

# The Memorial Arch Unveiling Ceremony At The Royal Military College of Canada



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Commandant of the Royal Military College of Canada.

On Sunday afternoon at four o'clock (summer time) the ceremonies in connection with the unveiling of the memorial arch will take place at the entrance to the grounds of the Royal Military College. The arch was erected by the members of the Royal Military College Club, which comprises graduates residing in all parts of the British Empire, and its cost was about sixty-five thousand dollars. It is set forth that the arch is "for the purpose of rendering enduring tribute to the memory of the members of the college, who in the world-war gave their lives in order to affirm the cause of freedom in securing the triumph of the right, and at the same time to commemorate the sacrifice of those fallen in previous wars since the foundation of the college."

The external surface of the arch is occupied in part with the names of battles in which Canada had an important share, while the interior bears bronze plates inscribed with the names of one hundred and fifty-six ex-cadets who gave their lives for their country. The arch is probably unique in that, besides perpetuating the names of the ex-cadets who fell in action, it is a record of the wonderful Canadian traditions, bronze plaques showing chief events in the history of Canada from the time of Jacques Cartier and Champlain to the Great War.

### Order of Ceremony.

The order of ceremony will be as follows:—  
Arrival of guard of honor from the battalion of Gentlemen Cadets at 3.45 p.m.  
Arrival of The Honorable The Minister of National Defence at 4 p.m.  
General salute and inspection of guard of honor.  
Hymn—"Onward, Christian Soldiers" (two verses).  
Opening prayer by Rev. J. S. LaFlair, First Baptist Church.  
Scripture reading—Rev. xxi. 1-7, by Rev. Principal S. W. Dyde, D.Sc., D.D. LL.D., Queen's Theological College.  
Brig-General G. S. Cartwright, C.B., C.M.G., president Royal Military College Club, requests Mrs. Joshua Wright to unveil the memorial arch.  
Unveiling of memorial arch.  
"Last Post."  
Two minutes silence.  
"Dead March," by Band of Royal Canadian Artillery, followed by "Lament" by pipers.  
Dedication by The Lord Bishop of Ontario.  
"Reveille."  
The president, Royal Military Col-

lege Club, officially hands over the arch to the Crown.  
Address by The Honorable E. M. Macdonald, K.C., Minister of National Defence.

### R.M.C. Ends Its Graduates With Spirit of Service

The real history of The Royal Military College of Canada has not yet been written and it would be futile to attempt in a newspaper article to adequately portray the merits of the institution and the achievements of those who have passed through its portals. But perhaps it may be possible to cast upon the printed page (as the reflections of the sun from a mirror are thrown on a shaded wall) some fleeting idea of its greatness. It has endowed its graduates with a spirit of service and high ideals. It has given them an apprenticeship to true manliness.

To-morrow, the college and its friends from far and near gather together to pay reverent homage to those who have fallen in the Empire's wars; brave, gallant gentlemen who gave their lives in many lands that the peoples of the great British Commonwealth of Nations might be free. There was more than a national sacrifice; it was an imperial sacrifice.

Yet, wonderful as the Roll of Honour of the Royal Military College may be, it is not by virtue of this alone that the institution ranks high in the minds of people the world over, but it is also because of the achievements of its graduates, who have gone into the world and in both civil and military capacities have shed lustre on the college which they are proud to call their "Alma Mater." There are ex-cadets working to-day in India, Africa, Europe and Asia as well as on the American continent, and each one ascribes the credit for each successful task to the sound principles which he learned at the Royal Military College. The honour of the old college is to them a tangible responsibility. The greater the obstacle, the more glory in overcoming it.

