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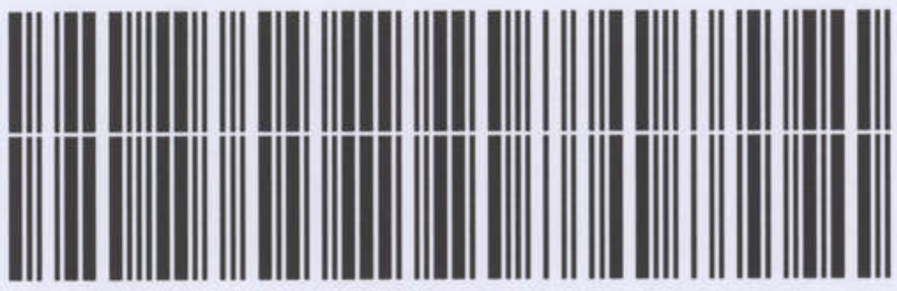

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WAR DIARY OF

5TH.AUSTRALIAN BROAD GAUGE RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY.

FOR

FEBRUARY 1919.

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER COMPILING. Cpl. C.T. Sewicoe

SIGNATURE OF COMMANDING OFFICER. C. Morgan Major

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OF

5th. AUSTRALIAN B.G. RLY.OPER.COMPANY.

FOR

FEBRUARY 1919.

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NO:	SUBJECT:
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2.	Health.
3.	Strength.
4.	Promotions.
5.	Leave.
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7.	Decreases in Strength.
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9.	Discipline.
10.	Education Scheme.
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13.	Engines stored at Depot.
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15.	Lifting Line.
16.	Domleger Traffic Reports.

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onchil-le 'emple	Feb.28th.		WEATHER. The month has been a very wet one, rain falling almost every day. Slight falls of snow were experienced at the beginning of the month. HEALTH. The health of the Company during the past month has been fai-rly good. The average daily sick parade was 1.98 while 15 men were admitted to Hospital. The A.A.M.C. Orderly reports that 891 minor tr eatments are recorded for the month. STRENGTH. The Company's strength as per Army Form B213 is shown on enclosed graph. PROMOTIONS. No.857 Sgt. Twells, G.W. to be T/C.S.M. from the 29.1.19. 854 Sgt. Bird, F.E. " " " " " 29.1.19. 11092/Cpl. Stone, C. " " E.R. Sgt. Educational Scheme from 23.11.18. 976 Cpl. Stockton, P.G. " " T/C.S.M. from the 29.1.19. 972 L/Cpl Handley, F.A. " " T/Cpl. from 29.1.19. 981 Sap, Butt, H.W. " " T/2/Cpl. from 29.1.19. 1041 " Morgan, S.P. " " Sapper Fitter from 29.1.19. 1065 " Stephen, L.P. " " " " " 17.2.19. 1010 " Cleal, G. " " T/2/Cpl. from 29.1.19. 1078 " Langoulant J.C. " " " " 10.11.18. LEAVE. The following leave has been granted durihg the past month United Kingdom to 28 men, Paris to 11 men and Nice to 1 man. WAGGONS HAULED AND KILOMETERS RUN. During the past month this Company has hauled 11,283 Waggons over the various lines of France while the number of Kilometeres run by our Engines reached 19,282. DECREASES IN STRENGTH. During the past month 4 men proceeded to Le Havre from this Company for demobilisation, and two to United Kingdom to take up Industrial Employment. REINFORCEMENTS. Four men marched in from the Base Le Havre during the past month, their occupations are two clerks and two firemen. DISCIPLINE. During the past month three cases of reporting late from leave at Victoris Station one, two and three days late alternatively have been dealt with. The one day man received one days F.P. No.2 and forfeits one days pay, the two day man received two days F.P.No.2 and forfiets two days pay. and the three day man received 3 days F.P.No.2 and forfeits three days pay. In addition a Sapper received 16 days F.P. No.2 and forfeits 16 days pay for "When on Active Service being absent without leave for 16 days." Apart from these cases discipline has been excellent.	

