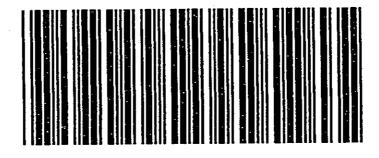
## Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War 1DRL/0428

# 4541 Private Leslie Sneddon

22nd Battalion



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22nd Batt. A.I.F., SNEDDON

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4541

#### "Killed 7.11,16"

I saw his body lying outside on the top of the steps of his dug-out. He was killed by shell and I saw him buried in a rough grave with a cross at "Factory Corner" near Fler's Village. Cpl J.P. Young 1100 (? D.Co. of the 23rd Batt. was with me and will confirm. Sneddon was a Co. runner.

Reference: - C.E.Bailey 2346
23rd Batt. A.I.F.,
Dartford,
20.6.17.

Note: Written Cpl J.P. Young 24.4.17.

London 27.4.17. L.P.J. u.

22nd A. I. F.,

Sneadon, L., 4541, D.Coy., 13 Pltn.,

K. Moy. 7th 1916. Dat: D & B.

Informant states that on Nov. 7th 2 kilometers north of Flers, near the Sugar Factory Informant was only a few yards away from Sneddon, when the latter was killed instantaneously by a shell, cut in two. They were going into support at night, when the shall got them in the open, killing three of them. The other two were St. McCornack, and Pte. McLean. All buried next day, but O'Donnell was not at funeral.

x Mye Vitness: Yes.

Description: Rallarat man, he thinks.

Informant: -- Pte. O'Donnell, 662, 22nd A. I. F., P.Coy., 15 Pltn., 2411tary Hospital, Lewisham.

Home address: -- Australia.

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R. Boy. 7th. 1916. Dot. D/B.

He was in D. Co., XVI. Plin. Sneddon was a pol of mine; he came from was somewhere about Ballarat; he used to work on the railway construction. On the night of the 7th November we had just come up to take over the reserve lines. I saw a shell burst just in front of Sneddon; it killed him instantly. He was buried the next 44y near Factory Corner. I did not see his grave, but my pale told me that a cross was put up to him.

Informent: Ft. G. Huir 861

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22nd Battn.
A. I. F.

Sneddon. L. 4541.

#### "Killed in Action 7.11.16."

I am very sorry to say that I cannot give you any information about 4541 L. Sneddon, as he was not in my company or battalion.

Letter from: -

Cpl. J. P. Young 1100. D. Coy. 23rd Battn.

Rollestone, Salisbury Plain. 11.6.17.

London. 15.6.17. C. Coy.

22nd Battn. A.Coy.

Sneddon. L. 4541.

#### "Killed 7.11.16."

I knew Sneddon personally. He was a signaller. He was killed about 8.p.m. on Nov. 7th 1916 by a shell. It blew off the lower himbs, death was instantaneous. I saw ut happen. In appearance he was fair and about 5'8" in height. I saw his grave. He is buried at Factory corner Fleurs.

Witness:-Cpl. Style.920. 22nd Battalion. Dartford.

0. A. H.

London. 25.6.17.

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### killed in action 7/11/16.

"Casualty was killed on the 17th Bovember. 1917 at Fleurs by H.E. shell. Casualty was a company runner going out with the machine gun officer. Lieut. McCormick. Both were killed by the same shell. The bodies were recovered and buried in my presence. The grave was marked with a cross."

Informant:- r. Helme.
no. 4742, 22nd Btn.

Private address
33 Bay Street.
Port Helbourne.

8.A.D. 12/11/17.

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Jo. Cpl. J.P. Young

2300 Batt.

A.I. F.

L. SNEDDON 22<sup>NO</sup> Batt.

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Australian Red Cross Society.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS-"QUESTMAN, LONDON."

Cpl. J.P. Young 2319 Battalion A.I.F. B. F.F.

Dear Sir.

We are making enquiries for a man of your Unit.

4541. L. Sneddon 22 na Batt. A.I.F. upolid K.Y. 11.16 and have been told that you may be able to

help us by supplying some infermation,

We should be most grateful for any details you can send us concerning L. SNEDDON our enquirers wish especially to know whether he was buried, if so, whether it was on the Field or in a Soldier's Cemetery, where the grave would be registered. We should also be glad if you could adde short description of his personal appearance or any points that might help to prove his identity

Yours faithfully,

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15th June 1917.

IIOO. Cpl F.P. Young,
D. Co.
23rd Batt, A.I.F.
at C.Co.
6th Training Batt,
Rollestone,
Salisbury Plaine,

Dear Sir,

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Thank you very much for your letter of 11th June in reply to our enquiry, concerning:-

A541. Pte. L. Sneddon 22nd Batt, A.I.F.

It was kind of you to write to us especially as you were not acquainted with Pte Sneddon.

With best wishes,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary,

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