

Essex Sound and Video Archive

Sources on World War I



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This guide to the collection has been produced to assist searchers who are looking for sound and video recordings on the subject of World War I. Before ordering any of the items listed below, consult the tape summaries on the Essex Record Office catalogue database SEAX to make sure that this is the right tape for your needs. Video recordings are indicated by italics.

1) General Topics

	Reference
3rd Essex Voluntary Aid Detachment (Men's Division), 1914, training at Galleywood, unloading of ambulance convoys of wounded and experiences at Chelmsford and Essex Hospital	SA 7/489/1
Billeting of navvies at Mountnessing	SA 13/586/1
Billets, rationing and casualties	SA 8/958/1
Colchester: food shortages; influenza epidemic of 1918	SA 8/391/1
Colchester: houses and horses commandeered by Army, soldiers etc.	SA 8/482/1
Delivery of milk in Walthamstow	SA 9/441/1
Echoes of Great War; diaries of Revd. Andrew Clark of Great Leighs, including recruitment and billeting of soldiers, parcels to prisoners of war, local fatalities, extracts from letters, censorship, rumours of spies, etc.	SA 1/159/1
Effect on rose trade of internment of German rose growers	SA 8/672/1
<i>Film and Essex in World War I</i>	<i>VA 27/11/1</i>
Memories of Burnham	SA 24/1004/1
Memories of Burnham man's father killed in war	SA 5/265/1
Memories of Colchester	SA 1/929/1
Outbreak of war, Tilbury-juxta-Clare	SA 24/1002/1
Rochford Great War memories	SA 24/1324/1
Roseberry Temperance Hotel, Chelmsford; memories of Chelmsford; billeting of soldiers and horses; German Taub aircraft flying over Chelmsford; Zeppelins at Tollesbury and Billericay	SA 15/702/1
Service during war at East Bergholt	SA 12/533/1
Soldiers camped on Western Road, Brentwood and billeted in home; rationing	SA 4/690/1
Stock: billeting of troops; Daylight Saving Time; sound of Flanders guns	SA 13/598/1 SA 13/599/1
Trams in Walthamstow	SA 9/427/1
VAD service from c.1916; dressing station for war wounded in Southend	SA 7/363/1
Walthamstow: air raid warning and sheltering on Wanstead Flats; anti-German shop riots	SA 4/689/1
<i>Wickhambrook [Suffolk] in WWI; death of brother</i>	<i>VA 5/2/1</i>

Woolwich shop riots against shop owners of German extraction	SA 10/587/1
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2) Agriculture, Food and Rationing

	Reference
Diary of Revd. Andrew Clark, Echoes of the Great War, includes references to women trained for agricultural work at Great Baddow and rationing	SA 1/159/1
<i>'Every Little Helps': schoolchildren collecting blackberries; Naval Brigade boys collecting food waste for pig food</i>	VA 27/11/1
Food shortages	SA 8/973/1
Food shortages	SA 8/391/1
Rationing	SA 8/958/1
Rationing in Brentwood	SA 4/690/1
Shortage of rations	SA 17/796/1
Work on a farm	SA 25/1/3/1

3) Armed Services

	Reference
3rd Essex Voluntary Aid Detachment (Men's Division) unloading ambulance convoys in Chelmsford	SA 7/489/1
<i>Aircraft ditching trials and catapult launching trials</i>	VA 27/11/1
Army billeted in Writtle	SA 7/491/1
Army service in WWI	SA 24/1011/1
Army training; trained as marksman, musketry instructor and gas instructor; detention and punishment centre for army prisoners; conditions in the trenches; warfare	SA 25/2/6/1
Billeting of soldiers and horses in Chelmsford, German Taub aircraft flying over Chelmsford	SA 15/702/1
Billeting of troops in Stock	SA 13/598/1 SA 13/599/1
Burnham man on troopship bringing Australian troops to Suez, experiences on troopships	SA 5/367/1
Burnham man working on salvage boats from Ramsgate	SA 5/368/1
<i>Coastal Motor Boat base, Osea Island</i>	VA 27/11/1
Echoes of Great War, diaries of Revd. Andrew Clark of Great Leighs, including billeting and recruitment, parcels to prisoners of war, local fatalities, extracts from letters, etc.	SA 1/159/1
<i>The Essex Regiment</i>	VA 27/11/1
Memories of Burnham man's father killed on active service	SA 5/265/1
Memories of soldiers camped on Western Road, Brentwood and soldiers billeted at house	SA 4/690/1
North Weald fighter airfield	SA 9/427/1
Requisitioning of houses and horses in Chelmsford	SA 8/482/1
Requisitioning of houses and horses in Colchester	SA 10/486/1
Sea Transport Stores Depot, Pitsea provisioning of troopships	SA 3/407/1
Service in Essex Regiment on the Somme	SA 1/891/1

