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**THE EAST SURREY REGIMENT, FORMERLY THE
31ST (HUNTINGDONSHIRE) REGIMENT AND 70TH
(SURREY) REGIMENT: PERSONAL PAPERS OF
MEMBERS OF THE REGIMENT, 1794-2007**

Provenance

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Arrangement

The papers are arranged alphabetically by surname of soldier.

Related records

For records of the East Surrey Regiment and its predecessors, 1702-2003, see ESR/-, the catalogue of which includes a detailed introduction to the history of the regiment and its constituent battalions.

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- ESR/25/TANNE/ TANNER, LANCE CORPORAL [?P], 1915
- Served with 5th Battalion during World War I.
- 1 Photograph of Tanner 1915
- ESR/25/TANNO/ TANNOCK, CAPTAIN N F, LATE 20TH CENT
- Served with 2/6th Battalion during World War II.
- 1 Account by Tannock of 2/6th Battalion's actions in France, 14 May-11 Jun 1940, based on the recollections of several officers of the Battalion, including Major Spearing and Lieutenant John Redfern, and a personal diary [?by Spearing]. With maps nd [late 20th cent]
- ESR/25/TATL/ TATLOW, 2ND LIEUTENANT ALAN, 1940
- Served with 1/6th Battalion in World War II.
- 1 A poem by Tatlow entitled 'Dunkerque, 1 June 1940'. 2 copies, one with covering note [A second copy of this poem was found and its author identified as Private G A E Packham. Packham's name, unlike Tatlow's, does not appear on either copy, and therefore Tatlow is taken to be the author] 1940
- ESR/25/TAYLAE/ TAYLOR, PRIVATE ARTHUR EDWARD, 1914
- Served with B Company, 1/6th Battalion, during World War I.
- 1 Photograph of Taylor 1914
- ESR/25/TAYLRC/ TAYLOR, MAJOR R C, 1943-LATE 20TH CENT
- Served with 1st Battalion during World War II.

- 1 Intelligence Summary and Activity Reports of 1st Battalion in Italy and a photocopy (undated) of an Allied Forces Christmas Card 1943-(1944)
- 2 Account by Taylor of the Battalion's activities during World War II. 3 copies, including 1 first edition and 1 annotated copy 1949-1966
- 3 Article from a regimental journal 'Tunisia, 37 years on' by Taylor regarding a visit he made with two old comrades to the battlefields of Tunisia. Incomplete, only first three paragraphs remain nd [c.1980]
- 4 Photocopy of an account by Taylor of the evacuation of Dunkirk, 1940. With notes added [at a later date], explaining abbreviations and giving additional details regarding individuals mentioned in the account nd [?late 20th cent]

ESR/25/TAYLRJ/ TAYLOR, BANDSMaster ROBERT JAMES, 1915

Served with 1/6th Battalion during World War I.

- 1 Photograph of Taylor 1915

ESR/25/TEBA/ TEBAY, LIEUTENANT COLONEL E, 1945-1953

Served with 2/6th Battalion during World War II. Was member of the British Military Mission to Norway. Served as Equerry to HRH Crown Prince Olaf, c.1944-1945, and Gold Staff Officer at the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

- 1 Photographs of Tebay, 6th Battalion. 3 items 1943-1953
- 2 Correspondence, instructions, photographs and invitations relating to Tebay's service as Equerry to HRH Crown Prince Olaf and as Gold Staff Officer at the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II 1945-1953

ESR/25/THAT/ THATCHER, PRIVATE JACK G (?-1934), 1918-1934

Served with 1st Battalion. Was a prisoner of war during World War I. Later served in India. Died, 1934.

- 1 Letter from King George V welcoming home former prisoners of war 1918
- 2 Photographs of the Battalion tug of war team, 1924, Thatcher with another soldier in India after receiving his Long Service Medal, an unidentified woman [?his wife] and his funeral, 1934, with covering letter identifying Thatcher in the photographs and giving the date of his funeral. 6 items 1924-1934
- 3 1st Battalion Christmas card, showing picture of the Battle of Sobraon, 1846, sent from Lahore to 'Vera' from 'Auntie Alice and Uncle Jack and Doreen' nd [?1931-1934]

ESR/25/THOM/

THOMSON, MAJOR T ALEX, 1980S-2000

Commissioned into 6th (Lanarkshire) Scottish Rifles, 1930. Transferred to 6th Battalion, the East Surrey Regiment, 1937. Commanded HQ Company, 2/6th Battalion, 1939. Attached to 1st Battalion, Jan-Feb 1940. Commanded A Company, 2/6th Battalion, 1940. Wounded, Jun 1940. Appointed Adjutant, 30th Battalion, the 1st West Yorkshire Regiment. Rejoined 2/6th Battalion, c.1944. Commanded B Company, 1st Battalion, Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment. Awarded Military Medal, 1944. Later served as President of the 2/6th St Valery Association.

