

Img125 - Mathew Green aged 11 preparing to get his steam engine fired up at Henry Box. circa 1971

Img128 - Crowning of the May Queen Pamela Quick by Mrs Jane Whitely. Attendants are Carol Edwards and Christine Neagle and five year old Mathew Green was the pageboy.

Img129 - Newspaper cutting about the Flower Garland tradition in Bampton at Whitsuntide. The garlands were judged by Mrs Iris Humphries and Mr Melbourne Tomlins; the winners were Leslie Taylor and Mathew Green, runners up Esther Green and Sandra Taylor, third were Winifred Harrison and Gwyneth Quick. All entrants were given a bar of chocolate kindly donated by Reg Pratley of the Jubilee Inn.

Img130 - Newspaper cutting about the Flower Garland tradition in Bampton at Whitsuntide. The garlands were judged by Mrs Bamber, Mrs Hampden, Mrs Humphries, Major Bamber of the 3rd squadron 14th Signals Regiment and Mr F Lovett. Boxes of chocolates were given to the winners and all the competitors were given a bar of chocolate sponsored by Reg Pratley landlord of the Jubilee Inn. June 3rd 1968.

Img134 - Newspaper cutting. A lovely picture of Bessie Green and Rose Gerring holding a flower garland.

Img135 - Sue Taylor and Esther Green, 1968, holding their flower garland.

Img136 - Winning flower garlands and the children holding their garlands and a box of chocolate. L-R Leslie Taylor with Mathew Green, Esther Green with Susan Taylor. circa 1967

Img137 - Esther Green and Susan Taylor with their garland and staff holder little Mathew Green. 1963

Img138 - 1969 or 1970. Ray and Harry Green making a swimming pool at what is now No4 Town House at the east end of the Market Square. This was once a shop and one owner was a Mrs Clark whose husband worked across the road helping in the shoemaker's shop.

Img146 - Esther Green dressed as a Rose for some competition, aged three and a half, August 1960. Esther can't recall what the event was.

Img149 - 1965 Carnival with a whole group of children in their fancy dress. Mrs Clark's shop, now No4 Town House is still open and the sun blind is pulled down on the shop that was 'Kings of Bampton' and earlier in the c20th Busby's.

Sue Taylor is a Dalek, Leslie Taylor is selling ice cream in 'Stop Me and Buy One,'

Img150 - 1967 carnival. Esther Green as a Morris Dancer, Sue Taylor as a Black & White Minstrel, Leslie Taylor as Little Bo Peep. There are other children dressed up in the picture.

Img151 - 1965 and Esther Green is dressed up as the racing driver Jim Clark and she's sitting in a wonderful homemade racing car.

Img152 - 1965 Mathew Green aged 5 bearing the May Queen's crown on a cushion. May Queen Pamela Quick. Attendants are Carol Edwards and Christine Neagle.

Img153 - 1965 and a children's British Legion party. Among the children are Lyn Beckley, Esther Green, Mathew Green, the three daughters of Dr Cole, Anne Jackson and Annabel.

Img154 - 1966. Mrs Hilda Pickard from Knapps Farmhouse used to put on many plays. This one had a group of little girls. 3rd from the right is Esther Green. 4th from right is Sue Taylor. Gale Wheeler is on the extreme left. Lorraine Barton is on the extreme right.

Img155 - Esther Green dressed as a flower garland in 1967.

img048 A new, purpose-built building was built in Manor View Road and this invitation was to Leading Fireman Ray Green and his daughter Esther to attend the official opening on Tuesday 13th July 1971. While the invitation says 'New Road', this is not strictly correct because from where the road leaves Broad Street until it reaches the turning for Bushey Row, it is Manor View (leading to New Road).

1a. Sign Manor View leading to New Road

img102 - newspaper cutting, opening of the new fire station 1971 by Alderman Howland, ribbon being held taut by Timothy White, Chief Fire Officer of Oxfordshire. From the late 1800s Bampton's fire appliance was housed in the Town Hall and before that in the church.

img054 Frederick J Green in his WWI army uniform. He enlisted in 1915

img055 The Queens Own Oxford Hussars. The sign being held says QOOH Cavalry School.

img061 Award for Gallantry and Devotion & Devotion. To Private Frederick J Green of the Northumberland Hussars February 27th 1919. "I congratulate you on the gallantry and devotion to duty for which you have been awarded THE MILITARY MEDAL." From H Rawlinson, commanding the 4th army.

img062 To Frederick J Green. "I wish to thank you on behalf of the whole Regiment both past and present for the splendid service you have rendered in France. This is presented to you as a mark of appreciation from all ranks for keeping up and adding to the good name of the Regiment." Signed Alan Reynolds Lieut. Col. XII Royal Lancers Commanding Northumberland Hussars. December 1st 1918. Includes a letter with img060.

img063 to img068 6 pictures, all of one information leaflet put out by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. The battles and memorials of the Ypres Salient

img058 Frederick J Green on the right in the centre row. Esther Hepworth (née Green) does not know where in France this picture was taken.

img069 A certificate of Disembodiment of Demobilisation for Lieutenant Corporal Frederick John Green of the Northumberland Hussars on February 16th 1919. Enlisted May 31st 1915. Also served in 2nd Reserve Cavalry Regiment. Gained two blue chevrons & military medal.

img070 Protection Certificate and Certificate of Identity for Frederick John Green (soldier not remaining with the colours) stamped January 19th 1919.

img071 Back of the paper in 2014.1659 protection certificate an certificate of identity.

img072 Certificate of employment during the war (WWI) for Frederick John Green who was a carpenter before WWI started.

img073 Back of the Certificate of employment during the war (WWI) for Frederick John Green who was a carpenter before WWI started. Back of img072.

img074 War diary for 1/1st Northumberland Hussars. 5th November 1918.

img075 2nd page of War diary for 1/1st Northumberland Hussars. 5th November 1918

img076 Letter to Bessie Green from Littlemore hospital confirming the telegram sent telling her of the death of her husband Frederick John Green. It requests Bessie's desires about the funeral. She's told certificates for Friendly Society, Savings Bank, National Insurance etc may be obtained from the registrar.

img077 Littlemore Hospital: notice of death of Frederick John Green. Notice dated January 2nd 1958. Cause of death Ureamia and nephritis, commonly called kidney failure.

img078 Letter from The Prince of Wales British Legion Pension Fund. A letter to Bessie Green acknowledging receipt of a specimen of her signature so the bank will accept her signature on the Pension Receipts "from your husband's Prince of Wales' Pension Book."

img079 Birth certificate of Edith Bessie Lardner born July 19th 1895. Father Joseph Henry Lardner an omnibus driver and mother Bessie Lardner formerly Brooks.

img079 Marriage certificate for Frederick John Green and Edith Bessie Lardner February 4th 1920.

img080 Birth certificate for Frederick John Green October 14th 1893. Father James Edward Green who was a stone mason, mother Elizabeth Green formerly Fox.

img084 Invoice from R Tucker & Sons, Faringdon to Mr Lardner issued February 4th 1920 for their daughter's bridal bouquet cost 10/6 (55p), 2 bridesmaids' bouquets cost 14/- (70p) and 3 buttonholes cost 1/6 (15p). Total cost £1.5s (£1 25p).

img086 September 12th 1952. Discharge Service Soldier from Whole Time Military Service for Ramon James Green. Civilian and service trade was a bricklayer. "Saper Green has considerable character and has shown ability and initiative. Though normally a quiet chap he is popular and cheerful. He is reliable, trustworthy and honest."

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img091 3 pictures, the front cover, inside two pages and back page of Certificate of transfer or re-Transfer to the Army Reserve, or Discharge, for Ramon James Green. Date of joining September 21st 1950. Total service 5 years 181 days, leaving March 20th 1956. Discharge on completion of National Service in the Royal Engineers.

img158 Rosy Lock and Bessie Green were very good friends and used to go away on holiday together. They are away on holiday in this picture.

Img162 Ramon 'Ray' Green in his National Service uniform.

img074 A coach out c1933 with many of the Green family. Bessie Lardner is Bessie Green's mother. Leslie, Dorothy and Ramon always known as Ray are younger Bessie's children. Ray's father Frederick Green and Rose Richens, the mother of John Richens were brother and sister.

img075 A family picture of father Frederick Green with his children Dorothy, Ray (Ramon) and Stanley. Stanley was in the Bampton Bullets Cycle Speedway team.

img076 Lesley Green, Stanley Green almost hidden, Dorothy Green and Ray (Ramon) Green with his pet dog Peggy who went everywhere with him. She'd put her back legs on his thighs and front feet on the

crossbar when he went off on his bicycle. Leslie Green married Mary Norton who had 3 sons, Michael, Graham and Stuart also a daughter Jenifer who left Bampton in 1963 and moved to Dunstable in Bedfordshire.

img077 John Richens (a builder) and Ray Green on the right. John's mother Rose and Ray's father Frederick were brother and sister.

img078 May 15th 1954. Ray (Ramon) Green with his mother Bessie on his wedding day.

img08 Mathew Green in Morris whites, his brother-in-law Roger Hepworth, his father Ray (Ramon) Green who died a few days later on June 8th 2011 and Ray's sister Esther.

img087 A Green family wedding with the names written around the edge. When Alec Townsend became a widower and Mrs Sollis, licensee of The Swan became a widow, they married each other. The photograph is taken at the back of the Eagle. It's the wedding of James Green and Elsie Townsend. January 1921.

