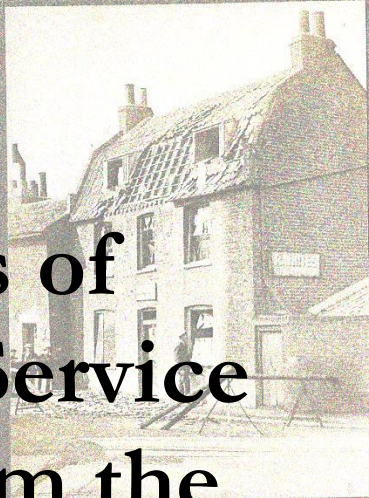
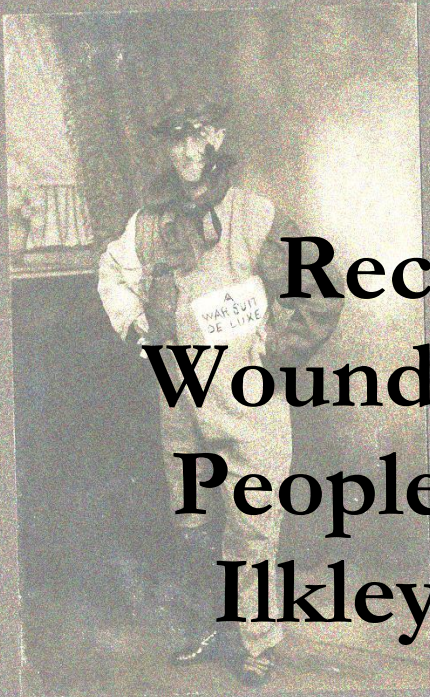


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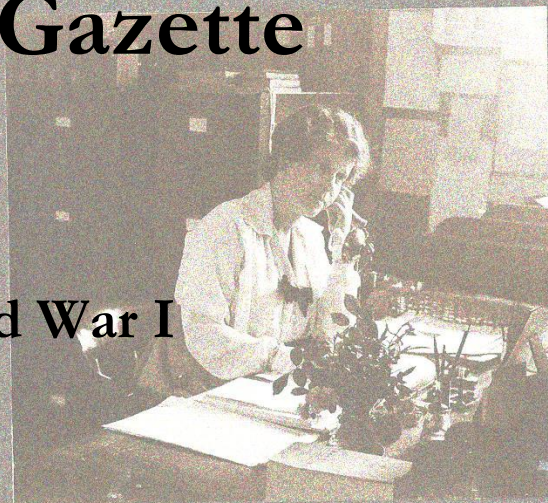


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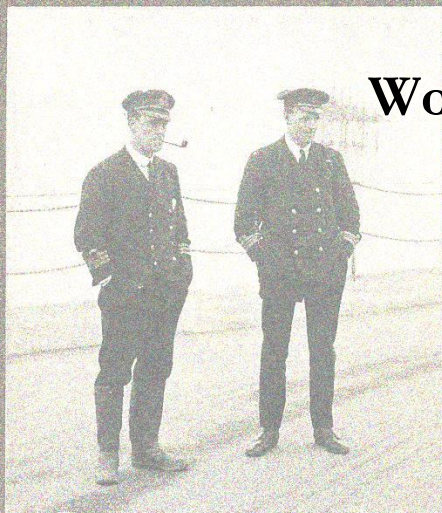


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World War I



Miss Rowe - Secretary



At Dover

Wing-Commander Brock RN Eng^r Lt-Commander Curre RN
Killed at Zeebrugge 22/4/18



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FOREWORD

By 1914 the Ilkley Gazette had been in print for over 60 years – commencing in May 1861, although archival records only date from January 1868. The paper in peacetime not only covered local news but aspects of national and international news.

During the First World War a few more photographs began to appear and there were accounts of the achievements of the living and dead on the battlefields of Europe, and the Middle East; at sea globally; and increasingly the activities of Ilkley personnel in the Royal Flying Corps (later the RAF).

Adverts were rather sparse, but there were regular messages from government sources. Sport and items of interest to women and children were included along with increasing acknowledgement of women's role in the War. The stories of refugees from war-torn Belgium in Ilkley were covered regularly.

Ilkley even in Wartime was seen as a place to holiday, convalesce, walk the Moors, to take the waters and breathe in unpolluted air. People in the pre-radio era relied on the local papers for a great deal of varied information; and the picture houses also played their part.

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Allan, Willie

Age:

19

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

KOYLI

Experience:

IG 13/1/16.

After 3 rejections joined army Jan 1916. In recent fighting & in Woolwich Hospital burned by shell explosion - bruised by eye & back injuries & hearing affected by shell shock.

Allerton, Thomas

Age:

26

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment

War Regions:

France (Arras)

Cause of Death:

Active Service

Experience:

IG 11/5/17.

Joined West Riding Regiment 1914. Twice wounded.
Employed in machine gun section. Killed 25/04/1917 near
Arras. Name on Arras memorial Bay 6.

Armistead, J.H.

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

Pre-war Occupations:

Army - Oxford Training Corps., Barrister - Member of Inner Temple reading for borough.

Experience:

IG 28/7/16.

One of several officer sons of Richard Armistead surveyor / valuer Bradford & Wells House Ilkley. Commissioned Sept 1914. Struck on head by shrapnel piece but serious injury saved by his steel helmet.

Armitage, Lawrie R.

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 9th

Cemetery:

Otley

Awards:

MC - For gallantry in field in Oct 1916.

Pre-war Occupations:

Bank Clerk - At one time employed in Ilkley branch of United Counties Bank, now Barclay & Co.

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 01/12/1916.

Died in hospital in Woolwich 25/11/1916 as a result of wounds.
Buried in Otley cemetery grave 378.

Arnott, C.E. Stuart

Age:
24

Rank:
Lance Corporal

Experience:
IG 5/4/18.

In hospital overseas wounded. He stands 6' 4.5" & is the tallest man in the Leeds battalion.

Atkinson, Walter

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Army Service Corps

Experience:

IG 14/6/18.

In France Sept 1916. In hospital on 31/5/1918 by a shell bursting on road near where he was standing. Chap next to him was killed. He fractured his elbow & suffered leg wounds.

Bampton, J.A.H.

Rank:

Lt.

Regiment:

Indian Army Reserve - Attached to 2/8 Gurkhas in France

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 5/11/15.

Wounded in face and neck with shrapnel on 25/9/15, at early stages of Battle of Loos, & briefly in hospital. His eldest brother Lt. R.W. Bampton is with 2/7 Gurkhas in Persian Gulf & youngest brother Lt. F.S. Bampton is with 107 Pioneers awaiting orders at Meerut.

Barnes, Frank

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

Royal Hussars (Queen Mary's Own) - 18

War Regions:

Flanders / France

Experience:

IG 13/11/14.

18th Hussars. Wounded in fighting between Mons and the Aisne, but not seriously. Now at Alexandra Hospital, Coxham in Hampshire. Wounded on 1/11/14, prior to this was in hospital in Le Harvre.

Promoted to Sgt.

Gassed: Lying 3 days in open - rescued by Royal Engineers & following treatment in France sent to one of Manchester hospitals & then to Colwyn Bay Convalescent home. Had previously been in hospital 1/11/1914 the same day as his brother Sgt Edward Barnes was killed in action.

Bartholomew

Rank:

Gunner

Regiment:

RFA - Ilkley Howitzers

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 17/8/17.

In France from March 1915. Wounded in right arm & in hospital in Newport in South Wales.

Barwick, Fred

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 13/9/18.

Severely wounded May 1917 - returning to France Sept 1917 after being for some time in hospital in England. Missing since 25/5/18 & then reported as a POW in Germany.

Barwick, Fred

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Leeds Rifles

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 25/5/17.

Wounded near left eye and in hospital in Chelsea, London.

Barwick, Norman

Age:

20

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Yrks Regiment

Experience:

IG 21/7/16.

Severely wounded in recent fighting & leg amputated - caused by trench mortar while repairing trench. There was only room for one man to work at any one time.

Beanlands, Joseph D.

