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HERE WE ARE AGAIN

"THE TANK TATLER" has not been dead. Neither has it been sleeping. It has not appeared recently, first, because the staff has been too busy forming fours, and greasing tanks, and misfiring 6 pdrs. to report the continued existence of the First Canadian Tank Battalion, and secondly, because of the exigencies of the printing trade in England during the war.

But at last this little difficulty has been solved and "The Tank Tatler" is back in action again—to record your joys and sorrows and at the same time to provide whatever amusement it can for its readers.

Many changes have come over the First Canadian Tank Battalion since the last issue of this paper was brought out. There have been changes in the personnel of the officers; we have passed through segregation, landing leave and tank training, and one would hardly recognise the unit as the same one that crossed over on the "Cassandra," were it not for the fact that the "esprit de corps" is the same, the determination of the boys to see it through is just as strong, and the name we have made for ourselves all along for "pep" and "snap" is being kept up.

NICE WORDS FOR TANKS.

Col. Marshall and Mr. Dunstan Praise the Battalion.

On their return to Canada, Col. Noel Marshall and Mr. Kenneth Dunstan, of the Canadian Red Cross Society, who were fellow passengers with us on the "Cassandra," were interviewed by the Toronto press about their impressions overseas.

It was significant that each of these gentlemen spoke of their trip across with the Tanks.

"Overseas, I saw nothing more wonderful than the spirit of 'camaraderie' in the Tank Battalion," said Col. Marshall to a reporter for the "Toronto World." "In their songs and yells, the Laval boys, the McGill boys, the Toronto University boys and the other university students in the Tank Battalion showed something of the spirit of fellowship that is being knit between the different sections of Canada."

Mr. Dunstan added further complimentary words to this tribute, and he also mentioned particularly the Tank songs.

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MAY BE A TANK BRICADE.

Minister of Militia says Second Tank Battalion is Ready.

Speaking at a Rotary Club luncheon in Ottawa, Major-General Sidney G. Mewburn, Minister of Militia for Canada, announced that in the near future there would likely be a Canadian Tank Brigade. "The first Tank Battalion was raised and equipped in less than two months," said the

The second Canadian Tank Battalion, recruited from the ranks of artillery units at Petawawa Camp, was nearly ready to proceed overseas, the Minister announced.