

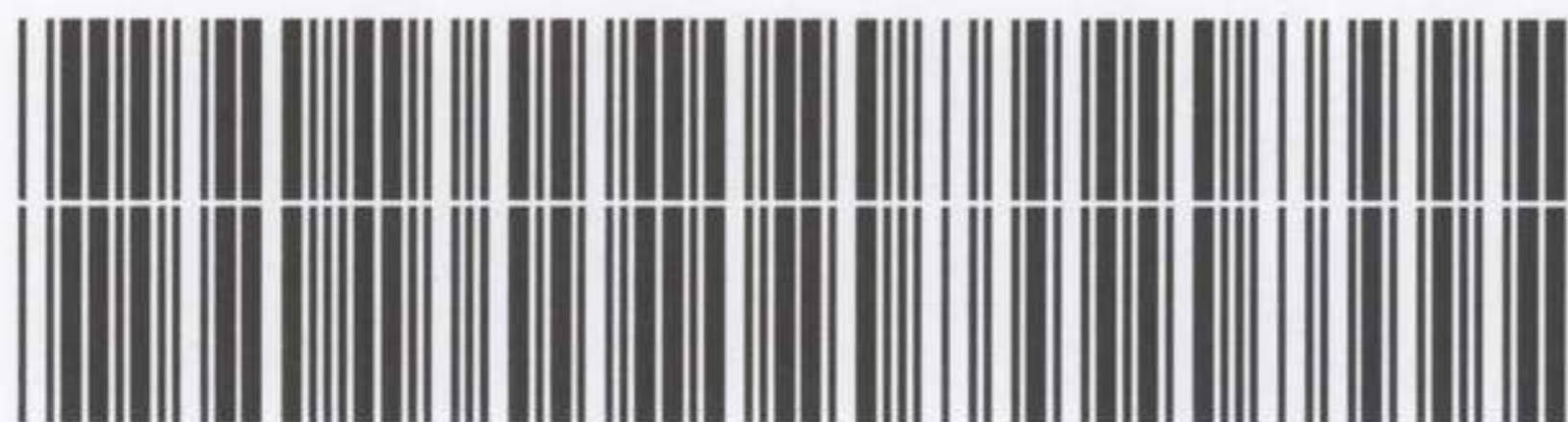
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Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,
1914-18 War

Supplies & Transport

Item number: 25/85/8

Title: 3rd Australian Divisional Mechanical
Transport Company

October 1918



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WAR DIARY

OF

No 3 Aust. Mech. Trans. Coy

FOR

October 191 *7*

Signature of Officer compiling

James Buckley Lieut.

Signature of Officer Commanding

M Lyons Major

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	October		No 3 Australian Mech. Transport Coy	
Sheet 62c	1-10-18		Headquarters, Transport sections and Supply Section as per margin; workshops at BIACHES.	
122 B central	6-10-18		The Supply Section moved from 122 B central and proceeded to Longpre-les-Corps-Saints	
	5-10-18			
	7-10-18		Headquarters, three sections of transport and two workshops left 122 B central and proceeded to Airaines, leaving two sections of transport and 1 workshop under command of Captain A. B. Harper to collect and deliver supplies and ammunition for the 3rd Divl. Artillery.	
	1-10-18		A large number of temporary promotions to plaf were made during the month to replace officers and other ranks on furlough to Australia.	
	to		No 95 Sergeant A. H. Batten promoted to 2/Lieutenant 7-10-18	
			No 7246 M.S.S. A. L. McMillan do do 7-10-18	
			No 11849 M.S.S., O. McKay appointed Temp M.S.M. (w.o.d.i) 10-10-18	
	31-10-18		2 Sergeants appointed 2/csm transferred to other companies	
			1 Sergeant 2/cems + do	
			3 Artificer Sergeants appointed temp 1 M.S.S. - one transferred	
			13 Corporals promoted Sergeant - four being transferred.	
			11 S. Corporals promoted Corporal - four artificers promoted Corporals	
			17 Drivers + 2 Privates appointed Lance Corporals	
			12 Privates appointed M.T. Drivers - six transferred	

