

# CANAL GROUNDS ARE TRAINING GROUND FOR OVERSEAS UNITS

Regular Daily Drill is Held  
and Men Soon Become  
Proficient.

OFFICERS AND MEN  
HAVE GOOD QUARTERS

Interned Aliens are Made to  
Work a Little to Get  
Up an Appetite.

They have now a hockey team from each of the two companies of the 51st stationed at the Ship Canal, and good skating is to be found in the ponds near the canal. The men on duty there all appear to be in good condition, and to be quite satisfied with their quarters.

There are three guard posts at the canal, one at the approach by the bridge across the power canal near the general office building of the Lake Superior Corporation, the main guard on the locks, and the guard at the railway bridge. The guard at the power canal has quarters in a box car drawn up on an Algoma Central spur, and not far away is another box car where the fourteen interned alien enemies have their sleeping quarters. One of the buildings on the lock walls is used as quarters for the main guard, while the guard at the railway bridge is quartered in a nearby house.

The officers are quartered in the main canal building and the orderly room for the post is also there, but during the big storm not long ago the officers were sleeping out in tents, not having moved into their present establishment at that time.

An old cement pier on the north pier of the lower approach to the canal has been renovated and turned into a very comfortable barracks for the men. The mess room and kitchen are also located in this building, while a small room is now being fitted up as an officers' mess.

The sergeants' mess and the canteen are located in the old steamship office on the south pier of the tail race of the power canal. This canteen, be it noted, is after the Sam Hughes type.

There are now 142 officers and men stationed at the canal, and each day the company off duty receives about three hours' drill, and while the ranks were much depleted by the recruiting for the second contingent they have since been filled up with new men who are already taking on quite a soldierly appearance and becoming proficient in their drill. This is the great training ground for the local overseas units.

The fourteen interned aliens at the post are kept working about four or five hours a day doing odd jobs around the camp under the direction of the guard, which help to make them appreciate their board, and their lot is by no means a hard one.