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**THE MOUNT ALLISON WAR MEMORIAL**

Without doubt many Mount Allison men and women, proud of the splendid part Mount Allison has played in the War, have hoped and expected that a suitable memorial would some day be erected to those whose lives were laid down in the conflict.

In any consideration of the question two alternatives present themselves: the one that the memorial should be primarily utilitarian, meeting some definite need of the Institution, and capable of association with the Mount Allison dead; the other that it should be primarily idealistic in character, poetic and beautiful and symbolic of the heroic spirit of the days of War, a memorial which would inspire future generations of Mount Allison men and women to emulate the noble spirit of the time in which these men and women gave their lives.

We believe that, however desirable the latter alternative might be, most of our alumni and alumnae would approve the former. It has been in the minds of many for a long time and found expression in the Record of Feb. 1916 that a Memorial Library blending in proper proportion, the useful and the beautiful, would be the most fitting memorial that could possibly be erected to the dead.

The councils of the Alumnae and Alumni Societies, in co-operation with the Board of Regents, have decided on this latter plan, and organization for the campaign is now in progress. Various considerations have decided the committee of these three Boards to bring on the campaign at as early a date as possible. While the exact date has not been fixed it has been decided that it will be in the first half of April.

We believe that this Library, erected in honor of the men and women who gave their lives in the War, and to constitute a War Memorial of the services of over five hundred Mount Allison men and women, will make a powerful appeal to all old students and friends of the Institution.

The next number of the Record will be a Library Number.

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**KILLED OR DIED IN SERVICE**

- Albert J. Stephenson '12-'13.
- George Gear, Eng. '11.
- Terence C. Lockwood, '14-'17.
- Capt. G. M. Campbell, '88-'91.
Kenneth MacKenzie, Eng. '09.
Cadet H. C. Davis, '13-'15.
A later issue of the Record will contain biographies of these men. The total number of those who have died in overseas and auxiliary services is now sixty-six.

DISTINCTIONS

Lieut. J. R. Paton, '11-'13, M. C.

Lieut. Paton went overseas in the 166th Battalion from Charlottetown with his friend Charlie Thompson, '10-'12, both of them being subalterns in that Battalion. He was later sent to another Battalion in France with which he has done distinguished service, having recently received the Military Cross. Fortunately his father was present in London when his decoration was presented by the King in person.


Col. Morris went overseas early in the War as a Captain in the Medical Corps. He saw service in Gallipoli and in France and was promoted to be Major. He was also mentioned in despatches. Later he was sent home and was appointed O. C. of Camp Hill Military Hospital, Halifax, N. S., and is still in charge. Some time ago he was promoted to be Lieutenant Colonel and more recently has been given the Mons Star for distinguished service in the Army Medical Corps.

Lieut. Donald A. Sutherland, '13-'15 M. C.

Lieut. Sutherland went overseas in the 7th Canadian Stationary Hospital, in which unit were a number of Mount Allison men. He served in France with that unit for some time and later went to England to take a commission. He was appointed to the 3rd Battalion of the famous Black Watch of the Imperial Forces and has been with them since. He was awarded the Military Cross for "conspicuous gallantry in the attack on Cambrai." His brother, Lieut. Jos. C. Sutherland, '13-'15 was killed in the Lens Arras sector in April, 1918. Lieut. Sutherland is now with his regiment in Cologne.

Capt. Stanley M. Smith, Eng. '07, M. C.

Capt. Smith has been with the Signallers since going overseas in 1915. For some time he has been O. C. of the 57th Motor Airline Section. When last heard of he was at Mons. He has been awarded the Military Cross but we have not heard the details.

Gunner Harry A. Jonah, '14-'16, M. M.

Gunner Jonah went overseas with the 14th Howitzer Brigade and is now with the 55th Battery. He has been awarded the Military Medal for distinguished conduct while in action. At the time of the award he was on a well-earned furlough in Scotland but he is now back with his unit in Germany. He is a son of Judge W. B. Jonah, '82.

