

RICHARD SAMUEL GREENSLADE, 2nd Lieut Motor Machine Gun Corps

RFC & RAF Observation Officer

Richard was born in Trull 1894, the elder son of farmer Richard Frank Greenslade. The family were then at Fairfield, Dipford, by 1911 at Chilliswood and by the end of the War at Moorseek Farm, Buckland St Mary. Richard's mother Mary died in 1902 when she was only 30, leaving Richard and his brother Cecil at a mere 7 and 6 years old.

Interestingly Richard Frank's younger brother, Walter Richard John Greenslade, is recorded as an Auctioneer in the 1891 census – he's Greenslade of the well known Taunton Auctioneers. When they moved up to Buckland Richard Frank became a Churchwarden – his signature is on the 1920 Faculty seeking permission for the installation of the War Memorial.

Richard was first, like his brother Cecil, at Queens College, Taunton, and then at Sherborne, in Harper House, from 1909 to 1911, when he reached his 16th birthday. He was in the school shooting team. In the intervening years he worked in a bank in Torquay, but he emerges in sharper focus once the War began.

He must have joined up early, by 1915 at the latest. His Medal Roll Index Card shows that he was a 2nd Lieutenant in the Motor Machine Gun Corps; the London Gazette confirms this on 22 Sept 1915. The probability is that he then volunteered for the Royal Flying Corps, 100th Squadron, becoming a Flying Officer in October 1917. Late in the war this was replaced by the more familiar RAF.

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BUCKLAND ST MARY

A Prisoner of War – The welcome news has been received by Mr Greenslade from the War Office that his son, Lieutenant R S Greenslade, RFC, who was reported missing about five weeks ago, is alive and well, but a prisoner of War in Lemburg.

The Courier 5th December 1918

In 1919 he was granted a short service commission as an Observation Officer in the RAF (see London Gazette of 12 December). He was appointed an instructor at the Royal Air Force Staff College at Cranwell, Lincolnshire. In July 1925, at the annual Bisley Championships, he came joint fourth in the King's Prize with a score of 95 (the winner scored 98).

During this period he was evidently being moved around as defence needs dictated. A note on his MRIC dated 12/2/21 gives his address as 31 Squadron, RAF, Mhow, India, but at some point he moved to Egypt, to No 4 Flying Training School at Abu Sueir. In 1927 (London Gazette) he was given a permanent commission as a Flight Lieutenant. He was appointed an Instructor at the Royal Air Force Staff College, Cranwell

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His name is in the Sherborne School Book of Remembrance.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.

Before writing on this Schedule please read the Examples and the Instructions given on the other side of the paper, as well as the headings of the Columns. The entries should be written in ink.

Number of Families 303
(To be filled up by the Enumerator after completion.)

The contents of the Schedule will be treated as confidential. Strict care will be taken that no information is disclosed with regard to individual persons. The returns are not to be used for proof of age, or in connection with Old Age Pensions, or for any other purpose than the preparation of Statistical Tables.

NAME AND SURNAME	RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family	AGE last Birthday and SEX	PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE				PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Person aged ten years and upwards				BIRTHPLACE of every Person born in a Foreign Country	INFIRMITY
			State, for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule, the number of—	Children born alive to her since her marriage (Column 7)	Children born alive to her since her last marriage (Column 7)	Children who have died since her last marriage (Column 7)	Personal Occupation	Industry or Service with which he or she is connected	Whether he or she is a "Worker" or "Employer"	Whether he or she is a "Proprietor"		
1 William James BENSLEY	Head	36	Single			Schoolmaster	444	used	workless	Southampton	340	
2 Robert Ivor Allen BENSLEY	Visitor	41	Married			Schoolmaster	1	used	workless	Christchurch	130	
3 Cecil Ivor BENSLEY	Visitor	12				School	390			Southampton	000	
4 William Peter Davidson BENSLEY	Boarder	17	Single			School				London - Bromley	000	
5 Eva Louisa Maria Davidson BENSLEY	Boarder	17	Single			School				London - Bromley	000	
6 James Emmanuel BENSLEY	Boarder	44	Single			School				Kent - Maidstone	090	
7 Richard Samuel Davidson BENSLEY	Boarder	16	Single			School				Somerset - Taunton	140	
8 Charles Henry Barrett	Servant	27	Single			Man-servant	471	used	workless	Somerset - Taunton	140	
9 Sylvia Ince	"	58	Widow			Domestic servant				Wiltshire - Amesbury	000	
10 Stella Chadler	"	20	Single			Domestic servant				Stafford - Lichfield	000	
11 Annie Gray	"	15	Single			"				Stafford - Lichfield	000	
12 Cecily Constance	"	16	Single			"				Stafford - Lichfield	000	
13 Annie Sumner	"	62	Single			Widow	465			Stafford - Lichfield	000	
14 Ellen Humphreys	"	53	Single			Housewife	471	used	workless	Ryde - Ryde	100	

