

ARMSTRONG, Johnson (Rob't J)

Born 16 May 1882, Head Lake, Laxton Twp. Died Jan 21 1944, & buried Norland Pinegrove Cemetery.

Served WW1, 726142, 109th Overseas Btn. Lived Norland 1916 & signed up in Coboconk, using X mark, not signature. See attestation paper. Also served 34th Reg't Militia #5 Uxbridge

s/o James & Fannie, of Dartmor ON, near Uphill in 1916.



In 1901 Census, Robert's family is living in Bexley Twp, (B-2 line 10)

James bn Nov 3 age 53
Fanny Dec 26 age 45
Frederick May 9 age 13
Maggie May 10 age 11
John July 16 age 9

Location unknown of other children in the family:
George Allen b Mar 13 1878
Mary Elizabeth Sept 26 1880
Walter Edmond May 17 1887

and Thomas Benjamin born Sept 8 1894 had died 1900

No. 726142
Folio.

ATTESTATION PAPER.

109th OVERSEAS BATTALION, C.-E. F.
CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

DUPLICATE

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.

(ANSWERS.)

Enlisted Feb 11/16

1. What is your surname? Armstrong
- 1a. What are your Christian names? Robert Johnson
- 1b. What is your present address? Norland, Ont.
2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born? Head Lake, Laxton
3. What is the name of your next-of-kin? James Armstrong
4. What is the address of your next-of-kin? Dartmor, Ont.
- 4a. What is the relationship of your next-of-kin? Sister
5. What is the date of your birth? 16th May 1882
6. What is your Trade or Calling? Labourer
7. Are you married? No
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated? Yes
9. Do you now belong to the Active Militia? No
10. Have you ever served in any Military Force? 34th Regiment, No 5 Uxbridge
If so, state particulars of former Service.
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

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

Robert J. Armstrong do solemnly declare that the above are answers made by me to the above questions and that they 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.

Robert J. Armstrong (Signature of Recruit)
[Signature] (Signature of Witness)

Date: Feb 11 1916

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

Robert J. Armstrong 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. So help me God.

Robert J. Armstrong (Signature of Recruit)
[Signature] (Signature of Witness)

Date: Feb 11 1916

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 Coboconk this 23rd day of Feb 1916

[Signature] (Signature of Justice)

M. F. W. 28.
S. O. M. - 11-16.
R. G. 1172-29-241.

Description of Robert Johnson Armstrong on Enlistment.

Apparent Age 32 years 8 months.
 (To be determined according to the instructions given in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.)

Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease.

(Should the Medical Officer be of opinion that the recruit has served before, he will, unless the man acknowledges to any previous service, attach a slip to that effect, for the information of the Approving Officer.)

Height 5 ft 7 1/2 ins.
 Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 36 1/2 ins.
 Range of expansion 39 ins.
 Complexion Ruddy
 Eyes Blue
 Hair Fair

Removes size of 10 cent piece over lower inner end of scapula.

Religious denominations.
 Church of England.....
 Presbyterian.....
 Methodist..... X
 Baptist or Congregationalist.....
 Roman Catholic.....
 Jewish.....
 Other denominations.....
 (Denomination to be stated.)

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 Feb 11th 1916
 Place Wood

J. McCracken Capt.
 Medical Officer
 109th Overseas Battalion, C.E.F.

*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.

Robert Johnson Armstrong 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.

J. J. McE... Lt. Col. (Signature of Officer)
 O.C. 109th Overseas Battalion, C.E.F.
 Date FEB 26 1916