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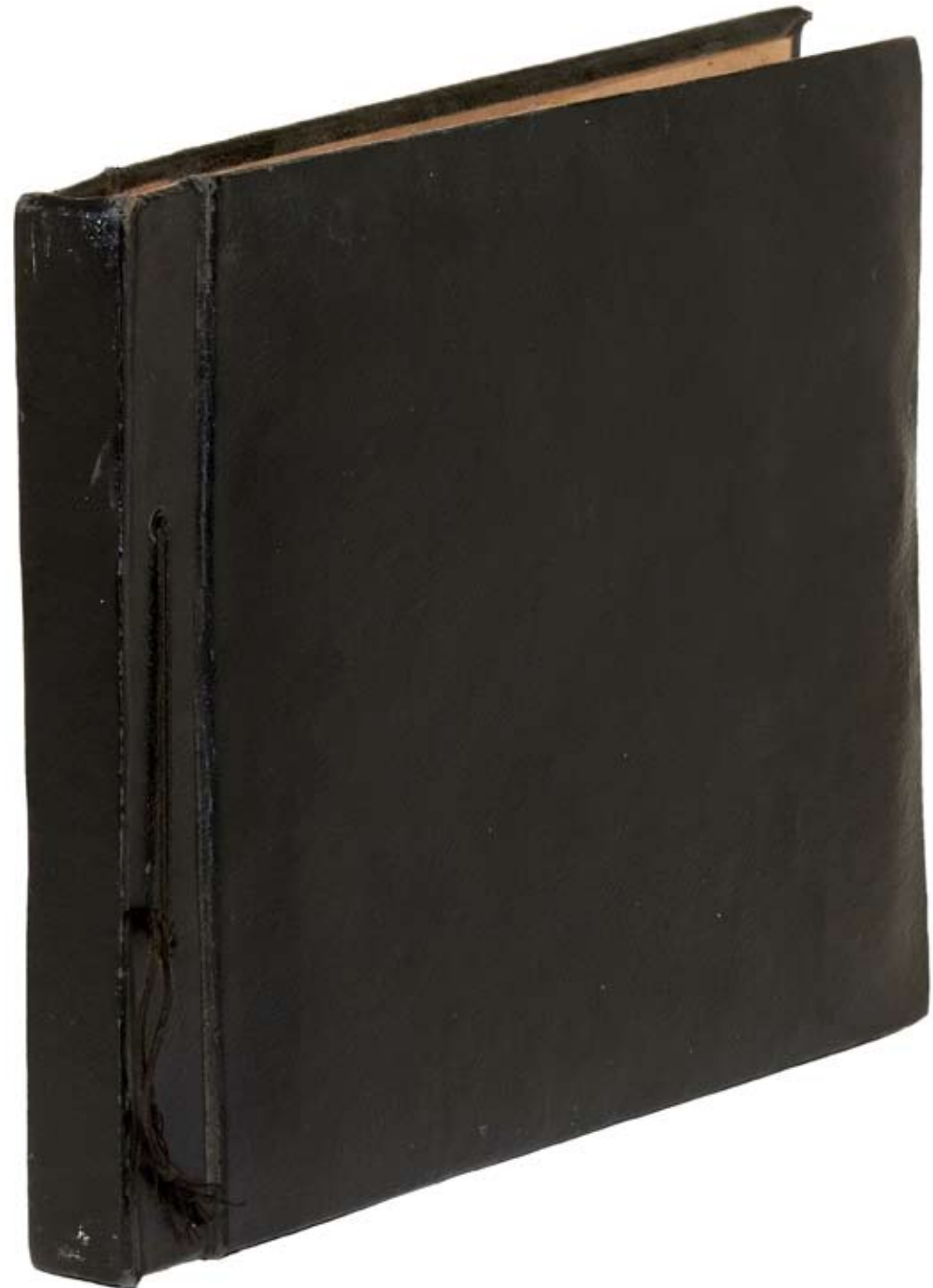
*[Photo Album]: Glider Pilot Regt. Kashmiri Holiday.
Air Crew Mountain Centre. August 1945*

August 1945

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Oblong quarto. String tied black leather. 136 gelatin silver images, various sizes from 2½" x 3½" to 8½" x 6½". Map of Kashmir and unit insignia affixed on rear pastedown. One image has fallen out, else near fine. A pleasing photo album of images kept by J.W. Pollard while in Kashmir in 1945, mostly taken on a mountain holiday featuring uniformed British airmen of the Glider Pilot Regiment. The album begins with an image of a half dozen soldiers roped together and climbing. There are many smaller images of local life along the rivers, larger and artfully taken images of mountains, and several of the men either climbing in mountains, camped in valleys, and with dogs. Formed in 1942, the Glider Pilot Regiment was "responsible for crewing the British Army's military gliders" used to transport troops and equipment to combat zones. Secured to the rear pastedown is Pollard's "Army Flying Badge," often referred to as the "lion with blue wings," which was created in 1942 for those who had completed the Glider training as a distinction from other airborne divisions. This photo album shows, through wonderful amateur photography, men of this division completing their tour of duty and enjoying the surrounding countryside before they could return home after the war.

A pleasing album with well-composed images. [\[BTC#399180\]](#)



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