Rank:
Private

Regiment:
Northumberland Fusiliers

Experience:
IG 19/4/18.

Wounded.

Bell, Harold

Age:

19

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

South Staffs Regt

Experience:

IG 24/5/18.

In France from April 1918. In hospital in Cambridge suffering from shrapnel wounds in head and in arms.

Bellerby, Percy

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

East Yorkshire Regiment

Pre-war Occupations:

Assistant - Grocer

Experience:

IG 7/7/16.

Joined E Yrks 1914 & in France from July 1915. Hit in chest by a piece of spent shrapnel which "winded" him.

Bellhouse, S.

Age:
21

Rank:
Lt.

Regiment:
W. Yorks Regiment - 8th

Experience:
IG 27/8/15.

In OTC at Cambridge. Wounded in head and back by bursting shell but only slight wounds.

Berry, Don

Rank:

Captain

Experience:

IG 26/5/16.

Recovering from shell shock in dug out with 2 other officers (one killed and one wounded in arm) & knocked to the far corner of dugout. A few minutes later a second shell burst which buried him. Took two hours to dig him out, but fortunately he was not wounded. He was taken unconscious to hospital and now in English hospital recovering.

Bill, S.H.

Rank:

Lt.

Regiment:

RNVR

Pre-war Occupations:

Electrical Engineer - IUDC

Experience:

IG 6/10/16.

Joined navy early 1916. Arm broken & wounded by shrapnel in the roof of his mouth.

Boden, George Ernest

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Australian Imperial Force - 40th

War Regions:

Dardanelles (Turkey)

Experience:

IG 10/9/15.

Wounded in Dardanelles. Joined AIF in Jan 1915 & then to Egypt. In Dardanelles a day or so prior to wounding.

Bradley, Walter Robinson

Age:

27

Rank:

Lt.

Regiment:

RAF, WR Regiment - 1st

Pre-war Occupations:

Outdoor staff duties at Ilkley Post Office.

War Regions:

Egypt

Cause of Death:

Died of Malaria

Experience:

IG 12/7/18.

Paying member of Ilkley RUFC.

Ilkley 'Pals' Comp W.Riding Regt in late 1914. Sgt and later commissioned June 1915 and with various battalions in this Rgt. In Egypt wounded by shrapnel in leg and moved to Salonica as adjutant of RAF. Died of malaria in Salonica 25/06/1918. Buried there.

Broadhead, Roy

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment - Leeds Pals

Pre-war Occupations:

Assistant Librarian - Ilkley public library

War Regions:

Egypt, France

Experience:

IG 25/5/17.

Joined Leeds Pals battalion West Yorks Sept 1914 and served in Egypt and France. In hospital in Thorpe, Norfolk, wounded by shrapnel in right thigh.

Bryant, Jack Harold

Age:

19

Rank:

Gunner

Regiment:

Royal Field Artillery - D Bty 312 Bde

Cemetery:

Achiet-le-Grand Communal Cemetery 1326

War Regions:

Northern France

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 27/4/17.

Joined RFA April 1915 and to W. Front in Jan 1917. Died at Casualty Clearing Station from wounds received in action 14/4/17 at Achiet-le-Grand.

Chapman, Ernest

Age:

19

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 9th

Pre-war Occupations:

Clerk in Leeds.

Cause of Death:

Shellfire

Experience:

IG 7/1/16.

Joined Ilkley Pals at Kings Hall 31/08/1914 and engaged in office work connected with the regiment. 30/12/1915 badly wounded in chest and leg, in critical condition - shell struck close to building at the time. Died on 12/1/16 at 17th Casualty Clearing Station.

Clarkson, Amos

Age:

23

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment - 8th, WR Regiment

Cemetery:

Delsaux Farm Cemetery

Awards:

MC while attached to trench mortar battery, also mentioned in dispatches for meritorious service., MID

Experience:

IG 8/11/18.

Died at Beugny 24/10/18 and buried at Delsaux Farm Cemetery IIC9. Death notification from keeper Privy Seal on 5/11/18.

Clarkson, James

Age:

23

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - Depot

Cemetery:

Ilkley Cemetery

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 22/11/18.

Badly wounded 1915 and later injury through shell shock 17/3/17. 4 brothers in army interned Ilkley Cemetery. Died in hospital in Colchester on 21/11/18 from illness resulting from wounds and shell shock.

Clarkson, James

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Duke of Wellington Regiment

War Regions:

Belgium (Ypres), Flanders (Belgium)

Experience:

IG 20/11/18.

Wounded on 8/11/14 at Ypres in the trenches and in St Gabriel's hospital in Camberwell. A bullet hit him just below the left eye passing through his tongue and lodging in his jaw. Expects 2 weeks, leave over Xmas & then back to the front.

Clemons, Arthur J.

Age:

34

Rank:

Lance Corporal

Regiment:

Australian Imperial Force - 40th

Pre-war Occupations:

Cattle Raiser - Moved to Kings & Co., wool trade in Bradford.

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 16/2/17.

Commissioned to W.Front fighting line. Died of wounds
06/12/17.

Cobby, R.

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

Royal Garrison Artillery

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 16/4/15.

Invalided home from front - torn muscles through nasty fall from horse on very urgent dispatch near La Bassée. Also 'fierce time with my leg and hip'.

Colbeck, William Henry

Rank:

Lt.

Pre-war Occupations:

Solicitor - Messrs Booth, Wade, Farr & Lomas Walker of Leeds.

Experience:

IG 28/7/16.

One of the original Bantam officers. A versatile sportsman - soccer, hockey & cricket. Wounded in arm.

Coldwell, J.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

KOYLI

Pre-war Occupations:

Professional Golfer - In Newcastle.

Experience:

Unknown IG reference.

In hospital in Glasgow - wounded in the thigh.

Collyer, A.W.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment

War Regions:

Dardanelles (Turkey), Gallipoli

Experience:

IG 22/9/16.

Suffered severe wounds in his hip and knee - very critical. He had also been in hospital earlier suffering from a fever and dysentery.

Crawford, Dr. J. Stirling

Rank:

Lt.

Regiment:

RAMC

Experience:

IG 7/7/16.

Wounded on W.Front in German air raid on house where he and 3 others billeted. The building was badly damaged but none were seriously injured. He was just going to sleep when the bomb dropped.

Crawley, Harold

Age:

36

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

South African RAMC

Pre-war Occupations:

Cape Mounted Police - Resident in South Africa pre War and as member of Cape Mounted Police took part in Somaliland Expedition; Mining worker - 1914 engaged in mining industry.

Cause of Death:

Shellfire

Experience:

IG 9/2/17.

Married. Enlisted in RAMC and sent to Gallipoli Peninsula. 9 months later badly injured by shell fire and shock left him paralysed. Died in a London Military Hosp on 04/02/17.

Cunnington, Tom

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 9th

Experience:

IG 3/3/16.

Joined 'Leeds Pals' in late 1914. Shell landed in the end of his dug out and he was hit on the foot and later the head and shoulder. He suffered two shrapnel wounds. He was sent to a Canadian Military General Hospital near the front line in France and had X-rays.

At the front for two years.

Dacre, Maurice

Age:

26

Regiment:

British West India Regiment

Pre-war Occupations:

Salesman with father's firm Messrs Dacre & Son auctioneers & valuers Otley and Ilkley.

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

Pneumonia

Experience:

IG 9/11/17.

Joined up Sept 1914 W.R. Regiment and then to France 20/07/1915 & wounded 15/12/1915. Much time in hosp & camp in England & to France Aug 1916. In 1917 married daughter of Jason Saville, High Garth, Ilkley. In February 1917 posted to army aircraft school. Died from pneumonia in France on 15/10/1917 when attached with British West India Regt.

Dacre, Maurice

Rank:

Quartermaster

Experience:

IG 7/1/16.

Wounded in thigh by bomb from an aeroplane on 30/12/15 and in a military hospital in Sheffield.

Dance, William

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W Kent

Experience:

IG 23/8/18.

Joined in July 1917 and sent to France later in the same year.
Badly wounded in both legs 30/7/17 and in hospital in Hendon
(London).

