

## WORLD WAR SHRINE

5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 1917  
THE STAR

### TO OUR FALLEN HEROS WAR SHRINE UNVEILED IMPRESSIVE SPEECH BY THE LIEUT-GOVERNOR



The War Shrine, presented to the Parish of St Peter Port by Messrs. E. J. Dene (left) and J. Smith (centre), of Pollet Street, and erected at the foot of Smith Street by them, was unveiled with due solemnity on Thursday afternoon by His Excellency General Sir Regd. C. Hart, V. C., K. C. B., K. C. V. O. Long before the appointed hour the lower part of Smith Street and the adjacent thoroughfare was thronged with representatives of all classes of the community, as well relatives of the brave men whose names are inscribed on the Shrine. A strong force of Special Constables, under the direction of the Constables of St Peter Port, and the members of the Town Police Force, assisted and combined to keep the road.

A Guard of Honour, composed of N. C. O's and men of the Guernsey Companies who had returned from active service, headed by the bugles and drums, and under the command of Capt H. A. Le Bas, accompanied by Lieut P. F. Trotter and Lieut B. C. Jones, took up their place in front of the Yacht Hotel, awaiting the arrival of His Excellency. The Guernsey Volunteer Corps Band was drawn up on the right of the Guard of Honour and the Volunteers, under the Commandant H. H. Randell, lined the route on both sides of Smith Street.

Among the military present were Lieut -Col H. J. de la Condamine, Lieut-Col H. H. W. Nason, Major J. Rowley, Major Carey Curtis, Major H. E. Mauger, Capt J. H. Luscombe, Capt Roy Leale, Lieut. Carey and others.

His Excellency, with whom was Lady Hart, Mrs. d'Ovley and Miss Hart-Synnot, Col. H. St. Leger, Wood, D. S. O., Col J Macartney, C. B., Capt. W. McGowan, A. D. C., arrived at three o'clock, and was received

with the Royal Salute, the band of the G. V. C. playing the first six bars of the National Anthem, His Excellency then inspected the Guard of Honour.

### HIS EXCELLENCY'S ADDRESS

After the inspection His Excellency and Lady Hart were directed by Messrs. Priaulx and Murdoch to the specially erected platform in Messrs. Le Riche's shop doorway, near the Shrine, which was covered with a huge Union Jack. His Excellency then delivered the following address:

"The Shrine, which I am about to unveil, has been presented to St Peter Port by two of the Townsmen as a tribute of respect to the memory of two officers and 46 men of the Town Parish who have lost their lives in the present war.

This is necessarily a religious ceremony, very solemn and very sad.

The Guard of Honour is formed of officers and men who have been to the Front, and many of them have been wounded. They were the comrades of our dead heroes, and shoulder to shoulder they faced death, and all the terrible hardships of the trenches. It has pleased God to spare their lives, but we must never forget the debt of gratitude we owe to those volunteers who answered the call of the King, the Successor of the Dukes of Normandy, and came forward ready to sacrifice all, even their lives, for the sake of King and Country.

### THE ROLL OF HONOUR

His Excellency then called the Roll of Honour as follows:

Pte. C. C. Marquis, Pte. R. C. Le Vasseur, Pte. A Dummond, Lance-Corpl. G. Male, Pte. S. A. Toms, lance-Corpl. R. W. B. Mourant, Capt. E Graeme Ozanne, Pte. H. E. Goodman, Pte. B. E. Mauger, Pte. W. G. E. Knight, Leading Seaman A. Male, Lance-Corpl. R. West. Pte. C. H. Harrison, Corpl. C. J. Smith, Pte. F J Le Poidevin, Lance-Corpl. W. G. Machon, Corpl. W. T. Golding, Lance-Corpl. W J. Salmon, Pte. A. Taylor, Pte. F. G. Gale, Pte. P. S. Guilbert, Gunner. T. Waterman, Pte. F. Rowswell, Pte. L. Orvin, Pte. A. A. Gillman, Lance-Corpl. A. P. Mallett, Pte. C. G. W. Mitchell, Lance-Corpl. C. Flux, Pte. G Dimmer, Pte. F. C. Bullock, Pte. C. Druce, Sergt. C. H. Austin, Lieut. E. J. Hopwood, Drummer. J. Brehaut, Pte. E. A. Wood, Pte. A. J. Salmon, Pte. M. Somers, C. S. M. F. J. Hamblen, Corpl. J. Richer, Pte. J. S. Guppy, Pte. N. Lawless, Pte. C. Glasse, Corpl. C. J. Barnes, Pte. W. J. Ballen, Pte. A. D. Barrasin, Pte. T Russell, Driver. W. G. H. Mauger, Corpl. A. Attewell."

