

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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Lieutenant
Frank Dilloway Slee

1st Squadron, Royal Flying
Corps



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R.F.C.
1. Squad
A.I.F.

Slee,
2/Lt. F.D.

"Missing 8.6.17"

Prisoner of War - Interned Karlsruhe

Information received by Copenhagen Wire per Central Prisoners
of War dated 27.7.17

Transferred Freiburg

Cert, by German List dated 2.8.17

London 4.10.17

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1st Squadron,
A. I. F.

Slee,
Lieut. F. D. (R.F.C)

"Prisoner of War"

Transferred Holzminden Brunswick,

Information from Bureau de Secours Berne dated 15.11.17
per Post-Card from ~~XXX~~ Central Prisoners of War dated 29.11.17

London 4.12.17

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A.I.F. 1st Flying Squad
Royal Flying Corps

2/Lieut SLEE

"M. 18-6-17"

Prisoner of War - Interned - Karlsruhe
cert. by information recd. by Aust. P.of.W
from Copenhagen by wire 27-7-17.

London
31-7-17

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R.F.C.
A.I.F.

Slee,
Lt. Frank

"Prisoner of War"

Captured Moorslede 8.6.17 - Interned Freiburg from Karlsruhe

Cert: by German List dated 2.8.17

London
23.8.17

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Perth, W. S.
690 Beaufort St.
acknowledged to Mr. Lawley
1. 8. 17
cabled 23.7.17
acknowledged to Mr. Lawley
1. 8. 17
written

The Commissioner
of the R. O. C.

Dear Sisters
Will you
again favor me by for-
warding enclosed letter
to my son, 2nd Lieut
F. C. Glee As I wrote you
previously we were at-
tended by the Sec of War
Office under date London

July 16 that he was a
prisoner of war, but they
did not say in what
part. He was attached
to H^o 1 Squadron, Royal
Flying Corps and reported
missing on June 8 last.

By last English mail we
27 ~~last~~ July, we received
in my son's handwriting,
post-card from Folkestone
the date stamped on the
envelope being June 2nd.

Please, dear Sisters, get
a message to him soon
will you? Your Perth branch
is bringing joy to homes
daily by locating their

Wet One

I am again sending
you some papers and, may
God bless & help you
in your splendid work

I remain
Yours sincerely
H. Slee

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

THE ORDER OF ST. JOHN
OF JERUSALEM IN ENGLAND.

CENTRAL PRISONERS OF WAR COMMITTEE.

The Rt. Hon. Sir STARR JAMESON, Bart., C.B., Chairman
DONALD COWIE, Esq., Secretary

Cheques should be made payable to Sir Starr Jameson, and crossed Barclay & Co., not negotiable.

Telegrams: Prisoners, South Kensington, London
Telephone: Kensington 7040

Nearest Stations: BROMPTON ROAD TUBE
SOUTH KENSINGTON

Please reply to:
THE SECRETARY,
Central Prisoners of War Committee
and quote *SP*.

4 THURLOE PLACE,
Nearly opposite the Brompton Oratory]
LONDON, S.W.

27. 7. 191 *7*

re. 2 Lt. J. S. Shee.

2 Lt. Norman Bruce Hair

Dear Madam.

*We beg to inform you that we have
today received information on a Copenhagen
Telegram that the above officers are
Prisoners of War at Karlsruhe.*

*Yrs. faithfully - L. Impey
Lt. Col. Sect.
per. Mr. J. Bennett.*

ans.

690 Beaufort St-
Mt Lawley
Perth
W.A.

3. 7. 17

My dear Sister

Sisters in this great strife,
altho I am a stranger to you, let me make
myself known and I feel sure I will receive
a share of the help which that glorious
Society, The Red Cross, is giving to the world
help to find and care for their loved ones.
Three years ago we were one of the happiest
families on earth Father, Mother (myself) two
daughters and one son our dear son
answered duty's call he then being 21 years
old, he went into Camp on July 7, 1915 and
sailed from Fremantle, W.A. on Oct 13, 1915 as
a Sergeant with the 10th reinforcements of the
16th Battalion, his number being 3077. When
in Egypt they formed a 48th Battalion and
his address was 3077, Company Sergeant Major F.W.
(Frank Willoway) Slee, 12th Inf Brigade,
C. Company, 48th Battalion, France. He saw

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Service in the Somme battle. About November 1916 he joined the Royal Flying Corps and wrote to us from various schools of instruction in England, Feter, Oxford, etc. The last being from 55th Reserve Squadron R.F.C. & Salisbury, Wilts. under date 8/5/17 in which he made no mention of active service altho he was at time of writing and from March 17 lost a Second Lieut.

On the 14th of June we received from the War Office, London the following airtel cable:-

"London, 13th June 690 Beaumont St. W. & Perth

Regret to inform you Second-Lieut. F.H. Slee, Royal Flying Corps, Number 1 Squadron is reported missing June 8. This does not necessarily mean he is wounded or killed. Further reports sent when received. Sec. War Office."

Now, dear sister, this is where I appeal to you. I am waiting, waiting, waiting and am told I must wait for if he is taken prisoner it may be a long time before I could hear from him. I may tell you here, sister, he would not forget his home for a second. It would be his first thought if able to cable and should I get word that he is

a prisoner of war, which, please God, may be
the worst I receive, this letter will be on its
way to you. Look for him, please dear sister,
and I shall never forget you. I belong to
the Mount Lawley Red Cross since its first
meeting, and I think your branch in St
George's Terrace, Perth, must be tired of my calling
to see if they have heard anything. I could
send money through you for his comforts.
Could I not sister? I have read your
appeal in papers. I am sending some this
mail and will continue to send them, and
now may God ever bless you and help
you in the search for my lost one

Yours most sincerely
N. SLEE