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715A Private
Alfred Wallis

51st Battalion



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WALLIS,
A. 715

"DIED"

This man died in the 3rd A.A.Hpl. Dartford, England. He was admitted here on the 30.4.18. having several wounds in the left thigh, leg and foot, but which were all clean, and in good condition. He complained of sore throat, and on examination, his tongue was found to be ulcerated. He had had three injections of anti-lock jaw serum prior to admission, but as the throat and jaw seemed suspicious he was given a fourth the day after admission. He was watched until Sunday afternoon 5.5.18 during which time his condition became doubtful, and was moved to a special ward, where he was given active treatment and anti-lockjaw serum, as condition definitely proved to be one of lockjaw. The serum was injected into his spinal canal, but treatment proved of no avail, and he died at 4 a.m. on the 7.5.18. He was attended by Capt. Just, Cue W.A. and Capt. Landon of Fremantle. W.A. who is conjunction with Sister Brinsley did all that was possible. The Medical officers say that since anti lockjaw serum is given to men that are wounded, the cases of lockjaw have become rare. To make certain, cases receive as many as three injections ar intervals of a week, in spite of which cases occasionally occur amongst patients, who have received a large number of small

wounds. This is the first case that has occurred in this hospital, although there are about 2,000 patients passing through monthly. Chaplain Major Neveridge visited him constantly until death and with whom he left messages of love to his Mother and Father, and all his sisters and brothers. He was conscious every time he visited him, and always seemed hopeful and brave, fighting hard, but at the same time perfectly resigned to meet his God, in whom he expressed his undoubted faith. Sister Beer, of Brisbane, Queensland, attended him from the time his case was specialised and was with him when he died. She wrote to his Mother giving her details of his sickness and death. Both Sisters Beer, and Sister Brinsley, testify to his patience and fortitude, during his illness. He was buried at the Brookwood Cemetery about 30 miles from London, on the 11.5.17. and his grave was marked with a cross bearing all his Identification particulars. His Mother's address, Mrs A.Wallis, Ballindina Siding Via Wongan Hill, W.A. He also had two brothers in France, Pte.H.Wallis, 16th Battn and 11186 Pte.R.Wallis, 11th Field Ambulance.

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London. 13.5.18.

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Adm. City of London Hpl. Clapton 13.4.18.
Cert. by Hqrs List 17.4.18.

Quite comfortable and improving.
Cert. by O.C. wire 18.4.18.

London.
19.4.18.

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