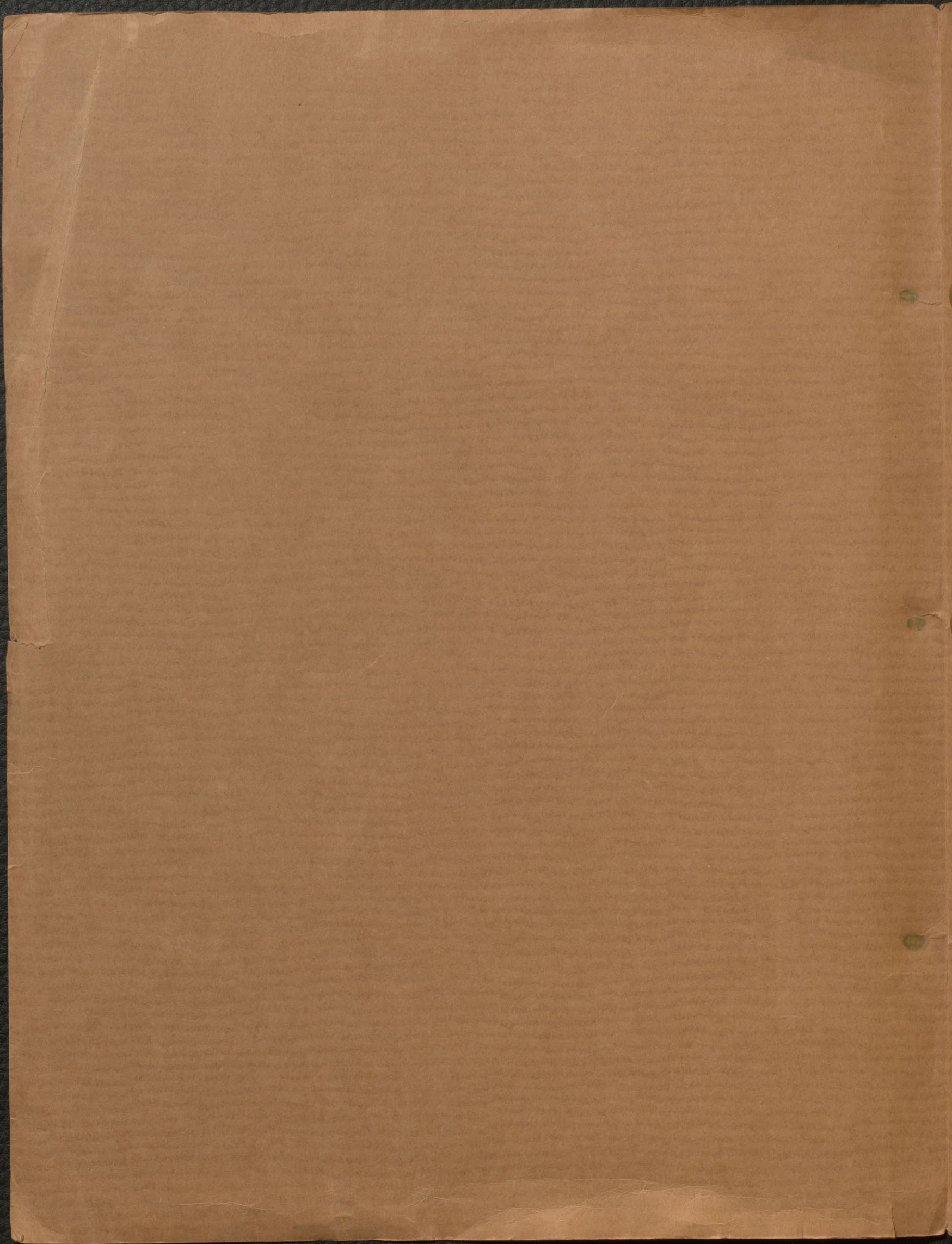


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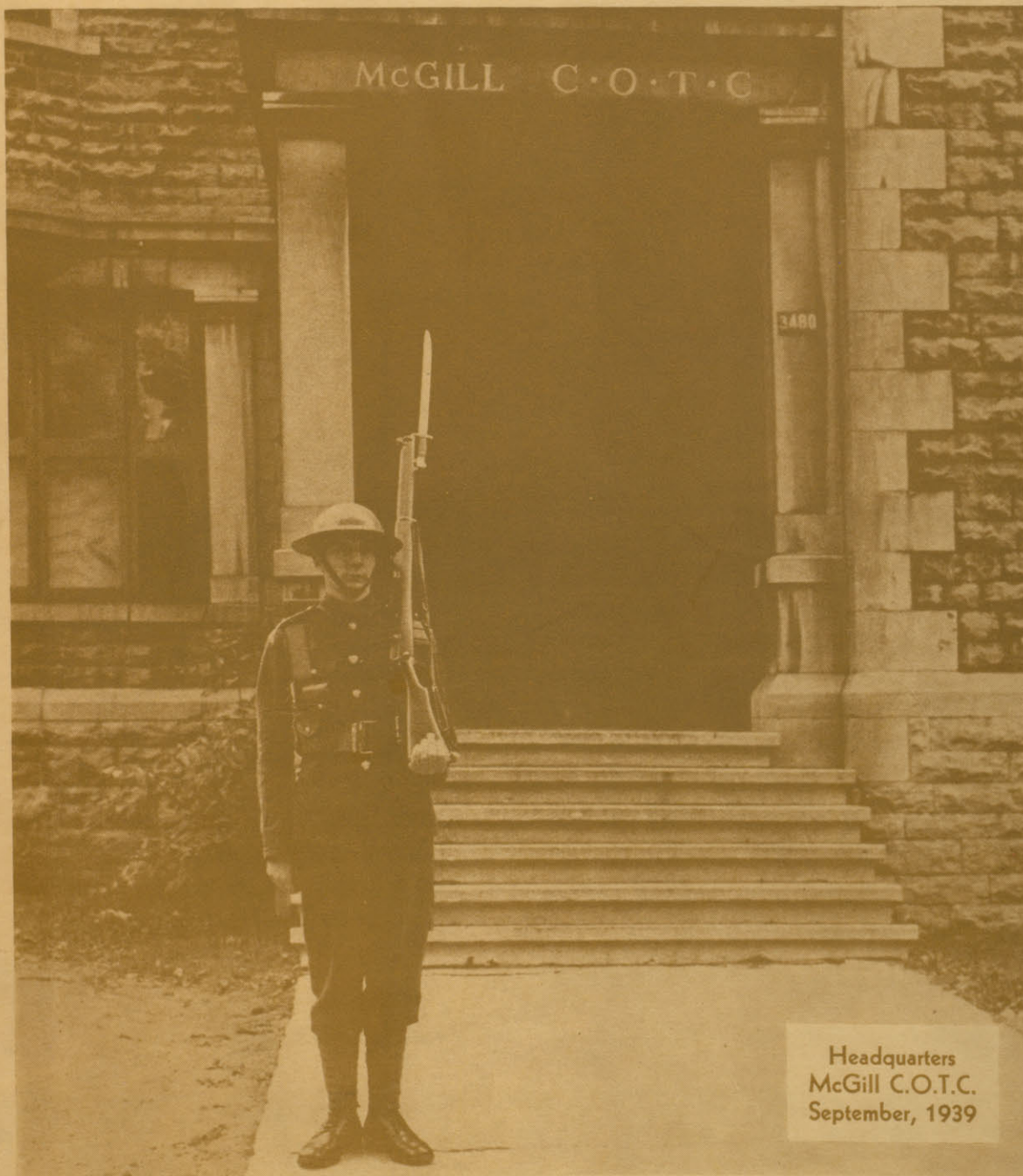
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War and McGill, 1914-1939

