



# Chickenley Wesleyan Chapel

## 'Remembering the Lads of the Village'



DEWSBURY SACRIFICES

### CHICKENLEY WAR MEMORIAL.

#### REMEMBERING THE LADS OF THE VILLAGE.

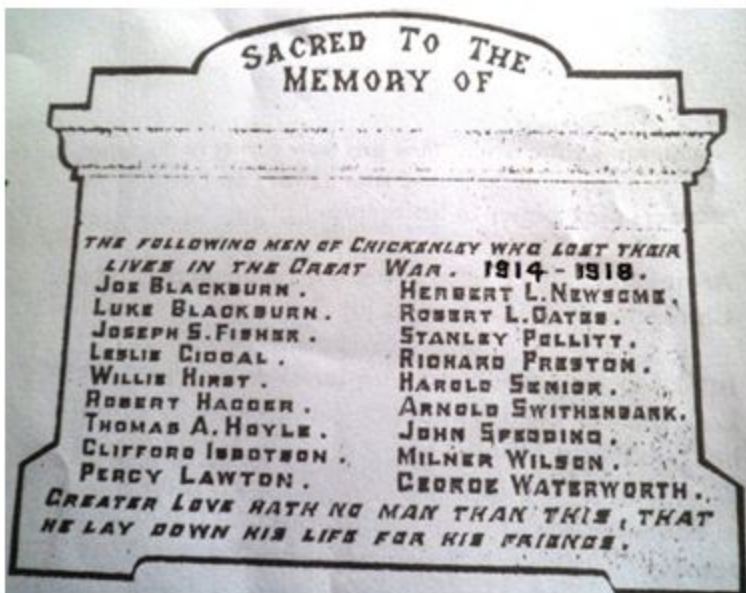
An impressive memorial service in honour of the men of the village of Chickenley who made the supreme sacrifice during the war was held in the Chickenley Wesleyan Chapel on Sunday, when a marble memorial tablet containing the names of the men who gave their lives for their country was unveiled. The service was held in the afternoon, when the chapel was crowded. The Rev. John Bennetts (superintendent of the Ossett Wesleyan circuit) conducted the service, in which the Rev. R. S. Davies (Vicar of Earlsheaton), Rev. J. T. Salisbury, of Horbury Wesleyan Church, and Mr. L. Westerman, of Ossett, also took part. The ceremony of unveiling the tablet was performed by Major P. B. Walker, V.D., J.P., who was in uniform.

The service opened with the singing of the hymn, "O God, our Help in ages past," following which passages of Scripture were read. The Rev. John T. Salisbury then offered prayer, the choir afterwards contributing an anthem, "They that sow in tears," from Gaul's "Holy City." The Vicar of Earlsheaton read an appropriate passage of Scripture, and after a further hymn Major Walker moved to the memorial tablet, which he unveiled, repeating the following words: "In the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, I unveil this roll of honour in lasting memory of our brothers whose names are recorded hereon, and who gave their lives in the cause of peace. Joe Blackburn, Luke Blackburn, Joseph S. Fisher, Leslie Giggall, Willie Hirst, Robert Hagger, Thomas A. Hoyle, Clifford Ibbotson, Percy Lawton, Herbert L. Newsome, Robert E. Oates, Stanley Pollitt, Richard Preston, Harold Senior, Arnold Swithenbank, John Spedding, Milner Wilson, George Waterworth. Remember, O Lord, the brave and the true, who have died the death of honour and are departed in the hope of resurrection to eternal life."

"The Last Post" was then sounded by Second-Lieut. T. G. Kite, late bugler 1/4 K.O.Y.L.I., and after a moment's silence "The Reveille" was also sounded.



CHICKENLEY WESLEYAN CHURCH



### SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF

THE FOLLOWING MEN OF CHICKENLEY WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE GREAT WAR. 1914 - 1918.

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| JOE BLACKBURN.     | HERBERT L. NEWSOME. |
| LUKE BLACKBURN.    | ROBERT L. OATES.    |
| JOSEPH S. FISHER.  | STANLEY POLLITT.    |
| LESLIE GIGGAL.     | RICHARD PRESTON.    |
| WILLIE HIRST.      | HAROLD SENIOR.      |
| ROBERT HAGGER.     | ARNOLD SWITHENBANK. |
| THOMAS A. HOYLE.   | JOHN SPEDDING.      |
| CLIFFORD IBBOTSON. | MILNER WILSON.      |
| PERCY LAWTON.      | GEORGE WATERWORTH.  |

GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS, THAT HE LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS.

### Earlsheaton Wesleyan Dies of Wounds.

Sympathy will be felt with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lawton, 5 Syke Terrace, Earlsheaton, who were officially informed on Monday that their fifth son, Private Percy Lawton (19), Norfolk, had died from wounds received in action on September 20th. It was known that he went up the line on September 17th, and a Huddersfield soldier says he was wounded in three places. Private Lawton was a well-known and respected Earlsheaton young man. He was a teacher at Chickenley Wesleyan Sunday School, and also took a great interest in the work of the church, assisting in all efforts to raise funds. He joined the Forces on July 25th, 1917, and went to France last June. He was an old boy of Earlsheaton Council School, an employe at Messrs. M. Oldroyd and Sons' Spinkwell Mills, and engaged to Miss Edith Parkin, of Syke Terrace.

