

NEWS OF SOLDIERS.

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Melbourne *Herald* devotes a couple of columns to "an Upper Murray family united in defence of the nation." The names of the soldiers (whose portraits are given) are as follow:—Private Harry O. Peacock (of Tallangatta), Private A. M. Peacock, Private M. L. Peacock, Driver W. O. Peacock, Signaller F. W. Peacock, Private J. Corr, Lance-corporal F. Vine, and Private W. L. Rodgers. The five Peacock boys are sons of Mr. H. C. Peacock, formerly hotel-keeper at Tallangatta and later of Jingellie. Young Vine (a Tallangatta native, nephew of Mrs. Peacock) was killed in action on Anzac Ridge on October 19, 1917. The other soldiers named are sons-in-law of Mr. Peacock. Mrs. Peacock is a daughter of Mr. H. Martin, of Tallangatta.

Mr. H. Pearce, of Wagra, on Monday received word that his soldier son, John, had been seriously wounded in the left hand. This is "Jack's" fourth occasion of being hit. He is one of the original Anzacs.

Corporal Edward Boyce, son of Mrs. John Boyce, of the Valley, returned from the war on Saturday, after three years on active service. Two of his brothers were killed in action, and another brother, Wireless Operator Frank Boyce (formerly telegraph operator at Wangaratta), is still on service as wireless operator instructor in France. Corporal Boyce, who prior to enlisting was a postal assistant at Wangaratta and Rutherglen, was invalided home owing to illness, the result of being gassed.