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Campbell College CCF Pipes and Drums at the Menin Gate 2019. Tomorrow marks the anniversary of the Battle of Passchendaele - The Third Battle of Ypres. Twelve former students of Campbell College, Belfast were killed during the battle. Three men from Castlerock fell.

Passchendaele, Campbell College and Castlerock

The Third Battle of Ypres, or the Battle of Passchendaele as it is known, started on 31/07/1917 and lasted three months, one week and three days; ending on 10 November of that year.

During the disastrous battle of Passchendaele, men from the 36th Ulster Division and 16th Irish Division fought side by side; both Divisions suffering horrendous losses, 1,200 being killed on 16th August alone. The 36th and 16th only fought together on two occasions during the Great War, and those two battles were to reflect a story of triumph and disaster – the triumph of Messines is well known, but the disaster of Passchendaele is virtually forgotten in Ireland. Passchendaele has been described as “a Golgotha, a dead man’s land, a swamp of death”. That description only gives our generation a small insight into what the men who fought had to contend with.

Twelve OCs (Old Campbellians), were killed during the battle, the majority as officers and serving in the 36th (Ulster) Division.

The British objectives for the offensive were bold; aiming at a breakout to push the Germans out of Belgium. Commander-in-Chief of the British Expeditionary Force (BEF), Sir Douglas Haig, wanted to advance up the Belgian coast to destroy U-boat bases at Ostend and Zeebrugge, both in German held territory. This had become important, as in February 1917, the Germans had started unrestricted submarine warfare, which threatened to starve Britain into submission.

The operation opened on 31 July with the BEF’s Fifth Army attacking east of Ypres, under the direction of Lieutenant

General Gough. Initial progress was good; the attack on the left wing achieved its objectives but the assault on the left wing failed completely.

One of the first OCs to die was **William Porter** (1235), who was wounded on the opening day and died three days later from his injuries. Porter was a Lieutenant in the 2nd Battalion, Leinster Regiment and served along side OC Frank Hitchcock (1185).

Hitchcock wrote a famous memoir of his service with Moore that was published after the war. At age 21, Porter was the youngest OC to die during Third Ypres and he was one of the seven members of the CCB 1914 1st XV to die in the First World War.

The offensive ground on and constant preparatory shelling had churned the clay soil and smashed the agricultural drainage systems. A few hours into the battle, the weather turned and the heaviest rainfall for 30 years fell upon the battlefield. This turned the terrain into a swampy quagmire, producing thick mud that clogged up rifles, immobilized tanks and brought the initial operations to a halt.

On 16 August, the attack was resumed but with little effect. The 16th (Irish) and 36th (Ulster) Divisions were involved in this assault and the former suffered 3,600 casualties, and the latter, 4,200.

One of those casualties in the 36th Division was **Second Lieutenant William Moore** (879). He was serving in the 9th Battalion Royal Irish Fusiliers. He was commissioned in 1914, after graduating from QUB.

He had initially joined the 10th Battalion Royal Irish Fusiliers (RIF) in January 1916 and was involved in the suppression of the May 1916 Easter Rising. In June 1917, he was posted France to join the 9th Battalion.

The last OC to be killed in the battle was **John Simms** (1048); he died on 26 October 1917. He was a Captain in the 2/12 Battalion, London Regiment (Rangers). He was at Campbell College from September 1908 to December 1912 and came from Newtownards, County Down.

For Campbell College, Belfast, the legacy of Third Ypres is the 12 OCs who did not come back.

Only five of the 12 have a known grave, the other seven are commemorated on memorials to the missing. Four are remembered on the Tyne Cot Memorial and the other three on the Menin Gate memorial.

Castlerock

Three men from Castlerock Parish were killed during the Battle, and are remembered with honour on the War Memorials in St. Paul's Articlave and Christ Church in Castlerock.

Private George Madden, 10th Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers was killed on Friday 10th August. He was the son of Andrew Madden. He was married to Martha McCallion, and was the father of two children, Andrew and Annie. His body was never recovered. He is remembered with honour on the Menin Gate Memorial.

Private Hugh Butler Macauley, 10th Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. He was the son of James and Elizabeth Macauley. He was killed on 16th August, aged 22. His body

was never recovered and he is remembered with honour on the Tyne Cot Memorial.