- 1 Photocopy of account by Thomson of the Battle of Aumale, Apr 1940-Jun 1940, based on his own recollections and those of Lieutenant John Redfern and 2nd Lieutenant John Naylor. Includes covering letter giving an account of Thomson's military career and a copy of his citation for the Military Medal nd [1980s] -2000

ESR/25/THOMP/

THOMPSON, 2ND LIEUTENANT F W, 1917-1919

Served with 1/5th Battalion during World War I.

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| 1 | Photograph album, '1/5 th Battalion, 1917-1919' compiled by Thompson: views of India, Suez Canal, groups and individual soldiers and inhabitants. | 1917-1919 |
| 2 | Photograph album, '1/5 th Battalion, 1917-1918' compiled by Thompson: groups and individual soldiers in Britain, Egypt and India. | 1917-1918 |
| 3 | Photograph album, 'India 1918' compiled by Thompson: views of India, Suez Canal, groups and individual soldiers and inhabitants | 1918 |

ESR/25/THOR/

THORNTON, PRIVATE G J, 1992

Served with A Company, 1st Battalion, during World War II.

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| 1 | Account by G J Thornton of his experiences during World War II, with related correspondence | 1992 |
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ESR/25/TIMM/

TIMMS, PRIVATE A B, 1914-1918

Served with 12th (Service) Battalion during World War I.

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| 1 | Copies (undated) of photographs of Timms. 2 items | nd [?1915-1918] |
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ESR/25/TOBI/

TOBIN, PRIVATE MATHIAS (C.1822-?), 1847-1982

Born in Balingary, County Tipperary, c.1822. Enlisted, 1840. Served with 31st Regiment of Foot in East Indies and in the Afghan Wars, 1840-1847, in the Mediterranean, 1853-May 1855, in the Crimea, May-Jun 1855, in Gozo, Jun 1855-1857, and in Gibraltar, 1857-1858.

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| 1 | Soldier's account book, giving details of service, next of kin, marriage and children, pay and uniforms issued | 1847-1860 |
| 2 | Clothing section from a second account book | 1855-1860 |

- 3 Covering letter from Major F J Reed, 2 Apr 1982
 Headquarters of the Queen's Regiment,
 donating items, but not specifying how the
 items came into his possession. Adding that
 he has examined the muster roll for the 31st
 Regiment and giving further details regarding
 Tobin's service in the Afghanistan Campaign

ESR/25/TOVE/

TOVEY, REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJOR H, 1930S

Served with East Surrey Regiment.

- 1 Photograph of Tovey nd [?1930s]

ESR/25/TREE/

TREEBY, COLONEL H B, C.1900

Served with 2nd Battalion in South Africa. Commanded
 the Depot during World War I.

- 1 Photograph of Treeby nd [c.1900]

ESR/25/TUCK/

TUCK, CAPTAIN J P, 1944

Served with 1st Battalion during World War II. Was a
 German prisoner of war.

- 1 Letter to Tuck from George H Cook of 1st Apr 1944
 Battalion, East Surreys, informing him of the
 Battalion's activities and losses since he left it
- 2 Postcard to Tuck from Charles Woodhouse of Jun 1944
 1st Battalion, East Surreys, informing him that
 he is a prisoner of war in Germany

ESR/25/TUCKE/

TUCKER, LIEUTENANT H R, 1918

Served with 9th (Service) Battalion.

- 1 Postcard from Tucker to his mother, with 4 Dec 1918
 photograph on front of Tucker with [?] J
 Wood and H [?Kerekhove]

ESR/25/VAUG/

VAUGHAN, CAPTAIN S, C.1887

Served as bandsman with 1st Battalion. Later served at Depot and as Bandmaster of the Lahore Police Band.

