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DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

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IC.45/55/3/19

22nd January, 1947.

MEMORANDUM for:-

The Secretary,
Prime Minister's Department,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

With reference to your minute of the 13th January, 1947 forwarding copy of a letter addressed by Mrs. Frances Ryan to the Prime Minister, it would appear that the matter is one for consideration by the Department of External Territories and the Treasury, in regard to any readjustment of the pension which Mrs. Ryan is at present receiving.

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Secretary.

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22nd January, 1947.

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CANBERRA. A.C.T.

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CA
Secretary.

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C/- Mrs. Hanson,
18 Crown Street,
East Sydney.

8th December, 1946.

To the Rt. Hon. J.B. Chifley, P.C., M.P.,
The Prime Minister,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

Dear Sir,

I have received word from Mr. E.J. Ward that he regrets that the back-dating of my pension to the time of my husband's death is not practicable. I have also heard from Mr. Sydney Smith, the Secretary of the Prisoners of War Relatives' Association, that you also regret that you cannot waive the death duties so unjustly imposed by the Government of the State of New South Wales on my husband's estate. I am deeply dismayed and most distressed to have this news.

I now write to you personally Sir, to let you know that I am not satisfied and beg you to treat the matter again fairly and justly.

I am the widow of Walter James Ryan whose life was sacrificed on the "Montevideo Maru" on 1st July, 1942. Your Government notified me of this in October, 1945, and in extending sympathy also said that "these men lost their lives defending their country just as surely as those who faced the enemy". May I say that they did face the enemy gallantly and fearlessly, as I have heard from a chaplain who did get out and I am a proud woman.

In answer to questions raised in the house by Mr. Anthony, M.P., Mr. Ward informed him that "dependants of civilians who lost their lives on the "Montevideo Maru" would receive pensions and benefits on the same lines as the service pensions. These pensions commence from the date of death and no duty has been charged on such estates. No inquiry into the tragedy of Rabaul has been allowed. You yourself have expressed the opinion that no good could come of it, but as a widow of one of the men I hope the inquiry will be made. Over 300 civilians were needlessly sacrificed and we women were kept in ignorance of our men's fate far too long. To us has been the years of anxiety, loneliness and sadness, and to many including myself, it has been years of hard work and separation from my children, having had one room to live in and go out to work. Money and inquiries cannot bring these men back to life, but if your Government stands for honesty and fair play, you will readily see that your debt is grievous and do all you can to make proper compensation to the widows and children who have been so desolated.

I therefore beg Sir, that you will reconsider my just claim for pension as from 1st July, 1942, instead of the approved date of 17th January, 1946, which has no bearing on my case whatsoever, also that I be reimbursed from the Federal Treasury for the £30 odd which has been so wantonly taken by the State Government from my two children and myself. It is adding insult to injury.

Ever since Rabaul fell in 1942 I have worked and received no help from the Government instead, I have paid taxes, and it would appear that I have penalised myself in trying to aid rather than be a drag on your Government.

I have heard from the Repatriation Department that

/they are

they are going to assist me with my son who is just sixteen and leaves the Canberra Grammar School this term to take up an apprenticeship. I now have to try and find somewhere for him to live. My daughter who is only seven years old has also been deprived of a home and her parents, and for their sakes I intend taking this matter up until I have a satisfactory result.

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
File No.

I trust therefore Sir, that you will do your utmost to revoke the unfair decisions made by your Government and give to me and my children our just dues.

Thanking you, and hoping to receive a favourable reply very soon.

I remain,
Yours faithfully,

(sgd.) Frances Ryan.

COPY: TREASURY (P.C. - ADV.)
E.T. " "

ACKNOWLEDGED.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs.

13 JAN 1947

Referred, by direction, for favour of advice in connection with previous correspondence.

J. H. Mahan

Secretary,
Prime Minister's Dept.

*Reference for
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& Treasury*

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IN YOUR REPLY
PLEASE QUOTE

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18th November, 1946.

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The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
Rec'd 21 NOV 1946

File No. 1045/55/3/19

Dear Sir,

re Rev. L. A. McArthur
Your reference 1045/55/3/19

We acknowledge receipt of your letter herein of the 14th inst. and also your telegram and note your explanation of the delay and also that you have forwarded our letter to the Department of External Territories for which we thank you.

Yours faithfully,

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR

per *S. Williams*

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IC. 45/55/3A9

14th November, 1946.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to your telegram of 13th November, and previous correspondence regarding the issue of a Certificate of Death in connection with the late Rev. L. A. McArthur, you will be now have received my telegram of today's date and I must apologise for the delay which has occurred in answering your previous letters. The delay was due to the fact that the officer who was attending to such matters was recently transferred abroad.

Certificates of death in such cases are not issued by this Department. If the death took place in the Australian Territories, the matter is dealt with by the Secretary, Department of External Territories, and if it occurred in any other place by the Attorney-General's Department.

I have forwarded a copy of your letter of 7th October to both the abovementioned Departments for reply to you directly. I would also suggest that you forward to the appropriate Department any details you may have concerning the circumstances and place of the Rev. McArthur's death.

Yours faithfully,



Secretary.

Messrs. Fisher Jeffries Brebner and Taylor,
Solicitors,
Epworth Building,
Pirie Street,
ADELAIDE.

S.A.

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PLEASE QUOTE

TH/SWJ No.

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ADELAIDE

7th October, 1946

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AND TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS }

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA

Dear Sir,

re Rev. L. A. McArthur

We shall be glad if you will kindly forward to us as early as possible a Certificate of Death issued by your department in connection with the abovenamed L. A.

McArthur. Such certificate is required by the National Mutual Life Association with whom the deceased had a life policy.

Yours faithfully,

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR

per *d w Jeffries*

*Statistics
Deaths Certificates
Rev. L.A. McArthur
46/100/7/6*

IC. 45/55/3/19.

Copies of letter of 7th October, 1946 from Messrs. Fisher, Jeffries Brebner and Taylor, Solicitors, re issue of a death certificate for the Rev. L. A. McArthur, referred, with copy of reply of 14th November, 1946, to Attorney-General's and External Territories for reply direct.

14.11.46.
BS:MK

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IC. 45/55/3/19.

14th November, 1946.

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Secretary.

Messrs. Fisher Jeffries Brebner and Taylor,
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Pirie Street,
ADELAIDE. S.A.

TELEGRAM.

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR
SOLICITORS
EPWORTH BUILDING
PIRIE STREET ADELAIDE.

YOUR TELEGRAM RE LATE L A MCARTHUR STOP LETTER EXPLAINING POSITION
FORWARDED TODAY

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SECRETARY EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

IC.45/55/3/19.

14th November, 1946.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS CANBERRA

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DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
Rec'd 14 NOV 1946
File No.

RE MCARTHUR WROTE YOU ON SEVENTH TWENTYTHIRD OCTOBER FOURTH NOVEMBER
REQUESTING DEATH CERTIFICATE STOP NO REPLY RECEIVED PLEASE
EXPEDITE ... FISHER JEFFRIES

Handwritten signature

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR

Solicitors

SHIRLEY WILLIAMS JEFFRIES
CHARLES CAVE
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PIRIE STREET

ADELAIDE

Rec'd

6 NOV 1946

File No.

4th November, 1946.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

Dear Sir,

re Rev. L. A. McArthur deceased

We wrote you herein on the 7th and 27th October last requesting a certificate of death to be forwarded to us in connection with the abovenamed L. A. McArthur deceased.

As yet we have not had the courtesy of a reply.

We gave a reason why this certificate is desired and pointed out that the widow of the deceased is embarrassed because of your tardiness in replying to our request. We shall be glad if you will kindly treat this matter as urgent and show this consideration for the widow of the late Rev. L. A. McArthur.

Yours faithfully,

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR,

per *[Signature]*

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FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR

Solicitors

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DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
Box 492 E.G.P.O.
EPWORTH BUILDING
PIRIE STREET
ADELAIDE

23rd October, 1946.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

Dear Sir,

re Rev. L. A. McArthur

On the 7th inst. we wrote to you requesting you to forward us a certificate of death issued by your Department in connection with the abovenamed L. A. McArthur. As yet we have had no reply.

Until this certificate is received the widow is unable to collect insurance moneys and we shall, therefore, be glad if you will kindly treat this matter as urgent.

Yours faithfully,

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR,

per *A. W. Jeffries*.

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IC. 45/55/3/19.

Copy of letter of 28th May, 1946 from Mrs. M. M. Slattery
re death of husband on "Montevideo Maru" referred to
External Territories for reply direct.

14.6.46.

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F. H. J.

55/3/19

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
Rec'd 1 JUN 1946
File No. 45/55/1/9

Laidley
28/5/46

To
The Secretary
Dept. of External Affairs
Dear Sir

I wish to ask
you, if you would kindly forward
me an application form for Dependents
allowance, on behalf of my child
of whom H. F. Turnbull (deceased) (who
lost his life on the Montevideo Maru)
was the father.

Could you also advise me, if I
could make a claim as the mother?

Thanking you

I remain
Yours sincerely,
M. M. Slattery

Address: Laidley
Queensland,

Montevideo Maru

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Copy to Ext. Unitarian for attention & reply direct.


IC. 45/55/3/19.

Copy of letter of 18th May, 1946 from Mutual Life and Citizens Assurance Co. Ltd. re death of Sydney Collin Beazley, together with acknowledgement of 30th May referred to External Territories for appropriate attention.

30.5.46.

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IC. 45/55/3/19.

30th May, 1946.

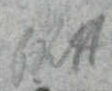
Dear Sir,

I refer to your letter of 18th May, 1946 concerning the death of Sydney Collin Beazley.

Mr. Beazley's name was included in a list supplied to me by the Department of the Army in October, 1945 of civilians believed to have been aboard the "Montevideo Maru".

Since the Department of External Territories is handling affairs of this nature, I have referred your letter to that Department with a request that a further reply be sent you should any more evidence be available.

Yours faithfully,


Secretary.

The Manager,
Mutual Life and Citizens'
Assurance Co. Ltd.,
179A St. George's Terrace,
PERTH. W.A.

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IN YOUR REPLY QUOTE VD:MH.

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PERTH

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

18th May, 1946

Rec'd 27 MAY 1946

File No.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

Dear Sir, re SYDNEY COLLIN BEAZLEY (DEC'D).

We have received Certificate of Death from you dated 8th March, 1946, No. 96, intimating that the abovenamed of Rabaul, New Guinea, became missing on the 1st July, 1942, and is for official purposes presumed to be dead.

To enable us to give consideration to a claim on the life of the above-named, we require to know whether he was on board the "Montevideo Maru", a ship carrying Prisoners of War from Rabaul, at the time he became missing.

We will be grateful if we could have your reply by return mail, for which the stamped addressed envelope is enclosed.

Yours faithfully,

R. McKenna

M A N A G E R.

IC. 45/55/3/19.

24th May, 1946.

