

APPENDIX 6 : READING LIST

GENERAL:

Malcolm Brown: Tommy goes to War: Dent & Sons, 1978. *Based on letters, diaries and reminiscences of the ordinary soldier.*

A.G.S. Enser: A subject bibliography of the First World War. 2nd edition. Gower, 1990. *A recent guide to the thousands of books written on the First World War.*

Norman Gladden: The Somme 1916: a personal account. W.Kimber, 1971? *One man's view.*

Randel Gray: Chronicle of the First World War; 2 vols. Facts on File, 1990. *A tabulated presentation of events.*

Philip J.Haythornthwaite: The World War One source Book. Arms & Armour Press, 1992. *An excellent guide to events and sources.*

The Official History of the War. HMSO. *This multi-volume work was published over many years. The four volumes, 'Military Operations, France and Belgium, 1916,' covers the Battle of the Somme in detail.*

Terry Norman: The Hill they called High Wood. W.Kimber, 1984. *An account of a key area of the Battle of the Somme.*

Siegfried Sasson: The War Poems, Faber, 1983. *The edition from which the quotations in this book come.*

A.J.P.Taylor: The First World War: an illustrated history. H.Hamilton, 1963. Penguin, 1960. *Popular account by a leading scholar.*

The Times History of the War; 22 volumes. The Times Newspaper. *An illustrated newspaper-type chronicle of events published soon after they happened. Gives a contemporary 'feel' to the war as it progressed.*

Denis Winter: Death's Men: soldiers of the First World War, Allen Lane, 1978.

BRADFORD PALS AND THE WEST YORKSHIRE REGIMENT:

Bradford Citizens' Army League: Report of the work of the league in assisting recruiting for the Navy and Army for service in the European War from Sept.1914 to March 1916 [1916].

Fred Conquest: Brief diary of Private Fred Conquest, 18th West Yorks. Regiment. Typescript, 1915.

Fred Rawnsley: Diary of Fred Rawnsley, Signal Section, 16th West Yorks. B.E.F. Typescript, 1916.

E.V.Tempest and E.C.Gregory: History of the Sixth Battalion West Yorkshire Regiment; 2 vols. Percy Lund Humphries, 1921-3. *Appendices list those who went abroad April 1915 (1/6th) and January 1917 (2/6th), officers, casualties and honours.*

War Diaries of the 16th and 18th Battalions West Yorkshire Regiment:

Dec.1915 - Feb. 1916 WO 95/4590

March 1916 - Feb.1918 WO 95/2362

(At the Public Record Office, Ruskin Avenue, Kew, Richmond, London, TW9 4DU. Copies can be seen at the Prince of Wales's Own Regiment of Yorkshire Museum, 3a, Tower Street, York, YO1 1SB).

THE BRADFORD PALS

Bradford Heritage Recording Unit recorded the memories of a few Bradford men who fought in the first World War. Transcripts of the interviews can be consulted in Bradford Reference Library

Everard Wyrall: *The West Yorkshire Regiment in the War 1914-1918*; Vol 1: 1914-1916; Vol 2: 1917-1918. John Lane, The Bodley Head, [1928]. *Appendices list casualties.*

BRADFORD DURING WORLD WAR I:

Allerton Congregational Church: Diary issued by the Men's Own Class Feb.1916-Jan.1919. *Contains news from home and abroad.*

Bradford Khaki Club: Wonderful story of voluntary labour in the Great War, 1915-1919. 1920. *This was a social club for soldiers and sailors.*

City of Bradford: Lady Mayoress's War Guild, including the wounded soldiers' personal comforts fund: Report. 1919.

Charles Ogden: The Bradford war work souvenir. 1916. *Describes civilian work in Bradford with a list of voluntary war workers, and contains a chronological table of local war work events Aug.1914-June 1916.*

Richard I.Midgley: Attitudes towards the Great War in the City of Bradford 1914-1918. Typescript, 1987. *Huddersfield Polytechnic M.Phil thesis.*

Alan Smith: Bradford and the Great War: civilian response from Sarajevo to the Somme. Typescript, 1985? *B.A.thesis*

COMMEMORATING AND LISTING SOLDIERS:

City of Bradford Roll of Honour Great War 1914-1918. *Lists, with brief details, most Bradford men who fought.*

The National Roll of the Great War 1914-1918. Section 9: Bradford. National Publishing Co., n.d. *Slightly fuller details of a smaller proportion of Bradford men who fought.*

Officers died in the Great War 1914-1919. HMSO, 1919. *List with very brief details and extracted in this volume.*

Soldiers died in the Great War 1914-1919. Part 19: The Prince of Wales's Own (West Yorkshire Regiment). HMSO, 1921. *List with very brief details. Sections for 16th and 18th Bns. reproduced here in full.*

Imperial War Graves Commission: The war graves of the British Empire: Great Britain and Ireland. Vol.8. 1931. *The Commission, now the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, 2, Marlow Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire, SL6 7DX, has published lists of all graves or memorial listings with brief information about each man. Includes soldiers buried in cemeteries and churchyards of Bradford.*

The unveiling of the Bradford War Memorial 1 July 1922. *Programme with a drawing of the memorial.*

Allerton and Daisy Hill War Memorial Souvenir 1914-1918, to commemorate the unveiling of the Allerton and Daisy Hill War Memorial 29 July 1922. *Details and photographs of those killed and names of those who fought.*

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The Bradford newspapers published, often some weeks after the event, lists with brief details of men killed, wounded, missing etc.: Bradford Daily Argus, Bradford Daily Telegraph, Yorkshire Observer, Bradford Weekly Telegraph, Yorkshire Observer Budget. The only index is to a series called "Our Gallant Heroes" in the Bradford Weekly Telegraph 1915 -1918.

OTHER POSSIBLE SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

Imperial War Museum, Lambeth Road, London, SE1 6HZ.

Liddle Collection of 1914-1918 Personal Experience Archives, University of Leeds Library, Leeds, LS2 9JT

Public Record Office, Ruskin Avenue, Kew, Richmond, London, TW9 4DU, *holds microfilm copies (WO 364) of the "Unburnt Documents", about 8 - 10% of soldiers' papers, mainly for those who received a pension after the war. The records are arranged by name. The "Burnt Documents", about 25% - 30% of soldiers' papers, are gradually being microfilmed (surnames beginning with N, O, Q, U, V and Z had been copied by June 1998) and these films (WO 363) are now available. The rest of the soldiers' papers were destroyed by bombing during the Second World War. The Public Record Office also holds microfilm copies (WO 329) of the Medal Rolls which list most soldiers with brief details including their numbers. There is an index on microfilm (WO 372). Service records for officers, of which about 90% survive, are also at the Public Record Office: Regular and Emergency Reserve officers (WO 339), with an index (WO 338) and Territorial Army officers (WO 374), arranged alphabetically.*

Ministry of Defence, CS(RM)2, Bourne Avenue, Hayes, Middlesex, UB3 1RF, *holds the rest of the "Burnt Documents" and will consult them on behalf of enquirers for a fee. It is necessary to know the soldier's number. It is hoped that these documents will also be microfilmed eventually.*

General Register Office, Myddleton Place, Myddleton street, London, EC1, *has separate indexes for the deaths of soldiers during the war.*

Simon Fowler and others: Army service records of the First World War. 2nd ed., PRO Publications, 1998.

Norman Holding has written the following booklets published by the Federation of Family History Societies:

World War I army ancestry. 2nd ed. 1991.

The location of British army records 1914-1918. 3rd ed. 1991.

More sources of World War I army ancestry. 2nd ed. 1991.