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CANADIAN WAR MEMORIALS EXHIBITION

CONTAINING REPRODUCTIONS OF

SOME OF THE PRINCIPAL MURAL DECORATIONS, BATTLE PICTURES, PORTRAITS, ETC

WHICH ARE TO CONSTITUTE CANADA'S PERMANENT WAR MEMORIAL

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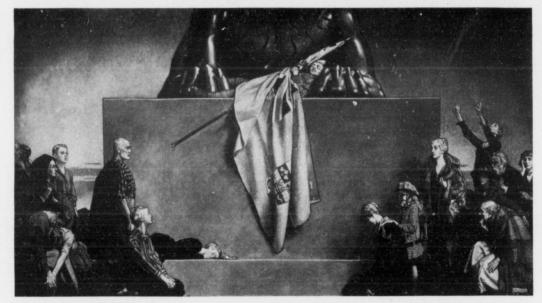
THE Canadian War Memorials constitute unquestionably the most complete artistic record of any country's share in the great war, and the most significant manifestation of artistic activity during this period.

In organizing the scheme, the Committee throughout endeavoured to co equal justice to the claims of history and of art. Historical accuracy has been secured by the timely despatch of a band of distinguished artists to the fighting front, at a period of the war when the issue was still in the balance, and when the opinion was generally held that art should stand back until the war was won—as though experience had not proved again and again the worthlessness of "posthumous" war pictures! To ensure artistic success the Committee worked out a schedule of subjects embracing every sphere of Canadian war preparation and war activity, at home and abroad, on land, on water, and in the air, exemplified by typical scenes, each one being entrusted to the artist whose past achievement pointed most clearly to his ability to do full justice to his task. These artists were selected in the most catholic spirit, to represent every school and group, from the most academic and traditional to the most revolutionary and advanced, so that the collection of large decorative paintings, which form the nucleus of the war memorials, should give a fair picture of the artistic conditions which prevailed at the most momentous epoch of the world's history.

Moreover—and in this respect the Canadian War Memorials stand alone among modern ventures of this kind—this series of decorative panels was thought out in connection with an architectural scheme which is to form a suitable and imposing framework for the pictures, so that they will present themselves as an impressive ensemble in orderly sequence. The memorial, when complete, is to have more in common with the Pantheon in Paris, than with the ordinary round of fatiguing and bewildering picture galleries.

Around this nucleus of vast decorative panels has been built up a comprehensive collection of minor paintings, drawings and engravings of war subjects, portraits of generals, statesmen and Canadian V.C.'s, works of sculpture, and a historical section of early English paintings and engravings, directly connected with Canadian history.

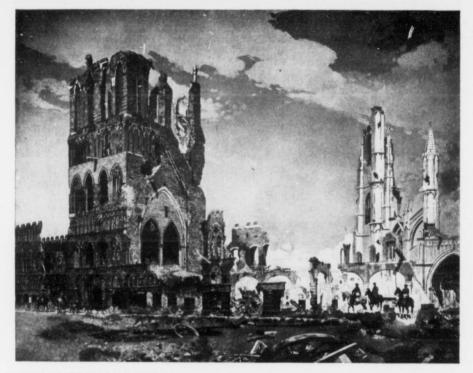
While the Committee have made a point of employing as many Canadian artists as possible—a considerable portion of the funds have been placed at the disposal of Sir Edmund Walker for the purpose of commissioning works from artists living in the Dominion—they were determined to avoid giving the Memorial a parochial character, and did not hesitate to distribute commissions also to artists of non-Canadian birth. It is hoped that the result will be found fully to justify their policy.



"THE FLAG"

A memorial to those Canadians who willingly gave their most beloved for the honour of the Flag and the upholding of Freedom, Justice, and Right

The late Byam Shaw



"THE FOOTPRINT OF THE HUN"

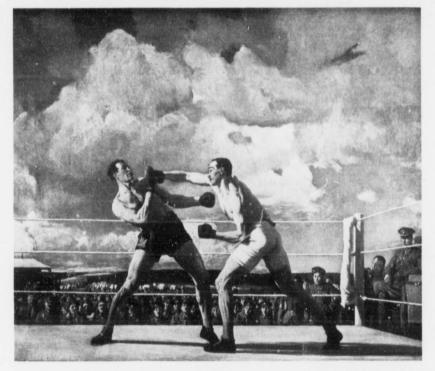
Major J. Kerr Lawson

For four years the iron heel of the vandals slowly trampled the glories of Ypres into dust



"SECOND BATTLE OF YPRES," April 22nd-May 3rd, 1915

Major Richard Jack, A.R.A.



