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DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE FIRST WORLD WAR
IN THE LANCASHIRE RECORD OFFICE

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From the Front: General

CC/EXV 2 Plaque and medals concerning Private William Barber of the South Lancashire Regiment

DDB acc. 6685 Copy letters from the Front of ?Reginald B Parker, 1915 (Box 85); account of the war written from letters and diaries by ?Col. J W Parker (Box 85); letters, articles etc. for the Green Howard Gazette, 1914-20 (Boxes 120-121); war papers of Col. John Parker (Box 161)

DDBL accs. 6519, 7725, 9690 Correspondence, diaries of war experiences, photographs, signal books, notebooks, plans, secret orders etc. of Captain F N Blundell, cavalry officer, in England, France and Ireland, 1914-16, 1918

DDFL Diaries, letters etc. of Thomas Hope Floyd (1896-1973) of Chorlton-cum-Hardy and the 2/5 Lancashire Fusiliers, 1916-19, including service on the Western Front See LRO Annual Report 1973

DDO acc. 4220 Letters of Mrs Eileen Beach concerning her husband Major Lionel Beach's war service and wounding in Palestine 1917-18 (Box 11)

DDPK 40/7-8 at Gallipoli, Scrapbooks of “letters and cuttings collected by Marjorie Pilkington Windle Hall”, including letters and copies of letters from family members and friends on active service, and photographs of 1912-19

DDSPB acc. 7786 Papers relating to the military service of John Spiby 1917-18, 1968 and 1974 (Box 5 bdle. 4)
Letters to and bills of Lt H Bryce Smith, Loyal North Lancs. Regt., 1915-16


Postcard from S G Corlett to C Cole concerning his army training, 1916

Account of the experiences of a Prisoner of War, Mar. - Nov. 1918

Death notices and newspaper obituaries of 2/Lt R W A Usher of Pendleton, killed in France in action with the Lancashire Fusiliers, May 1917

Letters from Signaller Ben Carbis and Corporal Tom Carbis, serving with 1/4th South Lancashire Regiment on the Western Front, 1914-15

Lancashire Daily Post, 25 Oct. 1914, containing war news

Military papers of Alfred White of Hurst, 1906-15

Papers concerning the war service and demobilisation of James Gradwell of Leigh, 1919-20

Register of members of Nelson and District Association of Warp Dressers on active service, 1914-19 (fully indexed on LANCAT: gives dates of enlistment and discharge plus date of death and some addresses)

Photograph of an invalid soldier, Aug. 1917

War diaries of George Ashworth of Bacup, as sick bay rating, including service at Gallipoli, visit to Egypt 1915-16; in Plymouth area, short visit to Irish rebellion 1916-17; voyage to Far East round Africa to Colombo, Penang, Singapore, Hong Kong 1917-18; in Vladivostock with Allied Intervention Forces, visits to China, Japan, Korea etc., return home through Suez Canal 1918-19; with other war records 1916-35

Letters of William Rothwell, serving with the Pay Corps in France, to 1/1-9, 2/8-10 Clara Ainsworth, Cloughfold, Manchester, 1918-19, with photos

Letter from Pte. H Baker, 7th Manchester Regt., Khartoum, describing his journey to and impressions of the Sudan and Egypt, 6 Oct. 1914
DDX 1302  Papers of W H Barnes of Burnley, Secretary of the Burnley branch of the British Legion, including scrapbooks of photographs of soldiers and visits to WW1 battlefields, and letters from the Front of his 5 brothers, serving with the East Lancs. Regiment and the Connaught Rangers, 1914-15

DDX 1312/1  Diary of J Hanslip of Burnley, gunner on board the tramp steamer SS Plawsworth, owned by the Dalglish Shipping Co, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, describing sailing on her maiden voyage from Falmouth via Gibraltar, Malta, North Africa, the Suez Canal, Aden and Colombo [Ceylon] to Rangoon [Burma] with a cargo of coal, returning to London with coconut oil and other cargo, 19 Sep. 1917 -10 Feb. 1918; the writer describes evasive action to dodge submarines and takes an interest in places visited and ships seen, giving weather reports and much information about the convoy system in wartime

