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5419 Private Dennis Walsh

18th Battalion



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WALSH, D. Pte.

KILLED IN ACTION, 20/4/17.

Informant states that Walsh was killed by the same shell which killed Scott and Richards on April 19th. Informant saw his dead body after Informant was wounded by the shell.

Walsh was slight, fair boy, clean-shaven, about 27, and Informant thinks came from Balmain. He was one of the best conducted men in the Platoon, and was Company Runner at the time.

Informant: - GRANTHAH, G.E., Cpl., 2150, 18th Battalion, No.4 Aust.General Hospital, RANDWICK.

C.E.W. 29/9/17.

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K. 20.5.17. Dot. D/B.

I knew Pto. Denie Walsh of D uo., 14th Pltn. He was killed coming out of the lines at Horonil on the 2 0th April; 1917, not the 20th May as stated, by a shell along with Pto. Rights and another men. Our stretcher bearers went up at night and buried them all. S/B. L/Cpl. S. Semple, H.H. of the 18th hattalion, D co.; 14th Pltn. was one of the Party. He was away in hospital with Trench Feet when I left in July, 1917.

Informent: Pto. R.E. Kerrs 2167
18th Australians D Co., 14th Pltn.,
Australian Camp, Rouellos

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8th Australians

WALSH, D. 5419

K. May 20th.1917. Dot. D/E.

I know Pt. Denis welsh of D.Co., XIV.Pltn.; ho came from Belmain.
W.S.V. He was killed at the back of Horeuil I think in April, 1917.
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reinforcement from Sydney in the "Niltshire" on August 22nd, 1916.
Stretcher Bearer Hill, attached to D.Co., told me that he had
buried Wolsh.

Informent: Pt. T.H. Timmon 5414

18th Australians, D.Co., XIII.Pltn.
Australian Comp. Rouelles.

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KILLED IN ACTION. 20/4/17.

Walsh came from the suburbs, was about 30 years of age, married, of medium height, thick-set, and was called "Dunny". He left Sydney. in the "Wiltshire" with me on 22nd August, 1916. We went to England and then to France.

We were near Albert on 20th April, 1916, and were coming down to the rest trenches out of the front line. There were no communication trenches; the country was a maze of shell holes, and we were dodging from one to the other, the Germans shelling us all the time. A shell burst and killed Walsh and Richards, (No.5396 of 18th Battalion). They were killed outright and were buried there. This was between the Butte and Bapaume.

Informant:- HUNT, F.S., No.5353.

18th Battalion,

No.4 Aust.General Hospital,

RANDWICK.

C.H.R.H. 3/10/17.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

18th Battm. A. I.F.

WALSH D. 5419

"Killed 20-5-17"

I saw him hit by shell as we were coming out of trenches at Norieul, behind Bullecourt. Died instantly, but it was in April, about 20th, because it was before we had our stunt at Bullecourt and that was May 3rd. He was huried in the open in Suntien Road, Norieul. I saw his grave. I was in the same Coy. with him for 3 months. Sharp featured, fair, about 30

Informant. Cox. C. A. 4094

18th Battn., D. Coy., 14th Pltm.
No. 3 Command Depos,
HURDCOTT.

G. W. Griffith London 11-3-18

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Note:We regret the delay in typing the above report, but we have been obliged to hold it up on account of pressure of work and shortage of machines.

Lepl S. SEMPLE, M.M. C Spewror 7 18 Balt AIP 18 Batt A1#