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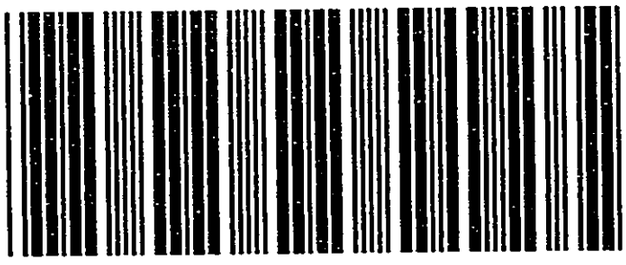
5693 Private James Henry Frampton Wright

24th Battalion



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A.I.F. 24. WRIGHT. J.H.F. 5693.

K. acc. June Ist 1917. Det D/B.

Wright - named Jimmy - in the I3th Reinforcements was killed by a premature burst of a Trench Mortar when we were practising for the hop over at Ypres, about the end of May or beginning of June, This was at Warloy Woods, and he was killed outright. The premature burst killed 4 and wounded I2. He was buried in the Warloy Cemetery - a full Military funeral, all the Battalion attended, and a cross was put over with his name and number and the Battalion Colours.
He came from Victoria somewhere, a small ruddy faced chap in my Platoon.

Informant. Pte G.V . Andrews 6026. D. XIII.
54 Gen. Hosp.
BOULOGNE. I2.IO.I7.

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24th AUSTRALIANS. WRIGHT J.H.F. No. 5693.

K. ~~accid~~ A. 1st June 1917. Det D/B.

It was a Stokes Gun accident at Warloi-Biillou (?) Albert. There were about 20 casualties. He was not blown to pieces He was buried in Warloi Cemetery and I have seen the grave.

Inf:- Pte Maxwell No.5625.
Amb.T. 'Pieter de Coninck'.
Calais. 9.X.17. CR.

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24th Aus: I.F.

Wright. Pte James H.F. 5693,
C Co.,

K. Accid: June 1/17 Det D/B

"Informant states that Wright was practising field work with his Co., when he was killed instantly by the premature burst of a shell. He was buried in the Australian cemetery at Warloy."

Eye-witness: Yes.

Description: Short, red haired.

Informant: Pte. W.B. Maxwell, 5625,
24th Aus: I.F. C Co.,
Horton Hospital, Epsom.

Home address: Toolambool Road,
Carnegie,
Victoria,
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WRIGHT J.H.F. 5693

K. accid. 1st June 1917 det D/B

I know Private Wright who was killed in a French Mortar accident at Warloy about 1st June, 1917. I was on Police Duty and took the belongings from the body and handed them to the R.C. Padre attached to 6th Brigade. He was buried with two others who were killed at the same time in the left hand far corner of the Warloy French Cemetery. There is a cross on the grave with all three names on it.

Informant: Pte E.B.Rawlins 2063
24th Australians A.Co. 4th Pltn
Australian Camp, Rouelles

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A.I.F. 24. WRIGHT J.H.F. 5693.

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I saw him killed accidently at Warloy-Baillon, about 1st.June, about noon, at a practice stunt. It was due to the premature burst of a Stokes Mortar which he was just behind. I was about 25 yards away and saw it happen. He was killed instantly. It was quite an accident and no one was to blame. He was buried at Warloy in a cemetery and I have seena photo of his grave with a cross on which Cpl. Berry of B.Co. sent to Wright's people. Berry has since gone back to Australia, unfit for active service.

SA.

Reference: Pte.H.W. Matthews. 5537. D.XIV.
1 Can.Gen.Hpl.

Staples.
10.10.17.