(To be filled up by the Enumerator)

Total		
Males	Females	Persons
8	2	10

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: W. J. BENSLEY
Postal Address: Hampstead, Sherborne Dorset

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Name.	Corps.	Rank.	Regt. No.
GREENSLADE	Motor M. G. C.	2/Lieut.	
Richard Samuel	RFC & TAF	Obs. Officer	
Medal.	Roll.	Page.	Remarks.
VICTORY	R.F.C. Off. 168	89	} To be issued by Air Ministry Min 4. NW/2/2968
BRITISH	do	do	
STAR			
	T.F.W. M. M.G.C. Off 227	3	} 2.VB/1665 dt- 19/2/27 NW/2/2968 to A/Min for disposal. 111985/6. NW/2/2968 A 19/2
Theatre of War first served in			
Date of entry therein			K. 1380

Correspondence.

Applicⁿ for Star Medals. 12/2/21.
 £7.9. Retd 21-4-21

Address. 31. Squadron,
 R. A. F.,
 16 Chow. India

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 C/o Messrs Holt
 3 Whitehall Place
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REGIMENT OR CORPS.

ROLL OF INDIVIDUALS entitled to the Victory Medal and/or British War Medal granted under Army Orders

of 19 .

Held by an individual in the Corps in respect of which the roll is submitted.		NAME	In respect of the Corps primarily served with by each individual and Regt. No. (Should be the highest rank, whether substantive, acting or temporary, considered as his for the War, unless awarded for promotion, being shown against the name of the Regiment or Corps which is to be awarded on the medal.)	Theatre of war in which served	Corps awarded (to be left blank)	Record of disposal of decorations			REMARKS
Regt. No.	Rank					(1) Presented	(2) Deceased by Post	(3) Taken into Stock	
	LIEUT.	DUTTON	F.F.					NM/510676	Should have been awarded the B.W.M. Medal
	LIEUT.	DUTTON	N.T.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	DICKER	O.B.	DECEASED				NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	STEWART	O					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	MIDDLETON	R.R.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	CLARK	R.B.	DECEASED				NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	GOODMAN	G.A.	DECEASED				NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	BEARNE	S.M.	DECEASED				NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	DALRYMPLE	M.H.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	GILLESPIE	I.K.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	FERGUSON	J.P.	DECEASED				NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	RYAN	N.G.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	GREENWALD	R.S.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	WALKER	R.B.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	DUTTON	O.M.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	SMITH	R.M.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	WATSON	G.B.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	ROBINSON	G.O.					NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	DALRYMPLE	H.C.	DECEASED				NM/510676	
	LIEUT.	BROWN	V.V.R.					NM/510676	

I certify that according to the Official Records the individuals named in this ROLL are entitled to the Medal or Medals as detailed above.

Place

Date

Signature and rank of Officer certifying.

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M.G.C.

REGIMENT or CORPS.

