

MILITARY SPIRIT IS PREDOMINANT

Everywhere One Goes at Exhibition Patriotic Endeavor is Seen

TROPHIES OF THE WAR

In Another Place Clothing and Munitions for Our Own Men

After one day's look around the grounds, yesterday's good crowd at the Exhibition must have easily arrived at the conclusion that it is another great exposition with the same big crowds and the same old enthusiasm—with patriotism added.

One fact is predominant, however. The many regular features of Canada's annual display are as attractive as ever, but the big "special added attraction" this year is undoubtedly the military representation. Some "samples" of the great war, consisting of war trophies, are also a part. The military spirit is also found in many parts of the exhibits, in the grandstand performance, in the water-front stunts, along the Midway, in the flags and decorations and in the very air.

In the Transportation Building are found motor ambulances and war cycles; in the Government Building are found the big German field-piece and the blood-stained uniforms of fallen soldiers; in the Manufacturers' Building are samples of uniforms for active service officers and men; in the Process Building war supplies are being made, and in other buildings are found war goods of various descriptions.

Attracted Thousands.

In the open grounds is located the Model Military Camp, which, on the first day of the Exhibition, drew thousands of visitors. Passing among the thousands of visitors are recruiting sergeants from the six local regiments, who are working under the direction of Sergeant-Major C. Fields of the Toronto Recruiting Depot. A branch of this depot has been established very close to the Model Camp. Out in the lake a mimic German war vessel floats until it is blown up by a Canadian aviator or a mine each day. In front of the grandstand the forty armored cars of the Eaton Machine Gun Battery take part in scaring maneuvers twice each day. The scenic spectacle of military and naval in character and includes, at the evening performance, the "March of the Allies," which again reminds us of the present international situation.

To add to all this, yesterday's throng of sightseers included many officers and men from the camps at Niagara, London and Barriefield. Among the prominent officers on the grounds yesterday were Lieut.-Col. S. C. Mewburn, A. A. G., for the 2nd Divisional Area; Major R. K. Barker, Major Clyde Caldwell, Capt. Trump, Capt. Campbell, and others from the divisional staff—all in their active service uniforms. In addition the bands which supply the music, with one exception, are military, and the selections they play follow the military tone.

Near the York Pioneers' hut is the headquarters of the Veterans' Association of the Canadian militia, made up of the fighters of 1866, 1885 and South Africa. This tent is in charge of Mr. A. M. Sutton, of the 1885 Association.

Soldiers to Visit.

Special military features are to be the visit of a whole battalion of infantry from Niagara Camp, on Thursday, September 2nd, when one hundred Italian reservists will also be inspected in front of the Grand Stand, probably by H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught, Governor-General of Canada, who will also inspect the veterans of other wars.

on the same occasion. On Labor Day, the usual labor parade is to be featured by the inclusion of another battalion of trained soldiers from Niagara.

A great crowd watched the first demonstration of the 270 officers and men of the 35th Battalion, C. E. F., who are encamped at the grounds. When the husky soldiers stripped themselves quickly of hat, belt, and tunic for the physical drill and the wonderful muscular development of the men was seen, a rousing cheer went up from the crowd. They went through their exercises with clock-like precision, and every feat was followed by appreciate applause from the people. The soldiers followed the Swedish system of physical drill throughout in unison with the band of the 10th Royal Grenadiers under bandmaster Waldron. Incidentally, the bandmen were wearing their brand new active service uniforms, and they looked spick and span.

Fine-looking lot.

"They are the finest-looking lot of soldiers I have ever seen in all my life," declared Major R. K. Barker, of the local headquarters staff, as he stood watching the drill. "The way they move is a treat." This praise from Major Barker was a considerable compliment because he has inspected hundreds of thousands of soldiers in his long career as a warrior, and he has seen many of the crack units of the Imperial forces.

The soldiers went through their physical drill under the leadership of Sergeant-Major Neil, of the 35th Battalion, formerly of the 48th Highlanders. For the company drill which followed, they were commanded by Capt. Campbell and Harcourt. The scheduled trench operations yesterday were out of the question because the trenches were half filled with water, and some of the model dug-outs were not quite completed. Another interesting feature of the camp programme was, however, the drill of the signallers who went through their code of "flag-flapping" with beautiful precision.

Something that made the physical drill of the company a pretty sight was the light jersey which each man wore under his tunic. This jersey was of white material with the numerals "35" sewn into the breast in large red figures.