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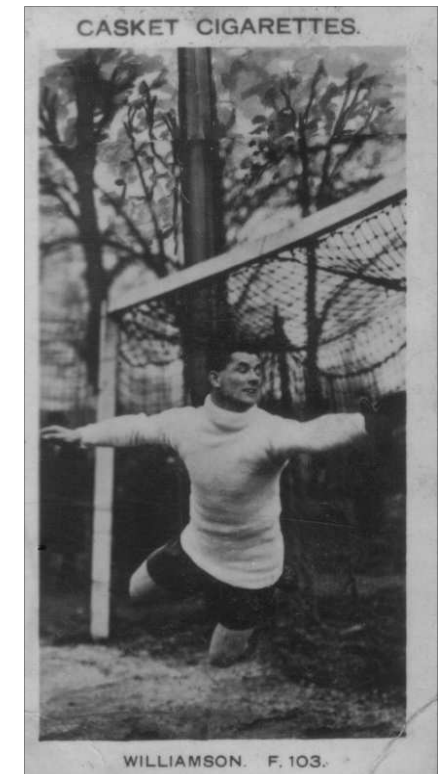
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| <i>Date of Birth</i> | 24.5.1890 | <i>Place of Birth</i> | East Murton | | |
| <i>Date of Death</i> | 30.4.1964 | <i>Place of Death</i> | Norwich | | |
| <i>Height</i> | 5ft 10in | <i>Weight</i> | 12st 12lb | <i>Position</i> | Goalkeeper |

| <i>Club</i> | <i>Joined</i> | <i>Season</i> | F L | | F A | | S L | | S F | | L C | | TOTALS | |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|--------|---|
| | | | A | G | A | G | A | G | A | G | A | G | | |
| Murton Red Star | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wingate Albion | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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> | | | | | | |
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| <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 |
| Pattreiuex | 1927 | 103 | Famous Footballers | Arsenal |

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| <i>F.A. Cup Finals</i> | None |
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Pattreiuex 1927

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| <i>Jottings</i> |
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| 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 guested 122 times for Arsenal during the war |
| Won a London Combination championship medal with Arsenal in 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



WILLIAMSON Ernest Clarke



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