

Basic Military Training.

The training itself has also got under way with amazing despatch. While the Department of National War Services was engaged in preparing the lists of men to be called for service, and setting up the thirteen national war service boards, the training camps themselves were being prepared to receive the men. Critics said it could never be done in the time set by the government. But, it was done, thanks to the untiring efforts of the officials and officers of the Departments of National Defence and of Munitions and Supply and the invaluable co-operation of the construction industry.

On the 13th day of September, a proclamation was issued calling out men for military training in the 21, 22 and 23 year old class. Shortly afterwards the registrars of the national war service boards sent out the first call for training. In response to the first call, 27,559 men appeared at the training camps. After a second medical examination, 2,034 of these men were rejected. The rest of the men have now completed their first period of training.