IN THE war which began in 1914 women and men of McGill gave their every thought—made every effort—so that there might be peace.

The fighting, begun in 1914, ended in 1918; but peace, won then, is now gone and war has come again to McGill. In truth, the War of 1939 is a continuation of the War of 1914. We fought then, as we do now and always must do, to preserve our freedom. Our freedom to choose our laws for ourselves.

In 1914, Germany marched through neutral Belgium. That final violence brought war to us. The violation of a neutrality guaranteed by herself was not an isolated event; it was the culmination, through many years, of a policy which sought advantage for Germany by the use of force. The contemptuous insolence of that violation made us realize that we must fight lest we too should be overwhelmed, as had been so many of Germany's neighbours.

In 1939, after a long series of perjured violences on all her boundaries, Germany's rape of Poland at last reawakens our fears and forces our resistance.

We fight, once again, so that war may cease. We fight, as we must always fight, to protect our children, our homes and ourselves. We fight to preserve our system of government—our social philosophy. Under our system of government, we obey the will of our majorities; and so, we rule ourselves. With us, every man is free to act as he wishes, so long as his actions do not deny a similar right to his fellows.

Germany advocates the use of armies, of combined force, to win advantages for Germans over others. We believe in a fair field and leave individuals of every race free, as we are, to win success for themselves. For us, the nation exists to benefit its citizens; for Germany, the nation is an end for which individuals and their well-being are to be sacrificed.

We are fighting again because we believe our system to be the better one. To that system we on this continent owe our prosperity. Because of it, our generation enjoys a luxury—a universally high standard of living—such as the world had never seen.

Our democratic self-government, with its freedom for the individual, is the slowly-grown fruit of centuries. Our fathers built and won that system for us. We will preserve it. Let there be no mistake, in 1939 as in 1914, all that we are and have is engaged in a struggle, against the threat of German domination, to preserve our customs, our morals and our right to govern ourselves.

Though the basis of war remains the same, there are great changes in its conduct and in our preparedness. In 1914, war came as a surprise and but few of us knew it and its stresses. The war of today is the renewal of a bitter experience for many of us and, to us all, it is the realization of often-repeated German threats. In 1914, aviation, tanks and poison gas were almost unknown. War was less mechanical and the German rush on Paris made an instant need for many men. Canada sent them.

The need of today is for men trained in the use of modern weapons, for those weapons and for war supplies of all sorts. There is much that the men and women of McGill can do to meet the needs of today, just as they did those of 1914.

For four years, from 1914 to 1918, the tramp of marching feet left the Campus bare of grass. On the first Armistice Day, 3,059 children of our Alma Mater had served. Of them 363 had died and a thousand were wounded. They had won 791 decorations and, twice, the Victoria Cross. McGill did train many soldiers and did prepare many units; but, those who together made our University in 1914 did a work that was even more important. They created a true knowledge of the war and of its necessities.

In 1914, McGill's staff, students and graduates numbered about 8,000; today there are about 13,000 graduates alone. Thirteen thousand men and women who, by their training and position, are the specialists, advisers and teachers of those about them. Their examples and voices are the best method of spreading a knowledge of this war and of its necessities.

Twenty-five years ago many Canadians and friends of Canada — many universities, within Canada and without — saw what was done by McGill and did likewise. It will be so again.

In 1914, McGill commenced her effort after consultation with the Prime Minister. In 1939, it is with Government approval that a War Service Advisory Board is established within McGill University. The purpose of the Board is to advise those of McGill how best they can serve their country. (A statement of the Board's organization and functions appears on the next page.)

Once again, the Canadian Officers' Training Corps of McGill will do a most important work. With military knowledge, a nation fights as an army and is strong; without military training a nation at war is an impotent mob.

We all must have special knowledge of our own service, whatever form it may take; special schools will train men for tanks, aviation, medical corps, signals, engineering and so on. But all of us, as a necessary foundation for our special training, must have a knowledge of military organization, life and law.

The Canadian Officers' Training Corps gives that foundation to those at our universities who, by their training and capacities, are fitted to be leaders in war, as they are to be advisers of their fellows in peace. An announcement from McGill's Canadian Officers' Training Corps appears below. It offers staff, students and graduates opportunity

for military training while following their usual occupations.

It is certain that many will pass through the Canadian Officers' Training Corps of McGill. Proof of Canadian determination is given by the volunteers who, throughout Canada, crowd the armouries of both French- and English-speaking regiments.

It is well that it should be so. We must be trained if we are to succeed in resisting German aggression. War demands physical fitness; for, active service is more exhausting than any game. Today, war is won by those who best use the tools of modern warfare.

Ranks of McGill C.O.T.C. Open to Past Students

THE following statement was issued by the McGill University Contingent, Canadian Officers' Training Corps, on September 9:

"The establishment will be increased and for the present enrolment will be restricted to British subjects and undergraduates of McGill and past students of all universities.

"Application for enlistment should be made at the C.O.T.C. Headquarters, 3480 University Street, Montreal, which will be open every evening after 8 p.m., commencing September 11, 1939.

"Applicants will be examined as to medical fitness, previous service and capabilities, and those who are unfit but possessing special qualifications will be directed to the best suited non-combatant service.

"It is the intention that all members will receive basic training, consisting of instruction common to all arms of the service such as discipline, drill, map reading, military law, organization, administration, etc., and on completion of the basic training members will be designated for that branch of the service which they desire to enter and for which they are considered best qualified, such as cavalry, artillery, infantry, flying corps, engineers, signals, medical corps, army training corps, etc.

"The establishment of a branch will depend upon the number seeking service in that particular arm of the service and classes in certain branches may be restricted in number. Upon designation to a branch class a member will receive preliminary training for a commission in that branch of the service. The member who completes his preliminary officer's training and desires active service will then proceed to a training depot for full qualification as an officer provided he has proven himself efficient."

