

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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Lieutenant
Leslie Holmes Mullett

14th Battalion



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14th Batt.
A.I.F.,

MULLETT
2nd Lt. L H

"Missing 12.4.17"

Your enquiry re 2nd Lt. L.H.Mullett reached me to-day. It is impossible to state what his fate has been. I last spoke to him at 4.45 a.m. on the morning of the 11th when we wished one another "Godspeed" It was then time for my platoon to advance to the attack. Mr. Mullett following in charge of a succeeding wave. I reached the front trench of the Hindenburg line and was dealing with the opposition when Mr. Mullett passed over on the way to the second objective. This was the last time I saw my dear comrade. Pte Kennedy Mr.Mullett's batman returned safely and says he became separated from Mr. Mullett on reaching the intermediate entanglement and from that time no further tidings can be gleaned. Although our bearers were permitted to bring in those of we our wounded who lay in front of the first wire Fritz refused to

14th Batt.
A.I.F.,

MULLETT
2nd Lt. L.H.

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permit them to reach those of our brave wounded who were between the trench lines.
Any further information which may reach me will be immediately forwarded.

Cert. by letter from Lieut Robt. E.Hayes,
14th Batt. A.I.F.,
France.
7.5.17.

London
12.5.17

Off.M.
P.I.

A.I.B. 14.

MULLETT 2 Lt.L.H.

M. 11.4.17.

G'Donnell 2 Lt.L.

It is official in the Bn. that they were both killed at Bullecourt on 11th April.. Mr. Mullett was in command of VIII Pl. He was the son of H.J. Mullett, the Government Printer in Melbourne.

NO.

Reference: Pts. R.J. Davies. 6641. D.Co.
7 Can. Gen. Epl.

Staples.
29.8.17.

P.I.
G.M.

Not from the Commanding H.Q.

Havre

23rd August. 1917.

14th AUSTRALIANS

MULLETT, 2nd Lt. L.H.

M. April 11th. 1917.

He was my Platoon Officer - (B. Co., VIII. Pltn.) I think if application is made to Lt. Kennedy of the 14th Battalion, B.Co., VIII. Pltn., who was batman to the Lieut., that he will be able to give definite information.

Informant: L.Cpl. A. Murphy 2663
14th Australians, B.Co., VIII. Pltn.
Australian Camp, Bouelles.

RDM.

14th Battn.

D Coy,
A.I.B

MILLET,

L.H.

2nd Lieut.

"Missing 11.4.17".

I saw him killed at a small village called Phrone, A shell burst beside him, killing him instantly. I saw his grave behind a ridge at Phrone, but it was not marked. I knew him well, there being no other of that name in the Battalion.

Witness. Pte. J.W.G. Patterson,
6570

14th Battn, D. Coy, 14th Plt.
3rd A.A. Hospital.
Dartford.

W. Oman,
London,
17.8.17.

*Widely incorrect
See Official Report*

Officially Missing.

14th Battn,
A.I.B.

MILLET,

2nd Lieut L.H.

" Missing 11th 4.17. "

He was reported killed. I heard the officers talking about his death. Cpt. Hayes C.C. C. Coy. 14th Battn France can give full details.

Morrow?

5151 Warron, D.D.,
C.C. 14th Battn

W.G.J.
London,
17.8.17.

Officially Missing.

See Official Report

14th A. I. F.

Mullett, Lt. I.H.

(H. Apl 11th/17)

Informant states that he was informed as a matter of regimental gossip that Lieut Mullett was killed. Cannot give the name of any Informant.

Eye-witness:

Description:

Informant: Pte R.D. O'Hiel, 6076,
14th A.I.F.,
West Ham Hospital.

Home address:
Australia.

14th August 1917.
A.E. Randall.

