

George Forrest DAVIES

George Forrest Davies was born in St Kilda on 28 August 1887. He attended Melbourne Grammar and Melbourne University, and was admitted to practice on 3rd March 1913. In May 1914, he entered into partnership with Arthur Robinson, the legal firm name being Arthur Robinson and Co.

Davies enlisted on 1 December 1915, and spent most of 1916 training at Royal Park or in officer training at Duntroon. He left Melbourne, two years after enlisting, in November 1917 on the HMAT *Nestor* with the 21st Battalion, but on arrival in England transferred to the 14th Battalion. It was with the 14th Battalion that he fought in the battle for Hamel at Vaire Wood and, on the 4th of July 1918, he took part in an action that would see him win the Military Cross. He captured seven prisoners, and two trench mortars as well as killing a number of the enemy.

Davies continued with the 14th Battalion, later moving to the 4th Divisional Headquarters, in September 1918, and was made the Courts Martial Officer in January 1919. He returned to Australia in June 1919.

After his return, he rejoined Arthur Robinson and Co. and was a director of a number of business enterprises. He died in 1959.



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English, American and Australian troops, lunching in a wood near Corbie, the day prior to the attack and capture of the German positions at Hamel and Vaire Wood.