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form. On September 23 he became attached to the 5th Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force, as a captain, and the following month proceeded overseas with his unit. In February 1915, Captain Hilliam was in France—first with the 5th and later the 25th Battalion. In the bitter trench warfare of the early campaigns he earned speedy promotion to Major and then, Lieutenant Colonel.

On Jan. 18, 1917, as Brigadier General Hilliam he was appointed to command the 10th Canadian Infantry Brigade. Ten months later he was seconded to the 44th British Brigade until May 21, 1918, and then to the 102nd British Infantry Brigade until May 17, 1919. On July 21, 1919 General Hilliam was struck off strength of the CEF.

On two occasions ex-Sergeant Hilliam was wounded in action—at Ypres in 1915, and in the Battle of the Somme in 1916. His awards include the CB, CMG, the DSO and Bar, and he was mentioned in dispatches six times. The French Govern-

ment honored him with the awards, Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur and Croix de Guerre.

General Hilliam, for all his glorious past, might well have fitted into the present day mechanization of military forces. For he was not merely a parade-ground soldier, he was a man who took a keen interest in the scientific approach to warfare, and is credited with an invention adopted for use on machine guns.

Towards the last he lived in retirement in Vancouver, although for some years he engaged in fruit farming. His wife, the former Letitia Wallace of London, Ont., died some years ago, and there were no children. Ex-Sergeant Hilliam is survived by two sisters, Miss Etheldred Hilliam of Vancouver, and Mrs. Julia Bowley in England.

The funeral was held in Vancouver on May 25, 1949, with a guard of honor consisting of an officer and six other ranks from "E" Division, RCMP. Interment was in Ocean View Burial Park. ●●●