Private Robert Keith, 1st Battalion Irish Guards. He was killed in action on 10th October; his body was never recovered and he is remembered with honour on the Tyne Cot Memorial.

The failure of the initial offensive led to Haig replacing Gough with Lieutenant General Plumer, Commander of the Second Army, in late August. Plumer changed British tactics and executed a series of limited objectives operations, known as 'bite and hold', that achieved significant progress. These assaults went on during September and October, once the weather had improved.

They included the Battles of Menin Road Ridge (20 September), Polygon Wood (26 September) and the Broodseinde (4 October). These resulted in British possession of the ridge east of Ypres. Subsequent attacks in October and November managed to push the British line into what remained of Passchendaele village, on Passchendaele ridge (this is where Tyne Cot cemetery is located today). The offensive was then called off.

To this day, the Third Battle of Ypres remains a controversial subject. Many people subscribe to the interpretation of the battle put forward by veteran historian, A.J.P. Taylor, that it was the 'blindest slaughter in a blind war'.

More recently scholars have challenged this view. For example, Dr Nick Lloyd from King's College London has suggested that Third Ypres was a 'lost victory' for the British. He argues the battle could have been won had the British played to their tactical and technological strengths, in the

manner Plumer had done during the operations in September and October.

Acknowledgments

Campbell College, Castlerock Parish, CWGC and Dr Tom Thorpe, MCIPR, MA, BA (hons)

On this Day – July 30

1914

The Tsar signs order at 4pm for mobilisation of Russian army

British Government reject German proposals for British neutrality

Australian Government place Australian Navy at disposal of British Admiralty.

Austrian warships bombard Belgrade, capital of Serbia.

1915

The Germans pierce the British line at Hooze using "flame-throwers".

1916

36th (Ulster) Division - Divisional Commander Major General Nugent and the 109th Brigade Commander, Brigadier Shuter visit the trenches occupied by the 14th



Royal Irish Rifles (YCV) near Ploegsteert. The Allies advance north of Somme, from Delville Wood to the river.

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1943

The liner RMS Queen Mary arrived on the Clyde from New York in her role as a Troop Ship. She was carrying 16,683 souls, the greatest number of people ever embarked in one ship. She was escorted by the Royal Navy and averaged 28 Knots during the passage.

Roll of Honour – July 30

Representing their comrades who died on this day

1916

+BECHER, William Stewart

Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment), 24th Btn., also known as the 2nd Sportsman's Btn. Private. 2116. Died 30/07/1916. Age 47. B.A.I. of Trinity College, Dublin, and M.Inst. C.E. He lived in Wales near Aberdare and worked for Neath Rural District Council. Son of Mary (nee Stewart) Becher and the late Michael Becher, of Ardralla, Newcourt, Skibbereen, Co. Cork. Husband to Annie (nee Boyd) Becher, of Randalstown, Co. Antrim. They married in Drummaul Parish Church, Randalstown, on 05/02/1907. William was then a civil engineer and living in Killiney, Co. Dublin. Abbeville Communal Cemetery, Somme, France

+BOYD, James

Black Watch (Royal Highlanders), 6th Btn. Lance Corporal. 2953. Died 30/07/1916. He was with a machine-gun section when he died. Harcourt St., Belfast. Theipval Memorial, Somme, France

+COLGAN, Thomas

Seaforth Highlanders, 1/5 Btn. Private. 4291. Died

30/07/1916. Aged 19. Son of Thomas and Catherine of Galgorm Street, Ballymena. "Mrs. Colgan, Galgorm Street, Ballymena, has been officially notified that her son, Pte. Thomas Colgan, Seaforth Highlanders, has died from wounds received in action, in No.45 Casualty Clearing Station, France. Information to this effect was also received from the Rev. S. Hamill Wilkinson, Chaplain to the forces, who stated that he was unable to talk with the deceased as he passed away shortly after being admitted to hospital. Rev. Wilkinson said he was all the more sorry for he himself was a native of Co. Antrim and used to go to school in Ballymena. Private Colgan enlisted in May 1915 and he was at the front since November 1915. His father, Rifleman Thomas Colgan, is serving at the front with the Royal Irish Rifles (Ulster Division)"- Ballymena Observer August 11, 1916.

