

# CAMP BORDEN BREAK-UP IS STILL INDEFINITE

(Staff Correspondence of The Globe.)

Camp Borden, Oct. 16.—Officially the date for breaking up camp is indefinite, although October 25 has been mentioned as the date for moving headquarters. It is understood, however, that the Central Registry and several other departments will leave for Toronto on that date, but that the A. A. G. & T. Records Department will remain until the 28th, or perhaps longer. Ottawa has failed to enlighten Headquarters regarding the movement of some of the units overseas, and other matters, and if the battalions are kept until the last moment considerable delay may be experienced, so that the official movement may not be recorded until November 1.

Col. W. C. MacDonald is now at the Exhibition Camp, Toronto, in charge of the allocation of troops, and Lieut.-Col. R. C. Windeyer is in charge of the administration, and they will be in charge until Headquarters moves at the end of the month. The Divisional Cyclists were due to arrive to-day, and the 220th and 234th Battalions tomorrow. On Wednesday the 198th and 204th Battalions will move, followed by the 208th on Thursday. This will mean that the five units will be encamped by Friday, and the 67th, 69th, 70th, and 71st Batteries will leave Petawawa Camp on October 24th and 25th.

## Doubt as to 227th and 228th.

It is possible that the 227th and 228th Battalions will not go to Hamilton and Toronto, respectively, to which cities they were allocated. North Bay and Sudbury are both making strenuous efforts to have at least one of these units back there for the winter. Headquarters does not think the extreme climate would be favorable for training, and the men of the battalions have no desire to return, especially the 228th Battalion, who want to play hockey at the Toronto Arena. With but five units in the Exhibition grounds, it is unlikely that Park School will be needed, as the schools of instruction can be accommodated.

## Several Still to Go East.

There are a number of battalions still to be moved easterly between now and the end of the month, and as instructions are still unobtainable it is more than probable there will be some congestion in moving them because of the strain on the railways. Military District No. 1 has not notified the 118th (North Waterloo) Battalion yet regarding winter quarters, despite inquiries from headquarters here. In all probability it will return to Kitchener again, although Galt, London and St. Thomas have been mentioned. The battalion desires to go to Kitchener. Lieut.-Col. W. M. O. Lohead, O.C., expects some information from headquarters to-morrow. The 122nd (Muskoka) Battalion is also still without a home for the winter, although it has been mentioned to proceed overseas, and also to be billeted at Orillia, Barrie, Galt, St. Thomas and Sudbury.

## B. F. and P. T. School at Toronto.

Besides the school of machine gunnery, authority has also been secured to establish the school of instruction for eastern Canada in bayonet fighting and physical training at Toronto. Captain R. V. Conover has been mentioned as officer in charge.

## Another Q. O. R. Battalion.

Lieut.-Col. G. C. Royce, Brigadier 9th Brigade, announced to-night

that he expected authority from Ottawa for the organizing of the next Queen's Own Rifles battalion to be received in a week or so. Lieut.-Col. Sidney Band will be second in command, and Captain Sidney Small, who is now orderly officer to the 9th Brigade, will also be one of the company officers. Col. Royce was Commandant at the internment camp at Kapuskasing, and Captain Small was a member of his staff. The Queen's Own Rifles have raised the 3rd, 83rd and 166th Battalions, and have also contributed largely to the strength of the 19th, 35th, 58th, 74th and 95th Battalions. The 3rd 83rd, 95th and 166th Battalions went overseas known as Queen's Own battalions.

## New Killed Regiment.

Although nothing definite is known about a new killed regiment, it is understood the 48th Highlanders will be authorized to raise one shortly. With the movement overseas of the 173rd (Hamilton Highlanders) some time soon, it will leave the district without a killed unit.

## 142nd Battalion Reorganized.

The 142nd (London's Own) Battalion has been organized on a three-company basis, as it is only a little over 700 strong. One Captain and four subalterns will be dropped to meet the establishment regulations. Capt. W. C. Riddeford, Chaplain of the unit, has tendered his resignation also, it is learned, but no reasons for his action are known.

## Officers Transferred.

The following officers are transferred for training: Lieuts. H. J. Connolly and H. D. Ritchie, 17th Battalion, to 208th Battalion; Lieuts. G. H. Noyes and G. P. McNaughton, 186th Battalion, to 149th Battalion. Lieut. E. C. Chamberlain (28th Regiment) is struck off the strength of the 186th Battalion.

## Commissions in Militia.

The following have been discharged to take out commissions in the active militia: Pte. O. M. John, Overseas Training Company, C. O. T. C.; Sergt. Norman Allister McLean, 180th Battalion, and Pte. Robert Smith Bennie, Pte. Chas. Norman Le Mercier, Pte. Albert Williamson Pratt, Pte. Chas. E. F. Wickenden, Pte. John W. G. Boyd, Pte. Ross A. Lyon and Pte. Herman L. Tracy, all of the O. S. Training Depot, U. of T. C. O. T. C., and Pte. Frederick W. Rook, 208th Battalion, have been granted discharges to accept commissions in the Royal Flying Corps.

## Notes.

The Camp Hospital is again increasing in size, about 180 patients now being cared for there. Of these eighty-five are measles cases.

Every tent that is not actually needed is being packed in unpreparedness for early movements. This morning the 149th (Lambton) and the 164th (Halton) Battalions entrained for their winter quarters. The former left for London, where they will be quartered at the Exhibition Grounds, and the Halton unit were carried as far as Alliston by train, and then they commenced a trek through the counties of Halton and Dufferin to Hamilton.

The Canadian Army Medical Corps is in urgent need of recruits, and applicants should apply to the recruiting depot at Toronto. Those enlisting now may be sure of an early call for overseas, as Ottawa is asking for large drafts all the time.

Lieut. L. Lott of the 149th (Lambton) Battalion, and Bombing Officer of the 8th Brigade, it is learned, is to be attached to the staff of the district Bombing School.