

**Frank Burrows first service as Private, 4th battalion Sherwood Foresters
Number 22646**

Image 1

Second page of the attestation form, page 1 missing.

Frank was described as:

Age 37 years 9 months, height 5 feet 7¾ inches; Chest expansion 38½ inches, range 3 inches.

His next of kin was given as his wife, Mary Elizabeth of 7 Moor Lane Bingham. They were married at St John's Church Derby on 5th November 1899 and Mary's maiden name was Dawn [*slightly more readable than later records*]. Their children were:

Thomas, b 29 April 1908; William b 21 July 1905, both born in Bingham and Florrie b 28 October 1900, born in Derby.

When Frank enlisted for the second time in January 1917 Florrie was not listed so had presumably died. [*We have been unable to trace her death on Free BMD.*]

The "Statement of the Service" section of the form notes that he had attested on 23-1-1915 and been posted to the 4th Btn on 2-2-1915.

However, the form was endorsed on 19-4-15 "Discharged not being likely to become an efficient soldier, under para 392 (iii) (c) King's regulations".

He had served 87 days.

Image 2

This is the standard casualty form raised on enlistment and has no information except that it shows Frank was serving in North Shields on 19th April.

Image 3

Signed on 19th April, this is a hand written certificate that Frank had not served with the Expeditionary Force.

Image 4

This is Frank's medical history. It repeats the personal data and reveals he was still a farm labourer when he enlisted. [He was a platelayer the second time.] His Physical development was described as "good" and he had 6/6 vision in both eyes. He did have bad teeth.

This form again is endorsed against the heading 'Became non-effective': "Not being likely to become an efficient soldier under para 392 (iii) (c) King's regulations.

[*Nowhere is there a note explaining why he would not become an efficient soldier. Perhaps by 1917, on his second enlistment he had improved or standards had changed.*]

Image 1

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.

(To correspond with Entries on the Medical History Sheet.)
Applicable to all ranks.

Name Frank Burrows Flowers
 Apparent age 37 years 9 months. Height 5 feet 7 3/4 inches.
 Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 38 1/2 inches.
 Range of expansion 3 inches.
 Distinctive marks Nil

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin Mrs Mary Elizabeth 4 Moor Lane
Bingham Nottingham Relationship Wife
 Particulars as to Marriage.

(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow. (b) Place and date of marriage.
 (c) Present address. (d) Initials of Officer verifying entry.

<u>Mrs Mary Elizabeth Owen</u> (Spinster)	<u>St John's Church</u> <u>Derby</u> <u>5th Nov 1899</u>	<u>4 Moor Lane</u> <u>Bingham</u> <u>Notts</u>	<u>Verified from Certificate</u> <u>M. E. O.</u>
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Particulars as to Children.

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth
<u>Thomas Burrows</u> <u>29 April 1908</u>	<u>Bingham</u> <u>Derby. Verified from Certificate</u> <u>M. E. O.</u>
<u>Killian Burrows</u> <u>21 July 1905</u>	
<u>Ylvisie</u> <u>28 Oct 1900</u>	

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES.

Corps in which served	Regt. or Depot	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of Pension	Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay	Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries.
					years days	years days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>Jan 23rd 15</u>							
Joined at <u>Derby</u> on <u>Jan 23rd 15</u>							
<u>Shawcross</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>attested</u>	<u>Pte</u>	<u>23-1-15</u>			<u>R. E. Dickinson</u>
	<u>4th</u>	<u>Postmen</u>	<u>-1-</u>	<u>2-2-15</u>			<u>W. J. ...</u>
		<u>Discharged "Not being likely to become an efficient soldier, under para 342 (iii) (c) Kings Regt.</u>	<u>Pte</u>	<u>19. 11. 15</u>			<u>3rd Lt ...</u>
Latest Address: <u>4 Moor Lane Bingham</u>							
Total Service forfeited as above					<u>Nil</u>		<u>3rd Lt ...</u>
Total Service towards Engagement to <u>19. 11. 15</u> (date of discharge)					<u>years 14 days</u>		
" " Pension							

Image 2

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Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 4th Bn. Sherwood Foresters.
 Regimental No. 22646 Rank _____ Name Frank Burnous Flower
 Enlisted (a) 23. 1. 15 Terms of Service (a) DoF War. Service reckons from (a) 23. 1. 15
 Date of promotion to } _____ Date of appointment } _____ Numerical position on } _____
 present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }
 Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
		<u>North Shields</u>	<u>A. Hamilton</u>	<u>19. 4. 15.</u>	<u>Lieut-Colonel</u> <u>Commanding 4th Bn. Sherwood Foresters.</u> <u>(Notts & Derby Regt.)</u>

Certificate

NO. 22646 Rank Pte.
 Name F. B. Flower.

Certified that the above named
man has not served with the Expeditionary
Force.

North Shields A. Hamilton Lieut Col.
19 APR 1915 1915. comdg 4/ Sherwood Foresters.

S. J. ...

Yesday
FRANK BURROWS FLOWERS

Army Form B. 178.

To be used for recruits enlisting direct into the Regular Army only.
Army Form B. 178^A to be used for Special Reserve recruits
and Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

4. Lower MEDICAL HISTORY of *Frank. Burrows*²⁴
Surname ~~...~~ Christian Name *Frank. Burrows*²³

TABLE I. GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace .. Parish *Aston* County *Notts*

Examined on *23rd* day of *Jan'y* 1915.
at *NOTTINGHAM*

Declared Age *37* years *9* months.

Trade or Occupation .. *farm labourer*

Height *5* feet, *7 3/4* inches.

Weight *151* lbs.

Chest Measurement { Orth when fully Expanded *38 1/2* inches.
Range of Expansion *3* inches.

Physical Development .. *V. Good*

Vaccination Marks { Arm .. Right Left
Number *3*
infancy

Vision { R.E.-V = *4/6*
L.E.-V = *4/6*

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease (a) _____

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection (b) *Teeth bad*

Approved by .. (Signature) _____ *Notts*
(Rank) _____ *Li. Colonel.*
Royal Army Medical Corps (R)
Medical Officer.

NOTTINGHAM.

Enlisted at _____
on *23rd* day of *Jan'y* 1915

Corps.	Regtl. No.
<i>Sherwood Foresters</i>	<i>22646</i>

Transferred to

Became non-effective by

Not being likely to become an efficient soldier
on para 392 (ii) (c) King's Regts.
(Signature) _____
(Rank) *19th* *April* 1915