

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**2645 Trooper
Alexander Heaslop**

**3rd Battalion, Imperial Camel
Corps**



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A.I.F. 3rd Anzac Bn Imp. Cam. Bgde
late 5th L.H.R.

A. 2645 HRSLOP

"Died"

Died of Spinal Meningitis 1-7-17
Cert. by A.I.F. Hqrs 30-8-17.

London
30-8-17

B

(Died 53 C.C.S. of Meningitis
1.7.17. Details asked)

3 Anz. Sec. I.C.C.

"This soldier was brought into Hospital from the front at about 8.0 a.m. on Saturday July 30th, diagnosed as "Epileptic" but certain subsidiary symptoms made the Reception Officer suspicious, and he called in for further opinion. A culture was taken from the Spinal cord and spotted fever was diagnosed. Towards evening on Saturday he seemed slightly better and at one time the M.O. had some remote hopes of ultimate recovery. But on Sunday he was worse and he gradually sank all day. I saw him several times but he was unconscious the whole time from his arrival, indeed he was brought in unconscious, so there was absolutely nothing I could do for him. He died peacefully at 7.15 on Sunday evening. Seeing that he was going, the Orderly in charge came to fetch me but although I went at once he had already passed away without recovering consciousness. I buried him the following afternoon in the Military Cemetery A, (Rafa) where there were already several men from his Unit who had been killed in the Battle of Rafa last January. I am so sorry I have so little to tell. I always make a point where it is possible of writing myself to the next of kin of soldiers who die in the C.C.S. but in this case not only was I not able to do anything for poor Heaslop, but owing to his continued unconsciousness, I was not even able to get his home address.

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No. 169. (Cont.)

Heaslop. A.

2645

3 Augac. Sec. J.C.C.

I trust that you will convey to his relatives my profound sympathy and regrets that I was unable to do more for him. A Graves Registration Unit Cross has been placed over the grave and if at any time they would like to have photographs, I could procure them.

Letter from Capt. O.H. Knight, C.F. 65th Casualty Clearing Station, E.E.F.

Note written also to B.

asked Capt. Knight to 2.

Alexandria
7.9.17.

post photograph direct
to Remembrance. to us.

3rd Anzac Batta.
Imp. Camel Corps.
A.I.F.

HEASLOP
A. 2645

Attached is the negative of ^{the photo of} the grave of the above soldier
which has been sent to us from our Alexandria Office. A copy
will follow by the next post.

London
16-5-18

B.

Heaslop J.
2645

3 Anz. Sec.
I.C.C.

Mr 4
D. 1-7-17

"Reference your letter F 153 of 24.10.17. asking for photographs of 2645 J. Heaslop's grave, I will gladly see about this for you, but I am afraid it will take some time, to get it done- probably about two months, as I am on the point of leaving this place, and must put official machinery in motion instead of being able to do it myself"

75th

Reference Capt. O. H. Knight, C.F. ~~and~~ C.C.S. E.E.F.
by letter dated 27.10.17.

B
bu

Alexandria
29.10.17.

3rd I.C.C. Bde.

HEASLOP

Pte. A. 2645

Killed 1/7/17

Buried El Arish Military Cemetery, Egypt, S.W. of Gaza, 91.4

Extracted from Capt. Spedding's List of 16/10/19

Melbourne

23/12/19