

## THE PETAWAWA CAMP

A memorandum issued by the department of militia states that the mobilization of troops at Petawawa this year will be the most extensive of any carried out for years.

In the latter part of June 12,000 cavalry, artillery and infantry will be there for a few days of combined training.

Petawawa has been decided as the mobilization point on account of its central location and the advisable facilities for handling large masses of men. The artillery and cavalry arms always train there in June, so that by a slight increase in cavalry and the mobilization of a proportionate force of infantry a magnificent body of troops can be got together for training under service conditions.

A test of transportation facilities and staff work will be an important feature. It is planned by Col. the Hon. Sam Hughes that on June 15th about 8,000 infantry and cavalry, drawn from an area extending from Bowmanville to Sherbrooke, will be moved into Petawawa in less than twenty-four hours. This will require 350 cars or nearly 20 trains. Under the system to be pursued each troop train will be numbered. Cars will be placed at the different points and picked up as the trains proceed.

The railway companies have co-operated in the arrangement of a schedule that will ensure the delivery of the troops at Petawawa with the regularity of a passenger time table. The movement of freight trains on most of the lines affected will be stopped during the day of mobilization. The troops will go into camp on the 15th of June. A secondary mobilization will take place on June 20th, when about 4,000 city corps drawn from an area extending from Hamilton to Sherbrooke, will be taken to Petawawa for five days of training, during which two days will be spent in the combined training of seven regiments of cavalry, three or more brigades of artillery and three of infantry.

Col. the Hon. Sam Hughes is to personally supervise the manoeuvres and it is expected that His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught will be present.