



C. COMPANY 196th OVERSEAS BATTALION CEF "WESTERN UNIVERSITIES"
CAMP HUGHES 1916

JACK JOHNSONS

Question—Who paid "Buzzy" Mc—
C—l's hotel bill, "Buzzy" or Phil
W—t, or both?

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Where did Sergt.-Major J—n go
on Friday and Saturday night?

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Just where and when does our can-
teen sergeant get that beautiful com-
plexion?

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Pte. D—l (on guard at night, to
officer approaching)—"Halt, look who's
here!"

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Officer—"Fall out, N.C.O.'s."

Pte. A—s, not hearing order, but
seeing N.C.O.'s going, joins them,
thinking it is the awkward squad.

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Orderly Officer (on rounds, looking
in tent and seeing Pte. D—w)—
"What are you doing in here?"

Pte. D—w—"On pioneer fatigue,
sir, looking for tent pegs."

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Sergt. - Major B—e (coaching
guard)—"When I say 'fix' you don't
fix, when I say 'Bayonets' you whip
'em out and whop 'em on."

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Sergt. M—e (on first night in
camp, rapping on tent)—"Lights out
there!"

Pte. MacK—y opens flap and de-
posits lantern on ground outside.

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Strawberries come and strawberries go.
But prunes go on for ever.

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Pte. L—h (in great excitement)—
"Two ambulance men on the double.
Strathcona bear going north!"

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Who can deny that Corpl. Mo—g
has at last attained manhood? Oh, you
dainty spinach!

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Capt. O—r (on field work)—"On
nine blasts of the whistle a man will
appear in direction north by north-
west. Men will judge distance."

After twenty-seven blasts reconais-
sance party is sent out and discovers
Pte. F—t M—n in said direction
fast asleep—dreaming of home and
mother.

"C" COMPANY (ALBERTA)

Captain Hector John MacLeod; Lieutenants
Walter Maxwell Wright Fife; Wesley McKenzie;
Lawrence Victor Miller; Sydney Wood.

Privates Adams, A. C. L.; Allingham, E. C. W.;
Annett, R. R.; Atkins, H. S.; Bagnall, G. L.;
Baker, A. G.; Baker, X.; Barker, J. R.; Corporal
Barlow, G. B.; Privates Beach, L. G.; Beaton, W.
H.; Beattie, W. E.; Corporal Bell, W. W.; Lance-
Corporal Bellamy, F. G. M.; Privates Bemister,
W. F.; Birch, C. E.; Blackmore, H. C.; Bodington,
K. C.; Boyd, J.; Boyd, J.; Boynton, P.; Bridges,
E. C.; C. S.M. Briscoe, W. H.; Privates Brown,
A. T.; Brown, C. C. P.; Brown, G. S.; Lance-
Corporal Brown, P. W.; Privates Brown, W. A.;
Browne, R. H.; Burnett, R. A.; Burrows, W. R.;
Butchart, C. A.; Butchart, E. A.; Butchart, H. T.;
Cairns, K. H. Y.; Campbell, N.; Carmichael, W.
E. H.; Caskey, M. S.; Chapman, G. F.; Chapman,
J. W.; Cochrane, E. R.; Connan, T.; Cook, A. J.;
Dick, R. T.; Dodman, W. S.; Doherty, C. V.;
Drew, H. F.; Drinkwater, T. O. A.; Eason, A. R.;
Edwards, E. W.; Sergeant Elliott, W. A.; Privates
Elliott, W. J. B.; Evans, E. B.; Evans, R. W.;
Fawcett, O. P.; Ferguson, G. V.; Sergeant Fer-
guson, S. C.; Lance-Corporal Feurt, R. L.; Privates
Finlayson, A. L.; Fitzsimmons, R. D.; Flack, C.
R.; Fowler, P. D.; Fuller, H. J.; Galbraith, W. M.;
Lance-Corporal Gayner, P. H.; Privates Gilbert,
D. L.; Gillmor, J.; Gillmor, T.; Gordon, J. F.;
Gudgeon, F. H.; Lance-Corporal Guthrie,
N. B.; Privates Hamilton, W. T.; Hardie, D. McC.;
Haworth, G. C.; Henderson, H. M.; Hinde, B. P.;
Holmes, G. H.; Hood, A.; Horner, W. R.; Huckell,
R. G.; Hudson, R.; Hughes, H.; Privates Hurl-
burt, H. S.; Private Irwin, L. J. O.; Sergeant
Jahary, J. E.; Privates Jakeman, P. W.; Jevning,
P. I.; Johnston, R. E.; Jones, G. E.; Jones, W.;
Kemp, A. T.; Kennedy, W. M.; Kentner, R. G.;
Kerr, A.; Corporal King, J. S.; Privates Knox, D.
R.; Lawlor, T. W.; Lawrie, T.; Corporal Leaver,