ROLL OF INDIVIDUALS entitled to the Territorial Force War Medal, granted under Army Order 143 of 1920. 3

Held by the individual in the Corps in respect of which the rolls are submitted		NAME	Regtl. No., Rank and Unit on date of first proceeding overseas	Record of disposal of decorations		REMARKS
No.	Rank			(a) Presented	(b) Despatched by Post	
		BROWNE A.W.	2 LIEUT.	N.V. 15/17505	I.V. /477	23.10.24
		HEATHFIELD W.G.	LIEUT.	N.V. 6/4375	I.V. /1133	1.12.24
		MILLWARD J.	2-LIEUT.	M.V. 17/5905	I.V. /451.	9.2.24
		GREENSLADE A.S.	2 Lieut	N.V. 2/2968	I.V. 8/1665.	19.2.24
		EMMETT W.T.T.	2 Lieut	M.V. 5/36250	I.V. 2396	14.3.24 B.W.V. as 2 Lieut M.G.C.
		WILLIAMS ^{MC} R.E.	CAPT	N.V. 8/8302	I.V. 3/3144	17-11-24
		HEWITT W.E. "M.C."	2 LIEUT	N.V. 2/31925	I.V.A. 453	27/12/39
		SMITH, C.C.	2 LIEUT	B.M. 840/40	I.V.A. 202	28/8/40
		DERBY, R.	LIEUT.	908/41.	I.V.A. /15	30.4.41.
		DAWSON R.V.	2. LIEUT.	B.M. 26/43	I.V.A. 542	2/2/43.

I certify that the individuals named in this roll fulfilled the provisions of paragraph 2 of Army Order 143 of 1920.

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Date _____

Signature and rank of Officer certifying.

ORIGINAL RESEARCH FOR THIS BIOG CARRIED OUT BY MIKE CANHAM:

RICHARD SAMUEL GREENSLADE

Richard was born on either 1st or 19th September 1894 (records vary) in Trull, and baptised on 30th September that year at the Parish Church of All Saints.

His father was Richard Frank Greenslade (a farmer: born XX April 1868 in Trull, died 6th November 1940 in Trull); his mother was Mary Ann Greenslade (nee Baker, born XX April 1872 in Donyatt where the family lived at Stibbear House, died 23rd June 1902): they had married in Donyatt on 1st November 1893. At the time of Richard's birth the family were living at Fairfield in Dipford.

Richard's brother Cecil was born in Trull two years later on 9th December 1896: he died in Yeovil Somerset in December 1976.

Walter .Richard John. Greenslade of Taunton - a well-known Somerset auctioneer of the time, and linked to the company that is now Greenslade Taylor Hunt - was Richard's uncle. He was well-known in Buckland St Mary as the auctioneer at the annual Buckland Fair (held until the early 1920s) - auctioning cattle and sheep.

The 1901 Census shows all of the family living at Cot Cottage, Hawlett:

Richard's mother died when the brothers were still young (Cecil was 5, Richard 7) and his father remarried on 9th September 1906. His stepmother was Annie Blanche Pollock (born 30th April 1860 in Paisley, Refrewshire, Scotland; died 23rd July 1931 in Wellington Shropshire).

Primary school? Richard attended Queen's College in Taunton (**details**), before moving to Sherborne School (where he was in Harper House) from September 1909 to July 1911. He was in the School Shooting Team in 1910 and 1911. **MORE INFO SOUGHT FROM SHERBORNE SCHOOL.**

In 1911 the family were living at Chillieswood Farm in Trull. We mostly lose sight of Richard after he leaves school - except for knowing that he worked in a bank in Torquay (**which one - details**) - until the war years.

At this stage not clear why step-mother living in Wellington Shropshire. Probate was awarded to John Robert Russell Pollock (gentleman) and Revd Henry Douglas Fraser Pollock (Clerk). Looks as if separated/divorced - more to do here!

In 1914 Richard enlisted as a Second Lieutenant in the Royal Horse Artillery Motor Machine Gun Corps ([more details ?](#)) - this is confirmed in the London Gazette of 22nd September 1915.

Later he transferred to (or, more likely, volunteered for) the Royal Flying Corps, 100th Squadron, and became a Flying Officer in October 1917.

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Richard was subsequently moved to Karlsruhe POW camp.

By the end of the war the family had moved to Moorseek farm in Buckland St Mary. Richard's father (Richard Frank) became a churchwarden at St Mary's, and his signature appears on the 1920 Faculty seeking permission to build the War Memorial.

On 30th December 1918 the War Office Daily List (No 5758) reported that he had been released and was back in England.

