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MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 2158

Name RIPPON Harold Holt Holt

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Unit 3rd Rpts 2nd. Pioneer Battalion.

Joined on 29/3/16

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... RIPPON Harold Holt Holt.
2. In the Parish of ... in or near the Town of Abbotsford in the County of Victoria
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... Natural Born British Subject
4. What is your Age? ... 42 years 1 mths
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ... Farmer
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... no
7. Are you married? ... Single
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) 1 (Elder Brother)
Parents deceased
H. Rippon
Ms. Ashie H. Rippon 44
Swart Street
EASTMALVERN VICTORIA
MALVERN
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... no
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incorrigible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? ... no
Medals etc to eldest brother
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... no
Officer i/c Base Records
9.10.22.
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... no
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of wife and mother) Do you understand that no separation allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach eight shillings per day? ... no
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... yes

Harold Holt Rippon do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.

Date 29-3-16

H. Rippon
Signature of person enlisted.

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
† Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

JK I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 29-3-16

[Signature]
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, Harold Holt Rippon swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 29-3-16 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So HELP ME, GOD.

[Signature]
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Melbourne in

the State of Victoria

this Twenty-ninth day of

March 1916, before me—

[Signature]
Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

Description of RIPPON Harold Holt on Enlistment.

Age <u>42</u> years <u>1</u> months.	DISTINCTIVE MARKS. <u>Wacs 2 L arm</u> <u>Scur 2 Knee</u>
Height <u>5</u> feet <u>8 1/2</u> inches.	
Weight <u>152</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement <u>34 - 37</u> inches.	
Complexion <u>Washed</u>	
Eyes <u>Blue</u>	
Hair <u>W Grey</u>	
Religious Denomination <u>W of Eng</u>	

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz. :—

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 29-3-1914
Place Melbourne

W Silberberg Cap a amc
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to 3/2 Pioneer S

Date 5/6/14 107 role 2nd
Place Esfield Commanding 3/2 Pns

D.877/4.15.—C.4627.

Statement of Service of No. 2158

Name RIPPON Harold Halb

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
"D" COY 93rd DEPOT BATTALION ROYAL PARK		11/4/16	14/4/16	Transferred to Pioneer Corps Bendigo
3/2nd Division Battalion	Private	11/4/16		

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

D 22755

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STRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 2158 Name RIPPON Harold Heath Unit 3rd Rfts 2nd. Pioneer Battalion. Joined on 29/3/16

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

- 1. What is your Name? RIPPON Harold Heath
2. In the Parish of ... in or near the Town of ... in the County of ...
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? ...
4. What is your Age? 42 years 1 month
5. What is your Trade or Calling? Farmer
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? ... No
7. Are you married? ... Single
8. Who is your next of kin? ... Brother Mrs Leslie H Rippon
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incorrigible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? ... No
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? ... No
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? ... No
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother) ... No
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... Yes

I, Harold Heath Rippon do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.

Date 29.3.16

Signature of person enlisted.

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

† Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 3rd RFTS. 2nd PIONEER BATTALION A.I.F.

Regimental No. 2158 Rank Private Name RIPPON, Harold.

Enlisted (a) 29.3.16 Terms of Service (a) _____ Service reckons from (a) 29.3.16.

Date of promotion } _____ Date of appointment } _____ Numerical position on } _____
to present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Report Date	From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
		Embarked "Wandilla"	Melbourne	6.6.16	
		Disembarked at Plymouth		26.7.16	X23/I
2.II.16.	O.C.Pnr.	Proceeding over seas to Tr.Battn France ex SS Henrietta	Folkstone	2.II.16	B213 EK8299
3.II.16.	2nd ADSD	Marched in ex England	Etaples	23.II.16	AX 2618
22.II.16.	do	Marched out to Unit	do	22.II.16	AX 2868
25.II.16.	C.O. 2nd Pn. Bn.	Taken on Strength.	In the Field	24.II.16	B213 AQII309 D04I/3740
20.I.17.	do	Wounded	do	14.I.17	B213 B2/3 D05/476
19.I.17.	38th. C.O.S.	Died G.S.W. Multi.	do	16.I.17	AT8253 D04/432 VL234 22.I.17.

