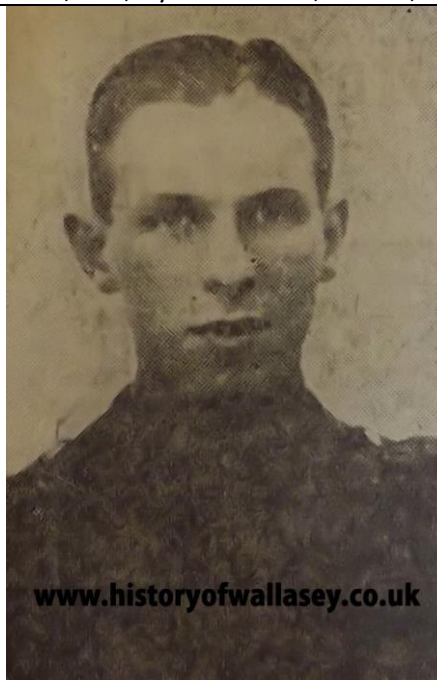


Surname	Blair
Forename(s)	Robert Hannay
Initials	R H
Age	23
Honours/Awards	
Date died	21/03/1918
Rank	Second Lieutenant
Regiment	Royal Field Artillery
Unit/Squadron	"B" Bty. 79th Bde.
Service Number	
Cemetery/Memorial	H.A.C. Cemetery, Ecoust-St. Mein
Grave Reference	VIII.C.20
Further Information	Son of the late Charles Hannay Blair, of Wigtown, and of Agnes Blair, of 3, Hylton Avenue, Liscard, Cheshire.



#### News Report

##### Wallasey Lieut. Killed

Second-Lieut. Robert Hannay Blair, aged 23 years, son of Mrs. Blair, of 3, Hylton Avenue, Wallasey, was killed in the recent fighting in France. He joined the R.A.M.C., West Lancashire Division, in May, 1913, and was mobilised on the outbreak of of war in August, 1914. He proceeded to France with his unit in October, 1915, where he served with them until March, 1917, when, after undergoing a short preparatory course with a Battery of the R.F.A., he returned to England to take up commission. He was gazetted 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant, and appointed to the R.F.A in September, 1917, returning to France in October, 1917. He had just returned to France after spending a fortnight's leave at home and had been appointed to a new Battery, with which he only served three weeks when he was killed by a shell on the opening offensive on March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1918. On leaving school he was apprenticed to Messrs. Miller Bros. (Liverpool) Ltd., in whose services he remained until he was called up.

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