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## Local Newspapers and the Great War - 7

### 36th Ulster Division

**25th October 1918 Northern Whig**

**Ulster Division Rank & File Fatality**

**Sergeant James Roulston M.M.**, 15986, 1st Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, formerly of the 10th battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, died of wounds received in action 5th October, 1918. Son of David S. and Mary Roulston, of Glen Lower, **Ramelton, Letterkenny**, County Donegal. Deceased was approximately 26 years of age and is buried in Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, Belgium.

Sergeant James Roulston was previously wounded at the battle of Cambrai and was later captured and taken prisoner of war during the battle of St. Quentin but he escaped and returned to the Inniskillings being attached to the 1st battalion, he was again wounded on 1st October and subsequently died of those wounds on the 5th.

**28th October 1918 Belfast Newsletter**

**Ulster Division Rank & File Fatality**

**Private Thomas Campbell McFaul**, 20951, 2nd Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, formerly of the 10th Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, died of wounds received in action 29th September, 1918. Son of Campbell and Esther McFaul nee McFadden, of Priestland, **Bushmills**, County Antrim. Deceased was 27 years of age and is buried in Hooze Crater Cemetery, Belgium.

Private Thomas Campbell McFaul also spelt McFall on some documents is commemorated on the Bushmills War Memorial and is also commemorated on the St. John the Baptist Church of Ireland, Dunluce Parish, Bushmills.

### **1st November 1918 Northern Whig**

#### **Ulster Division Rank & File Fatality**

**Rifleman Alfred Henry McIlroy**, 14512, 1st Battalion Royal Irish Fusiliers, killed in action 30th September, 1918. Son James and the late Mary McIlroy nee Neill ; Stepson of Mary McIlroy nee Allen, of 45 Avenue Road, **Lurgan**, County Armagh. Deceased was 23 years of age and is buried in Dadizeele New British Cemetery, Belgium. Note - Alfred's birth register his forename is recorded as Albert.

### **2nd November 1918 Belfast Newsletter**

#### **Ulster Division Rank & File Fatality**

**Private Thomas John Cross**, 19343, 9th Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, killed in action 15th October, 1918. Son of Mary Cross nee Warwick and the late John Cross, of Market Square, **Dungannon**, County Tyrone. Deceased was 35 years of age and is buried in Cement House Cemetery, Belgium.

Thomas was a Past Master of Dungannon Loyal Orange Lodge No. 1229 and a member of the Dungannon Royal Black Preceptory No. 823, and was a member of the Moy Company Ulster Volunteer Force. His twin brother Private Samuel Wallace Cross, 11190, also served with the 9th Inniskillings and would survive the war.

## **2nd November 1918 Northern Whig**

**Lieut. Ernest Daniel**, Royal Irish Rifles, killed in action, was a younger son of the late Mr. Robert Daniel, J.P., Derryvale, **Dungannon**, who died on the 13th ult. Lieut. Daniel, who had been associated with his father in the lined-finishing business at Derryvale prior to the outbreak of war, was the hon. secretary of the Newmill's Unionist Club, and the half company commander of the Newmill's Company Dungannon Battalion Ulster Volunteer Force, of which his late father was the company commander. On the outbreak of war he promptly volunteered, and obtained a commission on the 18th May, 1915, in the Royal North Downs, and on going to the front was posted to the South African's with who he took part in the opening stages of the battle of the battle of the Somme on the 1st July, 1916, and sustained shell-shock at Thiepval. In the following year he was invalided home owing to gas poisoning. The late Mr. Robert Daniel's five sons volunteered for service during the present war, and he was the recipient of a congratulatory letter from his Majesty on the subject.

Lieutenant Ernest Daniel, 1st Battalion Royal Irish Rifles, killed in action 21st October, 1918, Son of Robert and Marion Daniel nee Pike, of Derryvale, Dungannon, County Tyrone. deceased was 34 years of age and is buried in Harlebeke New British Cemetery, Belgium.

