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During the week ending March 8th, the statistical report shows that 2,364 hours of instruction were given in the various Colleges, with an aggregate of hours of attendance of 45,629. 19,780 hours were put in at Seaford, of which 2,500 were on Agricultural subjects, 8,900 on Elementary Practical Science subjects, and 2,700 on Commercial subjects.

Ripon Area reported 9,785 hours attendance, half of which was put on Elementary Education and 2,300 on Agricultural subjects.

A report has been received showing that during the past five weeks, studies have been carried on in the Canadian Special Hospital at Witley by about 89 students. Fifty hours of instruction were given with a high percentage of attendance, 86.2.

This is the first week for a long time in which the percentage of attendance has been above 50. This week it reached 53.2 in spite of the fact that at some of the areas unavoidable circumstances made it very difficult for a high attendance to be maintained.

The new registrations during the week amounted to 1,114; 300 of which were in Agriculture, 275 in Practical Science, and 248 in Commercial subjects.

During the last week of February and the first week of March, 54 new students enrolled with the Correspondence Department for Commercial subjects, 39 for Agriculture, 32 for Practical Science, 37 for Matriculation work, and 8 in courses of University grade. During the same period papers were sent in in 386 subjects.

Some of the men in the London area are unable to attend the course of Petrol Engine lectures being given at London College in the evenings owing to night work. Therefore morning classes have been arranged for these men at 49 Bedford Square, W.C. 1., on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10.30. The course is exactly the same as that being given in the evenings.

The Lounge Rooms at 49 Bedford Square are always available on Saturday and Sunday afternoons and evenings, as well as on the other evenings of the week. Students of the Home Economics Department are heartily invited to make use of these rooms at all times, and the Library now contains many books of interest to them.

"Get together," was the message that Mr. H. S. Arkell, Live Stock Commissioner for Canada, gave to the Agricultural Class of London when he addressed them on February 5th. Farmers must co-operate to produce the high-class product which is demanded so insistently in Great Britain. Whereas the grain countries of the world will soon even up present deficiencies, this great demand for livestock and their products will continue for some fifteen or twenty years.

Argentine and Australian beef is now flooding the English and European markets, but the Canadian article, because of its superior quality, will soon come to its own. The Englishman is weary of the fat American bacon which he has been forced to eat during the war and is demanding the lean Canadian

type. As the Canadian bacon is superior to the American, so are the Canadian eggs, for they contain less water and stand shipping better. Canadian cheese and butter are needed at once in unlimited quantities, as is also wool.

Is Canada going to take advantage of these wonderful opportunities? It would be poor business not to. But it means a greater production, further co-operation among farmers, the improvement of their stock herds, and the complete elimination of the scrub sires.

The Coombe Bank herd of dairy short-horns is well known for its excellent stock. One of the cows has the English milk record of the breed—15,300 lbs. in 1918, with an average of 14,000 for the five previous years.

On March 2nd, the Agricultural Class of the London College visited this herd, and so had an opportunity of seeing some of the very best of the Dual-Purpose Shorthorn. It was noted, especially with the record cow, that in addition to their excellent milking traits and dairy conformation they yet possessed the desired width and fleshing ability.

The Agricultural Class, London College, received a great welcome from C. Morris, Esq., on Saturday, the 8th March, when the boys visited his herd of Devon cattle. With true English hospitality he gave them lunch and tea, and gave them every opportunity of seeing his world-famous Devons.

It was interesting and instructive to see these hardy animals that have stood up so well against other breeds in the various endurance and grazing tests in South Africa and Australia. Of the beef type, they showed great vigour and width of body, but perhaps were slightly weak in the hind-quarters.

The work of the Khaki College at Shorncliffe is in full swing, and plenty of enthusiasm is shown by the students who are enrolling in good numbers.

A very popular course of instruction is that in Motors, in which a goodly number have enrolled. The eagerness and punctuality with which these students attend the lectures, and the aptness with which they grasp the principles of the subject, would, considering that many of them are prospective land settlers, seem to indicate a general faith in motor power on the farm and in the motor-car as a part of the farmers' equipment.

The love of Science so strong in many of the men finds expression in the digestion of the mental feasts supplied in the form of interesting lectures on Electricity, in which both the Instructor and Class sometimes become so absorbed that they unconsciously supplement the hour prescribed by the timetable by one or two more.

A Class in Shorthand has been started, and from the application and determination exhibited by these students, one would be led to believe that they expect soon to make use of this accomplishment, or else that they were determined to do all within their power to

aid their Instructor in winning the wager which he has laid that the Class can master the theory of Pitman's Shorthand in six weeks. While the untiring efforts and good-natured persistency of the Instructor himself gives ample proof of either an ardent love of his work or a pressing need of winning the aforesaid wager.

Withdrawals, of course, are quite frequent, as many men are returning to Canada. They have had, however, at least a good start in the studies which they wish to pursue in the homeland, and the ranks here are rapidly filled in with new students, as numbers are continually arriving from France, and there is every indication of work ahead for the College.

The two Colleges at Witley, "A" or Artillery Branch, and the main area College, are uniting into one organization. It is understood that part at least of Witley Camp is being prepared for the First Division which is the next to come from France.

The Transportation Course is being enlarged in scope to cover the field of foreign trade by the inclusion of lessons on Foreign Exchange, Requirements of Foreign Markets, Expert Selling and Advertising Methods, Consular Requirements and the Extension and Granting of Foreign Credits. This should be a most valuable course. Register now with the Correspondence Department, 38 Bedford Square, W.C. 1.

The Passing of the "Sword"—The Advent of the "Pen"! Evolution as seen (not through the microscope) at Seaford, Sussex.

The processes of evolution, necessarily slow (though they are no slower at Seaford than elsewhere) are accompanied by the proverbial sureness of tortoise-like tactics; and the introduction of the thin end of the wedge into the crack caused by the sudden impact of the world's fighting machine against the "rock of armistice," is surely, if slowly, making its influence felt amongst the non-descript groups that formerly comprised our efficient fighting force.

The Khaki College at Seaford is at once in a scholastic, if not academic atmosphere! (If any readers question this statement, they are cordially invited to visit Seaford and breathe into their nostrils the pure ozone which inevitably accompanies any truly British educational institution). It fitted into its niche and speedily started to—move. It is truly "moving" to see its steady determination to become a potent, dominating factor in the life of this area!

It hopes to be able at the "great reckoning" to claim a modicum of the praise that falls to the University from its many admirers in this country and elsewhere.

Much "material" of which it might be said that "knowledge to his eyes her ample page, rich with the spoils of time, did ne'er unroll," has proved worth his salt under the guiding hand of the College, and, in its quota of worthy citizens towards Canada's future prosperity, Seaford College may not unjustly claim to be proud of her achievements in the processes of Educational Evolution towards the great end of "living together."