

## ARMY TEACHES BOYS TRICKS OF TRADES

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A thousand boys between 14 and 17 began the new term at the Army Technical School. Getting out of uniform into overalls the youngsters show that their business is not fighting but mechanics. They are learning in the school machine-shops to become skilled workmen, of which the Ordnance Corps needs a small army to keep our armoured divisions in good repair. The school maintains the essential supply of turners, fitters, armourers, blacksmiths, electricians, etc., without taking men from munition factories.

(RIFLES ON RACK) They learn to put damaged rifles back on the active list. The mechanism of Tommy-guns is taught. As the instruments of war grow more complicated, maintenance becomes vitally important. The Ordnance Corps is the hospital for weapons and machinery.

This class learns to repair motor-cycles, which modern armies use - and smash up - in thousands. How the engine works is shown by cylinders partly cut away.

After three years technical-school apprenticeship the boys pass into the Ordnance Corps, to keep our armoured forces up to fighting pitch and at full strength.

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