MEMORANDUM for:-

The Secretary,
Department of External Territories,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

I am forwarding copy of correspondence relating to Mr. Beazley who perished on the "Montevideo Maru".

2. This matter involves the question of payment of compensation to the widow of Mr. Beazley. It seems that the Minister for Repatriation should have referred it to you, since questions arising from the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru" are, I understand, being handled by your Department.


3. I should be glad therefore if you would give this your urgent attention.

CRH
Secretary.

IC. 45/55/3/19.

Copy of memo. of 24th May, 1946 to External Territories
re pension for Mrs. Beazley referred to Repatriation
for information.

24.5.46.

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Dear Mr. Beazley,

With further reference to your representations concerning the case of your sister-in-law, whose husband unfortunately lost his life in the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru", I desire to advise that the question of compensation for Mrs. Beazley appears, from the information which you have supplied, to be one for consideration by the Secretary, Department of External Affairs.

In order to expedite consideration of her case, a copy of your letter and the enclosure thereto has been forwarded direct to the Secretary, Department of External Affairs, Canberra, with a request that you be informed of the decision.

I might mention that quite recently arrangements were made for the provision of compensation for dependants of officers and residents of New Guinea who lost their lives in the circumstances mentioned by you. Investigation is made by the Department of External Affairs, and my Department is merely the paying medium for any grants authorised by the former.

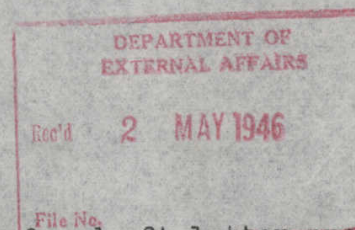
Yours sincerely,

(C. W. Frost)
MINISTER FOR REPATRIATION.

Mr. K. E. Beazley, M.P.,
Federal Members' Rooms,
PERTH. W.A.

Encl. (duplicate)

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.



The above is a copy of a draft letter prepared for signature by the Minister for Repatriation. A copy of the correspondence received is attached.

G. F. Wootten
(G. F. Wootten)
CHAIRMAN, REPATRIATION COMMISSION.

Encl. (3)

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COPY. GE.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

10th April, 1946.

Dear Mr. Frost,

I enclose a letter I have forwarded to the Minister for Health and Social Services, which touches on a matter which comes under your jurisdiction.

I shall be glad to have your comments thereon.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) Kim E. Beazley.

The Hon. C. W. Frost, M.P.,
Minister for Repatriation,
Parliament House,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

Parliament House,
Canberra. A.C.T.
11th April, 1946.

Dear Mr. Beazley,

I refer to your personal representations to me today at Canberra and presentation of correspondence you have forwarded to the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the payment of pensions to the widows and dependants of Australian civilians on the "Montevideo Maru".

I note that your sister-in-law, Mrs. Beazley, lost her husband on the ship in question, and I shall be only too pleased to take up her case with a view to testing her eligibility for pension benefits.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) C. W. Frost.

Mr. K. E. Beazley, M.P.,
Federal Members' Rooms,
PERTH. W.A.

Chairman, Repatriation Commission.
Referred by Ministerial direction.
(Init.) J.H.H.
Private Secretary. 11.4.46.

Received.
15.4.1946.
Repatriation Commission H.Q.

10th April, 1946.

Dear Senator,

Some time ago in "The West Australian" there appeared an article purporting to be a Government statement in which it was said that war pensions would be accorded to the widows and dependants of Australian civilians who perished on the "Montevideo Maru" the Japanese prison ship.

I have received a letter from the widow of one such victim - my sister-in-law, Mrs. Beryl Beazley, whose husband (my brother) perished on that ship. She has applied to the Social Services Department, showing them the cutting from the paper, and was informed that they knew nothing about it, and was persuaded to take the ordinary widow's pension, pro tem.

I shall be grateful if you will clarify the issue as to whether the newspaper was wrong, or whether a failure has occurred to notify the Western Australian Branch of your Department officially of this decision. Please forward your reply to Federal Members' Rooms, Perth.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) KIM E. BEAZLEY.

Senator the Hon. J. M. Fraser,
Minister for Health and Social Services,
Parliament House,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

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Mr. Hansford.

Please address to The Public Trustee
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and name of estate,
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Office of The Public Trustee

412 COLLINS STREET

MELBOURNE C.I. 9th May, 19 46

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Rec'd 11 MAY 1946

File No.

Dear Sir,

re ESTATE of ROY MOOR YOULDEN

Ref. 852/1/383

A letter inadvertently addressed to the Secretary,
Department of External Affairs, on the 27th February, 1946
was referred to you by that Department on the 13th March 1946.

However, no reply has been received to this letter
and your early reply thereto would be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

W. A. Hansford

TRUST OFFICER.

The Secretary
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

RIS BS. (?)

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CORRECTION.

DECODE FROM

The Australian Legation,
SHANGHAI.

2229.

1. Please amend to read:-

Beck Henry Herbert born February 20th, 1946.....

Immigration.
E.A.

8th May, 1946.

I. 11904
XB00248
Dated 4th May, 1946.
1345.
Recd. 5th May, 1946.



TC

Trans to Exch. Vermonts.

I am enclosing copy of a letter
I received from Miss Kathleen Williams
requesting particulars concerning the Estate
of Cecil Charles Jennie deceased.

2. ~~Since this letter was apparently~~
~~sent to me by mistake~~

I have no record of such particulars,
and believe that the inquiry should
properly have been directed to you.
I should be glad to refer you
-would reply to Miss Williams direct.

Dec.

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Rec'd

- 7 MAY 1946

File No.

C/- No. 1 Flat "Inverbridge"
St Neats Avenue

Pat's Point, Sydney
6th May, 1946

The Minister of External Affairs,
Canberra.

Dear Sir,

Re Cecil Charles Jenis. (P.O.W.) deceased.

Some months ago, I filed in papers you sent me in regard to the late Mr Jenis. Some business matters are now cropping up for my attention.

I understand that Mr Jenis made a will naming me as next-of-kin and beneficiary. Will you please inform me definitely on this point, also approximately what money is to be distributed.

From Mr Jenis' letters to me, I gather he was attached to the Navy as a radio officer at Nissan Island at the time of his capture.

I have been asked for the probate of his will, so will please let me know when this is likely to be granted.

Yours truly,

(Mrs) Kathleen Williams.

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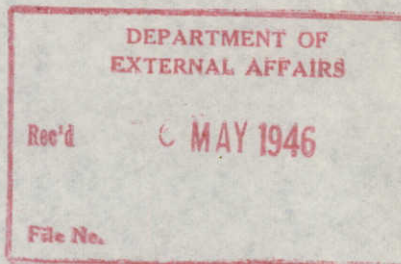
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CABLES & TELEGRAMS: "AUSTRED"

3rd May, 1946.

In reply please quote ES:MB.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs.
CANBERRA. A.C.T.



Dear Sir,

Eric Rowland EDWARDS - Accountant (Deceased)
Private S.S.V.F. No.13749.

With reference to a List supplied by your Department dated 11/1/45. On behalf of one of our State Bureaux we recently made enquiries to SEAC Red Cross Singapore, in order to ascertain the correct date, and details of death of the abovenamed. Mr. Edwards was formerly an Accountant with Derrick and Company, Singapore, and was an Australian.

As a matter of interest, we give below an exact and entire copy of the reply recently received from SEAC Red Cross, Singapore.

"In reply to your letter of April 16th., I have checked up the records concerning Pte. E.R. EDWARDS and find that he died in hospital in Thailand on 11th December 1943. On the S.S.V.F. records the cause of death is quoted as "emaciation, diarrhoea".

According to these records the grave number is "431, Cemetery 3", but we pass on this details for your information only as we are not sure if this cemetery is one of those which are completed. You may like to know that the War Graves Commission are proposing to send photographs of graves to the next of kin when the cemeteries are in order, but until they are completed and all the lists and numbers of graves are checked they prefer that we do not give the location of graves."

Yours faithfully,

AL *RIS P with file*
A. J. Naylor

for ALFRED G. BROWN.
Secretary General.

PLEASE ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

IC. 45/55/3/19.

Copy of letter of 12th April, 1946 from Union, Trustee
Co. of Australia Ltd., Brisbane, together with Department's
acknowledgement of 13th May, 1946, concerning Estate of
H. H. C. Symes, Decd., referred to External Territories
for favour of reply direct.

13.5.46.

AW.

File 726.

TC. 45/55/3/19.

13th May, 1946.

Dear Sir,

re Estate Henry Herbert Cecil Symes Deed.

I have received your letter of 12th April, 1946 regarding the issue of a death certificate in respect of the death of Mr. H. H. C. Symes which occurred on the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru".

Matters of this nature are, however, handled by the Department of External Territories, and I have forwarded your letter to the Secretary of that Department with the request that he reply to you direct.

Yours faithfully,

[Handwritten Signature]
Secretary.

The Manager,
The Union Trustee Company
of Australia Ltd.,
400 Queen Street,
BRISBANE. Q'land.

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JCV.

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Rec'd 15 APR 1946

File No.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

Dear Sir,

RE ESTATE HENRY HERBERT CECIL SYMES DECD.
Late "Mamara Plantation" Guadalcanar-
Solomon Islands.

We should be glad if you return us at your earliest convenience a Death Certificate which we require as trustees of the deceased's estate in connection with an Insurance Policy over his life.

The deceased left Rabaul on the "Montevideo Maru" in June, 1942.

Yours faithfully,
H. W. HERBERT,
Manager,

NJC .

Per: *[Signature]*

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RIS # 9P
55/3/19

IC. 45/55/3/19

Copy of letter of 14th March, 1946 from Messrs. Fisher,
Jeffries Brebner and Taylor, Solicitors, together with
acknowledgement of 1st April, 1946, referred to External
Territories for favour of reply direct.

1.4.46

CSH.

File J.S.

file R.S.

IC. 45/55/3/19

1st April, 1946

Dear Sirs,

re the Reverend L. A. McArthur, deceased.

I have received your letter of 14th March, 1946 regarding the issue of a death certificate in respect of the death of the late Reverend L. A. McArthur who lost his life following the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru".

Matters of this nature are, however, handled by the Department of External Territories and I have forwarded your letter to the Secretary of that Department with the request that he reply to you direct.

Yours faithfully,

BBW
Secretary.

Messrs. Fisher, Jeffries Bæbner & Taylor,
Epworth Building,
Pirie Street,
ADELAIDE. S.A.

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR

Box 492 E G.P.O.

Solicitors

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14th March, 1946.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
Rec'd 18 MAR 1946
File No.

Dear Sir,

We are acting for Mrs. D. C. S.
McArthur the widow of the late Rev. L. A.
McArthur who lost his life when the Montevideo
Maru was sunk.

We are informed that on making
application to you a certificate of death will
be issued. We therefore make such applica-
tion and shall be glad to receive the certifi-
cate as early as possible.

