

# THE LISTENING POST



6<sup>th</sup> Duke of Connaught's Rifles    4<sup>th</sup> Irish Fusiliers    88<sup>th</sup> Victoria Fusiliers  
 02<sup>nd</sup> Rocky Mountain Rangers    04<sup>th</sup> New Westminster Fus.    West Kootenay Rifles  
 Reinforcing -    Battalions -    11<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 47<sup>th</sup>



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## Kold-Klouted kallous, Kruel, Kase of Kid-Knapping.

(In 7th Battn front line trench.)

*Brigade Bomb-Throwers suspected of using black hand methods. Special to the "Listening Post" (by our own barbed wire)*

Great alarm has been caused in the 2nd Brigade by the mysterious disappearance of the lady cat and four daughters from the front line trench. The loss has been a severe blow to the two Battalions which occupy this particular part of the British line. Our readers will doubtless remember the great event when the four catlets first saw the light of day, or rather the lights of nights. The blame is to be laid on the 10th Battalion. It appears that the officers and men of the 7th Battalion sent in a request to Headquarters asking permission to remain in the trenches until the kittens were old enough to be left with strangers. The 10th Battalion reluctantly agreed to remain at rest billets and everything went along fine. After two days of enforced idleness the 10th began to suspect something and a climax was reached when somebody let the cat out of the bag (or rather the bomb depot). The 10th Battalion crowded into the firing line forcing the 7th to make a hurried retreat and leave the kittens behind. Alas! when the 7th returned the kittens were gone. The Battalion was immediately broken up into search parties and an envoy went over to ask the enemy for an armistice, this of course they refused. A representative of the 10th Battalion when up for court martial stated that the sentry on guard over the bomb depot, allowed no one to see the kittens without a written pass from Divisional Headquarters. The only persons who had access to the depot were the Bgde Bomb-throwers. As they always carry their bombs in sacks it would be easy to conceal a kitlet. The searchers are being encouraged in their difficult task by all the experts from the Allied armies. Detective Champion of Vancouver, has received instructions, from Hdqrs to proceed to the cat and dogs home to study the habits of these animals. This is considered a very good plan. When we consider that he is a married man he should already know something about a cat and dog life. At dawn today the head office of "The Listening Post" was crowded by whole brigades of men anxious to hear of any success that

the searchers may have met with. Battle scarred veterans refused to be consoled. Staff Officers in their eagerness to be near the scene of the terrible loss have even ventured into our third line of defence. One was seen by a sentry to even look over the parapet without a periscope. An air of despondency, hangs over the whole frontier Pte Allwood nearly missed his rum issue through reading "Donts for Detectives" when the orderly Cpl passed his dug-out. We are posting a bulletin every hour and the eager throng hang on to every word in the hope that the long looked for clue may be announced. The wires have been kept busy day and night by people from all parts of the Empire. We are authorized to publish the following telegram:—

Chilliwack B. C.

"The country joins me in sending our deepest sympathy in your sad bereavement".

(Signed) Ah Wong Sing  
 Boss-man  
 Chilliwack Cannery.

## Mentioned in Despatches

Congratulations to our ever popular and beloved Brigadier, now Major General Currie. G.O.C. 1st Canadian Division is something to be proud of.

General Alderson said that the red badge of the 1st Can. Div. was his proudest possession. Canada is making history. She has shown she has not only soldiers, but generals that any nation would be proud of.

General Currie's promotion and honours are well deserved, won as they were on the field of battle. We hope that this is only the beginning.

Good luck to the "Seventh". Lt. Col. Odlum has returned from his enforced visit to England. For five weeks he has been bucking medical beards, and at last was nearly reduced to becoming a stowaway in order to get back to us. However for once the doctors were reasonable.

We welcome the O.C. back among us, and rejoice to see him if possible more alert, active and cheerful than before.

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