

### **FB at Gosling's**

FB served as a clerk at Gosling's Branch of Barclays Bank, 19 Fleet Street, London EC4 in 1940-41 while waiting to be old enough to enlist as a pilot in the RAFVR (which he later did).

Gosling's Branch was formerly the independent Gosling's Bank (<http://www.francisebennion.com/goslings/p01.htm>). It used the sign of the Three Squirrels, (<http://www.francisebennion.com/images/photos/1940/1940-004-pho-three-squirrels-546x.jpg>) which is still displayed at 19 Fleet Street. FB's brief account of his bank service is included in the BBC WW2 People's War archive (<http://www.francisebennion.com/2006/008.htm>). When leaving the bank to join the RAFVR, FB was given a reference (<http://www.francisebennion.com/images/letters-docs/1940/1941-001-doc-barclays-raf-ref-x600.jpg>).