Yours faithfully,

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR

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RIS [signature]

per [signature]

55/3/19

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ADELAIDE
Rec'd 18 MAR 1946
14th March, 1946.
File No.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

Dear Sir,

re H. J. Pearson deceased.

We wrote you herein on the 27th ultimo requesting a certificate of death of the abovenamed who is presumed to have lost his life when the Montevideo Maru was sunk. As yet we have had no reply and shall be glad if the matter could be dealt with at an early date.


Yours faithfully,

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR

1e. 5/3/49 per *[Signature]*
RIS w/pils *[Signature]*


IC. 45/55/3/19.

Copy of letter of 6th March from Mrs. Beazley, together with Department's acknowledgement of 18th March referred to External Territories for reply direct to Mrs. Beazley.

 18.3.46

IC. 45/55/3/19.

Copy of letter of 2nd March, 1946 from Mrs. N. Simpson,
together with Department's acknowledgement of 18th
March, referred to External Territories for favour of
reply direct to Mrs. Simpson.


18.3.46

AHB:MK

IC. 45/55/3/19

18th March, 1946

Dear Madam,

I have received your letter of 6th March in which you request the issue of a death certificate in respect of your late husband, Sydney Colin Beazley, who lost his life following the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru".

Matters arising from the sinking of this vessel are handled by the Department of External Territories and I have referred your letter to the Secretary of that Department with the request that he reply to your enquiry.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Mrs. B. Beazley,
Recreation Road,
KALAMUNDA.

AHB:MK

IC. 45/55/3/19

18th March, 1946

Dear Madam,

I have received your letter of 2nd March in which you request a death certificate in respect of the late Reverend Thomas Nevison Simpson who lost his life following the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru".

Matters arising from the sinking of the ship are handled by the Department of External Territories and I have referred your letter to the Secretary of that Department with the request that he reply to your enquiry.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Mrs. N. Simpson,
21 Cator Street,
HINDMARSH.

S.A.

21 Cato Street
Hindmarsh.
Sth. Australia
2nd March 1946

To
The Secretary,
Dept. External Affairs,
Canberra.

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
Rec'd 3 MAR 1946
File No.

Dear Sir,

The Secretary of Methodist Overseas Missions has instructed me to make personal application for certificate of Death or Certificate to Answer for same on behalf of Rev. Thomas Nevison Simpson who was a civilian of New Guinea and who lost his life on the ill-fated "Centivideo Maru" on 1st July 1942.

My legal advisor has instructed me to ask for two copies of whatever certificate you may issue. I should be very much obliged if you would do this for me

Yours most sincerely,

(Mrs. T.N.) Nellie Simpson

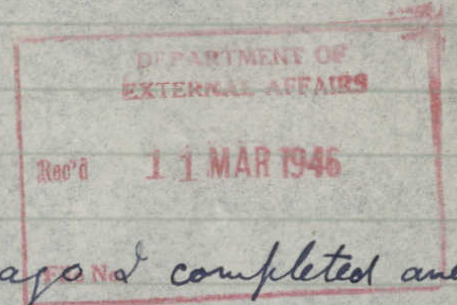
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b/s A13 Mrs. Monte
notes Main file

Recreation Rd.
Kalamunda
6th March 1946

The Secretary
Department External Affairs
Canberra



Dear Sir

Some weeks ago I completed and returned to you a form with particulars for a certificate of death for my husband Sydney Colin Beazley who was lost on the Japanese Ship Montauk Sea Merc.

As I need a certificate to complete particulars for Assurance, would you please furnish me with one.

Yours faithfully

B. Beazley

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IQ. 45/55/3/19.

13th March, 1946

Dear Sir,

Re Estate of Ray Moor Youlden.

I have received your letter of February 27th, your reference K1832, concerning the estate of Ray Moor Youlden deceased, who took his life following the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru".

As I informed you in my letter of November 13th matters arising from the sinking of this vessel are handled by the Department of External Territories. I have accordingly forwarded your letter to the Secretary of that Department and I have requested him to reply to your enquiries.

Yours faithfully,

J. P. M.
Secretary.
ccs

The Trust Officer,
Office of the Public Trustee,
412 Collins Street,
MELBOURNE, C.1. Vic.

IG. 45/55/3/19

13th March, 1946

Dear Madam,

I have received your letter of February 27th requesting information as to the issue of a death certificate in respect of the death of your husband, who lost his life following the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru".

Matters of this nature are, however, handled by the Department of External Territories and I have forwarded your letter to the Secretary of that Department with the request that he reply to you direct.

Yours faithfully,

PAW
Secretary.

Mrs. E. M. Linggood,
21 Jordan Street,
MALVERN, S.E.4. Vic.

15. 45/55/3/19.

13th March, 1946


Dear Sirs,

Re Rev. Howard James Pearson deceased.

I have received your letter of February 27th regarding the issue of a death certificate in respect of the death of the late Reverend Howard James Pearson, who lost his life following the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru".

Matters of this nature are, however, handled by the Department of External Territories and I have forwarded your letter to the Secretary of that Department with the request that he reply to you direct.

Yours faithfully,


Secretary.

Messrs. Fisher Jeffries Brebner and Taylor,
Epworth Building,
Pirie Street,
ADELAIDE. S.A.

IC. 45/55/3/19.

Copies of letters of 27th February, 1946 from Messrs. Fisher, Jeffries, Brebner and Taylor, Mrs. Essie M. Linggood and The Trust Officer, Office of the Public Trustee, Melbourne referred, together with acknowledgements, to External Territories for favour of replies direct to writers.

13.3.46

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR

Box 492 E G.P.O.

Solicitors

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27th February, 1946.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
Rec'd 2 MAR 1946
File No.

Dear Sir,

We are acting for Mrs. Helen Marie Pearson of Belair widow of the late Rev. Howard James Pearson who is presumed to have died when the Montevideo Maru was sunk.

We are informed that on making application to you a certificate of death will be issued. As we require some evidence of death for the purpose of winding up Mr. Pearson's affairs we shall be glad if you will forward us a certificate.

Yours faithfully,

FISHER JEFFRIES BREBNER & TAYLOR

per *S. Williams*
R/S AB and Montevideo
Maru file

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Telephone MU 6761 (4 lines)

When telephoning or calling ask for

Mr. Hansford.

Please address letters to The Public Trustee

and quote No. 832.

and name of estate,
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Office of The Public Trustee
 DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
 412 COLLINS STREET
 MELBOURNE C.I. 27th. February 19 46.
 File No. 1045/55/3/19
 1 MAR 1946

Dear Sir,

Re ESTATE OF RAYMOOR YOULDEN.

Further to previous correspondence herein (852/1/383) it has now been reported that an amount of furlough pay may be owing to the estate by the Administrator of New Guinea being five months at £534 per annum.

Would you please advise the correct amount that may be owing to the estate.

It is also noted that deceased owned certain household and personal effects at St. George's Avenue, Rabaul and it would be appreciated if you would inform the Public Trustee as to whether any compensation is due to the estate for the loss of these articles.

Yours faithfully,

W. A. Hansford

TRUST OFFICER.

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The Secretary,
 Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

R/S + B...

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
Rec'd 1 MAR 1946
File No.

21 Jordan St.,
Malvern, S. E. 4
Melbourne.
27-2-46

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
Canberra.

Dear Sir,

Some time ago I supplied
the necessary details for information
for the death certificate for my
husband who was lost on the ship
from Rabaul, "Montevideo Maru."

I would be pleased to receive
the certificate as soon as possible
as I wish to apply for Grant of Probate
on my husband's estate.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Essie. M. Linggood

no trace in Records.

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R/S APB
Montevideo
ICHS 55/3/1946

IC. 45/55/3/19.

Copy of memo 5/19/45-5 of 9th January, 1946 from Australian Consulate-General, New York referred to External Territories for information in reply to your memo. of 21st November 1945 (DS.16/2/1) and our memo. of 4th December, 1945.

14.2.46

W. R. ...

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CABLE ADDRESS
AUSCONS, NEW YORK

TELEPHONE
HANOVER 2-1448



AUSTRALIAN CONSULATE-GENERAL
61 BROADWAY
NEW YORK 6, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
Rec'd 31 JAN 1946
File No.

9th January 1946

Our Ref. 5/19/45-5

Dear Department,

I refer to your letter of the 29th November 1945 No. 1/45, and desire to inform you that Mr. Ottar Grundvig of the Norwegian Shipping and Trade Mission has been advised in accordance with your wishes and furnished with copies of the attachments to your letter.

Our communication has been acknowledged by Mr. Grundvig who appreciates the action which has been taken.

Yours sincerely

PKH

Alth
CONSULATE GENERAL

Department of External Affairs
Canberra, A.C.T.
Australia.

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IC. 45/55/3/19.

Original letter of 31st January, 1946 from J. Bennett,
Solicitor, referred to External Territories for favour
of reply direct.

11.2.46

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'J. Bennett', is located in the upper right corner of the document.

IC. 45/55/3/19.

11th February, 1946

Dear Sir,

re Eunice Isabel Holden.

I have received your letter of 31st January, 1946 concerning the death, following the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru" of Mrs. Holden's husband.

Matters arising from the sinking of this vessel are being dealt with by the Department of External Territories and I have referred a copy of your letter to the Secretary of that Department with the request that he reply to you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

PRM

Secretary.

J. Bennett, Esq.,
Solicitor,
Nevitt's Buildings,
28 Abbott Street,
CAIRNS. N.O.

JOSEPH BENNETT
Solicitor.

Nevitt's Buildings,
28 Abbott Street,
Cairns. N.Q.

31st January, 1946

Sir,

I am acting for one Eunice Isabel Holden of 231 Esplanade, Cairns.

My client received work from the Military Forces that her husband lost his life at sea whilst a civilian prisoner of the Japanese on board the "Montevideo Maru".

Such transport left Rabaul late in June 1942 en route for an unknown destination and was torpedoed early on the morning of the 1st July 1942 with the total loss of life of the Prisoners of War and Internees aboard.

My client did not receive such notification until November 1945. My client's husband had a Sawmill near Rabaul and my client intends making a claim from the War Damage Commission.

As I do not know which state such application would have to be made to concerning property in Rabaul, I would be pleased, if your Department is not the correct one, if you would please forward this letter to the proper Department.

I desire Application forms to be sent me in order that I may make such claim on behalf of the abovenamed.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

(sgd.) J. Bennett.

The Under Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

IC. 45/55/3/19.

Original letter of 22nd January, 1946 from Green, Dobson and Middleton referred, together with copy of Department's acknowledgement thereto, to the Department of External Territories for favour of reply direct.

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Green

IG. 45/55/3/19.

31st January, 1946

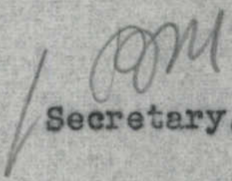
Dear Sirs,

I have received your letter of 22nd January concerning Harry Orton Townsend, deceased.