Darnsbrough, William

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Sherwood Foresters - 1

War Regions:

Belgium

Cause of Death:

Active Service

Experience:

IG 21/9/17.

Reported killed 10/08/1917. Name on Menin Gate.

Dawson, A.

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

RFA, WR Howitzer - 11th (Ilkley) Battery Bdge (Territorials)

Pre-war Occupations:

Soldier - In 11th (Ilkley) Battery WR Howitzer Brigade
(Territorials)

Experience:

IG 24/11/16.

Originally in 11th (Ilkley) Battery WR Howitzer Bdge
(Territorials) & later attached to one of the RFA Brigades.
Wounded in leg & sent down to base.

Dawson, Wilfred

Rank:

Major

Regiment:

Canadian Battalion

Experience:

IG 4/5/17.

In hospital wounded - Shot through the body in an attack on the ridge - a dead man lay on top of him for over an hour. He was found by his sergeant and struggled 8 miles to nearest dressing station. Shrapnel went right through his body just missing his stomach. Progressing favourably. Lost mother recently after an operation.

Dean, Arthur Reginald

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

East Yorkshire Regiment - 4th Batt, W. Yorks Regiment - 5, WR
Regiment - 9th

Cemetery:

Croiselles British Cemetery

Awards:

DCM

Cause of Death:

In action

Experience:

IG 31/3/16.

Recently wounded.

DCM. Conspicuous gallantry during operations. Worked machine gun over parapet under heavy shell fire & accurate sniper fire in order to repulse enemy counter attack.

Dean's own account in letter to Gazette 21/07/1916:

"As day broke on the second march we took enemies front line. It fell to the bombers of the Duke of Wellington's and Gordon's to clear the enemy out of his dug outs. With this completed the

task of consolidating the position began. This was half done when the Huns opened heavy fire which lasted 30 minutes after which the enemy attempted to re-take the trenches. They only got past their wire when they fell back due to our shell fire.

Heavy guns opened on us and pounding away until noon. Enemy attacked again under cover of communication trench which supported artillery and machine guns. Shrapnel poured into the trenches and the men fell left and right. I lost four of my gun team, ordered to check enemy's advance and gun firmly and accurately responded. Enemy had enough and retired. Relieved after 11pm. Handed over gun position and made way to the rear for a well earned rest, but a shell dropped on the machine gun section and I was wounded."

IG 3/9/15.

Acting as Cpl 5th Battalion W. Yorks Regiment.

Dean had a spell in hospital with gas poisoning plus a bullet through the muscles of his right arm. "Very anxious we should quickly learn to love our enemies - so say the milk sops of the earth. Problem of peace at any price for some individuals."

At the front from April & then 6 weeks in an English hospital. He was acting Quarter Master Sgt. He was getting rations when "tapped" on arm. Took part in sniping duties in Belgium & in heavy fighting.

IG 13/7/17 - 2nd Lt.

One of four soldier sons of Tom Dean. Killed in action 3/7/17 - i/c wiring party of 10 men, 50 yards in front trench, hit by a bullet in the head on trying to enter trench & fell in shell hole.

Unconscious & survived 10 minutes (so doctor said). Died at Croiselles and buried in Croiselles British Cemetery.

DCM for conspicuous gallantry after being wounded in March 1916 - A private i/c machine gun & sniping & worked this over the parapet despite heavy shell fire. After enemy forced to retire handed over the position and made way to rear.

Dean, Reginald

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Kings Royal Rifles

Experience:

IG 28/7/16.

Joined up for KRR Nov 1914 & to France in March 1915.
Wounded in left arm on 15th Nov 1915 & was in hospital in
Bristol.

Dickinson, Arthur

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

Motor Transport Corps

Experience:

IG 27/7/17.

Bomb wounds especially to face. He was in charge of a number of lorries with gun stores having to go on road under shell fire. He missed the shells, but was spotted by German aircraft which dropped bombs. One fell near Dickinson and he was hit by splinters. Non serious injuries.

Dickinson, Frank

Age:

18

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 14/7/16.

Joined W Yrks Aug 1915. In hospital in Boulogne. A German sniper got him in a bayonet charge & shattered his jaw & knocked teeth out. Progressing satisfactorily.

Dickinson, Jack

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Canadian Infantry

Pre-war Occupations:

Retail - Drapery department, Ilkley Co-op stores.

Experience:

IG 23/8/18.

In hospital in Taplow, Bucks, bullet wound in left hand which fractured thumb and severed arteries. Hit by a German sniper after which a tank ran over him and his machine gun & then could not tell who was what?! Wounded a second time and shot in right leg.

Dobson, Austin

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

WR Regiment

Experience:

IG 13/8/15.

2 bullet wounds: one right leg & the other the right shoulder, i/c men constructing advance trench and shot while the party was returning after completing the task. Progressing well in hospital in Southend-on-Sea.

Duell, George

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Northumberland Fusiliers

Experience:

IG 26/3/15; 8/9/16.

IG 26/3/15.

In Dublin Castle Red Cross hospital. Bullet struck the knee bone but was reassured by the doctor that it was not broken. Battalion marching up the road to the trenches when he was hit. Returned to the front line trenches and very cold.

IG 8/9/16.

1914 invalided home late 1914 and to France again in Feb 1915. Wounded in knee in March 1916 and then to front and heavy fighting. Missing from 14/07/1916.

Earnshaw, Edgar

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

Northumberland Fusiliers - 1st

Cemetery:

Ilkley Cemetery

Pre-war Occupations:

Unknown - Yorkshire Penny Bank Leeds, Otley, Ilkley.

Cause of Death:

Pneumonia

Experience:

IG 13/9/18.

Wounded 1/9/18 in some brisk scrapping as eventually occupied an old German trench. Jerry artillery opened up & we were in part of trench being enfiladed. The position was such that the direction of fire was in at the end rather than from the parapet so you see we got rather a drubbing. At 7.30pm a big gas shell burst 3 yards away. I threw myself to the ground & fearful concussion & slight shrapnel wound on the temple. Now in 3rd Australian General Base Hospital.

IG 1919.

High class musician and pianist. Joined army in January 1916 - Sergeant instructor musketry & machine gun. Wounded in France 1/9/18 having arrived in France 30/3/18. In hospital in

France until 11/11 and convalescent camp army occupation in Germany.

Died at 31 Middleton Road 17/12/1919 on leave - influenza led to pneumonia - whilst on leave in Ilkley. Buried in Ilkley Cemetery.

Eaton, Harry

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 8th

War Regions:

Dardanelles (Turkey), Turkey

Experience:

IG 10/9/15.

An Ilkley rugby player. Wounded in Dardanelles in left hand. Has 2 brothers in France: Fred in Yorks Hussars & George in 4th WR Howitzer Bgde.

Ellis, William James (Jimmy)

Age:

22

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Durham Light Infantry Regiment

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 22/11/18.

Died from wounds received at a Casualty Clearing Station abroad.

Ellwood, J

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

Duke of Wellington Regiment, Royal Engineers

Awards:

French Military Medal

Pre-war Occupations:

Clerk at Ilkley post office

Experience:

IG 13/4/17.

Ilkley rugby club member. Wounded and in Paisley hospital - escaped shell splinter but as a sick case to the UK due to operation on old sports wound in cheek which is discharging. He had an operation and expected to return to the front.

Fairburn, Frederick

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Royal Fusiliers

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 17/8/17.

Joined WR Regiment & transferred to Royal Fusiliers before going out to France. Wounded in both hands & lost a finger.

Farrar, Harry

Rank:

Sapper

Regiment:

WR Regiment - Attached to a mining company

Experience:

IG 18/8/16.

Wounded in right chest and arm by a sniper 6/8/16 & in Winchester hospital.

Fletcher, Gilbert

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment

Pre-war Occupations:

Gardener at Ilkley Grammar School until he joined up.

Experience:

IG 24/8/17.

In Halifax hospital after being badly wounded on 19/9/16 in thigh by shrapnel. Wounded twice before.

Foster, Edward

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

Royal Engineers

Awards:

MM - Devotion to duty.