H. R.; Privates Lee, E.; Lees, J. E.; Leslie, G. F.;
Linton, J. I.; Lockey, G.; Lunn, C. W.; Lunn, G.
H.; Lyle, M. N.; Lynch, C. A.; MacDonell, H. G.;
MacDorman, E. A.; MacNab, W. A.; MacRae, G.;
Magowan, H.; Martin, S.; Martindale, N. S.;
Mattice, J. E.; McBride, A. E.; McCool, M. B.;
McCutcheon, R.; McDougall, A. L.; McDougall,
W. H.; McDonald, W. L.; McIntyre, H. S.;
McIntyre, O. C.; McKean, A. J.; McKela, N. F.;
Sergeant McKittrick, E. S.; Privates McKnight,
D.; McLean, D.; McLean, W. G.; Corporal
McLellan, W. J.; Privates McLeod, F. L.; McLeod,
J. A.; McNabb, J. D.; McPherson, G. A.; McPherson,
J. D.; Menzies, H. G.; Corporal Miller, T. H.;
Privates Moore, A. G.; Moorhouse, A. P.; Muma,
A. E.; Munson, A. E.; Murdoch, G. G.; Nelson,
V. D.; Nicholson, W. E.; Noble, G. B.; Owens,
H. R.; Parker, L.; Parker, R. F.; Partington, H.
K.; Pearce, E. A.; Piercy, L. L.; Pike, A. C.;
Potts, R. W. L.; Lance-Corporals Purdy, K. E.;
Reeve, S. T. S.; Privates Reid, C. McK.; Rendall,
H. W. F.; Lance-Corporals Riley, T.; Roberts, O.
P.; Privates Robertson, J. A.; Rodger, J. R.;
Rossiter, L. L.; Rouleau, H. J.; Roy, D. F.; Russell,
J. G.; Corporal Russell, M. T.; Privates Sangster,
J.; Scarborough, C. M.; Scarborough, J. W.;
Scott, H. G.; Scott, W.; Sellar, W. H.; Sergeant
Shaw, J. T.; Privates Sinclair, J. A.; Sisley, F. L.;
Slade, A. J.; Slay, F. J. W.; Sleight, J. W.; Corporal
Smyth, C. J.; Privates Smyth, R. R.; Spencer,
W. K.; Stamp, J. W.; Sergeant Steekley, R. C.;
Privates Stephens, H. N.; Stone, M. H.; Lance-
Corporal Sullivan, H. T.; C.Q.M.S. Tarbolton,
J. S.; Private Taylor, C. R.; Lance-Corporal
Taylor, L. G.; Privates Taylor, W. S.; Tooke,
C. H.; Tyner, R. H.; Upton, R.; Corporal Valens,
H. H.; Private Walker, W. F.; Sergeant Walls, J.;
Privates Wannamaker, J. A.; Warner, M. C.;
Watkins, H. B.; Watson, G.; Corporal Welbourn,
C. A.; Privates Wilkie, A. H.; Wilkin, W. E.;
Wilson, T.; Wilson, T. B.; Woodward, I.

A Soldier's Viewpoint

Those of us who have listened to the
sermons and speeches from the think-
ers of the west, and who have, like
Laertes, taken wisdom from the aged,
have learned that the soldier who takes
part in this war will have a great ex-
perience whose value cannot be esti-
mated by any material standard. We
were told before and after enlistment,
that it is the greatest opportunity of
the age. These with many other and
like salutary comments we have heard
with a great burst of patriotic fervor.
We have left the farm, the workshop
and the clerking stool for the pursuit
of this new holy grail which they told
us was to be found in the camp, and in
the trenches. We have shed the slough
of property significance, forsaken the
social circle in which we moved, and
have, step by step diminished in
significance till as we stand in the
King's uniform, full privates with the
few appendages served out by the
government, we find ourselves absorb-
ed in the mighty roll drawn from the
four corners of the world. Six months
of military life have driven out com-

pletely the sense of personal import-
ance and as we sit shivering in the
tent between parades we wonder if
the exchange has increased life's
values to the extent to which we were
told it would. We see a Bachelor of
Arts from Dublin picking up paper
with a pointed stick; a Bachelor of
Laws from Edinburgh burning refuse
at an incinerator; a Bachelor of
Science from London washing dishes
at the hospital, and we wonder if in
the multiplicity of fatigues we are re-
alizing what was promised us. Furth-
er, the values of our military life are
found in silvo and ox blood. Have we
not strained at the gnat and swallow-
ed the camel?

On first thoughts it seems that we
have passed up the best things in ex-
change for the worst. A little reflec-
tion, however, reveals quite a different
state of affairs, and although fatigues
and duties are sometimes irksome the
same ideals of Anglo Saxon life per-
sist in military as in civil life and that
to a wider and deeper extent. Nothing
brought this out so much as the few
concerts we have had. Our favorite
songs tell us to keep the home fires

burning, they remind us that it is a
long, long way from home. Contrast
with this sentiment that of the French
soldier in "The Two Grenadiers." The
song is German and the words "Mein
Kaiser Gefangen" represent the height
of the soldier's lament. "For wife and
child, my heart is dead," he says. The
ideals of the two great warring na-
tions are contained in the songs they
sing. We see that we have not made
an exchange in values. We are fight-
ing for the perpetuation of home life,
the family group and if a renunciation
of all the delights of civil life has done
any good whatever, it consists in this
that our dormant ideals have been stir-
red till they stimulate action; the cur-
rent of life has been saved from exp-
ending itself in eddies and whirlpools
in the shallows and backwaters of ex-
istence.

A COMPLAINT

A complaint comes to us from No. 12
Platoon. It is voiced in no uncertain
language, and expresses a sentiment
that must surely find favor with the
authorities. In fact the two members
of that platoon are prepared to follow
the one who remedies the evil through
the inferno with a watering can.

The grievance concerns the fatigue
called sanitary, and from the langu-
age in which it is couched, it seems to
be a deeply felt want. The two men
who have followed for so long a time,
both the fatigue, and the sergeant who
runs the department, are not anxious
to give up the search for work, nor are
they desirous of leaving the sergeant in
the lurch. They simply want recogni-
tion. They say that the machine gun
section, the signaller, the pioneer and
the band have their distinctive badges
and it is only fair that the permanent
sanitary squad should have a mark
representative of their calling. Many
suggestions have come to us. One is
that a rake rampant worn on the right
arm would be a fitting symbol; anoth-
er suggests a paper bag and pointed
stick with a decoration of cigarette
stubs round the outside. We would
leave the question for the battalion to
decide.