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*The Chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee
Councillor T. E. Worth*

requests the pleasure of the Company of

Ld. Fireman R. J. Green and Lady

on Tuesday, 13th July, 1971, at 7.45 p.m.

*on the Occasion of the Official Opening of the New
Bampton Fire Station, New Road*

*by the Vice-Chairman of the County Council
Alderman H. W. Howland.*

R.S.V.P.—Chief Fire Officer, Sterling Road, Kidlington, Oxford.









Headquarters, Fourth Army.

To No. H285673 Private F.J. GREEN,
Northumberland Hussars.

27th February 1919.

I congratulate you on the gallantry and devotion to duty for which you have been awarded

THE MILITARY MEDAL.

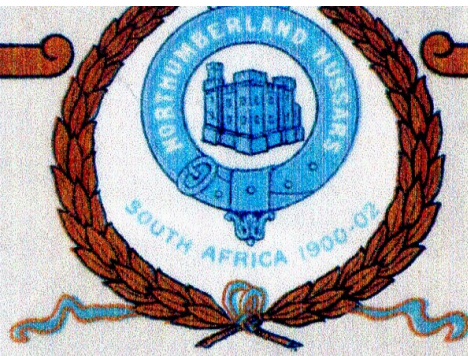
B. Rawlinson
Genl.

Commanding Fourth Army.

198 Longwood Ave.
Chch
Dard 30.

Dear Mr. Townsend.

Thank you very much for
your last most welcome letter & it is always so
interesting to hear all your doings & trib. Aunt
always said what a very interesting letter you
wrote. What a nice trip & time you had in
London at Christmas & so pretty as you say just
like a Xmas card. The decorations in London would
be glorious everywhere. & you would enjoy all the parties.
How do you get there from Bampton do you go by
road from Swindon or Whitley? I loved London while
I was there & I saw as much as I could I was
staying in Carlo Court, nice & central to Piccadilly.
I even the film "Half a Sixpence" even came here I must
go & see it. I saw Dr. Do Little - thought it was good.
What a nice outing to the Pantomime & also your
Daisy & Joan Party was nice. Aunt always enjoyed
them so much. Yes I have heard of Ned Taunt
what a wonderful organist all those years & that
it was a big change for him to go ~~to~~ to Canada
but lovely of her to remember Bampton Church & the
windows will always be a lasting memorial to her.



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F. J. Green

M.M

I wish to thank you on behalf of the whole Regiment
both past and present for the splendid service you have
rendered in France

Nov 5th 1918

This is presented to you as a mark of appreciation from
all ranks for keeping up and adding to the good name
of the Regiment.

DEC 15th

1918

Alan Reynolds

Lieut. Col.

XII Royal Lancers.

Commanding Northumberland Hussars.

It is just twelve months since Auntie hallooed
away how time flies by, & how Earl's will soon
be here. You will be looking forward to Spring
& a lovely Summer. We have had a very dry
Season, the country badly wants rain, but the
roses have been beautiful this year & I have
had some lovely ones. I have nearly fifty bushes
scattered about. So there is always something to
pick. I went for a lovely trip to Akaroa with a friend
one Saturday, a very pretty little Scenic spot in
the hills about 50 miles away. The French & Germans
settled there over a one hundred years ago & still
has that influence. With Best wishes to both.
Yours very sincerely Binkie House



Commonwealth War Graves Commission

Information Sheet

THE BATTLES AND MEMORIALS OF THE YPRES SALIENT

THE BATTLES OF YPRES

In the First Battle of Ypres, in the late autumn of 1914, a relatively small British Expeditionary Force was operating in close proximity to Belgian forces to the north and French to the south, in an allied command structure. Advancing through Ypres, they met a larger force of young and untrained Germans, the Volunteer Reserve Corps, and pushed them back to the Passchendaele Ridge. After attack and counter-attack, notably in Polygon Wood, the Germans were finally driven back and Ypres was saved before winter set in and warfare temporarily ceased. Losses on both sides were considerable.

The events of late 1914 saw a change in the nature of warfare from mobile infantry, with some use of cavalry charges, to full scale trench warfare where defence was the best form of attrition.

The Second Battle of Ypres commenced in April 1915 when the Germans released poison gas against the Allied lines north of the city, this being the first time that the deadly weapon had been used in the war. The fleeing battle-weary troops were replaced by the fresh 1st Canadian Division who steadfastly resisted a second gas attack and stood their ground. However, the force of the first attack had seriously indented the Allied-held Ypres Salient and it was necessary for the British to shorten their lines of defence by withdrawing.

There was little more significant activity on this front until 1917 when, in the Third Battle of Ypres (Passchendaele), it fell to the British to divert German attention away from a weakened French front. A first offensive was launched, to dislodge the Germans from the Messines Ridge, and the attack was a complete success. A few weeks later the main assault began and after a long and dogged struggle, often in appalling wet weather, Passchendaele Ridge and village were taken.

The struggle continued in 1918, with early German success, but a final great effort was undertaken by the Allies in September and in mid-October the last shell fell on Ypres and the Fourth Battle ended.

THE MEMORIALS

From Langemarck to Messines and from Poperinghe to Dadizele, there are 137 cemeteries in Belgian Flanders containing the dead of the Commonwealth Forces; and in those cemeteries there are the graves of 40,000 unidentified soldiers. They, and 50,000 others whose graves are not even to that extent known or marked, are the officers and men commemorated by name on four Commission Memorials in Belgium.

The names from all the overseas forces except those of New Zealand and Newfoundland, and the names from the Corps and Regiments of the United Kingdom of those who fell before 16 August 1917 appear on the Menin Gate, Ypres (now known as Ieper). The names from the forces of the United Kingdom from that date, with those of certain New Zealand dead, appear on a Memorial in Tyne Cot Cemetery, Passchendaele. The remaining New Zealand names appear on Memorials in Buttes New British Cemetery, Polygon Wood, Zonnebeke, and Messines Ridge British Cemetery.

A division of the names between several sites was found to be desirable as well as inevitable. The Menin Gate was a natural site for selection; hundreds of thousands of men passed through it to the battlefields of the Ypres Salient, and it represents the deliberate obstinacy with which the British Empire, from 1914 to 1918, refused to surrender a few square miles of Belgian soil. On the other hand there was available at Tyne Cot a large cemetery on the highest part of the West Flanders battlefield, on the site of a German fort, and close to the furthest point reached by British arms in Belgium until nearly the end of the War. It was therefore historically fitting that Tyne Cot should be one of the sites for Memorials, and that a date in the summer of 1917, when the advance to Passchendaele was in progress, should be chosen to divide the British names between Ypres and Passchendaele. The date chosen was the night of 15–16 August, when the Battle of Langemarck began.

THE YPRES SALIENT

These Memorials cover the whole period of the War, except the months of August and September 1914; and they serve the area from Langemarck in the north to the northern edge of Ploegsteert Wood, 4 kms south of Messines, which (in its widest sense) is the Ypres Salient. The term has no exact geographical significance. It varied from year to year, as the map shows; but it has in the history of the War the significance of a long series of fierce attacks and defences, with Calais and Boulogne as their bases on the British side and the whole mastery of Belgian soil as their objective.



Note: The place names shown in this historical map are as they were known at the time of the First World War. Many are spelled differently today.

THE MENIN GATE MEMORIAL, YPRES



Ypres (now known as Ieper) is one of the old towns of Flanders and, eight centuries ago, it was the greatest of them. It decayed through changes in trade and industry, through political troubles, through many sieges and some captures.

By 1914 it was one of the smaller towns of the Belgian Province of West Flanders, joined by canals and railways to the French border and the sea. It stood in flat, intensely cultivated, country; but to the south-west was a low range of hills running from Kemmel westward to Godewaersvelde and rising again at Cassel, and to the north and east were the gradual ascents afterwards known to the British troops as the Pilckem Ridge, the Passchendaele Ridge and the Menin Road Ridge. It was described in 1905 as a dead or phantom town, a cemetery, deserted by industry and trade, but carefully guarding the great buildings erected in its prosperity. The ramparts built by Louis XIV, modernised by the Dutch Government before 1830, and dismantled by the Belgian Government in 1854, remained as wide promenades on the east and south sides. There were two main gateways: the Lille Gate which retained its flanking towers and the gate towards Menin which was only a passage between two ends of wall.

