

ORIGINAL

(Instructions for compiling this Form are contained in A.F.B.199B.)

P/45951

Comptrol

BEHRENS

065

Regiment or Corps } Royal Artillery  
Christian Names } EDWARD

Surname } Major Beddington Behrens M.C. PH.D.M.A.  
Recorded Address } [Redacted]

Serial Number of Index Card [Redacted]

(1.) WHERE EDUCATED { (a) Schools Charterhouse R.M.A. Woolwich Date of Birth 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 1897  
(b) University Christ Church Oxford London University Place of Birth Paris  
or Technical College Religious Denomination [Redacted] NATIONALITY Officer English  
Officer's Father English  
Officer's Mother English

(2.) Name and Address of Next-of-kin or Guardian, other than Wife (for reference in case of emergency) Relationship Name and Address of Officer's Bankers or Agents  
Mrs Violet Seluff [Redacted] aunt Westminster Bank, Hanover Sq London W.1.  
National Provincial Bank, Head Office, E.C.2  
Chase National Bank, New York U.S.A.

(3.) If Married, Name of Wife Wife's Nationality at Birth Date of Marriage Names of Children living Date of Birth Sex  
Barbara English 29 July 1931 [Redacted]

(4.) Schools and Courses of Instruction Place From To Result Authority (5.) Examinations for Promotion Date Result Whether gained: Special Certificate  
R.M.A. Woolwich 1915-16 anti aircraft course Beacon Hill 1939 3 weeks  
London School of Commerce attached 24 Medium Regt. R.A. for training 1939 2 weeks  
in periods between Jan - Aug 1939  
Adm. Staff course No.5 Oxford 13.6.41 [Redacted] MS.16 3870

(6.) SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS  
(a) Foreign Languages French as fluently as English (f) Any special knowledge or experience not included in (a) to (e)  
(b) Knowledge of Foreign Countries was on Permanent Secretariat League of Nations (1921-4) Deputy Chairman Army League Committee (1937) & Drafted Report to Government on Army Reforms. Members of Committee included F.M. Lord Milne, F.M. Sir Philip Chetwode, Gen Sir Ronald Charles etc.  
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Council Federation of British Industries. Chairman Ocean Trust Ltd. Director Ideal Boilers & Radiators Ltd. For 5 years Deputy Chairman Montague Burton Ltd etc has reorganised and refinanced several of the most important industrial concerns in the country

(d) Legal Qualifications (giving particulars)

Student Middle Temple

(e) Professional or Artistic qualifications or degrees, or Membership, etc., of Learned Society

Ph.D. (Political Science) London University Passed 1st class Civil Service Exam. M.A. Honours. Oxford University occasional lecturer London University. Columbia Harvard etc

Gen Sir Ronald Charles etc

(7.)

Campaigns

Period

(9.)

Honours and Rewards, including Mentions in Despatches

Date of Gazette or other Authority

France  
1st & 2d Battle of the Somme  
1st & 2d Battle of Arras  
Post date. continuously in the line  
for whole period

From	To
May 16	May 18
Aug 18	to end of war

MC awarded 30.6.17  
Bar to MC awarded 19.4.18  
mentioned in Despatches

Aug 16 1917

9th April 1917

(8.)

Wounds and Nature

Place and Date

Pension or Gratuity

Gas and Shell Shock

Arras May 1918

(10.) PARTICULARS OF SERVICE, RECORD OF MOVEMENTS, APPOINTMENTS, ETC. (Promotions will be shown in para. (12)).

Station

Date

Authority

1<sup>st</sup> commissioned August 1915. 1<sup>st</sup> East Anglian Brigade T.A.  
then resigned went to Woolwich and commissioned as Lieut Regular Army

Aug 1915  
30 May 1916

commanded D85 Battery AA (4.5 How) last 6 weeks of war.