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ORIGINAL STATEMENT ECHLON

2435/6/29

(COPY)

Statement made by No. 5232 Pts Broad L. 14th Btn

re No. - 2/Lt Mullett L.H. 14th Btn
Missing 11.4.17

2/Lieut Mullett L.H. 14th Btn was killed on 11.4.17
I saw his dead body lying just in front of the barbed wire
near the trenches. There were so many casualties that it is
impossible for me to say what happened to the body.

Dated at Perham Downs this 4th day of September 1917.

(Sgd) L. Broad.

Statement made and signed before me

(Sgd) R. Dooley.

*On E.K. H. do
6d*

14th Btn.

MULLETT, L.H.
2nd Lieut.

Missing 11/4/17.

"I knew Casualty well. I was told by Pte. H. Collier of the 14th Btn. in Harefield in June, 1917 that Casualty was killed by shell fire at Bullecourt on the 11th April, 1917. Collier said he actually saw Casualty partially decapitated just as he was in the act of leaving the trench in the charge on that date."

Informant:- T.H. Davey
Hc. 680 14th Btn.

Private address
Mystic Park,
Victoria.

H.A.B.
29/8/17.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS INFORMATION BUREAU-MELBOURNE.

not sent P.I.

ORIGINAL STATEMENT ECHILON.

2435/5/29

(COPY)Y

Statement made by No. 6570 Pte Patterson J.W. 14th Btn

re No. 2/Lieut Mullett L.M. 14th Btn
Reported missing 11.4.17

I did not see 2/Lieut Mullett killed nor did I see his body. The only information I can give is that another member of the 14th Btn who was admitted to the 2nd General Hospital Bristol on 2nd May said he saw 2/Lieut Mullett killed. I do not know his name but he and I were the only ~~two~~ ^{three} from the 14th Btn admitted to The 2nd G.H.E. on that date.

Dated at Dartford this 28th day of August 1917.

(Sgd) J.W.G. Patterson

Statement made and signed before me

(Sgd) B. Sefreux.

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A.I.F. 14th Btn.

MULLETT.
2nd Lieut.L.H.

"M. Apl.11th, 1917".

I saw this officer lying dead between our 1st objective and the Sunken Road where we "hopped out" in the advance at Bullecourt on Apl.11/17, at about 4.30 or 5.P.M. I saw the dead body in No Man's Land but was instructed not to go out and bring it in as the enemy fire was too heavy. I did not see Lieut.Mullett killed but have no doubt whatever that it was his body that I saw as stated. Mr.Mullett was a son of the Govt.Printer, Mel.Vict.

Informant:- L.Broad, 6232,
Stretcher Bearer,
B.Coy, 5th Platoon, 14th Btn.
Perham Downs Camp.

A.R.McPhee.
London.
7.8.17.

P.I. & Off.M.

14th Battn.
A. I. F.

Mullett.
2nd Lieut. L. H.

"Missing 11.4.17"

Your query of 24.5.17 - There is no information at all about 2nd Lieut. L. H. Mullett of 14th Battalion. No Australians here know anything.

Yours truly,
A.J.McQuiggan, Lt
14th Battn. A.I.F. 30.6.17.
Offiziers Kriegsgefangenenlager,
Karlsruhe. Germany.

Copy of postcard received 30.7.17.

London.
31.7.17.

Off.M.
P.I.

A.I.F. 14.

MULLINIX. 2/Lt L.H.

M. April 11th 1917.

He was in the same trench with me. I did not see him hit but several of the boys told me he was hit through the brain before he reached Fritz' 1st line wire. Pte J. Matthews. Company runner told me and he was with the Battn about 10 days ago before I got hit and can't give full particulars. This happened at Bullecourt.

Inf: Pte A. Rodgers. 6341. 14.A.
No. 83 General

BOULOGNE. 16.7.17.

P. 9. WP
10/11-7m

14th Battn.
A. I. F.

Mallet.
2nd Lieut. L.H.

"Missing 11.4.17."

Bullecourt. He was killed at the first hop over out of the sunken road. I saw him killed, think it was shell.