DDX 1614/1  Copy letter book and scrapbook of letters from Chorley soldiers serving on the Western Front, 1914-15, with newscuttings relating to Gallipoli, 1915

DDX 1824  Letters of John Law, 17th Manchester Regt., killed in action in France, 10 July 1916, 1915-16

DDX 1862  First World War diaries: ‘The Story of a Wasted Life from July 31st to March 6th 1919’ by Gunner Robert Chadwick on active service in France and diary of Private Robert Ingham on active service in Greece and Turkey 1916 to 1918 (both were from Accrington)

DDX 1874  Letters (11) from the Front of Frederick Wilkinson, Royal Naval Division, 1914-1917, talking about his experiences in France as part of the British Expeditionary Force, Verdun, his training, rations, trenches and trenchfoot; ration and registration cards, 1915-17

DDX 1908 acc. 7048 WW1 correspondence (Box 4)

DDX 1930/1  Photograph of sailor [at Scapa Flow?]

DDX 1946/1  Demobilization certificate, 1919

DDX 1947 acc. 7260 Commission of F E S Satterthwaite as 2/Lt 1915 and Grenade Instructor’s certificate 1916
DDX 2084/1/1    Diary of Cpl Joshua Kelsall, recording his experiences on active service in France with the Rifle Brigade, including trench warfare and the Christmas truce, 1914-15

CLOSED [TRANSCRIPT AVAILABLE IN THE SEARCHROOM]

DDX 2110/1    Letter lamenting the writer's son's death in action against the Turks, 1919

DDX 2118/1    WW1 poems by Private D A Vincent, London Regiment, 1917

DDX 2379/38    Private Harry Bradshaw, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, pay book including will and loose items including a copy of attestation, notice of his capture and certificate of demobilisation 1915-1926

DDX 2379/39    Private James Kershaw, 7th Battalion East Lancashire Regiment, Soldier’s Small Book and loose items including notice of his death in France on 10 July 1916, 1916-1922

DDX 2463 acc 9664    Illustrated envelopes from letters to his wife from Albert Edward Corbyn box 8 of Lowestoft, from the Front [one of the drawings was later used as an official Christmas card]

DDX 2256    Diary (with transcript) of an unknown soldier of the 6th Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, on active service in Mesopotamia, 1916-18

SMKE 3/18    Volume of photographs and details of the career of old boys of Kearsley Moor C.E. School and parish in WW1, with roll of honour, 1914-17

The Home Front: Hospitals

DDTA acc. 5865 Box 2    Cuerden Auxiliary Hospital records 1915-19

DDX 153/5/13    Programmes for the dedication of a motor ambulance provided by Newton in Makerfield Teachers' War Aid Association, n.d.

DDX 637/1    Book of reminiscences of life at the Auxiliary Military Hospital, Moor Park, Preston, 1914-19, by Nurse E F de Trafford

DDX 706/6/4    Blackpool Military Hospital magazine 1916-19

DDX 885/1/1-3    Queen Mary's Military Hospital, Whalley, lists of patients and miscellaneous returns, 1915-19
DDX 885/1/4 VAD discharge certificate, 1920

DDX 1254/1/34 Plan of Queen Mary's Military Hospital, Whalley, 1915

DDX 1564 acc. 5451 Papers concerning the use of Cuerden Hall as an auxiliary military hospital, 1915 Box 3

DDX 1904/1 Autograph album, mainly signed by servicemen at Langho Military Hospital, Whalley, during WW1

DDX 2429 acc. 9543 Certificate issued by council of St John VAD Hospital, Southport, to Winifred Scholes for services in First World War 1919