At the Menin Gate there stands today a "Hall of Memory", 36.5 metres long and 20 metres wide, covered in by a coffered half-elliptical arch in a single span. At either end is an archway 9 metres wide and 14.5 metres high, with flat arches on either side of it 3.5 metres wide and nearly 7 metres high. In the centre of the sides are broad staircases, leading up to the ramparts and to loggias running the whole length of the building. The names of over 54,000 officers and men are engraved in Portland stone panels fixed to the inner walls of the Hall, up the sides of the staircases, and inside the loggias. Each of the four straight arches is flanked on either side by an engaged Doric column and surmounted by an entablature. Over the central arches are large panels for the dedicatory inscriptions; and above these panels is a recumbent lion on the east side, and a sarcophagus, with a flag and a wreath, on the side facing the town.

The inscription repeated over the two main arches is:-

TO THE ARMIES OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE WHO
STOOD HERE FROM 1914 TO 1918 AND TO THOSE
OF THEIR DEAD WHO HAVE NO KNOWN GRAVE.

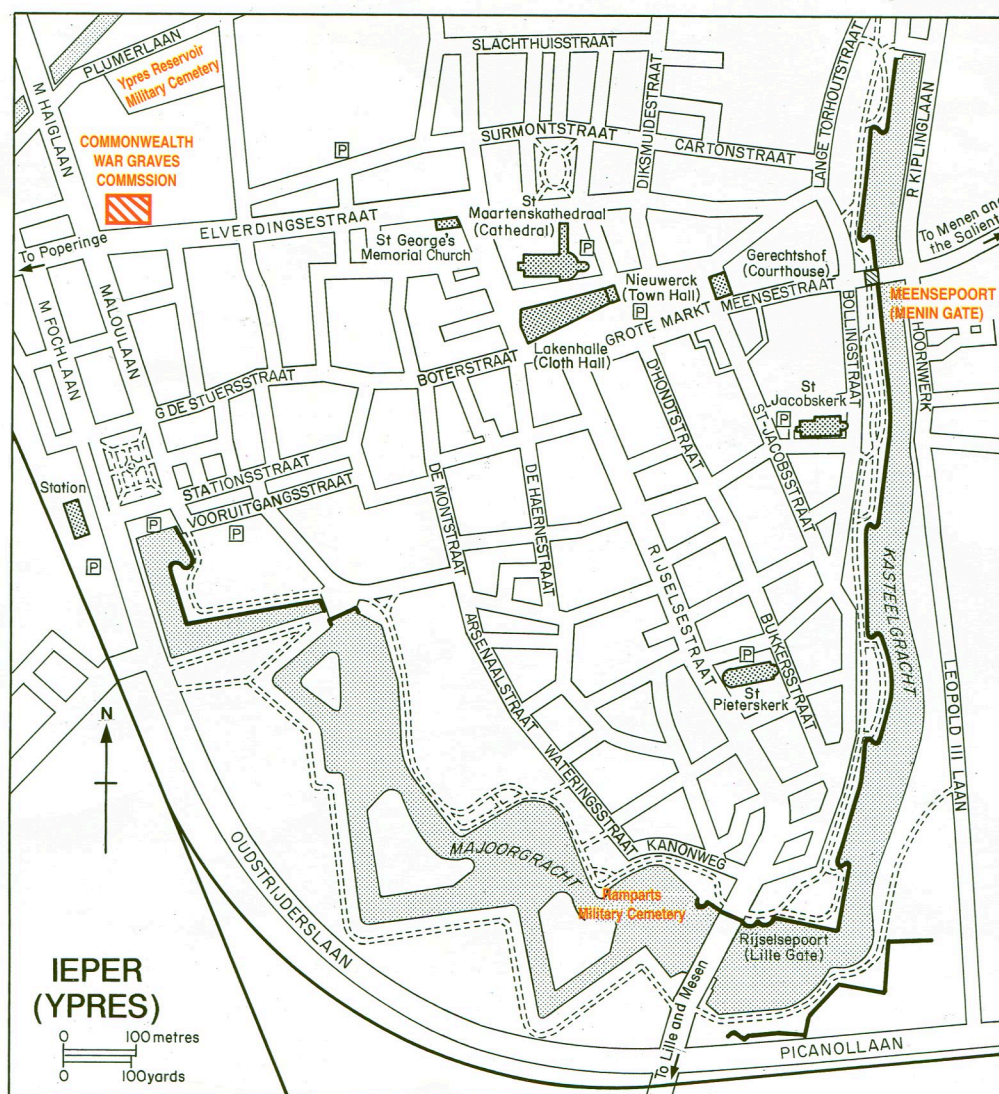
The following words are inscribed over the entrance to the southern staircase leading out of the main hall:-

IN MAIOREM DEI GLORIAM
HERE ARE RECORDED NAMES OF OFFICERS AND
MEN WHO FELL IN YPRES SALIENT BUT TO WHOM
THE FORTUNE OF WAR DENIED THE KNOWN AND
HONOURD BURIAL GIVEN TO THEIR COMRADES
IN DEATH.

Over the entrance to the northern staircase are the words:-

THEY SHALL RECEIVE A CROWN OF GLORY THAT
FADETH NOT AWAY.

The Memorial, built of reinforced concrete faced with Euville stone and red brick, was designed by Sir Reginald Blomfield and unveiled by Field Marshal Plumer in 1927. It is situated on the eastern side of the town, on the road to Menin (Menen) and Courtrai (Kortrijk) and each night at 8 pm the traffic is stopped while members of the local Fire Brigade sound the Last Post in the roadway under the Memorial's arches.



THE TYNE COT MEMORIAL

The Tyne Cot Memorial forms the north-eastern boundary of Tyne Cot Cemetery, which is situated between Passchendaele (now known as Passendale) and Zonnebeke. The name "Tyne Cottages" or "Tyne Cotts" was given by the Northumberland Fusiliers to a group of German blockhouses, or pill-boxes, situated near the level crossing on the Passchendaele–Broodseinde road. Three of these blockhouses still stand in the cemetery; the largest, which was captured on 4 October 1917 by the 3rd Australian Division, was chosen as the site for the Cross of Sacrifice by King George V during his pilgrimage to the cemeteries of the Western Front in Belgium and France in 1922. The Tyne Cot Cemetery is now the resting-place of nearly 12,000 soldiers of the Commonwealth Forces, the largest number of burials of any Commonwealth cemetery of either world war. It first came into being in October 1917 when one of the captured pill-boxes was used as an Advanced Dressing Station, resulting in some 350 burials between then and the end of March 1918. The cemetery was much enlarged after the Armistice by the concentration of over 11,500 graves from the battlefields of Passchendaele and Langemarck and from a few small burial grounds. The dates of death cover the four years from October 1914 to September 1918 inclusive. Unnamed graves in the cemetery number nearly 8,400, or seventy percent of the total, and the names of the unidentified soldiers who lie in them are inscribed on the Menin Gate and on the panels of the Memorial which stands to the rear of the cemetery.

The site of the Memorial is on high ground on the western slopes of the Passchendaele Ridge, from which the whole country to the English Channel lies open. It is in the middle of an agricultural district, with widely scattered farms and small villages. It represents the most desperate offensive fighting of the Commonwealth Armies in Belgium, as Ypres represents their most stubborn resistance, and it stands close to the farthest point in Belgium reached by Commonwealth arms in the First World War until the final advance to victory.

