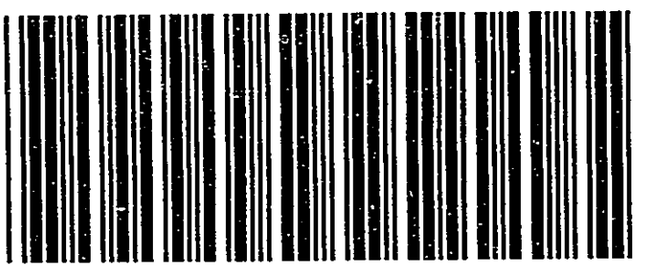
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6369 Private
Timon Claude Wilson

7th Battalion



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A.I.F. 7th Bttn

WILSON.
Timon Claude. 6369.

Killed in Action. 23.4.17.

No trace Germany.
Cert by Captain Mills. 10/10/19.

London.
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7th Batt. A.I.F.

WILSON T.C. 6369.
"C" Coy.

" K. April 23rd.,'17. Det D & B ".

" I saw Wilson killed instantly by a shell in the front line at Bullecourt, about two miles to the right of the village, on April 23rd.,'17. He was buried where he fell, with Fraser, who was killed by the same shell. We were unable to mark the grave in any way, as shelling was going on heavily at the time. The grave would be hard to trace now. I knew Wilson well, and came from Melbourne with him in the "Euripidies", leaving on Sept. IIth'17,".

Description. Hgt 5ft II. Inclined to be "Sandy".

Witness. Swindell H. 6346
"B"Coy., 7th Batt.

Taken at No 4 Command Depot,
Codford. S.W.

S. Whitmee.
September IIth.,'17.

7th A.I.F. WILSON, T.C. 6369.

K.23.4.17.DET. D/E.

Wilson was in my Platoon and on April 23rd 1917 was doing garrison duty at an outpost in front of Pronville near Bapaume, and on the right of Bullecourt, and about mid day he was buried with the same shell as Fraser was and was dead when got out. He was buried in the same grave as Fraser and his name is alongside his on the same cross.

Informant. Sgt. L.Bonney 3247. C.Coy.7thP.
57 Gen.Hosp.
BOULOGNE. 28.9.17 .

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7th A. I. F. Wilson, Pte T.C. 6369,

(K. Apl 23/17. Det D & B)

"I was standing in a trench in front of Bapaume on April 23rd last in a bay a little distance from where Wilson (who was with Alec Fraser) was standing when a shell dropped right into the trench and killed both Wilson and Fraser. I assisted to pull both men from out of the fallen earth. Wilson, I should think died of concussion while Fraser was blown to pieces practically. Sgt Bowney and myself buried both men at the back of the trench in a shell hole. The belongings of both men were sent to their people."

Eye-witness: Yes

Description: Very big man and fair, was known as Alec and not by 1st Christian name

Informant: Cpl Charles Leslie Seamans, 4813,
7th A.I.F., C.Coy, 12 Pltn,
1st Southern General Hospital,
University, Birmingham.

Home address: c/o Miss A. Gow, 12 Beech St, Portobello, Edinburgh

6.10.17.

Allen.

7th A. I. F. Wilson. Pte. S.C. 6369.

K. April 23/17 Det D/B

"Pte. Wilson was killed by a 5.9 shell on April 23rd at Prouville near Qulant on the Hindenburg line. He was blown to bits and we collected the bits and buried them at the rear of the trench. As we were advancing at the time there was no time for putting up a cross or having a padre to bury him. He and Fraser and two others were buried like this."

Eye-witness:-- Yes.
Description:-- I cannot describe him accurately, as he had only been with me about a week.

Informant:-- Capt. W.H. Campbell,
7th A.I.F.
No. 3 London Gen.Hos.
Wandsworth.

Home address:-- Austr. H.Q.

Oct 13/17.
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Havre 16th Oct. 1917.

7th AUSTRALIANS WILSON, P.C. 6369
Fraser, A.S. 6268

K. 23.4.17. Det. D/B.

I knew them both well: they were in my company, C, 12th Pltn. They were on the same Lewis Gun. I was sitting with them when they were killed instantly by a shell near Lagnicourt on April 23, 1917, daylight, about 4 p.m. I helped to bury them near where they were killed - in the same grave. They were great friends and we put a cross on the grave. I could point out the spot.

Informant: Pte. G.W. Seamons, 4312
7th Australians, C Co., 12th Pltn.,
Australian Camp, Rouelles.

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WILSON. T.C. 6369.
Fraser. T.C. 6369.

K. April 23rd 1917 Dets.D/E.

They were both in my Pltn. No. 12. C.Coy. and I was in the trench at Lagnicourt on April 23rd April when they were killed by the same shell during a barrage the Germans put up. They were buried in the same grave behind the trench.

Informant: 2/Lt. D.Phillips. C.Coy.
in charge of XII Pltn.
2nd Army Rest Camp.
BOULOGNE. 19.10.17.

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Havre 19th October.1917.

7th AUSTRALIANS WILSON, T.C. 6569

K.April 23rd.1917. Det. D/B.

I know him well; he was in C.Co., XII.Pltn., and came with the 20th reinforcement. His initials are as stated, but I do not know the number. He was a farmer before he joined, and was tall, dark and about 25 years of age. He was buried at Lagnicourt behind our trench by my brother - Seamons. C.W., Stretcher Bearer, C.Co., in the same grave with Pt. A.S.Fraser of the same Co., and Pltn. I saw the grave with their names on the cross.

Informant: Seamons, A.R.
7th Australians, C.Co., Stretcher Bearer.
Australian Camp, Rouelles.

See C.W. Seamons M
L. de. D. report

NOTE: Refer to report of to-day's date on A.S.Fraser of the 7th Australians.

7th A. I. F. Wilson, T.C. 6569,

(K. Apl 23/17. Dst D & B)

"I was told about Wilson by Witford who was on the gun with him at the time, in charge of the Section. Witford said that Wilson was killed by a shell which buried him and another fellow. The shell was with such force that it must have smashed them before it buried them almost the same minute. This was some time in April on the right of Bullecourt on the Somme, before we got to Bullecourt, I think it was Fraser who was killed with Wilson".

Eye-witness: No, told by L/Cpl Witford, No. 1 on L.G.S., C.Coy, 7 A.I.F.

Description: A good lump of a lad, young, about 20, fair, was trained in the Gun section by Informant

Informant: L/Cpl George Francis Evans, 2647, 7th A.I.F. A.Coy, No. 1 or L.G.S., Graylingwell Hospital, Chichester.

Home address: for Australian Convalescent Home, Dartford.

31st Oct. 1917.

Jones.