CAIRNS, ARWOOD LESLIE

Ancestry

EARLY LIFE

May 10, 1897

Born in King Township, Ontario to William and Elizabeth Catherine "Kate" (Shanks) Cairns.

1901 Census

Age 3

Lived in King Township, Ontario with William Cairns (head of house – father, age 34), Catherine Cairns (mother, age 34), Bertha Cairns (sister, age 9), Bruce Cairns (brother, age 7), Florence Cairns (sister, age 6), Marjorie Cairns (sister, age 1), and Sarah Jane Low (lodger, age 24).

1911 Census

Age 13

Lived in King Township, Ontario with William Cairns (head of house – father, age 45), Catherine Cairns (mother, age 45), Bertha Cairns (sister, age 19), Bruce Cairns (brother, age 17), Florence Cairns (sister, age 16), Marjorie Cairns (sister, age 12), Nellie Cairns (sister, age 9), Howard Cairns (brother, age 7), Harold Cairns (brother, age 7), Clyde Cairns (brother, age 4) and Olive Cairns (sister, age 2).

MILITARY SERVICE

May 20, 1918

Attestation Paper

Drafted under Military Service Act, 1917, 2nd Depot Battalion, 1st Central Ontario Regiment

- **Number:** 3235116
- **Present address:** Eversley, Ontario
- **Next of kin given:** Kate Cairns (Mother) in Eversley, Ontario
- **Trade or Calling:** Farmer
- **Married:** No
- **Previous military experience:** No
- **Religion:** Presbyterian
- **Physical attributes:**
  - ***Age:*** 21 years
  - ***Height:*** 5'8"
  - ***Complexion:*** Fair
  - ***Eyes:*** Blue
  - ***Hair:*** Brown

Oct 16, 1918 Age 21 — Transferred to the 15th Battalion.

Oct 17, 1918 Age 21 — Diagnosed with influenza and it took until December 1918 to recover.

May 10, 1919 Age 22 — Private Arwood Cairns was discharged because of demobilization.

AFTER THE WAR

1921 Census Age 23 — Lived in King, Ontario with Catherine Cairns (head of house – mother, age 54), Bertha Cairns (sister, age 29), Nellie Cairns (sister, age 19), Howard Cairns (brother, age 17), Harold Cairns (brother, age 17), Clyde Cairns (brother, age 14), Olive Cairns (sister, age 12) and Elma Cairns (sister, age 9).

Dec 27, 1922 Age 25 — At age 25, Arwood Cairns married Elizabeth Rosa Morning (age 28), daughter of James and Jennie (Hodgins) Morning of Aurora, Ontario. At the time of the wedding, Arwood Cairns worked as a farmer.

Jun 1962 Age 62 — Arwood Cairns died at age 62 in Aurora, Ontario.

MENTIONED IN ALICE FERGUSON'S REMINISCENCES OF EVERSLEY

Honour Roll 1914-1918

REMINISCENCES OF EVERSLEY, ONTARIO, King Township

by Alice A. Ferguson (1950)

On the walls of St Andrews Presbyterian Church at Eversley hang two Honour Rolls of the boys who took part in both Wars.. How well I remember we would meet every week to fill boxes of food and things for these boys, sew them up in cotton and send them off. Rev Robert Brydon was minister at this time with dear old Dr.Carmichael assisting. He had retired after 50 years of service to the Tawse Manse House next to the Church. For 50 years he had lived at Strange, in the house that the congregation had built for him when he came to St Andrews Church in 1860 as the assisting minister to Rev John Tawse whose health was failing.

The Sunday School was flourishing and the YoungPeople's Society and the Church Services were well attended every Sunday. All members of the families would attend divine worship, sometimes two pews were allotted to one family.

1914-1918 Roll of Honour

Pte Harper F. Wells	Pte Henry S Ferguson
Pte Alex McDonald	Pte Fred Hope
Lieu Jas.T Jenkins	Pte Leonard Ferguson
Pte Melville Mitchell	Pte Leslie Hope
Corp T Harry Bovair	Pte Harvey Gellatly
Pte Septimus Ball	Pte J.Pearson Wells
Pte Norman Lloyd	Pte Cecil L. Wells
Pte Roger Gellatly	Pte Lorne Mitchell
Lieu Walter S Jenkins	Pte Arwood Cairns
Lieu Roy Wells	Pte Lindsey Ferguson
Pte Wm Cairns	Pte Arthur Bovair
Pte Alfred Hurst	

IN THE NEWS

Directors for the Horse Show

The Newmarket Era

Thursday, February 1, 1945 pg. 5

Hope To Resume Aurora Horse Show This Summer.

Although there was not a large attendance, members of the Aurora Horse Show decided to investigate the possibilities of having "the show go on" this year, at the annual meeting in the I.O.O.F. hall on Saturday. The show has not been held for several years due to war conditions. A committee, composed of Walter Wood, C. A. Cathers, Lorne Cousins, Charles Casey, Charles Fry, Howard Morning, Robert Hollingsworth and Arwood Cairns, will decide the issue and plan for a social evening.

Elton Armstrong was re-elected president. Along with Mayor Ross Linton and Reeve C. E. Sparks, he expressed the hope that the horse show might be resumed. In the absence of Secretary-Treasurer Alex Kirkwood through illness, Ed Reddick gave the annual reports, which showed a slight increase in the show's strong financial position. Failing the resumption of the show, the possibility of a war charity carnival will be considered.

W. M. Cockburn, agricultural representative for North York, addressed the meeting. He pointed to the success of all fairs being held and the good gate attendances. He was assured the board would make its customary annual grants to aid agricultural projects.

Officers elected were: Pres., Elton Armstrong; 1st vice-pres., A. W. McLennan; 2nd vice-pres., Walter Wood; sec.-treas., Alex Kirkwood; chairman of the board, G. D. Y. Leacock.

Directors re-elected were: Geo. Baldwin, Chas. Fry, Lorne Cousins, Major S. C. Snively, A. Cairns, Robert Hollingsworth, Chas. Casey, R. S. Starr, Alex Doner, Ray Jennings, Walter Bovair, Chalmer Black, Malcolm Richardson, S. P. Jarvis, W. E. Barker, Chas. A. Malloy, Frank Teasdale, Edward Reddick, Alan Mills, Howard Morning, Major Clifford Sifton, Frank Proctor.

New directors added were: John Lawson, Eldon Stoltz, A. E. Maughan, Don Rogers, C. E. Sparks, B. H. Powell, Dr. J. E. Walker, Dr. J. Lockhart. Mrs. Ross Linton was added to the women's section. Delegates to the Ontario fairs convention will be Arwood Cairns, Walter Wood and Elton Armstrong.