- 1 Booklet, annotated by Vaughan, giving details of march route taken by 1st Battalion from Ranikhet to Allahabad, India, Dec 1886-Feb 1887, including details such as distances and how supplies may to be procured at each stage. Also includes details of Vaughan's service career nd [c.1887]

ESR/25/VIGO/

VIGOR, CORPORAL WALTER E, 1930S-1940S

Served with the [?1st] Battalion during World War II.

- 1 'War Record-1 Surreys', an account of the 1st Battalion's activities during World War II, which was found with Vigor's papers but which may or may not have been written by him, with related typescripts, correspondence and notes, 1986-1990 nd [?2nd half of 20th cent]
- 2 A 'lucky' pound note carried by Vigor throughout World War II nd [?1930s]
- 3 Message from Intelligence Officer to all companies of [?1/6th] Battalion concerning the enemy's activities in S[ant'] Angelo area nd [c.1944]
- 4 Old Comrades' Association membership card nd [?1940s]

ESR/25/VOIS/

VOISIN, CAPTAIN L, 1915-1937

Served with 2nd Battalion.

- 1 Photograph album relating to 2nd Battalion, 1916-1918, compiled by Voisin: groups and individual officers and men and transport in Alexandria and Salonika 1915-1918
- 2 Photograph album compiled by Voisin: Catterick Camp, funeral of Lieutenant Colonel J S Fitzgerald, 1927, individuals and groups of officers and soldiers, regimental and company Colours, social occasions, views of Lahore, Fyzabad, Simla, Dagshai in India, Voisin's horse George Washington 1927-1937

ESR/25/WALKHH/ WALKER, COLONEL H H, 1940-1989

Served as Adjutant with 2/6th Battalion during World War II. Was taken prisoner by Germans, Jun 1940. Commanded 6th Battalion, 1954-1957.

- 1 Letter from Walker to Anson [Lieutenant Colonel G L A Squire], regarding the fate of former members of 2/6th Battalion and enclosing a message, comprised of a list of names, originally tied around a stone and thrown to Walker whilst he was in a transit camp in 1940 1940-1989
- 2 'Abridged War Diary', prepared by Walker, with originals and photocopies (undated) of related maps, 1 May 1940-12 Jun 1940 nd [after 1940]

ESR/25/WALK/ WALKER, COMPANY SERGEANT MAJOR, 1958

Served with 23rd London Regiment.

- 1 Photograph of Walker being presented with a Territorial Decoration 1958

ESR/25/WALL/ WALLIS, LIEUTENANT C O N, MID 20TH CENT

Served with the East Surrey Regiment.

- 1 Photograph of Wallis, in uniform and in mess uniform. 2 items nd [mid 20th cent]

ESR/25/WARD/ WARD, 2ND LIEUTENANT HORACE E (1883-1958), 1902-1999

Born in Victoria, British Columbia, 1883. Commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant, 1902. Served with 4th Battalion in South Africa. Transferred to the Buffs, 1908. Was in the reserve at the start of World War I, when he was called up and sent as part of reinforcements to 1st Battalion, the King's Royal Rifle Corps (60th Rifles). Served on the Western Front. Was a prisoner of war, Nov 1914-1918. Served in North Russia with the North Russian Expeditionary Force, 1919. Discharged, c.1920. Served as a Private in 17th Battalion, Sussex Home Guard, during World War II. Died, 1958.

- 1 Commission as a 2nd Lieutenant, with original envelope 8 Mar 1902
- 2 Map of Port Nolloth, South Africa nd [c.1902]
- 3 Photograph album, '4th Battalion, 1902-1908, South Africa', compiled by Ward: individuals and groups of soldiers in South Africa and England belonging to 4th and 3rd Battalions and the Buffs, Boers and the English Rugby Union team, 1910 nd [?1902-1914]
- 4 List of officers attending the 242nd party school of musketry, including Ward Sep 1906
- 5 Short biography of Ward, written by Ward's son, including details of items sent to other repositories 10 Mar 1999

ESR/25/WARE/

WARE, PRIVATE ALEXANDER CLEMENT (1875-1953), 1875-1996

Born in the Strand, London, 1875. Enlisted, 1894. Served with the East Surrey Regiment in Malta, 1895. Died, 1953.

