

THE WAR MINISTER

TALKS ABOUT THE ARMY.

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"Do you realise that the British Empire is the largest Empire in the world - and that we have the smallest Standing Army of any great power in Europe ?

All our soldiers are volunteers, whether they are regulars, or territorials. I want to stress that territorials are not less important than regulars as part of our scheme of defence.

Now the trouble at the present time is that we haven't got enough men in either of our Armies.

The Regular Army is short of recruits - dangerously short. And the Territorials are about half what they were at the beginning of the war.

And it is such a good life - the Army - for young able-bodied men who like the open life, exercise, games, good food and foreign travel.

The Army gives you a good time and promises you a hopeful future. In addition you have the satisfaction of knowing that you have done your duty and served your country.