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GEN. CURRIE AND MCGILL UNIVERSITY

IN an "Associated Press" despatch from Montreal it is stated that Gen. Sir Arthur Currie, inspector-general of the Canadian forces and formerly commander of the Canadian Corps in France, has been offered and has accepted the appointment as principal of McGill University. No official announcement has as yet been made by the authorities of the University, but it is stated that the Board of Governors met last Monday to consider the matter.

If confirmed, this appointment will create a precedent, as Gen. Currie is not a graduate of any university, although he had an education which qualified him as a teacher in a high school in British Columbia, which position he held for six years before entering the real estate business. This was, of course, long before he found his real metier as a soldier.

Gen. Currie's appointment would undoubtedly be immensely popular and of distinct advantage to McGill University, not only because of his military record, but also because of his business and executive ability, his commanding personality, his talent as a speaker and a writer, and the warm place which he occupies in the hearts of the Canadian public, who will long remember his valiant, indefatigable services during the war.

The Board of Governors of McGill University cannot possibly make any other appointment that would meet with the general approval that will be shown throughout Canada if the newspaper announcement is officially confirmed. They are to be congratulated if Gen. Currie has agreed to accept the position, for they will have secured the services of one of the greatest characters in Canada's history; and Gen. Currie also is to be heartily congratulated, for the prestige of McGill is great, and his election as its head will be second to no other honor that he has yet received, many though they have been.