Service in Wrens	SA 2/2/1/1
Service of East Bergholt scrap metal dealer	SA 12/533/1
Signals Telephonist on Western Front from 1916	SA 24/359/1
Voluntary Aid Detachment service dressing station for war wounded at Southend	SA 7/363/1
War service of Bulmer man	SA 17/789/1

4) Civil Defence

	Reference
Home Guard and anti-aircraft gun	SA 8/391/1
Invasion precautions, including plan to move Essex population to Oxfordshire leaving a barren county with no food or supplies	SA 10/486/1

5) Industry

	Reference
Apprentice engineer, munitions work at Stanford's, Colchester, 1916-1921	SA 12/575/1
Explosion at munitions works 1913	SA 3/426/1
Munitions work	SA 41/2/1
Work in foundry at Burnham making dummy shells	SA 5/386/1

6) Women

	Reference
Army billeted in Writtle	SA 7/491/1
Crash of Zeppelin at Great Burstead, billeting of navvies at Mountnessing	SA 13/586/1
Delivery of milk in Walthamstow	SA 9/441/1
Echoes of Great War, diaries of Revd. Andrew Clark of Great Leighs including rumours of women trained for agricultural work at Great Baddow	SA 1/159/1
Effect on rose trade of internment of German rose growers	SA 8/672/1
End of war, Peace Tea in High Street, Burnham	SA 29/7/1
Food shortages	SA 8/973/1
Munitions work	SA 41/2/1
Service in Wrens	SA 2/2/1/1
Soldiers camped on Western Road, Brentwood, soldiers billeted in house, rationing	SA 4/690/1

7) Zeppelins and Air Raids

	Reference
Account of shooting down Zeppelin at Billericay	SA 2/2/2/1
Air raid warning in Walthamstow and sheltering on Wanstead Flats	SA 4/689/1

Air raids in Burnham	SA 5/383/1
Bombing of Colchester	SA 8/482/1
Crash of Zeppelin at Billericay	SA 13/586/1
Echoes of Great War, diaries of Revd. Andrew Clark of Great Leighs, including report of air raid in London, 1917	SA 1/159/1
Eyewitness account of Zeppelin at Great Burstead, German aircraft over Stock	SA 13/598/1 SA 13/599/1
Eyewitnesses of crashed Zeppelins at Great Burstead and Little Wigborough	SA 1/758/1
German aircraft and Zeppelins over Burnham	SA 5/470/1
Wrecked Zeppelins in Essex	VA 27/11/1
Zeppelin air raids, crash near Wickford	SA 7/489/1
Zeppelin raids	SA 8/391/1
Zeppelin raids on Colchester	SA 8/391/1
Zeppelins brought down at Little Wigborough and Great Burstead, including Essex air defences, fighter aircraft, air crashes and operations, sightseeing and press reports	SA 1/757/1

8) Armistice and Peace

	Reference
Armistice and demobilisation	SA 25/2/6/1
Echoes of Great War, diaries of Revd. Andrew Clark of Great Leighs, includes armistice and celebrations	SA 1/159/1
End of war, Peace Tea in High Street, Burnham	SA 29/7/1
Peace celebrations, Stock, 1919	SA 13/598/1 SA 13/599/1

The Essex Sound and Video Archive is being added to all the time and there may be recordings on this subject that have been recently added to the collection. Please consult the Essex Record Office catalogue database SEAX for further references.

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Cover photo:

Photograph of Guard mounted on Municipal Buildings in Clarence Road, Southend (ref: D/DS 229/58)