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Title: 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company

January 1919



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WAR DIARY
or
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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3RD
AUSTRALIAN
TUNNELLING COY.

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War Diary.
of
3rd Aust. Tunnelling Coy.
for
January 1919.

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TUNNELING
CORPS
3rd

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of
3rd Aust. Tunneling Coy

for
January 1919

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AUSTRALIAN
TUNNELLING COY.
No. 194
Date

Army Form C. 2118.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1919 Jan.	1 8.	<p>The strength of the Company on 1st Jan. 1919 was A.I.F. 28 Officers ^{605 OR^s} 598 Attended</p> <p><u>Work in Progress</u>:- The Composite Section continued with the work of restoring the normal flow of the Escaut River. The debris from the masonry & steel bridges was removed & cleared up to a depth of 10 ft. below water level.</p> <p>The work of closing the breach in the West Banks was continued.</p> <p>The Aerial postal route signs on the outskirts of Lens were completed & painting started.</p> <p>A reconnaissance of the Northern Extension of the Queant-Drocourt Line was started at (V 106 to G 6d)</p> <p>Investigation work was carried out in the vicinity of Wavrin, Estricourt Wabignies, Libercourt & Carvin. 75 shells removed.</p> <p>Fitting up of lecture rooms & improvements generally were effected. Parades, education classes, lectures, Sports etc. were carried through.</p>	

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Jan.	9	16	<p>Strength of Company on 15/1/19 25 Officers. 600 O.R.'s.</p> <p><u>WORK IN PROGRESS</u>:- The Composite Party continued on the work of restoring the normal flow of the Escant River. The work consisted in removing the debris of bridges (Sheet 37 V 9a.07) (Sheet 37 V 21 C. 3.8.) + (Sheet 44 D 26 a 13): Closing the breaches in the West Bank.</p> <p>Reconnaissances of the Northern Extension of the Queant - Brocourt Line (Sheet 44a V 106 to G 6d)</p> <p>Investigation parties were at work in the vicinity of Emmerin (Sheet 36 P. 34a) and in vicinity of Sechin (W. 25a. Sheet 36)</p> <p>Parades, Education Classes, Lectures + Sports continued.</p> <p><u>COMPANY ORDERS 1370</u>:- A.I.F. Honours List 427. of 1/1/19 published the following:- Awarded the D.E.M.S.O.: Major A. Sanderson M.C., " " M.C. Captain A.C. Morris. Mentions in Sir D. Haig's Despatch of 8/11/18:- Major A. Sanderson M.C. 1006 S/Lgt. W. H. Fordham.</p> <p>" 1371:- 1208 939 C.S.M. Percy Richard Bowley to be R.S.M. (W.O. 1st Class) 1/10/18.</p> <p>" 1375:- The aforementioned other ranks were detailed to proceed to the Aust. Bakeries at Rouen to report to O.C. Aust + N.Z. Bakeries on arrival:- Trade-men "A" 7396 Sps Gladstone W.E. 4275 " Bud. E. 4406 " Morton J. 1215 " Peach J. Learners "B" 2478 Sps Hultard E.L. 7384 " Merritt M. 4368 " Jolley C.G. 1083 " Munday W.G.</p>	

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TUNNELLING COY.
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Place	Date 1919.	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	Jan.	16 22.	<p><i>of 130 OR</i></p> <p><u>WORK IN PROGRESS</u>:- The Composite Section at Bruyelles continued the restoration of the normal flow of the Escaut, removing debris of bridges, closing Breach in West Bank, etc.</p> <p>The reconnaissance of the Northern section of Queant - Drocourt Line continued.</p> <p>Small investigation parties were at work in the Caps area.</p> <p>Parades, education classes, sports & amusements.</p> <p>A party of 12 men worked for 3 days on the removal of concrete obstructions on the Roads. (I 18 a 7.4.) (I 27a. 0.2) (D 23C 9.5.)</p> <p><u>COMPANY ORDER</u>:- ¹⁴⁰⁹ Notice re repatriation & demobilization of all ranks on 45 years of age. 1413. Notice for Court of Enquiry to assemble to investigate the disappearance of Lieut Neil Campbell 1428. Movement out on demobilization of men over 45 years of age. 1439. List of P.R.^s marched out for demobilization en route for Havre on 27/1/19 and 28/1/19.</p>	

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or
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AUSTRALIAN
TUNNELLING BOY.

No. 197
Date.

Army Form C. 2118.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1919 Jan.	23 31.	<p><u>Work in Progress</u>:- ^{Imports} The party of 130 O.R. continued on the work of restoring the normal flow of the Escourt River, removing debris, & filling up the breach in the West Bank.</p> <p>The Reconnaissance of the Northern Sector of the Pleasant-Drocont Line was continued.</p> <p>Investigation of suspected areas for mines. Spots, education classes, etc.</p> <p><u>COMPANY ORDER 1439</u>:- Capt. V. B. West & Lieut O.R. Howie marched out from Headquarters, Phalanpin on 27/1/19 with 74 O.R. & on 28/1/19, 7 O.R. marched out.</p> <p>1413 :- Notice re Court of Enquiry into disappearance of Lieut Neil Campbell</p> <p><u>CORRESPONDENCE, R+I</u>:-</p>	<p>Attached appendices 1 to 12. 13 to 85 }</p>

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C.R.E. Corps Troops No. 1194.

1.

Supply Officer,
I Corps Troops H.T. Coy.

In view of the present reduced scale of issue of rations, will you please inform me what is the actual issue compared with the scale laid down as the normal ration in S.S.571 of Novr.1918, a copy of which is attached.

(Sgd)., C.MELLOR,
Lt.Col. R.E.
C.R.E., I Corps Troops.

24.12.18.

C.R.E.,
I CORPS TROOPS.
No 1194

2.

Supply Officer I C.T., No.5119.

C.R.E.,
I Corps Troops.

Variations in scale of rations at present being issued are :-

Oatmeal	Nil. - not available.
Bacon	Often $\frac{1}{2}$ issue only. M. and V. to complete.
Butter	$\frac{1}{2}$ oz. M. and V. to complete to 1 oz.
Cheese.	Often $\frac{1}{2}$ issue only. no equivalent.
Jam	3 oz. - occasionally Dried Fruit in lieu.

27.12.18.

Sgd., E.W.COSTELLO, Lieut.,
S.O., I Corps Troops.

3.

O.C., 3rd Aus.(T) Coy.

For information.

H.S. Clouston
Capt. & Adjutant,
R.E., I Corps Troops.

2.1.1919.

SECTION I.—BRITISH AND DOMINION TROOPS IN ARMY AND CAVALRY
CORPS AREAS, G.H.Q., and on L. of C.

(a) NORMAL RATION.

With Armies or Cavalry
Corps. (XXXX)

Part "A".

Frozen Meat	...	...	...	8 OZS.
Preserved Meat	...	...	...	3 OZS.
(Bread	...	...	...	12 OZS.
(Biscuit	...	...	...	2 OZS.
Pork & Beans (4 days a week)	...	...	...	4 OZS.
M. and V. (3 days a week)	...	...	...	tin.
Rice	...	...	...	1 OZ.
Oatmeal	...	...	...	1 OZ.
Bacon	...	...	...	3 OZS.
Butter or Margarine	...	...	...	1 OZ.
Cheese	...	...	...	2 OZS.
Fresh Vegetables	...	...	...	8 OZS.
Jam	...	...	...	3 OZS.
(Sugar (with unsweetened condensed milk)	...	...	...	2½ OZS.
(Sugar (with sweetened condensed milk)	...	...	...	2 OZS.
Milk, Condensed (sweetened or un-sweetened)	...	...	...	1 OZ.

Part "B".

Tea	1/100 OZ.
Salt	1/100 OZ.
Pepper	1/100 OZ.
Mustard	1/100 OZ.
Pickles (Thrice weekly)	1 OZ.
Tobacco or Cigarettes (weekly)	2 OZ.
Matches	3 boxes (fortnightly)

B Bread may be drawn in lieu of biscuits for Patients in Hospitals and Convalescent Depots.

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Copy for records



3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy
1st January 1919.

No. 1006 Staff Sgt FORDHAM W.H.
3rd Aust. Tunnelling Coy.