In reading the names inscribed on the tablet, His Excellency drew attention to the fact that Capt. E. Graeme Ozanne, who was killed in action in February 1915, was the only son of the Bailiff and Mrs Ozanne.

His Excellency also referred to the two brothers of the Male and Salmon families, who had given up their lives, Lance-Corpl. G. Male and Leading Seaman A. Male; Lance-Corpl. W. J. Salmon and Pte. A. J. Salmon.

### THE CALL FOR FORTITUDE

Continuing, His Excellency said: Many people will uncover when they pass the Shrine, and breathe a prayer, according to their religious belief. Some may pray for the souls of the departed, some may pray to the spirits of the dead as to guardian angels, and it may be that the veil that separates us from the next life may not be so impenetrable as we think. Many will pray for the comforting of the bereaved relatives to whom those brave men were so dear. There can be few now who from want of experience, cannot sympathise deeply with the crushing anguish of bereaved parents, widows and children. Some are sustained by their religious belief, but it is only Time that softens grief. There is something gone in our lives and the blank remains, and we have to live on because it is our duty, and certainly occupation does help us in the time of great sorrow.



Man that is born of a woman hath but short time to live. It does not matter how long we are allowed to play our part in this drama of life, but what does matter is how we do our duty in that state of life unto which it hath pleased God to call us.

Surely the heroic dead have played their part well and earned a Crown of Glory. Did they not follow in the footsteps of Christ and give their lives for others?

Their lives will be examples to follow for generations to come.

They have passed through the valley of the shadow of death.

### **THE UNVEILING**

His Excellency then unveiled the Shrine, the Guard of Honour "Present Arms" and the Buglers sounding "The Last Post." The male members of the public uncovered during the brief ceremony.

After the Union Jack which covered the Memorial had been hoisted to the masthead above, His Excellency added a few words as follows:

"It was better that our dead heroes answered the call of duty and went and did not return than that, being of Military age, they had thought only of their own selfish interests and stayed back.

Let us not think of them as lost but gone before.

Death is not a long sleep but a joyful awakening to the life everlasting. Therefore we will sound the "Reveille."

The Buglers having sounded the "Reveille," the Guard of Honour saluted, whilst the band played the National Anthem, thus terminated the brief Ceremony.

Among those who witnessed the proceedings were Col. A. H. Collings, the Rev. S. H. N. Rawdon, Miss Edith Carey, Mr. R. McLean and Mr. G. F. Peek.

The handsome Shrine is made of sheet zinc, varnished dark brown, with gold edging. It is surmounted by a complete Georgian Crown, and at the base is a bowl for flowers. Its size is 1 feet overall, by 3ft by 6ft, and its projection is one foot from the wall. At the top of the Shrine are the words "For God, King and Country" in bold gilt letters. The names are inscribed clearly in black lettering on a satin walnut board, and over the names is the Guernsey coat of arms with laurels in red and gilt, and the inscription "Diex Aie."

## **6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 1917** **THE WEEKLY PRESS**

### **THE WAR SHRINE ENORMOUS CROWD WITNESSES THE UNVEILING**



*Unveiling of War Shrine, S. Peter Port, Guernsey, Jan. 6th, 1917  
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## IMPRESSIVE ADDRESS BY LIEUT-GOVERNOR

The beautiful War Shrine presented to the Town Parish by Messrs J. Smith and E. J. Dene, was unveiled at 3 p.m. on Thursday by His Excellency the Lieut- Governor, who was accompanied by Lady Hart, Mrs D'Oyly and Miss Hart Synnot, Colonel H. St Ledger Wood, D. S. O., Colonel H. H. W. Nason, D. S. O., Colonel Macartney, C. B., Lieut-Colonel H. de la Condamine, Major J. Rowley, Major Carey Curtis, Captain Alderson Archer, Captain W. McGowan, A. D. C., and Messrs O. Priaulx and W. D. Murdoch, Constables of St Peter port.