I am referring your letter to the Secretary of the Department of External Territories to whom I had already forwarded your letter of 7th January.

In view of that Department's interest in the matters raised in your letters I have requested the Secretary to reply to you.

Yours faithfully,


Secretary.

Messrs. Green, Dobson and Middleton,
Solicitors,
60 Market Street,
MELBOURNE. Vic.

COPY. AHB:MK.

GREEN, DOBSON & MIDDLETON
SOLICITORS.

60 Market Street,
Melbourne.
22nd January, 1946

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

Dear Sir,

re Harry Orton Townsend decd.

With further reference to our letter to you herein of the 7th instant when we wrote and asked for copies of Certificates of Death of the abovenamed deceased, will you also please at your earliest convenience let us know what moneys stand in your accounts to the deceased's credit by way of salary, leave credit, or otherwise?

Yours truly,
GREEN DOBSON & MIDDLETON

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IC. 45/55/3/19.

Copy of letter of 23rd January, 1946 from Gregory S.
Madden & Company referred to External Territories
for favour of reply direct.

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IC. 45/55/3/19.

1st February, 1946

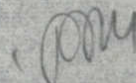
Dear Sirs,

re Thomas Henry Herket.

I have received your letter of 23rd January concerning the death, following the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru" of Thomas Henry Herket.

Matters arising from the sinking of this vessel are being dealt with by the Department of External Territories and I have referred a copy of your letter to the Secretary of that Department with the request that he reply to you in due course.

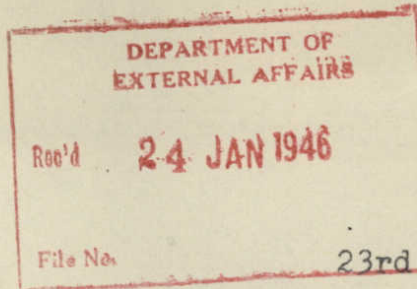
Yours faithfully,


Secretary.

Messrs. Gregory S. Madden & Company,
Solicitors,
26 O'Connell Street,
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

GREGORY S. MADDEN & COMPANY
SOLICITORS
TEL. B 6296 2 LINES

TML. BLP.



26 O'CONNELL STREET
SYDNEY

23rd January, 1946.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

Dear Sir,

✓
Thomas Henry Herket.

We refer to our letter to you of the 5th December last advising that we are acting in the Estate of the abovenamed who was a captive in the hands of the Japanese and subsequently died at the sinking of the Japanese vessel "Montevideo Maru".

We are anxious to proceed with the matter but are delayed pending receipt of information requested of you in our letter. We shall be pleased if you will expedite the matter.

Yours faithfully,

GREGORY S. MADDEN & COMPANY

Per Lachlan

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28th November, 1945.

In reply please quote ES:MB.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Albany (Jerry) RENTON - Rabaul. Metal Work business in Rabaul.

Advice has been received from Army that the abovenamed who became missing, is now for official purposes presumed to be dead. He was on board the Montevideo Maru - ex Rabaul.

We understand that the Next-of-Kin were advised of this sad information on the 20/10/45. We are also forwarding a letter to the same effect to the Department of External Territories.

Yours faithfully,

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A. J. May

ALFRED G. BROWN.
Secretary - General.



AHB.DA

45/55/3/19

8th January, 1946.

MEMO NO.

MEMORANDUM FOR -

The Official Secretary,
Australian High Commissioner's Office,
WELLINGTON.

I refer to your memorandum No. 325 of November 27th, 1945, concerning telegram 2379 Nov 16 relating to the death of Rev. D. C. Alley, who was drowned following the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru".

It appears that the telegram in question was originally addressed to the Prime Minister of New Zealand but evidently was altered at the last moment and despatched without the serial number being amended accordingly. It is suggested a copy might be passed on to the Prime Minister's Department, New Zealand, for its records and that your telegram be filed in the usual manner.

PRM

Secretary.

file

ref Suggested Reply.

Being Official Secretary
A. H. C. Office
Wellington

Reference is made to your
memorandum 325 of 27th Nov 1945
regarding telegram No 237 of Nov 16th.

Telegram was allotted
an Internal Affairs Wellington
Serial Number and addressed
to Austcom. Suggest you pass
a copy to Internal for their
records & file your telegram
in the usual manner.

(I satisfied ref)

(The cable was originally
addressed to pm N.Z.
but evidently was
altered at the last
moment and sent
without amending the
serial number)

been sold at £52 10s. each, and that another four, which were in need of repair, had been sold at as low a price as £32 10s. each. All of these transactions occurred in the Brisbane area, and there is a grave discrepancy, with respect to number, value and description, between the answer given to my question and the Minister's subsequent statement, which were given within 24 hours of each other. My original allegation was that some refrigerators had been sold for about £7 each to friends of the commission's officers. This information was checked when I was last in Brisbane and my informant, who unfortunately will not allow me to use his name unless he can secure a guarantee of protection, assured me that at least two of the refrigerators were sold by a lieutenant at Enoggera to friends—commissioned officers in base jobs—for £7 and £9 10s. respectively. These two refrigerators are now being repaired, the approximate costs of repair being £5 and £25 respectively.

I shall now quote some further allegations, which the Minister will be given an opportunity to disprove in accordance with a suggestion which I shall make. In late July or early August this year, there were at least twenty electric refrigerators at the Enoggera auction compound. Some were complete, and others had parts missing. I should like to know what happened to each of them, what prices were paid for them, and who purchased them. It is also alleged that, about June this year, a number of kerosene-operated refrigerators were sold to a Brisbane foundry which is known to me for about £10 each, well below their actual value. Is this information correct, and were they all sold to the same firm? Have kerosene refrigerators been sold minus burners, which makes them practically useless, and have the burners been sold to the same purchasers a fortnight or so later? Does this practice bring refrigerators within the category of "wrecked machines" as interpreted by the Minister's advisers? The truth with regard to these refrigerators can be very easily determined. No machine can be taken from Enoggera without the production to the gate-

Mr. Fadden.

keeper of an official receipt. The duplicates, or counterfoils, of such receipts obviously must be carefully preserved for audit purposes. Consequently, I make this very simple, yet effective, request to the Minister: That he obtain and lay on the table of this House for my inspection, before the parliamentary recess, the duplicates or counterfoils of official receipts for the sales of all refrigerators, whether kerosene or electric, in Queensland during the past six months. Will he also arrange a conference between me and the Auditor-General, giving me authority to suggest the lines of an investigation to be made by Mr. Abercrombie's officers with a view by ascertaining the truth or otherwise of the allegations made to me. If the Minister refuses these requests, it is a fair inference to draw that the Commonwealth Disposals Commission is unable to face the acid test which I have proposed.

The second item concerns the disposal of motor vehicles, including motor cycles, and motor tyres. With regard to motor tyres, the Minister stated in reply to my question—

Every tyre made available to the Commonwealth Disposals Commission is marketed as quickly as it is received, but, unfortunately the vast majority of releases at the moment, including the 13,000 referred to by Mr. Fadden, consist of non-commercial types of tyres, suitable only for use on war department designed vehicles.

I draw particular attention to the reference to "non-commercial types of cars, suitable only for use on war department designed vehicles". I need do nothing more than to quote Army Activities Bulletin No. 2, issued by the Minister for the Army on the 15th September, which states—

Items in excess of Army requirements due to obsolescence and the reduction in Army strength, and declared to the Commonwealth Disposals Commission between the 1st January, 1945, and the 25th August, 1945, included 35,231 tyres and tubes suitable for commercial vehicles and 17,383 motor vehicles.

Obviously, either the Minister for the Army and I are wrong, or the Minister for Defence has been misinformed. I leave it to the Ministers to resolve their differences. With regard to delays in the



DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,

CANBERRA.

Jan 3, 1946

Mae,

Herewith is a copy of
the news about which I
spoke yesterday.

I should be glad if you
could provide the material
for a reply.

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DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
30 NOV 1945
No.

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE
COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, WELLINGTON.

Memorandum No. 325.

27th November, 1945.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

I wish to refer to your telegram No. 237 of November 16th, which concerned a telegram sent by the Minister of External Territories to the wife of the Rev. D.C. Alley, one of those persons drowned in the "Montevideo Maru" while in Japanese hands. Your attention is drawn to the serial number of this telegram which would appear to bear no relation to the sequence of those received by us during the same week.

Bernard Kuskie
(Bernard Kuskie)
Acting Official Secretary.

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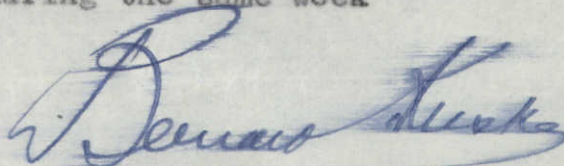
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(Bernard Kuskie)
ACTING OFFICIAL SECRETARY.

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1 5/55/3/19.

21st December, 1945.

MEMORANDUM for:-

The Deputy Commissioner,
Repatriation Commission,
Box 651K, G.P.O.,
BRISBANE, Q'land.

I refer to your memorandum of December 4th, No. C. 27827, concerning the death of Mr. J. W. Smith, Ex. 3717, Pte., 50th Battalion, who lost his life following the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru".

Matters arising from the sinking of this ship are being handled by the Department of External Territories and I have referred your letter to the Secretary of that Department with the request that he reply to you in due course.

DRS
Secretary.

E.A. File No. IC.45/55/3/19.

Copy of memo. No. C.27827 of 4th December, 1945 from the Repatriation Commission, Queensland Branch, together with Department's acknowledgement of 21.12.45, referred to External Territories for favour of reply direct.

21.12.45.

E. A. File No. IC.45/55/3/19.

Repatriation Commission,
Queensland Branch,

Box 651K, G.P.O.,
BRISBANE. Q'land.

C.27827

4th December, 1945.

MEMORANDUM for:-

The Officer-in-Charge,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

Re: SMITH, James W., Ex.3717, Pte., 50th Batn. (Decd.)

It is understood that the abovenamed, who was a resident of Rabaul, was taken prisoner by the Japanese and was on the vessel known as "Montevideo Maru" torpedoed off Luzon Island on or about the end of June, 1942.

2. As member's widow has made application to this Department for payment of uncollected pension payable to member, I should be pleased if you would advise me as to whether death has been presumed and if so, the actual date.

(sgd.) H. G. Turner,
Deputy Commissioner.

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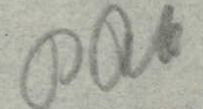
21st December, 1945.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of December 6th, your reference E.11, concerning the estate of Charles James Campbell.

I regret that I am unable to provide you with the information which you request, but have referred your enquiry to the Secretary of the Department of External Territories, which is the Department concerned with matters of this nature. I have requested him to communicate with you in due course.

Yours faithfully,



Secretary.

The Public Curator,
Box 1449T, G.P.O.,
BRISBANE. O'land.

Public Curator Office,
Edward Street,
Brisbane.

6th December, 1945.

re ESTATE CHARLES JAMES CAMPBELL - E.11.