Dear Sgt. Fordham/

I have much pleasure in informing you that your name has been submitted by the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief in his despatch of November 6th 1918, as deserving of "Special Mention" for the excellent service you have rendered as Staff Sergeant on Headquarters of the 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company. I heartily congratulate you on the award which is a fine record of the splendid way in which you have done your duty. I wish also as Commanding Officer of the Unit to thank you.

May you have many happy years to see our Nation reap the fruits of the Victory which you ~~have~~ so well helped to achieve.

Yours sincerely
(sd) Alex Sanderson
Major,

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

AUSTRALIAN TUNNELLING COY.	
No.	Date

Lt J.B. Shaw, Inc.
Officer Comp. Records

Herewith some
copies of letters
notifying awards.

Please see me
in reference to
the Outward Correspondence
which you should
examine for any
matters of interest
to include in records.

Alex Sanderson
2/1/19.

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Copy for records.



3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.,
28th December, 1918.

in the London Gazette in due course.

Please accept my heartiest
congratulations on the award and also
my thanks for the assistance you have
always given to me as C.O. of the
3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

Yours very sincerely,

(Sd) *Alex Sanderson*

Lieut. R.J. Cavanagh,
3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.,

My dear Cavanagh,

I have the pleasure of
notifying you that the Field Marshal
Commanding-in-Chief has, under auther-
ity granted by his Majesty the King,
awarded to you the Military Cross
for conspicuous gallantry and devotion
to duty.

Your name will be pub-
lished in A.I.F. Orders and Army
Routine Orders at an early date and

Copy for records



3rd Australian Tun. Coy.,
20th December 1918.

No. 1054 L/Cpl. E.A. JUPP.,
3rd Australian Tun. Coy.

Dear Cpl. Jupp/

I have the pleasure of notifying
you that the Corps Commander, under
authority delegated by His Majesty the
King, has awarded you the Military
Medal for conspicuous Gallantry and
Devotion to Duty during the advance in
in October last.

Your name will be published in
A.I.F. orders and in the London Gazette
in due course.

I heartily congratulate you on
the award and also thank you very
sincerely for the excellent work you
have done.

(Sd) *Alex Sanderson*

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tun. Coy.

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in the London Gazette in due course.

Please accept my heartiest congratulations on the award and also my thanks for the assistance you have always given to me as C.O. of the 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

Yours very sincerely,

(Sd) Alex Sanderson

Copy for records



3rd Australian Tunnelling
28th December, 1918.

Capt. J.O.O. McArdell,
3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

My dear McArdell,

I have the pleasure of notifying you that the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief has, under authority granted by his Majesty the King awarded to you the Military Cross for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty.

Your name will be published in A.I.F. Orders and Army Routine Orders at an early date and

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Please accept my heartiest congratulations on the award and also my thanks for the assistance you have always given to me as C.O. of the 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

Yours very sincerely,

(Sd) Alex Sanderson

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3rd Australian Tunnelling
Company,
28th December, 1918.

Capt. R.Y. Langden,
3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.,

My dear Langden,

I have the pleasure of notifying you that the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief has, under Authority granted by his Majesty the King, awarded to you the Military Cross for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty.

Your name will be published in A.I.F. Orders and Army Routine Orders at an early date and in the London Gazette in due course.

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3rd Australian Tun. Coy.,
30th December 1918.

No. 1901 2nd Cpl. W. Williams,
3rd Australian Tun. Coy.

Dear Cpl. Williams/

I have the pleasure of notifying you that the Corps Commander, under authority delegated by His Majesty the King, has awarded to you the Military Medal for conspicuous Gallantry and Devotion to Duty during the advance in October last.

Your name will be published in A.I.F. orders and in the London Gazette in due course.

I heartily congratulate you on the award and also thank you very sincerely for the excellent work you have done.

(Sd) Alex Sanderson

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tun. Coy.

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3rd Australian Tun. Coy.,
30th December 1918.

No. 914 C.Q.M.S. Austin T.,
3rd Australian Tun. Coy.

Dear Sgt. Austin/

I have the pleasure of notifying you that the Corps Commander, under authority delegated by His Majesty the King, has awarded to you the Military Medal for conspicuous Gallantry and Devotion to Duty during the advance in October last.

Your name will be published in A.I.F. orders and in the London Gazette in due course.

I heartily congratulate you on the award and also thank you very sincerely for the excellent work you have done.

(Sd) Alex Sanderson

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tun. Coy.

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R.T.O.,
Perte D'Arras.

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Please supply the u/m men of this Unit with a Movement Order to ROUEN to which town they are proceeding on duty.

- 7396 Spr GLADSTONE W.E.
- 4275 " BIRD E.
- 4406 " MORTON J.
- 1215 " PEACH J.
- 2478 " HUBBARD E.L.
- 7384 " MERRITT M.F.
- 4368 " JOLLEY C.G.
- 1083 - MUNDAY W.G.

E.P. Horn

Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,

10-1-19.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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O.C.,
Aust. & N.Z. Bakeries,
ROUEN.

Herewith to report to you the u/m Men of this Unit.
Authority Asst. Director of Education Aust. Corps C.O/6/1.

Tradesmen, A.

- 7396 Spr GLADSTONE W.E.
- 4275 " BIRD E.
- 4406 " MORTON J.
- 1215 " PEACH J.

Learners, B.

- 2478 Spr HUBBARD E.L.
- 7384 " MERRITT M.F.
- 4368 " JOLLEY C.G.
- 1083 - MUNDAY W.G.

E.P. Horn

Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,

10-1-19.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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Officer in Charge Records,
Admin. H.Q., A.I.F.,
130 Horseferry Road,
London, S.W.1.

Herewith attached, declaration by Lieut. James ROBERTSON, of this Unit. May his Attestation Papers and other records be corrected, please, in accordance with this declaration.

E.P. Horn

14/1/19.

Lieut. Adjt.,
for Major,

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

3RD AUSTRALIAN TUNNELLING COMPANY.

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Strength.

Officers.		Other Ranks.			
Rank.	No.	Rank.	No.	Sappers:- Distribution by Trades.	No.
				Detail.	
Major.	1	R.S.M. (W.O. Class 1)	2	Batmen.	18
Captains.	6.	R.Q.M.S. (W.O. Class 11)	1	Blacksmiths.	10
Subalterns.	16.	Staff Serjts.	5	Carpenters.	16
		C.Q.M.S.	4	Fitters.	12
		Sergeants.	20	Tailors.	2
<u>Attached.</u>		Corporals.	14	Shoemakers.	2
Captain. (M.O.)	1	2/Corpls.	15	Plumbers.	1
		L/Corpls.	22	Draughtsmen.	1
		Sappers.	502	Painters.	2
				Sawyer.	1
Captain. (Chaplain).	1	Attached from 3rd Aust. M.T. Coy. for <u>Transport duties.</u>		Clerks.	12
		Corporal.	1	Bricklayers.	1
		L/Corpls.	2	Tunnellers.	147
		Drivers.	12	Tunnellers mates.	213
				Miscellaneous Trades.	62
				Pioneers (Water and Sanitary Duties).	2
Totals:- 25 Officers.		Other Ranks:- 600.		...	502.

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15/1/1919.

Alex Sanderson
Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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Administrative Headquarters,
Australian Imperial Force,
LONDON S.W.1.

2.Re/11046/15/4.

17th January, 1919.

O.C.,
3rd Tunnelling Company, A.I.F.,
3rd Australian Division,
B.E.F., FRANCE.

Re No. 5832 SKUES, W.T. - 3rd Tunnelling Company, A.I.F.

Referring to your memos of the 10th and 12th instants, it is advised that Records shew the abovenamed soldier is registered as Married. His next of kin is shewn as wife.

Robinson
2/Lieutenant.
For Officer i/c Records.

ELISE CACHERA
12 Rue de MARAIS
DIGNIES

No. 5832 Spr SKUES W.T.

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Officer in Charge,
Records,
Administrative H.Q., A.I.F.,
130 Horseferry Road,
London, S.W.1.

No. 5832. Sapper SKUES, W.C.T.

May this Unit be supplied please with a certified true copy
of Attestation Paper of the above sapper. He is desirous of
contracting a marriage with a French Subject.

12/1/19.

Lieut. Adjt...
for Major.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

O.I/c Records, A.I.F.
130 Horseferry Rd,
LONDON.

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Re No. 5832 Sapper SKUES W.T. also your T.R C./11109/
9/10.

