



CANADIANS AT PLAY AND WORK

IT had been planned to hold big sports on Dominion Day, 1918, and for this purpose a big piece of ground had been selected, covering several acres situated between St. Pol and Arras, at a place named Tinqués, called Tanks by our boys, as being near enough anyway.

On the morning of the First, every road certainly led to "Tanks." The 1st, 3rd and 4th divisions were out of the line preparing for something I shall speak of later on. The 2nd division came out that very morning, and for hours before the appointed time for the beginning of events, motor lorries, box cars, horse rigs, motor bikes and push bikes filled the roads approaching the ground, which had been splendidly fitted up for the occasion.

Two massive Canadian arches stood, one at each entrance, tremendous grandstands were dotted here and there around the big course where events took place, to accommodate thousands. Big marquees were everywhere for the sale of drinks, candies and food, while the Y. M. C. A. had a big tent where free drinks were supplied right through the day.

Bandstands were also erected at several points, and music was seldom missing as band after band took up or changed positions throughout the day.

A sight to be long remembered was that of the march past of the massed band of pipers, the skirl of the pipes,