



George Roland Eddy
Royal Newfoundland Regiment
Regimental No. 1225
World War I

Born: 25 March 1894

Died: 19 Jan 1956

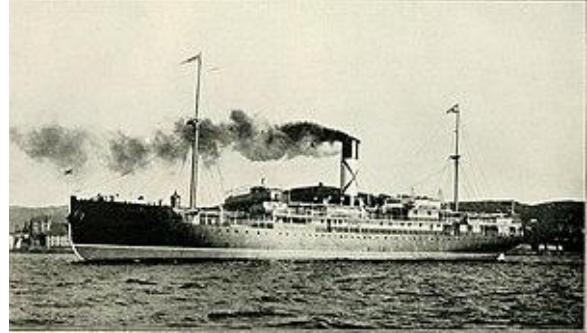
Place of Birth: South River, Conception Bay, Newfoundland

Parents: George and Emily Eddy

George (Roland) enlisted in the 1st Newfoundland Regiment at St. John's on March 12th, 1915. Roland stood 5' 6" tall, weighed 146 lbs and had black hair with brown eyes. He enlisted for the duration of the war, gave his calling as fisherman, his faith as Church of England and at just 20 years old was single.

George's service record covers a four (4) year sixteen (16) days span. Here are some excerpts from his official service record by date:

1. 12 – 03 – 1915: Enlisted at St. John's
2. 22 – 04 – 15: Embarked on the SS Stephano

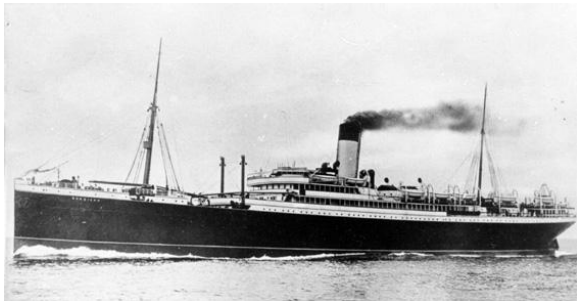


SS Stephano was a passenger liner and sealing ship, owned by Bowring Brothers and operated in their Red Cross Line of Arctic steamships. *Stephano* is most notable for her role in the 1914 *Newfoundland* Sealing Disaster, under the command of Captain Abram Kean. *Stephano* was the sister ship to the SS *Florizel*.

On 20 March 1915, *Stephano* transported D Company of the First Newfoundland Regiment to Halifax, Nova Scotia, where they boarded the SS *Orduña* to Great Britain

3. 20 – 08 – 15: Embarked for BEF (British Expeditionary Force).
4. 31 – 08 – 15: Disembarked Alexandria and entrained for Cairo, Egypt
5. 13 – 09 – 15: Embarked for Gallipoli
6. 19/20 – 09 – 15: Landed Suvla Bay at night/early morning
7. 15 – 01 – 1916: Evacuated and arrived in Alexandria
8. 16 – 01 – 16: Proceeded to Suez
9. 14 – 03 – 16: Embarked Suez
10. 22 – 03 – 16: Disembarked Marseilles
11. 01 – 07 – 16: Wounded
12. 03 – 07 – 16: Admitted to 5th general hospital with gsw (gunshot wound) to right leg
13. 06 – 07 – 16: Invalided to England
14. 29 – 12 – 16: Admitted to hospital at Middlesex, then furloughed and attached to Depot

15. 22 – 02 – 1917: Embarked
Southampton
16. 24 – 07 – 17: Disembarked Rouen,
France
17. 28 – 08 – 17: Joined Battalion
18. 07 – 10 – 17: Admitted to #7 field
ambulance with scald to right arm
19. 25 – 10 – 17: Rejoined Battalion in
the field
20. 26 – 01 – 1918: Promoted to lance
corporal
21. 19 – 02 – 18: Admitted to #89 field
hospital
22. 12 – 04 – 18: Returned to duty
23. 12 – 06 – 18: Admitted to #24
general hospital
24. 19 – 06 – 18: Discharged to base
depot
25. 23 = 06 – 18: Rejoined Battalion in
the field
26. 19 – 01 – 19: Transferred from BEF
to Winchester, England
27. 30 – 01 – 19: To Newfoundland on
the SS Corsican



SS Corsican

28. 07 – 02 – 19: Arrived Newfoundland
29. 27 – 03 – 19: Demobilized and
discharged at St. John's

Following the war, George is found in the 1921 Newfoundland general census log of South River, Newfoundland. He is 27 now and still single.

After that, he seems to disappear but appears in the 1940 United States Federal census. He is living in Saginaw, Michigan, working as a labourer. He is married to Theresa Katherine (nee Block) of Michigan. Theresa is an American citizen and George has his first papers in applying for citizenship.

They have a large family of nine (9) children in all ranging in age from 20 to 1.

George passed away in January 1956 and is buried in the Forest Lawn Cemetery at Saginaw, Michigan.

Theresa passed in 1985 and is buried along side her husband.