

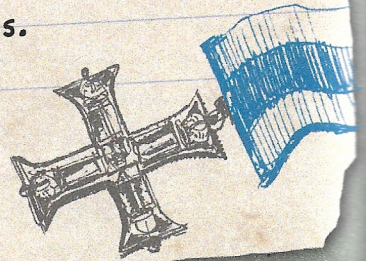
**January 1918**

I am leading many raids across the river. It's dangerous. Yesterday a senior officer came and saw the good work my men and I did on a raid into enemy lines. He has mentioned me in official dispatches. It makes me feel really good, and proud of my men.

This is what the officer said: "I wish to place on record my appreciation of your gallantry and coolness. You were one of the first to cross the river prior to the raid on 1st to 2nd January 1918, and during the raid you took the covering party of the main body across and brought them back without a casualty in spite of heavy fire."

I've been told that I've been recommended for a medal – the Military Cross.

I wonder if I'll get it?



One of our brave horses

**Beugry, France  
March 1918**

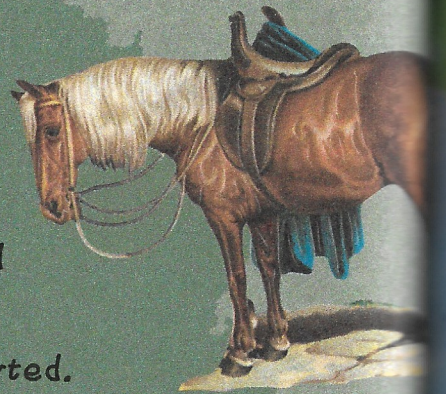
The battalion only had a short stay in Italy, and here we are back in the French mud. I can hardly imagine life without mud. I've seen a horse drown in mud. Men have drowned in it too.

We are back near the Somme, almost where we started. It looks as if there will be a major attack by the enemy. I pray to God that we can stop them.

**24<sup>th</sup> March 1918**

Terrible news. The enemy have launched an appalling attack and we've had to retreat. It is very confusing. We are being shelled all the time. Many of our men are dead, even the battalion commander. We keep retreating.

I must do my duty. I must play the game. . .



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Name T U L L. W.D.

By whom reported C.C. Battalion.

Date of Death 25th March, 1918.

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25th March 1918  
Council supplies sympathy

FROM SECRETARY WAR OFFICE

The Name and Address of the Sender, if NOT TO BE TELEGRAPHED, should be written in the space provided at the Back of the Form.

2nd Lieutenant Walter Daniel John Tull was killed on 25th March 1918 during the Second Battle of the Somme. He was 29 years old. He was shot while crossing No Man's Land. His men tried to recover his body. Three times they ran into No Man's Land, but were forced back by enemy fire. His body was never recovered.



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the Captain was wounded  
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