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To -
Secretary Militia Council,
for Chief of the General Staff.
Militia Headquarters,
Ottawa, Ont.

C. O. T. C.

As has already been reported, the University of New Brunswick maintains the C.O.T.C. on a compulsory basis. During the last year, the Contingent at Mount Allison University, Sackville, N.B. has been run on a voluntary basis, with only partial success.

My General Staff Officer recently attended a meeting of the faculty of Mount Allison University, at which the subject was discussed and a committee appointed to bring in a recommendation for the C.O.T.C.

A letter has now been received to the effect that the faculty has decided to continue the O.T.C. on a voluntary basis, but they are prepared to give the O.T.C. course the standing of a voluntary subject for Arts students; students to receive the same credit on their examinations for O.T.C. work that they would receive on any other voluntary subject, such as an additional language, etc. A large proportion of the students at Mount Allison are Engineering students, and this same plan can only be followed with regard to the Science course, if the affiliated colleges, McGill and the Nova Scotia School of Technology will agree.

Would it be possible for you to take the matter up with the authorities of McGill and obtain their co-operation. If so, I think I can say the success of the Mount Allison O.T.C. will be assured. Action will be taken at Mount Allison very soon and the matter is therefore somewhat urgent.

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