- 1 Photocopy of Ware's birth certificate, giving his name as Warr (10 Jul 1875)
- 2 Soldier's account book of service details, pay and uniforms issued (cover of book shrunk, making it difficult to open fully) 1894-1899
- 3 Genealogical information regarding Ware's siblings and his own children nd [c.1996]

ESR/25/WAYL/

WAYLAND, LANCE CORPORAL, 1949

Served with 1st Battalion.

- 1 Copies (undated) of four photographs of Wayland in Athens (1949)

ESR/25/WEBBE/

WEBB, PRIVATE EARNEST (C.1879-1904), AFTER 1904

Served with D Company, 2nd Battalion. Died at Lucknow, 1904.

- 1 Photograph of Webb's grave nd [after 1904]
- ESR/25/WEBBG/ WEBB, PRIVATE GEORGE (C.1871-?), 1903
- Born, c.1871. Enlisted in London, 1890. Served with 1st Battalion. Discharged, 1903. Re-enlisted in a Territorial Battalion of the East Surrey Regiment, 1904.
- 1 Discharge certificate, with note that Webb re-enlisted as a Militiaman of the East Surrey Regiment for the County of London, 4 Jul 1904 9 Mar 1903
- 2 Character certificate, with note that Webb re-enlisted as a Militiaman of the East Surrey Regiment for the County of London, 4 Jul 1904 9 Mar 1903
- ESR/25/WESTH/ WEST, PRIVATE HAROLD, 1917
- Served with 2/6th Battalion during World War I.
- 1 Copy (undated) of photograph of a group of soldiers, West being 4th from the right (1917)
- 2 Copy (undated) of photograph of group of soldiers outside a tent, West at the back with a tin helmet (1917)
- ESR/25/WESTPH/ WEST, LIEUTENANT PERCY HENRY, 1919-1955
- Served with 6th Battalion.
- 1 Warrant for the Serbian Order of the White Eagle, 5th class (Russian text) 1919
- 2 Letter from the War Office to the Regimental Depot, donating the Warrant which had been found in their office, with letter from the Depot to the Regimental Museum, passing on the Warrant 7 Apr 1955
-13 Apr 1955

ESR/25/WESTW/ WEST, PRIVATE WALTER (C.1862-?), 1886-1894

Born in Southwark, c.1862. Enlisted at Kingston upon Thames, 1882. Served with 1st Battalion in the East Indies, 1883-Sep 1884, Egypt, Sep 1884-Dec 1884, and East Indies, 1885. Discharged, 1894.

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| 1 | Account book, giving details of service, medals, next of kin and pay, with copy of second class certificate of education inserted | 1886-1889 |
| 2 | Second class certificate of education | 20 Jun 1887 |
| 3 | Character certificate | 17 Oct 1889 |
| 4 | Preliminary notice to attend training or drills, issued to West as a member of the 1 st class army reserve | 31 Mar 1890 |
| 5 | Notice issued to West as a member of the 1 st class army reserve, reminding him that he must attend training or drills | 31 Dec 1890 |
| 6 | Discharge certificate | 14 Feb 1894 |
| 7 | Folder marked 'pay book and certificates of No 519 Pte W West 1 st Bn the East Surrey Regiment 18 Feb 1882' | nd [?late 20 th cent] |

ESR/25/WHEL/ WHELAN, LANCE SERGEANT GEORGE, 1940

Served with 1st Battalion during World War II.

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| 1 | Letters to Whelan from his fiancée and his mother, with original envelopes. 4 items | Apr 1940 |
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ESR/25/WHITCF/ WHITE, PRIVATE CHARLES FREDERICK (C.1904-?), 1946-1985

Born, c.1904. Enlisted at Kingston upon Thames, 1922. Served with the 2nd Battalion. Was a Japanese prisoner of war during World War II. Discharged, c.1946.

Photographs belonging to White were also inserted in the '2nd Surreys' album (either ESR/3/13/1 or ESR/3/13/16).

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| 1 | Soldier's service and pay book, giving details of enlistment and next of kin | 1946 |
| 2 | Covering letter from depositor, donating items | 4 Sep 1985 |
| 3 | Newspaper cutting of White's obituary | nd [?1980s] |

ESR/25/WHITF/ WHITE, 2ND LIEUTENANT FINCH, 1881-1945

Served with the 31st Regiment of Foot.