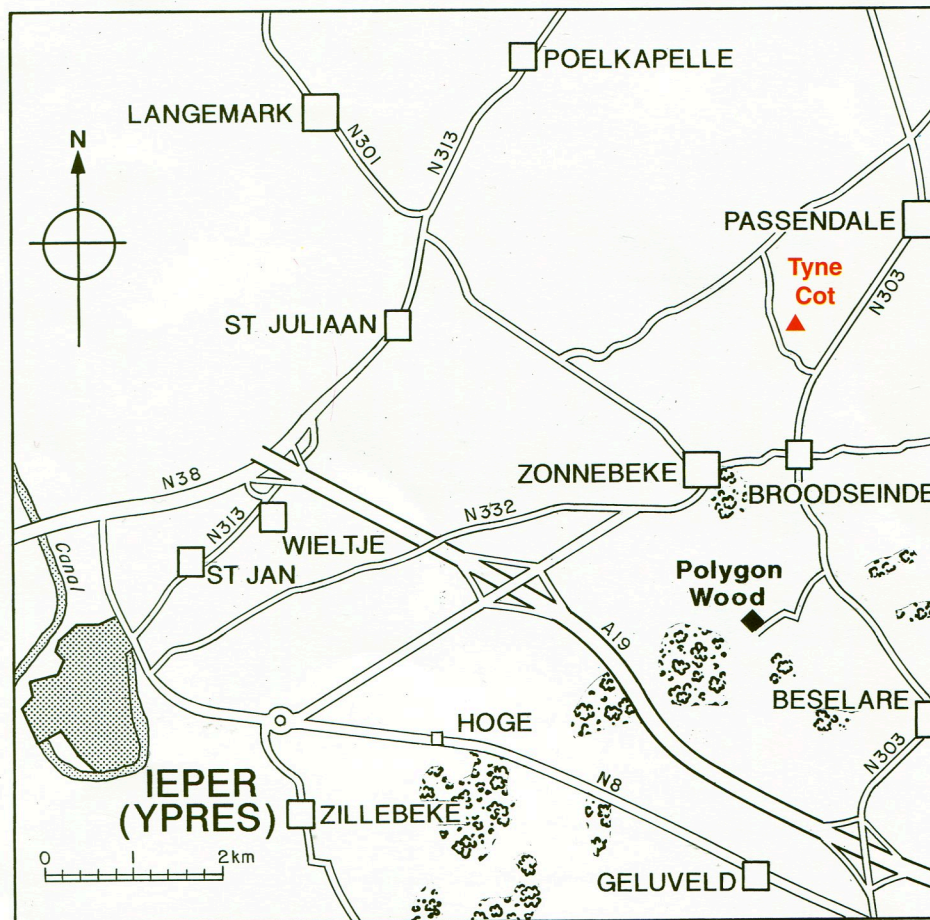
The Memorial, designed by Herbert Baker and with sculpture by F. V. Blundstone, is a semicircular flint wall 4.25 metres high and over 150 metres long, faced with panels of Portland stone on which are carved nearly 35,000 names of those who have no known grave. There are three apses and two rotundas: the central apse forms the New Zealand Memorial and bears the names of nearly 1,200 officers and men who gave their lives in the Battle of Broodseinde and in the Third Battle of Ypres (Passchendaele) in October 1917; the other two, as well as the rotundas and the wall itself, carry the names of United Kingdom dead who fell in the Salient between the 15 August 1917, when the Battle of Langemarck began, and the Armistice, in the Third and Fourth Battles of Ypres. Two domed arched pavilions mark the ends of the main wall, each dome being surmounted by a winged female figure with head bowed over a wreath.



A section of the Tyne Cot Memorial, skirting the north-eastern boundary of Tyne Cot Cemetery

The following inscription is carved on the frieze above the panels which contain the names:

1914 – HERE ARE RECORDED THE NAMES OF OFFICERS
AND MEN OF THE ARMIES OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE
WHO FELL IN YPRES SALIENT, BUT TO WHOM THE
FORTUNE OF WAR DENIED THE KNOWN AND
HONOURED BURIAL GIVEN TO THEIR COMRADES
IN DEATH – 1918



Tyne Cot Cemetery is situated just off the main road from Ieper (Ypres), about 2 kilometres south-west of Passendale, a village 10 kilometres north-east of Ieper on the N303.

Note: As mentioned in the historical section of this leaflet, many of the towns and villages shown above now have modern spellings which differ from those featured in the campaign map.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission is responsible for marking and maintaining the graves of members of the forces of Commonwealth countries who died in the two world wars, for building and maintaining memorials to the dead whose graves are unknown and for providing records and registers of these burials and commemorations, totalling 1.7 million and found in most countries throughout the world.

HR/5894.

Army Form Z. 21.

CERTIFICATE of * { ~~Discharge~~
~~Transfer to Reserve~~
~~Disembodiment~~
~~Demobilization~~ } on Demobilization.

Regtl. No. 285673 Rank L' Corporal

Names in full Green Frederick John
(Surname first)

Unit and Regiment or Corps from which

* ~~Discharged~~ 1st Northumberland Hussars

Transferred to Reserve

Enlisted on the 31st May 1915

For Queen's Own Oxford Hussars

(Here state Regiment or Corps to which first appointed)

Also served in

2nd Res. Cav. Regt. 8th

Only Regiments or Corps in which the Soldier served since August 4th, 1914, are to be stated. If inapplicable, this space is to be ruled through in ink and initialled.

† Medals and Decorations awarded during present engagement Two Blue Chevrons
Military Medal.

* Has Has not served Overseas on Active Service.

Place of Rejoining in case of emergency Bristol Medical Category A.I.

Specialist Military qualifications Nil Year of birth 1893

He is * { ~~Discharged~~
~~Transferred to Army Reserve~~
~~Disembodied~~
~~Demobilized~~ } on 16th February 1919

in consequence of **Demobilization.**

Graham Craig L' Signature and Rank.

Officer i/c Cavalry Records York (Place).

* Strike out whichever is inapplicable. † The word "Nil" to be inserted when necessary.

WARNING.—If this Certificate is lost a duplicate cannot be issued. You should therefore on no account part with it or forward it by post when applying for a situation.

N.B.—Any person finding this Certificate is requested to forward it in an unstamped envelope to the Secretary, War Office, London, S.W.1.

IF FOUND, please drop this Certificate in a Post Office letter box.

Army Form Z. 11.

NOTICE.—“This document is Government property. It is no security whatever for debt, and any Person being in possession of it, either as a pledge or security for debt, or without lawful authority or excuse, is liable under Section 156 (9) of the Army Act to a fine of twenty pounds (£20) or imprisonment for six months, or to both fine and imprisonment.”

PROTECTION CERTIFICATE AND CERTIFICATE OF IDENTITY

(SOLDIER NOT REMAINING WITH THE COLOURS)

Dispersal Unit Stamp and date of dispersal.

Surname

(Block letters)

GREEN

Christian Names

Frederick John

Regtl. No.

285673

Rank

Plt

Record Office

(York)

Unit

1/1 Bn

Regt. or

North

Corps

Hussars Pay Office

I have received an advance of £2.

† Address for Pay

Church St
Bampton Oxford.

(Signature of Soldier)

F. J. Green

The above-named soldier is granted 28 days' furlough from the date stamped hereon pending* (as far as can be ascertained) which will date from the last day of furlough after which date uniform will not be worn except upon occasions authorized by Army Orders.

* If for Final Demobilization insert 1.
Disembodiment insert 2.
Transfer to Reserve insert 3.

† As this is the address to which pay and discharge documents will be sent unless further notification is received, any change of address must be reported at once to the Record Office and the Pay Office as noted above, otherwise delay in settlement will occur.

Theatre of War or
Command

France

Born in the Year

1893

Medical Category

A 4

Place of rejoining in
case of emergency

Newport

Specialist Military
Qualification

No. 2 DISPERSAL UNIT

CHISELDON

R. J. Wade

This Certificate must be produced when applying for an Unemployed Sailor's and Soldier's Donation Policy or, if demanded, whenever applying for Unemployment benefit.

Date

19/1/19

Office of Issue

Chiseldon

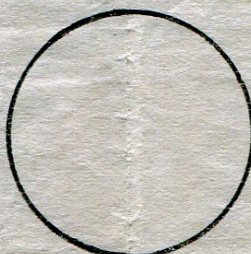
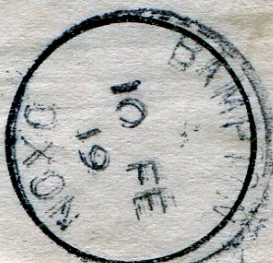
Policy issued No

15045810

This Certificate must be produced when cashing Postal Drafts and Army Money Orders for weekly pay whilst on furlough.

The Postmaster will stamp a ring for each payment made.

P.O. Stamp to be impressed here when Savings Bank Book is issued.



Ration Book
issued 28/1/19

WITNEY RURAL

IT FOUND, please drop this Certificate in a Post Office letter box.
NOTICE: This document is Government property. It is no security
whatsoever for debt, and it is not to be used in payment of any debt or
without lawful authority or order of the Army Act to a fine of twenty pounds
(£20) or imprisonment for six months, or to both the said fine and imprisonment.

PROTECTION CERTIFICATE OF IDENTITY

Dispersal Unit Stamp and date of dispersal.

19 JAN 1919

Christian Name

Regt. No. 85573 Rank

Unit or Regt. or Corps

I have received an advance of £2.

(Signature of Soldier)

The above named soldier is granted 28 days' furlough from the date stamped below beginning (as for)

Born in the Year

Command

Theatre of War or

Medical Category

Place of rejoining in case of emergency

Specialist Military Qualification

Office of Issue

Policy issued No.

This Certificate must be produced when passing Postal Orders and Army Money Orders for weekly pay whilst on furlough.

This Certificate must be produced when applying for an Unemployed Soldiers and Soldiers' Donation Policy, if demanded, whenever applying for Unemployment benefit.

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STATION

24 FEB 1919

STATION

10 FEB 1919

STATION

27 JAN 1919

(1)

CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYMENT DURING THE WAR.

(To be completed for, and handed to, each soldier).

