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THE OFFICERS

Three officers were successful in passing the final examinations at the recently completed Royal School of Infantry, Work Point. These are Lieut. Kennedy, No. 1, Lieut. Meredith, No. 3, and Lieut. Perks, No. 4. Lieuts. Badger, No. 2, and Burde, No. 4, will take their final examinations within the course of the next few days.

At the Musketry School in Ottawa, the 67th officers have been making an enviable record for the Battalion. At the last school two of the four officers attained marksmen's certificates and two got first class shot certificates. Lieuts. Gillingham, No. 3, Edmond, No. 1, Duncan, No. 4, and Cooke, No. 3, are expected back before the beginning of the week, and we confidently expect to hear that they have done equally well. The arrival of the four last named officers will bring the number of officers who have passed through the Musketry School up to eleven.

In the realm of sport the officers, or rather, two of them, are holding their own. Lieuts. McDiarmid and Okell have proved a tower of strength to the soccer team. There is still lots of officer material to draw upon for sports. Lieut. Meredith is considered a crack Rugby player and can do 100 yards in fast enough time to make the quickest hustle. Lieut. Andrews is an old half-miler of note, having been for two years champion of the Hong Kong garrison, one of the most sporting stations in the Empire, for two successive seasons. While on the subject, why not an officers' relay team? There is ample material amongst the men to get up some exciting races, and a small prize, to be bought by the losers, would make the series of races an interesting one.

Four officers of the Battalion will attend the next captains' class at Work Point. They are Captain Halliwell, No. 2, Lieut. Fullerton, No. 4, Lieut. Baker, No. 1, assistant adjutant, and Captain Grahame, the O.C. of No. 4 Company. Little doubt is entertained that they will all pass with flying colors and thereby add lustre to the name of the Battalion.

It is rumored that Dan Cupid has been busy of late and that an interesting military wedding is to take place in the not far distant future. The men of No. 3 Company are sprucing up and learning parts of the marriage ceremony so that they may take an intelligent interest in the proceedings. We may add that the groom-to-be is a popular officer of No. 3 Company. Can you guess who? No, he doesn't look as if he were in love, and can still eat three hearty meals a day, which makes the competition harder.

NO. 1 COMPANY

Numerous enquiries have been made by the members of No. 1 Company as to the reason for Corporal Higgins changing the continual shake of his head from a horizontal to a vertical one. To satisfy the curiosity of the men, Corporal Higgins has been good enough to explain that he was offered a drink in the Willows and his affliction was unfortunately taken for a refusal of the offer. Hence the change.

The long and the short of it: Sergeant W. T. Johnston and Corporal Higgins in the new band.

We hear No. 1 Company has great difficulty in obtaining an escort on a few occasions on which it is Orderly Room cases. Is the reason an escort on one occasion came within an ace of getting three days C.B. owing to being mistaken for a prisoner?

Sergeant-Major Henderson will be pleased to give instructions to any man in the Company as to the easiest method of putting out an electric light which is out of reach. It's easy but not economical.

The Q.M. wishes to know why Pte. A. Galloway desires to draw a brush and comb. He is either a bluffer or an

optimist. If he can show us at any future date that he requires them we will cheerfully furnish them, and, in addition, place an order for a dozen bottles of his hair restorer.

Pte. Morden's weekly financial report of crop outlook is not yet received. We are sorry.

We can now accommodate twenty more men in No. 1 building. Sergeant Johnston is sleeping in the Sergeants' Mess.

Sergeant-Major Henderson will receive applications for the post of Barrack Room Lawyer. The last incumbent is in the Guard Room.

No. 3 Platoon is unhappy. Wee Lauchie is mess orderly this week.

No. 1 Company will give a concert soon. No. 3 Company is cordially invited to enjoy a good time.

It is untrue that the ring on the bayonet haft is provided for carrying swagger canes.

NO. 3 COMPANY

The outstanding event during the week in the history of the camp was the concert given by No. 3 Company in the Y.M.C.A. building last Tuesday evening. The pre-eminence of this Company has been many times tacitly acknowledged by the other units of the Battalion, but no more graceful tribute to its powers could be given than the capacity audience that assembled twenty minutes before the appointed time.

Lieut. Nicholson occupied the chair, and was supported on the platform by a number of other officers. In a few brief remarks Mr. Nicholson outlined the object of the concerts, which are to be given by the different units of the Battalion in turn each Tuesday and Friday, with the idea of providing entertainment, in collaboration with the Y.M.C.A., for the men during the winter evenings.

Taken as a whole, excellent talent was shown by the various artists. An unusual feature was the hypnotic demonstration by Sgt. Eddie, which was absolutely genuine, and caused much amusement. An extra was furnished by C.S.M. McIntosh in the marching song of the Company, "Macnamara's Band." The following were the performers: Lieut. Marsden, C.S.M. McIntosh, Pipe-Major Wishart, Sgts. Eddie and Hunter, Corporal Fenton, and Ptes. Hughes, Armstrong, Holmes, White, Hibbert, Mills, Shepherd, Fletcher, Harper and Dunn, as well as the members of the mouth organ band.

On Monday evening the N.C.O.'s of the Company and the members of the No. 9 Platoon offered a small token of their appreciation to Sgt. Watson on the occasion of his marriage last Saturday. C.S.M. McIntosh made the presentation and conveyed the congratulations and good wishes of the Company to the bridegroom, who replied in a few well-chosen words. May his troubles be little ones!

Wonderful example of the discipline in No. 3 Company! Every time Mr. Nicholson's horse sees an incomplete section of fours it tries to edge in.

Rv-the-wav. that is a very charming photograph C.S.M. McIntosh carries with him, but he must be careful to keep it out of sight or the boys will suspect he is not boss at home.

Why is it that No. 3 is the only Company that has contributed to the first two issues of the Western Scot? If the other companies cannot think of anything to say, why do they not print their crime reports? Rumor hath it that that would fill quite a big space, anyway.

Here is a little story about No. 4 Company when it supplied Quarter Guard a week ago. It was a dark night, and the Guard was in the recruit stage.

Sentry: "Who goes there?"

Voice: "Army Chaplain."

Sentry: "Pass, Charlie Chaplin."