

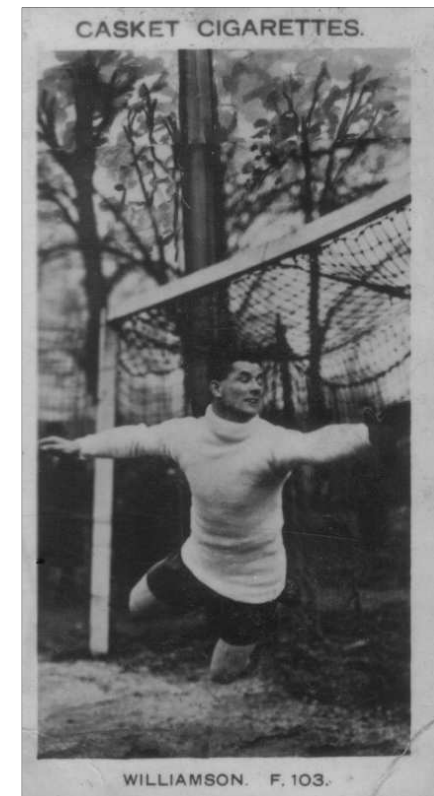
WILLIAMSON	Ernest Clarke
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<i>Date of Birth</i>	24.5.1890	<i>Place of Birth</i>	East Murton		
<i>Date of Death</i>	30.4.1964	<i>Place of Death</i>	Norwich		
<i>Height</i>	5ft 10in	<i>Weight</i>	12st 12lb	<i>Position</i>	Goalkeeper

<i>Club</i>	<i>Joined</i>	<i>Season</i>	<i>F L</i>		<i>F A</i>		<i>S L</i>		<i>S F</i>		<i>L C</i>		<i>TOTALS</i>	
			<i>A</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>G</i>
Murton CLB														
Murton Red Star	7.1906													
New Seaham Albion	5.1909													
Murton Red Star	10.1909													
Wingate Albion	4.1912													
Croydon Common	6.1913	1913-14			1	0	30	0	14	0			45	0
		1914-15			2	0	35	0					37	0
		1915-16									36	0	36	0
Footballers' Battalion														
RASC														
Arsenal	1916	1916-17									40	0	40	0
		1917-18									39	0	39	0
		1918-19									35	0	35	0
		1919-20	26	0	1	0							27	0
		1920-21	33	0	1	0							34	0
		1921-22	41	0	6	0							47	0
		1922-23	5	0									5	0
Norwich City	6.1923	1923-24	41	0	3	0							44	0
		1924-25	2	0	1	0							3	0
		TOTALS	148	0	15	0	65	0	14	0	150	0	392	0

<i>Internationals</i>						
<i>For</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Season</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Venue</i>
England	21.5.1923	1922-23	Arsenal	Sweden	4-2	Stockholm
England	24.5.1923	1922-23	Arsenal	Sweden	3-1	Stockholm

<i>Cigarette/Trade Cards</i>				
<i>Company</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Series</i>	<i>Club</i>
Godfrey Phillips	1923	566	Pinnacle	Arsenal
Clarnico/Poppleton	1923?	N/A	Footballers	Arsenal
Bunsen Confectionery	1925	609	Famous Figures	Arsenal
Pattreiuex	1927	90	Famous Footballers	Arsenal
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Pattreiuex 1927

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<i>F.A. Cup Finals</i>	None
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<i>Jottings</i>

Born at 46 Pilgrim Street in East Murton, County Durham
The 1891 census records him as the youngest of three children to Ralph, a coalminer, and Mary Francis
The 1901 census records him as the third of four children, all sons, living at 26 Durham Road in East Murton, with his father working in Murton Colliery as a Deputy Overman under ground
The 1911 census records him as a rolleywayman, under ground in the coalmine where his father was a Deputy Overman, living at 10 North Street in Murton
The 1911 census also records him as one of six children, two having died
Married Elizabeth Miller at St Mary's Church in New Seaham on 18 March 1912 and they had three (possibly four) sons
Appeared for his early clubs in the Wearside League and the North Eastern League
Appeared for Croydon Common in 7 minor cup matches and played in the club's last ever match
Gained Southern League Division 2 championship honours with Croydon Common
In 1913-14, he only conceded one goal in Croydon's 15 home matches in the Southern League
According to army records, when joining on 15.12.1914, he was a footballer living at 41 Whitehorse Lane, South Norwood
Joined the Footballers' Battalion (F/40), but was discharged on 30.3.1915 with a foot injury (an enlarged first metatarso-phalangeal joint) while living at 17 Ladbrook Lane in South Norwood
His Army medal card for his time in the Footballers' Battalion records his second forename as Clark (i.e. without an "e")
Later joined the RASC and became a Sargeant Major
Played for the Army in the Bulldog Cup and gusted 122 times for Arsenal during the war
Won a London Combination championship runners up medal with Arsenal in 1918-19
When he joined Arsenal in 1919, the transfer fee was set at £150 by the League Committee on 14 April
Made his competitive debut for Arsenal in the club's first top flight match at Highbury
Played for England in a Victory international v. Wales (1-2 at Cardiff on 11.10.1919)
Acted as a linesman in a fancy dress charity match between the Policemen and Trademen of Lewes on 29.3.1922
Was a good cricketer
According to the 1939 register,he was a licensed victualler, living at 131 Earlham Road in Norwich, along with with wife and one son
He possibly remarried in 1946
In later life was a publican and a groundsman for a bowling club
He died at home in Norwich
<i>In recent seasons he has shown himself good enough to play for any side</i>



