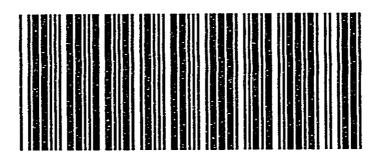
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# 745 Private Samuel Campbell

35th Battalion



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11th Des. 1917.

35th AUSTRALIAES

Campbell; 52 745

#### K. 23.6.18. Det. D/B.

He was in 0 Co., 12th Pltn; (COOK). He was a chum of mine. He lived in Maitland District, Kurri Kurri, M.S.W. I know his number was 745. He was no relative of mine. After we had taken Messines we were holding the line on the 23rd June. About 24 of us, and two Officers were in a shell hole. An Officer was giving us a lecture on cooking cookery, to all the Cooks of the Battn; A shell dropped in our shell hole and killed Campbell and an Officer (I don't know his name). I saw Campbell buried. A cross was put up to him. This was on the left-hand side of a Dressing Station before you enter the Mula Track; running into Messines. There were a lot of graves there. He was buried by the Padre of the 35th Battn.

Informant: Pte: W. Campbell, 758 35th Australians, C Co., 12th Pitn. Cook.

No. 2 Gen; (Palais) Havre;

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35th. Battn. A.T.P. CAMPBILL

S. 740.

#### Killed June 23/17.

At MessinerRidge there was a lecture in the Cookhouse and a lot were there. A shell came over and killed him almost aconce. I saw him carried out, he was an old Battn, man and I knew him well.

Inf: T.L. Buck, 1423.

D.P.Dickson. London. 5.1.18.

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#### Killed 23/6/17.

Informant described Campbell as about 5 ft. 5 inches high, weighed about 10 stone, fair, aged about 38 years. He came from Earri Kurri district.

Informant states that on 23/6/17, the Battalion was in reserves on Messines Ridge, after its capture from the Germans. Campbell and Informant were with others, attending a lecture on the subject of cooking, when a shell came over and burst about 3 yards from Campbell, wounding him so severely, that he died in about 3 minutes without speaking. This occurred in the afternoon. Campbell was buried just at the foot of the ridge, and a cross was put on his grave.

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Campbell, who was a member of Informant's platoon, and
was often in his company, was well liked.

Informant: -- Private T. Bubbins, 728,
35th Battalion, A.I.P.,
No. 4 Australian General Hospital, RAHDWICK.

Home address: -- Post Office, Newcastle.

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V.B.G. 25/1/18.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

35th Battm. A. Z. F.

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He was C. Coy. cook. He was killed by a shell wile they were having a lecture at Messines Ridge. He was very hadly bit and use killed right out. I was in the same Coy., and saw him just after he was bit. He comes from Newcestle, M.S. V. short, about 5ft. 4s, rather thin. I do not know where he is buried.

> Informent, Lawrence Pte. A.J. 946 35th Battn.,

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We regret the delay in typing the aboversport, but we have been obliged to hold it up on account of pressure of work and abortage of mackines. swortage of machines.

A CAMPBELL, S. 745 Pte

### Killed in Action 23/6/17.

I was in the same section with Campbell and was with him when he was killed. We were moving up intom the transhes near Ploegateert Wood when a shell burst and killed Campbell et once. This was about midday. We went on, he was an exceptionally small man, fair, with red moustache. He enlisted the same day as I did and we went over to England together. He was a single man about 32 years of the and was a Miner at Kurri Kurri. He boarded with a friend at Adamstown before he left.

Informant: Navill, H. Pte 863
35th Battn.
Ho.4 Australian General Hospital.
RANDWICK.

H.H.J. 29/12/17. SYDNEY BUREAU.

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35th Battalion

X Campbell S. Private , 745.

#### \*Killed in Action: - 23/6/17.

I was at Messines. During a lecture by an officer a shell fell on the house. I was at the lecture. Campbell was killed by the shell. He was buried at Messines between the trenches. I was told about Campbell's death and burial by Corporal Lord.

Informant:- Quarter-master Sergeant Armour
No. 4 Australian General 35th
Hospital, Batt
Randwick.

F#.B.W. Searcher 23/1/18.

C. Col must

THE PATTALION A. I. P.

CAMPUNA B. Private

#### KILLED 23/8/17.

Informent discribed Campbell as about 5 ft.5 inches high, very slight build, fair complexion, aged about 35/40. Came from Eury Kerri. He left Australia with Informant in the "Demails" on 1/5/16.

Informant states that they both belonged to "C" Company, No 11 Platoen. On 21/6/17, the Battalian was at Messines in supports. Campbell, who was the Company Cock, was cooking in the Cock-house and the course of a lecture, when a shell burst weside the Cock-house, and a partion of shyappel struck him and killed him at once. Informant was in the line about 100 yards away, and saw the shell burst; Campbell was taken away before informant could reach the spet, but his mites who were also at the lecture, told him that Campbell had been killed. The stretcher bearer who buried Campbell, teld Informant that he had done so.

Informant added that he had known Campbell in civilian life, and he was well liked by his mates.

Informant: - Private A. Goodwin. No. 784. "C" Company, 35th Battalion.

Home address: - Cessnock Street, Kurri Kurri.

W.E.G. 26/3/18. Mc. 4 Australian General Mospital, RAYDWICK.

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