For Burial Report See A.D. L.M.
ANZAC SECTION 3rd ECHELON G.H.Q. British Expeditionary Force.
(Sgd) D. R. CROOKS **LIEUT. CAPT.**
Officer i/c Records.
(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) e.g. Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties. **(P.T.O.)**

kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So HELP ME, O

Harold Holt Rippon
 Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Melbourne in
 the State of Victoria
 this Twenty ninth day
March 1916, before me—

J. Busch
 Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

JK I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 29.3.16.

J. Mascher *Leur*

Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, Harold Holt Rippon swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 29.3.16 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So HELP ME, God.

Harold Holt Rippon
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Wellesbourne in
the State of Victoria
this Twenty ninth day
March 1916, before me—

J. Mascher *Leur*
Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT OR CORPS } 2ND PIONEER BATTALION A.I.F. Squadron, Troop, }
 Battery or Company }
 Regimental No. 2158 Rank Private.
 Surname RIPPON, Christian Names Harold.
 Died { Date 16th January 1917. Place 38th Casualty Clearing Station France.
 Cause of Death* Died of Wounds received in Action.
 Nature and Date of Report Telegram 19.1.17.
 By whom made O.C. 38th Casualty Clearing Station.
* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place Particulars not yet to hand. Date _____
 By whom reported _____ For Burial Report See A.P

State whether he leaves (a) in Pay Book (Army Form 54) Will not received. (b) in Small Book (if at Base) _____
 a Will or not (c) as a separate document _____

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.
 Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.
 A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G. Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

ANZAC SECTION 3rd ECHELOON W. J. Brooks Officer in charge of Section
 Date 24.2.17. Adjutant-General's Office at the Base
 Officer i/c Records

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He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 29. 3. 1916

Place Melbourne.

W.D. Selberberg Capt. a.i.m.c.
 Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to 2nd Pioneer Batta.

Date 5/4/16. 1107/1016 2/16/16

Place Campbellfield. Commanding 2nd Pioneer Batta
3rd Divnfts.

D.877/4.15.—C.4657.

Description of RIPPON Harold Holt on Enlistment.

42 years	1 months	DISTINCTIVE MARKS. Nose 2 Horn Scar 2 Knee
5 feet	8 1/2 inches	
152	lbs.	
Measurement	34/34 inches	
Complexion	Fresh	
	Blue	
Religious Denomination	Anglican	

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:-

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects in vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; hydrocele or varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any kind.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 29. 3. 1916

Place Melbourne

W.D. Silberberg Capt-a-mc

Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to 2nd Pioneer Batta.

Date 5/4/16.

Place Campbellfield

Commanding 2nd Pioneer Batta

3rd Divn.

D.377/4.15.-C.4677.

B103 ²⁸ France Rimp 2nd Pors 2/11/16

Statement of Service of No. 2158 Name RIPPON Harold Hault

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
"D" COY. 23RD DEPOT BATTALION ROYAL PARK		11/4/16	14/4/16	Transferred to Pioneer Corps Bomdoye
3/2nd Pioneer Battalion 2nd Pioneer Btn.	Private	14/4/16		
	Proceeding overseas to join unit		2-11-16.	Pt II 26/583E 18/11/16.
	Disciplined		1-10-16.	
	Taken on strength in the field from 3rd R/15. 2nd Pioneer Btn.		24.11.16	Pt II 41/3740 6.12.16
	Wounded in action		14-1-17	Pt II 5/47531-17.
	Died of Wounds Received in action at 38th Cas. Bty 1st		16/1/17	Pt II 4/432-24/1/17
Buried	Heilly Station Cemetery 2 1/2 miles N.N.E. of Carbee			3859
2nd Pors Crim	Capetown, troops ship A 62. A.W.L. 6 hrs Award. Administrated by Capt A. G. Stephenson for future. 1 dys pay under Rts. D.C. 22		3/7/16	Pt II 8/962E 24/2/17
2nd Pors	DIED OF WOUNDS.		16.1.17	2161-979

See copy Form B103 enclosed

3 Photos of him Service Book 1023/85

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

H52/10.

