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MEMORANDUM TO

The Officer in Charge Military Records,  
MELBOURNE.

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Ammunition Sub Park from 1st. October to 31st. October  
1916 (inclusive.)

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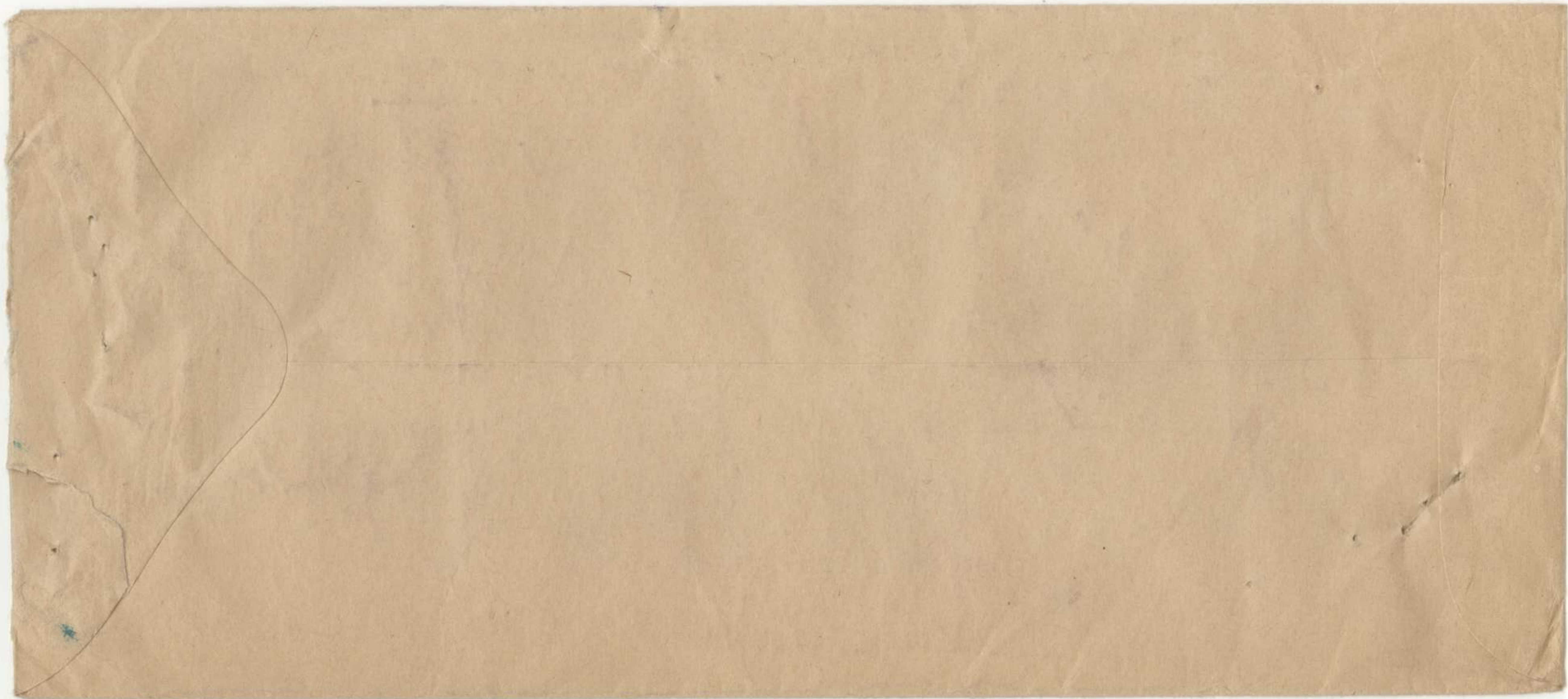
War Diary

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4-3-197 AMM SUB PARK  
IN THE FIELD

1-10-15 from to 31-10-15.



