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Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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3257 Private
Alfred Leslie Booth

39th Battalion



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39th. Battn: Booth, A.L. 3257.

K. 10/9/18.

Booth, who was in C. Coy: was killed by the same ~~xx~~ aerial bomb that wounded me while we were drinking coffee at Hamelet.

I know no further particulars.

Foley, R.E. Pte. 3290.

39th. Battn:

A. 4. Dartford, 7/12/18.

R.D.B.

39th Battn.
A.I.F.

BOOTH.
Pte. A.L. 3257.

"Killed in Action 10-9-18"

Booth and I were in same Gun team on 39th Battn only one gun team in that Battalion. Big fair man, well set up, about 28. Belonged to Melbourne. Had wife and family there. I was much in his company in and out of lines. Our Battalion had temporarily held part of line at Tincourt, (past Peronne) We were releived at night and were coming back. Booth, myself and others had ~~butted~~ into Y.M.C.A. post for some cocoa. We were outside having a drink when Fritz came over and dropped a bomb on us. Killed Booth outright and wounded myself. Booth was right near me. I was carried away. My mates informed me a party went back next day to bury Booth and other casualties of that night. I did not see Booth Buried. This area was not again under their control.

Informant:- Henderson. Pte.J.A. 3318.
39th Battn. A.I.F.
3rd A.A.H.DARTFORD.

R.T.P.
London.
25-1-19.
J.E.A.

M.

Havre.

7th. March 1919.

39th. Battn. A.I.F.

Booth. A. L. 3257.

K. Sept. 10/1918. Dets. D/B.

He was killed by a bomb at Rozelle near the Hindenburg Line, and was identified by his effects. I think he was buried at Tincourt. He came from Melbourne, and was married. He was in the same Coy.

Inf:- Pte. J. Scrivener. 3378,
39th. Battn. B. 6/ A. I. F.
Austr. Demob. Base.

CRR.

J.E.A.

RRB.

A.I.F.
39th Bttn.

BOOTH. Pte.
A.L. 3257

"Killed 10.9.18. Det.D/B"

I was told that Pte. Booth was killed by bomb dropped from enemy aeroplane when leaving Y.M.C.A. Hut at Le Catelet on Sept. 10'18 He was with a party of others including Lt.Holmes who is still with the Battn. Description about 6ft in height, fair, Clean shaven.

Informant:- Sgt. J.S. Grant. 3251.
39th Bttn. A.I.F. A.Coy. 1st Pltn.
Southwark Military Hpl.
(perfectly reliable) 28.3.19.

L.COX. Home address:-
London. Croydon. Victoria.
27.3.19.
J.P.A.

M.

Note:- Written Lt. Holmes 22.3.19.