Witness:-

Collier. 6242.
Harefield. W.34.

D. P. Dickson.

London.
29.6.17.

P.I.
Off.M.

(COPY)

Statement made by No. Lieut Hudson A. 67th Bn

re S/Lieut Mullett L.H. 14th Bn
Missing 11.4.17

Up till the time of my transfer from the 4th Bn the above named officer (S/Lieut Mullett) was reported missing on the 11.4.17. Personally I do not know whether this officer was killed in the advance or not.

Dated at Wyndmill Hill this 31st day of August 1917.

(Sgd) A.L. Hudson.

Statement made and signed before me

(Sgd) A.J. Lee.

Ed R1
On EK off db

A. I. F. 14.

MULLETT, 2-Lt. L.H.

Re: April 11th, 1917.

Lieut. Hudson of A. Coy but since transferred to 6th Division now being formed in England, told me he had received a letter from an officer of the 14th battn. from Germany giving the information that Mr. Mullett is also P/W with 3 other officers. If a letter is addressed to Mr. Hudson, 14th A.I.F. it will be sent on to him.

PHE.

Reference:- 2-Lieut. S.J.J. Carton. B.
L. Gun School.

Written Lt Hudson 16.3.17

Etaples
6.6.17.

*P.I
11/11*

A.I.F. 14.

MULLETT, 2nd Lt.L.H.

Re: April 11th.1917.

We made an attack on Bullecourt on 21 this day. Our left flank got exposed, and most of the men were either killed or taken prisoner. Mr.Mullett was killed by a rifle bullet. He was shot in the head. A man whose name I don't know was next to him when he was killed and he saw him killed and told me so afterwards. If any further information is required, you can obtain it by writing to the Padre of the 14th Battn, or to Lt.R.Hayes. Both were still there when I left a few days ago.

Informant: Pte J.Anderton. 6462.
No.1 C.C.

BOULOGNE. 5.6.17.

See Lieut. Hayes' letter

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*P.I
11/11*

Havre

30th May, 1917.

14th AUSTRALIANS

MULLETT, 2nd Lt. L.H.

M. 11.4.17.

He was in B Co. and was killed by machine gun bullets on the first attack on the Hindenburg line. Pte. Kennedy of the 14th battalion, B Co., his batman, told me this, and he is still up the line. I do not think Lieut. Mullett's body was recovered.

Informant: Pte A.J. Ellis, 2920
14th Australians, B Co.,
H. St. Essequibo.

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Lois See Lieut Hayes' letter
re Kennedy's report

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A.I.F. M. 14.

MULLETT, 2nd Lt. L.H.

M. April 11th 1917.

Bullecourt, see notes

I saw him hit by a shell soon after going over.
I should think he was killed. I knew him in Australia
and he was a fine officer.

Inf: F.G. Flint. 6262.
No. 25 General.
BOULOGNE. 25.5.17.

AAPW

*P.I.
off clb
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Mullett

2/24 L. H

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M. 11.4.17

Aug. M. R. Marsh Esq.

○

G. R. P. S.

London -

30.4.17

R.C.



INTER ARMA CARITAS

Prière de rappeler
dans la réponse le
N° ci-dessous :

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE

R.151416.
A.X.G.

AGENCE INTERNATIONALE DES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE

Genève, _____ 191

14 Bath

MULLETT Leslie H. Lieut., Australian Contingent.

R m A P 11-11-17 Pres Rep m

Concerning the above-named, we have received from Sign.
Will. F. HINGS, 14th Batt., same Contingent, interned at MINDOPH,
the following statement, dated, 5.12.1917 :

"I have heard that this officer was killed on April 11th,
1917, but I am not sure of the fact."

Col
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14th Battn.,
A.I.P.,

MULLETT,
Leslie H. Lieut.,

Killed in Action 11th 4.17.,

(Previous report missing.)