A soldier is advised to send a copy rather than the original when corresponding with a prospective employer.

It is particularly important that an apprentice whose apprenticeship has been interrupted by Military Service should have recorded on this form any employment in a trade similar to his own on which he has been engaged during such Military Service.

Regtl. No. 285673 Rank Private

Surname GREEN
(block letters)

Christian Names in full FREDERICK JOHN.

Regt. Northumberland Hussars Unit

1. Regimental Employment.

	Nature of.	Period.
(a)	From	To
(b)	"	"
(c)	"	"
(d)	"	"

***2. Trade or calling before Enlistment (as shown in A. B. 64).**Carpenter**3. Courses of Instruction and Courses in Active Service Army Schools, and certificates, if any.**

(a) _____

(b) _____

(c) _____

(d) _____

* The trade or calling must be filled in by the O.C. Unit from the Appendix to Special Army Order No. 6, of 21st October, 1918 (329 of November, 1918).

[P.T.O.]

4. Military qualifications as shewn in A. B. 64.

5. Special Remarks as to qualifications, work done, or skill acquired during service with the Colours. This is required as a help in finding civil employment,

A very good worker - handy at any thing -
an excellent joiner. Reliable.

J. R. Brown Capt

ex. 81.15.

Soldier's Signature
(For identification purposes).

F. J. Green.

Signed

Alan Reynolds

(Rank)

Sgt. Col.

Commanding

Northumberland
Hussars

(Unit)

NOTES.—The object of this certificate is to assist the soldier in obtaining employment on his return to civil life. The form will be completed as soon as possible in accordance with Demobilization Regulations.

As soon as signed and completed it will be given to the soldier concerned and will remain his property. He should receive it as early as is compatible with making the necessary references in order that he can either send it home or keep it in his possession.

One form will be issued to each man, and no duplicate can ever be issued.

WAR DIARY of the 1/1st NORTHUMBERLAND HUSSARS.

Reference: WO 95/700

National Archives, Kew.

5 November 1918 : Report by Capt. CFM **Ramsay** MC O/C C Squadron on Operations at OLD MILL DES PRES –

Reconnoitre the OLD MILL DES PRES, and, if possible to seize and hold the river crossing over the RIVER PETITE HELP (HG A.2.7. Sheet 57 ANW). This was necessary to guard the right flank of the 50th Division, the 25th Division being not so far advanced.

“At 7am I started with Lt **Hawley** and 9 ORs and arrived at the ECLUSE DES ETOQUES at 7.30 am. This was held by the Munster Fusiliers. Led (sic) horses with two ORs were left here, a message being sent back. Lt. **Hawley** was dispatched to get a Lewis Gun from HQ of the Munster Fusiliers. With 6 ORs I advanced to the Mill from the North.

When approaching the Mill, the Notts. and Derby (25th Division) were seen advancing from CATILLON FARM, and a messenger was dispatched to inform them that we were co-operating on their flank. When quite close to the Mill, the Germans were seen holding a position about 80 yards E. of the River PTE. HELPE. I then gave each of my men his objective with orders not to open fire, unless attacked, until I gave the order. On a given signal they all doubled to their positions, while with Capt. JL **Robson** I searched the buildings and the hedge W. of the Mill. On returning I gave the order to fire. The Germans were completely surprised by the sudden fire, 2 being killed immediately. The answering fire of the Germans was most inaccurate. I then waded across the river, holding the far bank and cutting the wire entanglement. The crossing was taken at 07.50 am. As soon as the Notts. and Derbys came up at 08.05am, I proceeded along road towards RUE de LIEUTENANT with one OR and succeeded in causing a German MG to be removed which was firing on the advancing infantry of 25 Division. Lt. **Hawley** then came up having been unable to procure a MG and mopped up an enemy trench with 1 OR – one German who tried to act treacherously being killed. Identifications from dead Germans were taken, and their defensive positions W of the RUE de LIEUTENANT were located and the information handed over to the OC Notts and Derbys.”

Weather dull with much rain.

11 November: Armistice came into operation at 11 am. Very little excitement amongst troops.

23 November: MM awarded to No. H/270714 Pte **Dixon** W, 286573 Pte **Green** FJ, 270098/5 Pte **Anderson** W, C Squadron. CRO 2154 – 18-11-18)

7 December: Visit by the King to Tournai. The Regiment lined the streets.

16 December 2nd Lieutenant RJ **Hawley** awarded MC

26 December Lieutenant the Hon CFM **Ramsay** awarded bar to MC.

19 January 1919: Parade through Brussels.

At 10.40 with drawn swords we began the march following the 1st Life Guards who headed the procession through the capital.



Weather wretchedly cold and snow fell continuously. At mid-day we reached the Garde-du-Midi at which place we returned? Swords. Throughout the march and especially at the Royal Palace, the troops were given an enthusiastic reception by the crowds of Belgian people.

These are the handwritten manuscript diaries of the Northumberland Hussars, which are kept in the National Archives in Kew. Unless one could find CRO 2154-18-11-18, I don't think we are going to find out anything more specific about the award. This is because the award of a Military Medal does not come with a citation. However, if, as I suspect, the Military Crosses awarded to Lieutenants Hawley and Ramsey were awarded for the same action then their citations might be useful. Ramsay is described as both Capt. and Lieut. in the diary but as both his initials are given as CFM in both references I'm pretty sure he is the same man.

The citation for 2 Lt Reuben John Hawley describes some actions of his on 4 November and then says: "Next day he showed great discretion in conducting a mopping up party, refusing to be deceived by attempted enemy discretion."

London Gazette 3 October 1919.

www.gazettes-online.co.uk

I haven't found the citation for Lt Ramsay yet.

O/C = Officer Commanding

OR = Other Rank

MG = Machine Gun

Henry Arthur Green
(Harry)
4th Canadian Mounted Rifles.
Service no. 109362
d. 2-6-16 Ypres.
Menin Gate panel 30-32.

Battle of the River Sambre.

One of the last battles.

Fourth Army. 4th 5th and 6th November 1918.

where ceasefire
was agreed → Compiègne
North of Paris.
11-11-18

TELEPHONE No 77601/2 OXFORD

RAILWAY:
LITTLEMORE, G.W.RY.
WYCOMBE & THAME BRANCH

All Communications *must* be
addressed:

LITTLEMORE HOSPITAL,
LITTLEMORE,
NR. OXFORD.

2nd January, 19 58.

"SECRETARY TO THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE"

Our ref: PF/P
WJD/MAE

Dear Madam,

Confirming my telegram I regret to inform you of the death this morning of your husband, Mr. Frederick Green.

The Hospital notifies the Registrar, Mr. N. F. Spatcher, 23, New Street, Henley-on-Thames, (telephone No. Henley 807) and obtains the certificate of disposal for the officiating Clergyman. Certificates for Friendly Society, Savings Bank, National Insurance, etc., may be obtained from the Registrar upon application.

When you have had time to think about funeral arrangements, perhaps you would be good enough to let me know what is proposed. In order to allow time for any official enquiries which might possibly be necessary, the funeral should not be held before Monday next, 6th January, 1958.

If there is any other point on which I might be able to help, please do not hesitate to write, or call personally, or to telephone (77601, extension 6) during office hours. I would be grateful if you would advise other relatives of the death.

Yours faithfully

M. D. Groves

(M. D. Groves)
Group Secretary

WJD

Mrs. E. B. Green,
Church View,
Bampton,
Oxon.





LITTLEMORE HOSPITAL

NOTICE OF DEATH

~~Date of Reception Order~~, the day of 19

I hereby give you Notice that Frederick Green

..... a Health Service Temporary patient received into this

Mental Hospital on the 21st day of October 19 57

died therein on the 2nd day of January 19 58

(Signed) M. J. Mann
Clerk of the Hospital

Dated the 2nd day of January 19 58

~~The Board of Control; The Governor, 11 King Edward St., Oxford;
To: The Registrar, 23 New St., Hanley-on-Thames, Oxon.;
Dr. J. McCartney, Bampton, Oxon.; Mrs. E. B. Green, Church View, Bampton, Oxon.;
The Hon. Secy, Bampton, Oxon.~~

STATEMENT RESPECTING THE ABOVE-NAMED PATIENT.

Name ... Frederick Green

Sex and Age ... Male; age 64 years; 14.10.1893

Married, single or widowed ... Married

Profession or occupation ... Carpenter

Usual residence (postal address) before admission.
(If patient has been transferred from another
Institution (including Workhouses, etc.), the
place of residence before admission to the first
Institution should be given).

Church View
Bampton,
Oxon.