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| 1 | Commission as a 2 nd Lieutenant | 14 Jan 1881 |
| 2 | Letter from the people of Novafeltria to 'Illmo Signor Governatore' (Italian text), with original envelope | 17 Feb 1945 |

ESR/25/WHITGA/ WHITE, MAJOR GENERAL G A (1916-2003), 2003

Born in Kingston, 1916. Enlisted in Artists' Rifles, 1935. Commissioned into 1/6th Battalion, 1939. Served as Staff Officer with Headquarters, 4th Infantry Division, 1942-1943. Attended Staff College, Camberley, 1944. Returned to 4th Division as Brigade Major of 10th Infantry Brigade. Joined UK Delegation to Military Staff Committee of emerging United Nations Organisation in New York, 1946. Served in Salonika with 1st Battalion, the East Surrey Regiment, 1948. Appointed Military Assistant to the Vice-Chief of the Imperial Staff. Became the first commanding officer of the newly amalgamated 1st Battalion, the Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment, 1959. Joined staff of Earl Mountbatten of Burma, then the Chief of Defence Staff. Commanded 56th (London) Brigade. Appointed Brigadier General of the Staff at Headquarters, British Army of the Rhine, and later Head of the Joint Services Liaison Organization, with the task of dealing with difficulties between the British Services and German civil authorities. Retired, 1971. Died, 2003.

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| 1 | Photocopy from <i>The Times</i> of White's obituary | (2 Oct 2003) |
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ESR/25/WHITGE/ WHITE, PRIVATE GEORGE ERNEST (?-1915), 1910S

Born, c.1895. Served with 1st Battalion. Killed in action, 1915.

- 1 Photograph of Whitehead nd [?1910s]

ESR/25/WHITHM/ WHITEHEAD, LIEUTENANT H M, 1914-1919

Served in Artists' Rifles. Commissioned into the East Surrey Regiment, c.1914. Served in 4th Battalion, attached to 1st Battalion, South Wales Borderers. Died, 1915.

- 1 Scrapbook, 'War news, WW1 scrapbook Lieutenant H M Whitehead': newspaper cuttings, photographs, letters and ephemera relating to Whitehead and to N T Whitehead and G O Whitehead [?brothers]. Including letters giving character references for G O Whitehead, who has been declared unfit for military service, and letters of sympathy to Whitehead's parents. Also cuttings concerning activities of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers, Royal Scots Fusiliers, Sherwood Foresters, Artist Rifles, East Surrey Regiment, and the 7th Division, including the Battles of Ypres and Loos, and the Egyptian Expeditionary Army, casualty lists, letters of sympathy to relations of killed officers and photographs of 2nd Battalion of Royal Sussex Regiment in support trenches. 23 loose photographs, cuttings and letters inserted. Transferred from the Guards Museum.

ESR/25/WILB/ WILBERFORCE, LIEUTENANT COLONEL WILLIAM BASIL SAMUEL J A E (C.1904-1943), 1931

Born, c.1904. Served with King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. Attached to East Surrey Regiment. Appointed to command 1st Battalion, 1942. Killed in action in Tunisia. 1943. Awarded Distinguished Service Order.

- 1 Photograph of Wilberforce as a Lieutenant Oct 1931

ESR/25/WILK/ WILKINS, SERGEANT JAMES, 1917-1977

Served with 1st Battalion during World War I. Was a German prisoner of war. Wilkins was also known as James Frater, although he was known throughout his military career as James Wilkins.

- 1 Letter from Wilkins' daughter, 2002, enclosing photocopies of her research into her father's career, including cards relating to his time as a prisoner of war in a German camp, 1917, letter from the Ministry of Defence regarding her enquiry into Wilkins' citation for the Distinguished Conduct Medal and the name by which he was known during his service, 1977. Also original and photocopy of photograph of a football team, including Wilkins (the above letter identifies Wilkins in the group) (1917-1977)

ESR/25/WILLC/

WILLIAMS, REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJOR CHARLES 'PINKY', 1928-1953

Enlisted at Kingston upon Thames, 1921. Served with 1st Battalion in Egypt, 1922-1923, Hong Kong, 1923-1926, India, 1926-1934, England, 1934-1937, India, 1937, Sudan, 1937-1939, France, 1939-1940, England [?with another Battalion], 1940-1948. Discharged, 1953.

