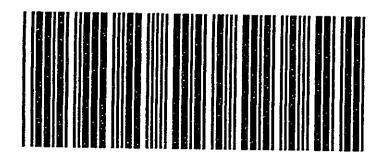
## Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War 1DRL/0428

## 2868A Private Cyril Claude Hill

1st Pioneer Battalion



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K.Sept.1st.1917.

He was killed by a shell and died instantly in the early morning whilst in reserve behind our line near the Menin road. I do not know where he was buried.

Informant: A.J. Lutherborrow 1. 5701. C.Coy. 1 C.C.

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AUSTRALIAN PLOMBERS,

HILL, 0.0. 28684

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I know Pto. Clem Hill of a Go. 3rd Pltm. I was within 15 yards of him between Olapham Junction and our lat objective on Sept. 1. 22 1917. about noon, when he was killed instantly by a shell which exploded close to him. His body was quite recognizable. His face was not injured. He had been sitting talking to me a few ministed our job and went back to our Camp. I think he was hirled where he fell. I say the cross which was prepared for his grave.

Informant: Pte. H. Rushton, 3411
1st Aust. Fioneers, A Go., 3rd Fitm.,
Australian Camp, Rouelles.

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Hill Pte. C.C. 28680

(K. Sept. 1/17 Det D/B)

"I saw Hill killed near Ypres about Sept. 28th. I think Sept. 1st is wrong. I saw a shell burst and it blew him to pieces and they buried what remains they could find in a shell hole. I saw the men bury him, but did not actually teke part. I knew him well and was in the same Plt. and Coy. ".

Eye-witness: Yes

Description: Dark, thin, short, abt. 5ft 4. abt. 37 yrs. A married man with several children. Came from Hew South Wales where he worked in the Bush.

> Pte. John Borland 2574, Informent:

/# Pioneer Batt: Aust. Imperial Force, A. Coy. III Plt.

Home address: 60 Alison St., Ayr,

Dec. 14/17, M.E. Nickels. Ionic St. Hospt., Rock Ferry, Birkenhead.

Hill. C.C. 2868a

## "Killed 1.9:17"

I think the correct Ec. is 2868 I saw his grave with cross etc in the Little Cemetery at Belgium Battery Corner. I think it was known he was killed outright near Westhoek Ridge.

Witness:- E.C.Pettit 2399 lst Pioneers Dartford.

London.

L.P.J.

28.1.18. <u>Note Owing to a printer's error this man's S</u>
number was given as 28680

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C.C. 2868A

## Killed 1-9-17

Refer to Pte. Holly, 1st Pioneer Batta., A. Coy., who is now in France, be saw him killed at Clapham Junction, and can give full particulars.

Informant. Scullin Pte. J. 5445

1st, Pioneer Battn., 3rd A. A. H., DARTFORD.

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"Filled 1/9/17"

I knew Hill well, he and I left Amstralia as the 6th Reinferce ment to the 1st Picneer Battalian, his number was 2868, he was sheet, dark, and case from Sydney, and had worked at Hetels, we joined A. Coy tegether. On the Menin Read near Hell fire Corner he was one of a party with us returning from work. We were followed by 5-9 shells and he was the only one of the party to be hit. He was talled outright without suffering. I was there at the time had saw it happen. He was taken back and buried the same evening at think near the Swan Chateau about one killenstre south of Tyres about the happened I feel sure on the 19th Sept 1917, but I am certain it was later by 2 weeks them 1/9/17.

Informant: Pto J. W. Gribbles, No 2856, 1st Pioneers
A. Coy. No 4 Australian General Hospital
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