Pinnacle 1923



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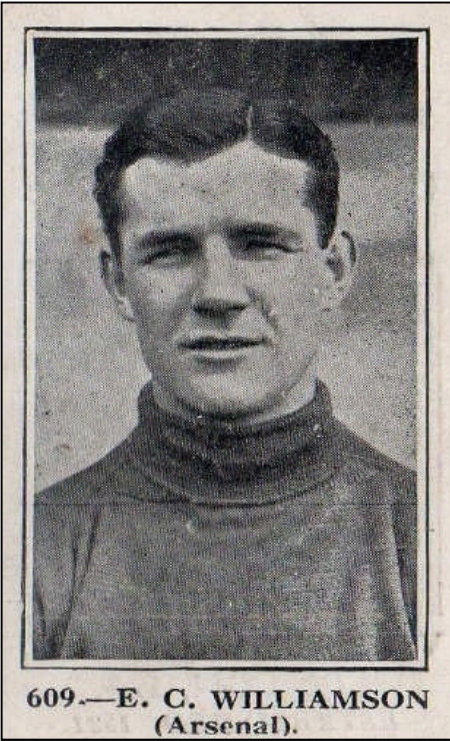
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Arsenal 1920-21

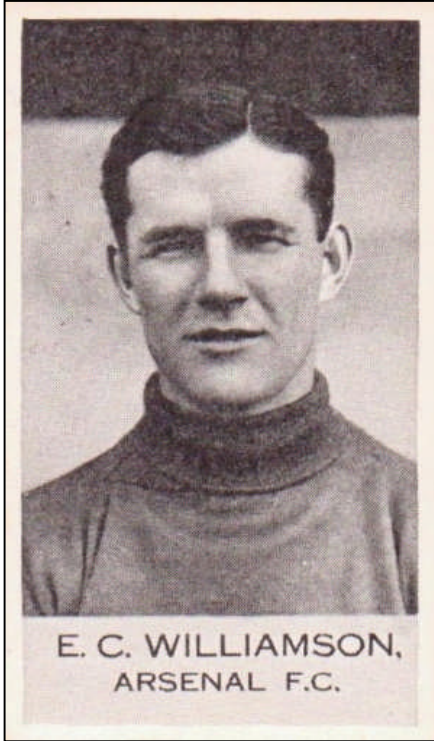


Arsenal c.1921



609.—E. C. WILLIAMSON
(Arsenal).

Bunsen Confectionery 1925



E. C. WILLIAMSON,
ARSENAL F.C.

Clarnico/H Poppleton c.1922



Arsenal 1920-21



From 1920 to 1923, he often played in goal in matches held in Regents Park by St Dunstan's for blind ex-servicemen. In the first photo, he is saving a penalty from a blind player and, in the second, he is receiving a rose bowl from Sir Arthur Pearson, which had been purchased by the blind players in thanks for his work with the charity. In the third photo, he is present as awards are presented to the blind players.



England v Sweden 1923 (First Match)



A save for Arsenal against Liverpool in 1922



Arsenal c.1922

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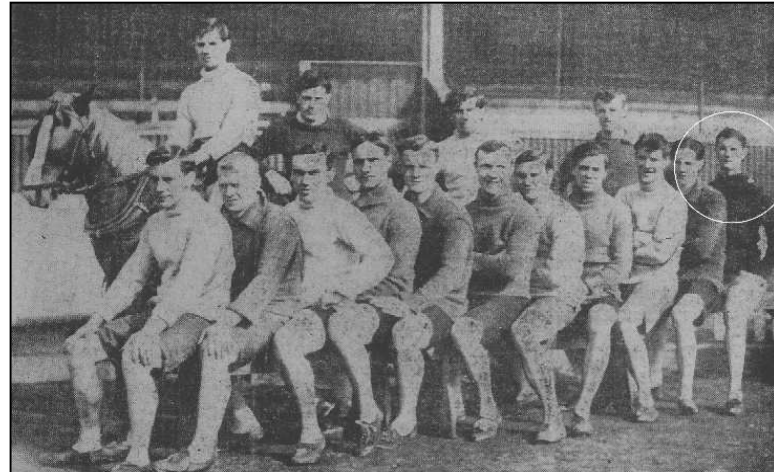
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Norwich City 1923-24



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At Croydon Common