Concerning the above-named, we have received from Sign Will H. Hincs. 14th Battn., same contingent, interned at MINDEN, the following statement, dated, 5.12.1917., :

"I have heard that this Officer was killed on April 11th 1917
but I am not sure of the fact."

London,
13.2.1918.,

This information forwarded by,

Off.M.,
P.I.,

Agence Internationale des Prisonniers de Guerre,
Geneva.,

R.C.

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE

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AGENCE INTERNATIONALE DES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE

INTER ARMA CARITAS

Prière de rappeler
dans la réponse le
N° ci-dessous:

Genève,

191

MULLETT Leslie H., Lieut., 14th Australian Contingent,

K-A 11-4-17

Concerning the above named we have received from Sgt.
W.GROVES, 4199, "B" Coy, 14th Batt., same Contingent, interned
at GUSTROW, the following statement dated 20.4.18:

" I was his Sergeant. One of my men (Pte Ferguson) told me the
he saw him killed during the attack of 11.4.17."

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One E.K.

CLL
P.1
/

R.C.



INTER ARMA CARITAS

Prière de rappeler
dans la réponse le
N° ci-dessous :

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE

R.151371.
A.X.G.

AGENCE INTERNATIONALE DES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE

Genève, _____ 191

MULLETT Leslie H. Lieut. 14th Batt., "B" Coy., Australian
Contingent.

R.A. 11-4-17 Pte Rep M

Concerning the above-named, we have received from Pte.
James FLETCHER, 2460, 17th Batt., "A" Coy., same Contingent,
interned at MÜNSTER 3 I/W., the following statement, dated,
2.12.1917 :

"killed, (hearsay)". (Signed: Pte. Angus Smith. 6599,
14th Batt., "A" Coy., A.I.F.)

R.C.



INTER ARMA CARITAS

Prière de rappeler
dans la réponse le
N° ci-dessous :

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE

R.151474
A.X.G.

AGENCE INTERNATIONALE DES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE

Genève, _____ 191

14 Batt

MULLETT Leslie H. Lieut., Australian Contingent.

R/A 11-4-17 Pte Rep M

Concerning the above-named, we have received from Pte.
Sydney GRIFFIN, 324, 14th Batt., "C" Coy., same Contingent, in-
terned at OSHABRÜCK, the following statement, dated, Dec.1917:

"If belonging to the 14th A.I.F., was seen hit on the
morning of the 11th of April 1917. (Result of hearsay)."

R.C.



INTER ARMA CARITAS

Prière de rappeler
dans la réponse le
N° ci-dessous :

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE

R.151386.
A.X.6.

AGENCE INTERNATIONALE DES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE

Genève, _____ 191

MULLETT Leslie H. Lieut., Australian Contingent.

K-A-4-17

Concerning the above-named, we have received from Lieut.
Reginald F. SANDERS, 14th Batt., same Contingent, interned at
OSNABRÜCK, the following statement, dated, 8.12.1917 :

"(Hearsay) killed."

Ed
K.A.K
P.I
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R.C.



INTER ARMA CARITAS

Prière de rappeler
dans la réponse le
N° ci-dessous :

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE

R.151717.
A.X.6.

AGENCE INTERNATIONALE DES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE

Genève _____ 191

MULLETT Leslie H., Lieut., "B" Coy., 14th Batt., Australian
Contingent.

K-A-4-17 Pte. Pte. Pte.

Concerning the above-named, we have received from Pte.
D. V. MITCHELL, 1980, "B" Coy, 14th Batt., same Rgt., interned
at Friedrichsfeld, near Wessel, the following statement dated,
Nov. 1917.

"Seen lying wounded. Believed killed".

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**Prière de rappeler
dans la réponse la
E° ci-dessous :**

R.151429.
A.X.6.