Buried Heilly Sub Area Military Cemetery

Casualty Form Active Service.

2158

Regiment or Corps *2158* *Regt of Rifles*

Regimental No. *2158* Name *Rippon Harold*

Enlisted (a) *29.3.16* Terms of Service (a) *14 months* Service reckons from (a) *29.3.16*

Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b) *D 22755*

Date	From whom received	Report	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
<i>Embarked ^{at} Melbourne 29/11/16</i>						
<i>Embarked at Plymouth 26 July 1916</i>						
<i>2.11.16</i>	<i>6 Co Par. T. Bn. B. 213</i>	<i>Proceeding to Seas. France & Flanders</i>		<i>Folkestone</i>	<i>2.11.16</i>	<i>L. R. 2299. (3)</i>
<i>3-11-16</i>	<i>2nd ADBD</i>	<i>Marched in ex England</i>		<i>Etaples</i>	<i>3-11-16</i>	<i>AX 2618 (4)</i>
<i>22.11.16</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>Marched out to Unit</i>		<i>do</i>	<i>22.11.16</i>	<i>A.X. 2868 (5)</i>
<i>15/11/16</i>	<i>6922nd Par Bn</i>	<i>Taken on strength in the field</i>		<i>do</i>	<i>15/11/16</i>	<i>22.11.16 (6)</i>
<i>20-1-17</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>Wounded</i>		<i>do</i>	<i>10-1-17</i>	<i>AD 476 (7)</i>
<i>19-1-17</i>	<i>38th B.L.S</i>	<i>Died</i>		<i>do</i>	<i>16-1-17</i>	<i>VL 254 22-1-17 (8)</i>
AMZAC SECTION 3RD ECHELON G.H.Q. British Expeditionary Force.		<p style="text-align: center;"><i>ORIGINAL.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Copies forwarded to A.I.F. Headquarters and Defence Dept. Melbourne with A.F. B2090a</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Officer i/c Records. LIEUT.</p>				

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of 917 engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) e.g., Signaller, Shooting Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B, 213, Army Form A, 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B, 213, Army Form A, 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 3rd RFTS. 2nd PIONEER BATTALION A.I.F.

Regimental No. 2158 Rank Private Name RIPPON, Harold.

Enlisted (a) 29.3.16 Terms of Service (a) _____ Service reckons from (a) 29.3.16.

Date of promotion } Date of appointment } Numerical position on }
 to present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B, 213, Army Form A, 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B, 213, Army Form A, 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked "Wandilla" Disembarked at Plymouth	Melbourne	6.6.16	
2.II.16.	O.C.Pnr. Tr.Battn	Proceeding over seas to France ex SS Henrietta	Folkstone	26.7.16	X23/I
3.II.16.	2nd ADBD	Marched in ex England	Etaples	2.II.16	B2I3 E48299
22.II.16.	do	Marched out to Unit	do	23.II.16	AX 26I3
25.II.16.	C.O. 2nd Pn. En.	Taken on Strength.	In the Field	24.II.16	B2I3 AQII309 D04I/3740
20.I.I.17.	do	Wounded	do	22.II.16	AX 2868
19.I.I.17.	38th. C.G.S.	Died G.S.w. Malti.	do	14.I.I.17	B2I3 B2/3 D05/476

ANZAC SECTION 3rd ECHELON G.H.Q.
British Expeditionary Force.

[Signature]
LIEUT.
CAPT.

Officer i/c Records.

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) e.g., Signaller, Shooting Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned (1) Package , being the effects of the late No. 2158 Pte.H.H. Rippon, 2nd Pioneers, consigned to me. ex "Euripides."

No.	Description, Package	Signature	Date
		<i>L.A. Rippon</i>	<i>October 20/17</i>

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—

The Officer in Charge,
Base Records,
Victoria Barracks,
Melbourne, Victoria.



D.1072/S.17.—C.10113.—50M.

National Archives of Australia

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,
18~~th~~ October, 1917.
MELBOURNE,

Sir,

Dear

Forwarded herewith, per separate registered post, **is one** package containing personal effects of **the late No. 2158 Pte. H.H. Rippon,** **containing personal effects of "Euripides."**

as per inventory attached.