The Shrine, which contains the names of two officers and 46 men who laid down their lives for King and Country, had been erected on the north gable of the High Street premises of Le Riche's Stores, Ltd. It was covered with a Union Jack, attached to a flag post erected above the Shrine was an improvised platform, from which His Excellency delivered an impressive address.

An enormous crowd assembled to witness the unveiling ceremony, and the thoroughfare was kept clear by a party of Special Constables, and by a detachment of the Guernsey Volunteer Corps, commanded by Commandant H. H. Randell, with whom was Hon. Sub-Commandant J. Naftel, Platoon Commander A. T. de Sausmarez (Adjutant), and Dr C. Jones, (Hon. Medical Officer). The Volunteers who assembled at the Town Arsenal, marched to Smith Street headed by the drum and bugle band of the Corps.

Whilst the Volunteers were assembling at the Town Arsenal, a company of the Royal Guernsey Light Infantry to form a Guard of Honour, under the Command of Captain H. A. Le Bas, marched in headed by the drum and fife band and the bugles of the Battalion. The whole of the men forming the Company have seen active service, and a large proportion wore, one, two and even three strips of Russian gold braid on the left arm, as a sign that they had been wounded. Another small party of the R. G. L. I. helped to keep the ground, and a party of officers who have returned from the front, assembled near the Shrine.

The Guard of Honour, making a brave display with fixed bayonets, marched down to the scene of the unveiling, shortly after the Volunteer Corps, and formed up in line along the eastern side of High Street, facing the Shrine.

Members of the families of the fallen heroes were accompanied with paces near the Shrine.

At 3 o'clock His Excellency the Lieut-Governor walked down Smith Street attended by members of his Staff, and was received with the Royal Salute, the Band of the Guernsey Volunteer Corps playing the first six bars of the National Anthem. His Excellency then inspected the Guard of Honour whilst a selection was played by the Volunteer Corps Band.

Mounting the platform His Excellency addressed the gathering as follows:

"The Shrine, which I am about to unveil, has been presented to St Peter Port by two of the Townsmen as a tribute of respect to the memory of two officers and 46 men of the Town Parish who have lost their lives in the present war.

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At this juncture His Excellency read the names inscribed on the Roll of Honour, calling special attention to the name of Captain F. Graeme Ozanne, only son of the Bailiff and Mrs Ozanne, and to the names of the brothers Lce-Cpl. G Male and Leading Seaman A. Male, and Lce-Cpl. W. J. Salmon and Pte. A. J. Salmon.

Continuing, His Excellency said: Many people will uncover when they pass the Shrine, and breathe a prayer, according to their religious belief. Some may pray for the souls of the departed, some may pray to the spirits of the dead as to guardian angels, and it may be that the veil that separates us from the next life may not be so impenetrable as we think. Many will pray for the comforting of the bereaved relatives to whom those brave men were so dear. There can be few now who from want of experience, cannot sympathise deeply with the crushing anguish of bereaved parents, widows and children. Some are sustained by their religious belief, but it is only Time that softens grief. There is something gone in our lives and the blank remains, and we have to live on because it is our duty, and certainly occupation does help us in the time of great sorrow.

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I now unveil the Shrine.

As the flag was drawn from before the Shrine, the Guard of Honour presented arms, and the Buglers of the R. G. L. I. sounded the "Last Post."

Finally as the concluding notes of the "last post" died away, His Excellency again addressing the gathering, said:

"It was better that our dead heroes answered the call of duty and went and did not return than that, being of Military age, they had thought only of their own selfish interests and stayed back.

Let us not think of them as lost but gone before.

Death is not a long sleep but a joyful awakening to the life everlasting. Therefore we will sound the "Reveill ."