Appointed to a T.A. commission in the rank of Major R.A.  
Posted to 63rd (W.R) Medium Regiment R.A. and appointed second in command  
Posted from 63rd (W.R) Medium Regiment R.A., Melksham to the B.E.F. w.e.f. 23.12.39

Melksham

10.6.39  
7.11.39  
23.12.39

W.O. letter No.  
P/45951/6 (A.G.6.P)  
dated 23.2.40.

Ad Hosp. 8.6.40 (wounded) 14.6.40 2<sup>nd</sup>

Emb 105. Stockholm - 2<sup>nd</sup>

8.6.40.

App'd G.S.O. 3rd grade H.Q. Aux. Units G.H.Q. Home Forces. 28.7.40

Home

8.8.40

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App'd G.S.O. 2nd grade (Person) G.H.Q. Home Forces. 31.3.41. Relinq. 13.6.41.

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21.3.41

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Posted to 'Atta' Depot R.A. from Staff (G.S.O. 2 Liaison) G.H.Q. Home Forces.  
Losses to 140 Regt.

18.6.41  
9.9.41

PL.244(Ad)  
PL.247(FD)

Delete P.L.366 Ser 17 in detail  
to be 2<sup>nd</sup> in command 146 Regt. Rel 2nd Comd. 12.5.42. 8 Comd 23.12.42. 8th Comd 31.1.44.  
Relegated to unemployment 11.5.42.  
To return (age limit) 1/9/48 LG 22/3/51

10.4.42  
11-5-42

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~~6.7.42~~

~~12.12.42~~

55 Feb 1.  
London

(11.) Country

From

To

Period

Home

Abroad

(12.)

Promotions

(11.)	Country	From	To	Period				(12.) Promotions		
				Home		Abroad		Rank	Date	Authority
				Years	Days	Years	Days			
								Major	10th May 1939	

(13.)	FINDING OF MEDICAL BOARDS AS TO FITNESS FOR GENERAL DUTY WITH REGIMENT OR CORPS	Date	Place where held and Authority	Sick leave granted	
				From	To
	Fit g. s. Lt "A"	30.12.40	Oxford. P/45951/8.		

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Serial No.....

# Notification of Officer "Casualty"

Nature of  
Commn.....

**T.A.**

Regt. or  
Corps.....

**R.A.**

Rank/s.....

**MAJ.**

Name **E.O. DEWRENS MC.**

P. No. **49951**

(THIS SPACE TO BE USED FOR NATURE OF CASUALTY)

**HAVING EXCEEDED THE AGE LIMIT, TO RETIRE 1ST SEPT. 1948, AND TO RETAIN THE RANK OF MAJ.**

**FOR LOND.GAZ.(SUPP) 27TH MAR, 1951.**

Authy.....

M.S.2

**TA**

**1.3.**

**51.**

51-616B

*Noted  
AGC6 (Mob)  
Rck 6/3/51  
of*

Signature.....



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DATE OF BIRTH... 7 Feb. 1897.

RELIGION... C.F.E. Army Form E 501.

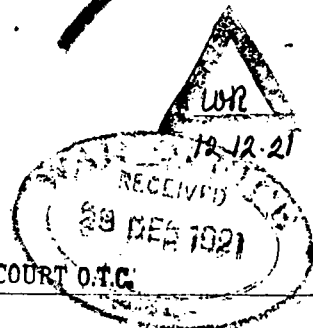
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# TERRITORIAL FORCE.

4 years' Service in the United Kingdom.

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 3622 Name Behrens, Edward, Beddington. Corps INNS OF COURT O.T.C.



### Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your Name and Address? ..... 1. Edward, Beddington, Behrens.  
.....  
.....
2. Are you willing to be attested for service in the Territorial Force for the term of 4 years (provided His Majesty should so long require your services) for the County of \* LONDON to serve in the † INNS OF COURT O.T.C.? ..... 2. Yes
3. Have you received a notice stating the liabilities you are incurring by enlisting, and do you understand them? ..... 3. Yes
4. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in the Royal Navy, the Army, the Royal Marines, the Militia, the Special Reserve, the Territorial Force, the Imperial Yeomanry, the Volunteers, the Army Reserve, the Militia Reserve, or any Naval Reserve Force? If so, state which unit, and, if discharged, cause of discharge ..... 4. Charterhouse O.T.C.
5. Are you a British Subject? ..... 5. Yes

Under the provisions of Sections 13 and 99 of the Army Act, if a person knowingly makes a false answer to any question contained in the attestation paper, he renders himself liable to punishment.

I, Edward Beddington Behrens 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 made.

Edward Beddington Behrens SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

J. Matthews Signature of Witness.

### OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Edward Beddington Behrens swear by Almighty God, 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, according to the conditions of my service.

### CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

I, A guest Matthews do hereby certify, that, in my presence, all the foregoing Questions were put to the Recruit above named, that the Answers written opposite to them are those which he gave to me, and that he has made and signed the Declaration, and taken the oath at 10, STONE BUILDING, on this 17 day of

LONDON, W.C.

May 1915. Aly Matthews Signature of Justice of the Peace, Officer, or other person authorized to attest Recruits.  
INNS OF COURT O.T.C.

If any alteration is required on this page of the Attestation, a Justice of the Peace should be requested to make it and initial the alteration under Section 80 (6), Army Act.  
The Recruit should, if he require it, receive a copy of the Declaration on Army Form E. 501A.  
\* Here insert County. † Here insert Corps.



The entries on this page only require to be made from time to time as they occur.

No. 5652 Name Behrens - E. B

MILITARY HISTORY SHEET.

1. Service.

Place	From	To	Years	Days
Home	17.5.15	14.9.15	—	121

		Initials of Officer making the entry
2. Passed classes of Instruction† †This includes any authorised class of instruction		
3. Campaigns (including medals and decorations)	Home. 17.5.15 to 14.9.15	EB
4. Wounded		
5. Effects of wounds		
6. Special instances of gallant conduct and mentions in public despatches		
7. Annuities		
8. Injuries in or by the Service		
9. Name and address of next of kin	Walter Behrens Esquire (father) [Redacted]	
	Sidney Schiff Esquire (uncle) [Redacted]	agm

Weight 149

Description of Behrens, E. B. on Enlistment.

MEDICAL INSPECTION REPORT.

(Applicable to all Ranks.)

Name Behrens, Edward, Bedlington.

Apparent age 18 years 7 months.

Height 5 feet 10 3/4 inches.

\*Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 39 inches.  
Range of expansion 3 inches.

Vision V.R. 6/6 V.L. 6/6

Physical-development Good

L. 6/6  
R. 4/6

\* Chest measurement will be obtained by adjusting the tape so that its posterior upper edge touches the inferior angles of the shoulder blades, and its anterior lower edge the upper part of the nipples, while the arms hang loosely by the side.

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. 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; he does not suffer from hernia; and declares that he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him\* fit for the Territorial Force.

Date May 17 1915

Place 10, STONE BUILDINGS,  
LINCOLN'S INN,  
LONDON, W.C.

D. Rice-Oxley CAPTAIN,  
ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS (T)

\* 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 Primary Military Examination.

I hereby certify that the above-named Recruit was inspected by me, and I consider him\* fit for service in the † INNS OF COURT O.T.C. and that due care has been exercised in his enlistment.

Date May 17<sup>15</sup> 1915

Place 10, STONE BUILDINGS,  
LINCOLN'S INN,  
LONDON, W.C.

Alf Maltunes } Recruiting Officer.  
INNS OF COURT O.T.C.

\* Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

† Insert the "Regiment" or "Corps."

\* Certificate of Approving Officer.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the † INNS OF COURT O.T.C.

If enlisted by special authority, Army Form B. 203 (or other authority for the enlistment) will be attached to the original attestation.