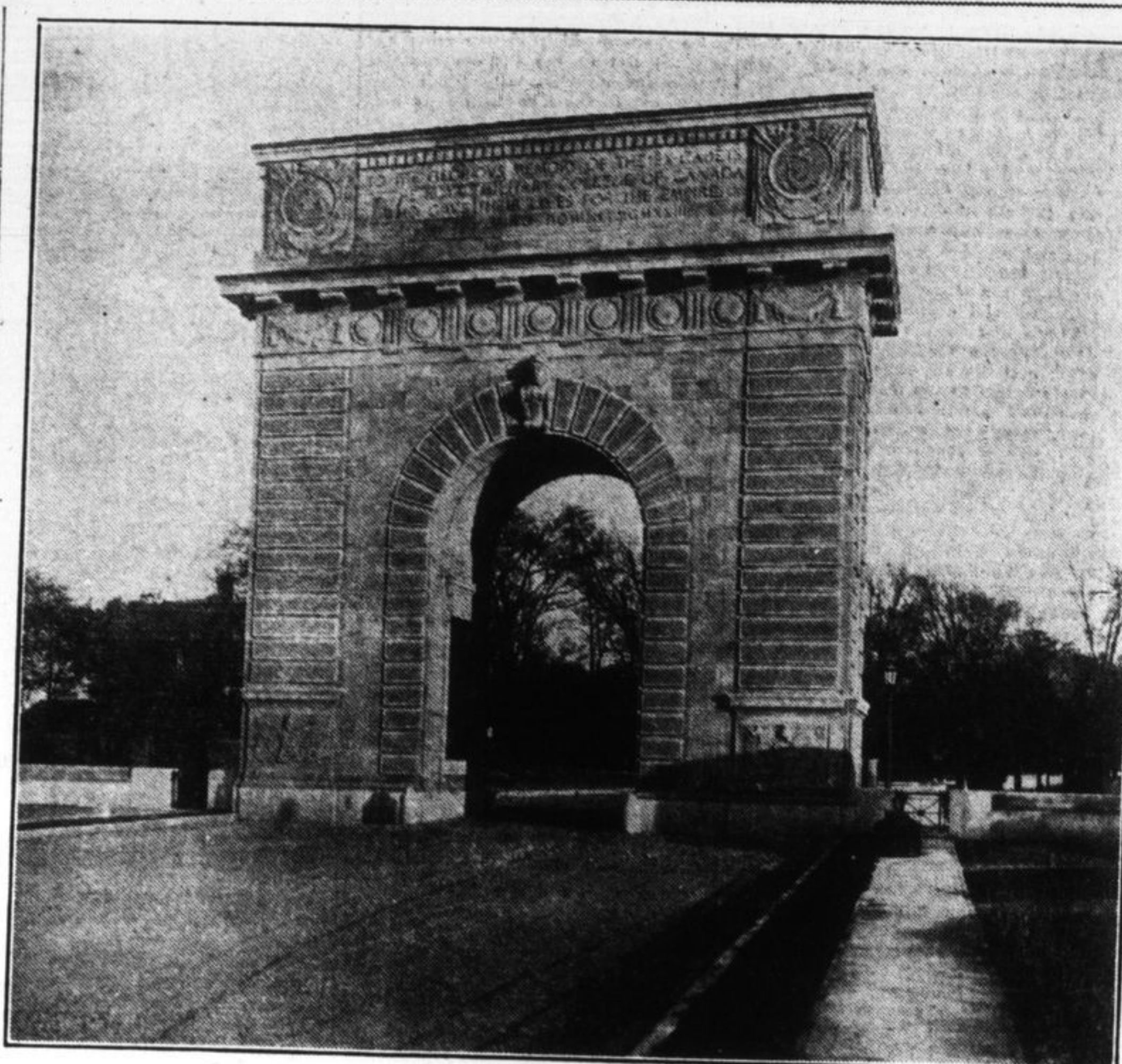
And there are others—men who in a quiet, obscure way have toiled on

thinking for a moment of the others who, bound to dull routine work, gave themselves unsparingly and died no less loyally and bravely for the college and the freedom of the British Empire.

### "Those Others."

Because of this, we propose to refer in this brief article, not to those whose names appear on the arch where all may see, but to others who have also given to the college its high code of ethics and helped to establish the traditions of its motto of "Truth, Duty, Valour," and who, with the heroes whose names may be read in bronze letters on the arch, should receive tribute from those who will gather at Point Frederick to-morrow.

