



Young Heritage Hunters

MK Academy Research World War I A Window on the War



THE BUCKS STANDARD—SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 1914

FOR KING AND COUNTRY.



Lord Kitchener's appeal for volunteers has met with an enthusiastic response. All over the country the strong young manhood of Great Britain is flocking to the colours at this time of the nation's need. Our photograph shows a company of recruits drilling in Hyde Park.

SLEEPING BY THE GUN.



The picture shows a gun crew sleeping by the gun on the deck of a battleship, so as to be instantly ready for action.



World War I recruitment poster

Bucks Standard was the local newspaper, which went out to areas like Newport Pagnell, Olney and Fenny Stratford. It is full of information for the local community as to how they could help with the war effort. The newspaper dated Saturday 22 August 1914 shows the impact of war on local people.

In the newspaper, there are several articles about patriotism. One article asks for young men aged between 19 and 30 to go and sign up for the war saying "Your King and Country Need You".

The war caused disruption to everyday life. The flower show in Newport Pagnell had to be abandoned as a consequence of the war.

There is also a letter from a young man under the heading of "Fine Patriotic Spirit" stating that he wanted to join up. The letter continues "I think the army will require all the men that can be got together and trained in the use of the rifle". This shows that young men were keen to join the army and fight for their country.

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