

## MEN IN ROYAL FLYING CORPS ARE CAREFULLY TRAINED

**An Aviator Must Have Courage and be Familiar With the Tricks and Tactics of Flying—Thoroughly Trained in Marksmanship and the Use of Machine Guns—How the Nation's Battles Above the Clouds are Fought.**

Probably no soldier on the firing line in France receives a more thorough training in marksmanship and the use of machine guns than the man who soars above the battle line in the swift, far-darting scout aeroplane. His very value as a fighting machine is measured almost entirely by his skill in using the Lewis or Vicker's

gun with which his aeroplane is equipped. Consequently long before a cadet in the Royal Flying Corps has mastered flight he begins to learn to sight both of these deadly weapons. He studies the mechanism and construction closely—knows them so completely that in the moment of combat he will not be at a loss when his gun jams, because he has been taught to adjust it almost automatically in a few seconds.

Every aspirant to the great privilege of fighting the nation's battle above the clouds first learns the use of the machine gun—his only weapon of offense—by target practice on the ground. The guns are fitted with compensating sights which in actual air fights allow for the speed of both aeroplanes. Special targets have been devised to test the cadet's aim through these sights. To quicken the eye, every cadet also takes practice in shooting clay pigeons.

The modern scout machines—incidentally swift machines which hover about the lines driving off the prying eyes of the enemy—carry Vicker's machine guns. These guns are fixed. To aim them the aviator must aim the aeroplane. To train cadets in this unusual method of shooting, a chair was invented, called the "Rocking Noddy." This device is moved about like the aeroplane with rudder and "joy stick." If anything aiming the "Rocking Noddy" is more difficult than the actual aeroplane.

Aiming at pictures of aeroplanes painted on the ground or at towed targets in the air, fighting duels with other cadets by means of camera guns which register hits on a photographic film, and chasing miniature balloons are other methods followed to make every aviator who goes into active service a first class marksman filled with every confidence in his skill in using the machine gun. And these "sports" are but one phase of the many interesting studies the cadet in the Royal Flying Corps takes up. His training also includes a complete course in map reading and he must also become a past master in the use of wireless telegraphy, for both these features of his training are essential when he is called upon to direct artillery fire.

It can be said without exaggeration that any man who passes the tests imposed on applicants to the Flying Corps enters a course of training that is full of fascinating experiences and packed with ever-new interest.

To be successful in this work an aviator must, of course, have courage. But he must have more. He must be efficient in map reading. He must be familiar with many tricks and tactics of flying. He must have confidence in his ability to handle his machine gun no less than his skill in using the camera. So when a cadet is being trained in the Royal Flying Corps his training covers many duties and is full of fascinating interests from day to day. No aviator goes to France without knowing all the tricks of the game that three years of close-packed experience have taught.

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### MAY CONVENE EARLY IN MARCH

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
Ottawa, Jan. 7. — The hope is expressed generally by the cabinet ministers in the city that it may be possible to have parliament convene early in March, and its deliberations confined to a three months' period in order that prorogation may be made before the warm weather.

Hon. J. K. Calder, minister of immigration and colonization, and Hon. T. A. Crerar, minister of agriculture, arrived in Ottawa this morning and will attend a cabinet council this afternoon.

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## COURSES OF TRAINING ARE THOROUGH

**Vocational Training Branch of  
Hospital Commission Meeting  
All Demands.**

The elasticity of the work offered by the vocational training branch of the Military Hospitals Commission in its efforts to meet the needs of every soldier who returns to Canada so disabled as to require a new vocation adapted to his altered condition, can be measured in some degree by the figures lately compiled showing that 94 different courses are now being taken.

The work is largely individual although in some courses greatly in demand classes are conducted. These include motor mechanics, tool-making, draughting, bookkeeping and commercial work, shoemaking, agriculture, etc., and sometimes the enrolment in certain classes is over a score.

The courses are listed under five heads, agricultural, trades, professional, mechanical and miscellaneous. Some are being taken in universities, some in factories, some on the land, some in the schools specially established by the M.H.C. All are roads to independence and a new livelihood.

Many Moulds.  
The vocational experts are not trying to turn maimed men into a few set moulds but to afford every man the particular training required to best utilise his previous experience and secure his future. This aim is accountable for the breach between a course in saxophone instruction given to a

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It is estimated that Britain's coal supply will last 720 years, and Germany's 1,800 years.

## GOOD ADVICE TO YOUNG MEN OF QUEBEC

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
Quebec, Jan. 7. — L'Action Catholique, Quebec's semi-clerical daily, gives sound advice to the young men who are called under the Military Service Act, in a leading editorial in Saturday's issue. It said:

"Our attitude in connection with the Military Service Act which is now being enforced, is well known, as we are still of the opinion that a grave error was committed by imposing it. But while waiting until events will have brought our governing powers to a more sound comprehension of the duties and necessities of the hour, we must submit to it. And it is the conscripts of yesterday, of today and of tomorrow who bear the first inconvenience. That is why we say to them now. 'Be cheerful!'"

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A Masonic lodge is said to have been formed on a transport liner within the last few weeks, under a dispensation issued by the Grand Master of New York, and the lodge was opened, officers elected and installed when the transport reached the danger zone of the German U-boats.

## CHILDREN HAD WHOOPIING COUGH

Whooping cough, although peculiarly a disease of childhood, is by no means confined to that period, but may occur at any time of life. It is one of the most dangerous diseases of infancy, and yearly causes more deaths than scarlet fever, typhoid or diphtheria, and is more common in female than male children.

Whooping cough starts with sneezing, watering of the eyes, irritation of the throat, feverishness and cough. The coughing attacks occur frequently, but are generally more severe at night.

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Some men must receive the necessary instruction in a university. If this is so, the vocational experts arrange for him to have the course. Other men will regain independence by learning in some factory a trade related to their previous occupation. Still others will go on the land. Wherever they can be most efficiently and economically trained the course is given with the realization that the man's most valuable abilities are to be developed not only for his welfare but for Canada's.

## THERE IS NOTHING FOR THE LIVER

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