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Conchil -le-Temple 28th.Feb.

EDUCATIONAL SCHEME.

Sgt. Stone who has charge of this Scheme reports that the following classes are being held,-

MONDAY.

Morning 11 a.m. — Vacuum Brake.
Afternoon 2.30 p.m. — Westinghouse Brake.

TUESDAY.

Morning 11.00 a.m. — Safe Working (Railway)
Afternoon 2.30 p.m. — " " "

WEDNESDAY.

Morning 11.00 a.m. — Motor Engineering.
Afternoon 2.30 p.m. — Locomotive Class.

THURSDAY.

Morning 11.00 a.m. — English.
Afternoon 2.30 p.m. — Arithmetic.

FRIDAY

Morning 11.00 a.m. — History.
Afternoon 2.30 p.m. — Geography.

Principal dimensions of the 2.8.0 Type Baldwin Engine used by this Company.

Grate Area	32 Sq Ft.9 sq. ins.	Steam Pressure	190 lbs per sq.in.
Total Lenght over Buffers	66'	Westinghouse Brake	
Water Capacity of Tender	4,500 galls.	Inside Steam Admission	
Total Height	13.6'	Walsheart Valve Gear	
Total Weight	121tons18cwt.	Wheel Diameter	4' 8''
Length of Stroke	28 ins.	Coal Capacity	6½ tons.
Diameter of Cylinder	21 ins.		

Manufactured by the Baldwin Locomotive Works Philadelphia U.S.A.

Principal Dimensions of the 2.8.0 W.D. Type Engine used by this Company.

Wheel Base	17'2"	Total Length of Engine over Buffers	38'
Grate Area	26sq' 6sq"	Steam Pressure	190lbs per sq.in.
Superheated		Steam Vacuum and Westinghouse Brake	
Stroke	26"	Cylinder Diameter	21 ins.
Eccentric Link Motion		Water Capacity of Tender	4,000 galls.
Coal Capacity	6½ tons	Total Weight	

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Conchil-le Temple — Feb. 28th

ENGINES STATIONED AT DEPOT. The following is the list of Engines kept at this Depot during the past month

Class.	Type.	Number.	Manufacturers.
Baldwin XX&XM	2.8.0	7	Baldwin Loco.Works Philadelphia.
Baldwin	0.4.0.	3	" " " "
Baldwin	2.6.2.	1	" " " "
W.D.	2.8.0	11	R. Stevenson Darlington England.
G.N.R.	0.6.0	1	G.N.Railway Company England.
L.N.W.	0.8.0	9	L.N.W. Railway Company Crewe.
L & B	0.8.2.	1	L.B. Railway Company England.
Belge	0.6.0.	2	Societe Anonyme De Goublet Renoy BELGIUM

Total number of Engines stationed here 35. Daily average numeber of Engines worked 9. Number of Engines stored for distribution 22. Undergoing repairs 4.

USE OF INSPECTION PITS. Now that the new R.O.D.Yard here is completed the mechanical staff are able to use the inspection pits during the time that engines repairs are being effected. This simplifies the work and saves a good deal of time as the working parts of the engines are more accessible from these pits.

LIFTING LINE. During the month the Portuguese Railway Construction Troops have been busily engaged lifting the line between Conchil and Pende. Ballast trains are being run daily to the required places. German prisoners of War supply the labour for unloading the trains. This Company has now left here and the 114th. Railway Construction Company are carrying on the work.

DOMLEGER REPORTS.

Owing to the large quantity of salvage material arriving at the dump at Domleger there has been an increase in the traffic at that Depot. The number of loaded trucks brought into that Yard was 822 or approximately 9,000 tons of material while those despatched were 755 Empties and 40 loaded approximately 480 tons of material and increase of nearly 900 tons of material were handled over last months working.