War Service Advisory Board Established by McGill

THE following statement was issued by McGill University on September 13:

"There will be established within McGill University a War Service Advisory Board consisting of an appropriate number of representatives of the staff, the graduates and the Canadian Officers' Training Corps. In addition, the Government will be invited to have representation on the Board.

"The general purpose of the Board is to ensure that all those associated with McGill University, staff, students and graduates, who wish to play a part in Canada's war effort, will have an opportunity of getting advice as to the particular activity to which each one can bring the greatest knowledge, experience and competence and thus make the greatest contribution towards the winning of the war, whether it be in the capacity of commissioned officer or enlisted man or interpreter, whether in aviation, artillery, cavalry, infantry, machine gun unit, whether in science or in medicine and surgery, whether in the production and distribution of essential materials or in the activities of civil administration.

"In regard to the students enrolled in the University, this Board will have a special and very important advisory role. The students will all be urged to consult the Advisory Board before they commit themselves to any line of service. Their right place may be where they are, pursuing their present course of training, or else in some other assignment than that to which they are at first attracted. It is the intention of the University to put at their disposal all the knowledge it can muster as to the divers places where they can best perform the part they want to perform in the war effort of Canada.

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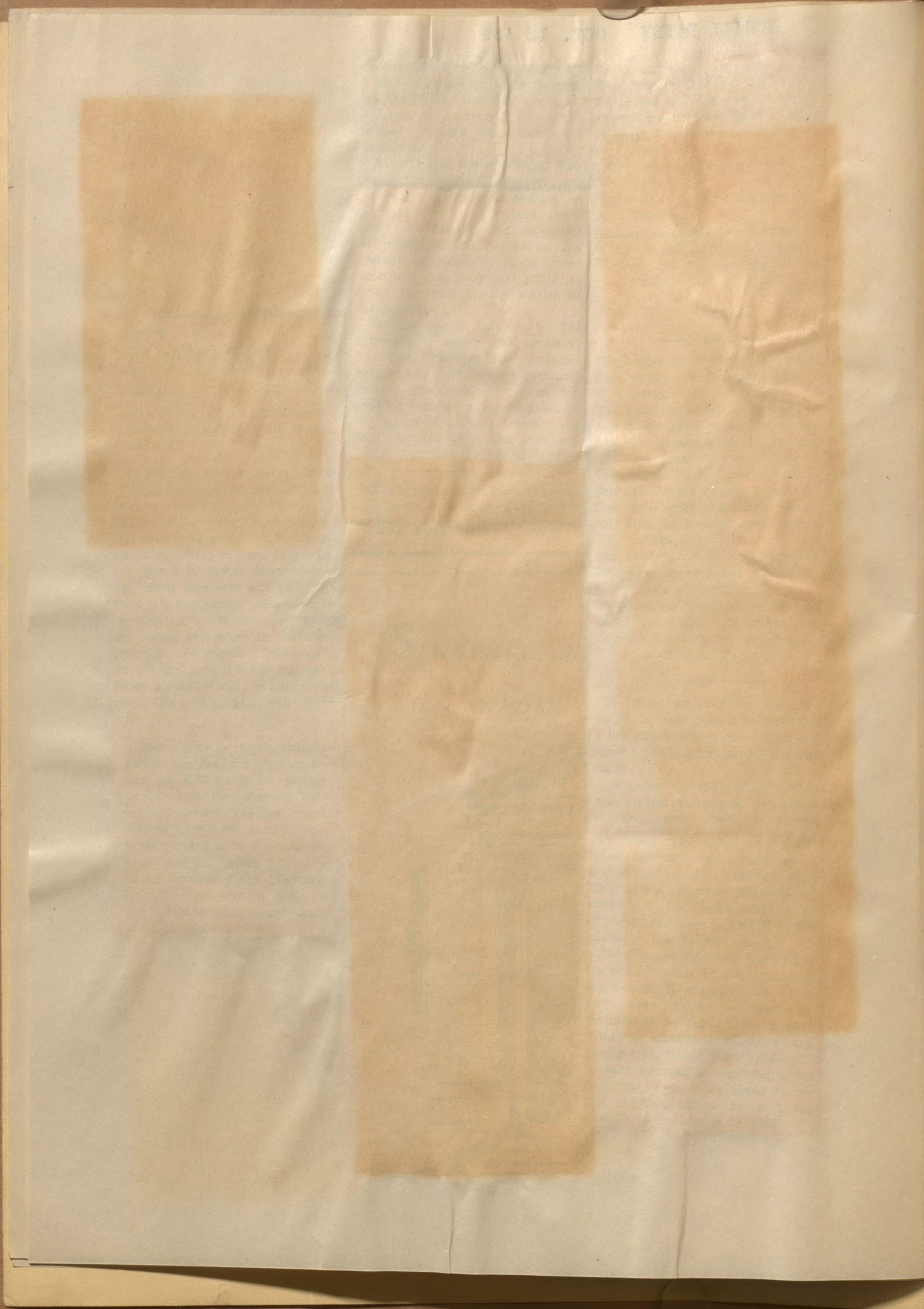
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'Enemy' Moves On Montreal

X Division Detailed To Prevent Further Advance

FIGHTING, it is assumed, will be general today along a line somewhere east of Decarie boulevard where the "enemy" is expected to engage strong advance guards of the McGill University Canadian Officers' Training Corp this afternoon.

The McGill C.O.T.C. will engage in its first tactical exercise this afternoon as an advance guard to X Canadian Division. The enemy was reported as having crossed the Ottawa River at Ste. Anne de Bellevue and is assumed to have taken up a strong position on the western end of the island for a drive on the city. Advance patrols of the enemy have been sighted as far east as Beaconsfield.

The X Canadian Division, of which the McGill C.O.T.C. forms the advance guard, has been ordered to consolidate and hold a defensive line 1,000 yards east of and parallel to Decarie boulevard. The McGill troops will begin their drive at Cote des Neiges road and Maplewood avenue at 3.45 o'clock this afternoon, after having marched from McGill campus.

The vanguard will be composed of a protective screen of cavalry and armoured cars, indicated by orange flags, an advance party of scouts and protective patrols, carrying red flags, supports of cavalry and armoured cars, infantry with red flags, machine guns indicated by green markers, engineers and signals carrying purple and a blue and white design respectively. The main guard will be made up with the same thought to detail and placement.

The tactical exercise will stress the importance of well-adjusted equipment, rate of march and order on the march, and democratic measures which a commander takes against surprise attack. It includes precautions against observation and attack from the air and the risk of a gas attack.

OCT. 16 '39

McGill Forces Drive "Foe" Back

A raw, chill afternoon that brought a little hail, did not freeze the enthusiasm of 900 members of the McGill University Contingent of the Canadian Officers' Training Corps, engaged in their first tactical operation of the season on the northern slopes of Westmount Mountain on Saturday.

