

World War 1 Roll of Honour

Birmingham City Police

PC R157 Oswald BLOOR

Private M2/099675 Royal Army Service Corps

Oswald was born 26th March 1885 in Dilhorn, Staffordshire

6th April 1905, Oswald joined Birmingham City Police as a 20-year-old miner. He was issued with warrant number 7440 and was posted to the B Division with collar number PC B25. He had applied to join Stafford County Constabulary but was refused as he was too young

12th March 1908 Oswald was stopped a day's leave for being absent from his night duty beat and found sitting in the porter's room at the Queens Hospital 5.45am 5th March

10th November 1909 Oswald married Ada Atkins and they resided at 175 Lee Bank Road, Birmingham. Their daughter Eileen was born 16th March 1911, Kenneth was born 18th August 1917 and Joyce was born 19th February 1928

24th January 1910 Oswald was transferred to the A Division

30th January 1911 Oswald was reported and again had a days' leave stopped and was cautioned for gossiping with a female in Jamaica Row for 3 minutes when on duty at 9.45 pm January 18th and also for improper conduct at the same time and place

27th November 1911 Oswald was transferred to the C Division with collar number PC C259

11th April 1912 Oswald again had his leave stopped for one day for highly improper conduct by fighting with PC Yates in Hospital Street when on duty at 11.25 pm 9th April, also for being found asleep in a doorway at 1.20 am 10th April

19th June 1912 Awarded a gratuity of a guinea for the arrest of a warehouse breaker in a pawnshop at night leading to his conviction

11th September 1914 A complaint was received from Miss J Hooper 31 Summer Lane that Oswald had insulted her by making an indecent remark to her in Newhall Street at 11 pm 3rd September. The complaint was not substantiated

16th January 1915 Oswald was cautioned for being absent from his special duty for 10 minutes from 2.25 am 14th January and found coming home from a factory

19th May 1915 Oswald resigned to join HM Forces

30th June 1919 Oswald re-joined the police from HM Forces and was issued with a new warrant number of 9052

2nd March 1921 Awarded a guinea for prompt action in rescuing a man from peril when a horse became unseated

30th May 1921 Oswald transferred to the R Division with collar number PC R157, as a probationer for six months in the motor department. He continued to drive all classes of vehicles during his service

9th November 1922 Complimented for rendering first aid (fractured femur)

4th June 1924 Awarded two guineas for rendering first aid in three cases (fractured femur – pelvis – tibia and fibular)

27th November 1924 Awarded a guinea for rendering first aid (fractured radius and tibia)

4th April 1928 Complimented for first aid (fractured femur and wounds)

2nd January 1929 Complimented for rendering first aid artificial respiration – gas)

2nd April 1930 Complimented for rendering first aid (fractured femur)

4th March 1931 Awarded a guinea for rendering first aid (fractures of the leg, crushed fingers, fractured femur, tibia, and fibula)

13th April 1932 Awarded a guinea for rendering first aid fractured tibia and fibula 3 cases, fractured femur and foot, severed artery and fractured femur

26th June 1932 Oswald retired on a police pension of £164 13s 4d per annum whilst residing at 29 Churchill Road, Bordesley Green, Birmingham

1939 Oswald was residing at with Ada and his two daughters, Oswald was a chauffeur

28th March 1968 Oswald sadly died at Good Hope Hospital, his funeral was at Sutton Crematorium 3rd April

