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TOTAL OF THIRTY-THREE MEN FROM HAMILTON LOST LIVES

Additions Made to Numbers in Announcements To-day

LANCE-CPL. KENNEDY

Soldier Whose Father Was Decorated Died in Action

From The Spectator's Ottawa News Bureau, by Charles Bishop

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Casualty lists from Dieppe have been coming to the records office of the national defence department since last Friday night. They will keep on coming "for some time yet," according to the information here to-day. Naturally, there is a certain amount of reticence about such things and all inquirers are advised to wait for the official "releases" which follow after it is made sure that next of kin have been notified. The records office has a day and night staff at work, with a file for each man on service, on any front, home or abroad. The transfer of information to these files involves a great deal of work and checking.

Advices Change

Advices are being changed constantly, as for example, when one reported wounded, one day, is reported killed the next. Some missing man is always showing up in some hospital or other.

There is hesitancy to publish any list of the missing till it is known whether or not they are prisoners of war.

What is regarded as an average "wastage" in a battle is about ten per cent.

It is clearly indicated that the Canadian casualties at Dieppe will be all of that and some seemingly authentic reports suggest it may be considerably more. All the dispatches, however, indicate that the expedition was for a particular and valuable purpose and that that purpose was accomplished, even if the cost was not negligible.

Thirty-three Killed

Further casualties reported to the Spectator to-day brought the total known to have been killed in action to 33. Eight who were previously reported missing or wounded, have since been reported killed, and three are reported to have died from wounds. The total number of wounded now stands at 43.

L.-Cpl. William Kennedy, Killed

Pte. Edward J. LeNoury, Wounded

Lieut. Ian Wright Listed as Killed

Originally reported killed in action, later listed as missing, Lieut. Ian H. V. Wright, son of Capt. E. Vaughan Wright, Carrickleith, Ancaster, is now listed as killed in action. The first message received Thursday, when R.H.L.I. casualties at Dieppe reached the city, reported that the young officer had lost his life. Hopes were raised Sunday when Lieutenant Wright was reported missing, but Tuesday night a third wire announced that he had been killed. His brother, Lieut. Gerald Wright, was reported missing in the first casualty list.

King Honours Father; Son Dies at Dieppe

A Hamilton soldier, whose father, an air raid warden in Newcastle-on-Tyne, was decorated by King George for gallantry during a raid, is another to have been reported killed in action during the Dieppe attack. He is Lance-Cpl. William Kennedy, 37, whose wife, Margaret, resides at 72 Norman street. It was last May that his father, William, was awarded the British Empire medal by the King. Pte. Kennedy resided in this country 14 years, coming here from Hexham-on-Tyne, England. He was a native of Tyneside.

Lance-Cpl. Kennedy has a brother, Herbert, serving in the Imperial army and another, Robert, with the Royal Navy. He was an employee of the Dominion Foundries and Steel Co., Ltd., before enlisting with the R.H.L.I., September 16, 1939.

He also leaves three children, Edith, 12; Albert, 10, and John, seven. A brother-in-law, Malcolm Walker, Parkview survey, is serving at present on H.M.S. King George.

L.-Cpl. Leonard Howarth Is Killed in Action

Previously reported missing, Acting Lance-Cpl. Leonard Howarth, R.H.L.I., is now reported officially, killed in action. A message to this effect was received to-day by his wife, Gloria, 11 Argylle avenue. He was 24 years of age and went overseas in July, two years ago. He was born in Hamilton and attended the Queen Mary and King George schools and was employed at the Lysaght Sheet Metal company plant. His mother lives at 524 Ottawa street north. A brother, Arthur, is in the navy and two other brothers, Harry and Ernest, live here and five sisters, Marion, at home, and Mrs. Hilda Drummond, Mrs. Lillian Bigley, Mrs. May Bell and Mrs. Ena Mercer, all in Hamilton. He leaves a son, Leonard John "Jackie," who will be four years old in October.

Pte. John F. Freeborn Died of Wounds

Pte. John Fulton Freeborn, R.H.L.I., previously reported wounded, is now reported died of wounds. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Freeborn, live at 148 Picton street east. He had been married for about one year, his wife, Mrs. Annie Lyons Freeborn, living at Maybole, Ayrshire, Scotland. Besides his parents he leaves a sister, Sarah, and four brothers, Reginald, Stanley, Kenneth and Donald, all at home. He was a pupil at the Bennetto school and before enlistment worked at the National Steel Car company plant.

