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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

The number of contributions re-
ceived last week was indeed grati-
fying, and we regret not being able
to include all the good things in
that issue. Much that was held
over will be seen this week. We
trust it has lost nothing in the
keeping. Don't send in lengthy
poems or articles. Boil your stuff
down. Be bright, brief, and to the
point.

T. L. B. of K Coy. writes an
appreciation of the good times we
are having at "the pictures",
especially mentioning the orches-
tra. He gives some hard hits about
M.P.'s being out of a job whilst
the boys are enjoying themselves
in the City Hall.

Sap. S. Thomson wants to know
why some of our cute little drivers
don't volunteer for Siberia and
imagines it must be because they
fear a scarcity of girls over there.

A Reader thanks the girls of
the Beaver Club for their kind-
ness during the recent sickness in
Camp. He also wishes "Our young
Corporal would make himself less
conspicuous in his attention to the
ladies." All young corporals please
note.

Driver (?) P. Hall says he will
be glad to go into an ice cream
parlor after Quarantine, so that
the M.P.'s won't chase him out.

J. A. P. issues a challenge to all
comers up to "117 lbs of age". He
must be one of the chalengeers,
although he does not say if it is to
fight, to eat, or to peel spuds.

A Driver wants to know when
he is going to Siberia. Ask R.S.M.
Sims and he will probably consign
you to a warmer climate.

Another Driver wants to know
how far it is from St. Johns to
Siberia, and if he will stop at Hono-
lulu. We have handed the first
question on to Sgt. Maj. Cady with
a request that he will measure the
distance so as to supply a correct
answer. Answer to the second
question all depends upon your
ability to play the ukelele.

Macduff (Vinegar Barracks)
sends in a lengthy "Gowff" story
dealing with the ancient game as
played by Moses and Aaron. A
good story but too lengthy to be
included at present, perhaps at
some future date, Macduff, we will
use it.

Sapper Badger (D Coy), com-
ments upon the lack of respect
shown by the average civilian at
military funerals which have un-
fortunately been very frequent of
late. He certainly has some
grounds for complaint, for we have
noticed people in this district who
seem to regard such a solemn pro-

cession as something to engage their
idle curiosity, instead of demanding
their respect.

White and Wilson must excuse
us for omitting their report last
week, due to the fact that every-
thing had to be sent to Montreal
by Wednesday afternoon, but we
hope to hear from them again in
the near future.

Mounted Section sent in quite a
bunch of copy, but unfortunately
much of it could not be used be-
cause no name had been put to it.
Name is not for publication, but as
a guarantee of good faith.

H. P. Mc. Thanks for your con-
tribution, very good indeed. Hope
to use it next week in our anni-
versary number.

Pen' (Records). Your article too
lengthy. Many thanks to Bands-
man Bennett, who is the hardest
worker for "Knots and Lashings"
we've got.

THE LARKS ARE SINGING OVER THERE.

While war is rightly regarded as
stern and full of horrors there are
still little pleasant phases of it
that escape attention. Phillip
Gibbs in a recent article in "The
New York Times" describes the
fields of France, the rich pastures
with tall grass tangled with
daisies, the streams, "where resting
soldiers, who are Izaak Waltons,
tempt the trout, others wander
along the reedy banks, where birds
sing in bushes near by and at night
bullfrogs croak bass music to the
nightingales lyric."

The fields of Flanders have been
described by the late Lieutenant
Colonel John McCrae in his ex-
quisite poem "In Flanders fields"
as a place where poppies grow.

"—and in the sky the larks, still
bravely singing, fly."

Until the very face of nature
has been ground into dust these
feathered creatures come and go
about their own affairs. Men hear
them warbling and twittering,
utterly indifferent to the world
tragedy which is being enacted
amid their nesting places.

There is no reason why we should
expect birds to have knowledge of
matters beyond their ken. But it
is a pleasant realization, neverthe-
less, to think that brave men have
the occasional consolation of hear-
ing a bird sing. Particularly does
this hold good in the case of our
own boys. Thousands of miles
from home and amid strange sur-
roundings. Country raised, most
of them, and familiar with outdoor
life the common sounds of nature
are a reminder that the Great

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