CAUSE OF DEATH

I		Approximate interval between onset and death
Disease or condition directly leading to death*...	(a) <u>Uremia</u> due to (or as a consequence of)	<u>3 - 4 months</u>
Antecedent causes. Morbid condition, if any, giving rise to the above cause stating the underlying condition last.	(b) <u>Chronic Nephritis</u> due to (or as a consequence of)	<u>Indefinite</u>
	(c)
II		II
Other significant conditions contributing to death but not related to the disease or condition causing it	

* This does not mean the mode of dying, such as e.g., heart failure, asphyxia, asthenia, etc., it means the disease, injury or complication which caused death.

Whether or not ascertained by post-mortem examination. } Not

Time of and any unusual circumstances attending the death: also a description of any injuries known to exist at time of death or found subsequently on body of deceased or a statement that there were none. } 2.30 a.m. on 2nd January, 1958.
No injuries
No unusual circumstances

Names and description of persons present at the death. } Staff Nurse Leonard Farrar

I hereby certify that the particulars contained in the above statement are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(Signed) R. J. Mann
Physician Superintendent

Dated the 2nd day of January, 19 58



The Prince of Wales' British Legion Pension Fund

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PALL MALL,
LONDON, S.W.1

Telephone : Whitehall 8131

Secretary : A. G. WEBB, Esq., C.B.E.

6th December, 1957

In reply please quote

LPF/10514/74.

Mrs. E.B. Green,
Church View,
Bampton,
Oxon.

Dear Madam,

Thank you for your letter of the 2nd December enclosing a specimen signature. Arrangements are being made for the Bank to accept your signature on the Pension receipts from your husband's Prince of Wales' Pension book, and I suggest you wait a few days before presenting them at the Bank for payment.

I sincerely hope that your husband's health will be soon showing signs of improvement and when it is possible for him to sign his name perhaps you will be good enough to let me know.

Yours faithfully,

A. G. Webb
Secretary.

EGL/MPR
ENCL.

GC 984552

CERTIFIED COPY of an ENTRY OF BIRTH.

SUPPLIED AT THE SPECIAL FEE OF 6d.
APPLICABLE IN CERTAIN STATUTORY CASES.

This Certificate is issued for the Purposes of National Insurance Act 1946

The Registrar must state here the statutory purposes for which the Certificate is issued in the terms in which they are described in the printed Form of Requisition

Insert in this margin any Notes which appear in the original Entry.

Registration District Witney

1895 BIRTH in the Sub-district of Bampton in the County of Oxford

Columns :—											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
No.	When and where born	Name (if any)	Sex	Name and Surname of Father	Name and Maiden Surname of Mother	Rank or Profession of Father	Signature, Description and Residence of Informant	When Registered	Signature of Registrar	Baptismal Name if added after Registration of Birth	
385	Nineteenth July 1895 Bampton R.D.	Edith Bessie	Girl	Joseph Henry Lardner	Bessie Lardner formerly Brooks	Omnibus Driver	Bessie Lardner Mother Bampton	Nineteenth August 1895	Frederick Green Registrar.		

I hereby certify that the above is a true Copy of an Entry of Birth in a Register Book in my custody.

Witness my hand this 10th day of January 1945

R. A. H. R. R. Superintendent Registrar.

[NOTE.—The word "Superintendent" to be struck out when the Certificate is given by the Registrar.]

CAUTION.—Any person who (1) falsifies any of the particulars on this Certificate or (2) uses it as true, knowing it to be false, is liable to prosecution.

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CERTIFIED COPY of an
Pursuant to the MarriageENTRY OF MARRIAGE.
Acts, 1836 to 1898.

[Printed by authority of the Registrar General.]

M. Cert.
Church.Insert in this
Margin any
Notes which
appear in the
original entry.Registration District *Tarington.*1920. Marriage Solemnized at *the parish Church* in the *parish*
of *Buckland* in the County of *Bucks.*

Columns:—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
278	<i>February 14th</i>	<i>Fredrick. John. Green.</i>	<i>26.</i>	<i>Bachelor.</i>	<i>Carpenter.</i>	<i>Bampton. Oxon.</i>	<i>James. Edward. Green.</i>	<i>Builder.</i>
	<i>1920.</i>	<i>Edith. Jessie. Landon.</i>	<i>24.</i>	<i>Spinster.</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>Buckland.</i>	<i>Joseph. Henry. Landon.</i>	<i>Farmer.</i>

Married in the *parish Church* according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the *English Church* *seen* after *Banns* by me,

This Marriage was solemnized between us,

Fredrick. John. Green. } in the Presence of us, *Joseph. Henry. Landon. James. Edward. Clark.*
Edith. Jessie. Landon. } *Robert. L. C. Milhouse. Vicar.*
Elizabeth. Green. Betrice. May Landon.

I, *Robert. L. C. Milhouse, Vicar* of *Buckland*, in the County of *Bucks*, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Entry No. *278* in the Register Book of Marriages of the said Church, and that such Register Book is now legally in my custody.WITNESS MY HAND this *ninth* day of *February*, 19*20*.*Robert. L. C. Milhouse. Vicar.*

State "Rector," "Vicar," or "Curate."

The Act 3 & 4 Geo. V., cap. 27, section 3, enacts that "FORGERY of the following documents, if committed with intent to defraud or deceive, shall be FELONY and punishable with Penal Servitude for any term not exceeding fourteen years:—Any register or record of Births, Baptisms, Marriages, Deaths, Burials, which now is, or hereafter may be, by law authorised or required to be kept in the United Kingdom, relating to any Birth, Baptism, Marriage, Death, Burial, or any part of any such Register, or any Certified Copy of any such Register, or of any part thereof."

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190	Fourteenth October 1893 Bampton R. S. D.	Frederick John	Boy	James Edward Green	Elizabeth Green formerly Fox	Stone Mason	James Edward Green Father Bampton	Eighteenth November 1893	Frederick Green	
									<i>Registrar.</i>	

I hereby certify that the above is a true Copy of an Entry of Birth in a Register Book in my custody.

Witness my hand this 10th day of January 1948

CAUTION.—Any person who (1) falsifies any of the particulars on this Certificate or (2) uses it as true, knowing it to be false, is liable to prosecution.

.....
L. W. C. Barker Superintendent Registrar.
 [NOTE.—The word "Superintendent" to be struck out when the Certificate is given by the Registrar.]



Telegraphic Address :
TUCKER, NURSERIES, FARINGDON.

Telephone No. 39.

Faringdon, BERKS.
AND AT WANTAGE.

Feb. 4th 1920

Mr. Lardner.

Bought of **R. Tucker & Sons,**
Nurserymen, Seedsmen and Florists.

Terms: Accounts due Quarterly.

5 per Cent. per Annum charged on Overdue Accounts.

1 Bride Bouquet
2 Bridesmaid's do.
3 Buttonholes

10 6.

14 -

1 6.

£ 1 5 0

Paid Feb. 4th 1920

R. Tucker & Sons

Travelling to Faringdon 5 0
Back to Wantage 6 -

Nº 246379

Surname and
Initials

GREEN R J

Army No. 22411572

Group No. 50.18 GP.

DISCHARGE

of a National Service Soldier from
Whole-Time Military Service

Any person finding this book is requested
to hand it in to any Barracks, Post Office
or Police Station, for transmission to the
Under-Secretary of State, The War Office,
London, S.W.1

Designation of HQ, SR or TA Unit to which the soldier
will report

139 ENGR STORES REGT S.R.

LONG MARSTON

WARWICKS

Date due to report

11 Sept 52

James (Jim) Green marries Elise Townsend
Elsie

Fire brigade Uniforms

Rhoda Gordon is
"Grampy" (Jim) Green's sister

Rose Green will marry
Billy Richens (John's
parents)



?	?	Billy Richens	Rhoda Gordon	Fred Green	Bessie Green	Jack Green	Vicar	?	?	?	Ted Green	Pollie Green	Percy Green
?	?	?	Jim Green	Elizabeth Green	Jim	Elsie	"Papa" Townsend	Rose Green	Alec Townsend	Warren Green	?	?	
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					?	one child is Stan Gordon							

Alec Townsend later married Miss Sallis (Rose Gearing's
sister) and kept the "Swan"

"Papa" Townsend kept the "Eagle" (photo taken at the
back of the "Eagle")



Certificate of Transfer, or Re-Transfer to the Army Reserve, or Discharge

This Certificate will be used in the following cases :—

- (i) Re-transfer to the Army Reserve or discharge in the case of a Mobilized Section "A" or "B" Army Reservist or a Section "D" Reservist who re-engaged into that Section direct from the Colours or from Section "B" Army Reserve.
 - (ii) Transfer to the Army Reserve or discharge in the case of a Mobilized Section "D" Army Reservist enlisted direct into that Section or a Mobilized Supplementary Reservist.
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WARNING

Soldiers on quitting Her Majesty's Service are hereby reminded that the unauthorised communication by them to another person AT ANY TIME of any information they may have acquired which might be useful to an enemy in War renders them liable to prosecution under the Official Secrets Acts.