Lieu. J. D. MacLean '14, M. C.

Lieu. MacLean went overseas with the 64th Battalion and went to France with the 3rd Canadian Pioneers. Later his Battalion was broken up and he was transferred to the 7th Battalion with which Unit he won his Military Cross. He is gazetted as follows:

"For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty: after leaving the jumping-off point with his platoon he almost immediately came in contact with the enemy front line, and, under heavy machine gun fire, rounded up forty prisoners. He then continued the advance to the second objective. The following day, after a further advance, he established communication with the troops on the left, and then carried out a daring reconnaissance, under heavy fire, as far as a canal, finding the west side clear of the enemy."

Lieu. H. Ward Murdock, Ac., M. M.

Lieu. Murdock enlisted in 1916 in the 193rd Battalion, of Truro, N. S. He became a Sergeant and took a course for a commission. He reverted to the ranks to go to France with the 88th and was through heavy fighting with that Unit. He won back his stripes and the Military Medal for bravery on the field. Later he was sent to England to qualify for a commission. His brother, Lieut. Alfred W. Murdock, '13, is with the 5th Pioneers.

RETURNED MEN

Several discharged soldiers entered the University at the beginning of the College year. They are:

G. M. Tingley,
Raymond Styles,
R. T. Pike,
Stewart Murray,
Moyle Stick,
Arthur Cooper.

The last two entered the University for the first time. The first of these was a prisoner in Germany for over a year, finally escaping by good luck. He has been describing his adventures in Germany in recent issues of the Argosy.

Since the beginning of the New Year quite a number have been added to the list. They are:

Harold Bishop,
J. R. Barraclough,
C. A. Burgess,
Russell P. Cahill,
Laurie Cooke,
R. K. Purdy,
Cadet Charles Malcolm,
Lieu. Wesley Kierstead,
Lieu. C. C. Langstroth,
Clifford S. Thompson,
Robert N. Wyse.

All but the last two are former Mount Allison Students. It will be of interest to note that eight of them are Arts students, the remainder Engineers. Those with the sixty-six names noted in a former issue of the Record, make a total of seventy-eight new students for the year. This large number is a good omen for the future. It seems altogether probable that a very large number of old students will be back next year to complete their work interrupted by the war. The Residence is fuller today than it has been for some time, there being about seventy-five men now in the dormitory. We hope that the whole building will be taxed to capacity in 1919-20.

GIFTS TO THE UNIVERSITY

Senator Dennis, of Halifax, proprietor of the Halifax Herald, has given to the University the sum of $5,000.00 the income from which is to be used in founding scholarships for men entering the University. The income $300.00 from the fund will be
divided into two portions, so that two large scholarships will be available for that purpose. The scholarships will be in memory of his son, Capt Eric Dennis, M.C., a former student of the Academy, who was killed on the Western Front in 1917. Senator Dennis has also shown his generosity toward Educational Institutions in a gift of $60,000.00 to Dalhousie to endow a Chair in memory of his son. The scholarships he has endowed at Mount Allison will be known as the Eric Dennis Memorial Scholarships.

For some time Dr. Borden has been seeking to raise $50,000.00, the income from which is to be used in increasing salaries of the Professors of the University. Considerable success has already been achieved. A Halifax supporter, of the University who wishes his name withheld, has given $5,000.00 on condition that the other such amounts should be raised. Altogether six of ten have been given. Some of the donors are:

Sir John Eaton, Toronto.
Sir Joseph Flavelle.
Joseph Allison.

The others wish their names withheld.

GENERAL NEWS

Promotions

Lt. James O. Calkin, ’13-’14, and Lieut. Carl Pickard, have both been promoted to Captains.