Experience:

IG 19/1/17.

Joined RE in 1914 & formerly Yorkshire Hussars. Wounded 3 months ago, but now back at the front. Awarded MM for devotion to duty.

Frankland, Norman

Rank:

Private

Experience:

IG 25/10/18.

Wounded and in Scottish hospital.

Fry, Charles H

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Argyll / Sutherland Highlanders

Pre-war Occupations:

Booking Clerk at Ilkley Railway Station.

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 3/11/16.

In hospital in France - badly wounded. One of his legs was amputated.

Galer, John E

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

KOYLI

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 7/4/16.

Enlisted in Aug 1914 & to France May 1915 as a bomb thrower. Wounded and sent to General Hospital in Le Havre and then to Queen Mary's Military Hospital, Whalley, Lancs.

Giles, E

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment - 8th

Pre-war Occupations:

Bank Clerk - Lloyds Bank, Leeds.

Experience:

IG 5/11/15.

Playing member Ilkley Cricket club. Wounded and in hospital in Kent. Reported to be "doing well".

Glover, Edwin Norman

Age:

18

Rank:

Gunner

Regiment:

RFA - D Batt 311 Brigade

Cemetery:

St. Catherine Military Cemetery

Experience:

IG 20/4/17.

Wounded at Battle of Arras due to shell splinters. Shell struck dug out and set fire to some of charges. Died 09/04/1917, same day as was wounded near Arras - buried at St Catherine Military Cemetery, Arras.

Gordon, WB

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

RAMC

Awards:

MID

Experience:

IG 14/6/18.

Slightly wounded and in a London hospital. At front attached to brigade Fld Artillery. His youngest brother has recovered from wounds received in autumn 1917 (Lt. A.B. Gordon KOYLI).

Graveson, Nathan

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Kings Own Scottish Borderers

Experience:

IG 4/8/16.

She would like to receive information about her son who was missing since 1/7/16.

Gray, W.D.

Rank:

Lt.

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

Experience:

IG 11/10/18.

Severly wounded in chest. Invalided and home in 1917 with trench fever. His younger brother was killed in 1915.

Green, John

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Lancers - 9

War Regions:

Flanders / France

Experience:

IG 2/10/14.

In Ilkley, on short home visit, recalls his experiences: 'At Mons, badly injured by his horse being shot under him and falling on top of him. Germans fled and he was put in a field ambulance and then to the coast and to hospital. He says German artillery excellent and their planes drop red lights by night - open fire and get range well. Shell fire accurate. No mutilated refugees & no barbarous German conduct.'

BR reservist.

Charges against infantry and enemy dropped guns and fled. 2 days in field ambulance. Germans gave chase. Taken to St Quentin and afterwards to Rouen and Lazare. In England 14/9/14. German artillery good. At night German planes drop red lights to disclose Allied position then opened fire and found range. Shell fire did most damage. Saw no barbarous German conduct. Refugees seen by thousands but none mutilated.

Greenwood, P.

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

Duke of Wellington Regiment - 2 Batt

Pre-war Occupations:

Postman in Ben Rhydding.

Experience:

IG 16/7/15.

Letter to wife in Sunset Terrace. Awful job trying to relieve West Kents on Hill 60 and terrible to see piles of dead and wounded from both sides. Yorkshire Light Infantry were in reserve.

6 am Capt Taylor got us in a line altogether with fixed bayonets. When he blew his whistle we attacked. Yorkshire Light Infantry came up in time to save a dangerous situation. Been attacking 20 minutes when a bomb came over killing my chum and wounded me in the arm and chest. Captain Taylor was then killed. Myself to dressing station then ambulance to hospital, wounds dressed again, then in ambulance to Boulogne hospital where I lay for 10 weeks. Doctors said I would not live the night and received Holy Communion twice. Now safely back in England in Edmonton in North London.

A nurse who wrote a letter said Sgt Greenwood very seriously injured and minus use of both arms. Though not likely to be permanently disabled, but certainly unfit for further military service.

Haigh, H. Stansfield

Rank:

Lt.

Regiment:

RFA

Experience:

IG 22/6/17.

Son of Herbert Haigh, Westwood Mount, Ilkley. Joined RAF in Sept 1914 & given commission. He suffered from the gas & also had shell shock - narrowly escaping more serious injury.

Hampshire, Eric

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

RFA

Experience:

IG 23/8/18.

In hospital in France with severe gunshot wounds in shoulder and chin.

Hampshire, Harry

Rank:

Trooper (Pte)

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 7/5/15.

In hospital suffering from shell shock as a result of battle in France.

Hand, Edgar

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - Bradford 'Pals'

Experience:

IG 25/8/16.

Wounded and missing. Seen at bottom of German trench from which British had to retire. When retook trench all wounded had been removed, presumably as prisoners of War.

Hardisty, Robert

Age:

37

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 1/6

Cemetery:

Dunkirk Cemetery

War Regions:

France (Dunkirk)

Cause of Death:

Fatally wounded

Experience:

IG 7/9/17.

Joiner + caretaker Ilkley P.S.A Hall for 11 years.

Joined WR Regt in early 1915 and been in France 18 months. 2/9/17 badly wounded at Dunkirk by aeroplane bomb which fell on room of house where billeted. Received immediate medical attention, but died in an ambulance on the way to hospital. Buried Dunkirk Town Cemetery.

Hart, Wilfred

Rank:

Lance Corporal

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 9th

Experience:

IG 4/10/18.

In hospital in Birmingham, wounded in the right arm.
Previously in hospital with septic poisoning.

Hartley, Harry

Rank:

Gunner

Regiment:

RFA

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 13/4/17.

Serious accident in France. Hut he occupied caught fire and he and one of the others got burnt rather badly on the face, arms and chest. In hospital in Boulogne (his eyesight OK) & he will soon be in the UK.

Heap, Fred

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Australian Imperial Force

Experience:

IG 15/6/17.

In hospital in England wounded. Over in Ilkley in Oct 1916 to see grandfather and other relatives.

Hedley, Charles

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Duke Cornwall's Light Infantry

Pre-war Occupations:

Gardener - Mr W.D. Ellis, Linnbum, Ilkley.

Experience:

IG 20/4/17.

Wounded on Easter Monday (written to wife from hosp 13/4), over top to take German trench & wounded in knee by bullet - crawled into shell hole and then dragged myself to dressing station where the bullet was removed.

Hirst, George

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment

Pre-war Occupations:

Night man - at Middleton Sanatorium.

Experience:

IG 24/8/17.

Joined up August 1916 & at front from December 1916.
Wounded in right shoulder.

Hodgson, Reginald

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 9th

Experience:

IG 4/10/18.

In hospital near Birmingham, wounded in leg.

Holden, James Arthur

Age:

31

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

Pre-war Occupations:

Baker at Kiosk café (The Grove), Ilkley, and working for same firm in Harrogate prior to joining the army.

Experience:

IG 25/5/17.

Married with one child. Joined army in Oct 1916. In Cambridge hospital after being struck with shrapnel.

Holroyd, Lister

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

East Yorkshire Regiment

Experience:

IG 8/9/16.

Rugby player in Ilkley. Mr and Mrs Holroyd, 'Hangingstone', Hangingstone Road, Ilkley. Badly wounded in face, arm, leg and body. Received 3 stars for good work in battle of Fricourt.

Holt, H.

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

Royal Hussars (Queen Mary's Own) - 18

Pre-war Occupations:

Worked for his uncle prior to rejoining the colours. Nephew of Mr T. L. Nelson.

Experience:

IG 11/12/14.

Started out as Cpl & then promoted to Sgt. Piece of shell struck him on top of head fetching hair off, but little damage.

Hornby, H.R.

Rank:

Gunner

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 4 Howitzer Bgde

Pre-war Occupations:

In offices of Scottish Widows Assurance Company, Park Row, Leeds.

Experience:

IG 28/7/16

Badly wounded in both legs by a shell landing in gun pit (one leg had part of the bone removed) on 19 July 1916 and in Victoria Auxiliary Military Hospital in Keighley.

