

YOU ALL KNOW THE OLD SAYING THAT WATERLOO WAS WON ON THE PLAYING FIELDS OF ETON. AND IT'S JUST AS TRUE THAT THE STURDY BODIES BUILT BY ATHLETICS AT MCGILL HELPED THE ALLIED CAUSE IN THE GREAT WAR. ROWING IS A CHERISHED SPORT WHEREVER ENGLISH BLOOD RUNS STRONG, AND IT DOES THAT IN CANADA.

DURING THE WAR, MCGILL SENT 3,059 OF HER LADS, TRAINED IN THE PLAYFUL WARFARE OF COLLEGE SPORTS, INTO THE SERIOUS BUSINESS OF THE EUROPEAN CONFLICT. MOST OF THEM SERVED UNDER GENERAL SIR ARTHUR W. CURRIE, COMMANDER OF THE CANADIAN CORPS THAT BROKE THE HINDENBURG LINE.

THE STADIUM OF MCGILL WAS NAMED IN HONOR OF PERCIVAL MOLSON, ONE OF THE THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-THREE MCGILL MEN WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THEIR COUNTRY'S SERVICE.

AND NOW MCGILL IS CARRYING ON UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THAT SAME CURRIE, WHO COMMANDED THE CANADIANS IN FRANCE. HE HAS ABOUT THREE THOUSAND STUDENTS AND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY TEACHERS UNDER HIM NOW INSTEAD OF 148,000 SOLDIERS. BUT MCGILL IS DOING SOMETHING FINER THAN WAR WORK NOW, TRAINING ALL COMERS, CANADIANS AND OTHERS, FOR THE BIG PEACE TIME TASKS THAT WE KNOW CONFRONT A DISTRESSED WORLD. NOW THAT WE KNOW THAT NO ONE EVER WINS A WAR, LET'S AGREE THAT IT'S BETTER TO SHOOT DOWN A SKI-SLIDE THAN IT IS TO SHOOT DOWN OUR FELLOWMEN.

The End.

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