The contingent acted as the advance guard of a Canadian division engaged in repulsing an enemy advance towards the city. The aim of the contingent was to drive the enemy back towards Montreal West. The drive began at the junction of Cote des Neiges road and Maplewood avenue just before 4 o'clock and the "job" was well done just over an hour later.

The McGill forces were assumed to comprise a protective screen of cavalry and armoured cars, indicated by orange flags, and advance party of scouts and protective patrols carrying red flags, supports of cavalry and armoured cars, infantry with red flags, machine guns, indicated by green markers and engineers and signals.

OCT. 14 '39

O.T.C. Passes 1,000 Mark

McGill Contingent to Continue Enrolment Until October 23

Enrolment in the McGill University Contingent of the Canadian Officers' Training Corps has passed the thousand mark, it was reported today. Enrolment, however, will continue until October 23. Applicants must be graduates of any university, British subjects and within the specified age limit.

Col. A. A. Magee, D.S.O., E.D., acting Commanding Officer, stated that all men enrolled in the Contingent up to October 23 would be brought up to date with those who had enrolled earlier.

The latest figures show that 461 graduates and 482 undergraduates have been attested, bringing the total figures to 943. This total, however does not include the enrolment at Macdonald College, where Major T. W. M. Cameron is in command of a local company of the Contingent.

The series of lectures on modern organization and new weapons of the British army, being given by Col. R. R. Thompson, M.C., under the auspices of the McGill Contingent, will be repeated soon after Christmas, owing to the heavy demand from former officers throughout the district.

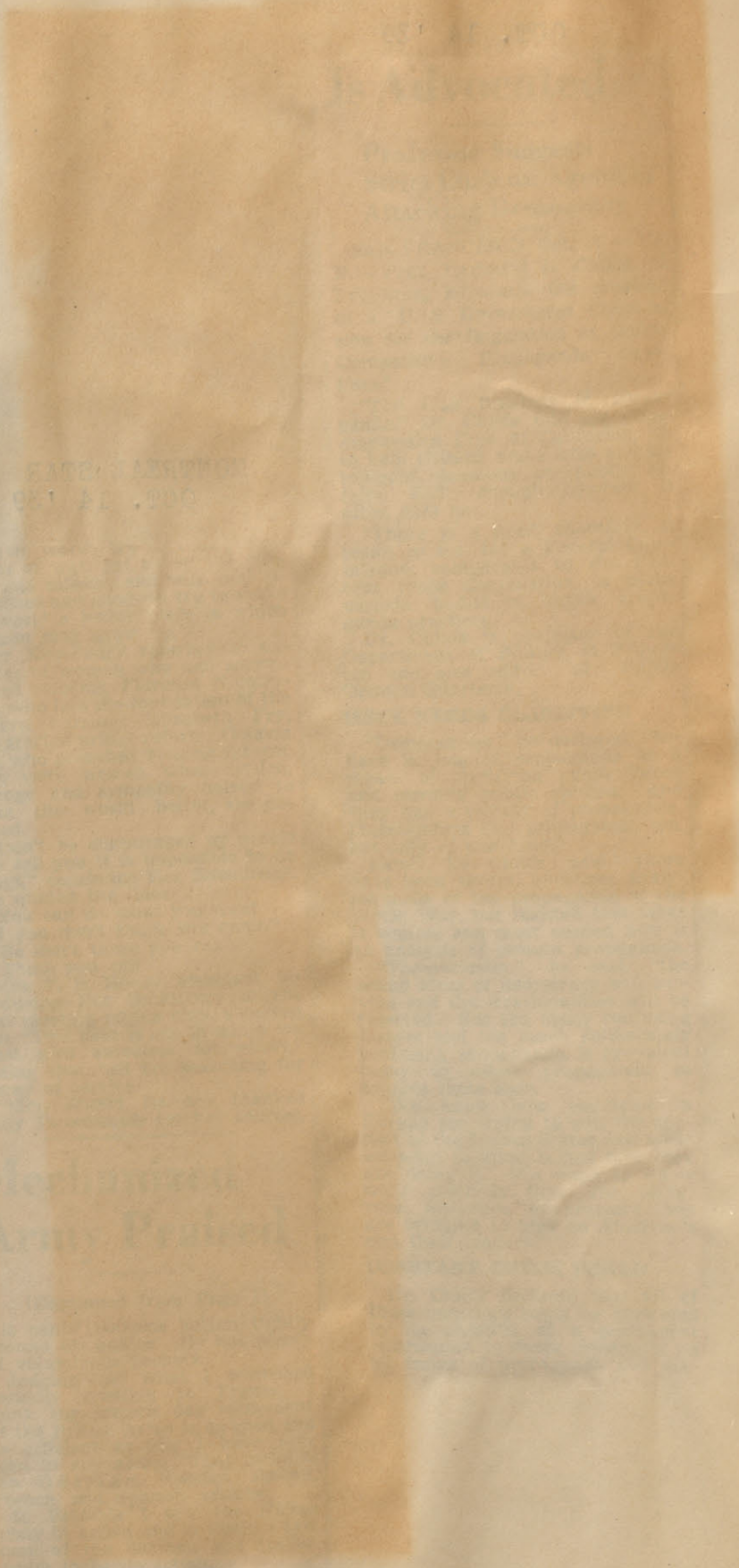
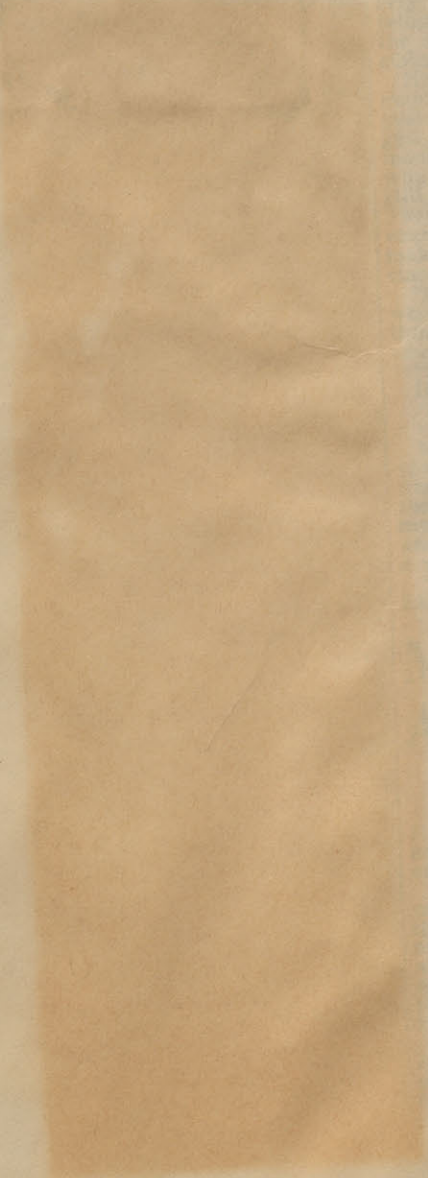
Arrangements originally were made for a class of 200 officers to take the series of eight lectures, but there was such a rush of applicants that the series was duplicated by holding classes on Wednesdays and Thursdays. About 400 are enrolled in the present series. Col. E. G. Hanson, D.S.O., E.D., stated today that already there has been a large advance enrolment for the 1940 series of lectures.

