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## THINGS WE WANT TO KNOW?

Who is the young lady in R.I. "E" who very much favours the Epsom "dug-outs" every week-end, and does she find Caterham a beneficial change?

Who is the Private in R.I. "E" who is getting along so well with one of the female Railway Clerks, and does his wife know?

Who is the Private in R.I. "E" who has lately adopted coloured socks, and a new style of coiffure—surely the flapper Telegraph Girls are not the attraction!

Why Germany thinks most things before any other country thinks of them?

And is it because she thinks things that no civilized country would ever think of thinking?

Was the M.O.'s prescription to a certain Corporal in R.I. "E" administered as a form of training designed to increase his efficiency in the cricket field, or did the M.O. think he was out to break records on the track?

Why some men wear spurs who never were on the hurricane deck of a horse in all their lives and never will be?

Who is the Sergeant in R.I.A.1. who, when asked to buy a Sports' programme, refused, and is it true that a subscription had to be taken up by the Section to purchase one for him?

Is it true he borrows his pal's "Records Bulletin" each week, and never thinks of buying one?

Does he know that matches can be purchased through the Q.M. Stores for 1½d., or does he prefer to borrow his pals'?

Is this the same Sergeant that told General Turner he had been to France—and HAS HE?

Who was it circulated the rumour that a certain S.Q.M.S. was to be given a commission, and when the S.M. of the Branch heard it, was he very mad?

Why it is that S.M. Mills has the door shut of the room he occupies?

Is Miss Daley (R.I.F.) preparing for a very strenuous holiday, as we hear that she is taking food that strengthens? Will she reach Brighton on that grid. of hers?

Does Pte. Peters (R.I.F.) find it cheaper to have a "close crop" seldom, or will he oblige by having a "clipping" often? Does he yet know how much the girls admire his curls?

Why does the day's work of certain members of the R.I.F. contain such cryptic observations as:—"On the Nth day of May the —th Bn. moved to— on the toes raise," etc., etc.? Is it owing to the penetrating qualities of the voices of certain P.T. instructions in the vicinity?

Did a certain L.-Cpl. in R.I. A.1. tell a Lady Typist in strict confidence that he was once a "Movie Artist," and if this is the same person who entered for the "George Washington" stakes, in which Ananias only received "honourable mention"?

Was S.-Sgt. Savage's letter written on the "spur of the moment"?

Who is it that starts all the silly rumours round the Office?

If Pte. Howard, of R.2.B.1, is getting War weary, and is that the reason that he is looking so worried of late? Cheer up, Howard, the first seven years are the worst!

If S.-Sgt. Gyles' pretty purple socks were issued or given away with a lb. of tea?

If the S.-Sgt. in B.2.B.1., who paid 12s. 6d. for having his tunic taken in, was not taken in too?

What time Pte. Stanton, of R.2.B.4, can really do the Mile Walk in, and is he training for the International Sports to be held in the future?

Who was the man in R.1.B. strolling on Hampstead Heath with a young lady, addressing her as his darling little sweetheart?

Who was the man in R.1.B. who tried to put the blame on the little fellow when he got an extra Sunday duty?

Why does Cpl. Croft object to such a beautiful name as "Roy"?

What did S.Q.M. Worthington do with the "Bird"?

Is it true that a certain Cpl. in R.2.A.5. won a \$100.00 War Bond and went out and bought a pair of corsets to go with his fancy waistcoat?

If Pte. Connell, of R.2.A.5., can pronounce the following name appearing on one of his Record Sheets: Szczyglowski?

What did a certain non-effective clerk in R.2.A.5. say when trimming his toe nails with a cuticle knife, he was asked if he also wished to have the orange sticks and peroxide?

Does "Shorty Pettitt" need to go among his "special friends" to be fleeced, and has his reputation as a "jeweller and valuer" suffered?

Did he after all have very much to grumble at, considering his good watch cost him 50 cents. in the first place?

If Pte. Gerrard, R.2.A.2., would rather have a Noahs Ark or a box of bricks to play with?

The reason S.Q.M.S. Worthington and S.-Sgt. Savage attend the National Sporting Club so regular?

And which will be the first to challenge the Editor of the "Bulletin" from the ring?

And if it is true they may be seen the morning after in earnest converse discussing the relative merits of uppercuts and jabs?

When the base-ball team started practising by pulling on the tug-o'-war rope?

And would they really loose their practice time if they did not give their time to pulling against the tug-o'-war team?

## OFFICERS' P.T.

I.

Awake! for the Instructor with all his might

Hath shouted "Fall in, ye cripples, and eyes right!"

And lo! the doughty ones of C.R.O.

Have fingers stretched and pulled their trousers tight.

II.

COLEMAN each day doth eagerly frequent

Right of the line—to lead the march he's bent.

And when the class doth double on its toes,  
His eager, earnest efforts are well-meant.

III.

A dusty roof men set their hands upon,  
Then shoot their feet out quickly—and anon

Instructor comes and presses down their seats—

For agile elegance you cannot beat our DON.

IV.

They say that AMBERY and AN-DREWS keep

Chic vests from which their manly bosoms peep;

And HARTLING that great hustler—O'REILLY

Says "Class, 'shun!"—and he stays fast asleep.

V.

Goslings no question make "Aye" or "No,"

But right or left as dashes JOHNSON go,

And they at whose behest we do this stunt,  
They know how good it is for us, they know.

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## ANOTHER ONE.

R.I.C., as you must know,  
Constitutes a Branch Show,  
And Capt. Bowen debonair  
Lords it in his office chair.

Should you perchance want to know  
What has happened to So-and-so,  
You approach a maid, who heaves a sigh;  
And regrets she cannot identify.

Alas and alack, 'tis terribly hard  
To find sometimes the elusive card;  
But I am sure that you will all agree  
That we could not do without R.I.C.

The many friends of Mrs. Payne, the popular "Second in Command" of R.I.C., will be pleased to learn that her husband, Petty Officer C. R. Payne, has received high honours from the French Government, having been created a Knight of the Order of the Bey, for work with the French Admiralty.

The emblem of the Order is the Bey of Tunisia Cross, which was presented to P.O. Payne by a famous Admiral of the French Navy.

We take this opportunity of offering Mrs. Payne and her husband our heartiest congratulations.