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			No 3 Australian Mech Transport Coy	
	1-10-18		General	
	(10-10-18)		Lieut P. D. Braddon transferred to No 1 Aust. M. T. Coy	
	17-10-18		Lieut J. E. Ridge " 12th A.B. P.F.A. Park Section (a.s. 3 list 403 of 23/10/18)	
	10-10-18		Lieut G. C. Saunders taken on strength from 1st Aust. M. T. Coy and appointed workshops officer (A.I.F. LIST 395 of 11/10/18)	
	to		Strength:- 16 other Ranks transferred to other units 3 " taken on strength from other units. 5 " rejoined from Base 2 men struck off strength admitted to Hospital in U.K. whilst on leave. 14 other Ranks admitted to Hospital and evacuated.	
	31-10-18		1982 M.S.M. Morrison } proceeded to Australia on six months furlough. 1861 Supt. Mahoney } 1628 Supt. Hunter } proceeded to U.K. on 75 days leave in lieu of six months to Australia	
			Lieut Lock A. admitted to hospital	
			Leave:- 6 O.R. proceeded on leave to U.K. 12 O.R. " " " to France.	
			Discipline:- excellent. No crimes during the month; one man declared an illegal absentee, having failed to return from leave to the United Kingdom	

Strengths

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<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">of diaries</p>	9-10-18		<p>During September, 2 sections, each of 16 boxes, 1 Workshop, 1 Store Room & 1 1st aid box were detached with the 3rd Aust. Div. Art. From the 6.10.18 - 21.10.18, the sections were attached to II American Corps. Supplies were not drawn by M.T., the boxes being used for ammunition & general duties. From 6.10.18 - 11.10.18, the sections parked at St. DENIS St 62C.I.16.d.92 on the latter date moved to DROISEL St. 62C.K.16.d.69. On 14.10.18, the Park was moved to BEAUREVOIR St. 62B.B.10C.</p>	
	21-10-18	16	<p>On the 21.10.18, the sections marched out from II American Corps & were taken over by IX Corps. On the 23.10.18, the Park moved to BOHAIN St 62B.D.14.d.8.7, but owing to heavy enemy shelling on night of 24.10.18, the sections again moved on 25.10.18 to BRANCOURT St 62B.C.27.b.9.8. They remained at this place until the end of the month. On 12.10.18 supplies were drawn by M.T. & continued to be so drawn. The Railheads were JONCOURT, MONTBREHAIN, BRANCOURT, Off light Railways. VERMAND, ESSIGNY-LE-PETIT, FRESNOY, BOHAIN. Much trouble was experienced in drawing supplies, owing to frequent changes in Railheads & late running of trains, owing to the line blowing up at frequent intervals.</p>	<p>ml</p>

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	7-10-18		ammunition was drawn from MISERY, TINCOURT, Corps Reserve Camps at ROISEL, BELLICOURT, MONTBREHAIN, BRANCOURT BOHAIN. 270 tons of ammunition was carried.	
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	20-10-18			

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Shut 62c 122 B cent.	1-10-18		<p>No 3 Aust. M.T. Coy</p> <p><u>Railhead: Dincourt</u> <u>Supplies</u> from Section 99 issued to 3rd Div. Troops 9th, 10th & 11th Bdes 2nd Div. Troops 4th Div. Troops, 12th & 3rd Bde and 86th AB RFA by Horse Transport at 6am.</p>	
	2-10-18		<p><u>Railhead: Roisel</u> Supplies from Section 99 issued to 9th, 10th & 11th Bdes 25th and 58th Div. Troops, 65th, 84th, 86th and 150th Army Brigades.</p>	
	4-10-18		<p>on the 3rd inst about thirty shells landed in the Railhead but they were all about 100 yds from the train and there were no casualties.</p>	
	5-10-18		<p><u>Railhead: Roisel</u> Supplies from Section 99 issued to 25th and 58th Div. Troops 65th, 84th, 86th and 150th Army Brigades by Horse Transport and to 9th, 10th & 11th Bdes by M.T. These latter supplies were taken to Longpre-les-Corps-Saints, the Supply Section travelling with the lorries and dumped.</p>	
	6-10-18		<p><u>Railhead: Longpre</u> Supplies collected from Section 99 and dumped when the supplies dumped the previous night were collected and delivered to units by M.T. The lorries returning then picked up the supplies dumped that morning and delivered them.</p>	
Avarines	7-10-18		<p><u>Railhead: Longpre</u> Section 99 by Horse Transport. Hay and oats drawn from Reserve Dumps at La Folie and Sorenflos by M.T. brought to Railhead and thence by H.T. to Refilling points at Alenay and Wanel.</p>	
	16-10-18		<p>groceries by M.T. from Long, La Folie, Sorenflos and abbeville to Brigades.</p>	Mh