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C.O.T.C. Practices Field Exercises in West End

Thousand Members of McGill Contingent, Led by Col. Magee, Parade to Cote des Neiges

By GEORGE C.

A thousand McGill men assembled on the Campus Saturday afternoon and, with various coloured flags fluttering in the breeze, set off over the shoulder of Mount Royal to a deploying point on the slope beyond Cote des Neiges Road for their first experience in field tactics with McGill's C.O.T.C.

At two-thirty on the crisp autumn afternoon, the McGill Contingent, led by Colonel A. A. Magee, D.S.O., E.D., Acting Officer Commanding, and accompanied by some fifty officers of the Canadian Grenadier Guards, and the Black Watch swung out

of the University grounds up McTavish Street to the skirl of the Contingent's own pipe band.

First there was the cavalry and the armoured cars, represented by bright orange flags. Then came platoons of infantry, indicated by red flags. More cavalry followed with infantry and machine guns, these last represented by green flags. Engineers and signals, shown by their purple, blue and white flags came next, and behind them more infantry accompanied by platoons carrying blue and red design flags to distinguish them as anti-tank and anti-aircraft guns. After more platoons representing previously mentioned branches of the advance guard had marched past, the column was completed by

men carrying the white flags with a bright red cross that indicates the field ambulance branch of a modern army.

When the graduates and undergraduates who compose the Contingent had crossed the corner of Maplewood and Cote des Neiges, they turned left into the fields that slope away to the southwest. Upon reaching a point fixed by the officers for starting the exercises the men were given a rest period.

They formed an impressive sight, these thousand men, as they spread out over the brow of the hill. The sun broke through as they arrived, and a freshening breeze fluttered the red, orange, green, blue and purple flags of many designs. The men laughed and chatted in the "Stand Easy" period before the actual exercises began. No doubt they were discussing impressions of the march and the crowd that followed them afoot, on bicycle and in cars to the scene of the afternoon manoeuvre.

The Operator Order had advised the men to wear old clothes and to be prepared for rain. This order was followed in many varied ways. Some wore sport jackets, some trench coats; some men had wind-breakers, others lumberjacks macinaws. One graduate was seen in his best duck-hunting suit.

When the rest period was over the tactical exercises began with the vanguard marching well in advance to their given posts. There they remained on the alert while flank guards spread out on either side. The main guard deployed as ordered, keeping communication with the other components of the advance guard, of which they formed a part.

Thus, after it was decided that the McGill Contingent had fulfilled its function in connection with the X Canadian Division, for which it had been ordered to act as advance guard, the men formed up again in column of march and returned to their Headquarters to the music of their pipes and drums.

Men training with the McGill Contingent had opportunity to observe the points of the two lessons, detailed in the Operation Order, by the action of their leaders who halted, advanced, or turned their detachments aside at the up-held hand or signal from their superiors. Other items of the lesson were also demonstrated, including the necessity of maintaining communications, discipline on the march and the need for proper clothing and boots in any military manoeuvre.

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TACTICS TOMORROW BY MCGILL CORPS

Divided Companies Work On Defensive Arrangement Of Troops At Rest

McGill's Contingent of the Canadian Officers' Training Corps, now nearing twelve hundred in number, will engage in their second tactical scheme of the course of training when they assemble on the Campus at two-thirty, tomorrow for a march to Beaver Lake on Mount Royal. In the parklands that surround the body of water, McGill's officers in training will learn how to protect a body of troops at rest, by means of the posting of outposts. The exercise of this week is therefore to be called an "Outpost Scheme," and is a continuation of lessons learnt last Saturday, when the men were instructed in the duties and procedure of an advance guard of troops on the move.

Saturday's scheme will be under the direction of Colonel A. A. Magee, D.S.O., E.D., A.D.C., Acting Officer Commanding the Corps and Honorary Colonel.

Each company will be divided in half, and each half will work out its own scheme under the direction of platoon commanders. They will plan their scheme each opposing the other, but both making a defensive arrangement. Officers will then inspect the provisions made by the man in charge of each scheme, and criticize his plans. Members of one half of a company will then examine the scheme worked out by the opposing half.

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Faculty of Arts and Science Notice

The following regulations concerning the credit for work in the C.O.T.C. have been passed by the Faculty and approved by Senate:

"That students taking courses in the McGill C.O.T.C. for the Lieutenant's certificate and/or for the Captain's certificate may have either of these courses included in any one year on their registration cards as an elective course. Students in the third and fourth years taking advantage of this authorized privilege are required to have the consent of the Dean and, in the case of honors students of the Department concerned."

Students who have been enrolled and accepted in the C.O.T.C. and who wish to avail themselves of the privilege granted in these regulations are requested to report to the Dean's office without delay in order to make the adjustment of their courses in accordance with the regulations.

Those who registered for Military Science as an elective course displacing an elective in their year need do nothing more under these regulations.

C. W. Hendel,
Dean.

C.O.T.C. CREDIT

The University announces that academic credit for efficient service in the O.T.C. will be granted by the various faculties for the session 1939-40 as follows:

Faculty of Arts and Science — Students taking courses in the McGill C.O.T.C. for the Lieutenant's certificate and/or for the Captain's certificate may have either of these courses included in any one year on their registration cards as an elective course. Students in the third and fourth years taking advantage of this authorized privilege are required to have the consent of the Dean and, in the case of honours students, of the Departments concerned.

Faculty of Engineering — The Faculty has reduced the number of hours in the regular First Year curriculum by three to enable students in this year to take O.T.C. work. In the upper years the Faculty has announced concessions in the various courses amounting generally to three lecture or laboratory hours per week.

Faculty of Law—No concessions are granted in the First or Second Year but the Faculty may, in special cases, waive the thesis requirement in the Third Year.

Faculty of Agriculture—No concessions are offered in the First or Second Year. In the Third and Fourth Year efficient O.T.C. work will be counted as one full course.

Faculties of Medicine and Dentistry—It has not been found possible to make any concessions in these faculties.

