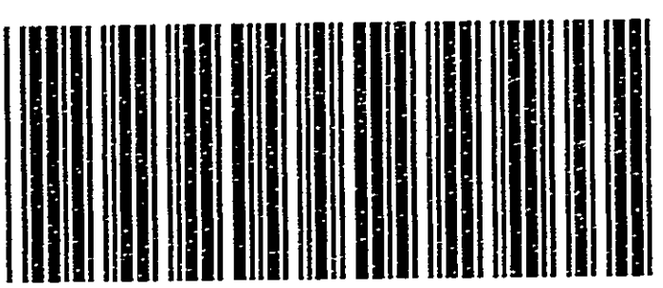
Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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4433 Private
Herbert Gibbs

28th Battalion



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28th A. I. F.

Gibbs, Pte 4433,
D. Coy

(E. Aug. 27-29/16. Dat: D & B)

Informant says Gibbs was killed at once at Pozieres. Some say his head was blown off and others that his neck was broken.

Eye-witness: Yes, it was generally known.

Description: A very fine chap, very much liked.

Informant: Pte R. Bayle, 4575,
28th A. I. F., D. Coy,
3rd London General Hospital,
Wandsworth.

Home address:
Horseferry Road,
S.W.

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10th February 1917.
Mary Milne.

28th Batt.
A.Co.,
A.I.F.,

GIBBS
H 4433

"Killed Aug.27-29/16"

I saw him killed by a shell. He was to my knowledge not buried. It was at Pozieres Aug.28th.

Reference:- H Pickersgille, 4516
A.Co. 28th Batt. A.I.F.,
Dartford,
23.2.17.

London
5.3.17.
F.E.B.

P.

A.I.P. 28. GIBBS H. 4433.

K. 27/29.8.16.

He was in D.Co. M.G.S. Pte. Konseller, D.Co. M.G.S. told me that he saw Gibbs half buried by a shell in the trench at Pozieres, soon after mid-day on about the date named. He was got out at once when a wound, apparently from a shell splinter, was found in the top of his head. He was quite dead. Konseller also told me he saw the body removed by R/B's who said they were going to bury it. Gibbs came from Barkin, W.A. He was about 19 or 20: tall: thick set, light complexion. Konseller was still with the Co. on 2.2.17.

FSP.

Reference: Pte.C. Cooper. 4400. D.Co.
7 Can.Gen. Hosp.

Etaples.
8.3.17.

Written Pte Sinclair 15.3.17

28th Batt.
A.I.F.,

GIBBS
H 4433

"Killed 27.8.16"

I saw his body lying in No Man's Land eight days after he had been killed. There were many others lying alongside him. There was no chance of burial, the German line being too near. Gibbs was a mate. We came from W.A. together.

Reference:- 4516 W.Pickersgill.
28th Batt. A.I.F.,
12.3.17.

London
22.3.17.
L.P.J.

P.

28th Batt.
A.I.F.,

GIBBS
Herbert 4433

"K. in A 27/29.8.16"

Re inquiries about a man of the name of H.G.Gibbs. I can supply you with a little information about Pte Gibbs. He came away from Australia with me and here to France. He was killed on the 28.8.16 and he was buried on the Field but I don't know whether or not if the grave was registered, I was with him when he was killed. He belonged to Darkin in West Australia, he was a fine big fellow, fairly dark and about 21 years of age I think or twenty.

Cert. by letter from Pte J.W.Kinsella,
France. On the Field.
30.3.17.

London
13.4.17.

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Name	Unit	Casualty	Cause of Casualty
	28th Btn. A.I.F.		GIBBS Herbert 4433. "Killed in Action 27.28.8.16"
			No trace Germany Cert. by Capt. Hills. 10.10.19.
			London. 22.10.19.

Ack FM 10.4.17

With Christmas Greetings
From CITIZENS WAR CHEST FUND. A.I.F. 1916 B.E.F.
N S WALES DIVISION OF AUSTRALIAN COMFORTS FUNDS.

France
on the Field
30/3/17

Manager Red Cross
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Yours Faithfully

Pte J H Kinsella

Gibbs
Herbert HH32
2nd Battn
Killed 27/29-8-16.

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