Back home Richard became an Observance Officer, and was appointed an instructor at the Royal Air Force Staff College at Cranwell, Lincolnshire. In July 1925, at the annual Bisley Championships, he came joint fourth in the King's Prize with a score of 95 (the winner XXXX scored 98).

Having survived the war in 1919 Richard was granted a short service commission as an Observer Officer in the RAF (London Gazette, 12th December). No doubt he moved around the Empire as defence needs dictated: in February 1921 he was based at RAF, Mhow, India, with 31 Squadron. In 1927 (London Gazette, 8th Nov) he was given a permanent commission as as a Flight Lieutenant. his home was in Herefordshire.

Family - did he marry/children?

On 30th January 1928, acting as an Instructor, Richard took Duncan Menzies on his first training flight - which covered basic use of the controls, straight flying and gentle turns - in a venerable Avro 504, aircraft F8709. Duncan was to become one of the most respected test pilots in the British aviation industry.- flying with the RAF, the Aeroplane & Armament Evaluation Establishment, and Fairey Aviation in a career spanning three decades. During his career he saw the aviation world develop from modest and basic open cockpits and few rules, to a time when the jet age was well underway.

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At the time of Richard's death his father and step-mother were living at Rosemount in Milverton (per Sherborne sxschool archives).

Sources

Western Morning News

Sherborn School Archives/Records

Memoirs of Richard Pym 1991

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BUCKLAND ST. MARY.

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Payr. Sub-Lieut. to be Payr. Lieut.—
Thomas Rook. 15th Nov. 1919.

R.N.R.

H.M. the KING has been graciously pleased to confer the R.N.R. Officers' Decoration upon—

Payr. Lieut.-Cdr. Harold E. Egleton.
Payr. Lieut.-Cdr. Thomas N. Jenkinson.

Tempy. Payr. Sub-Lieut. to be Tempy. Payr. Lieut.—

Sidney Frost. 10th Nov. 1919.

R.N.V.R.

Tempy. Sub-Lieut. to be Tempy. Lieut.—
George T. Toulson. 19th Jan. 1918.

Admiralty, 9th December, 1919.

Placed on the Retd. List—

Richard Sheil. 12th Dec. 1919.

Art. Engr. John Berry to be retired (at own request) with rank of Ch. Art. Engr. 5th Dec. 1919.

R.N.R.

Tempy. Payr. Sub-Lieuts. to be tempy. Payr. Lieuts. :—

John H. Clamp.

Cyril V. Nicolle.

24th Nov. 1919.

Percy H. Carr. 25th Nov. 1919.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Durham.

William George Morant, Esquire, of 23, Old Elvet, Durham, Chief Constable of the County of Durham, to be a Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 8th December, 1919.

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Commissions signed by the Lord-Lieutenant of the County of London.

Colonel Edward Thomas Clifford, C.B.E., V.D., to be a Deputy Lieutenant of the County of London. Dated 28th November, 1919.

Colonel Sir Henry Norris, M.P., to be a Deputy Lieutenant of the County of London. Dated 28th November, 1919.

Major Isidore Salmon, O.B.E., to be a Deputy Lieutenant of the County of London. Dated 28th November, 1919.

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Air Ministry,

12th December, 1919.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The following officers have been granted short service commissions in the ranks stated, with effect from 12th December, 1919. They will retain their seniority in the substantive rank last held by them prior to the grant of the short service commission.

In the case of officers now gazetted Flying Officer or Observer Officer, from Pilot Officer or Probationary Flight Officer, seniority will date from the date of Gazette:—

Flight Lieutenants.

Geoffrey Herbert Cooper, M.C., D.F.C. (A.).

Conrad Tolendal Lally, M.C., A.F.C. (A.).

Charles Edward Murray Pickthorn, M.C. (A.).

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Eric Miller Pollard (A.).

Frederick James Powell, M.C. (A.).

Ronald Sinclair Smith (K.B.).

Flying Officers.

George Henry Allison (A.).

Maurice Ballard (A.).

Graham Clarke Bladon (A.).

Maurice Burbidge (A.).

Robert Clelland (T.).

Jack Cottle, D.F.C. (A.).