He was one of three recruits from Ballymena to the Seaforth Highlanders in May 1915: Hugh McClurkin, Galgorm Street; William John Wilson, James Street; Thomas Colgan, Galgorm Street. Daours Communal Cemetery Extension, Somme.

+FORSYTHE, Robert

Royal Irish Rifles, 7th Btn. Rifleman. 4833. Died 30/07/1916. 7th Btn. was formed in Belfast in September 1914. As part of 48th Infantry Brigade it was attached to 16th (Irish) Division and deployed around Hullach. It was in this general area that Robert Forsythe died. Son of George and Annie Forsythe, Cottage Terrace, Banbridge. Bois-Carre Military Cemetery Haisnes, France. Seapatrik Parish Church RH, Banbridge

+JOHNSTON, William Holden

King's Liverpool Regiment, 13th Btn. Second Lieutenant. Died 30/07/1916. Aged 31. Formerly a Private with the Royal Fusiliers, he gained his commission into the Liverpool Regiment on 29/03/1915. He embarked for France on 17/02/1916. He was the son of John G. and Esther Johnston, of Brooklands, Annadale, Belfast formerly 12, Annadale Avenue. Husband to Dorothy Holden Johnston, of Hoylake, Birkenhead. He lived, at one stage at 16, Donegall Square South, Belfast. Guillemont Road Cemetery, Guillemont, Somme, France. St Jude's C of I parish, Belfast, WM

+KING, William Alexander

Black Watch (Royal Highlanders). 6th Btn. Private. 2905. Died 30/07/1916. Age 25. His brother John Donaldson King also fell. Educated at Royal School, Armagh In 1911 William was working as a chemist and living in University St., Belfast. He disembarked in France in May 1915. Son of Mary J. King, of Lurgana House, Whitecross, Co. Armagh, and the late John King, a Baronial Constable of the county. Caterpillar Valley Cemetery, Longueval, France

+LILLY, Herbert Ewart

Black Watch (Royal Highlanders), 6th Btn. Private. 2688. Died 30/07/1916. Age 18. Brother of Ethel Lilly, of 63, Foyle St., Belfast. Thiépval Memorial, France

+McCOUBREY, Francis

7th Battalion Royal Irish Rifles. Rifleman, Service No: 5201 Died 30/07/1916. Son of Francis and Annie McCoubrey, of

Bridge-street, Downpatrick, Co. Down; husband to Agnes McCoubrey of Clough, and father of William Herbert, and Robert James, of Derryneil, Clough, Co. Down. Bois - Carre Military Cemetery, Haisnes, Pas de Calais, France

+MITCHELL, Samuel

King's Own Scottish Borderers, 2nd Btn. Lance Corporal. 17530. Died 30/07/1916. Age 22. Son of Mrs. Margaret Mitchell, of 49, London St., Belfast. Theipval Memorial, France

+MORRISON, Albert Victor

2nd Bn. Royal Scots Fusiliers. Second Lieutenant. Died 30/07/1916. Aged 21. Medical student QUB. He was wounded on an arm on 11/06/1916 recovered and returned to the front. In France from 25/03/1916. Born 1895. He was born and lived in Cookstown. Eldest son of Alexander and Margaret Elizabeth Morrison, of Innisfallen, Cookstown and later of Hopefield Avenue, Antrim Rd., Belfast. Theipval Memorial, Somme, France, St Luran's C of I, Cookstown WM, QUB RH

+OGLE, William Robert

Black Watch (Royal Highlanders), 6th Btn. Lance Corporal. 2105. Died 30/07/1916. He had worked in the General Post Office in Bangor where his father was an official. His uncle Cecil A Ogle, a signaller who had previously worked as a draughtsman in Harland & Wolff shipyards, wrote to the family to tell them of the tragedy. His letter was followed by one from an officer in the regiment, AD Muir, who said "His death was quite painless - a bullet wound and caused him no disfigurement". Theipval Memorial, France