The above-mentioned Sapper has notified the C.O. of
this unit of his desire to marry a French subject. May we
be supplied, please, with a Copy of his attestation records

Lt. Adjt.
for Major.

10-1-19.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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D. M. T. S.
* 26 B/7 JAN. 1919 *
A. I. F.

Officer Commanding,
3rd Aust: Tunnelling Company.

No. 1244 L/Corpl: PHIPPS, L.N. - 3rd Aust: M.T.Coy:
No. 11923 Driver: SPRINZ, S.R. - -do-

Reference your application to A.A.G., A.I.F. for transfer of the above-mentioned soldiers to your Command, which has been referred to me.

I am quite willing for these men to be transferred providing you have two suitable men to replace them. The M.T. is considerably below strength at present, and it would be a difficult matter at the moment, for me to fill the vacancies.

If such men are available, and you will submit their names etc, arrangements will be made for the exchange and their subsequent appointment to M.T.Driver.

J. Leigh
Colonel,
D. M. T. S., A. I. F.

26th January, 1919.

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30/1/19.

D.M.T.S., A.I.F.,

No. 1244 L/Corpl: PHIPPS, L.N. - 3rd Aust: M.T.Coy.
No. 11923 Driver: SPRINZ, S.R. - -do-

Ref. your B/7 of 26/1/19, please.

The abovenamed soldiers in addition to carrying on some of their ordinary duties have been regularly instructing classes in Mechanics and French since 18/12/18 and are doing excellent work in the Unit. Under A.I.F. Order 1492 this unit is entitled to the appointment of three T/Sergeants and three T/Corpls as educational instructors. So far, none have been appointed.

If you have no objection to the appointment of the abovenamed as Temporary Sergeants, while carrying out the duties of instructors under the educational services of this Unit, will you please pass this to Headquarters A.I.F. for approval of their Temp. Appointments, as such, from 21/12/18.

At present two R.A.S.C. M.T. Drivers are attached to this Unit for duty, so that it will not be necessary to fill the vacancies caused by their temporary employment in the educational service.

In the Field. (Phalempin)

Major,
C.O., 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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Brigade General
Commandant
A.I.F. H.Q.
D.A.G. London
3rd Echelon, G.H.Q.

3756.

Re No. 1190, Sapper TAYLOR, H.N.W. of this unit, and G.R.O. 3724.

1. Date and Place of Marriage:- LAPUGNOY, 25th January, 1919.
2. Name, Surname and Nationality of both parties:-
TAYLOR, Herwood Norman William - BRITISH.
CHATARD, Maria Louisa - FRENCH.
3. Age of each:-
Man - 26.
Woman - 26.
4. Condition of each, i.e. Bachelor or Spinster:- Bachelor - Spinster.
5. Rank or Profession of each:- Soldier - Tailoress.
6. Name, Surname and Rank or profession of father of each:-
Husband's Father:- TAYLOR, John - FARMER.
Wife's Father:- CHATARD, Alfred - BOOTMAKER.
7. Place of residence of woman at time of marriage:-

LAPUGNOY.

E. P. Horn

Lieut. Adj. for Major.

3rd Aust. Tunnelling Coy

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3743.

Headquarters, A.I.F.
130 Horseferry Road,
LONDON S.W.1.

In accordance with instructions contained in your wire No. 44730 (Copy attached) of 27-1-19 I am sending Lt. H. Warlow-Davies to report to you on 31-1-19.

Lieut. Warlow-Davies has not made any application for a discharge so that I am at a loss to know what forms are referred to in your wire.

Yesterday he lodged the attached application for early repatriation which I am prepared to recommend. He has been promised an important mining position in Australia and thinks that it is for that reason his discharge has been applied for, but the application did not originate from him.

Copies of the wires received from you are attached.

So far, the A.I.F. forms 536 to 541 have not come to hand. I have therefore not been able to issue movement card, etc., to him as per instructions from Director General of Repatriation and Demobilisation A.I.F.

Alex Sanderson

Major.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

29-1-19.

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O.C.,
3rd Australian Tunnelling Co.
B.E.F.

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Ref. your minute No. 3643 of 30.12.18.

I note the application of No. 7433, Sapper T.M. Reynolds of your Unit for authority to erect a cross over the grave of his late brother Pte. E. Reynolds of 11th Bn. A.I.F. buried in Etaples Cemetery.

Will you please explain to the applicant that I regret I am unable to give approval, as it is not considered desirable that other than our regulation crosses should be erected in Base Cemeteries. It is desired to maintain a uniformity in the crosses, and it is considered that the erection of crosses of various shapes and sizes would deteriorate from the present scheme.

However, it is the intention of the Imperial War Graves Commission to place stone memorials over all graves in British Military Cemeteries, the work on these having already been commenced; hence in due course one of these, properly inscribed, will be placed on the grave of Pte. E.Reynolds.

B. Reynolds

DIEPPE.

REGISTRATION AND ENROLLMENT L. OF C.	
No.	1042 4/44
Date	4-1-19

CAPT.
Acting D.A.D.G.R. & E. L. OF C.

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11.

Headquarters,
I Corps.

HONOURS AND REWARDS.

Will you please cause one of the enclosed copies of special Army Orders to be handed to each of the officers and other ranks marked on the attached list.

On receipt of completed A.M.S. Form F. a copy of the Army Order will be despatched to the recipient's home address.

Headquarters,
Fifth Army.
22/1/19.

(sgd) M. Nunkit,
Major,
Assistant Military Secretary to
G.O.C. Fifth Army.

I CORPS.

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|---|--------|
| Captain R.Y. LANGDON, 3rd Australian Tunnelling Co. | 24/399 |
| T/Capt. J.O.O. McARDLE, | do - |
| Lieut. R.J. CAVANACH, | do - |
| Lieut. C.G. SHAW, | do - |
| T/Lieut. A.F. EDWARDS, 48th Army Bde. R.F.A. | 24/404 |
| No. 614595, Pte. G. PALMER, 40th Labour Coy. | 24/393 |

HEADQUARTERS,
I CORPS.
No. A. 24/402/1
Date.....

Headquarters,
24th Division.
C.R.E.
Labour Commandant.

For action.

C.R.E.,
I CORPS TROOPS.

103/30
25.1.19

I Corps H.Q.
24/1/19.

J. Hunter
Major,
D.A.A.G. I Corps.

O.C. 3rd Aus. (T) Coy
For actions

W.S. Clouston
Capt + adjt
R.E. I Corps Troops.

25/1/19

At m. From
 To
 By (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO } 3rd A.S.C. CHEMY.

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 * PG 27 aaa

Wire numbers officers
 other ranks available
 as possible have
 by eight February
 from 1914, 1915, &
 "B" class.
 Personnel your unit
 state ranks of
 officers & S.B. O's are
 orders for movements
 will issue later

From Aust Section
 Place 3rd Echelon
 Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

* This line should be erased if not required.
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 At m. From
 To
 By (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By

TO } Australia Section
 3rd Echelon G.H.Q.

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA
 * 270 28 PG 27

5 Captains	7 Lieut.
2 Major	1 Para
1 Staff Sgt	12 Sergeants
15 Companies	8 Companies
135 Subalterns	
total 185 all ranks.	

From 3rd Aust. Signalling Coy
 Place
 Time

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Sent Service. Date

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To By (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { AUSTRALIAN SECTION
3rd ECHELON
C.H.Q.

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA

* 162 24 PG501 AAA

1914 Two sappers aaa first half of 1915 One sapper
aaa 2nd half of 1915 Officers HILLMAN WEST KENNEDY
BROWN MCARDLE WALLMAN WENTWORTH ASHCROFT HOWIE
ROBERTSON MORRIS GRAINGER aaa Two warrant officers
Class I aaa One staff sergeant Two QM Sergeants One
Twelve sergeants eight corporals eight 2nd corpor-
als eight lance corporals ninety sappers aaa Forty-
nine sappers "B" class not included in above aaa
Total 195 all ranks aaa Above does not include
Two staff sergeants one QMSergeant two sergeants
two corporals one lance corporal and 65 sappers
leaving here on 27th inst. for HAVRE in accordance
your letter 2452 dated 17th inst

From
Place 3rd AUSTRALIAN TUNNELLING COY.
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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Major,
C.O. 3rd Aust. Tunnelling Coy.

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions. This message is on a/c of. Recd. at m.

Sent Service. Date

At m. From

To By (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO { 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.
CHEMY.