The person to whom this Certificate is issued should on no account part with it or forward it by post when applying for a situation but should use a copy attested by a responsible person for the purpose. If the Certificate is lost it will be replaced only when its loss can be proved to have been due to very exceptional circumstances. Application for replacement should be made to the Officer-in-charge, Records, concerned.

Any alteration of the particulars given on this Certificate may render the holder liable to prosecution under the Seamen's and Soldiers' False Character Act, 1906.

ANY PERSON finding this Certificate is requested to forward it in an unstamped envelope to :—

THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE,
THE WAR OFFICE,
LONDON,
S.W.1.



Mr Timothy White, Chief Fire Officer of Oxfordshire, makes sure that the ribbon being cut by Ald. Howland to open Bampton's new fire station, is taut.

NEW STATION FOR EFFICIENT BAMPTON FIREMEN

Bampton firemen will now find their usual standard of efficiency easier to maintain because of their new fire station, they were told at the station's opening on Tuesday.

Ald. H. W. Howland, the vice-chairman of Oxfordshire County Council, who performed the opening ceremony, paid tribute to the Bampton brigade's quick turnout to fires in the area.

"You have a record turnout of one minute 20 seconds. This new station will enable you to be equally efficient more easily," he said.

Ald. Howland was intro-

duced by Mr Timothy White, the Chief Fire Officer for the county, who said that the Bampton brigade had already been called out 87 times this year.

The station serves a large area including Carterton and assists the Burford, Witney and North Berkshire brigades.

Among the many guests were chairmen of parish councils in the area and a number of representatives of Witney Rural District Council, who were invited to the opening by the chairman of the Fire Brigade Committee, Coun. T. E. Worth.

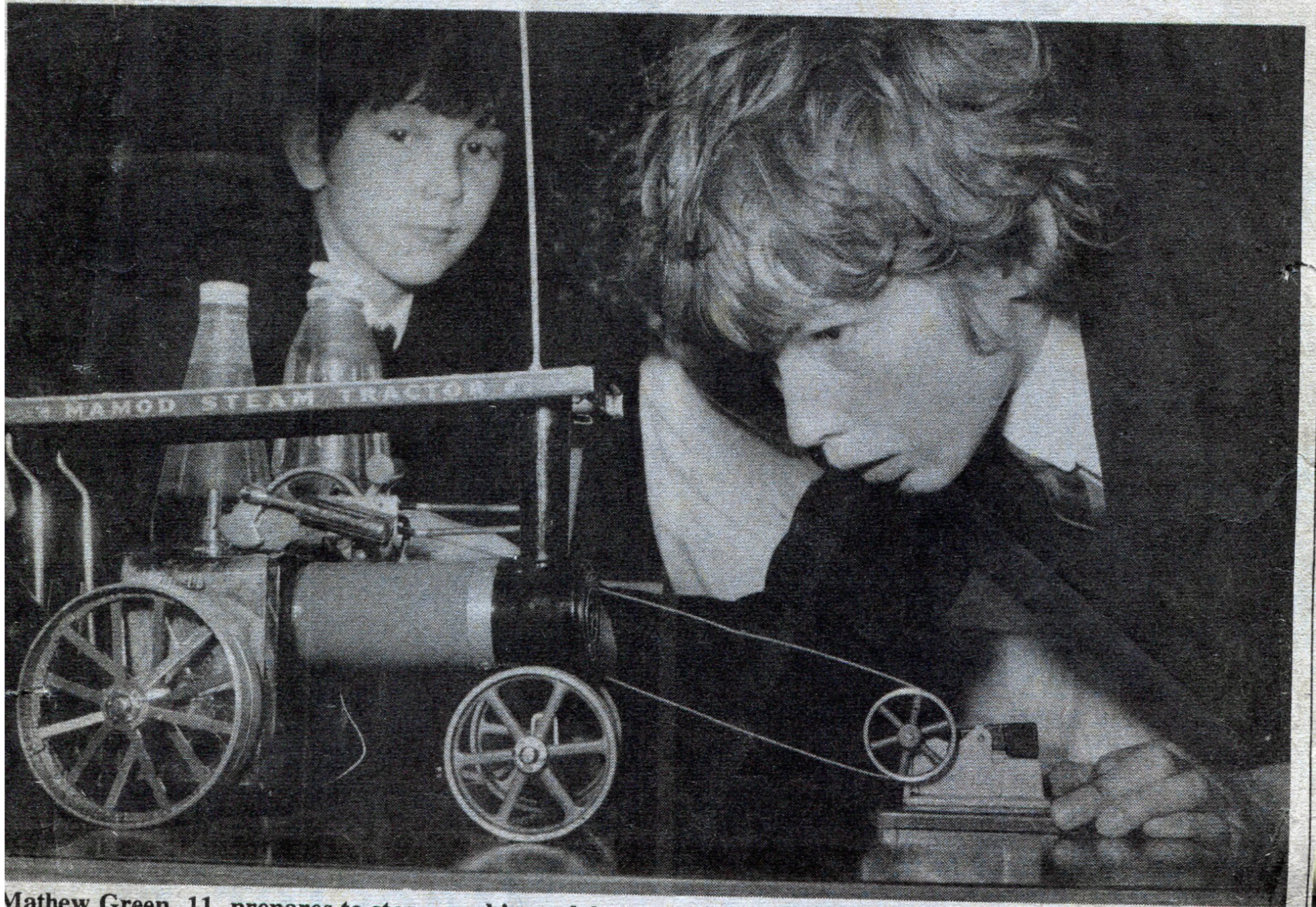
Also at the opening were a

station chief and second officer from Gau Algersheim, a small town on the Rhine similar to Bampton. They are guests of the Oxford Fire Brigade and are volunteers, like the Bampton firemen.

The 12 firemen with their sub-officer, Arthur Beckley, moved into the new station in New Road last week.

Costing more than £19,500, it replaces the old station under the Town Hall in the village square. It has a bay for two modern appliances, training and recreation rooms and offices, training tower and a large drill yard.

MATHEW GETS STEAMED UP . . .



Mathew Green, 11, prepares to steam up his model tractor before the judges arrive. Another boy looks on



CROWNING THE QUEEN: Mrs. F. Whitely crowning Miss Pamela Quick as Bampton's Carnival Queen on Saturday. The two attendants are Miss Carol Edwards and Miss Christine Neagle, and five-year-old Matthew Green was pageboy.

SUNSHINE, FLOWERS & FREE CAKE AT BAMPTON

TRADITIONAL garlands of wild flowers are made by the children of Bampton and taken round the houses for inspection on Whit-Monday morning. This charming old custom is steeped in tradition, the flowers used must be wild and entwined on hoops with a doll nestling in the centre.

During the late morning the children gather in the centre of the town and are lined up for judging. This year the fine weather drew even larger crowds for the ceremony who were amazed at the painstaking efforts.

The garlands were judged by Mrs. Humphries and Mr. Melbourne Tomlins and the winners were Lesley Taylor and Matthew Green, runners up, Esther Green and Sandra Taylor, and 3rd. Winifred Harrison and Qwyneth Quick. Highly

commended were Ian MacCrudden, Debbie and Heather, Thelma Hunt and Julie Whitlock. In addition all the entrants were given bars of chocolate subscribed by the local business houses. Thanks were expressed to Mr. R. Pratley for the time involved and the interest he maintains in keeping alive this lovely custom.

MORE TRADITION

All day long from early morning the Bampton Morris Men attracted large crowds of visitors as they danced the old dances in the streets and on the lawns of the larger houses. The sword bearer distributed the cake which is now the symbol of the deer which was once killed in the Wychwood forest on Whit Monday and shared by the inhabitants of Bampton.

Garlands Festival and Morris dancing

Bampton attracted a large number of visitors on Monday from all parts of the country who came to see the Bampton Morris Men who danced in the gardens of the larger houses, through the streets and in the Market Place from early morning and throughout the day. These dances are traditional Cotswold Morris Dances and have been handed down through the generations over centuries as has the music which accompanies them.

Another attraction which has a wide appeal is the Festival of Garlands which are made and displayed by the children. This year there were as many garlands as ever and from early morning the children knocked at the doors of houses to display their efforts and perhaps collect a few coppers. These garlands are traditionally made from wild flowers entwined on two hoops which nestle a small doll and represent hours of work in the finding, collecting of the flowers and the completion of the garlands.

At 11 o'clock the children gathered in the Market Square where they lined up for judging. Immediately dozens of cameras began clicking or whirring and many visitors chatted with the children about the custom and the flowers.

The judges were Mrs. Bam-

ber, Mrs. Hampden, Mrs. Humphries, Major Bamber of the 3rd Squadron 14th Signals Regmt. and Mr. F. Lovett and boxes of chocolates for the winners and bars of chocolates for all the children were provided by Mr. R. Pratley whose active interest in this ancient custom has helped to keep it alive.

