

The role of Coast Defence is particularly suited to this ideal. The very permanency of most positions and the amount of time at our disposal are two good reasons to support that contention. To state simply that there is a need and demand action, without a few suggestions, is often termed as grousing. This correspondent has these suggestions to make, none of which are immoderate, and all of which are particularly applicable to this Regiment.

Firstly the institution of a good library on similar lines to the Red Cross library provided for the use of the U.S. Troops here. This is an urgent need of immediate as well as future importance.

Secondly it should be possible to provide lessons in French. It is universally recognised that this is something of real value to troops stationed on this island. Many have had grounding in French and, with the excellent opportunities for practice here, would find it a simple matter to become proficient in the tongue of our allies.

Then there is a large field of subjects on the physical side of our neglected education. In spite of lessons of the Pacific War and the many endeavours to overcome this deficiency, there is still a large number of soldiers who cannot swim. With the facilities available, and the dozens of expert swimmers as instructors, there is no good reason for any man not to be proficient in the water. And there are many other talents possible to us if we only receive the instruction.

Hence this article can only conclude, as so many others of similar vein have concluded, with the hope that the good intentions of the Adjutant-General and his associates will one day result in some form of tangible education for the men who most need, the thousands who have given their best years in the hope that they will someday return to a secure civilisation where they will be able to take their rightful place on an equal basis with those fortunate enough to have been able to complete their civil education.

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