+OWENS, Robert S

Highland Light Infantry. 2nd Btn. Private. 10716. Died 30/07/1916. Age 26. Son of William and Jane Owens; husband of Elizabeth Owens, of Broughshane St., Ballymena. Thiepval Memorial, France

+ROGAN, Herbert John

Black Watch (Royal Highlanders), 6th Btn. Private. 2609. Died 30/07/1916. Age 23. Son of John and Catherine Rogan, of 4, Victoria Terrace, Cregagh, Belfast; husband of Catherine Rogan (nee McCord), of Willow House, Trummery, Co. Down. Thiepval Memorial, France

+SAMPSON , Hugh

The King's (Liverpool Regiment), 17th Btn. Private. 27579. Died 30/07/1916. Larne. Serre Road Cemetery No 2, France

+SMALL, Walter

Royal Scots Fusiliers, 9th Btn. att'd. 2nd Btn. Lieutenant. MM. Died 30/07/1916. Age 22. He was commissioned in the Royal Scots Fusiliers. Son of William and Sara Small, of Lattery, Markethill. Thiepval Memorial, Somme, France.

+WATSON, James

Manchester Regiment, 27th Btn. att'd. 17th Btn. Lieutenant. Died 30/07/1916. Age 23. Educated at Foyle College, Londonderry. Joined the Belfast Banking Company and is recorded as working in Kingstown branch (Dun Laoghaire). James volunteered and enlisted into the 10th Btn. Royal

Inniskillings Fusiliers (Derry Volunteers) with Service Number 16083. Disembarked France on 15/07/1916. Son of Robert and Elizabeth Watson, of Bond's Hill, Londonderry. Brother of Thomas. Robert and William. Dantzig Alley British Cemetery, Mametz, France. Family headstone in Derry City Cemetery

1917

+HARTY, John

Irish Guards. 2nd Btn. Private. 7469. Died 30/07/1917. Enlisted Hamilton, Lanark. Born at Mullabawn, Co. Armagh. Effects left to his widow Mary. Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial, Belgium

+TAYLOR, Patrick

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, 2nd Btn. Private. 22645. Died 30/07/1917. Age 24. Son of John and Mary Taylor, of Mullyhasky, Co. Fermanagh. Mont Huon Military Cemetery, Le Treport, France

1918

+CLARKE, Samuel James

Royal Irish Rifles, 2nd Btn. Rifleman. 14207. Died 30/07/1918. Age 25. Son of William Clarke, of 16, Gaffikin St. Sandy Row, Belfast. Ploegsteert Memorial, Belgium

+GIBSON, Robert James

Royal Irish Rifles, 2nd Btn. No. 2 Coy. Serjeant. 4902. Died 30/07/1918. Age 28. Son of Hugh and M. J. Gibson, of Edenordinary, Banbridge. Bertenacre Military Cemetery, Fletre, France

+MAXWELL, Ambrose

Royal Irish Fusiliers. Private. 14434. Died 30/07/1918. Age 20. Lurgan Quaker Burial Ground

+McILROY, David

Royal Irish Rifles, 2nd Btn. Rifleman. 1506. Died 30/07/1918. Aged 19. Son of Mary McIlroy, of 11, St. Paul's St., Belfast, and the late David McIlroy. Ploegsteert Memorial, Hainaut, Belgium

+McMILLAN, John

Royal Irish Rifles, 2nd Btn. Previously of D' Company 14th Royal Irish Rifles. Sergeant. 16770. Died 30/07/1918. Age 24. Previous to joining the colours in September, 1914, John was a clerk in the thread department at Hilden Threadworks (Messrs. William Barbour & Sons.) He was a member of the 1st Battalion South Antrim Regiment, Ulster Volunteer Force. In sport he was connected with the Lisburn Rugby F.C., South Antrim Hockey Club, and Roseville F.C. He was also associated with the Boys' Brigade, being a lieutenant in the 23rd Company connected with Railway Street Presbyterian Church. Son of late Joseph and Maggie McMillen nee Mussen, of 34 Castle Street, Lisburn. Bertenacre Military Cemetery, Fletre, France

