Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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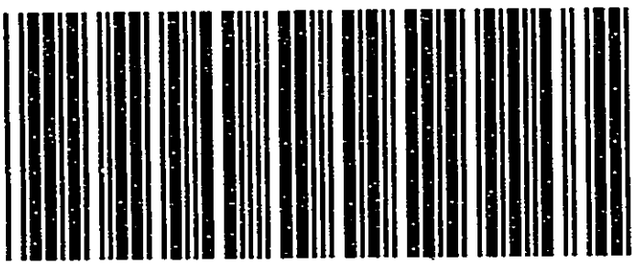
3363 Private Francis Edward Murphy

47th Battalion



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A.I.F. 47th Battn.

MURPHY
F.E. 3363.

Missing 5/4/18.

I bandaged him up after our attack at Villers-Bretonneux in April He was badly wounded by shrapnel in both legs and we had to leave him on the ground when we retired at about 5 p.m. The Germans occupied the ground soon after. He was a mate of mine and was in B Company V. He was thin, dark, about 5' 8" and about 25. We called him Frank.

Informant:- Pte. A. Arkinstall,
47th Battalion, A.I.F.,
B Coy., V.
Harefield.

A. G. Campbell.

London
29/5/18.

OFF.M.

47th A.I.F. Murphy. Pte. F.E. 3363.

(M.Apr. 5.18.)

"The Murphey was in V Pl. and came from Queensland. He was hit by a shell in a dugout on Apr.5th I saw it happen and we bandaged him, he wasn't very bad. We had to retire and leave him in the dugout. He may be a prisoner of war."

Eyewitness: Yes.

Description: As above.

Informant: Pte. J. Bryne. 5697
47th A.I.F. B. V.
Fulham Military Hospital,
Hammersmith.

13.6.18.
V. Cholmondley.

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47th Battn. A.I.F.

MURPHY.
Francis Edward. 3363.

"Prisoner of War"

Died 9.4.18. result of Gun Shot Wound chest in Field Las Villers-Faucon. Buried at the same place.

Cert. by German Death List. June 1918.

B.

London.
21.7.18.

47th Battan

Murphy, F.E. 3363.

M. 5/4/18.

I was right alongside of him when he was wounded by shrapnel on the railway line between Albert and Amiens. I was wounded at the same time and do not know what became of Murphy.

47th Batt:

Why, J.H.W.Sgt.1984.

A 4. Dartford. 22/6/18.

R.D.B.

Havre

6th June 1918.

A.I.F. 47.

Murphy F.E. No.3363.

M. 5th April 1918.

I knew him well he was in my platoon. On the 5th April we were to the right of Albert Road holding the line. Fritz attacked about 2 p.m. and turned us out of our position behind an embankment. During the attack Murphy was hit by a shell and his leg was broken. It was dressed and he was put on a stretcher but it was not possible to get him away and he should be a prisoner.

Inf:- Pte D. Carlile No.2845.
A.I.F. 47. B. V.
Australian Conv. Camp.
Rouelles.

CWSG.

note no trace P/w to date

A.I.F. 47th Battn.

MURPHY
Francis Edward
5365

Prisoner of War - Died 25/4/18

Berlin Information Bureau reports:

Buried Parish Cemetery Villers-Faucon E.Grave 542.
Paybook was sent in by Feld Lag 55 through S.I. on 30/5/18
Another card quotes - Date of Death 12/4/18 and buried in Grave 65.
List "E" received from Capt. Mills 1/9/19

London
30/9/19

OFF.M.

A.I.F. 47th Battn.

MURPHY
Francis Edward
3363

"Missing 5/4/18"

Prisoner of War. War Office Dist 50.

Cert. by Information by Telephone Message from Head Quarters 20/6/18.

London
21/6/18.

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