; A11852, Charles William Krohn, Wingham; A11853, Roy Ellwood Breedon, Wingham; A11854, Harold Orval Towriss, Wingham; A11855, Lorne Hamilton Elliott, Goderich; A11856, William Earl Greensides, Atwood; A11857, William Thomas Gordon Cosstick, Gadshill; A11858, Orval Edward Rowland, Mitchell; A11859, Clifford George Gordon, Atwood; A11860, Elwood Hastie Coghlin, Atwood; A11861, Charles Albert Cottel, R.R. 1, Mitchell; A11862, Clifford Thomas Cottel, R.R. 1, Mitchell; A11863, Stuart Arthur

Martin, St. Marys; A11864, Richard Young, St. Marys; A11865, John Duncan McNaughton, Kitchener; A11866, James Guest, Kitchener; A11867, Michael Bernard O'Donnell, Arthur; A11868, Cyrus Farquharson, Palmerston; A11869, Nicholas Joseph Plume, Rothsay; A11870, Wilfred John O'Donnell, Arthur; A11871, Frank Joseph Kelly, Guelph; A11872, James Archibald Frederick Hargrave, Varney R.R. 1; A11873, Stanley Nind, Atwood; A11874, James Allison Sleighton, Atwood.