

OBITUARY.

PRIVATE W. J. GRIFFITHS.

Word was received on Saturday last of the death of Private W. J. Griffiths (10-354), of the Wellington Infantry Battalion, who succumbed to wounds received during action at the Dardanelles. Private Griffiths was among the first to enlist, leaving with the main body for Egypt, and has gained the honourable distinction of being the first



of Wanganui's quota to give his life for his country. Prior to joining the expeditionary force he was attached to the local clerical staff of Messrs Levin and Co., of which firm he was a very popular member.

He was also a member of the Wanganui Football and Rowing clubs.

The late Private Griffiths was born at Westport in 1889. His father, Mr. W. J. Griffiths, sen., of Glen Durie, who saw considerable service in the Maori war, survives to mourn the loss of his only son. To him and his four daughters, Mrs W. Hamilton, Upokonui; Mrs Keogh Studholm, jr., and Misses J. and W. Griffiths, of this town, we extend our heartfelt sympathy.