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2193 Corporal Walter John Hodgkinson

26th Battalion



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26th A. I. F. A.Coy. Sergt. W. J. HODGKINSON, 2193

Killed 14.11.16. Det.D & B.

Several men including Sergt.Long, A.Coy., told Informant immediately after the occurrence that Sergt.Hodgkinson at the commencement of the attack did not pass through the Communication Trench with the others but "jumped out of" the Support Trench where he was, into the open and was at once shot through the head. Sergt.Long who saw the fatality is now, Informant believes, at an Officers' Training Camp.

Reference: W.J.C.Stevens, 3135, A.Coy.

No.11 Stationary, Rouen, 10.5.17.

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Written Sgt Long 28.5.17

Havre 16th May, 1917.

26th AUSTRALIANS

HUDSKINSON, Sgt. W.J. 2133
A Co.

K. 14.11.16. Bet. D/B.

I saw him hit in the head by a sniper's bullet on the 14th November, about 9-00 a.m. This was at Flers, and he was killed outright. He was a big fellow, 14 stone, fair, and came from Queensland. I do not know anything of his burial.

Informant: Pte H. Turner, 4527
26th Australians, A Co.,
H. S. Grantully Castle.

GRB

26TH A. I. F. Sergt. W. J. HODGKINSON, 2193

Killed 14.11.16. Det.D/B.

Sergt.Hodgkinson was in my Coy., A.Coy. I saw him killed in No Man's Land in the fight at Flers. He was shot through the head and his helmet went sky-high.

Reference: Corpl.A.Lyburn, 3507, A.Coy.

No.5 General, Rouen, 15.6.17.

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26th A.I.F.

Hodgkinson, Sgt.W.J. 2193
A.Co.

(K. Nov.14/16) Det D/B

"I saw Sgt. Hodgkinson (26.A) killed instantaneously by a sniper on Nov. 14. at Flers, after the attack was over. We had not been successful and had returned to our own lines. He was killed about 9.30.a.m. after we came back. I was only about 10 yards away from him. I left him lying on the back of the trench and am sorry that I do not know where he was buried."

Eye-witness: Yes.

Description: 5ft.8" fair hair and moustache.

Informant:- Pte. Robert Turner, 4527
26th A.I.F. A.Co. 11.Pl.
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26th Battn.
A. I. F.

Hodgkinson.
Sgt. W.J. 2193

"Killed 14.11.16."

This man was killed instantly on Nov.14th, 1916 in the attack at Flers. He had charge of the left wing of A.Coy. After our Battn.had returned from the attack about 11.30.a.m. I saw Hodgkinson fall. A sniper hit him, the bullet passed through his head and he was quite dead when I came up to him. I do not know if he was buried. When we were relieved he was lying behind a parapet. He was about 6 feet, well built, medium complexion, 40 years (about) Do not know his occupation.

H. A. Braden. 4089.
A. Coy. 26th Battn.
Perha, Downs Camp.

A. R. McPhee.

London.
6.7.17.

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Name	Unit	Casualty	Cause of Casualty
HODGKINSON Sgt.Walter John 2193	A.I.F. 24th Bttn. A.Coy.	Killed in Action 14.11.16.	No report of Burial. Cert. by A.I.F. Hqrs 17.7.19.

London,
5.10.19.

AUSTRALIAN LIST.

CANCELS

A.I.F.A.Coy.26th Btn

HODGKINSON
Sgt. Walter John 2193

"K/A. 14-11-16"

No trace Germany
Cert. by Capt.Mills 16-10-19.

London
21-10-19

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