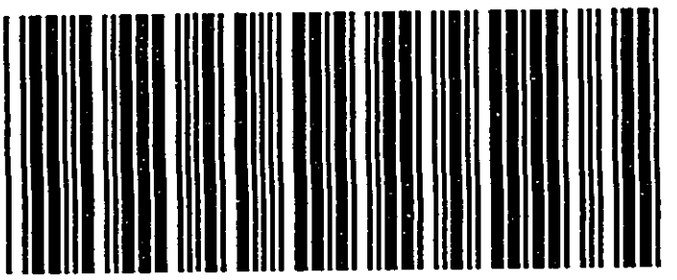
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2428 Sergeant Alfred Arthur Percival Rogerson

7th Battalion



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A.I.F. 7TH Btn B.Coy.

ROGERSON
Sgt Alfred Arthur P. 2428

"MISSING"

Killed in Action 23-26-7-16 - previously reported Missing
Cert. by A.I.F.Hqrs 17-7-17.

M & P.I.

London
21-7-17

Havre 22nd Nov. 1916

4/ AUSTRALIANS ROGERSON, Sergt. A.A.P. 2428, B Co.

M 23-26th July 1916

Pte Eric Sims of the same battalion, B Co., now with the battalion knows about Rogerson.

Informant: L/Cpl. C.A. Hardie, 24/0, 4/Australians, B Co., No. 1 Col. Hos., Etretat.

PJM

Written Pte Sims 28.11.16

NOTE TO MELBOURNE.

7th Battn.
A.I.F.

Rogerson.
Sgt.A.A.P. 2428

"Killed in Action 23-26.7.16"

In answer to your le ter 11.12.17 asking us to make a further search for the above because Cpl.M.Wallington said he was a prisoner, we desire to inform you that the said Cpl.M.Wallington (5653 - 16th Battn.) was never a prisoner himself nor did he even go to France but after three months in England was returned to Australia on 26.12.16. At H.Qrs. A.I.F. we found that correspondence had passed between them and a brother of the above in France and the matter thrashed out by H.Qrs. last July as cables have passed between A.I.F.H.Qrs. and Defence we presume this information could all have been obtained from Defence; at any rate Wallington's record was surely available - We are sorry he was not interviewed and cross-examined and if need be exposed.

London.
14.2.18.

Havre

Dec. 30th 1916

AUSTRALIANS 7

ROGERSON Sgt. A.A.P. 2428

M. July 23-26/16

He was killed at Delville Wood in July about 50 yds. from me. He was hit by shell and was killed outright. We held the ground. Very few were buried.

Informant A.E. Batkin 5036
54th A.I.F. A Co.
H.S. Dunluce Castle
G.R.B.

C11 M
p. 1.

A.I.F. 7th. Battn.

ROGERSON.
A.A.P. 2428

MISSING JULY 23./26/16.

Delver Wood in July I was close to him when he was killed by a shell out in no mans land. I knew him well. We held the ground and did not lose it after.

Ref. Sgt. Dunbar.
Ward 54 Harefield.
19.3.17.

D.P.Dickson.
LONDON.
28.3.17.

Off. Missing. P.I.

7th Batt,
A.I.F.

Rogerson,
Sgt. A.A.P. 2428.

"Missing 23 - 26. 7. 16"

The Above does not appear on the list to hand, and we are therefore unable to give the desired information concerning him

Cert by letter from German Red Cross Berlin 17.9.17 in reply to ours of 10.7.17

London 22.10.17

E.

FRANCE.

A.I.F. 7. ROGERSON, Sgt. A.A.P. 2428

H. July 23-26.1916.

Signaller Milloy, H'q Batt. runner, told me he saw him killed at Pozieres on July 25th. Milloy is with the Battalio n still.

References: Pte. E. McCauley, 426. B.Co.
26 Gen Hosp. Etaples. 8th. Sept 1916.

SA.

FRANCE.

A.I.F. 7. ROGERSON. A.A.P. 2428.
Sgt.

H. July 23-26.1916.

I saw him blown up by a shell as he was going across in a bombing party at Pozieres on the morning of Tuesday, July 25th., at about 10.30 a.m. Two or three men were together with him and they were all blown up. He was missing afterwards. I was about 15 or 20 yards away, and had to go on. I did not see him again. I think the shell blew him to pieces and buried him. He was the only Rogerson in the Co. He was Sgt. in 8 platoon and was in charge of the Co Bombers.

Reference: Cpl. H. Lewis, 2854, E.Co.
Conv Camp. No. 1. A.D.B.D. Etaples.
8th. Sept. 1916.

SA.

2425 Rogerson.
Sgt A.A.P. 7 Bttn.

For reply to letter 10.7.17.

