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Name: Capt Ernest Pellew ORR-EWING 1st Scots Guards





| | | | Scots Guarts. Son of Sir / bald and the Honourable Orr-Ewing |
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| AK | A: | | Tim ORR-EWING |
| Par | rents: | | Sir Archibald Ernest ORR-EWING (born 22 Feb 1853 - died 21 Apr 1919) and Mabel ADDINGTON (born about 1857 in ENG - died 30 Mar 1942) |
| Life | e Range | 29 Jan 1883- 15 Sep 1916 | |
| Ма | rriage Status: | | This person never married and had no children |
| 22 | Feb 1853 | Birth of Father: | Sir Archibald Ernest ORR-EWING (born 22 Feb 1853 - died 21 Apr 1919). |
| Ab | t 1857 | Birth of Mother: | Mabel ADDINGTON (born about 1857 in ENG - died 30 Mar 1942). In ENG. |
| 29 | Jan 1883 | Birth: | Ayr, Ayrshire, Scotland. |
| 17 | Feb 1915 | Commission: | Re-commissioned. |
| 25 | Feb 1915 | Overseas: | |
| 15 | Sep 1916 | Death: | France. |
| | | Burial: | Guards' Cemetery, Lesboeufs, France. |
| 22 | Sep 1916 | Times Biography: | |
| 21 | Apr 1919 | Father: | Committed suicide - see newspaper articles. |
| | | Siblings: | Sir Norman Archibald Orr Ewing of Ballikinrain, 4th Bt., DSO, MID (5) Born 23 November 1880 died 26 March 1960 Violet Ella Orr Ewing Born 13 December 1881 died 11 April 1969. Married Miles BARNE (KIA 1917) |
| | | | Mabel Ursula Orr Ewing Born 19 April 1887. Married Brig-Gen Gerald Carew SLADE |
| | | CWGC Register: | Son of Sir Archibald and Lady Orr-Ewing, of Ballikinrain. |
| | | CWGC Inscription: | THE LORD BLESS THEE AND KEEP THEE AND GIVE THEE PEACE. |
| | | Personal File: | 339/6173. |
| | | Other: | AKA Tim. Regular Army Officer, resigned 1909, recommissioned 17 Feb 1915. |
| | | First Burial: | Yes: 800 yds NNE Ginchy Church. |
| | | Memorials: | Killearn Kirk, Stirlingshire. |
| | | In Memoriams: | 1917-19 (2), 1920-27, 1935-39. |
| | | Father's Occupation: | AGRIC: Landed Gentry, Yeomanry, East India Merchant. |

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Age

| Brothers: | Youngest of 2. |
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| Empire/Overseas: | CANADA & ARGENTINA: Work. |
| Occupation: | ARMY: Regular Officer, resigned 1909. |
| School: | Eton. |

General Notes:

From Henry Dundas, Scots Guards, a Memoir

Chapter III. France. May to December 1916 http://www.electricscotland.com/history/dundas/index.htm

"I do hope N. Orr-Ewing is coming to us. His brother seemed to know nothing. The latter is, I think, excellent: sees things exactly as they are, tremendously pro-Northcliffe, foams at the ludicrous optimism of people at home over nothing at all. How right— why be anything till there is a reason? Quite good news to-day from the South, but it'll be a fortnight's show, and there was too much of the 'we took the western edge . . . we are holding the northern boundary of this village,' &c. sort of thing in the official thing yesterday. However, let's hope it will be all right.
"B.E.F., 30th September.