The stirring Reveill  was sounded by the Buglers, and the Guard of Honour came to the "Slope."

His Excellency then left the scene of the unveiling, the Royal Salute being given, and six bars of the national Anthem being played by the Band of the Volunteer Corps.

Shortly afterwards the Guard of Honour marched away by way of High Street, and the Guernsey Volunteer Corps "fell-in" and marched off by way of the Pollet.

The Shrine, which is of zinc, is seven feet high and three feet six inches wide. It is surmounted by a Crown. Below the Crown is a Gothic arch with the inscription "For God, King and Country." Within, painted in gold and colours is the Guernsey coat of Arms, and the Norman battle-cry, "Diex Aie." The tablet on which the Roll of Honour is inscribed is of satin Walnut, and has the superscription "St Peter Port Roll of Honour." Two gilt crosses are placed on either side at the top, and at the base are receptacles in which flowers may be deposited.

#### **LIST OF NAMES OF OFFICERS, N. C.O.'s AND MEN INSCRIBED ON THE WAR SHRINE**

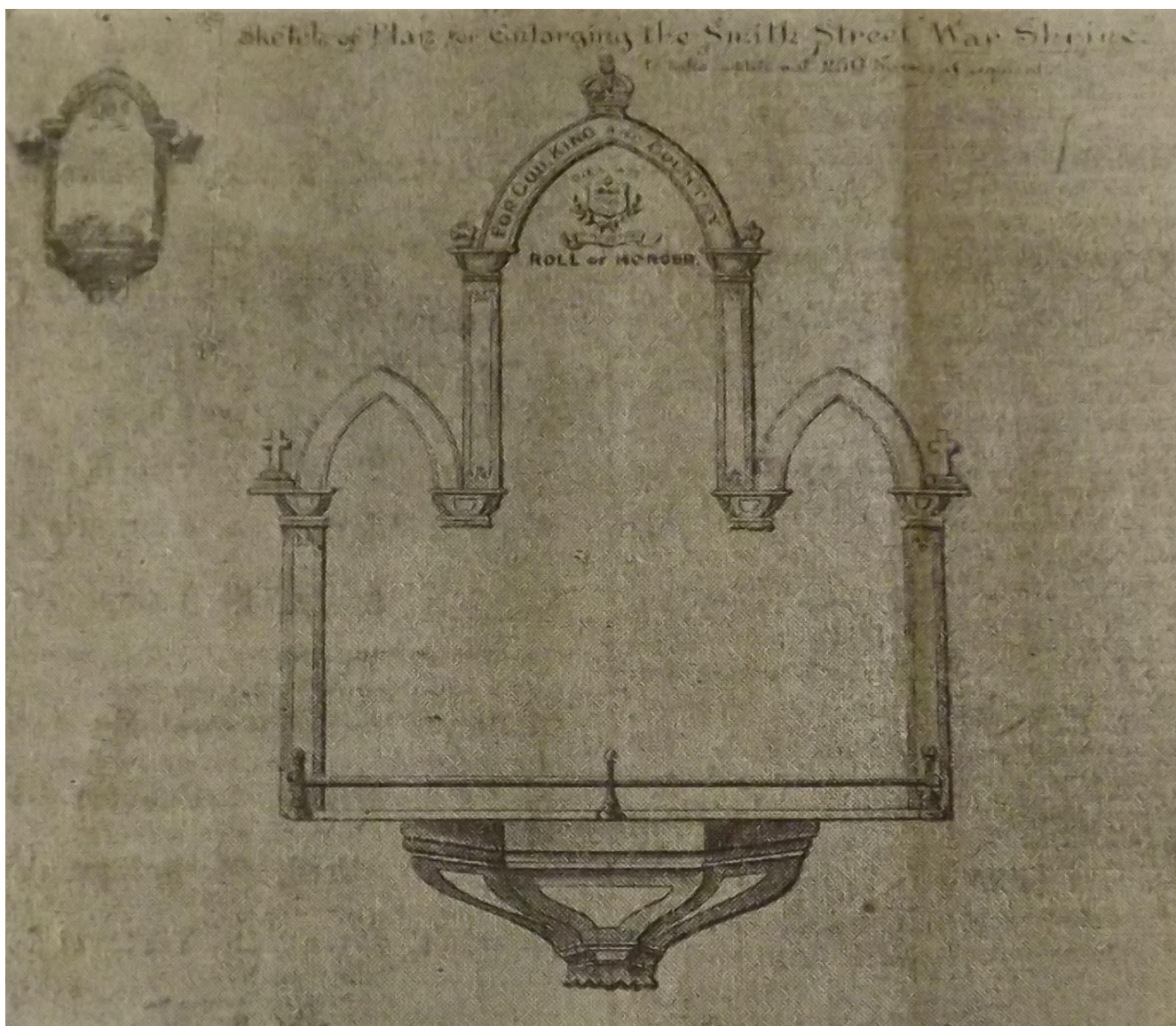
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#### **FUNDS REQUIRED FOR ENLARGEMENT**