The children whose garlands were judged to be the most authentic and to contain the largest variety of wild flowers were 1. Heather Hunt and Denise Barrett, 2. Ester Green and Susan Taylor, 3. Julie Curtis and Theresa Silman whilst highly commended prizes were given to Lesley Taylor and Matthew Green and Jackie and Loraine Brooks.

3rd JUN 1968.

Winning garlands at Bampton on Monday









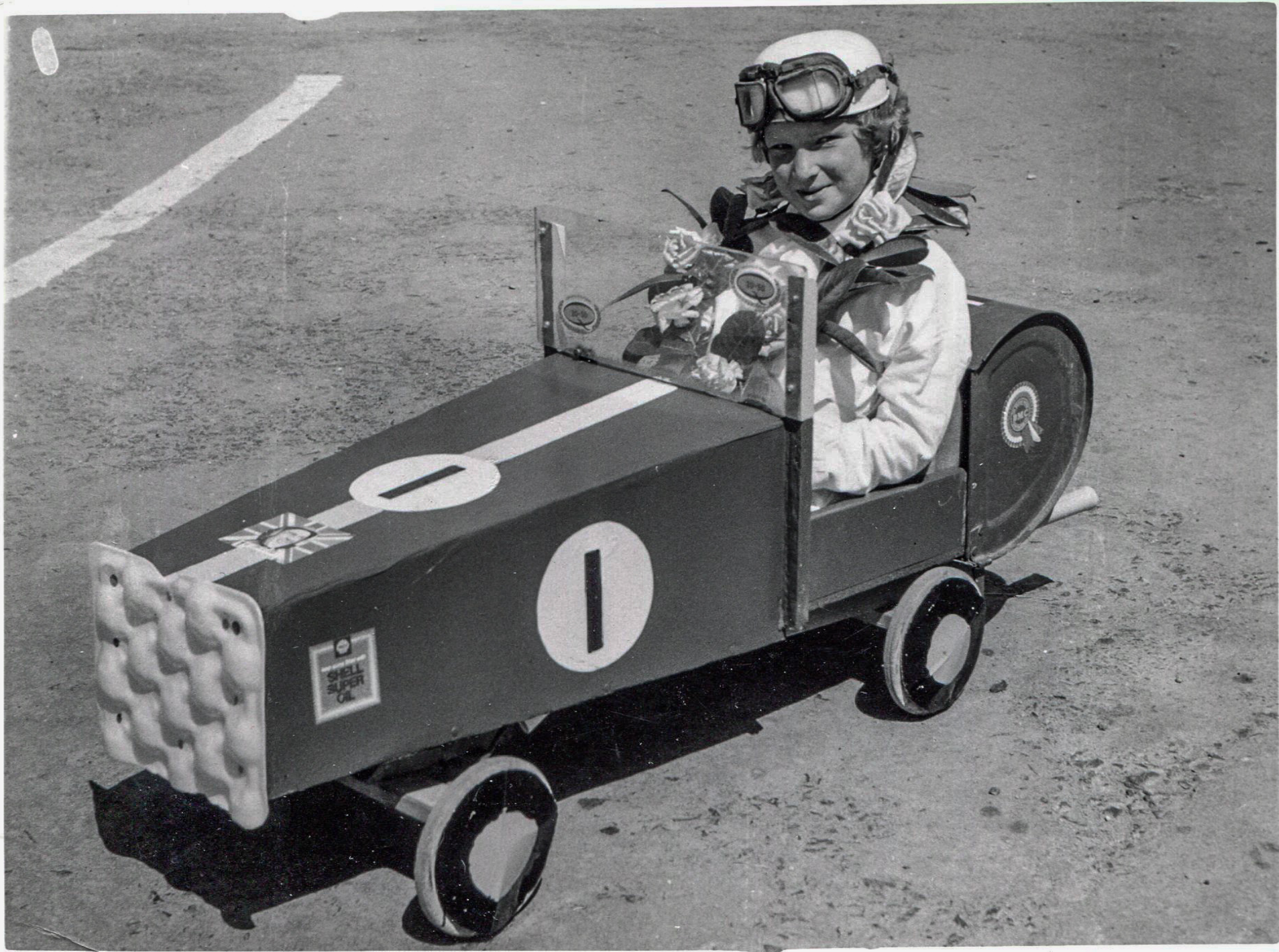
















Josephine
Keyte

Linda
Smith

Sheila
Clarke

Jackie
Cook

Sheila
Danford

Maureen
Clarke

Andy
Clarke

Anne
Jackson

Lyn
Beckley

Esther
Green

Tish
Cole

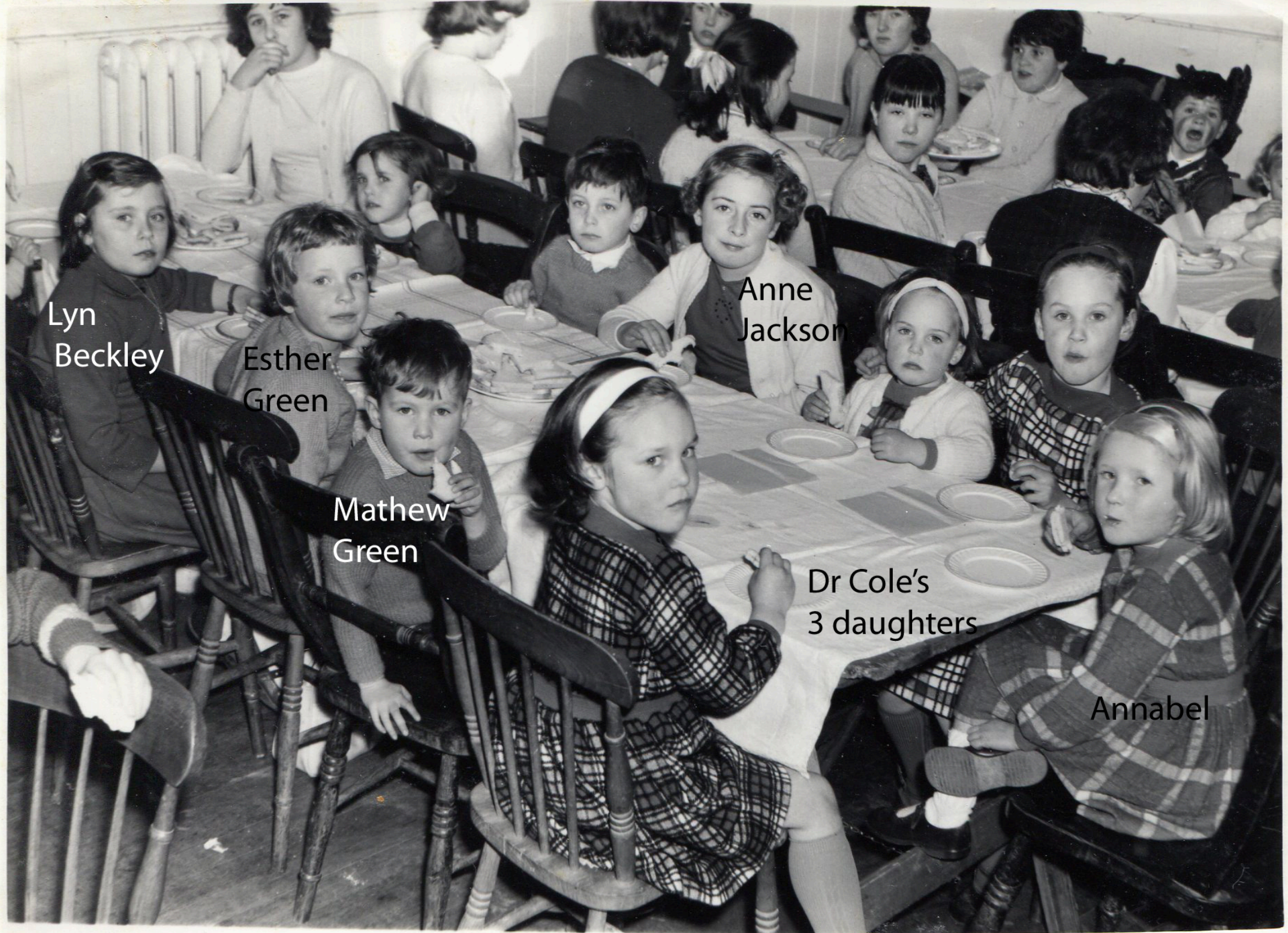
Jean
Cole

Mathew
Green

Biz
Cole

Dr Cole's
3 daughters

Annabel
Barton



Lyn
Beckley

Esther
Green

Mathew
Green

Anne
Jackson

Dr Cole's
3 daughters

Annabel











WINNERS: Esther Green and Susan Taylor (front), first prize winners in the garland test at Bampton on Saturday, with Deborah Hiram and Gale Wheeler who took second