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"Still in this camp, but we probably go up into the reserve trenches at Waterlot Farm to-night. It has been pouring since yesterday morning early, but now, thank Heaven! it has stopped, and it looks as if we might have a dry march up. A big draft has just come in from the Entrenching Battalion, and we have now got about 700 men in the Battalion— once more ripe for the slaughter. Poor old Guy Baring, the Colonel of the 1st Coldstream, was buried yesterday. The rain poured down the whole time— a melancholy spectacle. But very impressive. Leslie Childers, I'm glad to say, is going on as well as can be expected, but poor David Barclay is very bad. Shot in the face somewhere, he is blind in both eyes, and his hand is very badly shattered— and only 19½, 5 days younger than I am. What a wicked thing this damned War is. I should like to have pointed out to me just precisely where all the honour and glory lies. It is curiously elusive. I am quite the hardworked young officer just now, as I am doing Bombing Officer and ordinary company duty as well. Barne, the second in command, has taken on 'B' Company till we get more Company Commanders out. Jack Stirling is commanding the 2nd Battalion till the advent of Norman Orr-Ewing. He will feel Tim's death frightfully, as we all do, but especially myself. He was always perfectly charming ever since I came out, and of course one's Company Commander can make or mar one's happiness more or less. I shall miss him frightfully.

"B.E.F., 30th September.

"We leave our line this evening and go to bivouacs somewhere for the night, and then tomorrow we go off somewhere in a train. There is no word of leave, and I should think we must be prepared for one more go in the line at least. I can't think that they will send us over again— it will be the greatest mistake, as we have now just got the nucleus for building up the Division again. But these people behind simply send in every Division till it ceases to exist— cf. the 20th in this corps— a magnificent Division, who among other things took Guillemont. On the 14th they were 3200 strong— the normal strength of a Division is about 10,000— yet since then they have been in almost constant action. Poor dears. I am in rather a gloomy frame of mind this morning, for in the morning I took out some men to bury old Joe Lane, the Adjutant of Willie's Batt.— the 2nd Coldstream. We also buried about 8 men of the Regiment, all killed on the 15th. Not very jolly. I have got an extremely good letter from 'Blacker' which you might like to see, so I enclose it. A great man. Hugh Macnaghten every fortnight sends a sort of letter all about Eton to all his pupils out here. Foss Prior was an Eton Master and a topper. He was in the 60th.

"We have discovered where old Tim was buried, so we've got a cross made out, and are going out to put it up. Poor old Tim, and Willie and Bunny Pease, Lionel Norman, and a hundred others. If they'd had another corps ready to hurl in on the 26th, all would have been well. But of course they hadn't got them up, and so it will be all done over again— 800 yards in advance.

"How great and glorious is war."

GWF: Update May 2014

[&]quot;1st Scots Guards, B.E.F., Sunday, 2nd July.

[&]quot;1st Bn. Scots Guards, B.E.F., Tuesday, 19th September.

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| | pe his brother Norman. | | | |
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| the Honourable Lad Educated at Eton, ar retired and spent th on the outbreak of v was gazetted to his Orr-Ewing was with | e, Ayr, on January 29th, 1883, being the second son of Sir Archibald Orr-Ewing, Bt., of Ballikinlain an y Orr-Ewing, a daughter of the third Viscount of Sidmouth. nd in 1903 received a commission in the Scots Guards. After six years service with the regiment he se ensuing five years in the Argentine and British Columbia. var, he returned to England with a view to offering his services in the cause of King and Country. He old regiment, the Scots Guards, in February 1915. After eighteen months strenuous work, Captain the Guards Division in their big attack made during the progress of the long-drawn out Battle of the of the regiment were severe, and on September 15th Captain Orr-Ewing was killed in action at the v. | | | |
| Sir Archibald Orr-Ev county of Dumbarto Captain Orr-Ewing's 1805, and his great | y, wing is, as is well known, the grandson and namesake of the first Baronet, who represented the wing is, as is well known, the House of Commons and comes of a very ancient Scots family. Is maternal grandfather was Speaker of the House of Commons and was created Viscount Sidmouth grandfather was the famous Viscount Exmouth who took Algiers and rooted out piracy in the h such traditions of high conduct and public service the life and death of Captain Orr-Ewing were in | | | |