Hudson, Charles

Age:

30

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Northumberland Fusiliers, WR Regiment - 2

Cemetery:

Tincourt Military Cemetery

Pre-war Occupations:

Watchmaker & jeweller - Apprentice to Mr. H.S. King, Market Place, Otley.

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 21/9/17.

Joined up early March 1916 WR Regt & to France 17/7/16, invalided Oct 1916 (septic poisoning). In Birmingham Hospital. To front again with Northumberland Fusiliers in March 1917.

Died in Casualty Clearing Station on 10/9/17 after badly wounded on 9/9/17 - gunshot wounds, both legs & shoulder, only conscious for a very few minutes. Died at Tincourt.

Hudson, Fred

Age:

28

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment - 9th Battalion

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 6/9/18.

Joined Ilkley Pals Comp WR Regt 1914. To France with battalion July 1915. Died from wounds 26/8/18 at Casualty Clearing Station in France.

Hudson, Fred

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment

Experience:

IG 18/8/16.

Wounded in left hand while assisting to remove wounded man from trenches.

Hudson, George

Rank:

Lance Corporal

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 9th

Pre-war Occupations:

Valet - Acted as valet to Colonel Hayton, commander of Battalion.

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 17/9/15.

Wounded in hand by a bullet on 9/9/15, in base hospital in France.

Hudson, George Gregory

Rank:

Lance Corporal

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 9th

Cemetery:

Heilly Station Cemetery

Pre-war Occupations:

Messrs James Spencer & Son, cab proprietors & coal merchant, Ilkley.

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 14/7/16.

He was a widower with 2 children. Joined pals Sept 1914 while Col. Haydon with battalion. L/C Hudson acted as his servant.

Died of wounds 6/7/16 France, engaged on trench work & court at Méricourt-l'Abbé.

Hudson, Harry

Rank:

Sapper

Regiment:

Royal Engineers

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 25/5/17.

In a French hospital wounded in right hand.

Ideson, J.H.

Rank:

Lt.

Regiment:

Sherwood Foresters

Experience:

IG 14/7/16.

Joined Sherwood Foresters as a Private in 1914 & after trench experience given a commission. Wounded in leg by a bomb 3/7/16 & home on 12/7/16. Eldest brother Maurice in Australian Imperial Force.

Ingham, J.E.

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

Australian Expeditionary Force

War Regions:

Dardanelles (Turkey)

Experience:

IG 20/4/18; 28/7/16.

Sgt later Corporal with Australian Expeditionary Force at Gallipoli. Elder son of Ellis Ingham, Ilkley.

In hospital with gas poisoning. This occurred in Gallipoli where he was one of early landing party of Queenslanders. Wounded in leg and arms and to hospital in Cairo where rapidly recovering. Witnessed torpedoing and sinking of 'Triumph' by a U boat (50 drowned, but 650 persons saved).

Wounded a third time - shell burst near him causing havoc. Severe bruising and shell shock. Blown up by explosion.

Johnson, H.S.

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

York / Lancaster Regiment - 3 Batt

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 7/5/15.

Invalided home with frost bite due to exposure in trenches, but returned to front later i/c draft 800 men & 14 junior officers.

Kellet, Sidney

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Duke of Wellington Regiment - 2 Batt

Pre-war Occupations:

A barber with Walter Ineson and H. Davies, Brook Street Ilkley & trenches between fights he would shave his chums which was often rough and painful.

War Regions:

Belgium (Ypres)

Experience:

IG 19/3/12.

Wounded at Ypres & taken prisoner and now interned at Gardelegen, Germany.

Kelley, Fred

Rank:

Lance Corporal

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment - 5

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 23/7/15.

In National Reserve & volunteered outbreak of war - going to front with Regt in April 1915. Died of wounds at No2 Stationary Hosp, Boulogne.

Kemp, W.G.

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

Leeds Rifles, W. Yorks Regiment

Awards:

MC for devotion to duty & gallantry in field.

Experience:

IG 19/4/18; 22/6/17.

Was at front with Leeds Rifles from October 1915. Formerly 2nd Lt in Leeds Rifles.

In hospital in Stockport suffering severe wound received in action on Easter Day 1918. In France with the Leeds Rifles from September 1915.

Kendall, William Lambert

Age:

25

Rank:

Gunner

Regiment:

Royal Garrison Artillery

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

In action

Experience:

IG 11/10/18.

Joined army early 1915, to France December 1915 & wounded May 1916. Back in France from March 1917.

Eldest brother Signaller Thomas Sylvester Kendall in France with Signalling Corps.

Kyte, C

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

WR Regiment

Experience:

IG 25/10/18.

Wounded and in hospital in Scotland.

Lacey, L.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment

Experience:

IG 24/11/16.

Wounded again. Previously in August 1915 when shot in left leg when fetching ration, but it was a simple bullet wound and no bones broken. Now in 1916 wounded in eyes and right wrist. Will not lose sight.

Lansdale, H.

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

Sussex Yeomanry Cadet Corps

Pre-war Occupations:

Real Estate & farm stock valuers, lives in Sussex.

Experience:

IG 29/11/18.

Missing since 30/10 when his machine engaged with enemy planes and wounded & in hospital in Germany.

Lansdale, R. R.

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment - 5th

Pre-war Occupations:

Brewer - With Ilkley Brewery.

Experience:

IG 21/5/15.

Prior to coming to Ilkley resided in Tadcaster. Wounded 14/5/15 - shrapnel bullet in left breast, high up. In casualty clearing hospital. Only at front 3 weeks. Volunteer in Boer War.

Lawrence, John

Rank:

Trooper (Pte)

Regiment:

Royal Hussars

Experience:

IG 5/4/18.

Wounded in head, eye, left shoulder, right leg.

Lawson, W.

Rank:

Sapper

Regiment:

Royal Engineers, WR Regiment - A' Company 9th Batt

Experience:

IG 16/7/15; 7/7/16.

A' Company 9th Battalion WR Regiment - later Sapper in Royal Engineers. Undergone operation & stay nine weeks in a base hospital & when again fit transferred to Royal Engineers at Sheffield & to front. Only recently home on furlough.

Learoyd, E.R.

Rank:
Gunner

Regiment:
RFA

Experience:
IG 12/12/17.

Reported wounded in wrist & fingers (slightly)

Leighton, Tom

Rank:

Bombardier

Regiment:

RFA

Experience:

IG 4/10/18.

In Leicester hospital with wounds to right thigh & chin. Third time wounded.

Lewis, Albert E.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 2

Pre-war Occupations:

Stone Mason for Messrs Dean and Mennell.

War Regions:

Belgium (Ypres), France

Experience:

IG 21/5/12.

10 days in hospital after gassing by Germans and back to the front.

IG 22/10/15.

Gassed & wounded at Hill 60 retreat & shrapnel in back and in left leg. In Ypres before the Germans bombarded the place. Then a cyclist despatch rider for the Royal Engineers at Rouen. But owing to after effects of gas was in hospital in Scotland & Eastbourne.

Lister, W.

Rank:

Gunner

Regiment:

RFA

Pre-war Occupations:

Postman in Ilkley

Experience:

IG 23/3/17

Wounded in the hand by shell splinters, shell burst in his vicinity & narrowly escaped death.

Longfield, J. Norman

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

Lancs Fusiliers, Motor Machine Gun Service

Pre-war Occupations:

Scott Engineering of Bradford whose motor cycle he rode, later a Wool Merchant - Worked for father whose firm Messrs W. Longfield & Co were wool merchants, Sunbridge Road, Bradford.

Experience:

IG 7/7/16; 12/3/15.

Lancs Fusiliers initially in Motor Machine Gun Service as a Sergeant. Wounded in head and face by shrapnel 28/6/16 & in hospital in London. Has been previously wounded but only slightly caused by bomb burst in trench. Buried for 1 hour & dug out. Bomb splinters in head and shell shock.

Lupton, Basil C.

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 49th

Awards:

MC in 1916 for gallantry in action.

Experience:

IG 20/9/18; 22/9/16.