+O'RORKE, Daniel

Royal Garrison Artillery, 170th Siege Battery. Lieutenant. Died 30/07/1918. Age 21. Served as O'Rourke. He received his commission early in the Great War and, after home training, was stationed in Gibraltar for two years. Son of Howard Ambrose O'Rourke and Isabel W. O'Rourke, of Hill Mount, Cushendall. He was born on 22/03/1897 at

Dunratho, Craigavad, Holywood. Ambrose Howard O'Rorke and Isabel Weldon White O'Rorke (nee Spinner, sometimes Whitespinner, sometimes Weldon) were married on 14/04/1896 in Carrickfergus Roman Catholic Church. Daniel O'Rorke had one younger sister – Mary Oonagh Isabel (born 21/04/1899). Howard Ambrose O'Rorke was a solicitor and company director and Daniel was just four years old when his father died on 20/02/1902 (aged 45). Daniel O'Rorke was educated at Rockport School and at Clongowes Wood College in County Kildare. He was a member of Helen's Bay Golf Club. Hedauville Communal Cemetery Extension, France. Holywood and District WM; on the Credence Table in Helen's Bay Church of Ireland Church (St John the Baptist); Helen's Bay Golf Club; Apprentices to Solicitors Memorial, Four Courts, Dublin and in Rockport School.

+YOUNG, Margaret Cameron

Voluntary Aid Detachment, 2nd Gen. Hosp. Died 30/07/1918. Age 25. Daughter of Amelia and the late Thomas Young, of 37, Newington Avenue, Belfast. Terlincthun British Cemetery, Wimille, France

1940

+THOMPSON, Joseph Beckett

RAFVR. Sergeant. 566058. Died 03/07/1940. Aged 24. 25 Sqdn. He attended Lisburn Junior Technical High School before joining the RAF as an Aircraft Apprentice in September 1932. By August 1935, he passed out as a qualified fitter. In the following years, he undertook pilot training and gained his wings. At the outbreak of war in



September 1939, Thompson served with RAF 25 Squadron at Northolt. He was one of “The Few” who perished during the Battle of Britain. He was the pilot of Bristol Blenheim Bomber L1408 and had taken off to test the Airborne Interception radar system. During the mission, his plane collided with Blenheim L6722 of RAF 29 Squadron over the Bristol Channel. Aircraftman EJ Toy and Mr DM Gordon, a civilian radar engineer from No 32 Maintenance Unit died on board Thompson’s craft. The occupants of the other plane; Sergeant E Waite, Sergeant CJ Richardson and Leading Aircraftman T Ward of No 32 Maintenance Unit were also lost. Born in Magheragall, Co. Antrim, he was the son of Thomas Thompson and Sarah Thompson. Magheragall Church of Ireland Churchyard, Co. Antrim. 502 (Ulster) Squadron WM, St Anne’s Cathedral, Belfast

+TURBITT, John

Royal Artillery. 12 Bty., 3 Searchlight Regt. Bombardier. 6974101. Died Between 30/05/1940 and 22/06/1940. He had previously served in the Royal Irish Fusiliers. Dunkirk Town Cemetery, Nord, France. Portadown WM

1942

+BARRETT, Edward

RAF (AAF). Aircraftman 2nd Class. 816224. Died 30/07/1942. Aged 28. 502 Sqdn. Edward was a ground crew technician. At 2224hrs on 29th July, Armstrong Whitworth Whitley Z9192 landed at RAF Predannack, Cornwall damaging a tail wheel. At 1430hrs on 30th July 1942, the repaired plane took off bound for St. Eval carrying the crew of 6 and 3 ground crew who assisted in the repairs. Reports suggest the Whitley stalled on approach to the St. Eval airfield. The plane came down in fields at Merlin Farm, St. Mawgan, Cornwall. A total of 9 people; 6 crew members and 3 passengers died in the burning wreckage. Two other 502 men were killed in the accident - William Mewha and Robert Brown. Son of James and Mary Barrett, of Belfast. Husband to Evelyn Nora Barrett, Belfast. Son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. C. Keep, 79 Melrose Street, Belfast. St Columb Major Cemetery, Cornwall

+BROWN, Robert Augustus

RAF (AAF). Corporal. 816108. Died 30/07/1942. Aged 32. 502 Squadron. Robert was a ground crew technician. At 2224hrs on 29th July, Armstrong Whitworth Whitley Z9192 landed at RAF Predannack, Cornwall damaging a tail wheel.