Sir,

I have to inform you that I have been requested to apply for an Order to Administer the estate of the above-named on the presumption of his death. He resided at Rabaul from March 1941 till the Jap Invasion in June 1942 and was subsequently in the torpedoed ship "Montevideo Maru" which was torpedoed in enemy action off Luzon towards the end of June 1942.

I am advised that he deposited the sum of £30 with the Administration on his arrival in Rabaul and that this sum was to be refunded after a certain period.

It appears that he really went to Rabaul for health reasons and subsequently became engaged as a Timber Worker with Mr. Thomas of that town.

He intended to return to Queensland but as stated above it is presumed that he met his death as a result of the explosion or by drowning when the abovementioned ship was torpedoed.

I shall be pleased if you will kindly advise me whether you are in a position to inform me as to the conditions regarding the deposit of the sum of £30 on arrival at Rabaul and if this amount is to be refunded would you be prepared to forward a cheque to this Office on account of such amount.

Yours faithfully,

(sgd.) F. M. Allsop.

PUBLIC CURATOR.

The Under Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

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(Adjutant-General)

HQ AMF

~~HEADQUARTERS~~

~~VICTORIA BARRACKS~~

MELBOURNE, ~~S&K~~

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IN REPLY (Ech 144/1/342)

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Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA A.C.T.

30 NOV 1945

PERSONNEL REPORTED LOST ON
SS "MONTEVIDEO MARU" TORPEDOED
OFF LUZON 1 JULY 1942.

1. With further reference to my memo No.029645 (144/1/316) of 23 October '45 forwarded herewith is an additional list of personnel named in Department of External Territories list of missing New Guinea residents who are identical with A.M.F. personnel called up for full time duty with NGVR who lost their lives on the "MONTEVIDEO MARU".
2. A copy of the list has been forwarded to Department of External Territories.
3. Next of kin have been informed.

L.P. O'Casey

Colonel,
OIC 2nd Echelon HQ AMF.

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ADDITIONAL LIST OF NGVR MEMBERS ON FULL
TIME DUTY REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN ABOARD
"MONTEVIDEO MARU" WHEN TORPEDOED 1-7-1942
WHOSE NAMES ALSO APPEAR ON LIST OF NEW
GUINEA RESIDENTS (PREPARED BY DEPT. OF
EXTERNAL TERRITORIES) REPORTED MISSING.

	ARMY NO.	RANK	NAME	REFERENCE TO DEPT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES ROLL
(x)	NG4044	Cpl.	BRAIN, R.M.	40
	-	-	GELDARD, G.A.	123
(x)	NG4010	-	GOODWIN, H.R.	126
(x)	-	Rfm.	HOUGHTON, C.W.B.	164
(x)	NG4017	CQMS	PLUMMER, H.O.	253
(x)	NG4031	Cpl.	SPENSLEY, G.W.	299
	NG4041	Bdr.	STEWART, A.D.	Possibly 305 (Stewart, A.)
(x)	-	Rfm.	RANKIN, D.J.	259
(x)	NG4025	Rfm.	VENNING, F.O.	326

NOTES:- (1) Allotment and Dependents Allowance being paid prior to notification of fatal casualty in respect of personnel abovenamed marked thus (x).

(2) Notification already given to Q'land Echelon and Records by signal.

AHB:JDS

IC.45/55/3/19.

4th December, 1945.

Dear Sirs,

Re James Tynan Deceased:

I have received your letter of November 20th concerning the death of James Tynan following the sinking of the Montevideo Maru.

Matters arising from the sinking of this vessel are being handled by the Department of External Territories and I have been informed that the telegram which you quote was in fact sent by the Minister for External Territories.

I am accordingly referring your letter to the Secretary of the Department of External Territories and I have requested him to reply to you direct.

Yours faithfully,

P. R. Hayden

Secretary.

Sullivan Brothers,
Solicitors, &c.,
16 Barrack Street,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

FILE COPY

Original letter forwarded with copy of our reply to Sullivan Bros. forwarded to Ex.Territories for favour of their reply direct, on 4/12/45.

COPY:JDS.

SULLIVAN BROTHERS,
Solicitors, &c.

Barrack House,
16 Barrack Street,
SYDNEY.

20th November, 1945.

The Secretary,
Dept. of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

Dear Sir,

Re James Tynan Deceased.

We are acting for Mr. William Tynan of 74 Wellington St. Bondi in connection with matters arising out of the death of his son James Tynan. The lastnamed was employed as an assistant Steward on the Norwegian vessel "Herstein" and was captured by the Japanese at Rabaul. About a week ago our client received from the Minister a telegram which reads as follows:-

"It is with deep regret that I have to inform you that the translation of the nominal roll of the Japanese vessel Montevideo Maru which was lost with all hands after leaving Rabaul in 1942 shows that James Tynan was aboard the vessel and I desire to convey to you the profound sympathy of the Commonwealth Government".

The Norwegian Consul General has informed us that the name of James Tynan was not included in the list of members of the crew of the "Herstein", who perished with the Montevideo Maru. As it may be necessary for us to prove the death of James Tynan strictly for legal purposes, we shall be glad if you will inform us upon what evidence the telegram of condolence was forwarded to our client.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) SULLIVAN BROS.

FILE COPY

AHB:JDS

4th December, 1945.

MEMORANDUM TO:

The Secretary,
Department of External Territories,
CANBERRA.

I refer to your memorandum of November 21st, DS.16/2/1, containing the text of a message for transmission to the Consul-General, New York concerning the deaths of members of the crew of the Norwegian vessel following the sinking of the Montevideo Maru.

A letter in the form suggested by you was despatched on November 29th.

P R Hays

Secretary.

AHB:MK

29th November, 1945.

No. 1/45.

Dear Consulate-General,

We desire to confirm the cablegram sent to you on 20th November, 1945, reading as follows:-

"Please pass following message to Grundvig, Norwegian Shipping Trade Mission, New York begins reference your cablegram 1st November addressed Colonial Secretary Port Moresby relative fate crew Norwegian vessel Herstein taken prisoner in 1942 by Japanese at Rabaul regret to advise translation of nominal roll of Japanese vessel MONTEVIDEO MARU which was sunk with total loss of life after leaving Rabaul in June, 1942, shows 31 members crew Herstein including Ben Bolt were aboard that vessel full list of names of crew being forwarded airmail ends."

Two copies of a statement which was made by the Minister for External Territories in Parliament on 5th October last in regard to missing New Guinea civilians, with particular reference to those lost on the Japanese transport "Montevideo Maru", are forwarded herewith, for your information. It is suggested that one copy might be made available to the Norwegian Shipping Trade Mission.

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Enclosed also, for favour of transmission to the Mission, is an extract from the translation of the nominal roll of the "Montevideo Maru" containing the names and other particulars of the 31 members of the crew of the Norwegian vessel "Herstein" who were aboard the Japanese transport.

We may add that the translation was received from an A.M.F. officer investigating Japanese records in Tokyo, and was made from the original roll in Japanese which was forwarded by the Japanese Ministry of the Navy to the Tokyo Joho Kyoky (P.W.I.B.) on 6th January, 1943. The roll contained a total of 209 names of civilian internees.

Yours sincerely,

The Australian Consulate-General,

DEPARTMENT.

NEW YORK. U.S.A.



DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES,

Canberra,

In reply quote No. DS.16/2/1.

21st November, 1945.

MEMORANDUM for:

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
23 NOV 1945
No. 18435

I shall be glad if you will kindly cause a communication in the following terms to be sent by air-mail to the Consul-General, New York, U.S.A.:-

"I desire to confirm the cablegram sent to you on 20th November, 1945, reading as follows:

*2/1 copy in
for Fleet
to Consul General*

'PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO GRUNDVIG, NORWEGIAN SHIPPING TRADE MISSION, NEW YORK BEGINS REFERENCE YOUR CABLEGRAM 1st NOVEMBER ADDRESSED COLONIAL SECRETARY PORT MORESBY RELATIVE FATE CREW NORWEGIAN VESSEL HERSTEIN TAKEN PRISONER IN 1942 BY JAPANESE AT RABAU REGRET TO ADVISE TRANSLATION OF NOMINAL ROLL OF JAPANESE VESSEL MONTEVIDEO MARU WHICH WAS SUNK WITH TOTAL LOSS OF LIFE AFTER LEAVING RABAU IN JUNE, 1942, SHOWS 31 MEMBERS CREW. HERSTEIN INCLUDING BEN BOLT WERE ABOARD THAT VESSEL FULL LIST OF NAMES OF CREW BEING FORWARDED AIRMAIL ENDS*.

27/11/45

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The enclosures referred to are attached.

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J. R. Halligan
(J. R. Halligan)
Secretary.

AHB:MK

27th November, 1945.

Dear Sir,

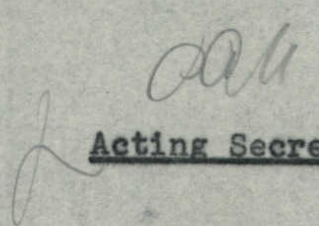
Estate of Alfred John Tritton Deceased.
Your Reference GE.

I have received your letter of November 20th concerning the late Alfred John Tritton who lost his life following the torpedoing of the "Montevideo Maru".

With respect to your enquiry as to whether this Department is in a position to issue a Certificate of Death in this matter I have to inform you that matters of this nature are being dealt with by the Secretary of the Department of External Territories.

I have referred your letter to that officer and have requested him to reply to you in due course.

Yours faithfully,


Acting Secretary.

The Public Trustee,
Box 7A, G.P.O.,
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

Original letter of 20th November from Public Trustee
together with Department's acknowledgement referred
to External Territories for favour of reply direct.
27.11.45.

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COPY. AHB:MK.

Box 7A, G.P.O.,
Sydney.

The Public Trust Office,
19 O'Connell Street,
Sydney.

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20th November, 1945.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
Commonwealth Bank,
SYDNEY.

Dear Sir,

RE ESTATE OF ALFRED JOHN TRITTON, DEC'D.

The Public Trustee is the Executor of the Will of the abovenamed, who died at sea on the Japanese vessel Montevideo Maru in July, 1942.

Your telegram of the 3rd October, advising Mrs. A. J. Tritton of her son's death, has been noted by this office, and it would be appreciated if you would advise whether your department is in a position to issue Certificate of Death. If so, please forward three copies to this office.

Yours faithfully,

(sgd.)Schofield.
PUBLIC TRUSTEE.

AHB:MK

26th November, 1945.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of November 13th concerning Cedric Moreton Pines, deceased, who lost his life when the "Montevideo Maru" was torpedoed in June, 1942.

I have referred your enquiry to the Secretary of the Department of External Territories who is dealing with matters arising from the sinking of the ship and I have requested him to reply to you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

PAH
Acting Secretary.

The Manager,
Public Service Superannuation Board,
Taxation Building,
George and Elizabeth Streets,
BRISBANE. Q'land.