"PHYSICAL TRAINING" (Boxing) at Whitley Camp

Laura Knight



"THE BATTLE FOR COURCELETTE"

Capt. Louis Weirter, R.B.A. (London Scottish)

It was only after a most terrible struggle in September, 1916, that the Canadians finally won to the blazing Sugar Refinery which was the key to Courcelette



"No. 3 CANADIAN STATIONARY HOSPITAL AT DOULLENS, FRANCE"

Professor Gerald E. Moira



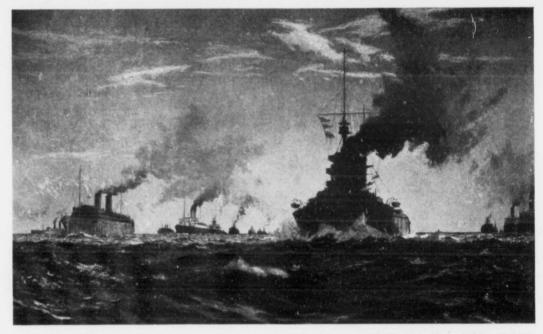
THE RIGHT HON. SIR ROBERT I. BORDEN, P.C., G.C.M.G.

A Portrait of the Prime Minister of Canada painted in his effice at Ottawa, Easter, 1918



"ON NIGHT PATROL"—Canadian M. L. Boats Entering Dover; Moonlight

Lieut. Julius Olsson, R.N.V.R., A.R.A.



"CANADA'S ANSWER"

Lt.-Commander Norman Wilkinson, R.N.V.R.

The 1st Canadian Contingent, 33,000 strong, under escort in mid-Atlantic, 1914

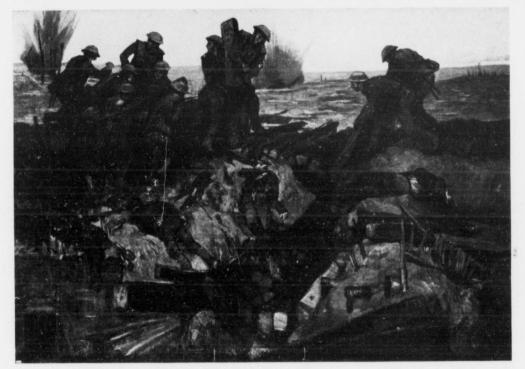


"LANDING OF THE FRENCH UNDER SAMUEL DE CHAMPLAIN AT QUEBEC"

Edgar Bundy, A.R.A.



"LANDING OF THE 1ST CANADIAN DIVISION AT ST. NAZAIRE," February, 1915 Edgar Bundy, A.R.A.



"CANADIANS REPAIRING A TRACK UNDER SHELLFIRE"

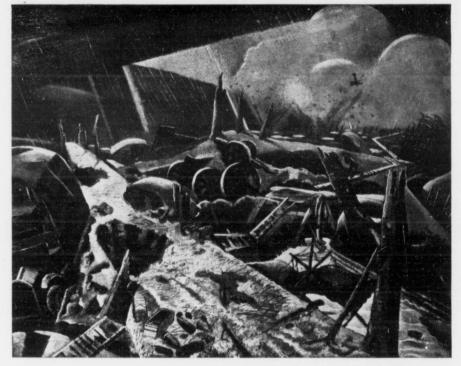
Lieut. Innes Meo



"THE STRETCHER PARTY"

Lieut. C. H. Barraud

"We raided the enemy's trenches last night and made a few prisoners."



"VOID"

An Epitome of the Desolation of a Modern Battlefield

Lieut, Paul Nash



"GAS ATTACK"

Gunner Wm. Roberts, R.F.A.

The first gas attack of the war which opened the 2nd Battle of Ypres, April 22nd, 1915



"RAILWAY CUTTING"

Leonard Richmond, R.B.A.

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Charles Sims, R.A.



"OVER THE TOP", Neuville Vitasse, the 22nd (French-Canadians) Battalion

Lieut. A. Bastien



James Quinn, R.O.I. LIEUT.-COL. W. A. BISHOP, V.C., D.S.O., M.C., D.F.C., Canadian Cavalry, attached R.A.F.

Canada's Great Airman

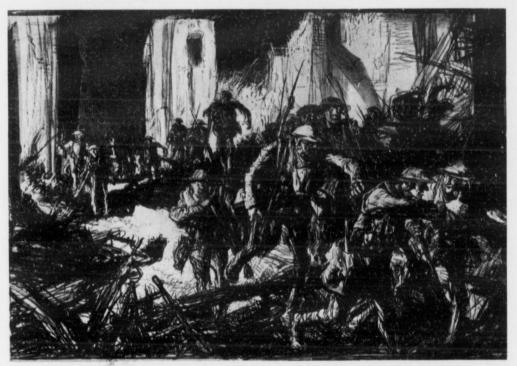


"CANADIAN HOWITZER BATTERY IN ACTION"

Capt. Kenneth K. Forbes



in a fight with three German planes THE AIR" Z "WAR



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