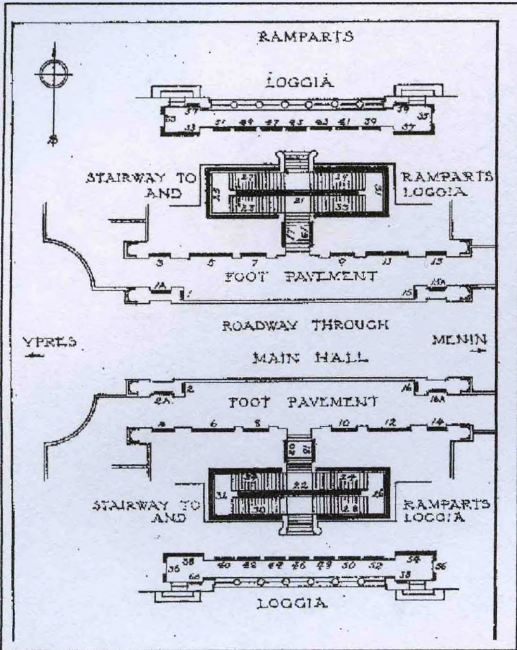


PARKIN, Whyt Burnett Houston

Born March 11 1893, Lindsay ON, son of Charles & Margaret of Norland, signed up in Hamilton 1915.
Killed in Action Nov 6 1917 at Ypres Belgium. No known grave but commemorated on Menin Gate,
 Panel Reference: 24 - 26 - 28 - 30. Served WW1 451515 76th Overseas Bttn, 24th Bttn Cdn Infantry
 Quebec Reg't and 4 years 45th Victoria Reg't.

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1911 Census Laxton 27 p6 Lines 43-47
 Family recorded as 'Perkin'
 Charles Oct 1856
 Margret May 1857
 Whitfield Mar 1893
 Larry Apr 1898
 Franklin Adair 7 Oct 1901

1901 census Laxton J p9 Lines 5-10
 Family all born Ontario. Methodist
 Charles Oct 1858 (English origins)
 Maggie May 1859 (Irish origins)
 Wellington Oct 1885
 Mary Elvira bn Oct 11 1888 in
 Lindsay d Jan 10 1923, buried
 Coboconk
 Whitfield Mar 1892
 Byron LeRoy Apr 11 1898 Co Victoria

His pts marriage 22 Dec 1886 in Hamilton ON: Charles A Parkin s/o Charles & Talinda to Margaret Ann Houston, d/o Andrew & Mary. Father birthplace Palmyra NY. Margaret birthplace: "Blanchard Twp" Victoria Co. Mother's death record May 9 1920 spells maiden Hewson, (grandmother 'Adair'), burial Norland.

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ATTESTATION PAPER.
 76th OVER SEAS BATTALION C.E.F.
 CANADIAN OVER SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.

1. What is your name? *Parkin, Whyt*
2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born? *Lindsay, Ont., Canada*
3. What is the name of your next-of-kin? *Mrs. Margaret Parkin (m)*
4. What is the address of your next-of-kin? *Lindsay, Ont., Canada*
5. What is the date of your birth? *March 11 1893*
6. What is your Trade or Calling? *Soldier*
7. Are you married? *No*
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? *Yes*
9. Do you now belong to the Active Militia? *Yes*
10. Have you ever served in any Military Force? *Yes, 45th Victoria Reg't, 4 years*
11. Do you understand the nature and terms of your engagement? *Yes*
12. Are you willing to be attested to serve in the CANADIAN OVER SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE? *Yes*

Whyt Parkin (Signature of Man)
H. Parks (Signature of Witness)

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, *Whyt Parkin*, do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements by me now made, and I hereby engage and agree to serve in the Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force, and to be attached to any arm of the service therein, for the term of one year, or during the war now existing between Great Britain and Germany should that war last longer than one year, and for six months after the termination of that war provided His Majesty should so long require my services, or until legally discharged.

Date **JUL 26 1915** *Whyt Parkin* (Signature of Recruit)
Keith Wilson (Signature of Witness)

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, *Whyt Parkin*, do make Oath, that I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will as in duty bound honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown and Dignity, against all enemies, and will observe and obey all orders of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and of all the Generals and Officers set over me in the field.

Date **JUL 26 1915** *Whyt Parkin* (Signature of Recruit)
Norman Nicholson (Signature of Witness)

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE.

The Recruit above-named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.
 The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence.
 I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said Recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me, at **HAMILTON** this *26th* day of *July* 191*5*

Whyt Parkin (Signature of Justice)
H. Parks (Approving Officer)
Capt 76th Battalion

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The Menin Gate Memorial, situated at the eastern side of the town of Ypres (now Ieper) in the Province of West Flanders, on the road to Menin and Courtrai, bears the names of 55,000 men who were lost without trace during the defence of the Ypres Salient in the First World War. This memorial consists of a "Hall of Memory", and in the centre are broad staircases leading to the ramparts which overlook the moat, and to pillared loggias which run the whole length of the structure. On the inner walls of the Hall, on the side of the staircases and on the walls of the loggias, panels of Portland stone bear the names of the dead, inscribed by regiment and corps.

Carved in stone above the central arch are the words: 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.

Over the two staircases leading from the main Hall is the inscription: HERE ARE RECORDED NAMES OF OFFICERS AND MEN WHO FELL IN YPRES SALIENT BUT TO WHOM THE FORTUNE OF WAR DENIED THE KNOWN AND HONOURED BURIAL GIVEN TO THEIR COMRADES IN DEATH.

The dead are remembered in a simple ceremony that takes place every evening at 8:00 p.m. All traffic through the gateway in either direction is halted, and two buglers move to the centre of the Hall and sound the Last Post.

Description of <u>Partin, Whit</u> on Enlistment.	
Apparent Age..... <u>22</u> years..... <u>4</u> months. <small>(To be determined according to the instructions given in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.)</small>	Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease. <small>(Should the Medical Officer be of opinion that the recruit has served before, he will, unless the man volunteered in any previous service, attach a 480 to his name, for the information of the Assembling Officer.)</small>
Height..... <u>5 ft 9 1/2 ins.</u>	
Girth when fully expanded..... <u>36</u> ins.	
Range of expansion..... <u>4</u> ins.	
Complexion..... <u>Light</u>	
Eyes..... <u>Brown</u>	
Hair..... <u>Brown</u>	
Church of England.....	
Presbyterian..... <u>X</u>	
Wesleyan.....	
Baptist or Congregationalist.....	
Other Protestant.....	
Roman Catholic.....	
Jewish.....	

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named Recruit and find that he does not present any of the causes of rejection specified in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.

He can see at the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs, and he declares that he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for the Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force.

Date 11th 26 1915 191 .

Place Hamilton Staff Surgeon
Medical Officer.

"Insert here "fit" or "unfit".

NOTE.—Should the Medical Officer consider the Recruit unfit, he will fill in the foregoing Certificate only in the case of those who have been attested, and will briefly state below the cause of unfitness.

CERTIFICATE OF OFFICER COMMANDING UNIT.

Whit Partin having been finally approved and inspected by me this day, and his Name, Age, Date of Attestation, and every prescribed particular having been recorded, I certify that I am satisfied with the correctness of this Attestation.

H. Park (Signature of Officer)
Date 6 August 1915 Capt 76 Battalion
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