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+MEWHA, William George

RAF (AAF). Warrant Officer (Observer/Radar Operator).816190. Died 30/07/1942. 502 Sqdn. Royal Air Force (Auxiliary Air Force). At 14.30 hours on 30th July 1942 an Armstrong Whitworth Whitley GR VII aircraft, number Z9192 belonging to 502 Squadron Royal Air Force based at RAF St Eval crashed in a field at Merlin Farm, St Mawgan near Newquay in Southwest England. The aircraft was completely burnt-out and the crew of six and two RAF passengers were killed including Warrant Officer William George Mewha who was an Observer / Radar Operator. Two other 502 men were killed in the accident - Robert Brown and Edward Barrett. Carnmoney Cemetery. 502 (Ulster) Squadron WM, St Anne's Cathedral, Belfast

1943

+SMYTH, Wallace Robert

RAFVR. Pilot Officer (Navigator).149676.Died 30/07/1943. Aged 21. 57 Sqdn. Son of Henry P. and Maude A. Smyth, of

Hollywood, Co. Down. Hamburg Cemetery, Hamburg, Germany. Hollywood WM

+SPENCE, William John

RAFVR. Sergeant (Wireless Op./Air Gunner).1123753. Died 30/07/1943. Aged 22. 35 Sqdn. Son of William McCrea Spence and Margaret Reid Spence, of Larne. Becklingen War Cemetery, Niedersachsen, Germany

1944

+CORRIGAN, Owen

1st Battalion Irish Guards. Guardsman. 2721586. during World War Two. Died 30/07/1944 aged 25 years old. Milltown Cemetery. Belfast

+CRONIN, John Francis

2nd Bn. Royal Ulster Rifles. Rifleman. 7016464. Died 30/07/1944. La Deliverande War Cemetery, Douvres, Calvados, France

+McINTYRE, John Joseph

Royal Artillery. Gunner. 1063465. Died on 30th July 1945. Aged 40. Son of Malcolm and Mary Ellen McIntyre of Belfast; Husband to Sarah McIntyre of Belfast. Milltown Roman Catholic Cemetery

+VERNER, Robert Gerald

Royal Engineers, 36 Fortress Coy. Lance Corporal.1873511. Died 30/07//1945. Age 33. Son of John and Elizabeth Verner, of Killen, Co. Tyrone. Labuan War Cemetery, Malaysia

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ALLEN, Samuel Ernest T

Royal Artillery. Major. ERD. Ernest Allen was born at Methodist Manse, Church Street, Magherafelt on 12/07/1905 to Samuel Allen, Methodist Clergyman and Elizabeth Anne (nee Vance) Allen. By the 1911 census Ernest aged 5 and his family was resident at Main Street, Dundrum, Co. Down. He had two brothers and two sisters.

He was educated at Methodist College where he became Head Boy and Captain of the Rugby 1st XV playing for Ulster Schools. Following his education, Ernest joined the Ulster Bank at Head Office on 28th December 1923 and was transferred to Bangor branch in 1925. He was cashier at that branch from 1935.

Ernest volunteered and enlisted in January 1939 into the Supplementary Reserve, Royal Artillery (Territorial Army). He was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in April 1939 and 'called up' for war service in August 1939.

The London Gazette records a Lieutenant (War Substantive Captain) S E T Allen with service number 88995 relinquishing his commission on 23/04/1949 and being granted the honorary rank of Major. The London Gazette reported that on 9th March 1956, the Queen has been graciously pleased to confer the award of the Army Emergency Reserve Decoration (ERD) upon Capt. (Hon. Maj) S E T Allen (88995) Retired.

In 1939 Ernest Allen and Miss Elizabeth A Leitch of Broomhill Park, Belfast married. They had two sons, Vance and Mark.

