World War 1 and Members of St Edmund Hall – a Roll of Service and the War Memorial Panel.

It seems fitting in this particular year of reflection and remembrance to record for current readers of this Magazine published in 2014 some information on the Members of the Hall recorded in the Roll of Service and some background to the War Memorial in the Hall Chapel.

Volume 1, Number 2 of the St Edmund Hall Magazine was published in December 1921. It covered the period 1920-21 and records the placing in the Ante-Chapel of “two panels, commemorating the members of the Hall who laid down their lives in the war”. The article describes the panels as being designed by Mr Harold Rogers to fit in with the original panelling and executed in English oak. The names of those commemorated are inscribed on the upper panel in the order of the respective years in which the deaths occurred.

On St Edmund’s day, November 16\textsuperscript{th}, at 3.00pm in the afternoon a special service was held in the Chapel and the previous Principal, the Bishop of Carlisle, dedicated the panels. The article in the Magazine records that, “the Bishop gave an address in the course of which he said:

‘The occasion requires few words. It is not possible to compute in any way either the loss or suffering which the war has entailed, nor is it possible to estimate correctly the magnificence of the achievements of those soldiers whom we are commemorating. What they did must be left to be written large in the history of the world. If a man looks into his own heart and reads there what has been learnt since the Armistice, he will know how much he and the nation have still to learn. We are here out of simple motives of love and reverence to do honour to the men for whom all who knew them had such great affection; and you have a right to expect that I who knew and loved so many of them should try to describe what manner of men they were.’”

Later in the article the Bishop, speaking as the late Principal, asked the members present to “perpetuate the high traditions of this place which all who belong to it love dearly. It is like no other society in the University.”

The Oxford University Roll of Service was published at around the same time as the commemoration of the St Edmund Hall War Memorial. It is now available on the Web and contains “the names, fourteen thousand five hundred and sixty-one in number, of those members of the University who served in the Military and Naval forces of the Crown during the War.” Below we reprint from that Roll of Service the names of all Members of the Hall contained therein.

Principal Keith Gull

**ST EDMUND HALL**


1902 Gower, H. D. Pte. 2 1st Sherwood Foresters.


1903 Green, Rev. G., M.A. (Serving Aug. 4, 1914). Chaplain (2nd Class) A.I.F.


1897 Hubble, Rev. H. O. (June 1, 1918). Chaplain to the Forces (4th Class).
Balkans, 1915-19.


1914 James, B. L. (Aug. 1915). 2nd Lt. 4th The Buffs (E. Kent Regt.), attd. Loyal N. Lancashire
Regt. France. Died on Nov. 25, 1916, of wounds received in action near Dernancourt.


1919 Johnson, J. (June 20, 1918). Pte. 4th D.C.LI.


Mediterranean Fleet, Atlantic Fleet. O.B.E. (Mil).

France, 1917.


1915-16; India, 1917-19.


Killed in action at Luwuka on Aug. 20, 1917.


1919 Livesey, H. (Nov. 1915). Lt. 4th S. Lancashire Regt. France. (Discharged on account of ill
health caused by wounds, Feb. 1919.)

(Discharged on account of wounds, Aug. 1916.)


1913 Mackintosh, A. C. (July 7, 1915). Lt. 6th Devonshire Regt.


1918 Reardon, W. J. R. (Mobilized Aug. 1914). Capt. 4th R. Irish Regt. (Invalided.)


1919 Williams, E. S. (Nov. 1, 1915). Lt. 4th The Buffs (E. Kent Regt.). France.


Notes added:

1. **Died** Goodbarne-Chatterton, A.H.; Gunson, Rev. H.E.; Houlston, E.C.; James, B.L.; Ransom, H.B.; Willoughby, J.F. – **ALL ARE ON THE HONOUR ROLL IN THE CHAPEL**


3. **Names on Honour Roll in Chapel but not listed on the Service Roll** – Spencer, G.W.S.; Robinson, L.H.F.; Shaw, W.B.; Salmon, G.H.

4. The Roll of Service states that the details which have been collected about members of the University are given, so far as possible, in the following order:

   Date of Matriculation.

   Name, Degree, and Distinctions gained before the War. Date of commencement of Service (in brackets). Rank, Unit, and, in brackets, highest acting rank.

   Fields of Foreign Service.

   Distinctions gained during the War. (The dates given are those of the Gazettes.) Mentions in Dispatches.

   The following symbols have been employed:

   * to denote membership of the University Contingent of the Officers’ Training Corps prior to 1915.

   J to denote Service in the ranks before Commission.

   D. to denote mentions in Dispatches.

   D. " to denote mentions by the Secretary of State for valuable service in connexion with the War.

   The names of some who, after having been accepted for admission to a College, lost their lives in the War before being actually matriculated, have been included in the Roll.