See Kenneally.

Sept 14th
Filing Copy.

Signaller Milroy
H.Q. Battalion Runner
7 Australian Inf. Battalion - B. 2 ½.

Dear Sir

We are making enquiries about the fate of 2428 Sgt. A.A.P. Roberson - 7 Batt — & have been told you said Were Killed. ~~of~~ He is posted as Missing 23-26/7/16 — So any particulars you can give will be the greatest help to us — Wishing you all Good Luck - Yours truly

LIST No. 7 OF MISSING.

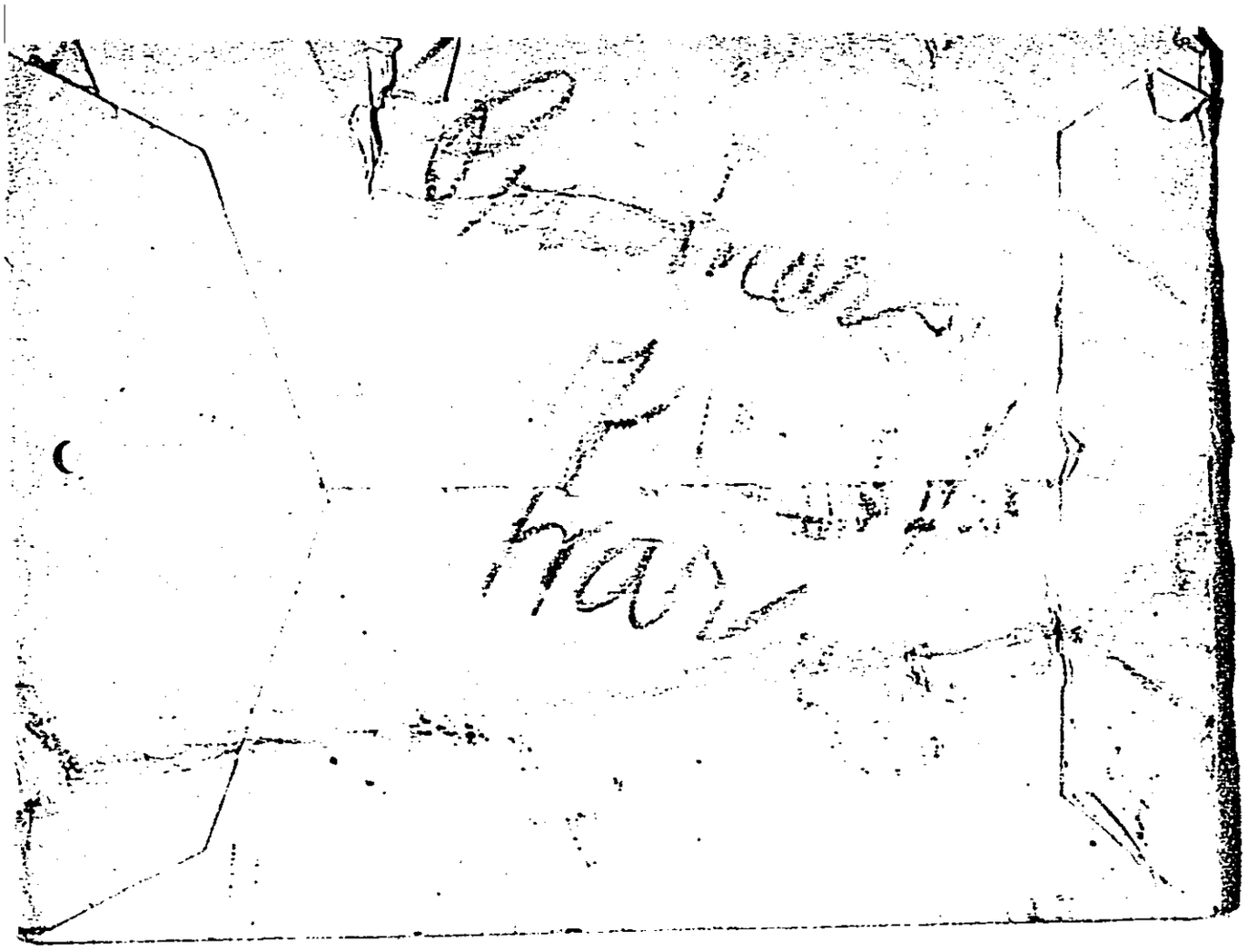
10th Battalion.