(Enclosure.) I shall be much obliged if you will kindly let me know whether **same** come safely to hand, by signing and returning the enclosed printed receipt slip.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN, Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

Registered Packet No. 760.....G. P. O. Melbourne.

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D. 15213.17.-C.3409

Mr. L.H. Rippon,
Ewart St.,
Malvern, Vict.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

KIT STORE.



ADVANCE AUSTRALIA

**110, GREYHOUND ROAD,
FULHAM, LONDON,
W. 6.**

Telephone :—HAMMERSMITH 1899.

Inventory of Effects of— **The Late, No. 2158 Pte. Rippon, E. 2nd Div. Bn. AIF.**

Forwarded to— **(Brother).**

**Mr. L.L. Rippon,
Bwart Street,
Malvern,
Victoria.**

Euripides

Effects:-

**3rd Bebelon.
No. 10391.**

**Money Belt, Metal Mirror, 2 Pocket Books,
Letters, Metal Watch (Damaged).**

No. of Package d/s. 13783

Checked by

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, RIPPON HAROLD HOLT

E.H.H.

In all communications regimental number,
rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred
to are to be stated.

M.P.
B.R. Form No. 6.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,
MELBOURNE. 6th August 1917.

DEAR SIR,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of 1st inst.,
and enclose herewith, as requested, certificate of report of death of the late
No. 2158, Private H. H. Rippon, 2nd Pioneers, Battalion,

The President
Voluntary Workers' Organization,
Collins House,
MELBOURNE. VIC.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN, Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

D 188/3.17.—C.3413.

F.H.H.

MP

No. 2158,

Private Harold Holt Rippon,

2nd Pioneer Battalion,

Australian Imperial Force.

wounds received in action.

38th Casualty Clearing) 16th January 17.
Station, France.)

Cable No. C.I.B.L.

979, from the Commandant, A.I.F. Headquarters, dated London,
24th January 1917, confirmed by Mail, from the Commandant,
A.I.F. Headquarters, dated London, 30th January 1917. and
Army Form B. 2090A.

6th August 17. Major.

S /
VOLUNTARY WORKERS'
ORGANIZATION.



COLLINS HOUSE. MELBOURNE
MELBOURNE
DIVISION.
1st Aug. 1917

SOLDIERS' ADVICE BUREAUS.

The Officer in Charge
Base Records Office
Victoria Barracks

Dear Sir,

re No.2158, Harold Holt Rippon dec.^d
late 2nd (or 3rd) Pioneer Batt.

Kindly forward me a certificate of death in respect of
the above named deceased.

Yours faithfully,

Charles McEwen
President.

National Archives of Australia

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FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT OR CORPS } 2ND PIONEER BATTALION A.I.F. Squadron, Troop,
Battery or Company }

Regimental No. 2158 Rank Private.

Surname RIPPON, Christian Names Harold.

Date 16th January 1917. Place 38th Casualty Clearing Station, France.

Died { Cause of Death* Died of Wounds received in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Telegram 19.1.17.

By whom made O.C. 38th Casualty Clearing Station.

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Place Particulars not yet to hand. Date ---

By whom reported ---

State whether he leaves { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Will not received. (b) in Small Book (if at Base) ---

a Will or not { (c) as a separate document ---

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the P.W.A.F., Italian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

ANZAC SECTION 3rd ECHELON G.H.Q.

Station and Date } 24.2.17. Signature of Officer in charge of Section } Officer i/c Records
Adjutant-General's Office at the Base }

(1332) W.L. 5710(M74) 409,000 E/16 JFW (E328) Form B.2390A/2

30th September, 1922.

DISPATCHED

Dear Sir,

Attached hereto is a copy of a communication forwarded to you on 28th February last, to which no reply has so far been received.

As I am unable to dispose of the War Medals, etc., issuable on account of the service of your brother, the late No. 2158, Private H. H. RIPPON, 2nd Pioneer Battalion, until this information is to hand I shall be obliged if you will give the matter your earliest attention.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. L. H. Rippon,
Ewart Street,
MALVERN,
Victoria.

Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

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B. I refer to base records

Form 123-1.

MILITARY ALLOTMENTS—(VARIATIONS)—3rd MILITARY DISTRICT. V.

V. No. _____ }
Post Office and }
Certificate No. }
D.P.M. }
Ref. No. }
C.P.M. }
Auth. No. }

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Extract from folder of photograph of grave:-

Buried Heilly-sur-Ancre Military Cemetery.

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el.C. 4780.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE.

VICTORIA BARRACKS.

MELBOURNE. 28th Feb. 1922.

MD

Always state Regimental Number, Rank, Full Name, and Unit of Soldier in your Communication.

Next of Kin should always notify Change of Address to Base Records, Melbourne.

DESPATCHED 2 MAR 1922

Dear Sir,

It is noted that you are registered on the records of the late No. 2158, Private H. H. RIPPON, 2nd Pioneer Battalion, as next of kin, but, in order that the instructions under the "Deceased Soldiers Estates Act 1918" may be properly complied with when disposing of War Medals, &c., I shall be glad to learn whether there are any nearer blood relations than yourself to the above-named, for instance, XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

has he any brothers older than yourself,

(stating the eldest) still alive, if so I shall be much obliged for his name and address at your earliest convenience.

The provisions of a Will have no bearing upon the distribution of Medals unless they are specifically mentioned therein, such mementos being handed over in the following order of relationship, unless good and sufficient reasons for varying the procedure are stated:—

Widow, eldest surviving son, eldest surviving daughter, father, mother, eldest surviving brother, eldest surviving sister, eldest surviving half-brother, eldest surviving half-sister.

Thanking you in anticipation of the favour of an early reply.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. L. H. Rippon,
Ewart Street,

MALVERN.

V.

Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

D.1862/10.31.—C.18078—5M.

EDC/IK.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

TELEPHONE: 4760.
CENTRAL 474T.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS.

Melbourne, 7th September, 1922.

RE THE LATE NO. 2158 Pte. Harold Holt RIPPON, 2nd Pioneers.

- 1. To whom was W. G. paid ?
- 2. Names, addresses and relationship of claimants, please.
- 3. Does W. G. file, disclose &

- (a) Father's present address or that he is deceased - if the latter
- (b) Mother's " " " she " " " "
- (c) Eldest brother's " " " there are no brothers " "
- (d) " sister's address.

*o/c Base Records Mr. Sean Major
Officer i/c Base Records. D.A.*

*There has been a
claim lodged for war gratuity
in this case.*

A.W. Cooley
District Finance Officer.

20 SEP 1922

When both these forms are used

RECEIPT FOR MEMORIAL PLAQUE.

I hereby acknowledge having received Memorial Plaque No. 322752.....

Signature.....

Witness.....

Date.....

D.2034/1.22.—C.1034.—5M.

H. K. Rippon

28/1/92

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Miss Rippon H.H.
J.P.M.

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RECEIPT SLIP FOR MEMORIAL SCROLL.

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Department of Defence, one Memorial Scroll and King's Message, in connexion with the late No. 2158 Pte. H.H. RIPPON, 2nd Pioneer Bn.

H.H. Rippon

(Signature)

5 JAN 1923

(Date)

3/1/23

This slip to be returned to the Officer in Charge Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, Victoria, within seven (7) days.

D.1076/12.21.-C.10601.

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RECEIPT FOR VICTORY MEDAL. & BRITISH WAR MEDAL.

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Army Headquarters, (one Victory Medal in connexion with the late one British War Medal.

No. 2158 Private H.H. RIPPON, 2nd Pioneer Battalion.



Signature

Les. N. Rippon

Date

Nov. 10/22

This slip to be returned to the Officer in Charge, Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, Victoria, within seven (7) days.

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IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION,
82, Baker Street, London, W. 1,
England.

Date

THE WAR GRAVES OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

CEMETERY REGISTERS AND MEMORIAL REGISTERS.