In April, 1891, there died at Monrovia, West Africa, after a short career full of promise, Captain Huntly Brodie Mackay, D.S.O., of the Royal Engineers. Born in Kingston, he attended the Royal Military College, received the Governor-General's gold medal, and accepted a commission in the Royal Engineers. He served in several small expeditions in Africa, and was finally seconded for service with the Imperial British East Africa Company. The following incident in his eventful life shows the type of the man. The scene is at Sierra Leone, Captain Mackay went up country to chastise some slave raiders and in the storming of a slave village an incident occurred which throws a vivid light on his whole character, his intolerance for wrong, his absolute fearlessness in the face of danger, and his gentle, almost womanly care of the helpless. At the storming of this village, the natives within their walls and barricaded the gates. Two little children, one just able to walk, were left outside the gates at the mercy of the enemy. As Captain Mackay and his native troops came on, the larger child was seen to fall. Hastily turning, Captain Mackay saw the chief who had shot him raising his rifle for another shot. Quick as thought, he struck the man full in the face, wrested the rifle from him and at the risk of



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stepped into his old task as Deputy Director of Army Signals, Aldershot. The strain was too great for him, however, and eight months after the beginning of the war a loyal, great-

always be something splendid about a man who knows he is losing out and yet fights gamely on, determined never to give in, and Major John Nassau Kennedy was such a man.

loved his Alma Mater, (and whose life is kept as an example before the cadets by the International Challenge Trophy, the General Lafferty cup), one recognizes that consistency of effort, that tenacity of purpose and that absolute faithfulness to duty with which those who have passed through the college are endowed.

That the R.M.C. has enemies is unfortunately true, but as long as it can turn out graduates of the calibre of those referred to above it will continue to wring, even from unwilling lips, words in its praise.

### They Gave Their All.

Regarding those to whose memory the college pays tribute to-morrow, it is but necessary for the reader to scan the large bronze tablets and read the names which appear on them. They bear the names of men who fell in every part of the world where the far-flung British army fought. In France, Belgium, Egypt, Italy, Africa, Gallipoli and Russia may be found the resting places of those who went forth from the Kingston college to serve in strange lands, and gave their all—and now, "there's some corner of a foreign field that is forever Canada."

As the service proceeds to-morrow, let the thought of Rupert Brooke arise "These laid the world away, poured out the red

"Sweet wine of youth; gave up the years to be  
"Of hope and joy—  
and let us give thanks for the vision of nobleness which they have left us.

### R.M.C. and Canada.

The old college is also strongly associated with the history of Canada. If the spirits of the departed still take an interest in this transitory life, one can imagine the shades of rugged old Frontenac and the gallant Chevalier de la Salle strolling through the grounds; the admiral of the dockyard gazing with interest at the changes wrought in his old command; honest old Alexander Mackenzie with his flowing beard inspecting his handiwork in Fort Frederick and Sir John A. Macdonald walking along the paths of the institution in which he took such pride and interest.

The Honourable Alexander Mackenzie visited the peninsula when premier, in 1875 (possibly having even then in mind the founding of the college) and in company with Colonel de la C. T. Irwin, C.M.G., inspected the Fort Frederick masonry tower. It was then used (Continued on page 11)

## ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF CANADA ROLL OF HONOUR

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|                             | Lieut. A. D. WALKER         |                           |                            |

## "TRUTH - DUTY - VALOUR"

Placing of official and private floral wreaths.  
Hymn—"O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (two verses).  
Benediction by His Grace the Archbishop of Kingston.  
"The National Anthem."  
The battalion of Gentlemen Cadets will then march through the memorial arch, with bayonets fixed and colors

faithfully in the path of duty as they saw it, and by the very plodding, dogged nature of their work have bequeathed to the present generation of cadets a legacy of manly perseverance which will be an inspiration to all who follow after for years to come. It seems very fitting that, as we reverently pay homage to those gallant men who died on active service, we should