Serial No.	No.	Rank.	Name.	Place.	Date.
84602A	77	Sergeant	Backman, J.	M. Gallipoli	
84603	1028	Private	Black, H. F.	M. "	
84604	1061	"	Bowden, J. S.	M. "	
84605	550	"	Brammy, G. H.	M. "	2.5.15
84606	224	"	Cameron, R.	M. "	2.5.15
84607	594	"	Catlow, T. W.	M. "	
84608	928	"	Cochrane, H.	M. "	
84609	186	"	Crowhurst, F. S.	W. & M. "	25.4.15
84610	340	"	Cussion, C. W.	W. & M. "	2.5.15
84611	901	"	Farrar, H. ...	M. "	2.5.15
84612	682	"	Fiege, K. G.	W. & M. "	25/29.4.15
84613	436	"	Fisher, F. W.	M. "	2.5.15
84614	1447	"	Gibbons, W. J.	M. "	
84615	1144	"	Gordon, K. D.	W. & M. "	
84616	902	"	Greenhill, P. C.	M. "	25.4.15
84617	1345	"	Hancock, J.	M. "	
84618	888	"	Huntley, G. H. S.	W. & M. "	25/29.4.15
84619	380	"	Kent, W. ...	M. "	2.5.15
84620	454	"	Lashmar, A. J.	M. "	2.5.15
84621	1372	"	Leech, S. ...	M. "	
84622	866	"	McCaffray, M.	M. "	
84623	509	"	McEwen, G.	M. "	
84624	751	"	McLintock, J. S.	M. "	2.5.15
84625	381	"	McTavish, J.	M. "	2.5.15
84626	70	"	McWilliam, J. G.	M. "	8.5.15
84627	1161	"	Mansfield, H. O.	W. & M. "	25/29.4.15
84628	702	"	Nash, B. J.	M. "	
84629	166	"	Ryan, P. F.	W. & M. "	2.5.15
84630	334	"	Skinner, H. W.	M. "	2.5.15
84631	1187	"	Taylor, H. M.	W. & M. "	25.4.15

Australian Prisoner of War



No. 2428 Pte. A. A. P. Rogerson
7th Batt.
Aust. Imperial Forces
Hartzberg
Germany
c/o Australian Red Cross Commissioner
54 Victoria Street
London, S. W.



Rogerson A.A.P. Gen. Corr. 2428.

7 Batn

M 23. 26/7/16.

M.

Ref.

Lt. Bulley - H.Q. Batn Limmen

Pte Eric Sims B Coy (wrote them 28.11.16)

Lt. J.

note written Bulley & Sims - Walkington - 21.6-17-

106 Ascot Vale Road
Flemington
Victoria
15th April 1917

My Dear Boy,

I am writing these few lines hoping that you will receive same alright, for we have been informed by a Corpl. M. J. Wallington of the 16th Batt. that he knows that you are a prisoner in Hattzburg Camp & he tells us that you have written several letters to us, but we have not received a line from you since you wrote the field service card dated 22nd July 1916 & that will soon be 12 months ago. hope you are keeping well & trust it will not be so very long before we meet again, our prayers go up to God every day for your well being, keep up your spirits & do what is right & God will recompense you - we are all keeping well & Millie is writing to you by this Mail. Mother is keeping up well considering the anxious time we have had since last August - Corpl. W. says he was in the same fight as you were & that your platoon saved them - must not write too much but you have our prayers & good wishes for your safety with best from Mother, Father & all here.

Love from Arthur

Corpl. M. J. Wallington - No. 5-6 5 3 - 16th Batt.

106 Ascot Vale Road
Flemington
Victoria
15th April 1917.

My Dear Boy,

I am writing these few lines hoping that you will receive same alright, for we have been informed by a Corpl. W. J. Wallington of the 16th Batt. that he knows that you are a prisoner in Hattzburg Camp & he tells us that you have written several letters to us, but we have not received a line from you since you wrote the field service card dated 22nd July 1916 & that will soon be 12 months ago. hope you are keeping well & trust it will not be so very long before we meet again, our prayers go up to God every day for your well being, keep up your spirits & do what is right & God will recompense you - we are all keeping well & Millie is writing to you by this mail. Mother is keeping up well considering the anxious time we have had since last August - Corpl. W. says he was in the same fight as you were & that your platoon saved them. must not write too much but you have our prayers & good wishes for your safety - with best from Mother, Father & all here.

Your Loving Father

Corpl. W. J. Wallington - 16th Batt. 5653

9 R.X

10 Juli 1917.

An den Herrn Sekretär,
Deutsches Rote Kreuz,
Berlin, Germany.

Geehrter Herr,

Wir würden Ihnen zum Dank verpflichtet sein wenn Sie die Güte haben würden uns mitzuteilen ob Sie irgend etwas von -

2428 Sergeant Alfred Arthur P. Rogerson.

Australian Imperial Forces (Infantry) wissen.

