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| Surname | Pickthall |
| Forename(s) | John Roper |
| Initials | J R |
| Age | |
| Honours/Awards | |
| Date died | 07/07/1916 |
| Rank | Lance Corporal |
| Regiment | Cheshire Regiment |
| Unit/Squadron | 13 th Bn. |
| Service Number | W/664 |
| Cemetery/Memorial | Thiepval Memorial |
| Grave Reference | Pier and Face 3 C and 4 A |
| Further Information | Husband of Mrs Louise Pickthall, of 3, Cavendish Cottages, Wheatland Lane, Seacombe, |



Chronicle News

"A Glorious Death"

Mrs Louise Pickthall, of 3, Cavendish Cottages, Wheatland Lane, Seacombe, has received the very sad news that her husband, Lance-Corporal J.R. Pickthall, has been killed in action. HE was formerly employed at the Pumping Station, Seaview Road, Liscard, and when war broke out, joined the Wallasey "Pals," and was awarded a strip. Well known as a footballer, he also achieved some success on the running track and as an athlete. He was a member of St. Luke's Church, Poulton.

Helping Wounded Friend

A sterling tribute to the deceased soldier is paid in a letter which has been received from Lieut. T.C. Shannon. This reads:-

"I am so sorry to have to tell you of the death of your husband. His was a glorious

death. He was killed by a rifle bullet in the head as he was bandaging a wounded friend. Previous to the fatal wound he had been slightly wounded in the arm and heel. Death was almost instantaneous, and he never spoke a word. He was always bright and cheerful, and spent his time helping others. May God grant him rest and peace, and a very great happiness, even as he was happy in serving others."

References and Acknowledgments

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