- 1 Copies of photographs taken by Williams: officers and men of Headquarters Company, Corporal Williams with shooting trophy, Lance Corporal Williams and Williams in Karachi. 4 items (1928-1938)
- 2 Photographs taken by Williams: soldiers' tented encampment, postcard of a company of the Regiment, duplicate of above, and two soldiers. 4 items 1930s
- 3 Copies and 1 original photograph taken by Williams: group of men, athletics team of C Company, 1st Battalion, East Surrey Regiment, group of soldiers eating, and two men in [?India]. 3 items nd [1930s]
- 4 Copies of photographs taken by Williams: inside sergeants' mess, group of men in Egypt, scene from Aldershot tattoo and members of a football team. 4 items nd [?1930s]
- 5 Copies of photographs taken by Williams: 2 scenes from Aldershot tattoo, group of officers, NCOs and privates with an old soldier and group of 4 men. 4 items nd [1930s]

- 6 Photographs taken by Williams: hockey team, an 'A/T cart in trouble', HMT Empire Windrush, finale scene from the Aldershot tattoo and a group of 4 soldiers. 6 items nd [1930s]-1949
- 7 Photocopy of certificate of service, including character and discharge certificates, with covering letter from Williams' daughter (photographs mentioned not present), 30 Sep 1993 (1953)

ESR/25/WILLPJ/

WILLIAMS, 2ND LIEUTENANT PERCY JOHN (C.1895-?), 1917

Born, c.1895. Served with 6th Battalion during World War I. Possibly attached to 7th Battalion, Berkshire Regiment. Died of wounds, Salonika, 1917.

- 1 Copy of photograph of Williams, with biographical information on the back nd [c.1917]

ESR/25/WILSF/

WILSON, PRIVATE FREDERICK, (C.1872-1915), (1900-c.1919)

Born c.1872 in Norwood. Attested in London on 3 Nov 1890 aged 19. Served with 2nd Battalion in South Africa during Boer War and 1st Battalion during World War I. Killed in action near Ypres in 1915.

- 1 Print of digital scan of letter to his mother about his experiences in South Africa during his service in the Boer War (16-17 Jun 1900)
- 2 Print of digital scan of parchment certificate of discharge (2 Nov 1902)
- 3 Print of digital scan of parchment certificate of character following discharge (2 Nov 1902)
- 4 Print of digital scan of War Office certificate of death (30 Sep 1915)
- 5 Print of digital scan of War Office form notifying next of kin of sum due to them on settlement of Wilson's accounts (28 Oct 1915)
- 6 Print of digital scan of scroll which accompanied the 'death penny' sent to his next of kin (nd [c.1919])

- ESR/25/WILSHF/ WILSON, SERGEANT HARRY FRANK (1913-1943), 1941-
(1993)
- Born in Norbiton, 1913. Enlisted, 1932. Served with 2nd Battalion during World War II. Died of malaria while a Japanese prisoner of war, 1943.
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| 1 | Soldier's service book, giving details of training, medical records and next of kin | 1941-1942 |
| 2 | Death certificate, issued by War Office, stating that Wilson died on 5 Nov 1943 | 6 Mar 1946 |
| 3 | Probate Registry entry | 26 Apr 1946 |
| 4 | Copy of a letter from Museum to Wilson's brother, thanking him for donating the items | (1 May 1993) |

- ESR/25/WILSHG/ WILSON, PRIVATE HENRY GEORGE THOMAS (C.1898-
1943), LATE 20TH CENT
- Born, c.1898. Served with 2nd Battalion. Killed in action, 1943.
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| 1 | Colour photograph of Wilson's grave in Kanchanaburi Cemetery, Thailand | nd [late 20 th cent] |
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- ESR/25/WINK/ WINKWORTH, PRIVATE HERBERT WILLIAM (1893-1914),
1893-1981
- Born in Croydon, 1893. Served with 1st Battalion. Died, Aug 1914.
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| 1 | Copy (dated 25 Jun 1920) of birth certificate | (1893) |
| 2 | Letter from the Donore Harriers Athletics Club, Dublin, to Winkworth's mother, enclosing a championship medal won by Winkworth in Mar 1914 (medal not present) | 26 Jun 1916 |
| 3 | Photographs [of Winkworth]. 2 items | nd [?1910s] |
| 4 | Postcard giving details of infantry soldier's pay, with stamp of Recruiting Office, Tooting, on the back | nd [?1914] |
| 5 | Commemorative Scroll, with covering letter from King George V | nd [c.1919] |