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA

* PG 560 27 aaa AAA

Expedite precedence
rolls.

From Aust Section
Place 3rd Echelon
Time

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121
(in pads of 100.)

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.....		To		Service. Date	
.....		By		From	
.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		By	
TO } <i>3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy</i>					
Sender's Number.		Day of Month.		In reply to Number.	
<i>*P.G. 501</i>		<i>22</i>		<i>AAA</i>	
<p><i>With crew arranging preliminary.</i></p> <p><i>Certain personnel from unit for</i></p> <p><i>Demobilisation, were immediately total</i></p> <p><i>numbers separately 1914. first half</i></p> <p><i>1915. Second half 1915 men. Also any</i></p> <p><i>B. Class who do not come within above</i></p> <p><i>period now with you. aaa. Specify</i></p> <p><i>rank of Warrant and N.C.O's aaa</i></p> <p><i>State names of Officers aaa. Despatch</i></p> <p><i>to Australian, Section 3rd. Echelon by</i></p> <p><i>post immediately. Copy of Repatriation</i></p> <p><i>precedence. Roll. form 338</i></p>					
From <i>Australian Section 3rd. Echelon,</i>					
Place					
Time					
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)					
Censor.			Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.		

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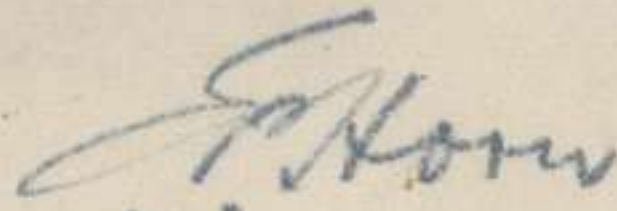
3646.

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C.R.E.
1st Corps Troops.

Reference your 1029/6 of 29-12-48, the following
have been instructed to report back to R.E. Dump at
HAUBOURDIN.

<u>Dump</u>	
Carvin.	No. 100930 2/Cpl BROWN J.
	" 545247 Spr PARKS A.
Bauvin.	" 518473 2/Cpl TINDALL A.J.
	" 545034 Spr BASSETT J.



Lt. Adjt.
for Mgr.

1-1-19.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

3651.

14

C.R.E.
I Corps Troops.

Reference Corps R.O. No. 3316. The Electric Torches in
possession of this Unit are being used for urgent work in
connection with investigation parties. The number of torches
on issue is sufficient for this work but refills are required
from time to time.

Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

5-1-19.

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3638.

D.A.G.,
A.I.F.

Return called for in year 19/1228 of 20/12/18

is:-

N i l.

27/12/18.

E. Horn Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

File

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i/c,
Records Section,
Administrative H/Q.
130 Horseferry Road,
LONDON.

Herewith please Statutory Declaration by No. 6103
Sapper CASEY John (proper name VEECH Malachi) of this unit. Will you
see that necessary alterations are made in A.I.F. Records and Pay Office.
(S.P.B. No. 265819).

6-1-19.

E. Horn Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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Please render to this office not later than 11.00 hours on
Monday next, 8-1-19, a statement of the strength of your section
with distribution by TRADES.

F. Horn

Lt. Adjt.,
for Major.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

6-1-19.

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C.R.E.,

3655

I CORPS TROOPS.

7-1-19

Notifying you, please, that No. 999 Sapper L. FORNERO of this
unit who is under suspended sentence has been transferred to A.I.F.
Depots in England as from 5-1-19. Authority D.A.G., A.I.F. 20/116
dated 24-12-18.

Alan Anderson

Major.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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3659.

Commandant Australian Corps
Central School.

The following men of this Unit will report to you
on 11-1-19 at Australian Corps Central School, RUE.

- No. 1166 Sapper SIMPSON S.
- 1211 " WOOD P.G.
- 8130 " RICKARDS F.S.B.

Authority, Aust. Corps 3/11/6 dated 5-1-19.
Particulars of Educational Standard reached, and
proposed subjects, have been submitted to you by this Unit's
Educational Officer.
Nominal Roll attached hereto.

E.P. Horn

Lt., Adjt.

for C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

7-1-19.

NOMINAL ROLL

of men reporting to Aust. Corps Central School.

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Reg. No.	Rank.	Name.
1166	Sapper	SIMPSON S.
1211	"	WOOD P.G.
8130	"	RICKARDS F.S.B.

7-1-19. Lt. adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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C.R.E.,
I Corps Troops.

No. 1236 Sapper ROBERTSON F.D. will report on 8-1-19 to Lieut Whitehouse at R.E. Stores yard TEMPLEUVE to do duty as driver of petrol Engine.

7-1-19.

E.P. Horn Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

The Hon. Secretary,
Aust. Red Cross,
P.O.W., Care Committee,
36 Grosvenor Place,
LONDON S.W.1.

3664

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This Unit appreciates your P/Cs of 31-12-18 and 1-1-19 respectively, relating to the return of Prisoners of War No. 1310 Sapper VICK H. and No. 4412 Sapper McCracken A., members of this unit, from Germany to England and thanks your Association therefor.

8-1-19.

E.P. Horn Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

A" Section
"B" "
"C" "
"D" "

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Herewith copies of special A.R.O. Please distribute these amongst the members of your Section who have been engaged on Investigation work.

8-1-19.

E.P. Horn Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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3665.

Controller of Mines,
FIRST ARMY.

Application is made for permission for Lieut. K. B. MOORE
and No. 1244 L/Cpl PHIPPS L.N. of this Unit ^{13.10.19} to proceed ^{2nd, 1919}
PARIS for a period of 7 days dating from ^{13.10.19} to ^{2nd, 1919}
for the purpose of purchasing a Cinema Projector on behalf
of this Unit. ~~the~~ present instrument, which is providing
amusement for the troops stationed in PHALEMPIN is worn
out.

Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,

8-1-19.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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3666.

O.C.,
First Army Mine School.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of S.P.B. 219576 of 4396
Spr MILLWARD H.
Same has been forwarded to Paymaster, Boulogne, for
renewal.

Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,

9-1-19.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

3661 25

Commandant,
Aust. Corps Central School.

Herewith please the undermentioned men of this
Unit to report to you.

- No. 1166 Sapper SIMPSON S.
- No. 1211 " WOOD P.G.
- No. 8130 " RICKARDS F.S.B.

9-1-19.

Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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Director General,
Repatriation and Demobilisation,
Australian Imperial Force.

3667

9-1-19

1. Herewith, please, applications for discharge in United Kingdom
from

No.4530 Spr R.BOYCE, of 3rd Aust.Tllg.Coy.	} Re-submitted.
1219 " J.MacLEOD " " " " "	
1246 Dvr R.J.WALTON " 3rd Aust.M.T.Coy. attached 3rd Aust.Tllg.Coy.	

2. Applications for early repatriation from

No.1295 Spr J.H.YOUNG of 3rd Aust.Tllg.Coy.
1179 " C.A.SAUNDERS " " " "

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

Director General,
Repatriation & Demobilisation,
Australian Imperial Force.

3668

9-1-19

Herewith Demobilisation Forms 534 of all Ranks on strength of this Unit except those named below who are at present on leave, Hospital, etc. These will be forwarded to you as early as possible.

List of all Ranks for whom Demobilisation Forms 534 have not yet been completed:-

No.	Rank.	Name.	No.	Rank.	Name.
		Captain J.O.O.MCARDELL M.C.	4545	Spr	JONES C.O.
		Lieut. C.C. SHAW, M.C.	7023	"	KENNEDY G.M.
		" T. TAYLOR.	2386	"	KEILLOR A.
		" J. DOW.	4405	2/Cpl	MORTESON H.
			1429	Spr	MILES F.M.
910	Spr	AHEARN R.T.	6026	"	McKEE M.
918	"	BARRATT T.	4429	M.T. Dvr	NESS S.Y.
4227	Cpl	BRADY L.V.	4450	Spr	FRAED E.N.
4274	Sgt	BICKFORD W.	5804	"	PIKE L.
4529	Spr	BATEMAN H.L.	1245	M.T. Dvr	ROLFE S.J.
969	S/Sgt	CHAMBERS F.E.	6772	Spr	ROBINSON C.A.L.
2374	2/Cpl	CARR S.P.	6084	"	RICHARDS H.E.
4302	Spr	COOPER H.G.	4465	2/Cpl	ROSE A.V.
6106	"	CRIPPS A.	4458	Spr	RICHARDS W.
6103	"	CASEY J.	7856	"	RYAN W.H.
12419	M. Dvr	COPELAND N.	5823	"	ROBINSON J.J.
4296	H.T. Dvr	CHANDLER A.S.	1163	L/Cpl	SHERIDAN M.J.
4341	Spr	GRACE J.N.A.	4482	Spr	STRATFORD J.T.
5993	"	GRIFFIN W.H.	11923	M.T. Dvr	SPRINZ S.R.
1012	Sgt	GOODLAD M.	2405	Spr	SPILSBURY J.
5330	Spr	GRAPHAM A.C.	1297	"	TESTER A.P.M.
7506	"	HERBERT G.	4522	Cpl	WOOLLEY T.
2479	"	HILL N.W.	6776	Spr	WARREN L.A.
1043	"	JONES H.	1204	"	WILLIAMS A.E.
			1214	Sgt	YEARDYE A.C.
			1295	Spr	YOUNG J.H.