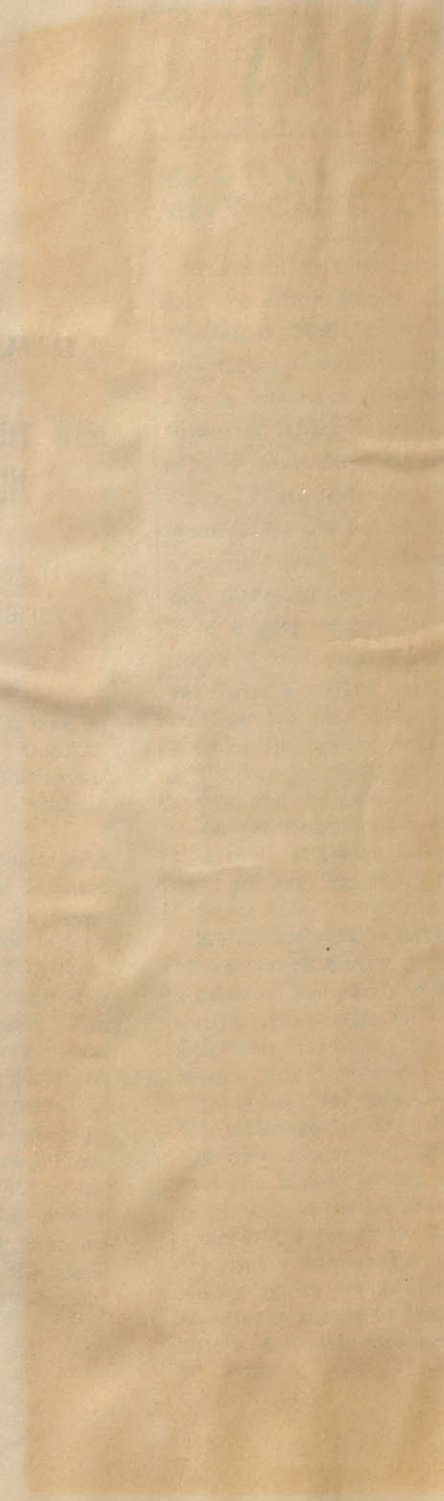
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MONTREAL STAR
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C.O.T.C. Stages Sham Battle

McGill Unit Carries Out Second Tactical Exercise On Mountain

Fourteen half-companies, each representing an outpost, is carrying out this afternoon the second tactical exercise in successive weeks to be undertaken by the McGill University Contingent of the Canadian Officers' Training Corps. Each half-company will consist of two platoons and will operate as part of an infantry battalion, complete with equipment representing Bren guns, trench mortars and anti-tank rifles. Wiring equipment will also be used.

The Contingent, now probably the strongest unit in M.D. No. 4, will march from the campus at 2:30 p.m., taking a route along Sherbrooke street to Guy, thence north to Mount Royal. One half will go up the steps at the Boulevard, the other proceed to Remembrance road before ascending the hill. These groups will be in opposition.

Care has been exercised to get as wide a variety of positions as possible, and the area around Beaver Lake, between Shakespeare road and Upper Mountain road, has been found most suitable. The scheme is under the special direction of Major J. M. Morris, M.C., second-in-command of the unit, while overseas officers and N.C.O.'s will be attached to each of the 14 outposts. These will include Col. Andrew Fleming, V.D., Capt. H. Cook, Capt. J. de Lalanne, Lieut. T. Redpath and Lieut. H. J. Macario.

These officers will act as guides and meet their respective half-companies at points in the rear of their positions, it being assumed that these are night operations for outpost protection. The outpost commanders will go forward with their guides and will receive information about their respective frontages, boundaries and the "enemy" position opposite. The commanders will then be given half an hour to make their dispositions.

Later the opposing outposts will cross over the intervening terrain to view the problem which had faced their opponent with respect to position and to disposition.

MONTREAL GAZETTE
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Tactical Drill Today For McGill C.O.T.C.

Carrying equipment representing Bren guns, trench-mortars and anti-tank rifles, members of the McGill Contingent, C.O.T.C., will carry out their second consecutive Saturday afternoon tactical scheme of the season today.

The exercise will take place in the vicinity of Beaver Lake, between Shakespeare Road and the Upper Mountain Road. Divided into 14 half-companies of two platoons each, the group will carry out a tactical scheme under the eyes of overseas officers.

The scheme will be under the direction of Major J. M. Morris, M.C., V.D., second in command of the McGill C.O.T.C. Officers outside the unit who have lent their assistance are: Col. Andrew Fleming, Capt. H. Cook, Capt. J. de Lalanne, Lieut. T. Redpath and Lieut. H. Macario.

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McGill's C.O.T.C. On Parade In The Rain

