

# EXPERT ENGINEERS GUARD ESQUIMALT

## German and Austrian Reservists Sent to Nanaimo to be Held During Remainder of War.

Nine expert Canadian electrical and mechanical engineers have passed through Vancouver for Victoria, where they are assisting in manning the defences at Esquimalt. Captain Hazen Ritchie, an old Royal Military College man, is chief of the corps. The men were selected from the staff of the Canadian General Electric Company. They are in charge of searchlights and other similar equipment. The party includes Messrs. Charles Stewart, H. S. Elliott, W. S. Johnson, H. Williams, J. S. Dunlop, all of Peterboro, Ont., and Messrs. A. T. McLean, Harold Bestard and Alex. Hardie, of Toronto. Other parties went to Halifax and Quebec from the same concern.

Eighteen German and Austrian army reservists, arrested and held in Vancouver while trying to leave the country to join their regiments, were this morning sent over to Nanaimo to be incarcerated in the prison erected in that city, for the remainder of the war.

Col. Duff Stuart said this morning he had not been officially advised of the mobilizing of a second contingent, but supposed that a start would be made now that the first contingent had left.

### **Rifle Ranges Open.**

The Richmond rifle ranges will re-open for outdoor practice on Saturday, Sept. 26, to continue every Saturday thereafter until Oct. 31. The morning shoot will commence at 9 o'clock and in the afternoon shooting will begin at 1 o'clock.

### **Indoor Shooting.**

Indoor shooting will commence in the drill hall, Beatty street, at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4, and will continue throughout the winter every Wednesday and Saturday evening from 7 to 10. As the drill hall is under military guard day and night, it will be necessary for all V. R. A. members to produce their membership cards to obtain admittance.

### **Collingwood Unit.**

Lieut. Williamson requests a full attendance at the Collingwood Institute tonight of the Collingwood unit of the Vancouver volunteer reserve. After drill arrangements will be made for a patriotic dance in the Institute next Tuesday night.

### **Fenian Veterans' Drill.**

The first parade for drill of the Fenian Raid Veterans' company of the Vancouver volunteer reserve will be held at the Dawson school, Burrard and Nelson streets at 8 o'clock Thursday evening.

### **Eburne Drills.**

The Eburne company of the Vancouver volunteer reserve will meet for drill above the Victoria theatre, Granville and Townsend streets, on Friday, Sept. 25, at 8 o'clock. Another drill will be held on Monday, Sept. 28, at 8 o'clock in the L. O. O. F. hall, Eburne. A competent drill instructor will attend.