Was Wounded During Onslaught on Dieppe

Pte. Arthur Jones, of 16 Allandale avenue, is being treated in a British hospital for wounds suffered when he fought with the R.H.L.I. up the beaches of Dieppe. A member of the headquarters company of that regiment, Private Jones went overseas in 1940. He was born in England, having lived in Canada for 16 years. Thirty-six years of age, he was employed in a grocery store before enlisting.

Pte. Edward J. Le Noury Is Reported Wounded

Pte. Edward John Le Noury is officially reported wounded in action, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Le Noury, 24 Gladstone avenue, being notified to this effect. He is 22 years old and a member of the R.H.L.I. since the outbreak of the war. Born in Hamilton he attended the Stinson street school and Technical institute and before enlistment was in charge of Sharples' florist stores.

Cpl. William H. Juhlke Has Died of Wounds

A district man now reported to have died of wounds is Corp. William H. Juhlke, son of Mrs. Daisy Juhlke, who reports that he died of wounds and was one of those buried at Brookwood, Eng. He was 22 years of age and besides his widowed mother he leaves a wife and young son, born after he went overseas. He also had a brother, Pte. Carl Juhlke, who was in the Dieppe raid, and a brother in Beamsville and two sisters. He was a great lover of sports and played hockey for Beamsville before enlisting and also played for the R.H.L.I. when that unit was stationed in Hamilton, and after going overseas. He joined the R.H.L.I. three days after war was declared.

Pte. J. Crossley Fenner Is Reported Wounded

Pte. J. Crossley Fenner, R.H.L.I., has been added to the list of those wounded after the Dieppe raid. He was attached to the medical section of the R.H.L.I. and his mother reports that she has been informed officially that he was wounded in the arm and leg. He joined the R.H.L.I. one month after war was declared. His parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Fenner, live at Campden, Ont. He married an English girl and has his home there.

Guelph Man Among Those Reported Wounded

Pte. Thomas William Graham is reported wounded, the official message to his mother, Mrs. Mabel Graham, 69 Wyndham street, Guelph, stating he had lacerations of the left knee. Since receiving this message she has also received a cable from her son stating he was injured, in hospital, and not to worry. He was a member of the R.H.L.I. He was with the commandos and also was an expert boxer, having won a gold medal since going overseas as a lightheavyweight. His father, the late T. W. Graham, who was on the high seas when the last war broke out, was on a ship commandeered as a transport and he served with distinction. He later joined a Highland unit and served for ten months in France, his death, five years ago, being attributed to war service. He was one of two men in Guelph who had the Mercantile Marine medal.

Many Report They Are Safe and Well

Pte. William Hubbard, of the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry, is safe and well overseas, according to word received by his wife, who resides at 34 Ellis street.

Sgt. Percy "Pat" Cunningham, 99 Ferguson avenue north, has cabled home that he is safe and well. His mother resides at 88 Ferguson avenue north.

Pte. A. W. Edwards, who fought with the R.H.L.I. at Dieppe, is safely back in England, his wife, who lives at 137 Kensington avenue north, has been told. Pte. Edwards joined the regiment with his friend, Pte. Arnold Hanson, who has been reported missing.

Word has been received by Mrs. Kathleen Atkinson, of Burlington, that her husband, Pte. William Atkinson, who has been overseas with the Toronto Scottish since 1939, returned safely from Dieppe.

Pte. Clare Smith, 171 Rosslyn avenue north, has cabled home that he is well.

Among those reported safe and well after the Dieppe raid is Sgt. Robert "Bob" Ionson, R.H.L.I. well-known marksman. His sister Mrs. Helen Mason, Ancaster, was advised by cable from him he was safe and not to worry.

"Please don't worry. All safe and well," cabled Pte. Charles Kitney, R.H.L.I., to his parents, Mr and Mrs. W. R. Kitney, 61 Melbourne street.

Mrs. Craig Anderson, Brighton Beach, has received word her husband, Corp. Craig Anderson, is all right.

Pte. George Mudie, R.H.L.I., has informed his mother, Mrs. George Ballingall, 370 Main street west that he is safe and well.

Pte. John G. O'Kane Killed in Action

Pte. John Gerald O'Kane, who was listed as killed in action in the casualty list on Saturday as from Ireland, was a member of the R.H.L.I., and was one of the first to enlist in the unit when war was in the offing. He lived for a time at Grimsby, then at 41 Robert street. Mrs. Rufus Reynolds, of that address, informed the Spectator. He was 28 years old, and had not lived here for long before the war broke out. He has a sister in North York and other in Ireland, whose husband was taken prisoner at Dunkirk. Mrs. Reynolds received a letter from Pte. O'Kane on Tuesday in which he told of taking a special course and of plans for a leave in Scotland.