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Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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3194 Private Thomas Richard Malcolmson

46th Battalion



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46th Battn
C.Coy.,
A.I.F.

MALCOLMSON
T.R. 3194

"Killed 8.7.17."

I saw him killed at Hill 63. He was caught by a shell, fragments of which hit him about the head killing him instantly. I did not know him very well, because he had only just joined up a couple of days before the casualty! He was a Scotchman and had enlisted in the A.I.F. I do not know place of burial and cannot refer to anyone for details, but I am sure he would be buried somewhere near place of casualty.

Witness:-
Pte. J.H. McFarlane 2950
46th Battn C.Coy.,
Dartford 3rd A.A. Hpl. M

London. 4.1.18.

46th A. I. F.

Malcolmson, Pte J.R. 3194,
C. Coy

(Killed July 8th 1917)

"Tom Malcolmson was killed on July 8th. I was not there at the time but was told by Harris, G. 3165. He was buried east of Hill 63. I saw his grave which was marked by his name and number."

Eye-witness: No, told by G. Harris, 3165

Description:

Informant: W. Jones, 3168A,
46th A.I.F.,
Clandon Park Hospital,
Guildford.

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22nd Feb. 1918.
Katharine Wood.

Written Pte. Harris 7.3.18 - letter returned "Hospital 12.3.18" [illegible]

46th Btn. late 60th Btn.

MALCOLMSON, T.R.
Pte. No. 3194

Killed in action 8.7.17.

"I knew Casualty. He was a man about 5' 9" medium fair, about 23 years of age. Christian names Thomas Richard, known as Tom. Casualty was on fatigue at night at 12 p.m. at Messines, and was carrying a post. He was on one end and I was on the other. A shell exploded underneath us blowing me some distance in the air and wounding me, and killing casualty instantly. He was buried in the front line just near where he lay at Messines. I was an eye-witness. He was my best mate and was greatly missed by all the boys."

Informant:) T.A. Morton,
No. 3196

Private address
Amphitheatre,
Via Avoca.

T.C.P.
15.3.18.

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46th Btn.

MALCOLMSON. T. R.
Pte. 3194.

Killed in action 8/7/17.

"I knew Casualty. He was a tall man, about 5 ft. 9 ins. fair complexion, about 22 years of age, known as Thomas Richard and "Scotty". Casualty was on a fatigue party carrying dug-out props from Prow's Dump to the left of Ploegsteert Wood. An H.E. shell exploded near Casualty mortally wounding him. He died in my arms about 10 minutes later. His chief wounds were in the base of the skull and the jugular vein. He was buried at Prow's Dump, Messines. I was an eye-witness. He was well known and liked by all his comrades."

Informant:- G. Harris.
No. 3165.

Private address:-
Amphitheatre.

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T.C.F.
1/3/18.

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46th Battn.
A.I.F.

MALCOLMSON,
T.R. 3194

"Killed 8.7.17."

Was in C.Coy. He had just joined up the Battn, was his first time in the line. He was killed by shell, there were 2 of them carrying a pole for a dug-out, and the other man was wounded and sent back to Australia. I saw Malcomson's body immediately after he was killed. It happened between Russian Sap and the front line (Ploegsteert). His body was lying in the sap when I saw it. He was later taken away and buried, but I don't know where.

Informant:- J.R. Mc Kay, 4094,
46th Battn,
Harefield.

W.G.J.

London.
5.4.18.

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A.I.F. 46th Battn.

MALCOLMSON
T.R. 3194

KILLED 8/7/17.

I know him to be buried just below Hill 63. In a trench when killed whilst carrying a log, by a shell bursting - in Ploegstreet - July 8th 1917. I was in the same trench at the time - He was given a very good burial, in a decent grave with a large white crosserected over him. Ground was held.

Eye-witness:- Yes
Description:-

Informant:- 2523 H. Taylor Cpl., (A clear statement -
46th Battn., (Malcolmson's was a pal
A.I.F., (of Taylor's).
South Devon Hospital,
Plymouth.

Home address:- Campbell Street,
Collac Victoria.

Ursula A. Eccles.

London
13/5/18.

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46th A.I.F. Malcolmson. T.R. 3194.

(K. July 8/17.)

"I have seen Malcolmson's grave near "Hyde Park Corner" near Messines near Hill 63. When the stretcher bearers pointed it out to me it was not marked in any way, but it would be subsequently marked with a Cross. Malcolmson was in C Coy."

Eyewitness:

Description:

Informant: M. Foggo. 2630.
46th A.I.F. C Coy.
Netley Red X Hospital.

21/3/18.
G.R.B.

M Casualty.