Everyone is now familiar with the appearance of the beautiful War Shrine at the corner of Smith Street and High Street. It will be remembered that the Shrine was the generous gift of Messrs E. J. Dene and J. Smith of Pollet, and was unveiled by Gen. Sir Reginald Hart, V.C. Unfortunately it has already been found that the Shrine is too small to accommodate the ever-growing Roll of Honour of St Peter Port, and it is proposed to add wings which will provide space for an additional 250 names. It is estimated that the work of remodelling the Shrine will cost about £50, and the public are asked to subscribe this amount. Generous donations, we may say, have already been promised. Further donations may be sent to the Editor of the "Guernsey Evening Press," or left at the Press Stationary Department, Smith Street, where a list has been placed. Such donations will be acknowledged in the usual manner. Above is reproduced a photograph of the Shrine as it now appears, and a sketch by Mr E. J. Dene, showing the Shrine as it will appear with the addition of the wings.



**3<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY 1920**  
**THE STAR**

### **THE SMITH STREET WAR SHRINE**

The Smith Street War Shrine, removed for enlargement, was yesterday replaced in its former situation after the addition of names and alteration of shape. It was decorated with red, white and blue flowers, and this morning was attracting considerable attraction from passers-by.

**7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 1920**  
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### **THE WAR SHRINE**

On Thursday morning the War Shrine was replaced at the bottom of Smith Street, on the gable of Le Riche's Stores, Ltd. The Shrine has been enlarged from a panel to triptych, and forms a suitable memorial to the glorious dead some of whose names appear on the memorial.

### **REPLACEMENT IN SMITH STREET**

The War Shrine, enlarged from one panel to a triptych, has been replaced in position at the bottom of Smith Street, and attracted general attention on Tuesday. It is a most handsome memorial, and the colour scheme harmonises well with that of the building of Messrs Le Riche Store, Ltd, flanking it.

The original Shrine was the gift of Mr J. Smith, the Sanitary Engineer, who constructed it, and Mr E. J. Dene, the sign-writer, who collaborated in the additional work necessary, and the whole forms a dignified Shrine which constitutes a worthy Parish "In Memorial."





MAJOR G.W. LE PAGE.

LIEUT. COL., W.F.R. DUGMORE, D.S.O.

MAJOR A.H.P. DAVEY.