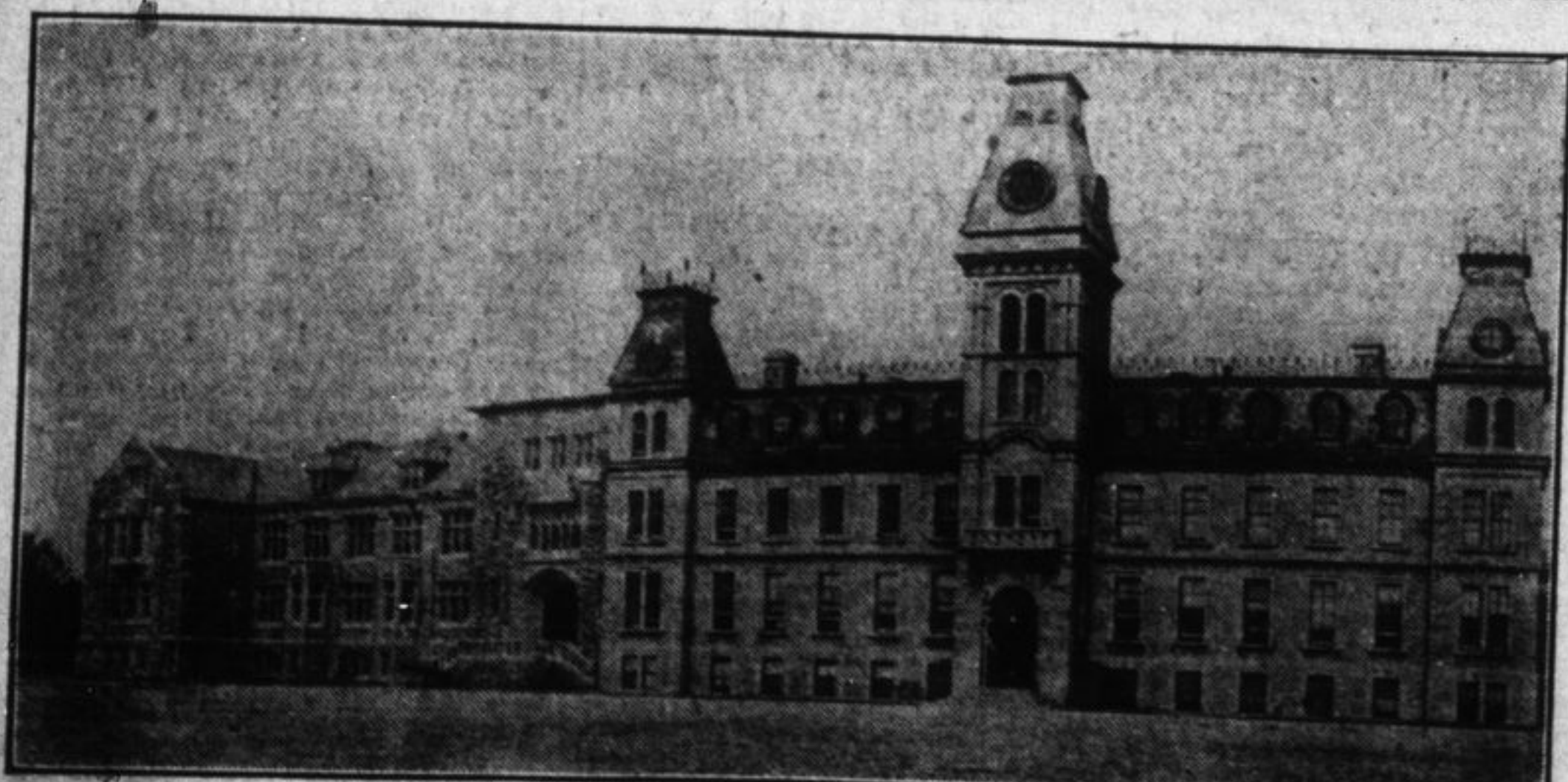
his life dashed forward, rescued the child who stood trembling at the gate and carried him in his arms until within the village when he restored him to a native woman. He only saved the life of a naked little savage, but the deed was as truly heroic as many for which the Victoria Cross has been awarded. When he died, in 1891, as acting administrator of the Imperial British East Africa Company, the directors placed on record their high appreciation of the ability he had displayed and in telegraphing the news to the commander-in-chief, they emphasized an expression of their deep regret at the loss of an officer of so much promise, and to whose zeal and capacity in the performance of his duties the company had been so much indebted.