Joined up while an undergraduate at Cambridge. First slightly wounded 2 years ago and in a London hospital & last went to France in July 1918. His elder brother Lance Corporal Geoff Arthur Lupton (Royal Fusiliers). Killed in action 17/2/17.

17/09/16

Lupton's unit had been attacked by a storm of mortar fire which fell in the trenches exploding a store of hundreds of hand grenades. Casualties were caused and in the horror and confusion Lupton calmly climbed onto the trench parapet and rallied the men. For his courage he was later awarded the Military Cross, the citation reads "Lupton commanded and rallied a detachment with great gallantry under very heavy fire". What it didn't say is that the very heavy fire was British because the new mortar bombs were not used correctly, that is inexperienced men got the range wrong.

Maufe, F.W.B

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

11 Trench Mortar Battery - Meerut division, RFA, WR Regiment
- 4th Howitzer

Awards:

Bar to MC, MC, MiD

Experience:

IG 20/8/15.

To France with 4th WR Howitzer Brigade, Royal Field Artillery & sometime attached to 11th Trench Mortar Battery Meerut Division. Wounded in thigh by a bomb & in Osbourne hospital on Isle of Wight. Injury not serious and progressing well.

IG 25/1/18.

Attached to Ilkley battery 4WR Howitzer Brigade when war declared & mobilised for active services & with Bgde to France early 1915. Wounded in August 1915 and went to France again in Nov 1915, again wounded & very seriously in Nov 1917 & still in hospital in London.

Eldest brother Major S.B. Maufe West Yorks Regiment in regular army. MiD and killed on Somme in July 1917. Youngest brother Capt T.H.B. Maufe Royal Garrison Artillery awarded VC for 2 acts gallantry in August 1917.

MC & bar - a double distinction - said to be reward for 2 separate acts of gallantry closely following each other.

IG 3/5/18.

MC: "Brigade forward observation officer - kept up communication & sent back vital information under heavy fire personally led ammunition wagons singly to battery position while truck being very heavily shelled. Coolness by him saved many casualties. "

Bar to MC: "On two occasions in attending wounded under shell fire and carrying them clear of danger showed great courage. Later on battery again under shell fire Maufe cleared detachments to a flank, led them back at double to guns the fire of which was much needed. Filled a vacancy caused by a casualty in most exposed gun emplacement & worked gun until cease fire. Most inspiring effect on men & he kept all guns in action."

IG 25/5/17.

Mentioned in Dispatches:

- 1) F.W.B. Maufe
- 2) Lt R.G. Lane (Royal Garrison Artillery)
- 3) Capt J. Parkinson (RE)
- 4) Capt P.B. Denison
- 5) Lt Herbert Rhodes (RE)
- 6) Sgt W. Keighley (RAMC)

McCall, T.H.

Rank:

Lt.

War Regions:

France (Hooge)

Experience:

IG 14/7/16.

In 1914 joined Pub & Vnw Corps from Selwyn Coll Camb & then commission in 8 W. Yorks Regt (Leeds Rifles). Wounded at Hooge 8/8/15. Not dangerous.

McCarthy, C.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Dublin Fusiliers

Experience:

IG 27/10/16.

In hospital with shell shock picked up unconscious and 3 days blind, now recovering.

McEvoy, H.

Rank:

Lance Corporal

Regiment:

York / Lancaster Regiment

Experience:

IG 5/4/18.

Been in France since 1915. Wounded in head 25/3/18.

McLellan, John

Rank:

Lance Corporal

Awards:

MM

Experience:

IG 11/5/17.

Wounded 1/5/17 on left side of body by a bomb, luckily a splinter struck his full pack otherwise he would have been killed. Operated on in France & now in Newcastle on Tyne military hospital.

Mellor, Frank

Rank:

Bombardier

Regiment:

RFA

Experience:

IG 20/7/17.

Injury to one of his knees - proceeding up line on horseback when shell burst killing horse & injuring Mellor in its fall.

Milburn, A.

Rank:

Private

Experience:

IG 20/10/16.

Severely injured while climbing over parapet of one of trenches during recent attack and had an operation in Beckett Park Hospital, Leeds.

Miller, Arthur

Rank:

Driver

Regiment:

RFA - Ilkley Howitzers

Experience:

IG 10/5/18.

To France April 1915. In hospital in Birmingham - severe wound over right eye.

Mitchell, John James

Rank:

Private

Pre-war Occupations:

Carter - Ilkley Brewery Corporation.

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 26/4/18.

Missing from 21/3/1918. First to the front in Nov 1916 - wounded in March 1917. Returned to France Nov 1917.

Moore, Harold F.

Rank:
Officer

Regiment:
RAF

Experience:
IG 22/10/15.

In hospital in France & when sufficiently recovered sent to England for rest and recuperation.

Moorhouse, A.

Rank:

Driver

Regiment:

RFA

Experience:

IG 29/9/16.

Wounded and in hospital.

Myers, Harry

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

1st Canadian Division - Infantry Bde

Experience:

IG 24/9/15.

Seriously wounded & now a convalescent. Shot in back by sniper bullet passed up in his neck and out of jaw.

Noble, Harry

Age:

19

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 14/7/16.

Wounded 2/7/1916 after 4 months training & two weeks in France. Wounded in chest and arm & in Liverpool Military hospital & progressing satisfactorily.

Oddy, James Leslie

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment - 6th

Cemetery:

Warloy-Baillon Communal Cemetery

War Regions:

France (Somme)

Cause of Death:

Fatally wounded

Experience:

IG 15/9/16.

Hit by a shell just as moving out with company preparatory to big operation. Died from wounds 3/9/16 at Warloy-Baillon & buried in the Communal Cemetery there.

Parkes, Austin

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Lancs Fusiliers

Pre-war Occupations:

Coal Merchant - In Ilkley as business as a coal merchant.

Experience:

IG 1/11/18.

Injured in left elbow badly smashed in action in Oct 1918 & now necessary to amputate nearly whole of limb. In hospital in Oxford & progressing satisfactorily.

Parling, William

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

Experience:

IG 3/5/18.

In hospital wounded. Shot through leg 24/4/18 as Germans came over & on top of them. Tanks 30 yards away. Safe in French hospital & ticket for Blighty when able to be moved.

Peacock, George

Age:

22

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 1/6

Pre-war Occupations:

Gardener employed by Dobson, Woodbank, Ilkley.

War Regions:

Flanders (Belgium)

Cause of Death:

Fatally wounded

Experience:

IG 8/3/18.

Twice wounded & once gassed, returned to front 18/2/18.
Severe injuries to buttock, shoulder and ankle. Died from
wounds at Casualty Clearing station in Flanders on 28/2/18.
Laid to rest in Military Cemetery nearby.

Porritt, W.H.

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

War Regions:

France (Somme)

Experience:

IG 10/8/17.

On active service from June 1916 & wounded on the Somme.
To hospital with gas poisoning.

Potter, C.F.

Rank:

Lt.

Regiment:

RFA

Experience:

IG 25/10/18.

In hospital wounded.

Powell, Albert

Rank:

Sapper

Experience:

IG 8/10/15.

Wounded in thigh by shrapnel in late September just after returning from furlough & now back in England in hospital wounded.

Priestley, H.

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment - 11

Experience:

IG 11/2/16.

Renton, Joseph

Age:

18

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 9th

Cemetery:

Ilkley Cemetery

Cause of Death:

Weak heart

Experience:

IG 27/11/14.

Under training at Bovington Camp, Wool, Dorset, contracted blood poisoning in foot. In Dorchester hospital. Died 23/11/14 weak heart. Dare not amputate. Buried in Ilkley Cemetery 28/11/14.

Rhodes, G.E.

Rank:

Col

Regiment:

Royal Engineers

Awards:

MiD - 1917 & in SWW 1944

War Regions:

France, Italy, N. Africa, Sicily

Experience:

IG 10/9/15.

First Mentioned in Dispatches in 1917 regarding Naval Siege Guns in Belgium Coast. Wounded in France & at front attached to first bridging train. Sprained right knee badly in mounting his horse. In hospital in France and sent to Great Worley Hospital in Essex.