Col. F. P. Day, ’03

Col. Day has recently returned home after a long experience overseas. He enlisted in the 86th Battalion under Col. A. H. Borden as Junior Major and when the 185th Battalion was formed he was appointed O. C. He went overseas with this Battalion which formed one of the Battalions in the 5th Div. When the latter was broken up he went to the 25th Battalion as second in command as Major. He later took command of that Battalion with promotion to Col. He was in many heavy engagements during the past summer. His adjutant, a former Mount Allison man, Capt. Norman Wetmore, ’14-’15, was killed in one of those. Col. Day was unable to lead his Battalion into Germany because of sickness and medical operations, which must have been a genuine disappointment to him. He has been troubled with rheumatism considerably during the past months. Soon after his return to Canada he left for Pittsburgh to resume his duties as Prof. of English at the Carnegie Technical School. He is Mount Allison’s first Rhodes scholar.

Sergt. Charles L. Fillmore, ’04

Mr. Fillmore recently visited Sackville on his way home from overseas. He enlisted in Vancouver in an infantry regiment and after some time in training there and in England went to France in the 3rd Batt. Can. Railway Troops. He was in the great advance of the British from August 8th and had many interesting experiences. He visited his old home in Westmorland before leaving for the West. His wife was Miss Annie Clark, ’04. She spent last winter in Rexton, N. B., her former home, leaving last spring for the West.

Col. A. H. Borden, D. S. O.

We noted in a former issue that Col. Borden had been given the D. S. O.

The official wording of the Gazette is now at hand:

"Lieut. Col. Allison Hart Borden, by personal reconnaissance in the face of great danger from machine gun and rifle fire, obtained sufficient information to deal with an unexpected situation, caused by the enemy’s counter-attack, and with complete disregard of his own safety made a tour of the line. His example to the battalion was magnificent."

OUT OF THE PAST

We print below some extracts from early records of Mount Allison made by Rev. H. E. Thomas, of Sackville. From time to time notes of this sort will appear.

President Borden

Evening Telegram, St. John’s Newfoundland, June 15th, 1902. “The Rev. Byron E. Borden, M. A., D. D., Prof. of Political Science, and Principal of Mount Allison Ladies’ College, Sackville, N. B., occupied the pulpit of Gower Street Methodist Church last evening, and delivered a splendid and scholarly sermon on religious-political Economy from the 22nd Chapter of Matthew and part of the 21st verse. “Rendeth therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar’s and unto God the things that are God’s.”

The learned Doctor graduated from Mount Allison University in the year 1874 at the head of his class and received a place on the Alumni Honor Roll. Entering the Methodist Ministry he filled charges in Nova Scotia and Bermuda till 1885 when he was appointed Principal of the Ladies’ Col- O

lege. In the same year he became Professor of English Literature. The latter position he held until 1887 when he became Professor of Political Economy and Constitutional History. In the year 1888 he took the degree of M. A., and in 1893 his Alma Mater conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. Dr. Borden is a man who during his whole life has taken a keen interest in affairs concerning the welfare of the Empire. That ability in matters relating to the state which has placed his relatives in the foremost rank of Canadian politics, he in no less a degree possessed. Since he is a thoroughly practical man, vitally interested in the truths of his subjects, well versed in the national questions of the day, his classes at Mount Allison present to every student most excellent advantages. We warmly welcome Dr. and Mrs. Borden and wish them a very enjoyable visit to our Island home.

Mount Allison Concert

Guardian, Charlottetown, June 8, 1903.

"It is a matter of no small interest in musical circles that the Faculty of Mount Allison Ladies’ College are to give a concert tonight in Kindergarten Hall. A genuine treat may be expected. Mount Allison is one of the foremost seats of learning and culture in Eastern Canada and its Conservatory of Music is a feature of which its friends and patrons are deservedly proud. The singing of Miss Few, soprano, and the instrumental work of Dr. Archibald in two of our leading churches yesterday must have given their hearers a taste of their artistic
powers, which will increase the desire of many to be present at the concert tonight.

