

Norman Edgar CANDY

Norman Candy was born in 1887 in Northcote and was educated at King's College Clifton Hill, and completed his Articled Clerk's examinations at Melbourne University. He was admitted to practice on 3rd March 1913.

Candy enlisted at Prahran on 6th March 1916 at 28 years of age. He undertook training at Bendigo from April till September 1916 and embarked for Plymouth on the *Shropshire* on 25th September 1916. Upon reaching England he was in training from November 1916 until March 1917, qualifying as first class in his rifle course and with a "fair knowledge of the Lewis Gun".

He was promoted to acting sergeant (without pay) until May 1917 before he proceeded to France with the 60th Battalion. By August 1917, Candy had been promoted to 2nd lieutenant. The 60th Battalion saw heavy fighting during the Third Battle of Ypres (Menin Road and Polygon Wood), and Candy was wounded on 26th September 1917. He was admitted to hospital with gunshot wounds to the left leg and right forearm, including a fractured radius. Candy returned to England for recovery on 3rd October 1917. He was promoted to lieutenant by late November 1917, but by December 1917, Candy was placed on the supernumerary list. He embarked for Australia in January 1918 and was discharged from the service by June 1918, deemed medically unfit, due to his injuries.

From 1919 until his death in 1927, it appeared that Candy worked in his father and brother's law firm known as Madden Drake & Candy (later, in 1926, called Madden and Candy). Candy died in at home in Hampton on the 28th April 1927 after a brief illness. Notices in his memory from both the Sandringham Club and "old comrades" of the 60th Battalion state he was a "popular member" and "popular officer."



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Shropshire A9 5th Reinforcements 60th Battalion. Wharf is wet, one civilian at left of back row. Candy embarked this day with this unit. Port Melbourne 25 September 1916.