Alex Sanderson

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

3671. 28

C.P.E. 36
1 Corps Troops/0

Advising you please that No. 3515 Sapper
WRIGHT F.W., who is under suspension of sentence
was admitted to the 13th C.C.S., ASCQ on 8/1/19.

Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,

9/1/19.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

3672. 29

O.C.,

Army Printing & Stationery Services,
BOULOGNE.

Please supply this Unit with 6 copies of S.S. 615.

Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,

10-1-19.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

3675. 30

O.C.,

Aust. & N.Z. Bakeries,
ROUEN.

It is regretted that through an error the name of
No. 7396 Spr GLADSTONE W.E. of this Unit was included in
Nominal Roll of Students submitted to you on 10-1-19.
May his name be eliminated, please.

Lt., Adjt.,
for Major,

11-1-19

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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C.E.,
I CORPS.

3676

13-1-19

Reference your 3483, please.

- 1. The reconnaissance is being made by Captain J.O. McArdell, M.C. and Captain H.W. Brown. The former is doing the Section through I Corps Area from Lens-Carvin Road Southwards, and the latter the section from Lens-Carvin Road Northwards.

Generally, the line South of the Lens-Carvin Road is excellently ^{constructed} and very interesting. North of the Lens-Carvin Road it is not so, the work being of a poor standard and not properly finished.

- 2. Captain McArdell has today sent in his reconnaissance notes covering the portion of the line between the Lens-Carvin Road and the Lens Canal. These are being plotted and the plan will be forwarded with progress report next week.

- 3. Captain Brown has made a preliminary reconnaissance of the whole of the section North of the Lens-Carvin Road. His preliminary notes are now being plotted. The trenches are traversed and about seven feet deep but do not appear to have been finished off for effective occupation. For the most part there are no firesteps.

Wire is low and badly put up. In few places is it a serious obstacle. There is little sign of the enemy having occupied the line on the section North of Annay. There are very few prepared and camouflaged T.M. & M.C. Emplacements. The dugouts in the line are poor, but in the villages immediately behind, the cellars are strengthened with reinforced concrete, although there is no evidence of preparations for a stiff resistance in the vicinity.

Progress plans will be prepared and forwarded next week.

Alex Sanderson

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

C.E.,
I CORPS.

3677

13-1-19

In connection with reconnaissance of Queant - Drocourt Line, will you please forward per bearer the u/m maps:-

1/10,000	44a	S.W.2.	-	2 maps.
"	44a	S.W.4.	-	2 "
"	44a	N.W.4.	-	2 "
"	44a	N.W.3.	-	2 "
"	44a	N.W.1.	-	2 "

Alex Sanderson

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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Controller of Mines,
FIRST ARMY.

3678

13-1-19

Reference attached.

There is a notice board in the Seclin Railway Station Yard marked "Mines dangerous".

It was probably put there on account of information received from the Enemy showing that a Delay Action mine had been placed in the vicinity.

Could a sketch be obtained and forwarded, please, with detailed particulars as to the position of the mine according to the information supplied by the Enemy.

Also similar information in regard to the D.A. mines which are supposed to be laid under the Rly line at Gondicourt and Allenes, now in I Corps Troops area.

It is, I understand, intended to have the trains running on the Lille-Douai line early in February, and if thought desirable a search might be made in the ~~xxxxxxx~~ meantime.

The period of overdue Delay Action might be any time up to six or possibly even twelve months, according to the extent to which the chemical chamber of the fuse has been filled.

One corrosive fuse removed near Libercourt Railway Station contained 1/16th" only of chemical in the chamber, and action has not yet taken place although it is two months overdue.

Another fuse containing about 3/16ths" of chemical in the chamber acted when 8 weeks overdue. Three fuses with chambers about half full acted when 6 weeks overdue ^(all within 2 days) and two with chambers about 1/4 full were overdue 17 days and 26 days respectively although in a room which was to a slight extent artificially warmed.

Five of the D.A. mines, reported by the enemy as having been laid in Templeuve (France) Rly Yard, could not be found although the German officers sent to point them out assisted in the search for them. The German officers said it was probable that they had not been put in. Possible the same action was taken in regard to Seclin Rly Station Yard which was not then in the area covered by this Unit.

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Alex Sanderson

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

3679.

Controller of Mines,
FIRST ARMY.

Reference your C.M.3710. No Government Typewriter has been drawn by this Unit.

13-1-19.

St. Now

Lt., Adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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Camp Commandant,
G.H.Q. 1st Echelon.

3681

13-1-19

Herewith, please, A.F.B. 122 of T/Sgt WILSON H. as requested.

E.P. Horn Lt., Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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5600.
Officer i/c Records,
Administrative H.Q.
LONDON.

Reference your 26488 of 31-12-18, re 1191 2/Cpl TAYLOR J.
The above-named N.C.O. was evacuated from this unit on 15-11-18
for Dental treatment, and rejoined unit on 21-11-18.

Reference your 28426 of 6-1-19, re 1225 Spr BRENNAN D.
and 4997 Spr THRING J.R.
The above-named soldiers were admitted to Hospital on 30-10-18
and were discharged on 1-12-18. They were re-admitted on 8-12-18
and discharged on 14-12-18.

13-1-19.

E.P. Horn Lt., Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3681.
R.T.O.

LILLE.

A Movement Order is required, please, for Lieutenants
R.J. CAVANAGH and H. WARLOW-DAVIES of this Unit who are
proceeding on duty to BRUSSELS.

13-1-19.

E.P. Horn Lt., Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

356 Controller of Mines,
FIRST ARMY.

Authority required, please, to return the undermentioned Speci Mining Stores. May we be advised where to return them.

105 Clamps for G.C. bags.
4 Compasses - legs for.
1 box T. & J.
1 Wheatstone bridge.
67 Picks, Hardy's patent.
44 " " helves.
Quantity Cordean Detonant.
2 Couplings, elec.
6 Connections - Wombat rods.
5 Teats - Wombat machine.
9 Cutters wing machine.
7 Picks, Hillman.
2 Jacks, bottle - 3 tons.

Authority required, please, to return the undermentioned General Engineering Stores. May we be advised where to return them.

114 Axes, pick heads.
56 " " helves.
18 Shovels.
38 pairs Gloves - wire entanglements.
1 Trowel - bricklayers.
2 Turn buckles.
7 Road hammers.
15 Hose wrenches.
4 Barrows - wheel.
Quantity spikes.
4 Cutters - wire, long.
3 Chests screw-cutting tools.
2 Sprayers, verminal.
Quantity trench tapes.
Quantity Brace bits.
2 Hammers, loading.
5 Pliers, sidecutting.

E. P. Horn Lt., Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

14-1-19.

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3685.

D.A.Q.M.G.,
1st Corps.

Reference C.R.O. 3280.

Estimate of weekly requirement is 30 gallons - Certificate
from M.O. attached.

16/1/19.

E.P. Horn
Lieut. Adj.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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3686.

C.R.E.,
1st Corps Troops.

Reference our 3671 of 9/1/19, advising you
please, that to-day this Unit received notification that No. 3515,
Sapper WRIGHT, F.W., who is under suspension of sentence, was
evacuated from 13th C.C.S. to the Base on 12/1/19 with V.D. (Relapse).

16/1/19.

E.P. Horn
Lieut. Adj.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3RD AUSTRALIAN TUNNELLING COY.	
No.	3687.
Date	16/1/19.

