

## Correspondence (continued)

To the Editor of the Bulletin.

Sir,—I quite agree with your correspondent "Desperate" when he says my letter in your previous issue deserves notice; and if one can judge by the favourable remarks in the Office, it certainly has been noticed and generally approved of.

The idea of a Pipe Band HAS caught on, and will become an accomplished fact, in spite of all the "DESPERATES."

Might I remind "Desperate" that there are a great many Englishmen who delight to camouflage themselves in a kilt and thereby participate in the honours which have always fallen to our glorious Highland Regiments in every scrap the Empire has ever been engaged in.

If "Desperate's" musical education has been so sadly neglected that he cannot appreciate good military music, then he had better join hands with "Voyageur" in the formation of the Jew's Harp Band, when I am sure he would be eminently suited for the position of Mouth-Organ Major.

Yours as before, JAKE.

The Ed. C.R.O. Bulletin.

Sir,—The question whether this Office should have a Pipe Band, or a Band of any kind for that matter, may be a debatable point, which I think "Desperate" evades in his letter *re* the Bagpipes in last week's "Bulletin." He was entirely wrong regarding the age of this instrument, and I would point out that with all his talk of advancement of music the Bagpipes are still popular in every country of the world, with the exception of Germany, whose predilection for the Brass Band is universally known. A Brass Band may be alright for "Pink Teas" and a "Desperate Sassenach" ear, but I never heard yet of one playing its Regiment over the top, nor yet have I heard of, say, a Bassoon player winning the V.C.

PROBAIREACHD.

To the Editor C.R.O. "Bulletin."

The challenge (?) which appeared in last week's "Bulletin" was sent in by an unauthorised person named Easy. No doubt in the rush and bustle of editorial duties you failed to observe that same was not signed or initialled by me.

Disciplinary action will be taken against Cpl Easy by making him umpire all our matches.

¶(Signed) R. H. W. C. CLOWES, LT.

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## ADVERTISEMENT.

Watches repaired while you wait, provided you wait long enough. Terms—Cash before delivery. Apply S/Sgt. R.2.Br.

## CHALLENGE.

S.-Sgt. J. Adams, of R.2.B.4., would like to meet Cpl. Sargeant for 10s. a side in a fight to the finish, any time, any place. Bricks barred.

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## SPORTS.

## CRICKET

Our week-end matches played on 3rd and 5th August against Ashford C.C. and Catford Wanderers C.C. respectively resulted in a win for us against the former by 7 wickets, and a loss on Monday by 113 runs. In both matches the weather affected the play to a great extent. Our wins and losses stand at all.

R. H. W. C.

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R2 B4—Versus Records Registry.  
Lords—Thursday the 8th at  
6 p.m.—Roll up and root.

## C.M.A.A. SPORTS AT CHISWICK.

Owing to the weather conditions the C.M.A.A. London Area Sports were but poorly attended, which was a great pity. The track being soggy, the running was not fast. S.Q.M.S. Williams, whose performances are wonderful for a man of his age, was never extended in any of his events—3 miles, 1 mile, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile. Great praise is due to the boys of the Office for the game way they stuck to things in the track events, and if they stick to training faithfully, we feel sure that some of them will be heard from yet. Praise is due to Sgt. Berryman who pulled 3rd in the mile walk, and to S/Sgt. Hanson for reaching 2nd place in the mile run.

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## SWIMMING.

The big Swimming Gala held under the auspices of the Khaki University of Canada took place on Tuesday, July 30th, at the Westminster Baths, and, without doubt, was a big success.

The attendance exceeded expectations, nearly 1,200 people being present. Great excitement prevailed over some of the events, especially in the International Team Race and the Inter-departmental Team Race. We regret that lack of space prevents us from publishing the full details, but the Record Office boys put up a plucky fight, Cpl. Woods finishing 3rd in the 44 yards Scratch Race. The C.R.O. finished 2nd in the Inter-departmental Race, but was afterwards disqualified, as also was the first man, the race eventually going to the C.A.S.C. Australia won the International Team Race, with South Africa 2nd and New Zealand 3rd. The 88 yards was won by L. Savage, a discharged soldier. The Canadian Orchestra from Epsom contributed to the enjoyment of all present, and we have no hesitation in saying that those who were not present missed a good thing.

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## ROWING.

Programme for the Month of August:

- 10th Aug.—The K.U.B.C. are entering a picked crew to row against other Service crews at Hammer-smith. This event should prove of great interest to the C.R.O. as by the way the crew are showing there is every sign of their putting up a good show.
- 17th Aug.—Club Regatta and Smoking Concert at Putney.
- 24th Aug.—Kingston. Similar programme to 10th inst.
- 31st Aug.—Leave this date open. For the K.U.B.C. International Regatta. Further announcements later.

*Parody on the old Ragtime Song:  
"For he's a Rag Picker.*

## FOR THEY WERE PEN PUSHERS.

For they are pen pushers, pen pushers,  
All the live long day.  
They bang upon typewriter keys,  
Making out all the One-O-three's;  
Then there's the poor old Casualties,  
They work like blazes, whilst the sweat  
rolls down their faces,  
For they're pen pushers, pen pushers,  
In the good old C.R.O.

E.K.

## FAMOUS SAYINGS.

Look here, my son.—Lieut. Clowes.  
Go away, Brookes, I'm busy as H—  
—S.—Sgt. Laing.

Strip it again.—Capt. McKay.  
Any more Engineer Transfers? Last  
call.—Pte. Patten.

Sounds reasonable.—Captain Ambery.  
Not only for baby.—Pte. Crotty  
(R.I.F.).

Yus.—Miss Cripps.

## STOP PRESS NEWS.

DEATH OF LT. E. T. S. KELLY.  
It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of Miss White's fiancée, Lt. E. T. S. Kelly.

Lt. Kelly belonged to the Canadian Contingent, and was attached to the R.A.F. A letter received by Miss White from the Major of his squadron states that he landed in enemy territory either owing to engine trouble or to the fact that he was slightly wounded. This was on the 13th June, and he died on the 14th June.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Miss White in her bereavement.

It is with regret that we hear of death of another one of the old "Casualty Boys," Pte. B. W. Greaves, the 16th Batt.

He died of wounds on the 25th July at 57 C.C.S. He will be remembered as belonging to the "old Casualty Branch," and worked under S.Q.M.S. Rudolf. Those who knew him will join us in expressing our deep sympathy with his relatives and friends.