AGENCE INTERNATIONALE DES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE

Genève, _____ 191

MULLETT Leslie H. Lieut., Australian Contingent. 14 Bath

R. A. H. 4.17 Per Rep m

Concerning the above-named, we have received from L/Cpl. Reginald Henry HUTCHISON, 2618, 50th Inf. Batt., "A" Coy., same Contingent, interned at GÜSTROW, the following statement, dated, 25.11.1917 :

"Killed, (Hornsey)."

7. *Handwritten*
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COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE

7.151359.
A.A.S.

AGENCE INTERNATIONALE DES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE

Genève, 191

MULHETT Leslie E. Lieut., 14th Batt., Australian Contingent.

Mr. A. H. ...

Concerning the above-named, we have received from Sgt. James S. THOMAS, 271, 14th Batt., "F" Coy., same Contingent, interned at SOLTAU, the following statement, dated, 25.11.17 :

"Heard from several of his platoon that he was killed on the wire at Reincourt."

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R.C.



INTER ARMA CARITAS

Prière de rappeler
dans la réponse le
N° ci-dessous :

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE R.151361.
A.X.6.

AGENCE INTERNATIONALE DES PRISONNIERS DE GUERRE

Genève, _____ 191

MULLETT Leslie H. Lieut., 14th Batt., "B" Coy., Australian Contingent.

Concerning the above-named, we have received from C/S/Mjr.
Henry John WHEAR, 3527, 49th Batt., "C" Coy., same Contingent, in-
terned at SOLTAU, the following statement, dated, 25.11.1917 :

"Reported killed during action." (Signed: C.Q.M.S. Alf.
Leslie GUPPY, 201, 14th Batt., "B" Coy., A.I.F.)

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14th Battn.,

Australian Contingent.,

~~SECRET~~.

Leslie H. Lieut.

Killed in Action. 11th 4. 17.,

(Previous report missing),

Concerning the above-named, we have received from ~~2nd~~ Cpl.
Reginald Henry Hutchinson, 2618, 50th Inf. Battn., "A. Coy., same
Contingent, interned at GUSTROW, the following statement, dated,
25.11.1917.,

"Killed, (Hearsay)."

Off.M.,

London.,
13.2.18.,

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This Information forwarded by,

Agence Internationale des Prisonniers de Guerre,

Geneva.,

14th Batt,
A.I.F.

Mullett,
2/Lieut L.H.

"Missing 11.4.17"

Killed in Action 11.4.17 - Previously reported Missing

Cert, by A. I. F. Headquarters dated 23.11.17

London 5.12.17

Off M & P.I.

INFORMATION FROM INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS AT GENEVA.

14th Batt. Australian Contingent.

Mullett Lt. Leslie H.
B Coy.

W. F. M. M. M. M. M.

"Reported killed during action."

Informant: C/S/Mjr. Henry John Whear 3527.
C Coy. 49th Batt. Australian Contingent.
Interned at Soltau.

25.11.1917.

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14th Battn.
A. I.F.

Mullett
Lieut. L.W. H

"Missing 11.4.17"

Cpl. French 14th Battalion. B. Coy. saw him killed.

Witness:-

R. or H. Ribaux 6990
14th Battn.

No. 2 Hospital. Reading.

W. Alison.

London.
1.10.17.

P.I.
Off.M.

A.I.F. 14.

MULLETT, 2/Lt I.H.

M. April 11th 1917.

engagement I was told by both Cpl. French and L/Cpl. McDonald that they had seen Lt Mullett killed during the engagement at Bullecourt about the 11th April. I do not know if his body was recovered and buried.

Inf: Pte H.R.Woods. 6114. 14.B.II.
No. 7 C.C.
BOULOGNE. 18.9.17.

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*9/11 M.
P.I.*

AGL

*Ad.
m E.H.*

14th Battn
A.I.F.

Mullett
2nd Lieut. L.H.

"Missing 11.4.17."

Signaller Shoesmith D. Coy. 14th Battn now in France told me that he saw Lieut. Mullett killed by machine gun fire near the German wire during the attack at Lagnisourt on April 11th. We lost the ground.

