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

1718 Private Leo Vincent Rankin

55th Battalion



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A.I.F. 55th 3tn

L.Y./---L. V. (initials given prev: as L.R.)

"D of illness 10-5-17"

Died of illness 10-5-17 at 7 p.m. at Wareham M.Hull Cert. by A.I.A.Hars 21-8-17.

Bondon 23-8-17 <u>:</u>._

55th Battn

Rankin Fie. L.V. 1718

Ref. all & Enquery.

This men died of Hepatitis (Inflamation of Liver) on the 10.5.17. at 7. p.m. He was buried in the cemetery of St. Mary's Church, Warehan Dorset.

Letter from:-

Medical Officer in Charge.
Warehom Hospital
14.9.17.

London. 15.9.17.

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55th Battn., A. I. F.

L.H. 1718.

"Inform Father died 13th March."

Admitted to Herne Bay (Kent) Mil. Hosp. 10-10-16 with varicose veins in both legs.

Cert. by - Hospital Index.

He is suffering from varisose veins in both legs; his condition is such as need give his friends no undue anxiety. He has been operated on and is doing well.

Cert. by - letter from 0.C. 11-11-16.

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London, 13-11-16.

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To:- Secretary Aust Red Gross Society., 54 Victoria Street, LONDON.



Reference attached enquiry. No- 1718 Private .I. .V . Rankin . ,

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WAREHAM. 14/9/17. Capt.M.C. R.A.M.C. Officer In Charge Military Hospital.

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No.1718
Private L.N. Rankin.

55th Battn. A.I.F..

Aerne Bay Hilitary Hospt.

Herne Bay. KENT.

Dear Sir.

Wedvery much regret to have to inform you that we have received a cable for you from Melbourne, containing very bad news.

It consists of the following words "Inform him "ather died 13th Harch." It is of course possible that you have already heard of this sad news by letter. We are sorry to hear that you have had such a bad time in hespital yourself lately, and hope you will more be better.

We should like to have sent you better tidings.

Yours faithfully.

Secretary.

4.8.17. AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY (WOUNDED AND MISSING INQUIRY BUREAU),

54. VICTORIA STREET.

Materon Wareham Military Hochelel 18 Pte & 8

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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 10. 5. 17. and would greatly appreciate any information that you may send us.

With apologies for troubling you.

I remain.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss)

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SECRETARY.

NOTE. 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.