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3523 Private John Neil

7th Field Ambulance



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15.10.19.

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Name.

Unit.

Casualty.

Cause of Cancels.

.I.F. 7th Pld Amb.

John, 3523.

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Died of Wounds, 4, 10, 15.

Auried at Waldon's Point Burial ground Anzac. Cort by A. I.F. Hdqrs List. 12.9, 19.

A.A.M.C. 7 Field Amb. D. ef W. 4.9.15. Details J.Hoil 3523 Pa

Knew him as Jack in 7th Field Ambulance. Saw him after he was killed early in September. He had been killed instantly by a shell and was wounded in saveral places. Witness helped carry him down from Anzac. He was buried at waldren Peint to the left of Ho.2 Outpost. They were great friends. About 6 ft. fair, clean shaven, thicknet, he came from South Brisbane and had been a School teacher.

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St. Davids

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A.A.M.C. 7 F.Amb. A Section. L J. 3523.

D. of W. 4.9.15. Details.

Witness says that on the morning of Monday 4.10.15 Neil went with an officer and some other men to the beach at Anzac for some hospital tents. On the way there a shell from Beachy Bill burst near Neil, who was a little behind the others, and blew away part of his body, killing him instantly. Witness didn't actually see it (no one probably did), but heard from some of the party on their return. They carried the body back to camp, and he was buried on Waldron Point, the Rev. Capt. Smith (Ch. of Engl.) of 25 A.I.F. officiating, and also holding a memorial service the following Sunday. Witness says Neil was a master in the Brisbane Grammar School, and was very much liked.

The 7th F.Amb. only arrived on the Peninsula on 13.9.15.

Ref:- Pte R.J.Williams, , 3808, 7 F.Amb. C Section. Gezira Hospital, CAIRO.

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(Mote. Witness will develop and bring to this office a photo of the grave.)

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A.A.M.C. 7 Field Amb. D. of W. 4.9.15. Details. It J. Ne11

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Anew him well as Jack in the 7th Field Ambulance. Saw him early in September about an hour after he was killed, besides other wounds the cap of a shell had pierced his stomach. He had died instantaneously. Helped to bury him and erect a cross on his grave at Waldon Point about \$ of a mile to the left of No.2 Outpost towards Suvia. They were great friends.

From 5 ft 11 to 6 ft, fair, clean shaven, fairly thickset, from the Thompson Estate; South Brisbane. Had been a school teacher.

Pte G.G.Schleucker 3547 7 Aust. Field Amb.

Note One of the most intelligent witnesses I have met. H.S.O.

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Men in his section told witness he was killed <u>outright</u> by a piece of shrapnel(probably from Beachy Bill) while on duty near Anzac. Witness(and J.E.Callaghan 3648, B Sect. 7 Field Amb. A.A.E.C., who was also interviewed) both saw him on a stretcher, being carried back to his section, and he was buried that night to the left of Chalk Hill.

L.Cpl. Bico 3672

7 Field Amb. A.A.H.C.

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NEIL Pto J. 3523.

D. of W. 4.9.15. Details.

Witness says that Heil was killed on the 4.9.15, just about midday, on the pier at Anzac, by a shell from Beachy Bill. He must have been killed outright, as they said the shell case struck him. Witness saw them carrying the body up in the afternoon on a stretcher. He did not see the face, as they had a blanket over him. He was buried at Waldron's Point. He came from Queensland.

Ref:- Pte A.J.Darmody, 3683
7 F.Amb., B Section, A.A.M.C.
Heliopolis, Palace Hospital, CAIRO.

W.J.I. J.2.16.

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