Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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# 2305 Private
# William Sloan

## 17th Battalion



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17th Battn.
A.I.F.

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William. 2305(H.Q) notm
2304.

"Died of Wounds 3-10-18"

No Trace.

Cert: by A.I.F.Hors 21-11-18.

Died of Wounds 4-10-18. at 50th Casualty Clearing Station. No burial to hand.

Cert: by A.I.F.Hors 22-11-18.

London.
23-11-18.

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A.I.F. 17th Battn.

SLOAN
W. 2305.

"Died of Wounds 3.10.16."

Of D. Company at Jeancourt, way beyond Tincourt, on the 3rd October, during our attack, was hit by piece of shell in back. He was brought back to Casualty Clearing Station at Tincourt where I had been taken. We were in beds close together. Was conscious and spoke to me, but did not say anything in particular. Knew nothing of burial.

Informant:- Pte. J.F. Frey, 1696,
17th Battn.
D. Coy, 15th Platoon,
Anzac Buffet.

A.D.G.
London
10.12.18.
J.E.A.

S.

17th Batn.,
A.I.F.

SLOAN,
W., 2305.

"Died of wounds - 4-10-18."

"This man was admitted to this C.C.S. on 3-10-18 suffering from Shrapnel wounds of arm and shoulder (left) and died on the following day.

He was buried on the 5th October, in the soldier's Cemetery at Tincourt near Peronne.

Letter from:- W. Simpson, Lt. Col. R.A.M.C.,
O.C. 50th C.C.S.,

London,
11-12-18.
J.E.A.

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17th BATTALION. A.I.F. SLOAN.

Private W. 2304.

"DIED OF WOUNDS. 4.10.18."

Informant described Sloan as about 5'5" or 6" high, slight build red face, aged about 25 years. He came from Leichhardt, and was known as "Tod Sloan".

Informant states that they both belonged to D. Company. On 3.10.18 the Battalion was in action at Jeancourt. They hopped over at 5.45 a.m. About 2½ hours afterwards, before they had reached the objective, Sloan was hit through the Left Shoulder by Machine Gun fire. Informant did not see him hit, but saw him on the stretcher at the Field Ambulance about ½ past 8 or 9 a.m. He was conscious and spoke to Informant, asking him for a drink. Informant could see that he was in a bad way. He was moved from that position and Informant never saw him again, but heard that he died.

INFORMANT:- Corporal C.S. Holland, 2150,
D.Coy, 17th Battalion, A.I.F.

Home Address; 203 Albany Road, STANMORE. Sloan.

W.E.G.
Victoria Barracks, SYDNEY.
6.3.19.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

17th BATTALION. SLOAN W. Private.
No. 2304

"DIED OF WOUNDS 4.10.18"

Informant described Sloan as about 5 ft 4/5 inches high, slight build, fair complexion, aged about 26/28. A slater in Civil life. Nick-named "Tod Sloan."

Informant states that they both belonged to D. Company 16th Pltn. On 3.10.18 the Battalion was in action at Mont Bhrain to the left of Peronne and towards St. Quentin. They hopped over from Joncourt about 6.10.a.m. and about 7.40.a.m. when they had advanced about 2 kilometres Sloan was hit in the left arm when they were near a hedge. Sergeant McKay had previously been wounded and Sloan when hit would not leave him- he stood up to give McKay a helping hand and when he did so was hit again in the back. Informant saw all this happen. He was also told that Sloan was taken away on a stretcher and that he died at the Clearing Station. Sergeant McKay recovered and is back in Australia and told Informant that he would visit Sloan's Mother as soon as he came back from seeing his own people.

According to Informant Sloan was one of the best and everybody liked him.

Informant: Sergeant J. F. Watson, 1317.
D. Company, 17th Battalion.

Private address:
Wallis Street,
WEST MAITLAND.

J. a.

S. Cl Smyth

W.E.G.
No. 4 Australian General Hospital, RANDWICK. SYDNEY BUREAU.
8.4.19.

17th BATTALION. SLOAN. W. Private.
No. 2304.

"DIED OF WOUNDS 4.10.18"

Informant described Sloan as about 5 ft 3/4 inches, slight build, fair complexion, aged about 25. Was nick-named "Tod Sloan"

Informant states that they both belonged to D. Company, Sloan being a Company runner. On 3.10.18 the Battalion was in action at Tenreur Joncourt. They hopped over about 6 a.m. About noon Informant saw Sloan wounded and helped to take him out to a Dressing station after bandaging him. He was conscious and when Informant left him at the dressing station Sloan said "Good-bye old chap". Informant did not see him again and heard later that he had died of his wounds.

Informant added that Sloan was a really good chap.

Informant: Private. G. Alexander. No. 7007.
17th Battalion.

Private address:-
123 Wells Street,
BENDIGO.

W.E.G.
Victoria Barracks, SYDNEY. SYDNEY BUREAU.
26.4.19.

S. Cl Smyth

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2305- P.W. Sloan Balt.

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15th L.T.M.Bty.
A.I.F.

PEADY
Sgt.T.A. 4565

"Died of Wounds 4-9-18"

Re Sgt. Peady. He was admitted to this Hpl. on Sept.1st suffering from gun shot wounds of the left knee and back. His condition from the time of admission was serious owing to extensive gangrene infection. He died at 5-30 p.m. Sept.4th, and was buried in St.Sever Cemetery, Rouen, his grave being numbered 6056.

Letter from:- The O.C.,
9th Gen.Hpl.
13-10-18.

London
24-10-18
J.E.A.

P.I.

2305
W. Sloan,
17 Bn.
D. of W. 4-10-18
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50TH CASUALTY CLEARING STATION.
No. 2 DEC 1918
Date.....

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Miss Deakin,
Secretary,
Aust. Red. Cross Society

Ref. your enquiry regarding 2305 Pte Sloan W, 17 Australian Batt, this man was admitted to this CCS. on 3-10-18 suffering from shrapnel wounds of arm and shoulder (-left-), and died on the following day.

He was buried on the 5th Oct. in the Soldiers' Cemetery at Jincourt near Peronne.

F. A.

W. Simpson.

Lt. Col. RAMC: T
OC. 50 CCS

Tel.: VICTORIA 8576 8577 8578

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO "THE SECRETARY." WOUNDED AND MISSING — ENQUIRY BUREAU — AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.

# AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.

36, GROSVENOR PLACE.
LONDON S.W. 1.

25.11.18

2305 Pte W. Sloan
19th Batt. Australian Imperial Force

Dear Sir,

We have been asked by the relatives in Australia to obtain the fullest details possible of the wounds, death and burial of the above, who died in your Hospital on 4.10.18 and would greatly appreciate any information that you may send us.

As we have been informed by various C.O.'s and Adjutants that the receipt of notes of thanks only causes them unnecessary inconvenience, unless you ask us to acknowledge your reply to the above we will not do so, and trust that you will understand that we appreciate it none the less.

With apologies for troubling you,

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) Vera Deakin (per MR)

Secretary.