

WOMEN IN ENGLAND'S ARMY

Some Would Merely Nurse, Others Would Fight.

THEY NEEDN'T RIDE ASTRIDE

Proposed Regiment of Women Who Can Ride and Shoot—Many Recruits for First Aid Nursing Yeomanry Corps.

LONDON, March 3.—"Screaming a fierce battle cry pitched in a high soprano, the Fifteenth Royal Mounted Yeomanry, led by their gallant commanding officer, Brigadier General Diana Dobson, V. C., made a brilliant charge which quite demoralized the enemy, who fled in a panic as though the very furies themselves were at their heels."

It is the sort of thing war correspondents will be sending to their journals when next Great Britain comes into conflict with a foreign foe? Such a possibility will not be so very remote if a scheme now under the serious consideration of martial-minded English women is taken up as widely as they expect it to be.

Already there is being formed in London a mounted corps of women nurses whose duty it will be to follow the army in battle and render first aid to the wounded. The latest feminine candidates for military honors, however, are not satisfied with the scope offered them as members of a nursing corps.

Already Trained for War.

These women all lead an open air life and are good horsewomen and fine game shots, and they think these qualifications could be put to better practical use than in doing hospital work. They want to stand shoulder to shoulder with their brethren in the fighting line should there ever arise an emergency desperate enough to require their services. They propose that the many women throughout the British Empire who possess the same qualifications as themselves shall be formed into a league on the lines of the British Legion of Frontiersmen, thus becoming an Imperial regiment of Amazons with branches in every colony, ready to answer the call to arms whenever sounded.

It is suggested that the headquarters should be in London. The regiment would be entirely feminine from drummer girl to officer. Influential and capable women would be appointed squadron leaders and troop officers, and the instruction would include riding, scouting, driving, rifle and revolver practice, signalling (telegraphic, lamp, flag and heliograph), despatch carrying and all sorts of postal work. Such, in brief, is the scheme.

What is the meaning of this latest phase of feminine activity? Is it that Englishwomen are disgusted with the indifference of their menfolk to the question of national defense and wish to put them to shame? The young Englishman of today seems to take pleasure in any form of outdoor exercise rather than that of shouldering a gun and fitting himself for military tasks. Inducements of all sorts have failed to wake him up to a sense of duty, and nothing short of compulsory service seems likely to bring the British army to its proper strength.

Bait for Other Enlistments.

The idea of women warriors suggests a way out of the difficulty. Why not have mixed corps? Start each corps with a nucleus of a few pretty maidens and there would be no lack of men offering themselves for enlistment.

In speculating upon the chances of this projected army of Amazons coming into existence the mere man at once jumps to the conclusion that much will depend upon the question of uniform, just as if the feminine mind never under any circumstances soar above such trifles as appearances. But is it really possible to keep a body of women in a uniform? Would not there be an irresistible tendency to put little embellishments here and there until it became no longer a uniform? Speaking seriously, however, the matter of uniform is offering no obstacle to the rapid growth of the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry corps, already referred to in Bee despatches. All the members seem perfectly content with a dress by no means elaborate. They look very smart in short dark blue skirts, high black boots, scarlet tunics, white belts and peaked cloth caps, all of which they have to provide themselves for the body is purely voluntary.

Each applicant for admission to the corps is told, "Your work in war time will be to follow the fighting line and catch the men as they drop." This prospect does not discourage applicants, and a steady stream of smartly attired women, many of them wives and daughters of army officers, pours into the recruiting office to interview Captain Baker, the commander of the corps.

Furnish Their Own Mounts.

Many of the women who join are sufficiently well to do to have horses of their own, but for those who cannot afford the expense Captain Baker is recruiting a corps of nursing infantry. In each case he is ambitious, and states that he is aiming at a strength of 1,000 yeomanry and 3,000 infantry.

It has been stated that the women would not be able to mount unaided when on active service unless they rode astride, but in reply to a question on this point Captain Baker said:

"There is no need for members of the corps to ride astride. They ride side saddle, and I undertake that they will mount entirely unassisted as smartly as any body of men."

The minimum height for recruits in the yeomanry is 5 feet 3 inches, as a woman under that height has difficulty in mounting without help. There is no intention that these nurses when on active service shall encroach upon the work of the ambulance corps. They will not remove the wounded, but will render first aid, further hospital work being left to the organizations within whose province it falls. In the summer it is proposed that the yeomanry corps shall go to camp, where they will attend personally to their horses and perform many of the duties which fall upon a cavalryman under canvas.

The establishment of this corps of trained nurses should do much to prevent a repetition of what happened during the Boer war, when a number of high-bred and romantic women, seeking notoriety more than anything else, went out to South Africa as nurses. Totally incompetent, not even capable of nursing their own children at home, these women were not only in the way, but the cause of much unnecessary suffering on the part of the unfortunate patients who fell into their hands.

The first woman officer of the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry corps to receive her commission is Lieutenant Lady Ernestine Hunt, eldest daughter of the marquis of Albesbury. She will lead one of the troops of which the corps will be composed. She is well qualified for the work she has undertaken, having received a thorough training as a nurse. She was a staff nurse at Kruger's Drift during the Jameson Raid.



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