CAPT. E. GRAEME OZANNE. CAPT. H.T. MELLISH. LIEUT. E.J. HOPWOOD. LIEUT. A. LECKY.  
LIEUT. R. DE B. DE LISLE. LIEUT. F.B. DENHAM. LIEUT. C. LE CHEMINANT. LIEUT. H.A.R. TOOLEY.  
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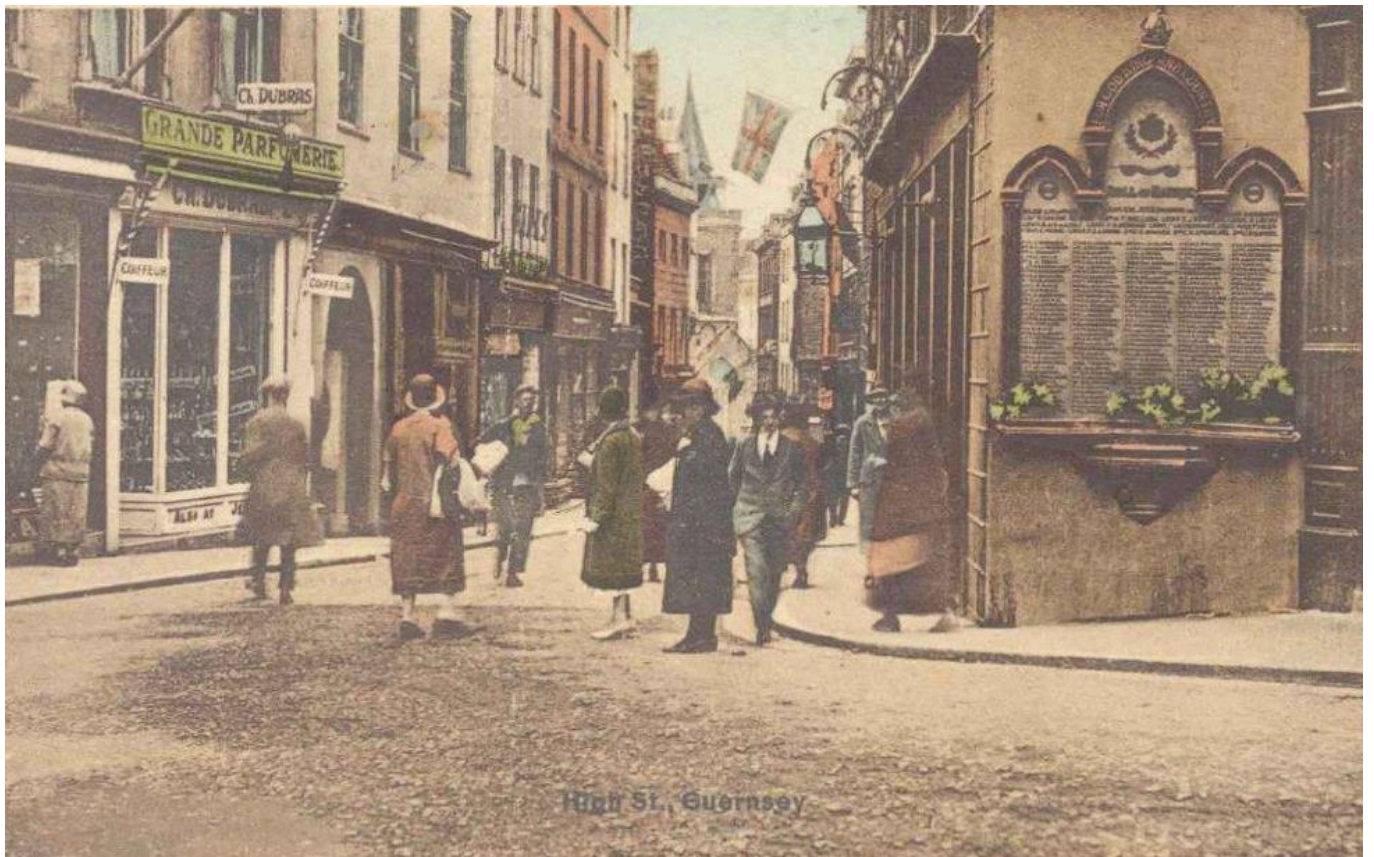
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Passing up Smith St.



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**9<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 1955**

**WILL SMITH STREET ROLL OF HONOUR REAPPEAR?**

The fate of the roll of honour situated at the bottom of Smith St, hangs in the balance. It has been removed to allow workmen to paint Le Riches' premises and now a decision must be made as to whether or not it is worth renovating and replacing.

Erected soon after the First World War, this roll of honour bears the names of islanders who fell defending their country. The cost of erecting it and maintenance has been borne by the St Peter Port taxpayers, and the estimated figure for replacing it stands in the region of £50. Woodwork and metalwork need much attention. All the names which have been painted on the roll have also been entered on plaques situated at the base of the War Memorial at the top of Smith Street.