Following demobilisation, Allen returned to the bank and was appointed Cashier at Shaftesbury Square branch. Future transfers took him to York Street (1954 - Pro-Manager), Shaftesbury Square (1955 - Pro-Manager), Inspection staff (1956), Shaftesbury Square (1958 - Manager) and Donegall Place (1961 - Deputy Manager & 1962 - Manager). Lyn Gallagher in her book, 'The Ulster Bank Story' records him as being known as 'The Corporal' and as being one of the most redoubtable figures in Ulster Bank for half a century, managing Shaftesbury Square and Donegall Place. The book also records the legendary S E T Allen as being a cashier serving both Queen's University and Stranmillis College.

Ernest retired from the bank on 30th April 1968. He died on 30th July 1988 survived by his widow, Betty and two sons, Vance and Mark.

BANKS, John

RN. Chief Petty Officer. 227623. Boy service from 30/07/1903. Enrolled 18/11/1905 for 12 years. War service in Devonshire, Vivid I and Dartmouth. Served to 17/11/1927. Joined RFR 05/10/1928. Born Magheramourne 18/11/1887. ADM 188/402/227623

BARR, Thomas

RMLI. Private. 18298. Plymouth Division. Enlisted 30/07/1915. Discharged 05/11/1919, invalided. Oiler in rope works. Born 18/03/1898. Cheviot Avenue, Belfast. Ballyfrenis United Free Church. ADM 159/162/18298

BRICE, George Phillip

RN. Leading Stoker. K15570. Enrolled 26/07/1912 for 12 years. War service in Pembroke I and II, Cornwallis, Duncan, President and Kent. Served to 30/07/1921. Born Annalong 07/04/1893. ADM 188/898/15570

CHAMBERS, Karl Dill

RN. Leading Seaman. 233450. Boy service from 23/03/1905. Enrolled 17/06/1907 for 12 years. Served to 30/07/1919. Joined RFR 31/07/1919. War service in Blake 03/02/1913 - 31/03/1918 and Apollo. Son of William John and Elizabeth Chambers (nee McIntyre). Born at Queen St., Ballymoney 17/06/1889. Karl and Sarah Jane Hargy married at Ballywillan Presbyterian Church on 14/09/1916. Karl died 22/02/1951. First Ballymoney - PCI RH. ADM 188/413/233450

CONNELL, William

RN. Acting Stoker I. K52813. Enrolled 30/07/1918 for hostilities. In Vivid, Colleen, Hollyhock and Heather. Demobbed 08/09/1919. Born Belfast 03/02/1898. ADM 188/968/52813

CUNNINGHAM, John

RNAS. Petty Officer. F9714. Russian Armoured Car Division. Enlisted 15/10/1915. In Russia 15/10/1916 - 31/01/1918. Civil occupation - Motor mechanic. Born Dundrum 30/07/1893. Hilltop, King St, Newcastle. ADM 188/579/9714

GEARY, Joseph

RN. Leading Stoker. K14001. Enrolled 02/02/1912 for 12 years. War service in Egmont II, Blenheim, Victory II, Pembroke II and General Wolfe. Demobbed 30/07/1921. Born Belfast 19/10/1893. ADM 188/895/14001

GREEN, Daniel

RN. Stoker I. K29224. Enrolled 20/07/1910 for 12 years. War service in Skirmisher and Egmont. Served to 30/07/1928. Born Glenravel, Co. Antrim 26/01/1890. ADM 188/925/29224

HAY, David

RNVR. Surgeon - Lieutenant. Campbell College 2422. School Prefect. Shooting VIII, 1934-35. Captain, 1935. Undergraduate, Pembroke College, Cambridge. Nat. Sc. Trip., Part 1, Class 3, 1938. M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. Q.U.B.: 1938-42. Cambridge, M.R.C.O.G. 1943-46. Born 30/07/1916. Son of Rev. David & Mrs. Hay, First Lisburn Manse, Lisburn. Husband to Mary Lillian (nee Speers). Married in Carnmoney Parish Church. (Lisburn Standard 28/05/1943). Post war - Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Whittington Hospital, London. Address: Stone House, Redhill, Surrey

HILL, Cecil Thomas Nelson

RN. 1943-46. Born 30/07/1925, son of S. J. Hill, Stanleyville, Cregagh, Belfast. M.B. B.C. (London), 1952. Campbell College

JOHNSTON, William Douglas

RN. MCB. Born 30/07/1920. Son of William Johnston, Onslow Gds., Belfast

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