Witness:-

Pte. W Ware 6613
14th Battn D/L III Plat
A.I.F.

London.
7.9.17.

Note written Sig, Shoesmith. 9.9.17.

Off. M.

P.I.

Ad.
C.M. 125.17

France 4/5/17

The Secretary.
Wounded and Missing
Bureau.

Australian Red Cross.

London.

Dear Madam.

Your enquiry re
- Lt. L. H. Mullett reached
me today. It is impossible
to state what his fate has
been. I last spoke to him
at 4.45 am. on the morning
of the 11th when we wished
one another "Godspeed". It
was then time for my
platoon to advance to the
attack; Mr Mullett following
in charge of a succeeding
wave. I reached the front
trench of the Hindenburg line
and was dealing with the
opposition when Mr Mullett
passed over on the way to
the second objective. This was

22nd L.H. MULLETT

14 Ball A.F.

M 11.4.17

OHM
P.I.
H

2 The last time I saw my
Dear Comrade...

Pvt Kennedy, W. Muller's
battalion returned safely
and says he became
separated from W. Muller
on reaching the intermediate
entanglement and from
that time no further tidings
can be gleaned.

Although our bearers were
permitted to bring in those
of our wounded who lay
in front of the first wire.
They refused to permit them
to reach those of our brave
wounded who were between
the trench lines.

Any further information
which may reach me will
be immediately forwarded

14. Batten
AIF

Believe me
Very truly yours
Robt Hayes King

14.5.17

C.
Lt. R.E. Hayes
14 Battn. A.I.F.
B.E.F.

Dear Sir,

We have to thank you very much for your letter of May 7th in answer to our enquiry about 2nd Lt. L.H. Hullett.

The information you have sent will be of much assistance and we also thank you for your promise to forward further details if you should later be able to gather these.

Yours faithfully.

V.D.
Secretary. *He*

24.5.18.

KriegsgefangenenSendung.

Lt. A.J. McQuiggan
14th Battn. A.I.F.
British Prisoner of War
Gefangenenlager
Karlsruhe
Germany.

Dear Sir,

We have been requested to make enquiries concerning a brother officer of your Battn.

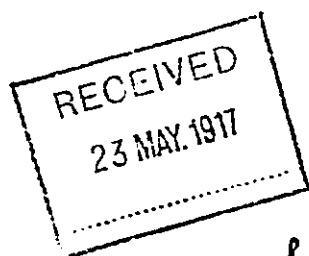
2nd. Lt. L.H. Mullett
who is reported missing on the date on which you and 3 other officers of the same unit were captured, 11.4.17. Our enquirer asked if we could try and obtain some information from yourself or any other officers of your unit who were captured on that day, and as we understand that you are all at the moment at Karlsruhe, we should be very grateful if you would send us any information you could concerning Lt. Miller, and also enquire if the other three officers have any knowledge of his fate, or could give us any details that would help to throw some light on the subject.

Do not trouble to write a separate letter to us, if you will kindly include the information on the acknowledgment post card to Miss Chomley we shall receive it without delay.

With all good wishes

Yours faithfully

Secretary.



Answered
25.5.17

Room 61.

Finance Section

A.I.F. Hqs.

130 Moorreferry Rd.
London, SW

The Secretary
Australian Branch
British Red Cross Society.

Sir,

My cousin Lt. L. H. Mullett of
the 14th Battalion has been reported
missing since the 11th April
last.

The following four officers
who were reported missing on
the same day have now been
reported prisoners of war in
Germany (Karlsruhe)

Lt. A. J.	M. Luiggan	14th Btn
Lt. E. J.	Edmonds	14th Btn
Lt. W. J. G.	Lyon	14th Btn
Lt. R. E.	Sanders	14th Btn

Would it be possible for you
to get into touch with these
officers and ascertain whether
they know anything definite
regarding my cousin?