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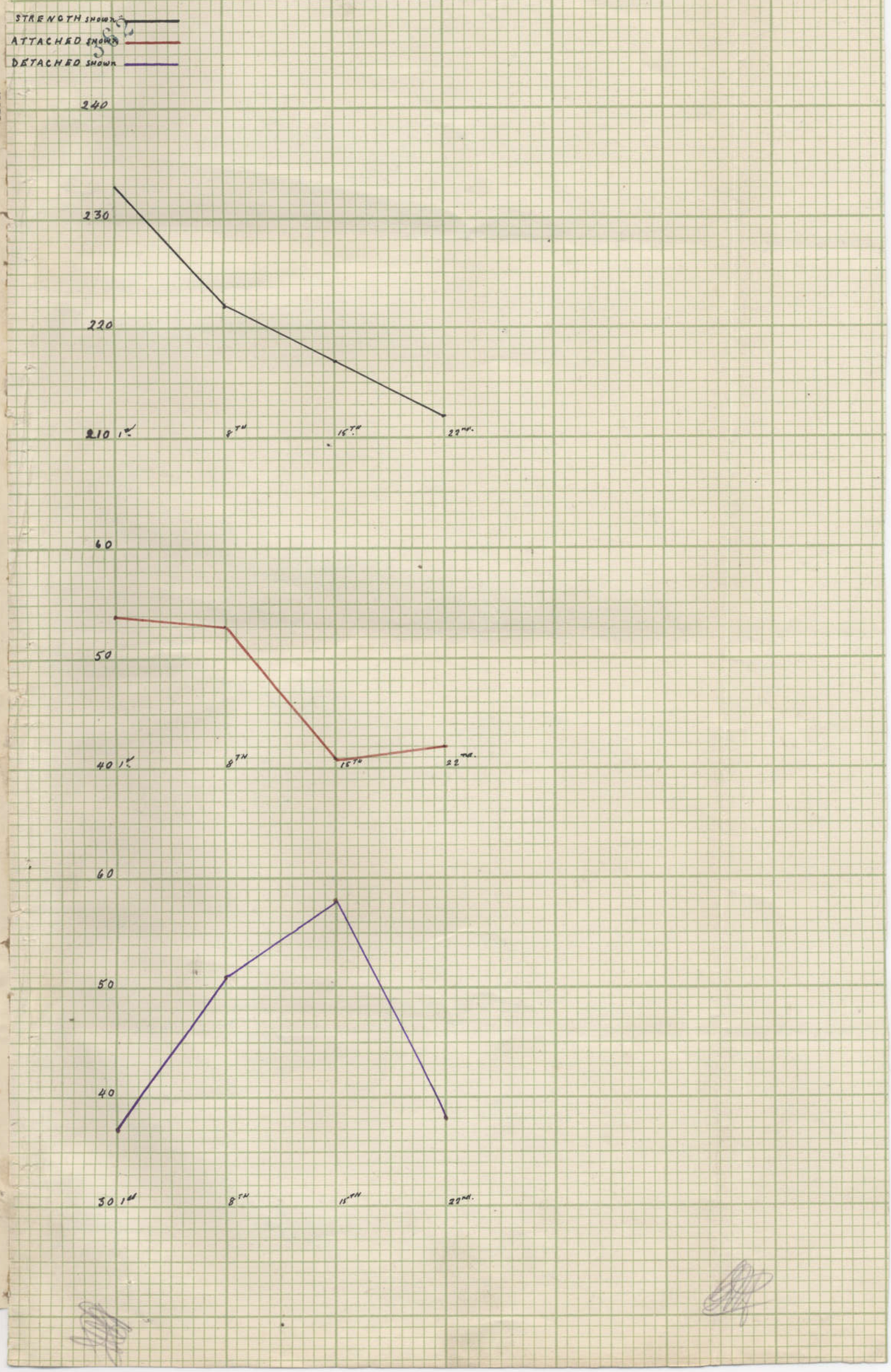

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