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**2684 Private
Harold Marshall
Lennox**

29th Battalion



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29th Batt .
A.I.F.,

LENNOX
Pte H.H. 2684

"Killed Nov. 2/16"

We were in the reserve trenches at Tiers, Somme. When a shell killed Lennox, J McKean and 3 others I saw this - I helped to bury them at the back of the trench where they fell immediately after - Lennox was 5th Rfts, name Harry from Victoria. I was in camp with him in Geelong.

Reference:- Pte J.G. Fyfe 2630
29th Batt. A.Co. A.I.F.,
Southall Hospital,
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21st April 1917.

29th AUGUST 1916

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A. Nov. 2nd. 1916. Det. D/L.

Lennox was in A. Co., 11. 11th. He was killed three days after landing at Fiers by shell while he was cooking dinner sitting round the fire with four others who were all killed. Burton, La. Horn, C. Lewis all in A. Co., 11. 11th. - four of them except McLean were buried the good good line at Fiers, and good crosses were put up.

Informant: Sergeant H.C. Porter 225
29th Batt., A. Co., 11. 11th.
Australia.
No. 2 Det. Nov. (and 1).

W.B.

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See report on A.C. Fleming of to-day's date.

29th Batt. A. I. F.

LENNOX H. M. 2684.

" A " Coy. No2. Platoon

" X. Nov. 2nd '16. Det. D & E ".

" On the above date, our battalion was in the reserve trench in front of Fleurs. We were having tea, when a ~~mine~~ shell exploded, killing Lennox and four others (Lewis, Swanton, Burton, and McKean). They were all killed instantly, but Lennox and Swanton were the only ones badly disfigured. The pioneers collected their pay-books and discs, and we ~~waited~~ buried the bodies in a shell hole behind the trench. No padre officiated, and it was impossible to hold a burial service. A wooden cross was erected over the grave, bearing soldiers' names, numbers, and battalions. I knew Lennox well, and came from Australia together, on the "S. S. An-chisses", leaving Melbourne on March 14th '16. We joined our bat-talion at Fromelles about September 1st '16. His wife's address is Mrs H. M. Lennox, Belmont, Victoria."

Description. Hgt 5ft7. Dark complexion.

Age. 22. Slight. Called "Ernie".

Witness.

Kroger H. H. 2678.

Worgret Camp,

WAREHAM. April 30th., '17.

29th Batt. " A " Coy. now "C" Coy
65thBtn

A. I. F. 29.

LENNOX, H.M. 2684.

K. November 2nd, 1916.

He was killed by a shell at Fliers in supports on November 2nd. I was about 50 yards away on the left at the time. I saw the shell burst, saw the confusion caused, and heard the men calling for stretcher bearers. Pte. C. Laidlaw, A.Coy. 29th battn. was standing only a few yards away when Lennox was blown up. He spoke to me himself about it. He could give details. Lennox belonged to A.Coy. and came from Werribee, Victoria. I knew him well. We came over together in the 6th reinf. to the 29th battn.

SA.

Reference:- Pte. W.R. Fisher. 2640. A.Coy.
No. 5 A.D.B.D.

Etaples. 2.5.17.

29th Australian Imperial Force

Lennox, Pte. H.M.2684.
B Company.

(K. Nov. 2/16. Dets 9
& 3).

" I saw Lennox killed at Fleurbaey. He was in reserve at the time. He and 4 others were cooking potatoes about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, the weather was clear. When a big high explosive shell fell right amongst them in the trench and killed them all. I was within 20 yards when it happened. The pioneers buried all of them in a reserve trench about 12 yds from where they were killed. Lennox was killed instantly."

Eye witness - Yes.

Description - Dark complexion, height about 5' 6", had a stoop, clean shaven, age about 22, and came from Belmont, about 2 miles from Geelong.

Informant :- Pte. P.C. Maddern, 2718,
A Coy. 4th Bn. 29th Aus. Imp Force
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London, E.

Home address :-
44, Geringhap Street
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14. 5. 1917.
H.E. Panton.

29th A. I. F.,

Lennox, N.M., 2684,

N. Nov. 2nd 1916. Det: D & B.

"I was in the Reserves about Nov. 2nd at Longueval, with a man called Lennox (29.,A). Word was passed along the line that afternoon to say that Mr. Pte. Lewis, (29.,A) and three others had all been caught by one shell and that they had been killed instantaneously. They were five great friends, and were always together. I believe they were having their tea at the time. They were buried afterwards near the Reserve trenches."

Eye Witness: No, word was passed along the line.

Description: Little short man, 5ft.4-6ins, young.

Informant:-- Pte. John Wm., Rodgers, 2742,
29th A. I. F., B.Coy., XIII Fltn.,
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18.5.17.

H.M.P. Cambridge.

29th Btn.

LENNOX. H. M.
Pte. 2684

Killed in action 2/11/16.

"I knew Casualty. He was a short man, dark complexion, about 22 years of age, known as "Harold". Casualty was sitting around a fire at Fliers. An H.E. shell exploded in the centre of them killing Casualty instantly and 7 others. I was 10 yds. and came over and had a look at him after the explosion but found him dead. His remains were buried just where he fell. A cross was erected with his name and number on it. I was an eye-witness. He was well known and liked by all the boys."

Informant:- R. Gilbert,
No. 2646.

Private address:-
47 Albert Street,
Geelong.

T.C.F.
8/3/18.

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