Director-General,
Repatriation and Demob. Dept.

Herewith, please, applications for non-Military employment (prior to Repatriation) by:-

- No. 7121, Sapper R.W.E. MULLETT.
- No. 5106, Sapper T. BLACKBURN.
- No. 2384, Sapper D.J. JONES.
- No. 4505, Sapper A.J. WHITE.
- No. 7532, Sapper W. CUMMING.

Each of the abovenamed have employment awaiting them. I shall therefore be glad if their cases are given priority of consideration, please, for approval.

16/1/19.

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3RD AUSTRALIAN TUNNELLING COY.	
No.	3690.
Date	17/1/19.

Director General,
Repatriation and Demobilisation Dept..
A. I. F.

Herewith, please, applications for discharge in U.K. by:-

- and No. 1249, Sergt. D.W. ROBERTSON,
- No. 1200, Sapper W. WILLIAMS.

both of which are recommended.

17/1/19.

Alex Sanderson Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3691.

R.T.O.,
Porte D'Arras.

Please supply:-

No 1052 Sgt. JOHNSTONE & No. 4403 Sapper
MOYLE. H. and No 6116 Sapper JOHNSTON. B.
of this Unit -
with a movement order to HAL, to which town they are proceeding
on escort duty.

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17/1/19.

Lieut. Adjts.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

18 1/19

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3RD AUSTRALIAN TUNNELLING COY. 17/1/19.
No.....
Date.....

Chief Paymaster, A.I.F.,
Administrative Headquarters,
130 Horseferry Road, LONDON, S.W.1.

Reference A.I.F. Order No. 1509 dated 10/1/19.

Herewith please find two copies of the letter of
appointment of Lieutenant Edward Palmer Horn as Imprest
holder of the 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy, each bearing
his specimen signature in the margin.

Please acknowledge receipt.

In the Field, Major,
C.O., 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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3693.

R.T.O.,
Porte D'Arras.

Please supply a Movement Order to:-

No. 6008 Sgt. R. LOW.
6767 Sp. E.E. JOCHINKE
6631 Sp. W.E.A. JONES

of this Unit, who are proceeding to BRUSSELS to report to the
Commandant, British Troops.

17/1/19.

Lieut. Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3695.

O.C.
3rd Australian M.T. Company

- amended -
Herewith, please Nominal Roll of men of your Unit attached to
3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Date of Elstmnt.	Date of Embkn.	Married or Single.	No. of Dependents.
1243	Cpl	MUNRO A.H.	8-12-15	20-2-16	S.	-
1242	L/C	GOODE W.E.	15-9-15	20-2-16	M	2
1244	L/C	PHIPPS L.N.	7-12-15	20-2-16	S	-
4254	M.T. Dvr	HOPKINS F.	9-3-16	1-6-16	S	-
1266	"	LUSK A.	22-10-15	20-2-16	S	-
12419	"	COPELAND F.	26-1-15	5-6-16	S	-
1245	"	ROLFE S.J.	14-11-15	20-2-16	S	-
1246	"	WALTON R.J.	14-1-16	20-2-16	✓ M	1 (Wife)
1216	"	COOPER L.F.P	22-1-16	20-2-16	S	-
XX						
11973	"	SPRINZ S.R.	18-2-16	5-6-16	S	-
11969	"	WOOD H.	6-1-16	5-6-16	S	-

Lt., Adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

19-1-19.

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R.T.O.
Forte D'Arras.

20-1-19. 3697
2001X18X

Please issue a movement order to Captain R.Y. LANGDON and 11 O.R.'s of this Unit, who are proceeding to Brussels to report to the Commandant, British Troops.

E. Horn

Lt., Adj. t.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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Director General,
Repatriation and Demobilisation,
Australian Imperial Force,
54 Victoria Street,
LONDON. S.W.I.

3696
19-1-19

Herewith, please, Demobilisation Forms 534 for 18 all Ranks on strength of this Unit.
Those named below are at present on leave, hospital, etc. These will be forwarded to you as early as possible.

List of all Ranks for whom Demobilisation Forms 534 have not yet been completed:-

	Lieut.	C.C. SHAW, M.C.	4296	H.T. Dvr	A.S. CHANDLER
	"	T. TAYLOR.	4341	Sapper	J. N.A. GRACE
918	Sapper	T.R. BARRETT	2479	"	N.W. HILL
4274	Corpl	W. BICKFORD	4545	"	C.O. JONES
4227	"	L.V. BRADY	7023	"	G.M. KENNEDY
4529	Sapper	H.L. BATEMAN	2386	"	A. KEILLOR
969	S/Sgt	F.E. CHAMBERS	4405	2/Cpl	H. MORTESON
2374	2/Cpl	S.P. CARR	4450	Sapper	E.N. PRAED
4302	Sapper	H.G. COOPER	6084	"	H.E. RICHARDS
6103	"	J. CASEY	4465	2/Cpl	A.V. ROSE
12419	M.T. Dvr	N. COPELAND	4458	Sapper	H. RICHARDS
4429	"	S.T. NESS	7856	"	W.H. RYAN
1245	"	S.J. ROLFE	1163	L/Cpl	M.J. SHERIDAN
6776	Sapper	L.A. WARREN	4482	Sapper	J.T. STRATFORD
5330	"	A.C. GRAPHAM	2405	"	J. SPIESBURY

Alex. Sanderson

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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I CORPS.

3097
19-1-19

Reference reconnaissance of quent - Breccart Line through I Corps area.

The reconnaissance is practically completed from the Haute Deule Canal to the Northern Extremity of the Line near the Honenzollern out-
posts are not yet finished.

A great deal of reconnaissance has yet to be done between the Haute Deule Canal and the Breccart - Henin Leitard Road. This will take about a fortnight.

Wm. Sanderson Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

Officer i/c Records, A.I.F.
Administrative H.Qrs.
LONDON.

3700
21-1-19

Reference your 77885 dated 15-1-19 re 4376 Sapper
H.MILLWARD.

- 1. The above-named soldier was detached for duty to the 350th E. & M. Coy. R.E. from 16-8-17 to 13-4-18.
- 2. Detached to First Army Mine School 14-7-18.
- 3. Still at First Army Mine School.

E. P. Stone Lt., Adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

R.T.O.
~~Porte Diarra,~~
TOURNAI

3701
21-1-19

Please issue a movement order to Lieut. J. Robertson and 11 O.R.'s who are proceeding to BRUSSELS to report to the Commandant British Troops.

E. P. Stone Lt., Adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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3702.

Lieut. H. P. Wallman,
O.C. Composite Section
BRUYELLES.

Please have the Mobilisation Papers of the under-mentioned completed and return same to H.Q. as soon as possible.

Lieut. C. C. Shaw, M.C.
" T. Taylor.
Spr J. Spilebury
" J. C. Stratford.
" A. Keiller.
Dvr A. S. Chandler.
" L. A. Warren.

E. P. Shaw

Lt. Adj.
P

21-1-19

C. O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

3703.

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O.C. "A" Section.
" "B" "
" "C" "
" "D" "

In future Section Commanders will before detailing men for work with the Canal Detachment submit to the C.O. a list of men proposed to be detailed for such work.

E. P. Shaw

Lt. Adj.,
for Major.

21-1-19.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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3705.

Claims Officer,
58th Division.

Reference attached correspondence.

This liability was not incurred by this Unit, which did not move in to BELOELL until 12/11/18. The claim, apparently, is for timber delivered to some unit on 10/11/18.

During the work done by this Unit in Beloeil, the only timber purchased was from Monsieur Emile Chevalier.

21/1/19.

E. P. Shaw

Lieut. Adj.,
for Major.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3708.

R.T.O.,
Forte D'Arras,

May this Unit be advised, please, when it
will be convenient for you to take over as prisoner for despatch
to the Military Prison.

22/1/19.

G. P. New Lieut. Adjnt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3709.

S.O.R.E.,
1st Corps.

