## THE BEAVER

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There were 5,406 students registered in classes in England during the week ending March 29th. On an average each man was attending classes in three different subjects. There were 1,847 registered for work of an elementary nature, 1,244 for Commerce, 2,039 for Practical Science, 1,669 for Agriculture, and 1,207 for Matriculation and miscellaneous subjects in the various areas.

At Ripon Concentration Camp 789 men are doing full time work. These are divided as follows: Matriculation 199, Faculty of Arts 127, Applied Science 122, Medicine 27, Law 35, Pharmacy 10, Agriculture 95, Theology 67, Special Courses 107.

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In the Correspondence Department 2,896 students were on the registers, 205 new enrolments being recorded during the week and 201 withdrawals. Written papers were sent in in 200 cases, 33 per cent. in Commercial Subjects and about 20 per cent. in Agriculture.

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2,129 hours of instruction were reported for the week, with an aggregate attendance of 52,365 hours, the percentage of atten-dance being 70.8, including Ripon Concentration Camp.

Work at the Canadian Hospital at Orpington has now been organized and a registration of 60 students is reported, with an increase of over 100 per cent. during the week. Twenty-seven hours of instruction were given and the percentage of attendance was above average.

The camps at Bramshott and Witley are, it is understood, being handed over to Imperial troops. The Fourth Division will be sent to Ripon for their stay en route home. This looks like the beginning of the end of the Canadian Army in England. In the meantime Khaki College work is getting more intense as the breaking up time approaches.

It is not too late yet to register and take one of the shorter courses in the Commercial Department. Any time spent in work of this kind is well invested.

At the Teachers' Meeting of the London College last week Colonel Tory estimated that the value to the students of the University courses at Ripon alone, in time and money saved, will be a million dollars. And the cost of the whole work carried on by the Khaki University will be under half that amount. Looks like a good investment: \*

If you are going home soon and have not time to take a course, write to the Correspondence Department for a set of lessons and text books in any subject you are interested. Study them on the way home and complete your course while you are drawing your gratuity. Then you will be ready to take a job at more money and with better prospects. The educated, trained man will get the preference where there are any jobs open,

If you are going on a farm read the article | wisdom in the remark, for it illustrates the by Sergt. Grimes on Farm Bookkeeping. Work out an imaginary set of books. If you want any help write to the Correspondence Department, 38 Bedford Square, W.C. 1.

London College is holding a Social and Dance on Monday evening, the 28th April, in the Caxton Hall, Westminster. Tickets may be procured at the office, 49 Bedford Square, W.C. 1., or from the instructors on payment of two shillings and sixpence. The program is to include dancing and games.

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Arrangements have been made for two excursions in May for the London area at which both the Agricultural and Home Economics Classes will be enabled to attend. The first is on Saturday, May 3rd, when Buckingham Palace Stables will be visited. The rendezvous will be the Victoria Monument at 2 p.m. The second excursion will be to Dodnash Poultry Farm, May 10th. The train leaves Liverpool Street Station at 12.30. \*

The Agricultural students in the London College will please note that the examinations in soils and in dairying have been postponed as follows :-

Soils and Fertilizers, May 1st. Dairying, May 8th.

Word comes from Seaford that great numbers of men are being sent home and that the students are speeding up their work so that they can complete their courses before going back.

During the winter Seaford Agricultural Class has been allowed to conduct afternoon judging of stock and inspection of greenhouses, gardens and landscape art, by the kind permission of Mr. J. B. Brooks, who is in charge of the 1,000 acre farm, known as "Chyngton Farm," which is owned by Lord Chichester.

The Seaford Agricultural Class has made arrangements to visit the big 500 head Dairy Farm of Robinson Bros., at Lewes, once a week for stock judging. There will be prizes for the finals.

Seaford has acquired the use of valuable equipment from the Marconi Company, and also from the Postmaster-General. The result is that students can now be given a complete training in wireless and telegraphy, covering both theory and practice. A test was given to the advanced classes during the past week, wherein the dissembled parts of several wireless sets of different makes were mixed into one pile, and from these sets the students had to assemble and place into circuit three different sending and receiving sets. This result was actually accomplished in one and one-half hours. A very good result from amateurs.

The Seaford Information Bureau has answered from two to three hundred enquiries daily during the past week. A Commanding Officer remarked to the Officer i/c recently : " I do not know what you tell these fellows, but they seem to be quite happy when they come back." There is a world of

fact that the Bureau is a great factor in the removal of discontent by the transmission of authoritive information leading to intelligent appreciation of the situation on the part of the soldier.

The commercial classes of the Seaford College are now being housed in new quarters. The medical authorities having eva-cuated "Framfield," this building has been placed at the disposal of the College, to the satisfaction of all concerned, as the housing of so many men has been one of the great difficulties that confronted the Executive Staff.

## \* Home Economics Department.

The Saturday afternoon programmes held in connection with the Home Economics Department of the London College, are very popular. On Saturday, April 5th, Miss Lefroy (Hon. Secretary, Imperial Women's Emigration Society), gave an interesting lecture on "Settling in Canada," at 49 Bedford Square. Tea was then prepared and served by the students, who had made all the dainties in class. This was followed the dainties in class. This was followed by a most instructive illustrated lecture on "Canada of To-morrow," by Capt. A. E. Ottewell. Last Saturday, at Exmouth Street Institute, Miss R. Baker gave her third demonstration of the series on "Bottling and Canning of Fruit and Vegetables," after which Colonel Harrison, President of Macdonald College, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, addressed the students. Any prospective Canadian women are heartily welcomed to these gatherings, whether they are enrolled as students or not.

The work in this Department is still progressing, and in London alone 196 have registered. New classes are opening after the Easter Holidays—starting April 29th in Dairying, Poultry, Beekeeping, Gardening, Cooking, Laundry Work, Dressmaking, In-fant Care, Home Upholstery, Home Organisation. House Practice, etc. All interested should enrol as soon as possible in order to obtain full advantage of these new courses.

Classes are now running at Seaford and Witley, and women in these areas are strongly urged to take up this work. Applications should be made at 49 Bedford Square, London, W.C. 1.

The following public lectures will be of value to students in the Commercial Department, and others interested in these subjects.

They will be given at the terms of Economics and Political Science, Clare of Economics Street, Kingsway, W.C. 2.

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  Trade Opportunities in South America, by Mr. Gordon Ross, Monday, April 28th, at 8 p.m.
- 2. The Relationship of Costing to Management, by Mr. James R. Massey, Wednes-day, April 30th, at 7.30 p.m.
- 3. The Reform of Political Representation : Some recent applications of proportional methods, by Mr. John H. Humphreys, Monday, May 5th, at 8 p.m. Admission will be by ticket, which may

be obtained on application to the Secretary, Portugal Street Kingsway, W.C. 2.

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