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| 6 | Letter to Winkworth's wife enclosing the campaign medals that would have been conferred upon him had he lived | nd [c.1919] |
| 7 | Letter from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission to Winkworth's sister, giving details regarding the location of her brother's grave | 25 Nov 1981 |

ESR/25/WITT/

WITTEY, PRIVATE S A (1899-?), 1915-1919

Born, 1899. Attested, 1917. Served with the East Surrey Regiment and with 30th Battalion, Machine Gun Corps. Transferred to reserve, 1919.

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| 1 | National registration card | nd [c.1915] |
| 2 | Identity tags | nd [c.1917] |
| 3 | Photograph of group of soldiers [?Wittey's Company] | nd [c.1917] |
| 4 | Copy of <i>The Star</i> , with articles regarding the Armistice | 11 Nov 1918 |
| 5 | Field service postcard addressed to Miss Skelton | 26 Oct 1918 |
| 6 | Christmas card, showing advance of 17 th Division, 23 Aug 1918-11 Oct 1918 | Dec 1918 |
| 7 | Certificate of transfer to reserve | 14 Oct 1919 |

ESR/25/WOODEJ/

WOOD, 2ND LIEUTENANT E J, 1916-1918

Served with 9th (Service) Battalion during World War I.

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| 1 | 3 rd Battalion Christmas card, with printed poem regarding the footballs dribbled into battle [by the 8 th Battalion] in 1916 [?sent by Wood to his wife] | nd [1916-1918] |
| 2 | Letters and telegrams of congratulations from senior officers on winning the Military Cross, including one to Wood's wife from the Battalion Chaplain | 1918 |

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| 3 | Photographs of parades and groups of battalion officers | 1918 |
| 4 | Message from General Daly to 'Tuma' congratulating [?NOGU] on a 'good show' | 1918 |
| 5 | Rough list of numbers, with some names [?rough budget] | nd [?early 20 th cent] |

ESR/25/WOODJM WOOD, LIEUTENANT JOHN MICHAEL BRADLEY (?-1874), 1862-1987

Joined 31st Regiment, 1858. Served during Second Opium War in China. Died, 1874.

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| 1 | 2 pages from a sale catalogue, showing five paintings by Wood of China, Hong Kong and Soochow Creek, Shanghai, with covering note | (1862)-1987 |
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ESR/25/WOODJ/ WOOD, PRIVATE JIM, 1923-1938

Served with [?2nd Battalion] and 1st Battalion. These albums were donated to the Museum by Lieutenant Colonel L M B Wilson, RHQ Canterbury.

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| 1 | Photograph album compiled by Wood: views and inhabitants of Hong Kong, 1 st Battalion, trooping their Colour, view of the Indian Ocean and of India | nd [?1923-1926] |
| 2 | Photograph album compiled by Wood: groups and individual soldiers at Abbottabad, North West Frontier [now Pakistan], Hong Kong, and Gharial | nd 1926-1928 |
| 3 | Photograph album compiled by Wood: views of Japan, China, Hong Kong and India and regimental band | nd [?1923-1926] |
| 4 | Photograph album presented by S J Wood: inhabitants and views of India and 2/5 th Royal Gurkha Rifles at Abbottabad, North West Frontier [now Pakistan] | nd [?1927] |
| 5 | Photograph album compiled by J Wood: views and inhabitants of India and Aden | nd [?1926-1938] |

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| 6 | Photograph album, 'Kuldana, Murree Hills, India, NW Aug 1 st 1927' compiled by Wood: inhabitants and views of India | 1927 |
| 7 | Photograph album, 'Compiled at Rawalpindi, India, N W, March 1928 by J Wood': inhabitants and views of India and Indian and Gurkha soldiers | 1928 |
| 8 | Photograph album, 'India, 1928' compiled by Wood: views and inhabitants of Khyber Pass and India, 'Russian prisoners', soldiers of 1/5 th and 1/6 th Royal Gurkha Regiment, groups and individual British and Indian soldiers; also 2 letters to Wood from Padam Singh of 1/5 th Royal Gurkha Regiment to Mr Wood, Dec 1928 and Mar 1930. 4 items | 1928-1930 |
| 9 | Photograph of Private Jim Wood | nd [?1930s] |

ESR/25/WOODH/ WOODHOUSE, LIEUTENANT J M, 1994

Served with 1st Battalion in World War II.