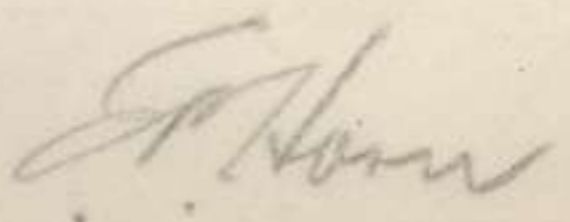
Authority required please, to return the undermentioned
Special Mining Stores:-

- 105 Clamps for G.C. Bags.
- 4 Compasses - legs for.
- 67 Picks, Hardy's patent.
- 44 Picks, Hardy's helves.
- Quantity Cordean Detonant.
- 2 Couplings, elec.
- 9 Cutters, wing machine.
- 7 Picks, Hillman.
- 2 Jacks, bottle - 3 tons.

also the undermentioned General Engineering Stores.

May we be advised where to return them.

- 114 Axes, pick heads.
- 56 Axes, pick helves.
- 18 Shovels.
- 38 pairs gloves - wire entanglements.
- 1 Trowel - bricklayers.
- 2 Turn buckles.
- 7 Road hammers.
- 15 Hose wrenches.
- 4 Barrows, wheel.
- Quantity spikes.
- 4 Cutters - wire, long.
- 3 Chests, screw-cutting tools.
- 2 Sprayers, verminal.
- Quantity trench tapes.
- Quantity Brace bits.
- 2 Hammers, loading.
- 5 Pliers, sidecutting.



Lieut. Adjnt.,
for Major,

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

22/1/19.

Administrative HQ.,
130 Horseferry Road,
London S.W. 1./

AUSTRALIAN TUNNELLING COY.
No. 3710
Date 22/1/19.

Reference attached application by No. 4459 2/Cpl.
REYNOLDS W.J., for early repatriation, please.

This appears to be a distressful case which might
be to some extent relieved by the applicant's return.

I recommend that the application be granted as
early as possible.

In regard to the reason stated in para. marked
(1) (underlined in blue) of the letter attached to the
application, I think Corporal Reynolds must be under a
misapprehension but the matter might be inquired into
and the Corporal advised as to the official report which
was sent to his next of kin.

Allen Sanderson

Major,

C.O., 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

C.R.M.

I CORPS TROOPS.

3712

22-1-19

Herewith, please, Charge Sheet and Summary of Evidence in
the case of No. 6106 Sapper A. CRIPPS of 3rd Australian Tunnelling
Company.

It is desired that he should be tried by F.G.C.M.
His conduct sheet is attached.

Captain R.Y. Langdon, M.C., of this Unit, will prosecute.

Allen Sanderson Major,
C.O., 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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Formation:- 1st Corps. ... Unit:- 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

I certify that the number of animals in charge of 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company at 22/1/19 is as follows:-

Horses.				Mules.		Total Animals.
Rdg.	L.D.	H.D.	Pack.	L.D.	Pack.	
-	5	7	-	-	-	12
Total Horses.				Total Mules.		

and that the figures 12 Horses 0 Mules have been entered in the receipts column of A.F.W. 3852 as the initial entry of my animal account subsequent to stock-taking on 1st January, 1919.

E.P. Horn

Signature:
Lieut. Adjt.,
for Major.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3713.

C.R.E.

I CORPS TROOPS.

Reference your 105 of 19-1-19.

Return is NIL.

E.P. Horn

Lt., Adjt.
for Major.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

22-1-19.

3714.

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I CORPS TROOPS.

Reference your 105/15.
Herewith, please, Certificate called for.

E.P. How

Lt., Adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

22-1-19.

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Commandant A.I.F.
130 Horseferry Rd.,
LONDON.

3715
23-1-19

May this Unit be advised, please, if the u/m N.C.O.
and Sapper have been granted an Extension of leave.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Date due to return from leave.
969	Sgt	F.E. CHAMBERS.	3-1-19.
5027	Spr	T.G. JONES.	16-1-19.

E.P. How

Lt., Adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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3716.

R.T.O.
BRUSSELS.

Please issue a movement order to No. 5804 Sapper
L. PIKE of this Unit who is proceeding to SOMBAFFE to
report to the Area Commandant.

E.P. How

Lt., Adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

27-1-19.

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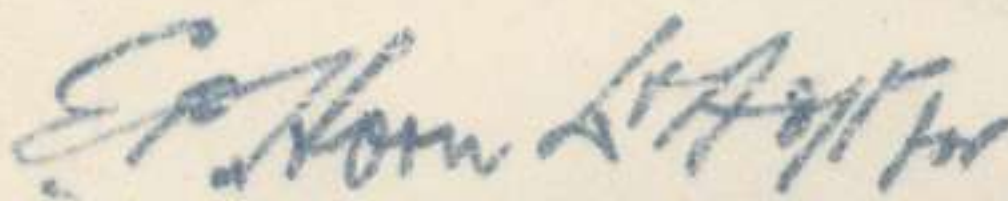
Officer i/c Records,
Headquarters, A.I.F.,
130 Horseferry Road,
London, S.W.1.

No. 1102, Sergeant W.A. MCKAY, D.C.M., is
proceeding to United Kingdom, on leave, and desires to have his
D.C.M. presented to him for retention.

His address while on leave is as follows:-

No. 1102, Sergt. W.A. MCKAY, D.C.M.,
C/o Mrs. Adams,
37 Francis Avenue,
Southsea, PORTSMOUTH.

The Medal was awarded on 5/1/17. A.I.F. list
138 of 20/1/17.



Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

23/1/19.

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3722.

R.T.O.,
TOURNAI.

Please provide Capt. A.C. MORRIS and 11 O.Rs of
this Unit with a Movement Order to BRUSSELS to report to the
Commandant British Troops.

24/1/19.



Lieut. Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

No. 1102, Sergeant W.A. McKay, D.C.M., is proceeded

Officer in Charge Records,
Headquarters, A.I.F.,
130 Horseberry Road,
Flemington, S.W. 1.

3717.

C.O. THE AUSTRALIAN TUNNELING COMPANY

It is provided that Capt. A.C. ...
to hold with a view to ...
... ..

*Next
number*

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✓

C.O. THE AUSTRALIAN TUNNELING COMPANY

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3724.

Brigadier General,
Commandant,
A.I.F. Headquarters,
130 Horseferry Road,
London, S.W.1.

Ref. your A/4308/10/2 of 18/1/19. please.

Of the remaining personnel referred to, four have been absent without leave. One of these has been arrested and returned to the Unit under escort.

A difficulty arose in connection with the despatch of these men owing to our leaves to U.K. being reduced to one per diem.

Three men will be sent on the 27th inst. through the A.G.B.D. at Havre to report to you for orders.

The three absentees are being searched for.

24/1/19.

E.P. Horn Lieut. Adjt.,
for Major,
3rd Aust. Tunnelling Coy.

Copy.

3723.

Lieut. R. J. CAVANAGH, M.C.
3rd Aust. Tunn. Coy.

Under instructions of I Corps a Unit Firemaster has to be appointed.

You are hereby appointed Unit Firemaster of 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

Please make yourself conversant with the instructions contained in First Army Circular Memorandum No. 54 (a copy of which can be obtained at the Orderly Room) dated 21-7-18 and see that in all cases they are being complied with.

Special attention should be paid to the following points:-

- 1. Safeguarding of stoves, braziers and fireplaces.
- 2. The provision of candlesticks.
- 3. The ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ proper maintenance of firefighting apparatus.
- 4. The issuing of definite fire orders by the Firemaster.

Attention is called to the financial liability which may be incurred by an officer, under Section 137 of the Army Act for any loss, damage or destruction of Public Property caused by negligence on his part. (First Army No. 67/13 Q.A. dated 18-1-19 - I Corps No. Q.37.)

24-1-19.

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy. Major,

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Formation, I Corps.

3rd Australian Tunn. Coy.

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I certify that the number of animals in charge of 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy. at 22-1-19 is as follows:-

Horses			Mules		Animals
Total	Total		Total		
Horses	Mules	Mules			
Rdg.	L.D.	H.D.	Pack.	L.D.	Pack.
5	7	-	-	-	12

and that the figures 12 Horses, Mules, have been entered in the receipts column of A.F.W3852 as the initial entry of my animal account subsequent to stock-taking on 1-1-19.

E.P. Horn Lt. Adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

3726.

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C.R.E.,
I CORPS TROOPS.

May this Unit be authorised, please, to draw 800 lbs of Coal and 6 pints of Kerosene weekly for Unit Mess and Recreational Rooms, (G.R.O.5699.)

E.P. Horn Lt. Adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

24-1-19.

3727.

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C.R.E.,
I CORPS TROOPS.