Frederick Harry Davies, M.C. (A.).

Noël Lloyd Desoer (A.).

Lionel Claud Dodkins (A.).

Charles Allen Elliott (T.).

Eric Thomas Haulton Ellis (A.).

William Valentine Newby Grant (A.).

Bertrand Reginald Harris (A.).

Leslie Norman Hollinghurst, D.F.C. (A.).

John Sydney Hughes (A. & S.).

Simon Jones, D.F.C. (A.).

Hugh Robert Junor, D.F.C. (A.).

Eustace George Keeping (A.).

John Lawrance Kirby (A.).

Ivor Ewing McIntyre, A.F.C. (A. & S.).

Hugh Walter McKenna, D.C.M. (T.).

Gilbert Martyn (A.).

Albert Miller (A.).

James Lorne Montgomery (A.).

Frederick Arthur Norton (A. & S.).

Gerard Stephen Oddie (A.).

Robert Munro Rankin (A.).

Norbert Marie Sackville Russell (A.).

Alfred William Saunders, D.F.C. (A.).

Walter John Seward (A.).

Orwell Egbert Sharpe (A.).

Bryan Evers Sharwood Smith (A.).

Raymond de Lacy Stedman (A.).

Charles Francis Toogood (A.).

Frederick Robert Wynne (A.).

Observer Officers.

Horace Arthur Cooper, M.C.

Albert John Cox.

Richard Samuel Greenslade.

Eric Major Greenwood.

William George Hanton.

Philip Hardy, M.C.

Robert McKinley Jamison, D.F.C.

Charles Henry Fletcher Nesbit.

Gordon Lawrence Nicholson.

Jaffray John Walter Nicholson, D.F.C.

Arthur Edward Reynolds.

Alexander Douglas Sinclair.

Geoffrey Rouse Terry.

Arthur Francis Wynne.

Flying Officers (from Pilot Officers).

Edmund Arnold Courtney Britton (A.).

Harry Alexander Dinnage (T.).

Frederick Robert Eason (A.).

Douglas Donald MacAlister Eastwood (A.).

Edward Norman Fenton (A.).

Herbert William Gill (A. & S.).

Donald Ernest Hall (A. & S.).

Edward Norman Hewitt (T.).

Charles Edmund Howley (A.).

Douglas Gerald Rabson Lord (A.).

John Alexander McDonald (T.).

John William Frederick Merer (A.).

William Parkinson (T.).

William Edmund Purdin (A. & S.).

Barnabas Henry Cross Russell (A.).

Observer Officers (from Pilot Officers).

Harry Alexander.

Lionel William Beck.

Henry S. Elsdale, late Lieutenant, The Gloucestershire Regiment, to be temporary Captain. Dated 23rd August, 1915. (Substituted for the notification which appeared in the Gazette of 13th September, 1915.)

The undermentioned to be temporary Lieutenants:—

Temporary Second Lieutenant H. W. Wallack. Dated 31st August, 1915.

Neville W. Ross to be temporary Second Lieutenant. Dated 20th September, 1915.

The undermentioned Native Officers, Indian Army, to be Honorary Captains on retirement:—

Subadar-Major Bishan Singh, Sardar Bahadur, late 57th Wilde's Rifles (Frontier Force). Dated 1st June, 1915.

Subadar-Major Mit Singh, Sardar Bahadur, I.O.M., 53rd Sikhs (Frontier Force). Dated 10th June, 1915.

SPECIAL RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

RESERVE UNITS.

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

Postal Section.

The undermentioned to be temporary Second Lieutenants:—

Thomas Walker. Dated 13th September, 1915.

S. H. Marshall, from temporary Second Lieutenant, Royal Engineers. Dated 25th September, 1915, with seniority as from 9th December, 1914.

War Office,
24th September, 1915.

REGULAR FORCES.

ARMY CYCLIST CORPS.

The undermentioned temporary Captains, from The Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment), to be temporary Captains:—

Dated 27th July, 1915.

Russell P. Gould.
William Lambert.

Temporary Lieutenant Bertrand H. King, from The Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment), to be temporary Lieutenant. Dated 27th July, 1915.