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**SHOULD THIS MEMORIAL BE PUT BACK?**

Has the roll of Honour at the bottom of Smith Street out-lived the purpose for which it was erected? This is the question which will have to be answered within the next few days.

It has recently been removed from its position on the wall between Le Riches' grocery store and tobacco departments in order to permit workmen to complete the task of painting the frontage.

Erected soon after the First War it bears the names of those islanders of the Town Parish who perished in that four-year conflict, the cost of its erection and maintenance being borne by St Peter Port taxpayers. At the present time it is in bad condition and the cost of renovation would be in the region of £50. The metal work needs attention and the wood work also bears signs of wear.

While it is true that this Roll enriched the area and has helped the public to remember those who paid the supreme sacrifice, it should be pointed out that all the names appearing on it are now also on plaques at the base of the War Memorial situated at the top of Smith Street. This being the case it seems rather pointless to spend tax-payers money on renovating an additional memorial.

If this were done, then relatives of those who died in the last war would be well within their rights to ask for the erection of another Roll of Honour bearing the names of their loved ones, names which have also been engraved on the Memorial at the top of Smith St.

### **DOUZAINÉ MEETING 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 1955**

It was decided that the parish War Shrine removed from its position against the gable wall of Messrs Le Riches' property in Smith Street during the painting of the premises, should not be renovated & replaced. It was felt that as the island War Memorial which included all the names on the Shrine was situated in the Town, no useful purpose was served in maintaining the Shrine. The Constables were authorised to arrange for a photographic record to be made and kept in the Constables Office. Extra copies to be supplied to the Royal Court, Priaulx Library & other institutions if required.

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#### **PLAQUE TO HONOUR THE FALLEN IS DEDICATED**

A Memorial and roll of honour to the First World War dead was dedicated in the Town Church yesterday by the Dean of Guernsey the Very Rev Canon Marc Trickey.

The wooden copy of a plaque that was once fixed to Le Riche's store in Smith Street was unveiled by Lt-Governor Sir John Foley, accompanied by representatives of the Royal British Legion, a Chelsea pensioner and several St Peter Port deputies.

The simple service dedicated the replica, which will hang permanently in the entrance to Checkers at Admiral Park.

Mr Trickey told the congregation that the original, which pre-dated the present war memorial at the top of Smith Street, might have been made because one of the fallen was Herbert Frayling, the son of the store's first manager in Guernsey.

An honour guard from Elizabeth College Combined Cadet Force met Sir John, and during the service Russell Doherty, dressed in the uniform of the Royal Guernsey Light Infantry, stood by the memorial.

Sergeant Bill Moylan, a colleague of 100 years old Albert Alexandre at the Chelsea Royal Hospital, represented who is believed to be Guernsey's oldest soldier.

Mr Alexandre was born in Alderney and came to Guernsey to enlist in the Guernsey Militia in 1916. Aged just 15, he lied about his age and later fought in France.

John Burley, chairman of the Le Riche Group, read a passage from the Wisdom of Solomon and Bill Gallienne read verses of Florence Binyon's For the Fallen, in Guernsey French.



**WAITROSE RETURNS MEMORIAL BOARD TO ITS FORMER GLORY**

**SUPERMARKET PAYS FOR SERVICEMENS PLAQUE TO BE RESTORED**

A commemorative memorial board recognising servicemen who came from St Peter Port has been restored by Waitrose.

During the refurbishment of the Admiral Park store earlier this year it was noticed that the sign, commemorating those who lost their lives in the First World War, had been bleached by the sun due to its position at the entrance of the store.

Waitrose Admiral Park branch manager Allen Edwards said “We thought it was the right thing to renovate the memorial board at the same time as the shop was undergoing work in honour of those who lost their lives in conflict.”

The memorial was originally displayed at the bottom of Smith Street but the chairman of the Le Riches Group at the time, John Burly, came forward to make a replacement.

Since then, the memorial has been situated at the supermarket.

John Brehaut, chairman of the Western Branch and treasurer of the Central Branch of the Royal British Legion, said he was pleased to see the memorial returned to its former glory and added that he felt it incredibly important to honour those who gave their lives for the war effort.