### Toiled and Succumbed.

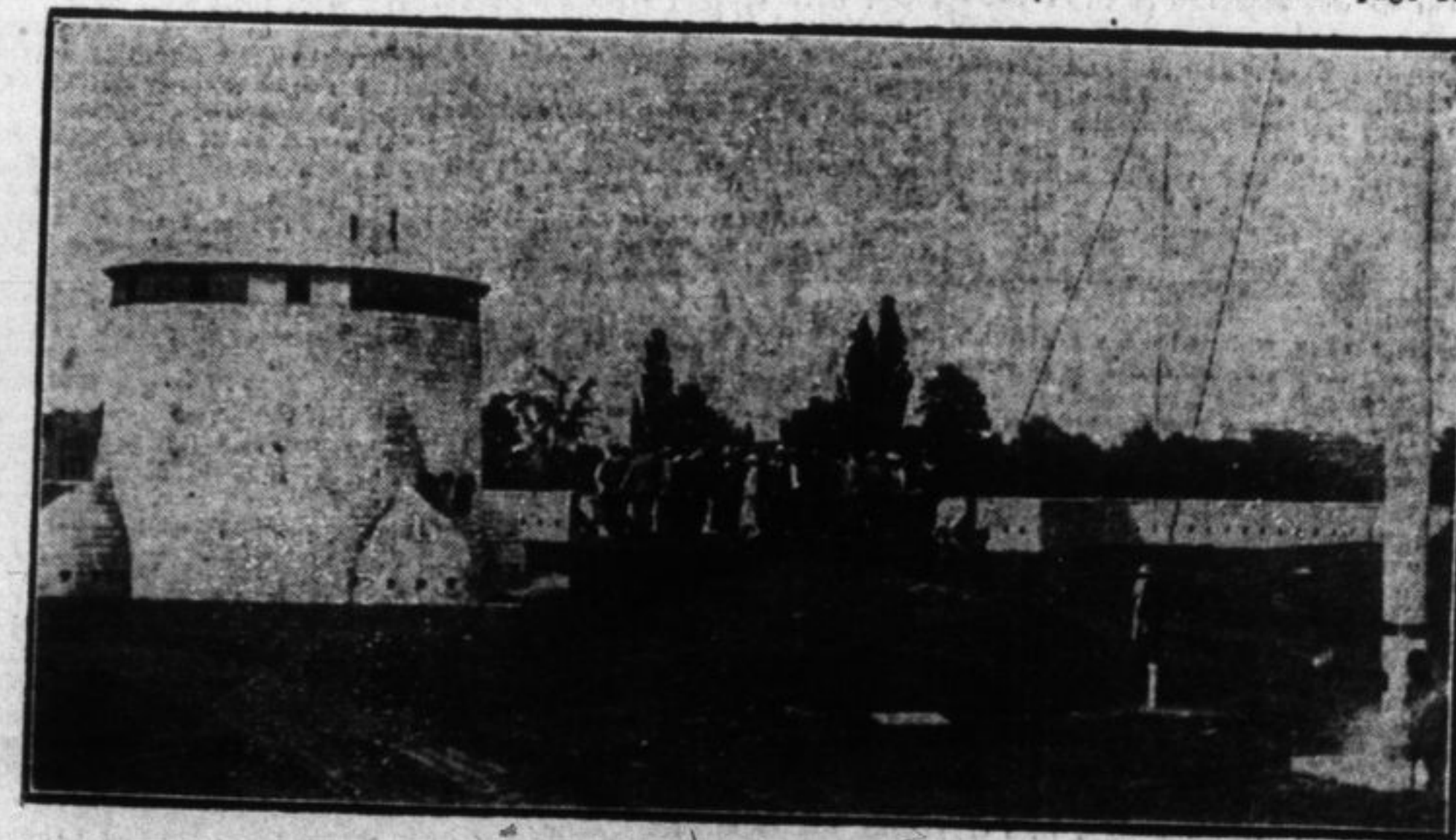
The services of Major John Nassau Kennedy, of the Royal Engineers, are typical of those ex-cadets who toiled away at dull, monotonous routine tasks during the war period and through sheer over-work finally succumbed, giving their lives as generously and loyally as those who fell in battle. Major Kennedy joined the R. E.'s in 1886, distinguished himself in South Africa and retired in 1910 after twenty-four years hard and meritorious service, broken in health. One day after the outbreak of the late war he was back in harness, and though obviously unfit for overseas service,

heated gentleman died quietly in Chatham, England. His life should always remain an example to the cadets of devotion to a cause, of faithfulness to a duty, of willingness to play his part irrespective of where or what that part might be. There must

In the lives of many other ex-cadets, as for instance Colonel E. T. Taylor, a distinguished graduate and former commandant (to whose memory a tablet is erected in St. George's Cathedral), and Brig-General, F. D. Lafferty, a keen hardworking soldier who dearly



THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING AND SIR ARTHUR CURRIE HALL



THE COLLEGE MUSEUM

This is old Fort Frederick, at which the late Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, a Premier of Canada, worked as a mason.