

THE 10TH BATTALION'S PAGE

PITY ITEMS

THINGS WE DO KNOW AND THINGS WE SHOULD LIKE TO KNOW

JOURNALISM REVOLUTIONISED

What a day that was in B----- when Divisional Hely D'Oissel decorated Canadian Officers, N.C.Os., and men. We should like to give the complete list of honours etc., but space won't allow us. It was a sight men, that if you had been priveleged to witness it, would have made you feel proud of the fact that you belong to the Canadian Contingent.

It was the best answer to the downfall of KULTURISM that one could ever give.

Let us all try to uphold the Dignity and Honour of that glorious Dominion of ours.

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Well now did we not have a real pleasant couple of hours on Saturday afternoon 29/4/16 in the Y.M.C.A. when the "Lena Ashwell" Firing Line Concert Party paid us a visit. That everybody thoroughly enjoyed themselves goes without saying. It was sure some concert.

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Someone from the Base the other day paid us quite a compliment. They said, "You know the 'L. P.' just smells of the TRENCHES". And this came from one of the boys who HAS done his BIT.

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The following took place at Festubert:

Scene, trenches. Poor old Ferguson coming out pretty badly wounded, was beating it to the Dressing Station. McDonald, our old stretcher bearer was chasing Ferguson to give him first aid, but could not catch him. So Mac yelled to somebody to shoot that blamed fool and stop him, so that he could get him to the M.O.

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Did the Queen's Own ever wear kilts?

x x x

Did you ever see a mounted bagpipe band? Ask the man from Brandon.

x x x

Our cooks want to know if all the cattle now have only TWO legs. Where have the HIND ones gone to?

x x x

Can any of our readers inform us if they ever saw an eighteen pounder mounted on pneumatic tyred wheels? There's a herrin choker from N B. that we are acquainted with who says HE HAS.

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Did you ever take a trip in a "side door Pullman" in Manitoba during the month of January? Well this reminds us of the Pessimist. When we come in contact with one of those grouchers and knockers they always make us feel like a refrigerator.

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It's enthusiasm that's going to WIN boys, so for the love of Mike KEEP SMILING.

x x x

When the whole blamed world seems gone to pot,
And business is on the bum,
A two cent grin and a lifted chin
Helps some old boy, helps some.

x x x

Did you ever take the trouble to figure out how many hands it requires to feed one fellow in the front line?

x x x

Roaming round the "suburbs" the other day we were asked the question "which side of a cow's horns is his ears, fore or aft? Now then you homesteaders put your thinking caps on.

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And the same "Nosey Parker" wanted to know which is the proper side to milk a cow on, off or near side?

B COMPANY NOTES

Can anyone tell Pte. Pappas why the U. S. ammunition sticks half way up your barrel when fired?

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Which Private says the German shrapnel is no good because it bursts in the air?

x x x

Who are the wise looking guys who walk about the trenches in the day time, with note books and pencils, supposed to be observing? Why don't they join the Army?

x x x

Which N.C.O. is it that rose from Lance Jack to O.C. of the sanitary section in one trip to the trenches?

x x x

Why is it that on a certain wet night, the scouts were not on hand to go out in front. Is it true that they were in fact scouting for dug-outs in the support line, and were the sentries who went out in front on that same night, tickled to death to get wet through?

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Why is it that Headquarters Details eat steak in the trenches whilst the front line live on Maconochies. Do the powers that be consider beef steak a brain food?

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When is the officer in B Co., who took a mess tin containing tea, (save the mark) going to report on the result of his analysis. If not, will he return the mess tin, in view of the fact the men rarely get anything indented for?

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Is Swift a Swallow or does he Swallow Swift?

x x x

Is it true that some of the officers in B Co. have an interest in the firm who manufactures our sandbags?

x x x

Why does B Co's. rum ration invariably taste of chlorine, or is it the water in it?

x x x

Which Sgt. Major of the 10th is looking so fat since his batman went on pass?

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Did Pete take our F200 support to Blighty with him? Good old Pete.

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C CO. NOTES

Heard on the line of march.

Tall Pte: "Some Cooks tour, eh Shorty?"

Short Pte.: "Well I could stand more cooks and less of the tour, my appetite is long but my legs are short",

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It is going to be pretty hard on eleven platoon now that the War Office is down on the lonely soldier stuff.

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The names are wanted of all the men who were present at the heroic rescue of S. M. R.--d from that shell hole on the night we marched back to rest billets at -----.

x x x

Did those two Corporals in No. 12 Platoon go over to the farm to drink buttermilk or for some other purpose?

x x x

Did you notice how pleased C Co's. Storeman was to be back on parade?

x x x

In the words of Bruce Bairnsfather. "When the 'ell is it going to be strawberry"?

x x x

We'll bet our iron rations (a gentleman's bet) that the General knows about 12 Platoon now that he had a chat with scouts Granger and Sullivan. Good old 12 Platoon. What's that you say it can't be done? "No Archibald, it can't be done.."