The Register recording the names and particulars of those members of the British Expeditionary Forces who died in His Majesty's service during the Great War and are buried in the Cemetery (or whose names are commemorated on the Memorial) mentioned overleaf has been published. It will be the final official record of the War Graves in this Cemetery and copies will be deposited in all the Statutory Libraries of the British Empire for permanent custody.

The Registers contain a full description of the Cemeteries, their history, and directions for reaching them. Maps show the position of the Cemeteries in relation to the surrounding country and plans show the location of the graves.

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The names, ranks and other particulars of the Dead have been compiled from information furnished by the Naval and Military Record Offices and the next-of-kin. A proof slip of the entry in which you are interested is attached to the form opposite; corrections shown in pencil on the left hand side of it will be included in the Register. The number shown on the right hand side is the reference to the entry and will not be included.

The letters and numerals at the end of the entry represent the final registration of the burial. In the majority of Registers the number of the Plot (if there is more than one Plot) is indicated by a Roman numeral, the Row by a capital letter and the Grave by a number.

The Registers are compiled for official use, but it has been found that many of the relatives and friends of the fallen wish to possess a copy (or copies) of the Register in which they have a special interest, and copies are sold to them at cost price. The additional number to be printed will depend upon the demand resulting from this circular, and very few copies will be reserved to meet future calls; it would therefore be appreciated if you would kindly inform any of those connected with the late soldier, whose name appears on the slip proof, who are likely to require copies, so that a sufficient number may be ordered from the printers. If you desire to purchase this Register will you kindly complete and detach the form opposite and forward it, as soon as possible, to the Receiver of Public Moneys, Department of Defence, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, with a remittance of three shillings for each copy you require. These copies will then be forwarded to you POST FREE. An acknowledgment of your remittance will be sent within fourteen days of its receipt.



FABIAN WARE,
MAJOR-GENERAL,
Vice-Chairman.

ORDER FORM.

(AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE).

THIS APPLICATION FORM, TOGETHER WITH THE SLIP PROOF, MUST BE RETURNED WHEN ORDERING COPIES, POSTAL ORDERS, ETC., SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO THE RECEIVER OF PUBLIC MONEYS, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE, MELBOURNE, AND SHOULD BE CROSSED

THE REGISTER OF
HEILLY STATION CEMETERY, MERICOURT-L'ABBE.
PART II; M - Z.

RIPPON, Pte. Harold Holt, 2158. 2nd Australian Pioneers. Died of wounds 16th Jan., 1917. Age 42. Son of the late Samuel and Lucretia Eliza Rippon. Native of Malvern, Victoria, Australia. V. E. 33. 2190

To:—The Receiver of Public Moneys,
Department of Defence,
Victoria Barracks,
Melbourne.

Please forward to me at the address given below.....
cop(y)ies of the Register containing the above entry, for which
I enclose a remittance of

£	s.	d.

Name.....

Address.....

THIS SPACE IS FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

File Number.....

P.O., M.O., Cheque.....

Receiving Officer.....

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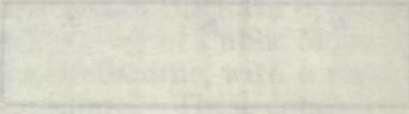
THE REGISTER OFF

HAROLD RIPPON GARDNER, PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, 111, MARKET STREET, MELBOURNE.

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

2190

To: The Receiver of Public Moneys,
Department of Public Moneys,
Melbourne.
I enclose herewith a cheque for the sum of £100/- (one hundred pounds) payable to the order of the Receiver of Public Moneys, Melbourne, for the purchase of 10 copies of the book 'The History of the Australian Navy' published by the Government Printer, Melbourne, at the price of £10/- per copy.
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Address: _____
Name: _____
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File Number: _____
P.O. M.O. Order: _____

R I P P O N

Harold Holt

2/Pnr Btn 3/Rfs

Surname.

Other Names.

Regimental No.

Unit.

2158. Pte

PURPORT.

AUTHORITY.