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<i>Oranien</i>	17-10-18		<p><i>No 3 Aust. M.T. Coy</i></p> <p><i>Supplies (continued)</i></p> <p><i>Railhead - Longpue les-Corps-Saints. Section 99 - 10-30 am</i></p> <p><i>Supplies drawn daily by Horse Transport for 9th-10th & 11th Bdes</i></p> <p><i>5 Lorries used daily in collecting shortages from Long La Folie Sorenfles and abbeville and in collecting loads of wood daily from the 35th Canadian Forestry Coy Pont Remy.</i></p> <p><i>Fuel received for the month:</i></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td></td> <td><i>Tons</i></td> <td><i>cut</i></td> <td><i>yr</i></td> <td><i>11/18</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Coal</i></td> <td><i>272</i></td> <td><i>-</i></td> <td><i>6</i></td> <td><i>- 1 - 10</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Wood</i></td> <td><i>162</i></td> <td><i>Tons</i></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		<i>Tons</i>	<i>cut</i>	<i>yr</i>	<i>11/18</i>	<i>Coal</i>	<i>272</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>- 1 - 10</i>	<i>Wood</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>Tons</i>			
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			No 3 Aust Mt Coy <u>Transport</u>	
			<u>Vehicle Evacuations</u> Lorries:	
	1-10-18		Daimler V type 3Ton, W.D number 16144 to 2nd Heavy Repair Shop Rouen for complete overhaul.	
	6-10-18		Daimler V Type 3Ton W.D no. 16153 to Central Evacuation Park 5 th M.R.V for complete overhaul.	
	6-10-18		Daimler V Type 3Ton W.D no. 16154 " " " " " "	
			<u>Replacements:</u>	
	7-10-18		H.E.C Tylor engine 3Ton W.D no 51553 from M.T. Reserve Vehicle Park (M)	
	7-10-18		do do W.D no 51554 " " " " " "	
	14-10-18		do do W.D no 52093 " " " " " "	
	28-10-18		do do W.D no 52155 } from 5 th Aust. Petrol Coy	
	28-10-18		do do W.D no 52157 } " " " " " "	
	22-10-18		Ford Ambulance W.D no A 53319 recd from 1st Base MT Depot for 11 th Field Amb.	
	11-10-18		Triumph 4 H.P. frame no 276432 evacuated to 2nd ASC Repair Shop Rouen	
	23-10-18		" " " no 272518 " " " " " "	
	1-10-18		Triumph 4 H.P. frame no 282832 received from advanced M.T. Depot.	
	11-10-18		Douglas 2 ³ / ₄ HP " " 37637 " " 1st Base Mt Depot.	