HRBP 1 acc. 7280 Photograph of convalescent soldiers at Blackpool Victoria Hospital, WW1

HRCX Colne Auxiliary Military Hospitals, Albert Road and West End, registers 1915-19

MBH 3/21 Haslingden M.B.C.: Military Hospital Committee minutes 1917-19

P 194/1 Photocopy of book of photographs of Queen Mary's Military Hospital, Whalley (later Calderstones Hospital), c1916. Scenes include interior and exterior views, hospital railway, troops arriving from the Somme, wards, cinema and theatre, kitchens, sports, Christmas celebrations etc

PR 5025/2/3-4, 2/11/1 Scarisbrick Voluntary Aid Detachment minutes and annual report 1914-17

The Home Front: General

NOTE: Most local authority collections include some committee minutes and files relating to wartime activities, eg. Adlington U.D. Food Control Committee minutes, 1917-20 (UDAD 2/1-2); not all such records are listed here.

CC/CCV 62 Photograph of Lancashire County Council staff in army uniform, Dec. 1914

CC/SF 1 Lancashire and Western Sea Fisheries Joint Committee: correspondence file concerning fishing in wartime, 1914-40 (File 43/1)
CULI/6/57 Young Crescent - magazine issued by Crescent Sunday school to former members serving abroad during the First World War, May 1915 - Apr 1919

DDCL acc. 1325 Bundle of papers, notebooks etc. relating to National Service (Box 1)

DDHH 1/340 Sales particulars for HM Factory, White Lund, Lancaster, 1927

DDPSL 15/4/9 Photograph of women munitions workers, Oldham

DDSP/77/6 Trawden UDC WW1 correspondence – circulars etc relating inter alia to Belgian refugees and war damage 1914-18

DDSM Sutton Manor Colliery minutes, accounts and papers 1906-50 [include some war damage files – WW2?]

DDTS Box 38 North West Lancashire Volunteer Regiment correspondence files, 1918-19

DDWW 4/5/29 Agreement and correspondence regarding troops' occupation of premises at Home Farm, Scarisbrick, Feb. 1915

DDX 11/1 Minute book of the Preston Volunteer Training Corps, 1 Jul. 1915 – 10 Apr. 1923
See H Cartmell, For Remembrance: an Account of Some Fateful Years (n.d. 1919?), pp. 114-115

DDX 519/21 Photocopy of a printed dialect poem, "A Lancashire Lad's Comments", by William Ellison of Oldham, commenting on the Great War, 1916

DDX 920/4 Notice of hearing at Oldham Local Tribunal, 1918

DDX 978 passim Recollections (for essay competition) of WW1 service and civilian life, esp. DDX 978/1/3/2, 1/29/10 (false age on enlistment), 1/31/3 (RFC)

DDX 1052/3/1 Volume of LNWR staff circulars on pay, enlistment etc., 1914-18

DDX 1059/2 2 service exemption certificates, 1916

DDX 1096/13 Lancashire Constabulary notices concerning evacuations in the event of a "Hostile Raid on West Coast", 30 Jul. 1915

DDX 1101/37/1 Burnley Red Cross League committee minutes 1914-19
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<td>Darwen-related First World War ephemera including National Registration Card; Egg Collection Card; Health Memoranda for programme for the presentation of an ambulance; news 1915-1918</td>
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DDX 2451 acc 9624  Illustrated prize certificate for ‘Olympic Games’ at Lancaster Detention Camp 1915

FCPR 4/1  Preston Free Church War Service autumn campaign pamphlet 1917

FRP 18 /8/14-15  Preston Monthly Meeting, Society of Friends (Quakers): circulars and containing details of questionnaire regarding Quaker enlistment, with forms of Preston members’ wartime service, 1915-17

LCC  Championships, War Agricultural Cttee. minutes 1915-18 (WAM), War Agricultural Cttee. Executive Sub-Cttee. minutes 1916-19 (WCM), War Agricultural Cttee. Cultivation Sub-Cttee. minutes 1918-19 (WEM), War Pensions Cttee. minutes 1916-21 (WPM 1, WFM 1)