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STEENVOORDE	1-10-15	11.5 AM	No 1416 Diver Fatig 99 shot accidentally in R thigh by No 1455 Smith L.J. while changing posts on loony guard. Fatig was taken to Hospital @ HAZE BROOK																	
		3.0 pm	General Routine. D.D.S.T 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army (Col Phelps) inspected workshops, loonies & camp. Bought from Vandembroucke Steenvoerde - Vegetables F. 39-00.																	
"	2-10-15		General Routine. Received CA 356 instructing me to take the 7 <sup>th</sup> Belgian Army Park details on the strength of this unit for rations & maintenance. Received CA 328/6 instructing me to maintain only "half park" establishment of 18 pdr & 4.5" Ammunition. Inspected site of Combined Advanced Section with DC 2 <sup>nd</sup> Corps Park.																	
"	3/10/15	10.5 AM	No Blank Parade. Cpl Seignat & 15 personnel & 5 loonies with 1200 rounds of 18 pdr ammun. returned from 2 <sup>nd</sup> Canadian A.S.P.																	
		Noon	Drew F 3900-00 in trust from Field Cashier.																	
		1.45 P	Saw Lt Harvey F 3860 to pay the Unit.																	
		6.15 P	Cpl. Hamrick & 7 loonies went out to Advanced Section.																	
		8.15 P	Sgt Martin & 3 loonies																	
		10.20 P	Sgt Jackson & 16 loonies came in from Advanced Section.																	
			Strength of Advanced Section reduced to 10 loonies as follows -																	
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			Bought 1 Padlock - F. 1-00. 2 new 18 pdr sights - Diver Craig sent to hospital (dental)																	

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STEENVOORDE	4-10-15.		General Routine. A.M. 1733. Driver Wainwright reported from Hospital - taken on strength. as from 2-10-15.	#
"	4-10-15.	4:0 P.	Inspected Advanced Section. A.M. 1736 Driver Mattles W.J. reported from Hospital - taken on strength	#
"	5-10-15.	12-45 A.	Took over 156300 rounds of S.A.A. from Sgt C. Francis for O.C. 80 <sup>th</sup> Bde Am. Cb.	
"	6-10-15.	4-0 P.M.	General Routine. Captain Budibent O.C. 24 <sup>th</sup> Amm Sub Park called to inspect camp, billets, workshop etc. with a view to taking over.	
"	6-10-15.	9:30 P.	Received 52,000 S.A.A. from 80 <sup>th</sup> Bde Am. Cb. AM <del>1398</del> Driver Craig A.C. reported from Hospital - taken on strength. AM 1489. I lpl Taylor H.	#
"	6-10-15.	10-0 A.	General Routine. Received C.A. 319/6 instructing me to transfer the Belgian Artillery Details to the 9 <sup>th</sup> A.S.P. Bought from Dupondine Lem. HAZEBROUCK - leather #7-25.	
"	6-10-15.		No A.M. 1733 Driver Wainwright E.C.R. transferred to Hospital " 1398 " Craig - A.C.	#
"	7-10-15.	9:30 A.	<del>General Routine</del> Received C.A. 328/6. instructing me to withdraw Advanced Section -	
"	7-10-15.	2-15 P.	Lieut Harvey ret with 10 lockies from Advanced Section. A.M. 1898 Driver Coyle T.C. transferred to Hospital.	#

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STEENVOORDE.			General Routine.	#
"	8-10-15			
"	9-10-15		General Routine. Bought from HOUCHE-WAREIN Hazebrouck - Bolts F-14-50.	#
"	10-10-15		General Routine. Sunbeam 15118 developed a noise in the back axle. A.M. 1510 Cpl. Chatterton F. reported from Base - taken on strength as from 9-10-15. A.M. 1416. Driver Fahy J.J. reported from Hospital - taken on strength.	#
"	11-10-15		General Routine. 3-0 PM. Saw D.D.S.T. 2 - Army re exchange or repair of Sunbeam 15118. 4-0 PM. Saw Lt. Col. Gill re W.O. Lane. H.J. re examination for a commission. 5-0 PM. Saw W.O. Lane.	#
"	12-10-15		General Routine. Inspected lorries on R.E fatigues with Lt. Tatham Workshop Officer	#
"	13-10-15		General Routine. Wired D.D.S.T re replacement of Sunbeam 15118. 10-30 AM. Went to D.A.C. H.Q. re issue of AX with fuses 100 or 85. 2-30 PM. Went to tyre press Hazebrouck re tyres for Peerless back wheels. 3-4-30 PM. Wired D.D.S.T re defects of Sunbeam 15118. A.M. 1890. Driver Wilson S.A. transferred to Hospital.	#

