

War Animals

My topic is about two animals that went to war with Canadian soldiers. Their names are Sergeant Billy and Winnie the bear. I picked this because I thought it would be interesting.

Who is Sergeant Billy?

He is a goat who was taken to serve in WW1. He is from Broadview, Saskatchewan.

What did Sergeant Billy do in the war?

Bill's "boys" smuggled him into France in February of 1915. Billy was wounded four times but returned after receiving first aid and the best treatment. Billy was found standing guard over a Prussian guardsman in a shell crater. At Neuve Chappelle he was given the rank of sergeant.

Why did they bring animals to war?

Billy went to war because a soldier saw him with his owner and asked if he could take her goat with him to war. She said sure she's good luck.

Who is Winnie the bear?

Winnie is a bear that was bought by a War Veterinarian, Harry Colebourn from Winnipeg, Manitoba for \$20. She was just a cub. Her mother was killed by a trapper.

What did Winnie the bear do in war?

She was the mascot of the second Canadian Infantry Brigade. Harry was given the order to remove Winnie from the brigade because they couldn't take care of him anymore.