Date May 25<sup>16</sup> 1915

Place 10, STONE BUILDINGS,  
LINCOLN'S INN,  
LONDON, W.C.

J. A. Hay } Approving Officer.  
MAJOR,  
INNS OF COURT O.T.C.

The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Recruit. The name of the "Regiment" or "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

16. January, 1922



Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 19th December, 1921, I am directed to inform you that the records in this office show your services to have been satisfactory and nothing of an adverse nature is recorded against you.

The following is a statement of your services in the Regular Army :-

Appointed to a commission as 2nd Lieutenant, Royal Field Artillery,	26. 5.16.
Mentioned in Despatches, see London Gazette dated	18. 5.17.
Awarded the Military Cross, see London Gazette dated	16. 8.17.
Promoted Lieutenant	26.11.17.
Awarded Bar to Military Cross, see London Gazette dated	22. 6.18.
Appointed acting Captain	17.10.18.
Resigned and appointed to the Reserve of Officers in the rank of Lieutenant with seniority of 26.11.17.	18. 2.19.
Served in France.	

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

*Lt. Genl. Sawbrey*  
Lieutenant General,  
Military Secretary.

Lieutenant E.B.Behrens.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

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(Mc)

Regiment or Corps R.F.A.  
 Regimental No. 2 Rank 1st Lieut Name E. BEDDINGTON-BEHRENS.  
 Enlisted (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Terms of Service (a) Regular Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_  
 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) \_\_\_\_\_

WAR J. 518/100—11/2/14

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				
18-6-16	Col. 29.	From Base to 124th Battery R.F.A.	Field.	15-6-16	B213
15-4-16	—	To 126th Battery R.F.A.	—	10-4-16	B213
30-10-16	—	Appointed orderly officer H.Q.	—	25-11-16	B158.
31-1-14	—	Leave to United Kingdom	—	23-1-1914	} B158.
28-2-14	—	To 126th Battery R.F.A.	—	1-2-14	
2-4-14	—	To Hospital. Sick.	—	8-2-14	B213.
1-4-14	12 Str. Str.	Adm. N.Y.D. Diphtheria	—	1-4-14	B213
4-4-14	—	Discharged to Duty	—	1-4-14	W. 3024
				4-4-14	—
	Ob. 16	Granted leave to H.Q. from	14/8/14 to 24/8/14		B213 & 25/8/14
		leave extended to		30/8/14	W.O 1536/1002 d/c 25/8/14

In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D. Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered. e.g., Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties. (P.T.O.)

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Date	From whom received				
		Awarded M.La. Ruby London Gazette		11/8/17	
		For conspicuous gallantry & devotion to duty. During a very heavy bombardment of his Bty he showed the greatest courage and promptitude in extinguishing fire amongst camouflages and ammunition. He also brought under cover a Sgt. who was badly wounded. His energy prevented the destruction of much ammunition and material.			
31.12.17	29 Bde	Granted Dec to Lt. from 201 21/17 to		8/1/18	B213
13.4.18	---	To Hospital N.Y.D. Co.	Field	5.4.18	B210
12.4.18	hivepool merchants	Admitted to San Shell Pk.		13.4.18	43034
10.4.18	---	Lt. Englande pr A.S. Francis Elizabeth.		15.4.18	13083
		Disembarked.	Naval	14.9.18	Bone Post.
14.9.18	Ol. Reinf.	To 1st Army Art. Reinf.	---	15.9.18	---
21.9.18	Ol. 1st Army Reif	joined camp + parties to 4th Div. Art. Bty	Field	19.9.18	---
30.9.18	Ol. 29 Bde	joined 126th Battery R. Art.	---	25.9.18	B158
14.10.18	---	To 2/189th Brigade R. Art.	Field	14.10.18	B213.
3.11.18	(O. B.)	To be Capt which employed in 2nd in Cameroun to G. Bty		3.11.18	1st Lt. No. 12