Embarked at Melbourne per H.H.A.T. A 62 "Wandilla" 6/6/16

2/11/16 Proceeding overseas to join Unit (RH)

24/11/16 Tkn.on Str.from 3rd.Rfts.2nd.Pnr.Btn. (VE)

16/1/17 Died of wounds received in Action, at 38th. Cas. Clr. Stat. (VE)

14/1/17 Wounded in Action. (VE)

L/O 26/9/16

BEFO 41/3-16

BEFO 4/3-17

BEFO 5/2-17

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PURPORT.

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DO

Statement No. 382

Containing 13 sheets

Date 9/7/17.

DAILY STATEMENT (MILITARY)

Showing Grants, Alterations, and Cancellations of Pensions (together with date from which such action took effect); also Rejections of Claims and Deaths of Pensioners.

State of Victoria.

1. Full name, number, rank, and unit of Member of Forces in respect of whose death or incapacity pension was claimed ...	Rippon, Harold H. 2158 Pte. 2nd Pioneers.
2. Full name and address of person for whom pension was claimed ...	Constance Rippon, 19 Ewart St. Malvern
3. Relationship of such person to Member ...	Sister
4. Result of Claim ...	Granted £1 p.f. as from 29/3/17.
5. Name and address of Trustee (if any) ...	
1. Full name, number, rank, and unit of Member of Forces in respect of whose death or incapacity pension was claimed ...	2158 Rippon, Harold H./ Pte. 2nd Pioneers.
2. Full name and address of person for whom pension was claimed ...	Leslie Herbert Rippon, 19 Ewart St. Malvern
3. Relationship of such person to Member ...	Brother
4. Result of Claim ...	Rejected - claimant not dependent. Granted
5. Name and address of Trustee (if any) ...	

Hand

1. Full name, number, rank, and unit of Member of Forces in respect of whose death or incapacity pension was claimed ...	Rippon, Harold H. 2158 Pte. 2nd Pioneers
2. Full name and address of person for whom pension was claimed ...	Edith May Rippon, 19 Ewart St. Malvern
3. Relationship of such person to Member ...	Sister
4. Result of Claim ...	Granted £1 p.f. as from 29/3/17
5. Name and address of Trustee (if any) ...	

Deputy Commissioner of Pensions at MELBOURNE.

D. 904/B. 16. — C. 9055. — 1916.

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Full name, number, rank, and unit of Member of Forces in respect of whose death or incapacity pension was claimed	Rippon Harold H, Pte 2nd Pioneers No. 2158
Full name and address of person for whom pension was claimed	Leslie H. Rippon, Ewart St, Malvern
Relationship of such person to Member	Brother
4. Result of Claim	Rejected - not dependant
5. Name and address of Trustee (if any)	
1. Full name	

No. 19 Ewart Street
Maberm
October 4/22

Major M Lean
Officer in Charge
Base Records
Victoria Barracks.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of 30th Sept.
to hand, with enclosure of communication dated Sep. 28/22.
As the above notifications are the first I have ever
perused, you will quite understand my only and sole
reason for explanation, as to my previous communications
received.

My late brother, Private H.N. Rippon, No. 2158.
7/3 Pioneer Battalion, was the eldest male in family.
I come next of kin, and being such, would esteem
it a favour if you would direct any further
communications etc. to the above address, and I will
honorably carry out requests necessary for fulfilment.

Requesting the delay.

I Remain

Yours Faithfully,

Res. H. N. Rippon.



OK. Hanson

DECEASED
SECTION
OCT 6 1922
RECEIVED

Miscellaneous
7/10.

War Medal Etc to eldest brother 7/10

J.M. Major
Officer i/c Base Records.
9. 10. 22

Original.
Duplicate.

APPLICATION TO ENLIST IN THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

INSTRUCTIONS

To the Recruiting Officer

(OFFICIAL STAMP.)

I, Harold Holt Rippon

hereby offer myself for Enlistment in the Australian Imperial Force for Active Service Abroad, and undertake to enlist in the manner prescribed, if I am accepted by the Military Authorities, within one month from date hereof.

131 Manning Rd
East Malvern
Victoria

POSTAL ADDRESS

Signature

H. H. Rippon

Occupation

Farmer

Date

March 29th 1916

(For Identification purposes the above space should be filled in personally by the Applicant.)