The program at the concert was as follows:

**Trio:** From "A Mid-Summer Night's Dream" Mendelssohn
Miss Pratt, Messrs. Wilson and Archibald

**Song:** Lullaby Bevignani
Miss Few

**Piano Solo:** Scherez in B Flat
Mr. Wilson

**Piano Solo:** "Then Spring is Come" (b) "The year's at the spring" Chopin
M. V. White Mrs. Beach

**Piano Solo:** Faust Valse Gounod-Liszt
Miss Pratt

**Violin Solo:** Les Adieux Sarasate
Mr. Archibald

Letter From Wilfred Dawson, '14

Below we publish extracts from letters from Lieut. Wilfred Dawson '14, who in 1915 was appointed Rhodes Scholar from Mount Allison. He enlisted in the 5th Siege Battery from Prince Edward Island:

"I saw Sid (Sid Hunton '15 '16) at Newville, St. Vaast, a ruined village—spotty place in peace time, but some months in the front system of German defence and British attack had left it in a rather torn-up condition—near Souchez, some time in June or perhaps May. N. St. V. was at the time the site of our Bde. H. Q., my section of the 5th Siege being some 3000 yards ahead in Thelus, another beauty spot. Sid was looking fine, quite in the best of spirits too. He had just come up from a rest camp to the immediate reinforcement depot for heavy artillery and was waiting to be returned to his battery.

About June 19th I left France, reported in London at Canadian H. Q. the 15th according to orders, was sent to Utility Camp, given two weeks leave (Ireland) returned to Witley and had a Cadet Course, finished October 20th or thereabouts and got another commission dated Nov. 5th, 1918. At least I expect to get it and I saw the date in the "Times," a journal in which I have great faith. Meanwhile I had been shipped to Lydd, a desolate spot in Kent and adapted for artillery range shooting by the existence of great stretches of shingle between it and the channel shore, shingle gives shells a good burst and does not raise bounteous crops so that title to it is easily acquired. The Central Siege School, Lydd, furnished Bill West (W. J. West, '14 '14), my comrade in misfortune, and myself with seven weeks instruction in artillery work, entertained us with seven or eight model shoots carried out with six-inch hows. We departed gladly just before Christmas.

When I arrived at Borden, Bill got permission to stay two days in the "Big Smoke"—I found that some of my friends had wished a job on me. The Assistant Adjutant, a hard-working individual, desired his Xmas leave. I must relieve him, for my friends in my absence, desirous of dodging the job, had so much extolled to the Colonel that apparently he was waiting for my arrival to send the A. A. to the bosom of his family during the festive season. And I who had always cherished a great contempt for army clerical work found myself "ignorant as a pig on ice," as Jack Phalen of our battery says, installed at once as a high priest of the God "Red Taps." I welcomed my really truly A. A. back with a thankful heart.

By the way, I met Charlie MacDougall ('11) at Borden. He has just returned from Germany or Belgium and was, I gathered, working at some H. Q. in Borden. He was with Reserve Bde., C. F. A., Borden.

While passing through London on the way from Lydd I called at the Rhodes Trust Office and saw Dr. Parke. He advised me to go down to Oxford and see Mr. Wylie, his representative there, about going into residence. I have since done so and on Mr. Wylie's advice have written the Rector of Exeter College to which I am assigned to say that I wish to take up work there in October.