LV/12  Papers concerning "the Lancashire County Organization for Comforts for Soldiers", 1915 (3 items)

MBP 5 acc. 9512  Raikes Parade Methodist Church, Blackpool: Belgium Refugees Fund and British POW Fund minutes 1914-18

MBH  Haslingden M.B.C.: Prince of Wales War National Relief Fund cash book 1914-46

(46/1)  Patriotic Committee minutes 1916-19 (47/1) Correspondence concerning British Prisoners of War in Germany, 1918-19 (47/2)

MBLA acc 8326  Lancaster Local Tribunal copy letter book (out letters), Box 126 May 1917-Aug 1918

MBLA  Lancaster Borough Council
Letters from Government departments, 1912-18 (MBLA 3/1-7)
Letters from organisations concerned with the war effort, 1914-18 (MBLA 4/5)
Sanction under DORA for the widening of Caton Road including a plan in connection with the workings of Caton and National factories (MBLA acc. 4797 Box 55)

PLA acc. 5335  Certificate of good character of Belgian refugees from Malines, 1914

Diary of a Lancashire Constabulary Superintendent apparently overseeing the internment of enemy aliens, dealing with Belgian refugees, and preparing strategic points for defence from enemy action, 1914-15
PLA acc. 5735  Police Gazette 1916-20 containing national lists of armed services deserters

PR 2908/9/5  What You Can Do For Your Country: an appeal to the boys and girls of Empire by Beatrix Lyall, n.d. [c.1915]

PR 2955/6/2  Royal proclamation urging economy in the use of grain, 1917

PR 3007/2/17  C of E Temperance Society War Pledge signed by residents of Longton, 1915-16

PR 3031/14/11  Proclamation of King George V on the end of the war, Jun. 1919

PR 3042/4/37  List of subscriptions raised at Brindle St James "towards a Hut for our Soldiers at the Front", 22 Jun. 1918

PR 3217/14/3  Papers concerning the transport arrangements for a Chinese Labour contingent, 1917

QEV 18/1-3  Printed notices, including list of Admiralty rewards for information about enemy ships, 1915

RDG 24/12  Letters relating to Belgian refugees, 1914

RDP 20/4  Preston Local Tribunal minute book 1916-18

SMWR 27  Wrea Green War Food League, form of undertaking to cultivate garden, 1918

TA  Appeals Tribunal: forms and memoranda: group and class systems administration, list of tribunal members, circular letters, list and plan of areas, notices to farmers, notes on cases, lists of certified occupations, regulations, conscientious objector applications, Home Office and Board of Trade pamphlets


UDAD/5/4  Adlington U.D. Local Tribunal minutes Nov. 1915 - Nov. 1918

UDBA acc 3274 Boxes 12-13  National Registration forms for all adults in Barrowford, c.1915

UDCL  Clayton-le-Moors U.D.C.: Relief Cttee. minutes 1914-19 (7/7)

Volunteer Training Corps papers 1916-19 (7/8)
Local tribunal minutes 1915-18 (53/1) and letter book 1916-18 (53/2)

UDFO
Formby UDC
Local Tribunal minutes, 1915 – 1918 (2/22/3)

UDTH

UDTU 8/1
Turton U.D.C., Church Town & Edgworth War Relief Cttee. minutes 1914-15

UDWE 16/8
Westhoughton Security Appeal Tribunal minutes 1916-18 [Transferred to Bolton AS]

UDWH 8/5
Whitworth UDC, minutes of Relief Committee for the families of enlisted men 1914-15; and (UDWH 33/27) maintenance records of families of enlisted soldiers 1914-18

Rolls of honour

DDX 1237/4/20 Borough of Bacup Roll of Honour, included in Peace Celebrations booklet 1919