Trusting for the favour of
an early reply.

Sincerely yours.

Geo. W. Burns.
100
S. Sgt.

May 29th, 1917.

Staff Sgt. Geo. W. Burns,
Room 61,
Finance Section,
A.I.F. Headquarters,
180, Horseferry Road, S.W.


Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of enquiry for your cousin
Lieut. L. H. Mallett, 14th Battrn., A.I.F., we beg to state that
we have already communicated with one of the officers of his
Unit, who has been reported a prisoner of war, and have re-
quested him to make enquiries amongst the other officers who
were captured.

As soon as any news comes to hand, we shall at
once advise you.

Assuring you of our desire to help -

Yours faithfully,


Secretary.

July 4th. 1917.

No. 11 Staff Sergeant G.W. Burns,
Room 61
Finance Section, A.I.F. Headquarters,
130, Horseferry Road,
Westminster, S.W.

Dear Sir,

We have received unofficial information about :-

Lieut. L.H. MULLETT, 14th. Battrn., A.I.F.

and we fear that there seems little hope of his being alive.

No. 6462 Pte. J. Anderson when in Hospital in France reported that he was told by an eye-witness that your cousin was killed by a rifle bullet in the head during an attack on Bullecourt ~~and~~ in which their left flank became exposed to the enemy.

No. 6262 Pte. F.G. Flint. reported that he saw Lieut Mullett whom he knew in Australia and who was a fine officer, killed by a shell soon after going over in the attack at Bullecourt.

No. 2920 Pte. A.J. Ellis reported that Lieut Mullett's batman Pte. Kennedy told him that this officer had been killed by machine gun bullets ~~in~~ the first attack on the Hindenburg line and he did not know if the body was recovered.

No. 6242 Pte. Collier who was in No. 1 Australian Auxiliary Hospital Harefield, reported that he saw Lieut. Mullett killed by a shell during the first attack at Bullecourt on April 11th.

Further enquiries are being made and we shall send you any information that we receive about him.

Yours faithfully,

W.S.

Secretary.
M.S.

July 18th. 1917.

Lieut. Albert Lane Hudson,
late A. Coy.,
14th. Battn., A.I.F.
67th. Battn., A.I.F.,
Windmill Hill, Camp,
Salisbury Plains.

Dear Sir,

We have been making enquiries concerning :-

2/Lieut. L.H. MULLETT, 14th. Battn., A.I.F.
Missing 11.4.17. and in the course of these have been told
that you had received a letter from an officer of the 14th.
Battalion from Germany giving the information that Mr.
Mullet is also a Prisoner of War.

We should be very grateful if you would kindly
write and tell us if our informant 2nd. Lieut. Garton
was correct in his statement, as so far we have ^{never} received
the name of Lieut. Mullett on any of our Lists of Prisoners
and we are most anxious to send all possible information to
our enquirers. If you have received the address of the t
Camp in Germany at which Lieut. Mullett is a Prisoner will
you kindly forward us this without delay, if not, will you
give us the name of the officer who wrote to you in order

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that we may write and ask him for further details.

Trusting to hear from you shortly.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

V. D

flu.

August 1st. 1917.

KRIEGSGEFANGENENSSENDUNG

Lieut A.J. Mc Quiggan,
14th. Battalion, A.I.F.
Offisiers Kriegsgefangenenlager,
Karlsruhe,
Germany.

Dear Sir,

We have to thank you very much for your post-card
of June 30th. in answer to our enquiry concerning :-

2nd. Lieut. L.H. Mullett

We trust you are feeling quite fit and that you are enjoying
the same lovely weather we are experiencing here this season,
the best for many years in every way.

With all good wishes,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

V.D

Flu.

August 9th, 1917.

No 100 S/Sgt. G.W. Burns,
Room 185 Finance Section,
A.I.F. Head Quarters,
130, Horseferry Rd, S.W.1.