Mentioned in dispatches for 2nd time after 19 months in N.Africa, Sicily & Italy. Sept 1943 to March 1945 Deputy Director Control Commission in Italy. Then Chief Engineer Military Government in Berlin.

Robinson, Frederick

Age:

34

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

RAMC - 7 CCS

Cemetery:

Longuenesse Souvenir Cemetery

Pre-war Occupations:

Clerical Worker - Clerical Staff Garnett & Son paper manufacturer, Otley.

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 13/4/17.

Left leg amputated while serving in France and in critical condition. Had been working in casualty clearing station (weakness in left leg due to sledging accident in childhood).

Died from wounds 18/4/17 at St Omer. Buried at Longuenesse Souvenir Cemetery.

Robinson, R.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 4/5/17.

In hospital wounded and only short time in trenches. Had only been 3 months in France.

Robson, J.C.

Rank:

Driver

Regiment:

Royal Garrison Artillery

Experience:

IG 31/8/17.

Wounded and now in hospital. His eldest son Lt. E Robson 5th DLI invalided and home on February with dysentery.

Russell, Charles

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment

Experience:

IG 11/8/16.

Wounded.

Scaife, Jasper

Age:

37

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 9th

Pre-war Occupations:

For 9 years with Mr. F Walker of Ilkley Corn Mill.

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 18/1/18.

Joined 'Ilkley Pals' (WR Regt 9th) in 1914 - 3 times wounded & once gassed. Terrible injuries to his back on 6/1/18. Died from wounds 13/1/18 at Stationary Hosp, Rouen.

Scaife, Jasper

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

WR Regiment

Experience:

IG 12/5/16.

A bomb thrower & suffering shell concussion. Buried in a dug out that was blown in front of tunic, torn away including pocket with photos and other personal belongings.

Seaman, Fred

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment

Experience:

IG 25/10/18.

Wounded & in hospital at Sevenoaks Kent.

Simpson, Paul James Calvert

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

KOYLI - 3

War Regions:

France (Loos)

Cause of Death:

Missing (presumed dead)

Experience:

IG 29/10/15.

Joined Special Reserve 1914 & Univ & Public Schools Corps in waiting period. To France 1/6 & wounded in action & missing 4/10/15 when attached to 1 Battalion at Battle of Loos. Name on Loos memorial.

Sinclair, Douglas

Age:

21

Rank:

Driver

Regiment:

RFA

Experience:

IG 18/10/18.

Joined army in Dec 1914 when only 17 & in France from April 1915.

Smeeth, William Sutton

Age:

22

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

RFC, Royal Irish Rifles

Cemetery:

Bolton Abbey Cemetery

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

Accident

Experience:

IG 27/7/17; 07/07/16..

Joined public schools battalion as private in Dec 1914 & commission in Royal Irish Rifles with which Regt to W. Front. Wounded July 1916 & later attached RFC, only obtaining wings recently. Death 17/7/17 as result of accident near Bolton Abbey churchyard.

Smith, David

Age:

18

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

WR Regiment

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

In action

Experience:

IG 2/11/17.

Joined WR Regt in Sept 1914 & to France July 1915. Wounded by shrapnel in Nov 1915 & in hospital & in England for a year. Returned to France Nov 1916 - promoted to Lance Corporal & Corporal.

K.i.a. 18/10/1917 in front line trenches when enemy shell burst and killed him and two of his comrades - buried where he fell by comrades.

Smith, G.M.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

Pre-war Occupations:

Plasterer

War Regions:

France

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 6/7/17.

Wife lives Middleton Road and has 1 year 7 month old son who is very ill. To France January 1916. Seriously wounded 25/6/17 - duty on front line. Died later 14/4/1918.

Smith, G.M.

Age:

22

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

RFA - 51 Division

Cemetery:

Ilkley Cemetery

Awards:

MC

Cause of Death:

Wounds

Experience:

IG 1/11/18.

Gunner in Howitzer Bgde (Territorials) & mobilised with Brigade - to France in Sept 1914. Returned to France Spring 1915 & home for Commission July 1917. Only back at front 6 weeks when wounded.

Badly wounded in action 13/10/1918. Died at 3rd London Hospital 28/10/18.

Resolution, will-power, NCO aptitude & fulfilled the responsibilities of his tasks. Funeral at St Margaret's & interned Ilkley Cemetery.

Smith, Godfrey Michael

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

RFA

Awards:

MC

Cause of Death:

Tetanus & bronchitis

Experience:

IG 1/11/18 & 21/2/19.

Died of tetanus and bronchitis in hospital following wounds received on 28/10/18. Announced in February 1919 that he had been awarded the MC.

Smith, John William

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

RFA

Experience:

IG 25/10/18.

1914 a gunner in Wharfedale Howitzers & landed in France with horses in Sept 1914. Returned with WH in Spring 1915.

Wounded 13/10/1915 and now in hospital in UK. Only back in France as an officer (commissioned in 1917) for 6 weeks prior to being wounded.

Smith, Joseph

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

Northumberland Fusiliers, W. Yorks Regiment - 9th Batallion

War Regions:

Dardanelles (Turkey)

Experience:

IG 3/9/15.

Wounded 3 times.

Previous a Private in 9th West Yorkshire Machine Gun Section. Hit on 12/8/1915 in Dardanelles - going on OK and on way to base. Other Ilkley men Privates, Lambert, Collyer & Weedon were wounded in the same battle. 2 brothers Alfred in 4th WR Howitzer Bgde & Charles with 9th Batt. WR Regiment in France & Flanders.

In French hospital with severe gas poisoning. 3 times wounded.

Smith, Len

Age:

23

Rank:

Bombardier

Regiment:

RFA - Ilkley Howitzers

Pre-war Occupations:

Cleaner - At Ilkley Railway Engine Sheds having just passed for a fireman.

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 10/5/18.

Mobilised 1914 & to France with the Wharfedale Brigade April 1915 attached to London Territorial Division. Dangerously wounded, casualty clearing station in France.

Eldest brother Pte Ralph Smith W Yrks Regiment (Leeds Rifles) killed in action in 1916.

Smith, Roy

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

War Regions:

Dardanelles (Turkey)

Experience:

IG 28/7/16.

Wounded and left arm amputated in hospital in Guilford. Hit by an explosive bullet 2" below the left shoulder. Amazed to find in German trenches roast beef, wine, bread, clothing and boots. Elder brother Pte H. Smith WR Regiment wounded early July & is in hospital in Lewisham in S.E. London.

Snowball, H.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

Experience:

IG 13/9/16.

Wounded.

Squibb, Frederick Charles

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

East Surrey Regt

Pre-war Occupations:

Bathman - Wells House hydro.

War Regions:

Flanders / France

Experience:

IG 11/9/14.

Pte East Surrey Regt 3 years colours & 7 years reserve.

Injured in Mons 23/8/14 with a poisoned foot, recovered in London. He had just cleared a farmhouse which was then destroyed and then he crossed over a bridge before it was blown only 4 yards between the combatants. Attacked by Germans dressed in khaki & cut off from food transport, long marching, want of food & at Noyon injured foot necessitated withdrawal from fighting time & invalided home. He saw a German plane destroyed by a shell. Reported to depot at Kingston on Thames on 20/10/1914 after leave in Ilkley.

IG 11/9/14:

Left for depot at Kingston in Thames 19/10/14. Fully recovered and soon at the Front. Wounded and in a London Hospital (a poisoned foot). At Mons hard marching, cut off

from food supply. Their baggage waggons used by Belgian refugees, German bullets just missed him and killed companion.

French girl gave Squibb her apron to wipe his face, kept as a momento. Another momento 2 British cartridges pierced by German bullet and locked together.

German rifle fire indifferent. Wounded effected from German shellfire. German brutality - stopped British bodies & put on British (Khaki) to deceive Allies. Wounded receiving great kindness and attention.

Stones, William

Rank:

Trooper (Pte)

Regiment:

Hussars - 10

Experience:

IG 26/1/16.

In trenches digging - struck by shrapnel. Badly wounded in head - but wore steel body shield an Ilkley lady sent him and saved his life. Piece of shrapnel struck him in the back, cut through his clothing including leather waistcoat, but failed to pierce body shell.

