

Sergeant W.E. Jackson DCM

One of the most honoured local men was Sergeant W.E. Jackson, who was twice mentioned in despatches in the early stages of the war, then later was awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal. He was born in West Bromwich and followed his brother Joseph to Ellesmere Port, who had migrated north around 1905 and had married and started a family. William joined his brother in the ironworks before they both signed on for the Cheshires.

ELLESMERE PORT MAN'S D.C.M. TWICE MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES

'Sergeant Jackson who resides at Oldfield Road, Ellesmere Port, has gained great distinction during his 19 months service with the Cheshires. He won the D.C.M. in the first stages of the Battle of the Somme, and has twice been Mentioned in Despatches. Jackson, who is a single young man, was formerly employed as a breaker-down at Burnell's and he enlisted immediately war broke out.'

Birkenhead Advertiser and Wallasey Guardian, 20 Jan 1917

The London Gazette carried the following citation on 1 January 1917,

'17977 Sergeant W.E. Jackson, Cheshire Regiment: For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty; He has displayed great courage and determination on several occasions during bombing attacks.'

Sadly, his brother Joseph was not so fortunate, and was killed in action on the Somme on 10 July 1916. He left his wife Lucy and three young children.



Census 1891

Census 1901

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Census 1911 – W.E. Jackson

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NAME AND SURNAMES	RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family	AGE (last birthday) and SEX	PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE.	PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards.	BIRTHPLACE of every person.	NATIONALITY of every Person aged 14 or a Foreign Country.	INFIRMITY.		
of every Person, whether Member of Family, Visitor, Boarder, or Servant, who	State whether "Head" or "Wife," "Son," "Daughter," or otherwise. If "Boarder," or "Servant."	For Infants under one year state the age in months as "under one month," "one month," etc.	State, for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule, the number of— Children born alive to present Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7.) Total Children born alive to present Marriage. (If less than one year write "under one year.")	Personal Occupation. The reply should show the precise branch of Profession, Trade, Manufacture, &c. If engaged in any Trade or Manufacture, the particular kind of work done, and the Article made or Material worked or dealt in should be briefly indicated. (See Instructions 1 to 8, and Examples on back of Schedule.)	Whether Employer, Worker, or Own Account. Write against the class of each person engaged in any Trade or Industry. (1) "Employer," (2) "Worker," (3) "Own account." Persons other than domestic servants should be so classified. (4) "Worker" (that is, domestic servant, if employed by a single household) (5) "Own account" (this is neither employer nor worker) Give Instructions 9 and Ex- amples on back of Schedule.)	Whether British or Foreign. Write the words— "British" or "Foreign," as the case may be, against the class of each person engaged in any Trade or Industry as above.	(1) If born in the United King- dom, write the name of the County, and Town or Parish. (2) If born in any other part of the British Empire, write the name of the Dependency, Colony, etc., and if the Province or State. (3) If born in a Foreign Country, write the name of the Country. (4) If born at sea, write "At Sea." NOTE.—In the case of persons born elsewhere than in England or Wales, state whether "English" or "Welsh" in this Country.	(1) British sub- ject by permis- sion. (2) "Naturalized British sub- ject," giving year of natural- ization. Or (3) If of foreign nationality, state whether "Naturalized British sub- ject," or "Alien." state this infirmity opposite that per- son's name, on the age at which he or she became infirmed, etc.	If any person included in this Schedule is— (1) "Totally blind," (2) "Totally deaf," (3) "Totally paralyzed," (4) "Totally deaf and dumb," (5) "Totally blind and dumb," (6) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (7) "Totally paralyzed and deaf," (8) "Totally paralyzed and blind," (9) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (10) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (11) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (12) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (13) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (14) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (15) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (16) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (17) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (18) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (19) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and dumb," (20) "Totally paralyzed and deaf and 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