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STEENVOORDE.	14-10-15.	11-0 AM.	<p>General Routine.</p> <p>Captain Morris from Office of D.D.S. T. II Army called to inspect Sunbeam 15712.</p> <p>No 22575 Corporal Gayler L.E. R.F.A. transferred to hospital</p> <p>Interpreter Dennis transferred to I Corps Ammunition Park</p> <p>AM. 1733. Driver Wainwright E.C.R. reported from hospital (taken on strength)</p> <p>159. Sumner Cusby. J. promoted A. Cpl. vice the Gayler L.</p>																
"	15-10-15		<p>General Routine.</p> <p>The following started from Base M.T. Depot Rooms.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>AM. 901</td> <td>Dunn</td> <td>N.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 1573</td> <td>Bennet</td> <td>C.E.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 1645</td> <td>Schmidt</td> <td>F.J.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 1841</td> <td>Hair</td> <td>J.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 1852</td> <td>Sith</td> <td>C.L.</td> </tr> </table>	AM. 901	Dunn	N.	" 1573	Bennet	C.E.	" 1645	Schmidt	F.J.	" 1841	Hair	J.	" 1852	Sith	C.L.	
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	16-10-15		<p>General Routine.</p> <p>Dress from Field Cashier on deposit - for Lt Foray F 44 00-00.</p> <p>Lt. Foray paid the unit.</p> <p>The following details sent to Base as surplus</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>M/2.</td> <td>022089</td> <td>Pto Ferguson</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>077580</td> <td>Siddons F.H.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>26400</td> <td>King T.A.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>078705</td> <td>Wahner V.F.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>080657</td> <td>Wharton W.G.</td> </tr> </table> <p>AM 1459 Lt Cpl. Taylor H. transferred to Hospital.</p> <p><del>...</del> E. Depoortey. STEENVOORDE.</p> <p><del>...</del> Paid to For Damaged Street Lamp F50-00.</p>	M/2.	022089	Pto Ferguson		077580	Siddons F.H.		26400	King T.A.		078705	Wahner V.F.		080657	Wharton W.G.	
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STEENVOORDE	17-10-15.		<p>General Routine.</p> <p>No. A.M. 1697 Cpl Goodwin A.E. remanded for F.G.C. Martial on charge of conduct to the prejudice of Good order &amp; Military Discipline viz - (a) leaving his locker without permission - (b) being in an Entertainment during restricted hours.</p> <p>Transfers N.A.M. 1459. S. Lpl. Taylor H. reported back from Hospital - taken on strength A.M. 1898. Driver Cofyle T.C. " " " " " "</p>	#
"	18-10-15.		General Routine.	#
"	19-10-15		General Routine. Lieut Fordyce sent to Boulogne with A.Q.M. 9. V. cont.	#
"	20-10-15		<p>General Routine.</p> <p>No. 1363 Sgt Strong C. remanded for F.G.C. Martial at his own request. Charge. Conduct to the prejudice of Good order &amp; Military Discipline viz. Absent from duty when ordering Sgt.</p>	#
"	21-10-15.	1.30 p.	<p>General Routine.</p> <p>Batman Horne. transferred to Base M.T. Depot as Unsatisfactory. Instructed to draw up to full establishment of gun ammunition</p>	#
"	22-10-15.	3-0 PM.	<p>General Routine.</p> <p>Look over Wolsey cabriolet No 1638 Chassis No 9820 Eng. No. 643/1297 from II Army Troops Supply Column.</p> <p>4.30 PM. Went to Tyne Press HAZEBROUCK in tyne for Parker's tools.</p>	#