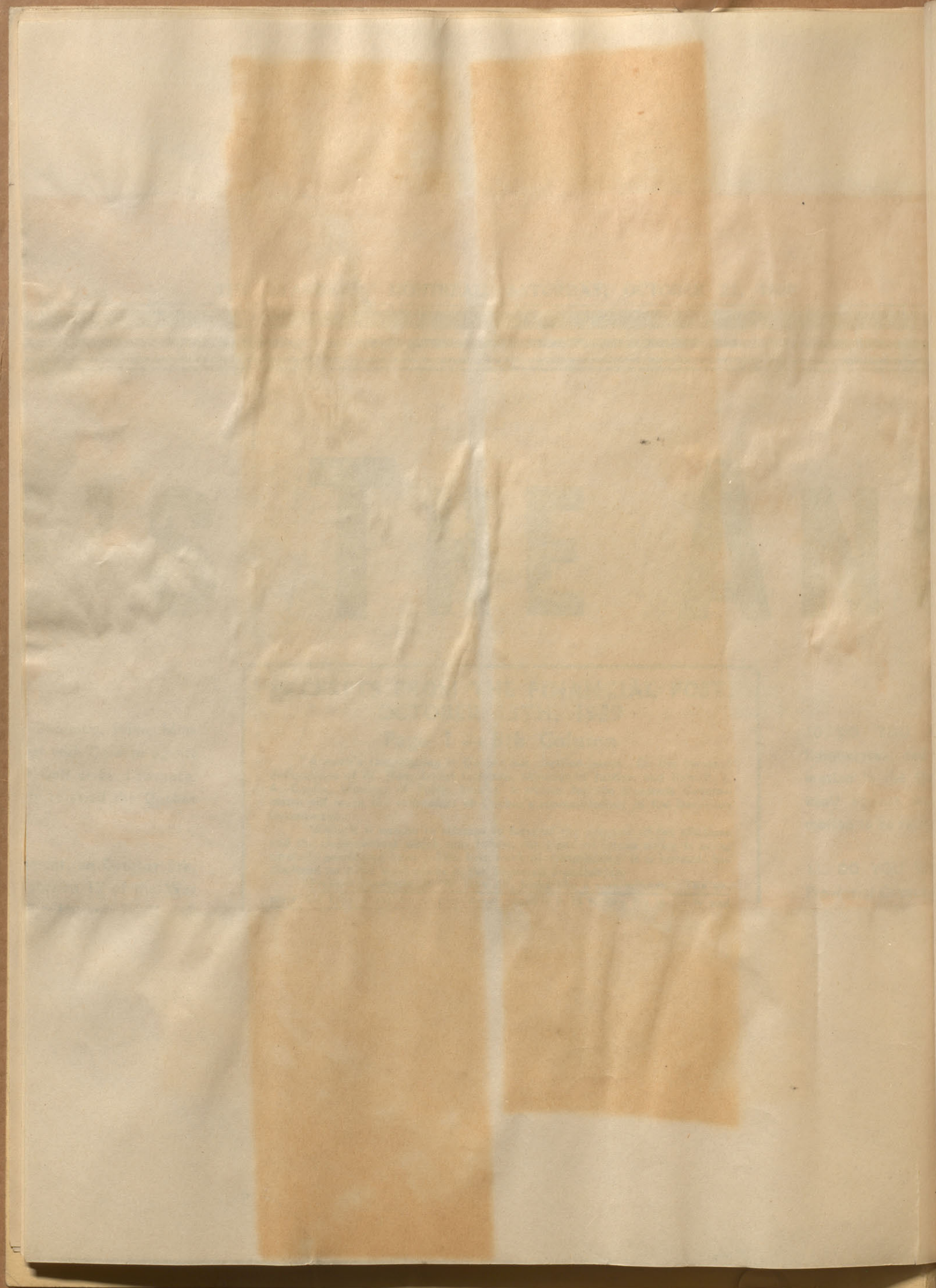


The weather man turned his back against the McGill Contingent, Canadian Officers' Train-Corps this afternoon as the Outpost Scheme, planned as the most tactical exercise of the season of training, was rained out. Close to a thousand men in uniform, the largest unit in the city, assembled on the McGill campus, before two-thirty, under the command of Colonel A. A. Macrae, D.S.O., E.D., A.D.C., Temporary Colonel and Acting Officer Commanding.

Fatigue parties were detailed off to procure equipment from the Quartermaster's Stores, and had just returned with the rifles, bundles of stakes for wiring operations, and models of Bren guns, trench mortars, and anti-tank rifles, to be used in the exercise, when the storm broke. As the rain poured down, and the sky became darker and darker, the officers went into consultation, and decided to send the men to shelter to await orders. At the end of a quarter hour, it

was decided that the terrain in the vicinity of Beaver Lake, on Mount Royal, where it had been planned to hold the scheme would be unfit for use. The exercise was postponed until next Saturday, and the men were dismissed. The Outpost Scheme, which was to continue the lessons learnt last Saturday, in a tactical exercise demonstrating the duties of an advance guard, was under the special direction of Major M. J. M. Morris, M.C., V.D., 2nd in command. He was supported in

the development of the scheme by 14 overseas officers and N. C. O.'s, the majority from among members of the Contingent proper. Other officers, outside the Corps, were Colonel Andrew Fleming, Lieut. T. Redpath, Capt. Harold Cook, Lieut. H. C. Macario, Capt. J. de Lalanne and Capt. J. Harold, all of whom have seen active service, and whose practical experience would prove invaluable in criticising the plans made for the outposts.



END RECRUITING IN O.T.C. TODAY

Decision Applies to Graduates
and Undergraduates

More Than 1,200 Students
Already Accepted for
Training

Today is the last day for enrollment in the McGill Contingent, C. O. T. C. It was pointed out that this date has been set for the close of enrolment so that internal organization may function more smoothly, and to standardize instruction and training. This applies to graduates as well as undergraduates, it was announced. Officers of the Contingent announced that the last medical examinations for C. O. T. C. aspirants are to take place this evening commencing at seven-thirty, at the Headquarters, 3480 University Street.

From September 11th, when enrollment began, up to last Saturday night, more than twelve hundred McGill undergraduates, graduates of McGill and other universities, and men in the four-year C. A. course have enrolled with the McGill Contingent for training to fit them for eventualities of service. Members of the football team, who have enrolled, are taking drill before each practice, and will come down to regular parades, at the close of the season. Macdonald College has raised a company, to be

known as the Macdonald Company, under the command of Major T. W. M. Cameron, which now has over a hundred members, and is a company of the McGill Contingent. There are also a number of instructors, who for various reasons, are not included in the strength of the Contingent proper. Thus, with its associated company and the body of instructional officers, McGill's Training Corps looms as one of the largest officers' training centres in the Dominion.

The Outpost Scheme, second of the McGill Contingent's tactical exercises, was cancelled Saturday as heavy rains beat down on the slope of Mount Royal making the ground unsuitable for the practice manoeuvre. Officers of the Contingent decided that it would be useless to continue with the exercise as planned, under the circumstances, because much of the value of the instruction would be lost.

Close to a thousand men, from the McGill C.O.T.C., now the largest unit in Montreal, had assembled on the Campus before two-thirty. Fatigue parties, detailed off to procure equipment from the Quartermaster's Stores, had just returned to the parade ground, when the storm broke. As the rain poured down and the sky grew dark, the senior officers went into consultation and decided to send the men to shelter positions, arranged for in advance. There they went, in companies, under the command of their company commanders to await orders. At the end of a quarter hour, it was decided that the terrain in the vicinity of Beaver Lake, where it had been planned to hold the scheme, would be unfit for use. The exercise was cancelled and the men dismissed.

Saturday's scheme, which was to continue the lessons learnt last week in a tactical exercise demonstrating the duties of an advance guard, was under the special direction of Major J. M. Morris, M.C., V.D., Second in Command of the Contingent. He was to have been supported in the development of the scheme by fourteen overseas officers and N.C.O.'s, the majority from among members of the McGill unit itself. Other officers, outside the Corps, were Colonel Andrew Fleming, Lieut. T. Redpath, Capt. Harold Cook, Lieut. H. G. Macario, Capt. J. de Lalanne, and Capt. J. Harold, all of whom have seen active service, and whose practical experience it was felt, would prove invaluable in criticizing the plans made for the outposts made by company commanders.

Equipment drawn from stores included rifles and special equipment representing Bren guns, trench mortars and anti-tank rifles. Stakes were also issued for wiring operations, an essential feature of outpost work. While this type of military exercise is somewhat advanced, it was decided to undertake it because of the value of its lessons to each individual and to take advantage of the fall weather before winter sets in. If weather conditions permit, it is possible that the planned scheme will take place next Saturday.

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OVER 1,100 IN UNIT OF MCGILL C.O.T.C.

Enrolment of Contingent Closes Tonight—Intensive Training Planned

Already one of the largest centres for the training of officers in the Dominion, the McGill Contingent C.O.T.C. expects to have over 1,200 men on its roster when it closes enrolment for this year tonight. This deadline applies to under-graduates as well as graduates, it was announced at the headquarters, and has been decided upon to permit standardization of instruction, and for purposes of internal organization.