Dieser Soldat fehlt seit dem 23 - 26 Juli 1916. Obschon wir uns angestrengt haben ihn aufzufinden, können wir nirgends Nachricht über ihn erhalten, weder als verwundet, kriegsgefangen, oder verstorben.

Dürfen wir auch noch weiter um Ihre gütige Hilfe bitten?

Wir sind auf weitere Nachricht von den folgenden 4 Soldaten sehr besorgt, und der Klarheit wegen, und um Sie auch möglichst wenig zu belästigen, stellen wir unsere Fragen in

November 29th

Pte.Eric.Sims.
B.Coy.7th.Battn.A.I.F.
B. E. F.

Dear Pte.Sims;

We are making inquiries for a mamber of your battn. 2423.Sgt.A.A.F.Rogerson.D.Company,7th.Battn.A.I.F. reported "Missing" 23-26-7.16.and have been told that you may be able to help us by giving us some information.

We should be most grateful for any details you could give us, concerning Sgt.Rogerson, and w uld also be glad if you could add a short personal description of the man, in order that we may satisfy his relatives that no er or has been made.

With best wishes.

Yours faithfully,

V.D

Secretary.

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21st June 1917.

Pte. Eric Sims,
B. Coy,
7th Batt, A.I.F.
B.E.F.

Dear Pte, Sims,

We have been requested by our Melbourne Bureau, to make enquiries concerning:-

2428. A.A.P. Rogerson, 7th Batt, A.I.F,

Reported "Missing 23/26.7.16" and were told that if we applied to you, we shouldbe able to obtain some definite information concerning Rogerson. We wrote you on 28.11.16. but as we received no answer, think possibly our letter went astray and are again writing to ask you you to be kind enough to forward us any details you possess. We have lately received a letter from this soldiers father who was told by a man in the 16th Batt, that he knew Sgt Rogerson was a prisoner in Harlzburg, Germany and we are very anxious to investigate this report. So far we have never received his name on any of our Lists of Prisoners of War in Germany, and we are almost afraid that this report must be erroneous. We should be very glad, however, for the sake of his parents if you would tell us all you know concerning

Sgt Rogerson's fate: and if you consider there is the slightest chance of his being still alive of if you Knew him to be killed we should be glad if you could add a short personal description or any points that would enable us to identify him. - such as occupation in civil life - if an original man or a reinforcement home town in Australia etc,

With best wishes,

Yours faithfully,

V.D

Secretary,

21st June 1917.

Signaller Milloy,
H.Q Battalion Runner,
7th Batt, A.I.F.
B.E.F.

Dear Signaller Milloy,

We have been requested by our Melbourne Bureau, to make enquiries concerning:-

2428. A.A.P.Rogerson 7th Batt A.I.F.

Reported "Missing from 23/26.7.16." and were told that if we applied to you, we should be able to obtain some definite information concerning Sgt Rogerson.- We wrote you [redacted] but as we received no answer think possibly our letter went astray: and are again writing to ask you to be kind enough to forward us any details you possess. We have lately received a letter from this soldiers father who was told by a man in the 16th Batt, that he knew Sgt Rogerson was a prisoner in Harlzburg Germany and we are very anxious to investigate this report, So far we have never received his name on any of our lists of Prisoners of War in Germany, and we are almost afraid that this report must be erroneous. We should be very glad however, for the sake of his parents, if you would tell us all you know

concerning Sgt. Rogerson's Fate, and if you consider thereis the slightest chance of his being still alive orif you know him to be killed. We should be very glad if you could add a short personal description or any points that would enable us to identify him, - such as occupation in civil life - if an original man or a reinforcement, home town in Australia etc.

With best wishes,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary,

June 20th. 1917.

Corporal H.J. Wallington,
16th. Battalion, A.I.F.,
B.E.F.

Dear Cpl. Wallington,

We have been making enquiries concerning :

2428 A.A.P.ROGERSON, 7th. Battn., A.I

Missing 23/26.7.16. and have lately had a letter from his father in Victoria who says that he had been informed by you that you knew his son to be a Prisoner of War in Hartzburg Camp, in Germany.

We should be most grateful if you would kindly write without delay and give us any information you possess concerning Sgt. Rogerson, and tell us if you have received any letter or card from him as Prisoner of War in Hartzburg Camp or if he had written to friends of yours in the Battalion. So far his name has never come through on any of our lists of Prisoners of War and we should be very glad if you could give us any reason for your belief that he is a Prisoner, as at this late date we cannot understand why, if alive, Sgt. Rogerson has not yet communicated with his people.

With best wishes,

Yours faithfully, V.D
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