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STEENVOORDE	23-10-15.	9-0 AM.	General Routine. Sunbeam Car No. 15118 sent to II Army Troops Supply Column. 1/2 Pte A. Williams	
		10-0 AM.	Field General Court Martial held in Workshop Officers Room on the Goodwin 17 <sup>th</sup> A.S.P. & others.	gtt.
11	24-10-15.	11-0 AM.	Church Service in camp. Rev. Capt. Cook	
		2-30 PM.	Inspected new D.A.C. positions with Lt. Harvey. Lieut Harvey + 11 lorries moved out to Advanced Section. Result of F. G. C.M. on No. A.M. 1697 Cpl. Goodwin A.E. promulgated. Sentence - Reduced to the Ranks.	gtt.
"	25-10-15.		General Routine. <u>Promotions.</u> The following changes were promoted to driver, as from 15-10-15. No. AM. 1393 Smalley, J. " 961 Swan, N. " 1482 Smith, C.L. <u>Transfers.</u> From 3 <sup>rd</sup> A.S.P. the following details originally belonging to the Park Artillery Ammunition Park - 94 <sup>th</sup> Coy. M.T. A.S.C. <u>Lorries</u> Packards No. 7778 " No. 7785 " No. 7828. Wolsley No. 8530 " No. 8541 <u>Motor Cycle</u> , Douglas Frame No. 19297 2 3/4 HP.	
			<u>A.S.C. Details</u>	
			No. MS. 08568 A Cpl. Thorne, W.C. MS. 08490 ALCH. Skewes, R.W. MS. 08456 Pte Parker, A. MS. 07424 " POAT, D. MS. 08478 " Seivens, W.E. MS. 08453 " Ross, T. MS. 08473 " Rands, F. M1. 08479 " Dilcock M2. 080523 " Gilhard, F.J.H. M3. 092811 " Kiltson, G.H.	<u>R.G.A. Details</u>
			M 2 069910 - No Donkeys (for details)	No. 2396 Cpl. Rivers, C. " - 404 Gnr. Davies, J. " 39362 " de Pledge, P. " 2856 " Archer, C.J.
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STEENVOORDE	26-10-15.		<p>General Routine. Issue of Winter clothing begun. viz Waterproof Coats &amp; Greatcoats checked in hand.</p> <p>6:30pm. Received "Secret" Instructions - Orders for Inspection of 17<sup>th</sup> Divd Ammun. Sub Park - 85<sup>th</sup> Motor Ambulance by H.M. the King. for to-morrow - 27-10-15. No. AM 1714. Driver Mr. Vinish W. Transferred to hospital. " 1581 " Duffy N.C. Transferred from hospital - taken a strong</p>	#
"	27-10-15.		<p>No R.E. Fatigues. The following time-table was adopted. Reveille 6-30 AM Fall in 6-45 AM Breakfast 8-0 AM Parade 9-0 AM Inspection 10-0 AM.</p> <p>7-50A. Lieut Harvey &amp; 20 men brought in from Advanced Section for inspection. Inspection took place @ 10-50 AM. Weather dull &amp; showery. Non Lt. Harvey &amp; 20 men returned to Advanced Section. No. A.M. 1834. Driver Sillett J. transferred to Hospital. Bought from P. Delecter. Steenvoerde. Nails F 4-50.</p>	#
"	28-10-15.		<p>General Routine. No. A.M. 1608 Smith N.A. transferred to hospital.</p>	#
"	29-10-15.		<p>General Routine No. <del>10562</del> 10562 Gunnis<sup>25</sup> Bridge J. transferred to Hospital 29-10-15. No. 1404. Gunnis R.S.A. Dabiel Reported back from leave. 25-10-15.</p>	#
"	30-10-15.		<p>General Routine. Drew F. 8700-00 on Imprest for Pay. Lt. Tatham paid the Visit</p>	#
"	31-10-15.		<p>General Routine. All SAA. returned to Railhead. No. A.M. 1854. Driver Sillett J. set for Hospital No. 11733 Dr. Wainwright 602 - M.M. 92063 In Tidland T transferred to Ho " 1845 - Mitealp 82 - M.M. 92063 In Tidland T transferred to Ho</p>	#