The undermentioned temporary Second Lieutenants to be temporary Second Lieutenants:—

Dated 27th July, 1915.

Harold D. Collis, from The Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment).

John R. Avery, from The Essex Regiment.

Arthur W. Lavarack, from The Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment).

MOTOR MACHINE GUN SERVICE.

The undermentioned to be temporary Second Lieutenants:—

Dated 22nd September, 1915.

Richard Samuel Greenslade.
Arthur Gerald Baynam.
William Sinclair McCoull.
Joseph Alfred Edward May.
Henry George Merchant.
Richard Earl Williams.

INFANTRY.

Service Battalions.

The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment).

Arthur William Emmanuel Long to be temporary Second Lieutenant. Dated 22nd September, 1915.

The Northumberland Fusiliers.

Temporary Lieutenant-Colonel Myles E. Byræ relinquishes his commission on vacating command of a Battalion. Dated 28th August, 1915.

Temporary Major Louis M. Howard, from The Prince of Wales's Own (West Yorkshire Regiment), to command a Battalion, and to be temporary Lieutenant-Colonel, vice M. E. Byrne. Dated 28th August, 1915.

The Suffolk Regiment.

Captain Henry B. Adamson, Unattached List, Territorial Force, to be temporary Captain. Dated 14th September, 1915.

The Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

Temporary Captain John Blackwall to be temporary Major. Dated 1st September, 1915.

Temporary Lieutenant Walter S. Jones to be Adjutant. Dated 1st March, 1915.

Temporary Lieutenant and Adjutant Walter S. Jones to be temporary Captain. Dated 1st August, 1915.

The undermentioned temporary Lieutenants to be temporary Captains:—

Dated 1st September, 1915.

Ernest G. Davies.
Edward Jones.
Evan B. Jones.
Arthur J. Richards.
William J. Evans.

The undermentioned temporary Second Lieutenants to be temporary Lieutenants:—

Dated 1st September, 1915.

Wilfred S. Brocklehurst.
John P. Roberts.
Lancelot B. May.
Timothy I. Hope-Evans.
Evan B. Davies.

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

CAVALRY.

5th Innis. D.G.—Rdg. Mstr. & Maj. G. H. Beale, having attained the age limit of liability to recall, ceases to belong to the Res. of Off. 8th Nov. 1927.

War Office,
8th November, 1927.

TERRITORIAL ARMY.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the following appointments:—

To be Honorary Surgeons to His Majesty:—

Col. Thomas Kay, D.S.O., T.D., M.B., A.D.M.S., 52nd (Lowland) Div., in succession to Col. F. H. Westmacott, C.B.E., T.D., F.R.C.S. (ret.).

Col. Reginald Ernest Bickerton, D.S.O., T.D., M.B., A.D.M.S., 53th (1st Lond.) Div., in succession to Col. A. D. Sharp, C.B., C.M.G., T.D., F.R.C.S. (ret.).

Col. A. D. Sharp, C.B., C.M.G., T.D., F.R.C.S., K.H.S., having attained the age limit, is ret. and retains his rank, with permission to wear the prescribed uniform. 6th Nov. 1927.

YEOMANRY.

Warwick—Maj. E. G. Pemberton, O.B.E., M.C., T.D., having attained the age limit, is ret. and retains his rank, with permission to wear the prescribed uniform. 28th Oct. 1927.

Capt. Sir William E. Jaffray, Bt. (Lt. ret. pay), to be Maj. 28th Oct. 1927.

ROYAL ARTILLERY.

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To be Honorary Surgeons to His Majesty:—