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| 1 | Photocopy of account by Woodhouse of his capture at Monte Cassino, 2/3 Mar 1944, and experiences as a prisoner of war, with annotations | (1994) |
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ESR/25/WYAT/ WYATT, PRIVATE JOHN, 1998

Born in Sydenham, 1920. Enlisted, 1940. Served with 2nd Battalion. Was a prisoner of war in Malaya during World War II.

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| 1 | Photocopy of accounts by Wyatt of his experience during World War II, 1940-1946, including being a prisoner of war, with related correspondence and photocopies (undated) of postcards, press cuttings and official documents | (1998) |
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ESR/25/WYE/ WYE, PRIVATE FREDERICK WILLIAM (C.1874-?), 1903-1905

Born in Clapham, c.1874. Enlisted in London, 1893.
Served with [2nd Battalion], the East Surrey Regiment.
Awarded 'South Africa 1902' Medal. Discharged, 1905.
Re-enlisted in the East Surrey Regiment, 1914.

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| 1 | Character certificate | 3 Mar 1903 |
| 2 | Discharge certificate, with note that Wye reenlisted in the East Surrey Regiment on 14 Oct 1914 | 5 Jan 1905 |

ESR/25/WYNY/

WYNYARD, LIEUTENANT R D, 1889

Served with 2nd Battalion.

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| 1 | Letter from Wynyard to 'Whelan', enclosing a cheque for £2 [missing] to buy drinks for his former company to celebrate Wynyard's marriage | 3 Jun 1889 |
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ESR/25/YATE/

YATES, BANDMASTER CECIL (1882-?), 1895-1919

Born, 1882. Enlisted, 1895. Served with 3rd Battalion as Bandmaster. Later served with 8th Battalion. Discharged, 1919.

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| 1 | Third class certificate of education | 6 Dec 1895 |
| 2 | Soldier's account book, giving details of service, next of kin and pay | 1895-1903 |
| 3 | Second class certificate of education (torn in half, but both parts present) | 20 Jan 1897 |
| 4 | Certificate showing qualifications in military subjects for the rank of Corporal | 8 Dec 1903 |
| 5 | Letter to an unnamed Colonel from [?T W Lemmon], mentioning that he is very pleased that Yates has been awarded the Long Service Medal | 4 Apr 1905 |
| 6 | Correspondence regarding the band, including arrangements for the band to perform at various events and letters of appreciation. 6 items | 30 Jun 1912
-10 Jul 1916 |

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| 7 | Programmes for concerts and other events at which the band of the 3 rd and 4 th Battalions played | 1913-1914 |
| 8 | Letter to Yates from Captain A P White, regarding updating the band cashbook and rates of pay for musicians who have enlisted | 14 May 1914 |
| 9 | Free from vermin certificate | 9 Sep 1917 |
| 10 | [?Divisional or Brigade] Christmas card from Yates to 'May' | 1918 |
| 11 | Protection certificate for soldier not remaining with the Colours | 24 Jan 1919 |
| 12 | Character certificate | 21 Feb 1919 |
| 13 | Discharge certificate | 21 Feb 1919 |
| 14 | Certificate that Yates was mentioned in dispatches on 3 Apr 1917, with front of original envelope | 1 Jul 1919 |
| 15 | List of items donated (calendar mentioned is not present) | nd [?late 20 th cent] |

ESR/25/YOUE/

YOUELL, PRIVATE A, 1916

Served as a sniper with the East Surrey Regiment.

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| 1 | Copies obtained from the Imperial War Museum by his son Major R A Youell of 2 trench maps, 1916, of area in which Youell was situated as a sniper, one marked with position of his sniper's post; copies of official photographs of Western Front, including Lens in ruins, ruined street in [?Arras], two unidentified ruined villages, soldiers running across a field and going over the top from a trench; medals and slate with scratch map of sniper position also held in Regimental Museum. Also correspondence between the Imperial War Museum and Major R A Youell regarding the maps, 2000, and letter from solicitors dealing with R A Youell's estate donating them to Regimental Museum, 2001 | (1916) |
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