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suffered so severely. Both the 16th and the 7th Battalions have lost a large percentage of their men. A great many of these were from Greater Vancouver. The troopers of the B. C. Horse in their eagerness to get to the firing line, chose to go as infantrymen and were drafted into the 5th Bat-talion. The units of the other branches have practically lost their identity, being attached to various brigades.

The four Greater Vancouver regiments furnished quotas of 250 men each for the 47th Battalion, formed as part of the third contingent and mobilized at New Westminster, and provided detachments for the 48th Victoria regiment and the 2nd Canadian Mounted Bifles part of the same Victoria regiment and the 2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles, part of the second contingent; the 11th C. M. R. mobilized at Vancouver for the third contingent; the garrison force sent to Bermuda by the Canadian militia dept. to relieve the regular British regiment stationed there; and also sent east a special detachment to fill up the strength of a battalion mobilized in Montreal, in which recruiting was not proceeding as briskly as at the Pacific coast. Sections for special services, such as mechanical transport, cycle corps, Canadian Overseas Railway Constructhe Pacific coast. Sections for special services, such as mechanical transport, cycle corps, Canadian Overseas Railway Construction Corps, telegraph branch and even aeroplame machinists have also been provided. About 200 former gunners in the British navy went from the coast, being furnished with transportation by the Imperial authorities.

In addition to the troops mobilized and trained for active service several thousand have been on garrison and

and trained for active service several thousand have been on garrison and other special duties since the war started. A large force has been constantly guarding the lines of communication through the mountain passes of British Columbia. The majority of the soldiers originally assigned for these duties later joined the overseas forces, their places being filled by men signed on since.

CENSORSHIP regulations preclude amy extended reference to the defence measures adopted at the coast. Suffice it to say that Greater Vancouver furnished a large proportion of the men posted at various strategic points during the time when German raids on Canadian Pacific coast points were not an unlooked for eventuality. The Royal Vancouver Yacht Club supplied a fleet of fine motor boats for patrol purposes and many members helped to man the Canadian cruiser Rainbow and served in other useful capacities. Some, unused to manual labor of any description, but imbued with a desire to serve their King and Country, shovelled coal in the stokehold of that warship. They had no glory, only hard toil, and great credit, even greater than that given to those who enacted more romantic roles, is due to those yachtsmen.

The Volunteer Reserve movement yachtsmen

yachtsmen.

The Volunteer Reserve movement took a firm hold in Vancouver. More than 2,000 citizens, who from physical, domestic or other reasons, could not enroll with the overseas forces, joined the Home Guards and by hard work, constant drilling and keen enthusiasm have become an efficient arm of the military service. The Vancouver Volunteer Reserve is representative of all the districts, each having its own company, and includes artillery, cavalry, infantry, engineers and special branches.

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alry, infantry, engineers and special branches.

Although such a large proportion of the population is now in the field or training for active service, recruiting at the time of writing showed no signs of flagging. Hundreds of applications were on file at each of the regimental headquarters and no indications were apparent that would lead one to believe that any further calls for men would not meet with the same ready response that met the earlier calls.

The Vancouver regiments have been among the heaviest sufferers. Several prominent officers are now numbered on the honour rolls and the death lists each day show that the men from Greater Vancouver have been in the thick of the fighting. Far from acting as a detterent each successive casualty list has further stimulated recruiting.

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