Original letter of 13th November from the Manager, Public
Service Superannuation Board, Brisbane, referred, together
with Department's acknowledgement, to External Territories
for favour of reply direct.

26.11.45.

Public Service Superannuation Board,
Taxation Building,
George and Elizabeth Streets,
BRISBANE.

13th November, 1945.

Sir,

re CEDRIC MORETON PINES - deceased.

I am advised by Mr. R. V. Pines, Ascog Terrace, Toowong, Brisbane, that the abovenamed contributor to this Fund lost his life when the "Montevideo Maru" was torpedoed in June, 1942.

For the Board's information in dealing with Mr. R. V. Pines' application for payment of the amount due from the Public Service Superannuation Fund, I shall be glad if you will advise me as to the date from which death has been presumed, and if it is known what estate Mr. Pines left, and whether there is any record of his having made a will.

Yours faithfully,

(sgd.).....

Manager.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

IC.45/55/3/19.

23rd November, 1945.

MEMORANDUM TO:

The Deputy Director of
Posts and Telegraphs,
Postmaster-General's Department,
BRISBANE.

I have received your memorandum S.45/4114 of November 8th, concerning the late Thomas Martin Plunkett who lost his life on board the Monte Video Maru.

I have referred your enquiry to the Secretary of the Department of External Territories, who is dealing with matters arising from the sinking of this ship, and I have requested him to reply to you in due course.

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Original letter from Deputy Director POSTS & TELEGRAPHS
of 8/11/45
Brisbane/and copy of our reply of 23/11/45 sent to
EXTERNAL TERRITORIES for reply direct.

23/11/45.

COPY:JDS.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT,
BRISBANE.

S.45/4114.

8th November, 1945.

The Secretary,
Dept. of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

In the Brisbane "Telegraph" on 3.11.45, it was notified that Thomas Martin Plunkett lost his life when Japanese Prisonship "Monte Video Maru" was torpedoed en route from Rabaul to Japan in June, 1942.

Mr. Plunkett was a permanent officer of this Department, having been employed in the capacity of Technician and was on temporary transfer to New Guinea, prior to the outbreak of hostilities.

Action has been taken to draw his Departmental salary each fortnight and pay it into Unclaimed Accounts, and, in order that action may be taken to cease payment of salary from date of death, advice would be appreciated please, as to the official date of the sinking of the prison ship "Monte Video Maru", if such information is available in your Department.

(Sgd.) F. R. BRADLEY

Deputy Director, Posts and Telegraphs.

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13th November, 1945.

In reply please quote ES:MB.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs.
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
14 NOV 1945
No. 16520

Dear Sir,

Mr. Charles William HOUGHTON.

In reference to your enquiry of the 27th January, 1944 we now regret that we have to advise that the abovenamed who was reported missing on 1/7/42, is now for official purposes presumed to be dead. He is said to have been on the "Montevideo Maru".

Yours faithfully,

A. J. Maylan

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for
ALFRED G. BROWN.
Secretary - General.

AHB:MK

13th November, 1945.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of November 2nd, your reference K.1832, concerning the estate of Ray Moor Youlden, an internee who is reported to have lost his life as a result of the sinking of the "Montevideo Maru".

I have referred your enquiry to the Secretary, Department of External Territories, who is dealing with matters arising from the sinking of the ship and I have requested him to reply to you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

SGA PRH

Acting Secretary.

The Trust Officer,
Office of the Public Trustee,
412 Collins Street,
MELBOURNE. C.I. Vic.

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Have we any other ship.*

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In reply please quote ES:MB.

The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs.
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

Dear Sir,

Relative to enquiries which you have made from time to time, we now regret that we have to pass on information supplied by Army, to the effect that the under mentioned, who were reported Missing on the 1/7/42, are now for official purposes presumed to be dead. All are said to have been on board the "Montevideo Maru".

BRAIN, Robert Marshall

New Britain Timbers Box 86 PO Rabaul NG.

RANKIN, Douglas John

Government Stores, Rabaul.

SPENSLEY, George William

Rabaul.

VENNING, Frank Ormond

Rabaul.

VINEN, E.H. (VX 46790 Pte. 2/22Btm)

The above information has also been forwarded to the Department of External Territories.

Yours faithfully,

A. J. Naylor

ALFRED G. BROWN.
Secretary-General.

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OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER
FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM,
CANBERRA.

Ref: 5/172/9

12th November, 1945.

Dear Heydon,

Thank you for your letter No. 12377 of the 1st November enclosing copies of correspondence from the Department of the Army, concerning civilians who were reported lost in the MONTEVIDEO MARU.

Yours sincerely,

W. Bennett

F (Records)

Peter Heydon, Esq.,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA.

W. Moore

Original letter No. K.1832 of 2nd November from Trust
Officer, Office of the Public Trustee, Melbourne, together
with copy of Department's reply of 13th November
referred to External Territories for reply direct.

13.11.45.

COPY. AHB:MK.

Office of the Public Trustee,
412 Collins Street,
Melbourne. c.l.

No. K.1832.

2nd November, 1945.

Dear Sir,

re ESTATE OF RAY MOOR YOULDEN.

The Public Trustee as the executor of the Will of the abovenamed, an Internee, who is reported to have lost his life whilst being transferred to some place of Internment on the "Montevideo Maru", desires to be informed as to whom application should be made for an official Certificate of Death, 3 copies of which are required.

An early reply would be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

(sgd.) W. A. Hansford.
TRUST OFFICER.

The Secretary,
External Affairs Department,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

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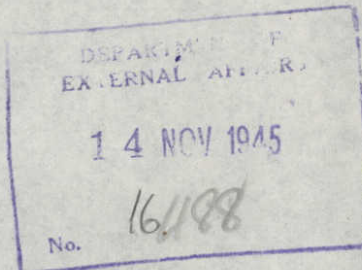
TELEPHONE: F.9311

CABLES & TELEGRAMS: "AUSTRED"

9th November, 1945.

In reply please quote ES:MB.

The Secretary.
Dept. of External Affairs.
CANBERRA. A.C.T.



Dear Sir,

Given below is information which we have received concerning persons in whom we know you are interested.

101 Private Leslie CLAUDIUS. Enemy Civilian Internment Camp, Sime Road.

With reference to your list of the 14th December, 1944, we are now pleased to advise that the abovenamed has been liberated and embarked at Singapore for passage to Sydney per "Duntroon" on 19/9/45. We were later advised by the United Kingdom Liaison Staff that he had emplaned at Sydney, for Perth, on the 14th October, 1945.

Mr. Horace Oswald PLUMMER - Rabaul.

Further to your enquiry of the 2nd February, 1945, we regret to advise that we have been informed by Army that the abovenamed was reported Missing on the 1/7/42., and is now for official purposes presumed to be dead. He is stated to have been on board the "Montevideo Maru" - ex Rabaul.

Yours faithfully,

A. J. Naylor

ALFRED G. BROWN.
Secretary - General.

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TELEPHONE: F.9311

CABLES & TELEGRAMS: "AUSTRED"

25th October, 1945.

In reply please quote

KF.

DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
29 OCT 1945
19113
The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

Dear Sir,

We have been advised by the Department of the Army that the following personnel, former residents of New Britain and New Guinea, were aboard the Japanese ship Montevideo Maru when it was lost with all personnel aboard. They have therefore now been reported as missing since 1/7/42, and for official purposes presumed to be dead:-

COOK, Robert Edward, C/o W.R. Carpenter & Co. Rabaul.
EDWARDS, John Harold.
EVANS, Thomas Evan, Public Health Dept. New Guinea.
EINSIEDEL, Edwin Reginald, Burns, Philp & Co. Rabaul.
BRUCKSHAW, Arthur Frederick, Public Service, New Guinea.
STEVENS, Robert Hill, Public Service, New Guinea.
WALKER, Garth Elliston.
SAUNDERS, Lionel Cyril.
CARR, L.A.A. Public Works, New Guinea.
SHOBRIDGE, Ivan, Crown Law Office, Rabaul.
JOHNSTON, Lineker.
MOORE, Charles H.G., C/o Collyer Watsons.
MACLEAN, Charles Ian, Dental Surgeon, Rabaul.
PHILLPOTT, Wilfred Henry, Burns Philp & Co. Rabaul.
STEWART, Gordon Dudley, P.O. Rabaul.
TAIT, Richard Ernest.
WATERMAN, Frank Alfred, Commonwealth Audit Officer.
ALLSOP, Kenneth Charles, C/o W.R. Carpenter & Co. Rabaul
MOEWAN, William Frederick, C/o Burns, Philp Ltd. Rabaul.
LEDGER, William Allen, C/o W.R. Carpenter & Co. Rabaul
HOPKINS, Eric Ralph, Rabaul Carrying Co. Rabaul.
EVANS, William John, Manager, Colyer Watson & Co. Rabaul.
BIRD, Robert Alan, Customs Dept. Rabaul
BECKETT, Harold James, Engineer, Government Service.
DEACON, Leslie Allan, Public Service, New Guinea.
WALSH, Thomas Reginald, Telephone Dept. Admin.

We are also passing the above information to the Dept. of External Territories, together with the fact that Army has also advised that Mr. John BARRIE, M.B.E. Manager, Rabaul Electricity, is now officially reported missing since 4/2/42 and presumed to be dead.

PLEASE ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Yours faithfully,

A.T. Maylan
Alfred G. Brown
Secretary-General.

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Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
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CIVILIANS REPOED LOST ON
s s "MONTEVIDEO MARU" TORPEDOED
OFF LUZON 1 JULY 1942

1. Attached for information is copy of this Office memo 02964 of 23 Oct 1945 addressed to Secretary, Department External Territories together with copies of enclosures therein referred 5.
2. The memorandum and enclosures are selfexplanatory.

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X 23 OCT 1945.

Secretary,
Department of External Territories,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

CIVILIANS REPORTED LOST ON SS "MONTEVIDEO MARU"

TORPEDOED OFF LUZON ON 1 JULY 1942.

1. Forwarded herewith is nominal roll of personnel reported to have been lost on SS "MONTEVIDEO MARU" as received from an AMF officer who is investigating Japanese Records in Tokyo. This roll represents a translation from the original roll in Japanese which was forwarded by the Japanese Ministry of Navy to the Tokyo Huryo Joho Kyoku (PWIB) on 6 January 1943 and comprises - Civilian Internees - Serial numbers 1 - 210, consisting 209 names.
2. Reference to the roll will indicate that in translating the proper names from KATAKANA into English it has been necessary in many instances to produce a rough phonetical rendering e.g. Serial 62 FARGARCUTSLAR. It is thought that the details against each name will enable identity to be established. It is likely that native place names have suffered considerable change in the process of being rendered into KATAKANA and back again into English.
3. It will be noted that many of the civilians appear to be of nationality other than British, although in some instances the details in the nationality column may have been intended as place of birth. The Scandinavians are, however, apparently all members of the crew of a Norwegian ship "Herstine".
4. The spelling of the civilians' names in most instances will probably require correction at your end. For information it is advised that a check has been made with Dept of External Territories List of New Guinea Residents reported Missing thought to have been captured by the Japanese and it may be that the surnames given hereunder refer to the persons indicated against the serial numbers appearing on the Tokyo Roll -

Serial No. 54	STRATHEARN	Serial No 58	NAULTY
59	MULVEY	62	STALEY
63	CROCKER	64	YOULDEN
65	WAYNE	72	PERRETT
74	ALLEN	81	LIVINGSTONE W.J.
84	BYE	119	REED
130	SHEBLER	144	McCULLOCH H.D.
185	EDWARDS	191	JERVIS
192	DEAD	193	PINES
207	SAUNDERS P.V.		