Sykes, Allan

Rank:

Private

Experience:

IG 5/4/18.

Wounded in leg by shrapnel & in hospital in France.

Tarr, F.

Rank:

Sgt.

Regiment:

Duke of Wellington Regiment - 9

Pre-war Occupations:

IUDC Roadman.

Experience:

IG 7/1/16.

Severe wound in left shoulder as well as being gassed.

Tennant, Norman

Rank:

Gunner

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 4 Howitzer Bgde

Awards:

DCM

Experience:

IG 14/5/15.

Later Bombadier & awarded DCM. In France from April 1915.

Wounded by glancing blow from a shell - took just a bit off top of my head. The same shell killed a Cameron Highlander & took 4 fingers off hand of another chap. I was hit when standing by a door when a big shell landed in middle of road 8 yards off. Later in hospital in Nottingham having suffered shrapnel wounds to his face.

Tetley, Gerald Spence

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

East Surrey Regt

Awards:

MC

Pre-war Occupations:

Barrister - At Inner Temple.

Experience:

IG 29/6/17.

Wounded 17/6/1917 & right leg amputated below knee - going on well. Wounded twice before.

Thackray, James Reginald

Rank:

Lance Corporal

Regiment:

Australian Imperial Force

War Regions:

Gallipoli

Experience:

IG 25/6/15.

In 17th General Hospital, Alexandria - shot in chin while in action - not serious. Soldier brothers are: Sgt Major R.H. Thackray 5th Royal Irish Lancers in France and Pte J. Thackray Scots Guards on sick leave in London (poisoned foot).

Thackray, W.

Rank:

Lt.

Regiment:

Lancers

Experience:

IG 24/4/18.

Lieutenant in lancers. Eldest brother of Mrs S. Rayner, Mornington Road, Ilkley. Wounded & missing.

Thistlethwaite, A.J.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

London Scottish Rifles

War Regions:

France

Experience:

IG 22/9/16; 25/10/18.

London Scottish and later 2nd Lt. Tanks Officer.

Severely wounded by gunshot in neck 11/9/16 between jawbone and ear at Base Camp at Le Havre. Later in the war dangerously ill with septic pneumonia and tonsillitis, while acting as visual training officer at Wareham Camp Dorset.

IG 29/9/16

Letter home, recently wounded and at base camp in Le Havre. Camp on hill by the sea - bracing air. Red tiled houses and fishing smacks out at sea. Wounded German prisoner said practically no food and many wanted to give up.

IG 18/5/17

Wounded a third time but not seriously. Second time was on 28/3 (his 21st birthday) but not seriously. Caught on the cheek bone - shell 2 feet away into trench - blew tin hat off and

deluged with earth. 2 killed and 3 wounded. I was very lucky. I was near sheet of iron 1/8" thick which with rifle propped up on trench edge: 6" from me. Iron sheet had 6 or 7 cuts clean through about an inch in length. My rifle a wreck. Taken to Casualty Clearing station where spent five hours and while having tea and cocoa met Pte George Elliot (an Ilkley man in RAMC).

Topham, William

Rank:

Driver

Regiment:

Royal Engineers

Experience:

IG 4/5/17.

Vallender, Albert

Rank:

Cpl

Regiment:

RFA - Ilkley Howitzers attached to HQ Infantry Brigade

Experience:

IG 24/5/18

2nd of 4 sons of Mrs Vallender, Nelson Road, Ilkley. To France in April 1915. Wounded, in hospital in France. Earlier in May 1915 he had been struck on the knee with a splinter of shrapnel when fetching water - 'a mere scratch' in his words. Shell burst in ditch near Vallender.

IG 21/5/15

Struck by shrapnel splinter engaged with others in fetching water when shell burst amongst them, but luckily just a mere scratch with one of the shell splinters in leg. Bombarded for an hour and shells bursting in all directions: one striking trench near where Vallender was situated.

Vaughan, William

Age:

36

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Labour Corps (Pioneer Corps?) - 85 Coy

Pre-war Occupations:

Marlborough House Hydro, Ilkley

Experience:

IG 25/1/18.

In November 1916 joined the army and to France January 1917. Dangerously wounded in abdomen & neck by a shell 7/1/1918. Died of injuries 18/1/1918. His younger brother Sgt Arthur Vaughan killed 22/7/1916 & youngest brother Charles Vaughan wounded at Battle of Mons & then in ranks. Gained a commission in regular army & now a Lieutenant.

Vickers, Reginald

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Unknown - Canadian Contingents

Experience:

IG 16/6/16.

Wounded in left shoulder & side by shrapnel. Only in France a few weeks & in Ilkley on leave one month ago.

Walker, Thomas Dudley

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 9th

Experience:

IG 8/10/15.

Wounded in France or Flanders by shrapnel in his collarbone and this was removed in a Base Hospital.

Weedon, W.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

WR Regiment - 8

War Regions:

Dardanelles (Turkey)

Experience:

IG 17/9/15.

WR Regiment was in Essex Regt & later in 2nd Bedfords. He served in the Boer War and eventually in Royal Dragoons. Discharge in 1906 & then in Ilkley.

Joined 31/8/15 in Kings Hall, initially in 9th Battalion WR Regt. In Dardanelles wounded on 6th July by 2 pieces of shrapnel in right leg and then right eye on 16/7 which resulted in its loss.

Wells, Thomas

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

East Lancashire Regiment

Pre-war Occupations:

Grocer - Business as a grocer in Ilkley & i/c Skipton Post Office.

Experience:

IG 12/4/18.

Wounded in right hand on Easter Sunday & now in hospital in UK. Only at the front for 3 weeks.

Wharton, Edward

Rank:

Lance Corporal

Regiment:

Royal Engineers

Experience:

IG 21/6/18.

One of first Ilkley men to join army in Aug 1914. Severe gunshot wounds in right knee.

Wharton, John W.

Rank:
Gunner

Regiment:
RFA

Experience:
IG 1/9/16.

In a Sheffield hospital with an arm wound.

Whitaker, Victor

Age:

30

Rank:

2nd Lt.

Regiment:

RFA

Awards:

MC - 1916

Experience:

IG 20/4/17.

Brother T. Whitaker, Middleton, Ilkley. At front for two years - formerly with Ilkley Howitzers. Shell portions in various places in body - calf of right leg, buttock and back and piece through the right thigh - yet not serious. In hospital abroad & in UK soon.

Whiteley, J.P.

Rank:

Lt.

Experience:

IG 16/8/18.

Seriously wounded in Amiens offensive.

Wilcher, Bernard Louis

Rank:

Captain

Regiment:

W. Yorks Regiment

Pre-war Occupations:

Clerk - In insurance business in Leeds.

War Regions:

France (Somme)

Experience:

IG 28/7/16.

One of original officers of Bantams Battalion trained at Ilkley, for part of 6 months service in France had company command. Keen on rugby. Wounded in leg by shrapnel 19 July 1916.

Wilkinson

Rank:

Lt.

Regiment:

Lancs Fusiliers

Experience:

IG 30/10/14.

Lying on floor in French church being used as a temporary German hospital. Taken there after lying out in the open for 2 days wounded in 6 places by bursting of a shell (only 1 of wounds serious).

Winder, Tyson

Rank:

Driver

Regiment:

Motor Ambulance

Experience:

IG 12/4/18.

In hospital in France - broken thigh and arm, the result of a road accident.

Woodhouse, V.

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

Northumberland Fusiliers

Experience:

IG 3/8/17.

Wounded in thigh by shrapnel & in hospital in Weymouth.

Woodrup, Horace L

Rank:

Lance Corporal

Regiment:

Transport Sections

Experience:

IG 25/1/18.

Hit in arm during night work but not a serious injury.

Woodrup, Lister

Rank:

Gunner

Regiment:

Heavy Trench Mortar Battery, RFA

Experience:

IG 24/8/17.

At front 2 ½ years - first joined RFA & then to Divisional Ammunition Column & later Heavy Trench Mortar Battery. In hospital with severe gunshot wounds to the head.