

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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3978 Private
Walter Francis Webber
4th Light Trench Mortar Battery



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A.I.F. 4th L.T.M.B.

WEBBER,
Walter Frank, 3978.

Repatriated Prisoner of War.

Arrived Leith 1-12-18

Cert. by List from A.I.F. H.Q., 4-12-18.

London,
5-12-18.

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A.I.F. 34th L.T.M. Bty
late 1st Bn

Walter Frank WEBBER
3978

"M 11-4-17"

Prisoner of War - captured Riencourt 11-4-17

Interned - Limburg
Cert. by German list dated 25-6-17.

Londnn
2-8-17

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4th L. T. M. Bty.
late 13th Batt
A. I. F.

Webber
Walter Frank, 3978

"Prisoner of War "

Transferred Friedrichsfeld - "I am working in a sawmill with about a couple - other there are - Australians here. the work is not bad, as it helps to pass the time away, we work in two shifts (change every week) one shift from 5 a.m. till 9.p.m.
Extract from man's first post-card dated 23.9.17

London 19.11.17

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G.C

27.9.17

607 Staff Sgt. R. BLUE,
15 A.A.C.C. 1st. Ld. General Hospital. Cammerwell S.E.

Dear Sgt. Blue,

We have received through the B.R.C.S. your enquiry for your
cousin: 3978 W.F. WEBBER

4 Lt. Trench Mortar Battery A.I.F.
and are very pleased to be able to inform you that as soon as we
received notification of his being a Prisoner in Germany we cabled
our Sydney Bureau to inform his ^{relatives}. This cable was sent on
July 30th. Last and since then parcels of food and comforts have
been sent regularly to Pte. Webber by the Prisoners' Dept. of the
Australian Red Cross.

We have only received official notification of Pte. Webber as
interned at Limburg and as yet he has not communicated with us.

But if you should receive a letter or post-card from him,
written from another Camp we should be ^{very} glad if you would send
this to us so that we might copy particulars of camp and date, etc.,
for Limburg is only a Collecting Station whence the men are drafted
off to permanent camps and if we could receive a permanent address
for Pte. Webber the parcels would go forward with less delay. If you
wish to write to your cousin you should address your letter:

Kriegsgefangenen Sendung.

3978 Pte. W.F. WEBBER 4 Light Trench Mortar Bty. A.I.F.
British Prisoner of War. Gefangenen lager Limburg an Lahn *
Germany.

We trust you are making good progress and will soon be able to
enjoy your furlough.

With best wishes,

Yours faithfully,

Limburg an Lahn

Secretary

11 Ward
No 1 L Y F.
Camberwell S E.
29. 8. 17.

To
The Secretary
Inquiry Bureau.
A R & S.

I am in receipt of ^{your} letter dated 27 inst.
Must thank you very much for information
re my cousin Pte H. F. Webber.
I have not heard from him so far but will
immediately advise you should I receive a letter.
Thanking you for your good wishes.
Believe me to be.

Yours sincerely

Reg B. W. 5/10/17

HOSPITAL

London General

FRONT

ENQUIRY

INFORMATION AS TO									
Fill in exactly as List.	SURNAME.	Christian Name.	Regtl. No.	Rank.	Battalion and Regiment.	Co.	Pla- toon	Casualty.	
		Webber.	W. L.	3978	P. 4.	4th Light Trench			2. April 11 th 1917
GIVEN BY									
	SURNAME	Christian Name.	Regtl. No.	Rank.	Battalion and Regiment.	Co.	Pla- toon	Home Address	
	Blue	R.	607	Staff Sgt.	13. A. A. S. C.			3. 10. 1917 Waverley Sydney N.S.W.	

STATEMENT OF INFORMANT

NOTE.

In all cases state fully what informant says he saw or heard and give DATE AND PLACE of occurrence.

I have heard from ^(to be taken in first person) ~~Maister Hasler~~ of 4th Light Trench 4th Light Trench Battery that hissing gas, who is my cousin, is a Prisoner of War in Germany. Can I have official confirmation of this to cable to his parents. If any expenses in connection with getting the information I will gladly pay. Maister Hasler's letter is dated 14/8/17.

PLEASE ALSO ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Was Informant Eye-Witness? *Yes.*
2. If not, give name, number, etc., of the man who told him. *—*
3. Was the ground held or lost? *—*
4. If Informant says a man was killed, was death instantaneous, and was the body buried, and if so where? *—*
5. Did Informant know Christian Name, Initials or No. of man enquired about? *Yes.*
6. Was there any other man of same name in Co. or Battalion? *No.*
7. Give Informant's description of man enquired about—any nickname, marks, scars, etc. *Medium build, dark complexion. Originally a jeweller in Sydney.*
8. Searcher's opinion of Informant's accuracy and intelligence *Accurate*

Signature of Searcher *Alice F. H. Baldwin*

Date of Report *Aug: 20th 1917*

A. I. F.
Pasquary