On that same stay in London I called at H. Q. the Khaki University of Canada in England, and said that I would be willing to teach classes for them if they so desired. After my spell as A. A. at Bde. H. Q. I went up to London again in personal reply to a letter they had sent and was ordered to order a chemical laboratory complete for Matric. and 1st year work and install the same in an army hut in an area thereafter to be designated. I spent twelve days in reviewing text-books, seeing dealers and ordering apparatus and returned to Borden, got my kit and arrived at Bramshott last Monday. Since then I have done nothing for the cause but converse with the G. S. O. 7, at Camp H. Q., the District Officer Royal Engineers, and the K. U. of C., representative in camp. These gentlemen are very pleasant to meet and time does not lag on one's hands while in their company, but the net result of much conversation has been that orders have not yet been issued by the Colonel who is G. S. O. 7. Bramshott Camp to the Captain who is D. O. R. E. Bramshott Camp, to the effect that he is empowered to make changes in an army hut to suit the K. U. of C. so that the said hut may eventually become camouflaged as a "chemical lab, elementary, Mark 1." When this K. U. of C. starts I expect to be with it, till May or June as an instructor. They have not said that they want me as such but chemists are rarer birds in the army than they suspect and while I'm not really a Chemist, a really truly nitric-acid-stained and mysterious person, still I have a little hunch. There is no more pay in it but it would be an experience of a sort.

Yours sincerely,
WILFRED DAWSON.

**Address.**
Khaki University of Canada,
Ripon,
England.

**THE RECORD**

**Dear Editor:**

Enclosed find one dollar to pay for the Record. The name of your paper is very suggestive. Every man is making a record; and he ought to be ambitious to make the very best possible record. Some do not remain long enough at the equipment camp to make the best record on the field of achievement. The writer left Mount Allison Academy in 1857, a little more than sixty years ago, after altogether too short a stay there. Hence his record has not been as rich in conquests and as far reaching in influence for good as it might have been had he
tarryed longer at the feet of the Gama-liets of that day. It only seems like yesterday when he was in the old Academy with Dr. Pickard, Professor Reid, Mr. Inch, subsequently Dr., and Mr. Patterson as teachers, sterling men who have finished their record and gone to their reward. It is the wish of the writer for the staff of your paper and all its readers that each may make a record that “shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and as the stars for ever and ever.”

WILLIAM RYAN.

Auburn, N. S.


One evening early in February George McCord died suddenly while on his way home from his office. He is the third member of the class of '99 to have an asterisk in the Calendar, the others being Eugene Forsey who died in Mexico and Arthur Fuller who was asphyxiated in New York. During his course he took Honors in English and was always a reader with a rather a hobby for books. He attended the Harvard Law School, and on practising law entered into partnership with A. B. Copp, M. F., with offices in Sackville. He took a keen interest in politics and all things pertaining to citizenship. Just after the outbreak of the war he enlisted. His splendid career as a soldier has been referred to in other numbers of the Record, after his return home in the spring of 1917. His funeral was attended by great numbers of people from the locality and various parts of the country, showing the esteem in which he was held. He was a most obliging friend and will be missed by a number of Allisonians and others. His name was among those nominated at the last meeting of the Alumni Society to be submitted on the next voting papers as a candidate to represent the Society on the Board of Regents.

Capt. Chester Harris, '10, M. C.

We greatly regret a peculiar mistake in the October number of the Record in the paragraph relating to Capt. Harris. He was there credited with having served in the R. A. M. C., in Italy and with Having had an exciting experience, in company with his wife, in the retreat from Caporetto. As a matter of fact that statement referred to Capt. W. E. Thomson '10 a fact we well know. We have received a letter from Capt. Harris and take the liberty of publishing part of it:

"I joined up about the beginning of 1915 and went to France in May. I spent 6 months with the 74th Field Ambulance and went with them through the Somme Battle '16. I went then to the 90th Base, R. F. A. for 4 months, and applied for a transfer to the Infantry. I was sent to the 9th Batt. Royal Sussex Regt. where I remained for 14 months being engaged in that time in the following engagements— Vimy, Messines, Passchendaele, on the fringe of Cambrai, and in the retreat of the 6th Army in March last. In this last engagement we were in support of the division which first gave way so that we came in for a lively time. We were in this retreat 16 days before being relieved. In June last year I was transferred to the British Salonika Force where I have been on duty in the 38th General Hospital (Serbian)."

Yours sincerely,

CHESTER HARRIS.

Capt. R. A. M. C.