

CAPT. "RODDY" KANE JOINS THE 244TH

Well-known Officer of Vics Now Paymaster With Overseas Battalion

GUARDS LOSE OFFICERS

Three Who Went With Lt.-Col. Gascoigne Killed at Ypres— Pte. Manhire Gets D.C.M. for Gallantry

Capt. "Roddy" Kane of the 3rd Victoria Rifles, has joined the 244th Battalion, under Lt.-Col. F. M. McRobie, as Captain and Paymaster of the new regiment for overseas. Capt. Kane is an old time member of the Vics., but had retired some years ago. As soon as the war broke out he returned to the regiment, assuming his old rank as captain. He took an active part in the recruiting for the 14th Battalion, and later went to the internment camp at Spirit Lake, where he helped Lt.-Col. Rodden in getting the Army Service Corps work going. Since then he has done a lot of voluntary work with Lt.-Col. W. J. Stewart, of the Headquarters Staff, in arranging for the transportation of troops passing through Montreal. He was for a number of years with the Ogilvie Flour Mills, and latterly sales agent for the Lantic Sugar Refinery. He has already assumed his duties at the Peel Street Barracks.

EXPERIENCED ASST. ADJUTANT.

Lieut. J. E. Ardron, who has been appointed Assistant Adjutant of the 244th Overseas Battalion, C.E.F., has already had a lot of useful experience in C.E.F. units.

He enlisted on the 1st of September, 1915, in the 4th Universities Company, C.E.F., earning his stripes as quartermaster-sergeant. A few days before that company's departure for overseas at the end of November, he was, for his good services, retained for a commission, and received an appointment as assistant-adjutant on the 2nd of December with the 148th Overseas Battalion, C.E.F., qualifying for his commission at the R.S.I., Halifax, in January, 1916.

Lieut. Ardron was with the 148th during the entire period of its organization and proceeded with the battalion to Valcartier Camp. An operation, however, which he had a year ago to enable him to enlist has proved ineffective and he was prevented from going overseas without a further operation. As this cannot be arranged at present he has been secured for the 244th Overseas Battalion, where his previous experience will prove most useful.

Another officer provisionally appointed to the 244th is Lieut. H. Beattie, who has joined from the 58th Westmount Rifles.

Sergt.-Instructor H. W. Johnston, who is in charge of the officers' physical training class, is a son of the late Dr. Wyatt Johnston. He joined the first McGill C.O.T.C., and has qualified as a lieutenant, as well as physical instructor. He is on the Headquarters instructional staff, and has been attached to the 244th for the physical training class, which works four evenings a week at the M.A.A. gymnasium.

WILL INSPECT THE GUARDS.

On Tuesday next, the 27th inst., the First Regiment Canadian Grenadier Guards will be inspected by Col. Fages, Acting D.O.C., on Fletcher's Field at 9 p.m. Following the inspection the officers will entertain in the mess.

D Company has been successful in winning the Wilson Cup for attendance and general efficiency, the Gear Trophy for shooting, and the Rexford Cup, in the inter-company bowling competition. The cups will be presented after the inspection by the D.O.C. on Tuesday night.

On Wednesday evening, the officers of D Company entertained the men, taking them for a trip down the river. Music and refreshments were provided and a very enjoyable evening spent.

BATTALION DRILL WITH HIGHLANDERS.

On Wednesday evening, June 21st, the brigade night manoeuvres having been called off the Guards and the 5th Highlanders combined for battalion drill on Fletcher's Field under Sgt.-Major Roberts, each unit forming two companies, with a total of well over 600 men. The officers, especially, appreciated the opportunity of handling companies of full strength.

The signalling section, under Lieuts. K. G. Rea and G. E. Robertson, have been putting in some hard work for the last few weeks and have been of valuable assistance in the recent brigade manoeuvres. There are still a few vacancies for good men in the section.

LOST 3 OFFICERS AT YPRES.

The Grenadier Guards suffered in the recent heavy fighting around Ypres, the following three officers having been killed in action: Lieut. B. C. Macfarlane, Lieut. K. C. Campbell and Lieut. Harold Gallon, who were all members of the mess before being seconded to the battalion under Lt.-Col. Gascoigne.

Private advices state that Private Manhire, of the Field Ambulance, under Lt.-Col. Peters, has been awarded the D.C.M. for gallant conduct in the field. Private Manhire was formerly a member of D Company of the Guards.

Lieut. S. B. White has recently been appointed Captain and second in command of D Company in the 199th Irish-Canadian Rangers. Before being seconded to the 199th, Capt. White was an active officer of B Company, of the First Regiment.

Lieut. C. H. Lightbound, of A Company, has been seconded, having joined the McGill Battery as a gunner.

Last Thursday night twenty-five men were passed out of recruit class and drew their uniforms.

AUXILIARIES NEAR STRENGTH.

The C.O.T.C. Auxiliary Battalion is now nearly 1,100 strong, practically with its ranks full, and will turn out for parade this afternoon with all men uniformed, and the more advanced sections with arms. Hitherto the battalion has been doing recruit and squad drill, but this afternoon, for the first time, they will start regular platoon work, with extended order drill, on Fletcher's Field.