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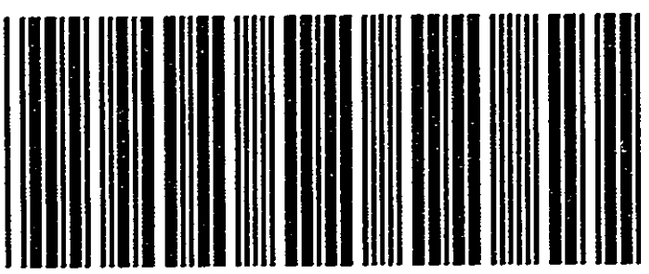
64 Corporal
Henry Wilfred Lord

9th Machine Gun Company



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LORD, H.W. 64.

D/W July 22nd 1917. Dets.

This man died in this very hospital, No. 13 General and was buried here in Boulogne. I asked the doctor, Capt Grapham, and he told me that hep had died and that he was wounded in the eyes. He was in the upper ward of this hospital over this ward.

Inf: Pte H.Kershaw. 59.
No. 13 General
BOULOGNE. 18.9.17.

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A.I.F. 9th M.G.Coy

LORD
Harry Wilfred 64

"WOUNDED"

Died of wounds 22-7-17 at 13th Gen.Hpl Boulogne
Cert. by A.I.F.Hqrs 14-8-17.

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London
14-8-17

9th Mach. Gun Coy.
A. I. F.

Lord.
Pte. H. W. 64

"Died of Wounds"

Pte. Lord was admitted to this Hospital on 14.7.17 with a severe gunshot wound of head involving his left eye. On 17.7.17 he was operated upon by the Eye Specialist with the result that there was slight improvement. On 21.7.17 a second operation was found to be necessary, but the patient gradually became worse and died at 3.5 p.m. on 22.7.17, his death being due to an abscess in the brain. He was buried in Boulogne Military Cemetery on the 23rd July, 1917, and his personal effects were forwarded to the D.A.G.,3rd Echelon for transmission to the next of kin.

Letter from:-
The O.C.
No. 13 General Hospital.
Boulogne. 19.8.17.

London.
23.8.17.

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9th Machine Gun Coy, A.I.F. Lord, Pte H.W. 64,

(D/W's July 22/17. Det D & B)

"I had a letter from Lord written after he was wounded. He was wounded in the head, over the eye on July 11th, he wrote on the 13th and said he was doing well, and he died on July 22nd at No. 13 General Hospital, France. The Coy was notified that he died on that date, but I don't know where he is buried. He came from Wellington, N.S.W. He was Cpl when he died."

Eye-witness: Had letter

Description: Medium height, dark complexion

Informant: Cpl C.J. Nash, 82,
9th Machine Gun Coy, A.I.F.,
5th Southern General Hospital,
Portsmouth.

Home address:
9 Livecone House,
Penrose St,
Longueville, N.S.W.

16th Oct. 1917.
Gully.

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A.M.3.C. 9. LORD, H.W. 64.

D/W July 22nd 1917. Dets.

We were at Messines on July 22nd. I saw him hit just over the eye with a piece of H.E. shell, about 50 yards away from me. He came over to me and I bandaged him and sent someone back with him to the back from where he went to No. 13 General Hospital. One of our men had a letter from him saying he was getting on very well and later we heard he had died in hospital. The latter should know his place of burial. I knew him quite well, we have been together ever since joining up in Australia. He came from Wellington was about 5ft 6 or 7, about 21 years, dark, clerk with his father who is a mill owner.

Inf: Sgt. Sgt. L. Collan, 36.
No. 8 Stat Hosp.
BOULOGNE. 17.10.17. PRBL

9th Machine Gun Company LORD H.W. 64 Pte.

Died of Wounds. 22.7.17.

Lord was in No. 3 Section of the 9th Machine Gun Co. of which I was officer at one time, when he was wounded in July, 1917. He was a Corporal-- his name was Harry and his initials H.W. He came from Wellington,N.S.W., where I believe he worked in a flour mill. Whilst holding the line which we had captured at Messines, he was wounded by a shell in the face, which at the time did not appear at all serious so I was told by Lieutenant Buckler who was in the line at the time with Lord. Before hearing of Lord's death, another Corporal, C.J.Nash, who was a great mate of Lord's, told me he had heard from Lord, written from a hospital that he Lord was getting on fine. Later on the official notification came through from the 3rd Echelon and this was the first we heard of his death, and we were all very surprised. Buckler told us the wound only seemed a slight flesh wound.

Informant:-- Lieutenant C.L.Harden, M.C.
9th Machine Gun Company
No. 4 Australian General Hospital, RANDWICK.

Home address:-- C/o R. O'Brien, Bondi Rd., Bondi.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

H.S.C.
12.2.18.

9th Machine Gun Company. LORD, H.W.,
Private No.64.

"Died of Wounds, 22.7.17".

I knew Lord well his name was Harry, and he came from Wellington, he belonged to the original 9th Machine Gun Company. I was wounded on 9.6.17 and left the Company. I was told the day before yesterday by Sergeant Fletcher (Les) of 9th Machine Gun Company, that Lord was slightly wounded over the eye, but so slightly that he did not even have to go to the Hospital at first, but was on stable duty behind the lines, when suddenly the wound went wrong, and Lord died very suddenly. Sergeant Les.Fletcher is at Georges Heights, and could give further details.

Informant:- Private C.A.Stewart, 1504,
9th Machine Gun Company, Section 4,

Home Address:- First Street,
Boolaroo, Newcastle.

H.S.C.
15.3.18.
No.4, Australian General Hospital,
Randwick.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

15/8/17

O. C's Draft

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13th General Hospital
Boulogne

Abort 64 Pte. H. W. Lord
9th Machine Gun Coy
A. I. F.

D. of W. 22.7.17

48th A.I.F. F. A. SIMS, 2984.
F. G. SIMS, 2983.

M. 11.4.17.

Ptes. S.A. and F.G.Sims were brothers who came over with me from Australia in the 7th Reinforcements. They were missing after the fight at Bullecourt on April 11th and I made enquiries about them, and was told by Pte. Brown of C Co. that he had been next to them in the German trench. He went further up the trench and when he came back again they had disappeared. The trench was being very heavily shelled and he thinks there is no doubt that they were either blown up or buried.

Reference: Pte. M. A. Nicholls. 2965.
No.5 General, Rouen. 13.7.17.

Written Pte Brown 2a f.7

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The Secretary,
Australian Red Cross Society.

In reply to your letter dated 15-8-17, Pte H.W. Lord, was admitted to this Hospital on 14-7-17, with a severe gunshot wound of head, involving his left eye.

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Boulogne.
19-8-17.

Captain, R.A.M.C.,
for O.C., No: 13 General Hospital.

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