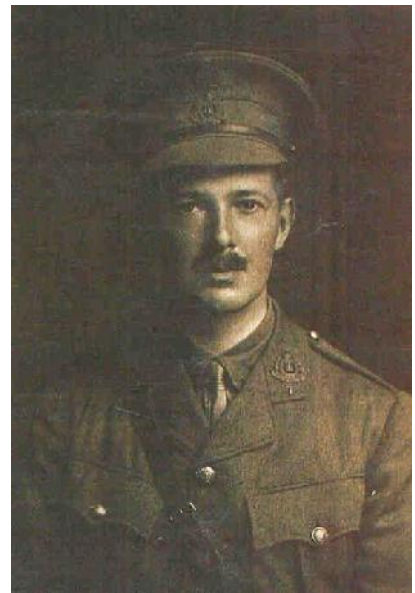


MAJOR HUBERT FREDERIC LING MC TD (1895-1900)

He was born on 4 March 1885 and was a Pembroke Scholar at the College. He qualified as a solicitor in June 1909.

During WW1 he joined in August 1914 as Lieut, 4th Battalion, Suffolk Regiment. He was promoted to Captain in March 1915 and was wounded on 18 August 1916 (see account below). He served in 11th (Pioneer) Service Battalion of the Durham Light Infantry and was awarded the Military Cross on 1 January 1917 serving in France "For distinguished service in the field". He was also mentioned in dispatches. He was made a Major in April 1918.



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<p>to work digging jumping-off trenches, an unpleasant task, as being in No Man's Land they came in for some of our own shells as well as those of the enemy. During the night of the 15th-16th Captain H. N. Duke and 2nd Lieut. K. C. Shuttleworth were wounded while thus employed. During the afternoon of the 17th, a tiresome day of persistent bombardment, a shell burst close to battalion headquarters, severely wounding the adjutant, Lieut. K. W. Turner, who lost his leg. He was succeeded by Captain J. F. L. Fison, employed at divisional headquarters.</p> <p>On the 18th, not long before zero hour, Captain H. F. Ling was wounded, and still later, Lieut. R. D. Hume, M.C., entailing important changes in command at the last moment. Captain Ling remained in the trenches until the attack was over. Neither of the battalions on the right and left was able to make much progress. The 4th Battalion, in the centre, pushed forward. For a time two of our companies occupied Wood Lane trench, but being unsupported, and 2nd Lieut. Bedwell (the only officer to reach the trench) having been killed, it was impossible to hold on. However, considering that the battalion had attacked after four days in the front line, it was justly pleased with its work. A rough night followed, during which the battalion was relieved. Early next morning they moved to Fricourt wood, and at sundown proceeded to a camp north-east of Meaulte, near the Albert road. The casualties on August 18 were as follows—<i>Killed</i> : 2nd Lieuts. V. L. S. Bedwell, H. C. Pawsey, and E. Norton, and 33 other ranks. <i>Wounded</i> : Captain H. F. Ling ; 2nd Lieut. N. E. Suttle, and 108 other ranks. <i>Missing</i> : 50 other ranks. Total, 196.</p> <p>While the battalion was in camp between Becourt and Meaulte some German aeroplanes came over, dropping bombs but doing no damage. On August 24 the 33rd Division was able to make further progress to the north and east of Delville Wood, the battalion moving forward to a different set of trenches in Fricourt wood, with headquarters in a deep dug-out. At 3.45 a.m. on the 25th a bombardment opened for an attack two hours later ; and that afternoon the battalion advanced first to Montauban alley and then to Carleton trench, and during the night to Savoy trench and George street.</p> <p>When going round the trenches at daybreak on the 26th,</p>		

After the war he joined the Territorial Army and was awarded the Territorial Decoration. He was a past President of the Framlingham and District branch of the British Legion.

As a solicitor he worked for FG Ling in Framlingham, was Clerk to the Justices at Framlingham Petty Sesional Divisional and a member of Framlingham Town Council.

He died on 4 February 1957 aged 75 and was buried in Framlingham Cemetery.

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He was killed in a road accident on 22 December 1967 at the age of 86.

This next picture (courtesy of John Bridges (S57-66)) was a picture of Officers before going off to war in August 1914. He is on far right of middle row. Also pictured one from right in front row is **Colonel Edwin Percy Clarke DSO TD (1890-96)**. **Lt Col Frank Garrett (Governor)** who was in charge, is in the front row, far left. You can see the full picture on the next page.



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