Since September 11 when enrolment began, over 1,100 McGill undergraduates, graduates of other universities and men registered in the four-year C.A. course given at the University, have been attested. This includes an enrolment of more than 100 students and graduates of Macdonald College, where the Macdonald Company of the McGill C.O.T.C. has been organized under the command of Major T. W. M. Cameron.

In addition to regular members of the Contingent, there are a number of attached officers, who serve in an advisory capacity, some 30 instructors, who for various reasons are not either enrolled or attached, and a special machine-gun instructors' group.

The machine-gun instructors' group numbers 37, all ex-service men, and will take charge of instruction in machine-gun technique when C.O.T.C. cadets have finished their basic course of training. This group, under the joint direction of Lt.-Col. W. C. Nicholson and Major D. Stuart Forbes, has been divided into two sections, a mechanical section and a section on fire control.

Second Lieutenant Frank J. Nobbs of the 6th Duke of Connaught Royal Canadian Hussars is conducting the refresher course being given the future instructors and is assisted by Squadron Sergeant Major G. Sweeny and Sergeants D. Creagan and Butler, of the 6th Hussars, and is using four Vickers medium machine-guns lent by the Hussars. Instructional periods are on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings and Saturday afternoons, and take place in the Workman Mechanical Building at McGill, or in the Hussars armory.

McGill C.O.T.C. Musters 1,323

Contingent Believed Strongest Unit of Its Kind in City

A total enrolment of 1,323 was reported last night by the McGill University contingent of the Canadian Officers' Training Corps as the list of applications was finally closed for the present training season. Col. A. A. Magee, acting commanding officer, pointed out, however, that students in the faculty of medicine would be accepted up to Saturday.

Fourth and fifth year students in medicine, it was announced, may now enrol in a course qualifying them for captaincies in the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps. The course will consist of three hours' training per week over a period of four months. The attention of other students is called to a special two-year course, providing the number of applicants justify it, leading to qualification for the rank of infantry lieutenant.

With an enrolment of 550 graduates and 583 undergraduates, in addition to over 100 enrolled in the Macdonald College company, under the command of Major T. W. M. Cameron, it is believed that the McGill contingent is the strongest unit in the city and district. There are 20 officers and 50 instructors on the "strength" of the unit.

Undergraduates at Macdonald College drill on Thursday afternoons, and postgraduates and graduates on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. All members take lectures simultaneously. The lecturers include, besides Major Cameron himself, Lt.-Col. V. H. Graham and Lt.-Col. G. G. Archibald. A musketry course is being organized by Capt. E. Dodds.

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Army Training To Earn Credits

Concessions to be Made To C.O.T.C. Members At McGill

McGill University students will receive academic credits for military training, it was announced in notices issued today by the registrar's office and also that of the dean of the faculty of arts and science.

The credits, however, will be limited and are available in certain faculties only. For instance, it has not been found possible to make any concessions in the faculties of medicine and dentistry.

The announcement for the faculty of arts and science states that "students taking courses in the McGill C.O.T.C. for the lieutenant's or the captain's certificate may have either of these courses included in any one year on their registration cards as an elective course."

In engineering the faculty "has reduced the number of hours in the regular first year curriculum by three to enable students in this year to take the O.T.C. work. In the upper years the faculty has announced concessions in the various courses amounting generally to three lectures or laboratory hours per week."

No concessions are granted in first or second year law, but in special cases the faculty may waive the thesis requirements in the third year. In the faculty of agriculture no concessions are offered in the first or second years. In the third and fourth years efficient O.T.C. work will be counted as one full course.

CORPS EXTENDS ENLISTING DATE

C.O.T.C. Deadline Set At Saturday, October 28

Col. A. A. Magee Announces Special Course for Medical Students

Enrolment in the McGill Contingent C.O.T.C. for students in the Faculty of Medicine has been extended to Saturday, October 28, on orders from Colonel A. A. Magee, Acting Officer Commanding, it was announced at headquarters last night. The Colonel in a special statement to the Daily, said that students in the fourth and fifth years in Medicine may enrol in a course for qualification as Captain in the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps. The course will take three hours per week for approximately four months.

Attention of other medical students was called to the special two year course which will be established, provided the numbers justify it. This course will lead to qualification as Lieutenant in Infantry, and will consist of three hours weekly. The first year will be devoted to instruction which is common to all arms, with special-to-arm instruction following in the second year, it was pointed out.

Largest Unit

Figures at the close of enrolment last night, which completed general enrolment, showed a grand total of 1,323. This total when analyzed gave an attestation of 550 graduates, 583 McGill undergraduates, a figure established as well over one hundred at Macdonald College, in the Macdonald Company, and a list of some 20 Corps Officers. There are in addition to the official figure given a body of 50 instructors, who for various reasons have not been signed on strength. Thus the McGill Contingent is well established as the largest unit in Montreal, and one of the largest training in the Dominion.

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C.O.T.C. AT MCGILL TO PARADE SUNDAY

Outpost Scheme, Cancelled
Last Week, to Be Carried
Out in Manoeuvres

The McGill C.O.T.C. Outpost Scheme, cancelled last Saturday, will take place tomorrow afternoon, weather permitting, "it was announced at the headquarters yesterday. This tactical exercise, designed in line with the training policy of the Contingent, to reproduce as nearly as possible the actual circumstances and emergencies to be met with under service conditions, will be under the direction of Major J. M. Morris, Second in Command of the Contingent.

Heavy rains which soaked the

ground, making the terrain impracticable for purposes of the manoeuvre, forced cancellation of the scheme last Saturday. It was to have taken place in Mount Royal Park, in the vicinity of Beaver Lake.

C.O.T.C. members will gather on the McGill Campus shortly after two o'clock in the afternoon. At two-fifteen fatigue parties will be detailed off to procure from Quarter Master's Stores dummy Bren guns, anti-tank rifles and trench mortars, in addition to the material for wiring operations, which will be part of the scheme. Two-thirty is the starting-time for the parade, which will make its way along Sherbrooke street to Cote des Neiges road, and upon reaching the steps at the intersection with Westmount boulevard, the men will file up to the parkland, where the limits of outposts will have been previously laid out by Contingent officers.

When the men reach a pre-arranged point on Cote des Neiges road, guides will meet each outpost company, and lead it to a position in the rear of their respective outpost frontages. Each half company will be in direct opposition to the other half company, which will operate as the enemy.

The guides in each case are infantry officers or N.C.O.'s who have had overseas experience, and they will be available for questioning by company commanders as to the dispositions which the enemy may be assumed to have made.

After company commanders have planned and made their dispositions, each company will move over to the opposing position, so that it may see the problem which had been presented to the enemy and how he had met the situation.

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