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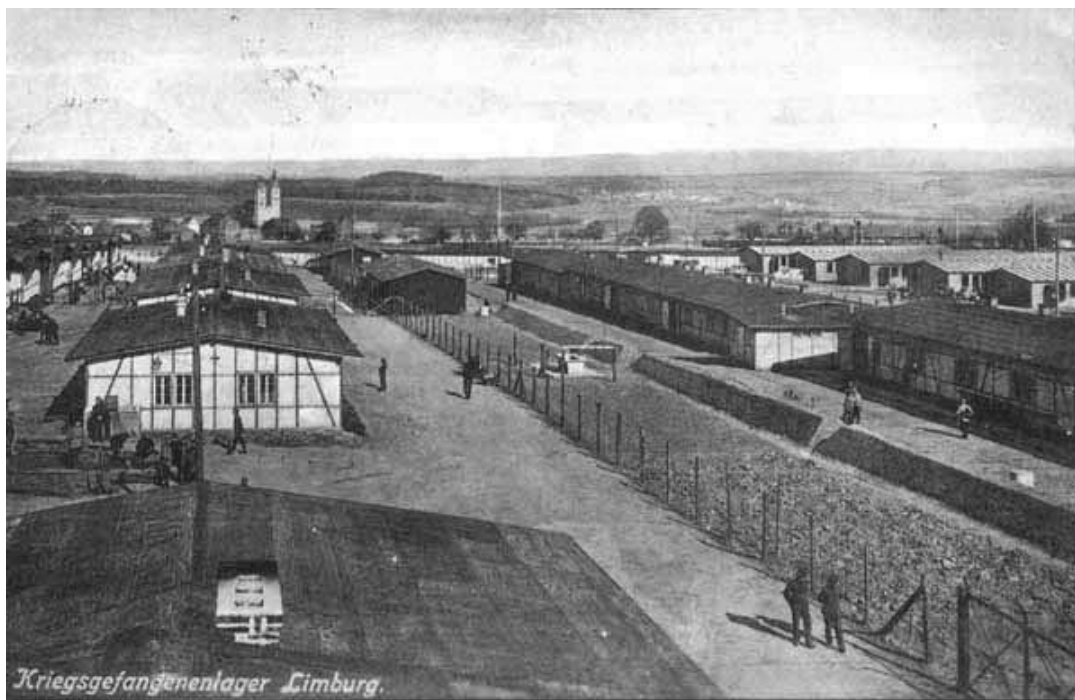


Menzies and instructor Flight Lt Richard Greenslade before Menzies' second flight in February 1928.

Prisoner of War Camp



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Greenslade, Richard Samuel (1894-1930)



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Details: Richard Samuel Greenslade (1894-1930), born 1 September 1894 at Trull, Somerset, son of Richard Frank Greenslade and Mary Ann Greenslade (née Baker), Chilleswood Farm, Trull, Taunton, Somerset, later of Rosemount, Milverton, Somerset. Brother of Cecil Greenslade (1896-?).

Attended Queen's College, Taunton, Somerset.

Attended Sherborne School (Harper House) September 1909-July 1911; shooting viii team (1910, 1911).

Worked in a bank at Torquay, Devon.

WW1, Lieutenant, Somerset Royal Horse Artillery; Motor Machine Gun Service; 100th Squadron, RAF; served in France; prisoner of war in Germany for 14 months. Regular commission.

Flight-Commander, Royal Air Force.

Killed in a flying accident on 8 January 1930 when two Avro planes collided in the air at no.4 Flying School, Abu Sueir, Egypt.

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Western Morning News, 10 January 1930:

FLIGHT-LIEUT. GREENSLADE'S DEATH IN EGYPT.

Flight-Lieut. Richard Samuel Greenslade, one of the four members of the Royal Air Force killed in the mid-air collision at Abu Sueir, Egypt was the eldest son of Mr and Mrs R.F. Greenslade, of Rosemount, Milverton, Somerset, formerly of Chilleswood Farm, Trull, near Taunton, where he was born. Educated at Queen's College, Taunton, and at Sherborne School, he held a post in a bank at Torquay before the war. His first service in the war was as a gunner in the Royal Horse Artillery. Later he transferred to the Royal Air Force, and became a flying officer in October 1917. In the same month he was shot down behind the German lines in France, and remained a prisoner of war in Germany until December, 1918. Lieut. Greenslade came back to the Royal Air Force as an observer officer, and was appointed an instructor at the Royal Air Force Staff

College at Cranwell, Lincolnshire. Mr W.R.J. Greenslade of Taunton, the well-known Somerset auctioneer, is an uncle of the deceased officer.

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London 8 August to Richard Frank Greenslade gentleman.
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