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AIRAINES	1-10-18		<p>No 3 Australian Mech <u>workshops</u></p> <p>workshops</p> <p>The following vehicles passed through the workshops during October</p> <p>Lorries 73 cars 28</p> <p>Ambulances 23 bicycles 10.</p>	Transport Coy.
	31-10-18	10	<p>Five ambulances attached for repairs were damaged by shell-fire on the last day of September - and were repaired in the workshops.</p> <p>As a result of an accident which happened on 23rd - a Vauxhall car detached with A. Q. 3rd Aust. Division, was so badly damaged as to require evacuation to the Base.</p>	mh

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

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Statistics of work done
by transport sections

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Laudatory
(Det McKenzie for rescuing
a lady from the River Thames)

W. J. G.

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Appendix 1

UNIT *No 3 Aust. M.T. Coy.*DIARY APPENDIX NO. 1 FOR MONTH OF *October 1918*

Date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Loads Amm.	R.E. Work	Supply	Stores	Person'l	Various	Total Loads Done	Total Lorries Out	Miles Run Full	Miles Run Empty	Petrol Issued	Lorries Av'able Not used	Lorries Under Repair	Lorries D'tach'd
1st	45	8	8	2	-	12	75	43	931	905	389	12	17	9
2nd	73	-	7	3	2	17	102	52	996	1105	439	4	15	9
3rd	43	10	9	2	-	30	94	53	1163	1103	466	4	14	9
4th	39	7	11	3	10	20	90	53	1256	1546	563	-	16	11
5th	-	-	18	2	9	64	93	45	941	956	389	5	19	11
6th	39	-	-	2	-	30	71	34	1050	1176	443	-	12	34
7th	42	-	-	2	-	-	44	27	853	921	375	7	12	34
8th	-	-	23	2	-	3	28	28	1362	1453	662	6	12	43
9th	-	-	23	2	-	-	25	25	364	461	164	9	12	43
10th	-	-	8	2	-	15	25	25	762	851	321	9	12	43
11th	-	-	5	2	-	19	26	26	1495	750	483	8	12	43
12th	-	-	11	2	-	1	14	11	175	170	69	13	13	43
13th	-	-	18	2	-	5	25	19	784	810	324	1	13	47
14th	-	-	10	-	-	6	16	7	285	275	116	-	12	61
15th	-	-	20	-	-	3	23	8	185	215	82	-	11	61
16th	-	-	13	-	-	22	35	12	625	625	246	-	11	57
17th	-	-	20	-	-	3	23	8	185	215	82	-	11	60
18th	76	6	19	-	-	2	103	28	1591	3353	1072	-	10	43
19th	3	-	17	-	4	5	29	19	442	417	159	8	11	43
20th	-	-	17	1	4	5	27	18	462	522	189	9	11	43
21st	-	1	20	2	4	3	30	16	457	368	149	15	7	43
22nd	-	1	21	2	4	-	28	15	388	323	141	16	7	43
23rd	-	4	23	4	4	4	39	15	573	260	151	16	7	43
24th	-	5	18	3	4	-	30	15	262	228	113	16	9	43
25th	-	5	18	3	4	-	30	15	358	338	138	16	7	43
26th	-	3	18	2	4	2	29	15	478	313	153	16	9	41
27th	-	-	16	3	5	1	25	15	382	360	156	16	9	41
28th	-	3	15	3	5	2	28	15	463	298	149	16	9	41
29th	-	10	16	3	-	1	30	16	345	305	127	16	10	41
30th	-	2	10	2	5	1	20	13	290	223	105	18	10	41
31st	3	3	10	3	4	4	27	17	501	401	186	16	11	41
Total	363	68	442	59	72	280	1284	710	20732	21269	8614	272	339	1208

A.I.F. P.S.—A/3—8-18

*Approximate mileage of detached lorries.
Lorries 22370 miles. Trucks 17188. Total 39558.*

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Appendix (2)

The following is an extract from Routine Order
No 711 of No 3 Australian Auxiliary Hospital.

"The Officer Commanding desires to place on record the
"the Meritorious Conduct of No 5541 Driver Malcolm H G. MCK
"McKENZIE of No 3 A.M.T. Coy.
"During the afternoon of the 24th inst, a lady fell into
"the Thames at Charing Cross Pier, and Driver McKenzie who is
"a patient in this hospital with chronic bronchitis, plunged
"into the river and in spite of the current which is very
"rapid at this point, effected her rescue"