5. (a) The names on the attached roll underlined in BLUE are recorded as members of New Guinea Volunteer Rifles and the information has been signalled to Queensland Echelon and Records, Brisbane for notification to next of kin.

5. (b) The names referred to are also included on copies of two enclosed lists giving the Army numbers of the personnel concerned and the reference number to your roll of New Guinea residents reported missing

(c) With respect to the following named personnel, action as under is suggested, viz:-

<u>REF. YOUR ROLL</u> <u>NO.</u>	<u>REF JAP ROLL</u> <u>NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	
24	128	D.J. BELL	No action for present by Dept of External Territories as Army Allotment and Dependants Allowance being paid. AMF will advise next of kin and take action re discontinuance of allotment etc.
91	190	J. DOWNS.	No action for present by Dept of External Territories as Army Allotment and Dependants Allowance being paid. AMF will advise next of kin and take action re discontinuance of allotment etc, though it is to be noted that Jap Roll shows James Downs while person referred to your roll called himself "John".
125	192	J.O. GOAD.	Suggest that unless you have clear proof that Mrs M. Goad of 95 Frances St, Bondi is next of kin of Dr John Clayston GOAD referred to by Japanese and that such a person existed, no action be taken pending further Army inquiries whether No 125 in your roll is identical with an ex member of NGVR now discharged named John Clayston GOAD.
157	136	H. HOLDEN.	Same as for BELL and DOWNS as Army Allotments in force.

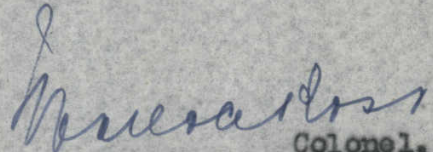
6. (a) In addition, lists are enclosed of other personnel named in your list of missing New Guinea residents who are identical with AMF personnel who also lost their lives on the "MONTEVIDEO MARU". All necessary action has been taken to notify next of kin named therein as well as those mentioned in para 5 hereof and these lists together with those referred to in para 5 hereof are forwarded to enable your lists to be amended.

(b) At a later date further lists will be forwarded advising additional names which can be eliminated and also with other matters raised in your letter DS 16/2/1 of 26 Sept 1945.

7. (a) It may be added that though the name of C. McKellar appears (No 204) on the Japanese Roll as being aboard the "MONTEVIDEO MARU", and is therefore assumed to have been drowned on 1 July 1942 when that ship was torpedoed, there is a possibility that he lost his life at an earlier date as the result of an attempted escape.

(b) While the matter cannot be vouched for, there is some belief that in 1943 a Mr McDonald who had previously been District Officer at MANUS learned from natives that the body of Mr McKellar had been washed up on the beach after the embarkation on 22 June 1942 of the "MONTEVIDEO MARU".

8. Investigations are still continuing regarding other civilians in Rabaul at the time of the Japanese occupation, and further advices will be forwarded to you regarding the information obtained.


Colonel,
OIC 2nd Echelon, LHR.

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ADDITIONAL LIST OF N G V R MEMBERS ON FULL
TIME DUTY REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN ABOARD
"MONTEVIDEO MARU" WHEN TORPEDOED 1-7-1942
WHOSE NAMES ALSO APPEAR ON LIST OF NEW
GUINEA RESIDENTS (PREPARED BY DEPT OF
EXTERNAL TERRITORIES) REPORTED MISSING

<u>ARMY NO</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>REFERENCE TO DEPT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES ROLL</u>
NG 3001	Rfmm	C.R. BISCHOFF	32
(x) NG 151	Rfmm	L. JOHNSTON	171
NG 4050	Rfmm	C.H.G. MOORE	217
(x) NG 4020	Rfmm	H.J. ROSS	270
(x) NG 4021	Rfmm	L.C. SAUNDERS	276
NG 4033	Rfmm	I. SHOOBRIDGE	286
(x) NG 4026	L/Cpl	G.E. WALKER	329

- NOTES
- (1) Allotment and Dependants Allowance being paid prior to notification of fatal casualty in respect of 4 personnel whose names are marked thus (x)
 - (2) Notification given Q'land Echelon and Records vide Signal 2E/85940 (Cas 5775) of 19 OCT 1945.

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LIST OF NGVR MEMBERS REPORTED BY JAPANESE TO HAVE BEEN ABOARD
"MONTEVIDEO MARU" AS CIVILIANS WHEN TORPEDOED ON 1-7-42 AND
WHOSE NAMES ALSO APPEAR ON LIST OF NEW GUINEA RESIDENTS (PRE-
PARSED BY DEAPRTMENT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES) REPORTED MISSING.

	ARMY NO	RANK	NAME	REFERENCE NO. TO DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES ROLL.
(X)	NG4003	Rfmn	A.F. BROCKSHAW	45
(X)	NG4004	"	L.A.A. CARR	56
	NG4005	"	R.E. COOK	71
(X)	NG4053	Capt	J H EDWARDS MC. DCM. MM.	100
(.)	NG4007	Rfmn	E.R. EINSIEDEL	103
(X)	NG4008	Sgt	T.E. EVANS	106
	NG4058	Rfmn	E. MULLIGAN	222
	NG4018	Rfmn	A. RENTON	263
(X)	NG4022	"	W.G. SETCHELL	282
(X)	NG4025	"	R.H. STEVENS	304
	NG4027	"	T.R. WALSH	332

NOTES (1) ALLOTMENT AND DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE BEING PAID PRIOR TO
 NOTIFICATION OF FATAL CASUALTY IN RESPECT OF 6 PERSONNEL
 WHOSE NAMES MARKED (X) THUS AND ALLOTMENT ONLY IN RESPECT
 OF INDIVIDUAL WHOSE NAME IS MARKED THUS (.)

(2) NOTIFICATION GIVEN TO Q'LAND ECHOLON AND RECORDS VIDE
 SIGNAL 2E/86253 (CAS 5812) OF 20 OCT 45.

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ADDITIONAL LIST OF NGVR MEMBER REPORTED BY
 JAPANESE TO HAVE BEEN ABOARD "MONTEVIDEO MARU"
 AS A CIVILIAN WHEN TORPEDOED ON 1-7-1942 AND
 WHOSE NAME ALSO APPEARS ON LIST OF NEW GUINEA
 RESIDENTS (PREPARED BY DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL
 TERRITORIES) REPORTED MISSING.

<u>A RMY NO</u>	<u>RANK.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>REFERENCE NO TO DEPT EXTERNAL TERRITORIES ROLL.</u>
(x) NG 4059	Sgt	V.A. FLORANCE	115

NOTES:

- (1) Allotment and Dependents Allowance being paid prior to notification of fatal casualty in respect of abovenamed member.
- (2) Notification given Q'land Echelon and Records vide Signal 2E/86763 (Cas 5882) of 23 Oct 1945.

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ADDITIONAL LIST OF NEW MEMBERS REPORTED BY
MEMBERS TO HAVE BEEN ADDED TO MEMBERSHIP LIST
AS A CIVILIAN WHEN TORRADO ON 1-1-52 AND
WHICH HAVE ALSO APPEARED ON LIST OF NEW MEMBERS
REPORTED BY MEMBERS TO DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR
MEMBERSHIP REPORTING LISTING.

MEMBERSHIP LIST OF
THE TORRADO
MEMBERSHIP LIST

NO 4000 (x) 250 1-1-52 250

NOTES:

- (1) Allocation and Department Allowance being held prior to notification of later assembly in respect of approved member.
- (2) Notification given of land before and records also given (see 1000) of 22 Oct 1952.

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1st November, 1945.

Dear Garnett,

I enclose herewith for your information copies of correspondence received from the Department of the Army concerning civilians who were reported lost when the SS "Montevideo Maru" was torpedoed off Luzon in July 1942.

Extracts from the list concerning persons of "English" nationality only are included.

I understand that the Department of External Territories has notified the next of kin in all cases.

Yours sincerely,

W. Garnett, Esq.,
United Kingdom High
Commissioner's Office,
CANBERRA.

*File - Customs & Excise
Montevideo Maru*

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LIST OF N G V: R MEMBERS ON FULL TIME DUTY REPORTED
TO HAVE BEEN ABOARD "MONTEVIDEO MARU" WHEN
TORPEDOED ON 1-7-42 WHOSE NAMES ALSO APPEAR
ON LIST OF NEW GUINEA RESIDENTS (PREPARED BY
DEPT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES) REPORTED MISSING

<u>ARMY NO</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>REFERENCE NO. TO DEPT EXTERNAL TERRITORIES ROLL</u>
(x) NG4001	Rfmm	K.C. ALLSOP	5
(x) NG4002	"	H.J. BECKETT	23
(x) NG4042	Cpl	R.A. BIRD	31
(x) NG4032	Rfmm	F.C. BRYEN	46
(x) NG4009	Sgt	W.J. EVANS	107
(x) NG4034	L/Cpl	F. HASLAM	146
NG4011	Rfmm	E.R. HOPKINS	162
NG4012	"	W.E. LEDGER	181
(x) NG4045	L/Cpl	E.G. MCADAM	188
(x) NG4014	Sgt	W.F. MCEWEN	192
(x) NG4013	Sgt	C.I. MACLEAN	200
(x) NG4016	Rfmm	W.H. PHILPOTT	248
NG4019	"	W.R. REYNOLDS	265
(x) NG4043	Sgt	F.W. RYAN	273
(x) NG4040	Bdr	G.D. STEWART	306
NG4024	Rfmm	R.E. TAIT	313
(x) NG4028	"	F.A. WATERMAN	335

- NOTES
- (1) Allotment and Dependents Allowance being paid prior to notification of fatal casualty in respect of 13 personnel whose names marked thus (x)
- (2) Notification given to Q'land Echelon and Records vide Signal 2E/84662 (Cas 5610) of 13 Oct 1945.

