

camp this week. There are a great number of B.C. boys in the brigade. Good luck!

We have a new "bull" in our midst in the person of Pte. B. W. Barrett—some swank and some bull. He had a free trip up North the second day he was on the job. Some luck! "B.W." seems to get there all the time, but we only hope that he will not be too hard on the boys.

On company parade the other day, we noticed "Bob" Robertson putting the company through the usual drill. "Freddy" Breeze was there also, and everybody is wondering whether they are going to be graduates, and some are wondering why "Bob" said "Whoa!"

It seems as if "Gasoline Gus" is a little behind "Gimmie" in receiving letters this past week. It sure is some contest.

S. H. R.

SCOUT SECTION AT BRAMSHOTT.

VERY instructive and interesting were the ten days put in at the Bramshott Divisional Scout and Sniper School by our O.C., Mr. Marsden and the N.C.O.'s detailed for the course. Our instructor, Mr. Hebner, was very able and carried the class from point to point with him, so that each subject dovetailed with another. We commenced our training with simple scales, and then in the afternoon went out with the range-finder judging distance and checking our judgment with the range-finder. The following day we paraded with full kit and rations for three meals and proceeded out to the trenches with the Brigade Scouts at 11 a.m., remaining there till 4.30 the following morning. We carried on with various manœuvres, including night attacks, patrols, holding the trenches against attacking parties, etc., and everyone standing to at dawn.

We certainly got an idea of some of the things the boys in the trenches have to put up with, as it rained all night and the darkness could be felt. It also proved to us the need of visual training by the rounds of blanks fired at imaginary patrols who were not in evidence at the time.

A pleasing thing to note was that on account of the absence through illness of the O.C. of the 46th S.S. section, Mr. Marsden was asked, and took charge of the 46th Scouts during the operations with great success, judging by the complimentary remarks that were passed. The following week was occupied with lectures, as the weather was very bad for outdoor work, the subjects including map-reading, bearings, sketching field reports and messages, prismatic compass contours, and various problems and formulas. At the end of the first period of our training course we were recalled for duty at Longmoor ranges, and as the other members of the class had to do their general musketry course, the class was suspended to resume again in the near future.

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