DDX 1440/5 Preston and District Boy Scouts’ Association Record Book 1913-1934 including a list of ‘Scouts who have Fallen’, 1919

DDX 2116/9 Colne and District Roll of Honour, 1914-1918

MBMO/HE acc. 6850 Morecambe and Heysham roll of honour 1914-18 box 2

MPR 23/5 Preston, Ribbleton Avenue Methodist Church roll of honour 1914-18, compiled 1980

PR 2448/43 Roll of Garstang men serving in the Army and Navy, 1914-19

PR 2941/3/14 Roll of honour, Southport Christ Church

PR 3142/14/13 Roll of parishioners of St Cuthbert’s CE Church, Darwen, who served in the First World War

UDCL 31/11-12 Greater Accrington roll of honour with index, 1919 (Microfiche)

(Microfiche) Burnley and District Roll of Honour, 1914-1918

(Microfiche) Nelson St John’s Ambulance Roll of Honour, 1914-1918
War memorials

CBP 90/1   Papers mostly regarding the unveiling of the Preston War Memorial, 13 June 1926, including circulars, ceremonial programme with roll of honour; papers regarding the War Memorial Fund; tickets; contact list of dependents of deceased soldiers; papers regarding procedures for ceremony; and photographs of the ceremony.
Also includes some papers regarding the unveiling of the South African War Memorial, May 1925; and events marking Armistice Day in Nov 1927, including the unveiling of the roll of honour.

DDX 386/12  Minutes and correspondence concerning Garstang and district war memorial, 1919

DDX 777/4   Hutton Grammar School, order of service for the dedication of the War Memorial Gates
See also DDX 777/35, 38/1 and 39

DDX 864/14-15  Postcards of Oldham Great War Memorial

MBH 47/3  Photographs of Ecclesfield war memorial, c.1920

PR 2861/7  Billington War Memorial, schedule of names, 1914-18

PR 2950/39  Colne war memorial plans, correspondence, accounts, 1919-22

PR 2973/22/4  Faculty for Preston St Paul war memorial church yard cross, 1920

PR 2979/8/2  Programme for the unveiling of the war memorial et al., Nateby, 1921-30

PR 2980/9/1  Faculty for war memorial, Ribby-with-Wrea, 1921

PR 3014/1/3  Waddington war memorial committee minute book, accounts etc., 1918-22

PR 3035/5/5  Faculty for a war memorial brass, Slaidburn, 1921

PR 3284/4/50  Chipping St Bartholomew, minutes and accounts of the committee for erecting a war memorial, 1919-21

PR 5010/8  Freckleton P.C. War Memorial Ctte. minutes, 1921-24
PR 5025/2/5 & 2/12 Scarisbrick War Memorial Committee minutes and correspondence 1919

UDCH 6/1 Church U.D.C. War Memorial Cttee. minutes

UDCL 31/11-12 Clayton-le-Moors war memorial, including correspondence, lists and particulars of the fallen, commemorative programme, list of decorated servicemen etc., 1917-21

UDGH 15/2 Great Harwood U.D.C.: War Memorial Committee minutes, with plans, photograph and accounts 1919-25

UDLI 6/4 Littleborough U.D.C. War Memorial Fund

UDTR 10/4/1-3 Trawden war memorial

(Microfiche) Colne War Memorial, 1914-1918

(Microfiche) Blacko War Memorial, 1914-1918

DDX 2509 Biographical details of staff listed in Lancashire County Hall War Memorial 1914-1918

DDX 2503 Papers for the Unveiling Ceremony for the First World War Memorial, Belthorn, 1920

Selected printed material

British Red Cross Society, East Lancs. Branch, Illustrated Account of the Work of the Branch During the First Year of the War (1916), including reports, staff lists etc. of Red Cross Hospitals in Greater Manchester and East Lancashire

H P Gray, “Granthorpe Hospital, Rusholme, 1917-29”, TLCAS 78 (1975)