## **5th November 1918 Northern Whig**

### **Ulster Division Rank & File Fatality**

**Corporal Edward Loudon Barnes M.M.**, 12575, 2nd Battalion Royal Irish Rifles (Ulster Division), killed in action 28th September, 1918. Son of Benjamin and Mary Ann Barnes nee Gooding, of 74 Bloomfield Avenue, Connswater, **Belfast**. Deceased was 22 years of age and is commemorated on the Tyne Cot Memorial to the Missing, Belgium.

## **6th November 1918 Northern Whig**

### **Ulster Division Rank & File Fatality**

**Private John James Joseph Walsh**, 20847, 9th Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, died as a result of Influenza 23rd October, 1918. Son of James Joseph and Emmie Hetty Walsh nee Pafford, of 4 Magdala Street, **Belfast**. Deceased was only 19 years of age and is buried in Terlincthun British Cemetery, Wimille, France.

## **7th November 1918 Northern Whig**

### **Ulster Division Officer Killed**

**Lieut. M.H.Gibson, M.C.**, Royal Irish Rifles, killed in action, was a son of Mr. D. Gibson, Chestnut, Gardens, **Belfast**, manager of Eason's Ltd., Donegall Street. Lieut.Gibson came from Mexico, and was appointed second-lieutenant in the Rifles on 16th November 1915. He was awarded the Military Cross in 1917 for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in rallying men of other units who were falling back owing to loss of their officers, leading them forward again and holding on to the position under heavy fire. Some months ago Lieut. Gibson was transferred from the South Antrims to another battalion of Rifles. For his

gallantry with it he was awarded a bar to the M.C. in September, the particulars for have not yet been gazetted. His brother Jack, late of the Y.C.V., who won the Divisional Certificate for gallantry at the battle of the Somme in July, 1916, has been wounded twice, and was recently discharged as unfit for further military service.

Captain Matthew Henry Gibson, M.C. + Bar, 12th Battalion Royal Irish Rifles, formerly of the 11th Royal Irish Rifles, died of wounds 29th October, 1918. Son of David and Annie Elizabeth Gibson nee Carter, of 1 Chesnut Gardens, Cliftonville, Belfast. Deceased was 27 years of age and is buried in Duhallow A.D.S. Cemetery, Belgium.

### **8th November 1918 Northern Whig**

#### **Ulster Division Rank & File Fatality**

**Rifleman Robert Regan**, 19/488, C' Company 12th Battalion Royal Irish Rifles, previously of A' Company 14th battalion Royal Irish Rifles, killed in action 1st October, 1918. Son of Thomas Henry and Harriet Jane Regan nee McKay, of Bowtown, **Greyabbey**, County Down. Deceased was 19 years of age and is buried in Dadizeele New British Cemetery, Belgium.

### **8th November 1918 Northern Whig**

#### **Ulster Division Officer Killed**

**Captain H.G. Morrow, M.C.**, R.I.R., killed in action 20th inst., was the only son of Mr. Andrew Morrow, Balmoral, secretary of the County Down Committee of Agriculture. He obtained his commission in July, 1916, and went to the front in September of the same year. He was awarded the Military Cross in the battle of Cambrai, November, 1917. His

major, writing to Captain Morrow's father, says :- " He fell at the head of his men, gallantly leading them against a machine gun which was following up the advance. He was well ahead of his men when he was shot. He will be much missed in the battalion, in which he was very popular with all ranks. The men of his company had the very highest opinion of him both from the point of view of his bravery and skill as a leader, and also from the personal point of view. He died a soldier's death at the head of his men, and fell fighting in the greatest cause man has ever fought for."

Captain Hugh Gelston Morrow, 15th Battalion Royal Irish Rifles, killed in action 20th October, 1918. Son of Andrew John Morrow and Jane Gelston Morrow nee McCutcheon, of 2 Avonmore Terrace, Balmoral, **Belfast**. Deceased was 24 years of age and is buried in Harlebeke New British Cemetery, Belgium.

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