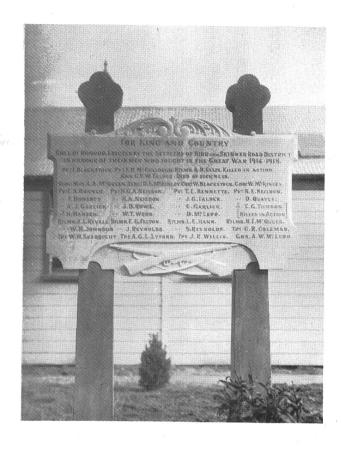
## World Wars

In common with other districts throughout the country many of our young men answered a call to arms during the 1914-1918 and the 1939-1945 World Wars. Many ex-pupils of our school would have left the district after leaving school so it would have been an impossible task to know the fate of many who would have served overseas. After World War One a fine memorial was erected at the Bird Road School on which the names of all servicemen who left the district to serve overseas, were engraved. Sadly, three men, Rifleman A. D. Ellis and Private E. G. Tichbon were killed in action and Gunner G. V. W. Falder died of sickness. This fine monument was unveiled during a ceremony in 1921 and still stands today.

Twenty-one years after the end of World War One another global conflict engulfed most of the world. Again many of our young folk answered the call to duty and many from the Wingrove, Bird, Skinner and East Road areas served overseas. Again many ex-pupils from Bird Road School who had long left the district would have served abroad, their fate unknown. Again, sadly, three men did not return. Pilot Officer C. H. Hight, Gunner A. Phillips and Sergeant R. F. Swindlehurst left our shores never to come home again.

A fine memorial to all who served during World War Two was the erection of the Skinner Road Memorial Hall which also covered those who served in the Korean War. As no records are available it can be assumed that some men may have served during the Boar War from this district. If so, we remember them also.





The gathering at the Memorial Service for the unveiling of the Monument in 1921.