Dear Sgt. Burns,

We very much regret to inform you that a post-card
has been received from Lt. McQuiggan,
14th Batta.
A.I.F.

interned in Karlsruhe, Germany, in which he says that there
is no trace of Lt. L.H. Mullett, 14th Batta, A.I.F. as a
prisoner of War and none of the Australians there know any-
thing about him.

We also have further unofficial evidence which forces
us to the conclusion that he was "Killed in Action on 11.4.17"

No. 6341 Pte. A. Rodgers, who was in hospital in France
reported that Lt. Mullett was shot through the head, near the
German wire entanglements during the attack on Bullecourt, this
information being given him by some of the men in the unit who
witnessed the casualty.

No 6232 Pte. L. Broad, who was in No 1 Command Depot,

Perham Downs, stated that he saw Lt. Mullett lying dead in No Man's Land near the Sunken Road at Bullecourt at 4.30 p.m. on April 11th, but it was impossible to bring him in as the shelling was so intense.

We are continuing the inquiries and will send you any further information that we receive about him.

Regretting that the reports we have sent ~~are~~ of such a distressing character.

Yours faithfully,

V.D.

Secretary.

LAW

6.9.17
Sgt. SHOESMITH

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for

21: L. H. MULLETT

14 BATTAL

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October 12th, 1917.

100 S/Sgt. G.W. Burns,
Room 61, Finance Section,
A.I.F. Head Quarters,
130, Horseferry Rd, S.W.

Dear Sir,

In reference to your inquiry for

2/Lieut. L.H. Mullet,
14th Battalion,
A.I.F.

officially reported Missing 11.4.17, we are forwarding
a further unofficial statement which we regret to say
confirms the previous reports we have sent you.

6114 Pte. H.R. Woods, states "I was told by both Cpl.
French and L/Cpl. McDonald, that they had seen Lt. Mullet
killed during the engagement at Bullecourt about 11th April.
I do not know if his body was recovered and buried.

We are writing to Cpl. French and L/Cpl. McDonald, for
further particulars and will advise you when we hear from them.

Yours faithfully,

SECRETARY.

H.R.



AUSTRALIAN AUXILIARY HOSPITAL No. 1,

HAREFIELD PARK,

HAREFIELD,

MIDDLESEX.

21. 10. 17.

Dear Miss Deakin.

Your letter of the 12th inst. relative to my cousin Lt. L. B. Mullett, C 14th Bn., has just come to hand. I felt I must write and thank you for your kindness and the trouble you have taken in endeavouring to ascertain his fate.

Sincerely yours.

J. C. W. Burns.

200 S/Sgt. G.W. Burns,
Room 61,

Dec. 12th. 1917.

Finance Section,

A.I.F. Headquarters,

130, Horseferry Rd., S.W.1.

Re - 2/Lieut. L.H. Mullett - 14th Battn. A.I.F.

Dear Sir,

We regret to inform you that the above soldier who was previously reported missing is now reported Killed in Action 11.4.17

We are making inquiries in the hope of learning details of his death and will send you any information that we receive.

Regretting the distressing character of this news.

Yours faithfully,

L.H.

Secretary.

Lt L. H. Mullett 14 Bth

No 100 S/Sgt. G.W. Burns,
Room 6, Finance Section,
A.I.F. Headquarters
130, Horseferry Rd, S.W.1.

February 16th, 1918.

Dear Sir,

We regret to inform you that we have recently received from the Prisoners of War Department of the International Red Cross Society at Geneva, a number of unofficial reports given by men of his unit who are interned in various camps in Germany. Lists of missing men have been circulated in Germany and these reports were sent to Geneva in reply.

Unfortunately in every instance the informant while stating that his evidence is hearsay, reports that your cousin was killed during the attack at Bullecourt on 11-14-17, and this we fear destroys any remaining hope of his being a prisoner.

Should we ever obtain further details we shall immediately advise you.

Yours faithfully,

L.H.M.

SECRETARY.