Dr. J. S. Holmes

39 Beaconsfield Terrace

Brixton Hotel

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Clerk

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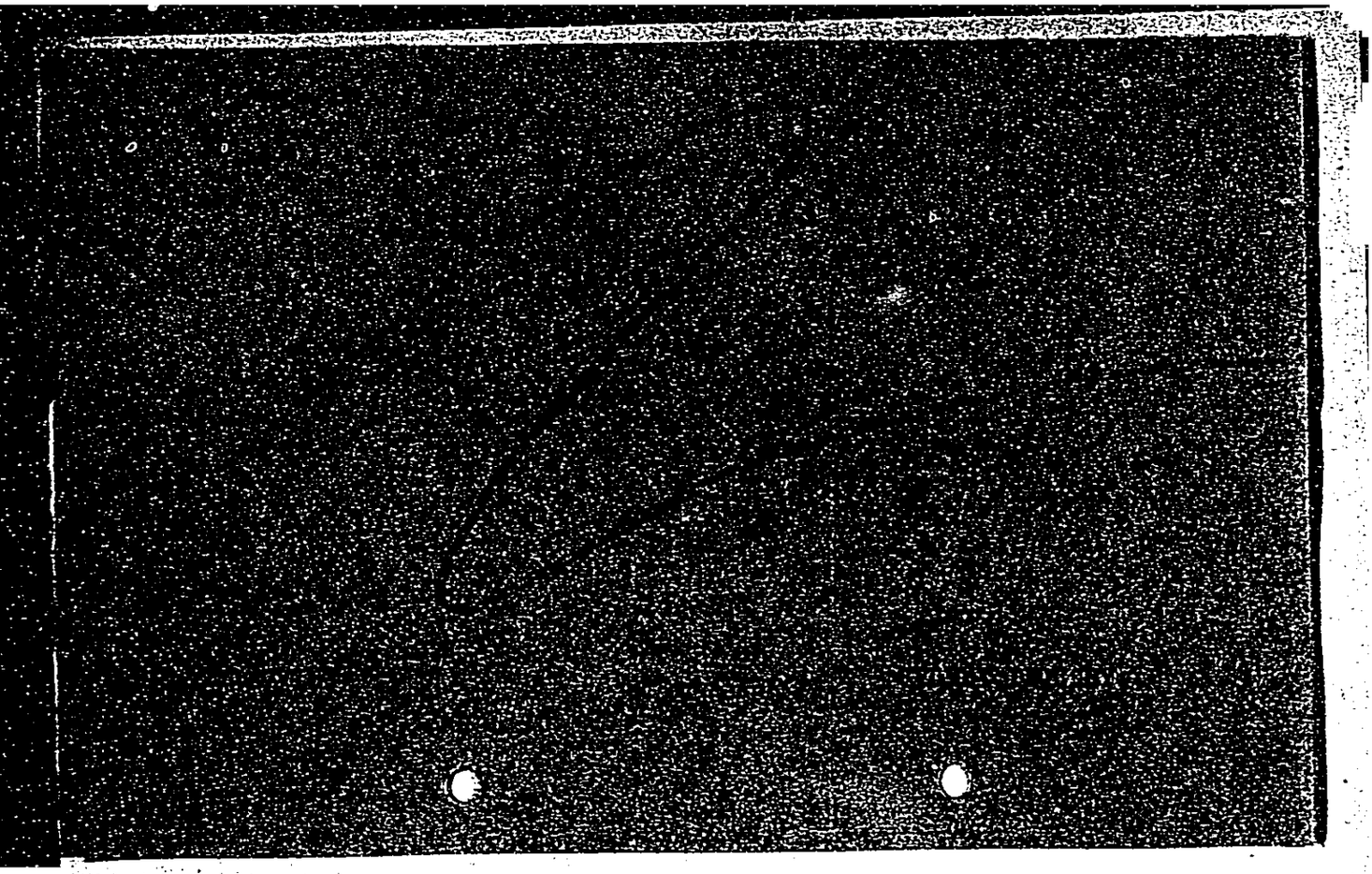
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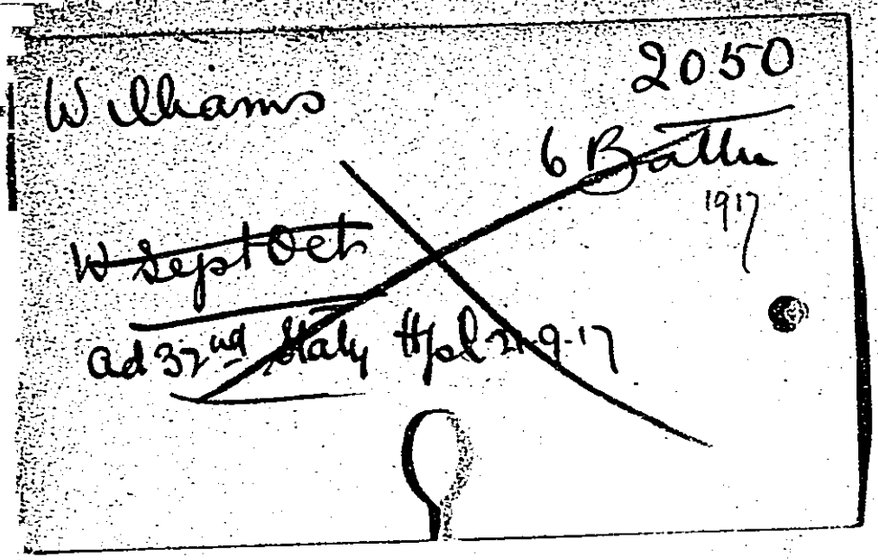


Holmes Present address 39 Bltce
Lt T. J. Please

Granted leave from 7.2.19 (without pay)
for Business purposes.
Address Berner's Hotel
Houdon —

Pte under
3257 C.L. Booth
39 Bltn B.C.K. 10.9.18

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~~Lieut T. J. Holmes~~ ~~39th Batt~~. A

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3257 Pte A. L. Booth. 39 Batt. K/A 10.9.18

36, GROSVENOR PLACE, LONDON S.W. 1.

Co HTG. 7.4.19.

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Lt T.J. Holmes
39 Batt.
Berners' Hotel.
London.

Dear Sir,

We are making enquiries about a man of your unit,

3257 Pte A. L. Booth. 39 Batt.
reported Killed. 10.9.18.

and have been told that you may be able to help us by supplying some information.

We should be most grateful for any details you can send us concerning him, but our enquirers wish especially to know whether he was buried, if so, whether it was on the field, or in a soldiers' cemetery where the grave would be registered. We would also be glad if you could add a short description of his personal appearance or any points that might help to prove his identity.

In your reply kindly quote name, initials and number, as without these particulars delay and confusion might be caused in identifying the soldier about whom you have written.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) Vera Deakes.

Secretary.

per HTG. Letter returned first from unit then from above address asked by HQ.