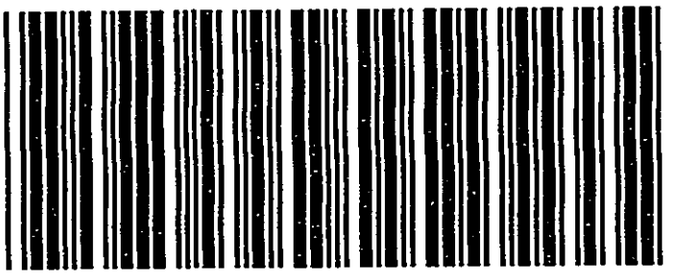
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3698 Private
Allan Elmore Rix

50th Battalion



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Havre 4th August 1918.

A.I.F. 50. Rix A.E. No. 3698.

K. 25th April 1918. Det D/B.

I know Pte Allan Rix of C. IX, he came from Alberton, S.Australia, and I think worked for his father who is a lime Merchant. I was with him when he was killed instantly by a shell in our front line at Villers Bretonneux on the night of the 25th April 1918, about 9 p.m. I helped to bury him in a shell hole and stuck a bayonet on the grave with his name on a piece of paper. It is close to the Village and near a Sunken Road.

Inf:- L/Cpl H.C. Leggett No. 3387.
A.I.F. 50. C. IX.
Australian Conv. Depot.
Rouelles.

RDM.

PP.

Havre. 17th. August. 1918.

50th. Australians. Rix, A. E. 3698.

K. April. 25/1918. Dets. D/B.

I know him well; he came from Alberton, S. Australia. His Father was a chaff merchant & Rix left school to join. On April 25th. we were at Villers Brettoneux holding the line. About dinner time Rix was resting in the trench when he was hit by a shell & killed right out. I was close by & saw it. I don't know about burial.

Inf:- Private. L. S. Payne. 3695.
50th. Australians. C. 9.
Australian Conv. Camp.
Rouelles.

CWSG.

CP.

Havre 19th Septr 1918.

Australians. 50. Rix A.E. No. 3698.

K. 25th April 1918. Det D/B.

Informant gave initial correctly. He was in my Company 'C' and mt P. Platoon No. IX. He was a 10th reinforcement chap, and his home was Port Adelaide, anyhow in that locality. On the 25th April we counter-attacked at Villers Bretonneux, and dug ourselves in at once. On the morning of the 26th, a shell burst in the trench killing Rix and several others. I was within 20 yards of Rix, and saw him after, lying dead. The bodies were buried more or less where they fell. We moved from that trench the same dayso I never saw Rix's grave.

Inf:- Pte A.H.Campbell No. 2391.
A.I.F. 50. C. IX.
H.S. 'Panama'.

Home address:- Goodwood, South Australia'.

JMD.

PP

Havre. 18th. September. 1918.

50th. Australians. Rix, A. E. 3698.

K. April. 25/1918. Dets. D/B.

He came from Albert in South Australia; a student at the College, P.A.C. I know him well; he came over with me in the 10th. to the 50th. reinforcements on the s.s. 'Thermistocles' I have written his young lady, Miss. W. McCann, Glanville. South Australia, that he got blown up by a shell on the Railway Embankment at Villers Brettoneux. I expect she will tell his people.

Inf:- Private. A. F. Turner. 3597.
50th. Australians. A.
Hospital Ship.

Informant's Home Address:- A. F. Turner. 'St. Albans' Fletcher Road, Sandwell, South Australia.

WHB.

CP

Havre 3rd Octr 1918.

Australians. 50. Rix A.E. 3698.

K. 25th April 1918. Det D/B.

Pte A.V.Tobin of the 32nd Battn C.Coy. told me he was killed on the 25th April in the Villers Bretonneux sector. I knew him, about 5 feet 4, slight and thin. He was dark, about 19 years. He came from Albert, South Australia. Rix was in C.Coy.

Inf:- L/Cpl L.S.Clarkson No. 4986.
A.I.F. 32. B. VIII.
74 Gen. Hos.

HJG.

C.O. 5th A

P.P.