

**U DX344**

**Papers of George Owen**

**1925-1945**

**Biographical Background:**

George Robert Owen was born in Beverley on 12 August 1892. He married Edith Hodgson (born 3 Nov 1891) and they had five daughters and one son. He began service in the Merchant Navy in 1925 and was captured on the *SS Salerno* on 2 May 1940. He was transferred to Marlag and Milag Nord Camp at Westertinnake Germany.

**Custodial history:**

Deposited by Olive Owen in September 2011

**Description:**

Small group of papers relating to George Owen's time as a prisoner of war including some items relating to his service in the Merchant Navy.

**Extent:** 13 items

**Related material:**

C DSP          Hull Prisoners of War Relatives  
C DSPA        Hull and East Riding Prisoners Aid Society

**Access conditions:**

Access will be granted to any accredited reader

**Language:** English with 1 item in German

<b>U DX344/1</b>	<b>Merchant Navy Service</b> <b>Small group of items relating to his service, and in particular discharge from the Merchant Navy</b> <b>7 items</b>	<b>1925-1945</b>
U DX344/1/1	Continuous Certificate of Discharge for George Owens Details of service and the voyages sailed on, including to South America, the Baltic and the Mediterranean with grading of ability and conduct. 1 item	1925-1940
U DX344/1/2	Seaman's Allotment Note Relating to the allocation of £2 per week from his wages to his wife. Details of payments/collection on the reverse. 1 item	Jul 1937
U DX344/1/3	Certificates of Discharge 4 items	Jan 1937- Nov 1939
U DX344/1/4	Certificate of Discharge from the Merchant Navy. States this was at how own request after being a prisoner of war 1 item	5 Jul 1945

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<b>U DX344/2</b>	<b>Prisoner of War</b> <b>Small collection of documents relating to George Owen's time as a prisoner of war</b> <b>6 items</b>	<b>1941-1944</b>
U DX344/2/1	The New Testament Copy of The New Testament printed by the American Bible Society, New York. Bears the stamp of the Ecumenical Commission for the Chaplaincy Service to Prisoners of War, Geneva. Title page also includes an inscription 'George Owen 17 Feb 1941 [Wulzburg] Austen Williams (Camp Chaplain)' 1 item	[1941]
U DX344/2/2	SS Salerno Letter from Ellerman's Wilson Line advising relatives that the Officers and Men of the steamer SS Salerno were transferred from Ilag XIII to Stalag X.B(Ilag) which was a large Naval camp. Also includes details of how parcels can be sent but advises against sending civilian clothes as these are confiscated by the Germans 1 item	20 Aug 1941
U DX344/2/3	Hull Prisoners of War Relatives Fellowship - Membership Card. Includes details of the General Executive Committee members of the Fellowship and the Divisional Committees. The reverse includes space for recording details of the member (in the UK) and their relative who was a prisoner of war. 1 item	Mar 1942
U DX344/2/4	Christmas Card Printed card from Milag Nord camp in Germany sent to his daughter Doreen in Hull 1 item	Dec 1942
U DX344/2/5	British Prisoner of War Camps Map Small map published by the Red Cross and St John War organisation showing camps in Germany and Poland on one side and in Italy on the reverse with a key to locate the camp. 1 item	Sep 1943
U DX344/2/6	Bescheinigung [Certificate] Colour photocopy of certificate for the repatriation of George Owen on medical grounds, approved by the Medical Advisory Board. In german 1 item	20 Oct 1944