Notifying you, please, that No.3515 Spr F.W.WRIGHT (under suspended sentence) has been evacuated to No.39 General Hospital (V.D. Relapse) where he now is.

E.P. Horn Lt. Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

24-1-19.

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The Agent-General
for Tasmania,
56 Victoria St.,
LONDON, S.W.1.

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25-1-19

In reply to your letter of 10-12-18, the undermentioned are particulars of Tasmanian members of this Unit who have won honors during the latter half of 1918:-

No. 1092 Sapper W.H. MORAN, D.C.M., M.M.
Awarded M.M. on 4-11-18.
" D.C.M. " 17-11-18.

No. 1169 Sapper J.H. SHEARING, M.M.
Awarded M.M. on 4-11-18.

No. 1054 Sapper E.A. JUPP, M.M.
Awarded M.M. on 21-12-18.

No. 1000 Staff Sergeant W.H. BONDHAM.
Mentioned in Field Marshal Commander-in-Chief's
despatch of 8-11-18.

Alex. Sanderson

Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

3728.

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C.B.E.
I CORPS TROOPS.

As apparently No. 1236 Spr F.D. Robertson's services are no longer required at TEMPLEUVE R.E. Stores Yard may he be returned to this Unit, please, forthwith for duty.

F. How

Lt., Adjt.,
for Major,

C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

25-1-19.

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Director General,
Repatriation & Demobilisation Dept. A.I.F.
54 Victoria Street,
LONDON. S.W.I.

3729.
25-1-19

Herewith, please, Demobilisation Forms 534 for 15 all Ranks on strength of this Unit.

Those named below are at present on leave, in Hospital, etc. These will be forwarded to you as early as possible.

List of all Ranks for whom Demobilisation Forms 534 have not yet been completed:-

No.	Rank	Name	Remarks
4274	Cpl	W. BICKFORD ✓	Hospital.
4227	"	L. V. BRADY ✓	"
4524	Spr	H. L. BATEMAN	Leave.
969	S/Sgt	F. E. CHAMBERS	"
2374	2/Cpl	S. P. CARR	Hospital.
4302	Spr	H. G. COOPER	Detached for Duty.
6103	"	J. CASEY	" " "
12419	M. T. Dvr	W. COPELAND	At Base.
4429	"	S. T. NESS	" "
2479	Spr	N. W. HILL	Deserter.
4545	"	C. O. JONES	Leave.
4405	2/Cpl	H. MORTESON	Detention, London.
4450	Spr	E. N. PRAED	Hospital
4465	2/Cpl	A. V. ROSE ✓	Detached for Duty
4458	Spr	H. RICHARDS	" " "
7858	"	W. H. RYAN	Deserter.
1012	Sgt	M. GOODLAD	Hospital.

E. P. How Lt., Adj.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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C.E.
I CORPS.

3730
26-1-19

Reference reconnaissance of queant-Drocourt Line.

The reconnaissance has been completed from the Northern end of the line to Sheet 44a.0 22.a.30.40. and partly examined between the latter point and 0.28.c.30.40.

The plans are being plotted and will be submitted to you with report early in February.

Two of the outstanding features of this Sector of line are the attention paid to observation and the large amount of reinforced concrete work which is completed and in course of construction.

There are reinforced concrete pill boxes, observation posts, dugouts, etc. in all stages of construction, and it would add very much to the value of the reconnaissance if a camera could be supplied or an official photographer sent along to take pictures of them. If this can be done I will arrange to put him up for a few days while engaged on the work.

Alex. Sanderson.

Major.
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

File

O.C. "A" Section.
 "B" "
 "C" "
 "D" "
 H.Q. "

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Please note the following with regard to men moving out from this Unit on Monday 27-1-19 for Demobilisation:-

1. Arms and accoutrements to be handed in at Base Port.
2. Field Dressings will be retained by all ranks.
3. Box Respirators and entrenching tools will be handed in at Base Port.
4. Maps, Field Glasses, Compasses, etc. will be handed in to R.Q.M.S.
5. All S.D. clothing, underclothing and blankets will be taken by men to Base Depot.
6. Leather Jerkins to be handed in to R.Q.M.S.
7. On Demobilisation each man must have:-

Greatcoat	1
Boots, ankle	1 pr.
Jacket S.D.	1
Pantaloons or	
Trousers	1 pr.
Puttees or	
Leggings	1 pr.
Cardigan	1
Cap	1
Vests	2
Drawers	2

Necessaries:-

Shirts, flannel	2
Socks	2 prs.
Towels	2
Small Kit,	
(shaving gear etc.)	

26-1-19.

T. Horn Lt. Adj. for Major,
 C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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3rd AUSTRALIAN TUNNELLING COY.

Certified that the minimum scale of clothing and under clothing is in possession of the undersigned, also the following articles:- 2 blankets.

Minimum scale of clothing and under clothing:- Boots, ankle, 1 pr.; Greatcoat, 1; Cap or hat, 1; Drawers, 1 pr.; Vest, 1; Shirt, 1; Socks 1 pr.; Jacket S.D., 1; Pantaloon, 1 pr.; Puttees or Leggings, 1 pr.; Cardigan, 1.

3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Signature of Soldier.

..... Signature of C.C.

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3733.

S.O.R.E.,
1 Corps.

Reference cur No. 3709, re returning Mining and
Engineering Stores. May we be advised please.

27/1/19.

E. Horn Lieut. Adj.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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TUNNELLING COY.
3739
28/1/19
Date

O.C. 3rd Australian M.T. Coy.

Ref. No. 1216, M.T. Driver F.P. COOPER,
of your unit, attached 3rd Aust. Tunn. Coy.

Herewith an application by abovenamed for early repatriation
All the other ranks of this Unit over 45 years of age have been
sent to U.K. for early repatriation, and Driver COOPER, who came to
France with them is anxious to accompany them home.

I can arrange for a driver to take his place, temporarily,
if you will forward approval.

28/1/19.

Wes. Sanderson
Major.
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3RD AUSTRALIAN TUNNELLING COY.
3740 28/1/19.

O.C.,

3rd Australian M.T. Coy.

Reference No. 1242, M.T. Driver W.E. GOODE, of your
Unit, attached 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

Since his arrival in France, the abovenamed married a
French subject. He is anxious that when his turn for repatriation
comes he will be granted special leave to take his wife and child
to U.K. so that they may leave England for Australia on the same ship.

His wife is only 17 years of age and has a young child.

I recommend that his application be granted.

28/1/19.

Alex. Sanderson Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3741.

Brigadier-General,
Commandant A.I.F. H.Q.,
130 Horseferry Road,
London, S.W.1.

May this Unit be advised please if the u/m
N.C.O. has been granted an extension of leave:-

No. 4216, Sergt. Macnamara.

28/1/19.

J. Horn Lieut. Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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D.A.A.G.,
Australian Section,
3rd., Echelon, G.H.Q.

3RD AUSTRALIAN TUNNELLING COY.
No. L 71.
Dat 28/1/19.

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Herewith, please, Repatriation Precedence Rolls of
this Unit corrected to date.

In the Field. (Phalempin)


Major,
C.O., 3rd. Aust. Tun. Coy.

3743.

Major E.N. WEBB,
Education Department,
Admin. H.Q., A.I.F.,
130 Horseferry Road,
LONDON, S.W. 1.

Herewith No. 7539, Sapper E.C. POOLEY, of
this Unit to report to you for duty. Authority H.Q. Aus. Corps,
No. 144/821 of 21/1/19.

29/1/19.

 Lieut. Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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3742.

A.Q.M.G.,
1st Corps.

Weekly estimate of Rum required by this unit is
30 gallons. Medical Officer's Certificate attached.

29/1/19.

E. J. Horn
Lieut. Adjt.
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.

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TO	3 Coy.
No.	3747
Date	30/1/19

C.R.E.,
1 Corps Troops.

Reference No. 5999. Sapper T.W. JOHNSON, under
suspended sentence of one year's I.H.L.

This soldier has shown consistent devotion to
duty since the date of his sentence. I recommend that it be remitted.

30/1/19.

W. J. ...
Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Coy.

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3748.

C.R.E.,
1st Corps Troops.

May the necessary requisition forms payment
of attached claim be sent in from your office, please?

We have none of the necessary forms.

30/1/19.



Lieut. Adjt.,
for Major,
C.O. 3rd Australian Tunnelling Company.