CONSENT OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS. (For Persons under 21 years of age.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I approve of the above application, and consent to the enlistment of my { son } { ward } for Active Service Abroad.

Statement regarding Death or Absence of either or both Parents,

Father's Signature

Mother's Signature

or

Guardian's Signature

PERSONAL PARTICULARS.

Age— yrs. mos. | Height— ft. ins. | Chest Measurement (fully expanded)— inches.
Married. Widower. Single.

PRELIMINARY MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Decision of Medical Authority { FIT for Active Service. }
{ UNFIT, for the following reasons:— }

Place

Date

Signature of Medical Authority.

I Concur

Place

Date

Signature of M.O. at Central Recruiting Depot.

CERTIFICATE OF RECRUITING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that I have this day provisionally ACCEPTED REJECTED this applicant for enlistment in the Australian Imperial Force.

(Signature)

Recruiting Officer.

Place

Date

INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) Application forms received by Recruiting Officers will not be handed back again to applicants, but will be passed direct to the Medical Practitioner, who will similarly return them to the Recruiting Officer, who will then forward them by post to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot to which recruits are instructed by them to report.

(2) If an Applicant who has been rejected desires a copy of this certificate, it must be completed in duplicate at the time of Medical Examination, and the word "original" or "duplicate," as the case may be, will appear on top of the respective forms. Both copies will be forwarded to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot, where the duplicate will be impressed with the official stamp and then returned to the Applicant.

(3) Copies will **NOT** be made of any certificates of acceptance. The word "Duplicate" will be struck out of such certificates, and they will be sent to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot by post.

(4) Names of accepted applicants who do not report at Central Recruiting Depot within the prescribed time will be forwarded to the local Recruiting Officer for information.

(5) When alternatives are shown on the front of the form such as :—

Fit Unfit	Son Ward	Married Widower Single	Original Duplicate
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strike out the words which are not applicable.

(6) Only those persons who fulfil the requirements in all other respects will be examined regarding medical fitness. These requirements may be ascertained by reference to daily newspapers and official posters.

(7) The Central Recruiting Depot to which accepted applicants from various places will be sent for final medical examination will be determined by District Commandants. Recruiting Officers at outlying places will require to issue clear instructions to such applicants informing them where and when to report, and will forward the application forms in time to ensure that they will be in the hands of the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot when the recruit reports for enlistment.

Spaces for identification by means
of handwriting.

Transferred to

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D 21821

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

WAR GRATUITY SCHEDULE

No. 2158

Rank Pte

Name

RIPPON

H. H.

Unit

2nd Pioneers

971 Casualty

14/17

Died: G. SW Multiple, 38th Cas. Hl. Station
CIBL 979/8134 London 24/1/17 HJ

DATE	A. F. B. 103 Received PURPORT. A. F. B. 2090A Received.	REF. NO.
27.1.17 13-2-17	M. O. 3 ADVISED, DIED OF WOUNDS. 16/1/17. COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF Cable No. <u>CIBL 979/8134</u> <u>21st Dec 30/1/17</u>	
18.10.17	PERSONAL EFFECTS EX. <u>Excluded</u> <u>No personal effects in kit B. R. M. No. 19723</u> <u>Circular B. R. M. 46/1368 & Booklet re Graves despatched 12/7/17</u> <u>Circular B. R. M. 46/1368 & Booklet re Graves despatched 12/7/17</u> <u>log printed card 22.7.2020</u>	
8/1/20	PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE TRANSMITTED TO NEXT OF KIN, B. R. M. No. <u>1571062</u> (SS) <u>in duplicate</u>	
6 NOV 1922	BRITISH WAR MEDAL VICTORY MEDAL to <u>Brother</u> B. R. P. F. 42. Registered Post No. <u>4348</u> G. P. O.	

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ampulet sent to *Mc L. H. Rippon* 15/12/22

MEMORIAL
PLAQUE
Brother (over 3 MD)
Mc L. H. Rippon
322752
10.11.22
@ 11/10/22

MEMORIAL
SCROLL
To
Brother
Mc L. H. Rippon
322752.
15/12/22
Desp. 20/12/22