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LIST OF NGVR MEMBERS NOT DEFINITELY RECORDED AS
 CALLED UP FOR FTD REPORTED BY JAPANESE TO HAVE
 BEEN ABOARD "MONTEVIDEO MARU" AS MEMBER OF AMF
 WHEN TORPEDOED ON 1-7-1942 AND WHOSE NAME ALSO
 APPEARS ON LIST OF NEW GUINEA RESIDENTS (PREPARED
 BY DEPT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES) REPORTED MISSING

<u>ARMY NO</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>REFERENCE NO TO DEPT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES ROLL</u>
NG 4049	Rfmm	L.A. DEACON	85

NOTES:

- (1) Allotment being paid prior to notification of fatal casualty in respect of abovenamed member.
- (2) Notification given Q'land Echelon and Records vide Signal 2E/86122 (Cas 5805)

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Serial No.	Name	Age in 1942	Occupation
1	PAGE, Harold Harris	52	Deputy Administrator Rabaul
2	MARRI (MURRAY) George	64	Chief of Agricultural Dept. Rabaul
3	ROSSFIELD, Charles	46	Chief of Machinery Dept. Rabaul
4	MANTELL, Frederick William	58	Judge, Rabaul Court
5	GREGORY, Henry Arn-Ri-Ony	48	"
6	HONT(HUNT) Edward Martin	59	Chief of Telephone Dept.
7	SAAMEE-RU (SAMUEL) Shack	46	Nationality Australian
8	WALSH, Thomas Reemeenald	41	Telephone Mechanic
9	SOLOMON, Edgar	32	"
10	HORRAGAN, Shellar George	55	Attorney
11	MEETAR, Colin Sidney	28	Chief of Post Office Rabaul
12	HOSKIN, Hubbard Champion	47	Chief of Medical Dept.
13	LEWIS, ? John Bard Randell	44	Chief of Dispensary
14	GOODSER, Brown Thomas	46	Police
15	CAMERON, Alan	46	Electrician
16	GREENWOOD, Wilfred	49	Plantation owner
17	TURNBULL, Hedley Fred	24	Telephone Mechanic
18	BRINSTON, Hamilton George Wentworth	43	Accountant
19	DAVIES, Lorgert?	37	Doctor
20	PLUNKETT, Thomas Martin	23	Telephone Mechanic
21	DUUS, Wilfred Lant?	25	Doctor
22	COOPER, Robert William	40	"
23	HAY, Arthur	35	"
24	CLARDUCK, Iven	43	Asst Doctor
25	THOMPSON, Ayri-O'ndof Charles	32	Asst X Ray Expert
26	COOMBAR ? Arthur	40	Asst Doctor
27	PERRY, Arthur Reginald	49	"

No.	Name	Occupation	Nationality	Address
11	MEETAR, Colin Sidney	Attorney	"	"
12	HOSKIN, Hubbard Champion	Chief of Post Office	Rabaul	Rabaul
13	LEWIS, ? John Bard Randell	Chief of Medical Dept.	"	"
14	GOODSER, Brown Thomas	Chief of Dispensary	"	"
15	CAMERON, Alan	Police	Scotland	"
16	GREENWOOD, Wilfred	Electrician	"	"
17	TURNBULL, Hedley Fred	Plantation owner	English	"
18	BRINSTON, Hamilton George Wentworth	Telephone Mechanic	"	"
19	DAVIES, Lorgger?	Accountant	"	"
20	PLUNKETT, Thomas Martin	Doctor	"	"
21	DUUS, Wilfred Lant?	Telephone Mechanic	"	"
22	COOPER, Robert William	Doctor	"	"
23	HAY, Arthur	"	"	"
24	CLARDUCK, Iven	"	"	"
25	THOMPSON, Ayri-O'ndido? Charles	Asst Doctor	"	"
26	COOMBAR ? Arthur	Asst X Ray Expert	"	"
27	PERRY, Arthur Reginald	Asst Doctor	"	"
28	POORMAN, Herbert	"	"	"
29	GURAI (GRAY?) Kiss? Maurice	"	"	"
30	SUMMERLONG? Robert Lewis	"	"	"
31	SMITH, James Wilt	Administration Office	Australian	"
32	WHITMAN, Alan Keith?	Administration Office	"	Rabaul
33	COLE, Peter Richard	Chief Clerk Accounting Admin Office	"	"
34	GASCOIGNE, C. John	Customs Official Rabaul	"	"
35	PICKERING, Murray Patrick	Transport	English	"
36	ROBINSON, Hector Ernest	Clerk-Administration Office	Australian	"
37	CONSTERDINE, Reel? Arrrionee ?	Accountant	"	"
38	EGGLETON? Abel? Mariot?	Clerk	"	"
39	FORSYTH, Roland Harrison	"	"	"
40	REYNOLD? (or Shasynold?) John Arthur	"	"	"
41	GREEN, Erick Clive	Manager of Karawhat Plantation	"	Karawhat
?	TETSE-CHAR, John (TETCHICHAR John)	Asst. Manager of Karawhat Plantation	"	"

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Serial No.	Name	AGE in 1942	Occupation.	Australian	Kokopo
43	COONSENT (?) Harry Alton?	49	Treasury Dept. Official	"	"
44	PARK, John Dalton	49	Clerk	"	"
45	EARSARTON? John Mortery	47	Employee at Dispensary Administration Office	"	"
46	PARLANE? Sept, Thomas	30	Pay Clerk Administration Office	"	"
47	PASS? Vincent George	51	Controller of Native Administration Office	"	"
48	MacDOUGALL, Donald	41	Policeman	Scotland	"
49	SCHMIT? Adolph	38	Teacher	"	"
50	CARL(?) (or CARR) Lewis Alaman Alfred	48	Superintendent Road Repairs	"	"
51	BLACKSHAW, Arthur Frederick	43	Clerk	English	"
52	LOCKHART, John	43	Hgiene Official	"	"
53	KING, Anthony John	21	Librarian	Australian	"
54	SOOLAN? Alexander James	36	Secretary Supreme Court	"	"
55	EVANS(THOMAS) Even?	38	Medical Experimental Station	"	"
56	BROWN Robert Leslie	65	Garage	"	Rabaul
57	WALKER, Thomas	55	Police	English	Kokopo
58	MAIFY? Patrick George	42	"	Australian	"
59	MALPY? Noel Walsh	36	Machinery Dept.	"	"
60	HERKET, Thomas Henry	44	Farm Superintendent	"	"
61	SMITH, Dougall? McDonald	39	Carpenter	"	"
62	STALEY(?) William George	50	Road Repairer	"	"
63	CROAKER Morton Cameron	45	Farm Superintendent	"	Kararoat
64	YALDEN? R. M.	48	Official	"	Kokopo
65	WYNER? Ronald Norman	38	Native Interpreter at Supreme Court	"	Rabaul
66	PASS? Geoffrey Herbert Donald	36	Teacher	"	"
67		53	Official	"	"

51	BLACKSHAW, Arthur Frederick	43	<u>BROCKSHAW NGVR</u>	Clerk	English
52	LOCKHART, John	43		Hgiene Official	"
53	KING, Anthony John	21		Librarian	Australian
54	SOOLAAN? Alexander James	36		Secretary Supreme Court	"
55	EVANS (THOMAS) Even?	58	<u>NGVR</u>	Medical Experimental Station	"
56	BROWN Robert Leslie	65		Garage	Rabaul
57	WALKER, Thomas	55		Police	English
58	NALTY? Patrick George	42		"	Australian
59	MALPY? Noel Walsh	36		Machinery Dept.	"
60	HERKOT, Thomas Henry	44		Farm Superintendent	"
61	SMITH, Dougall? McDonald	39		Carpenter	"
62	STALEY(?) William George	50		Road Repairer	"
63	CROAKER Morton Cameron	45		Farm Superintendent	Kararoat
64	YALDEN? R. M.	48		Official	Kokopo
65	WYNER? Ronald Norman	38		Native Interpreter at Supreme Court	Rabaul
66	PASS? Geoffrey Herbert Donald	36		Teacher	"
67	DODD, H.	53		Official	"
68	BECK, M.R.	47		"	"
69	LORNECE, V.A. <u>FLORENCE VA</u>	55	<u>NGVR</u>	"	"
70	STUART (or STEWART?) J.	55		"	"
71	STEVENS. R.H.	34	<u>NGVR</u>	"	"
72	PARLETT, A.	47		"	"
73	THOMAS, Cecil	26		Police	"
74	ALLAN, William Edward			Chief of Police Station Rabaul	English
75	HOLLAND, Harry Darly	48		Chief of Transmitting Section of Radio Station	Australian
76	MacLEAN, Charles Hector Roderick	60		Manager Carpenter Co.	"
77	COOTE, Philip	56		Director P.P.Co.	English
78	DRANE, Gerald? Thompson	56		Director Rabaul Vacuum Oil / Co.	Australian
79	CLARKE, Robert Lewin	53		Director Rabaul Building Co.	"
80	HAMILTO, John Edward	55		Warehouse Manager Carpenter Co.	"
81	JAMES, Livingston William	39		Police	N.S.W.
82	FARGACUTSLAR? John D Blark?	66		Manager Rabaul Printing	Dutch
83	COOK, Robert Edward	40	<u>NGVR</u>	Asst. Manager Carpenter Co.	Australian
84	PIE? (or HIGH or HAY) Ernes Charles	60		Captain of Carpenter & Co's Ship	English
85	STEPHEN, Reginald James	47		Warehouse Manager Carpenter Co.	Australian

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SERIAL NO.	NAME	AGE IN 1942	NATIONALITY	OCCUPATION	REMARKS
86	Serial Number omitted				
87	TRITTON, Alfred John	34	Australian	Employee Commonwealth Bank Rabaul	Karawat
88	FULTON, Henry	31	"	P.P. Company Clerk	Kokopo
89	RYAN, Walter James	48	"	Baleman	"
90	BARNES, Charles William	60	"	Rabaul Times-Printer	Rabaul
91	RAFF, Garham Stewart	24	"	Employee NS# Bank Rabaul	Karawat
92	SEDGERS, Joseph	44	"	Carpenter CO's	Kokopo
93	HERRON, Albert G.	28	"	Plantation Inspector Commonwealth Bank	"
94	JAMES, Bernesy (?)	37	U.S.A.	Rabaul Employee	Buka 15 Mar
95	HUNAN, Aldrick Clyde	29	"	Missionary	"
96	CREWE, Conly	61	"	Lumberman	"
97	McLAREN, Thomas Williams	33	"	P.P. Company Sales Dept.	Kokopo
98	MULLIGAN, Edward	34	Ireland	Baker of Moroby Bakery	"
99	CASCOIGNE, ? Normen	15	Australian	"	"
100	RENTON, Albany	51	"	Boy at Arthur Duker State Radio Co.	Rabaul
101	EDWARDS, John Harvey	51	"	(Katakana cannot be deciphered)	"
102	CANON, Saynell ?	42	"	Supervisor of Native Labour at P.P. Co	Kokopo
103	SINSIEDEL E.R. Fulton	40	"	Engineer Carpenter Co	"
104	U-YU-SU ? Corby	54	NSW	Employee P.P. Co	"
105	ROBINSON, Wright	22	English	Plantation Manager	24 May Kavieng
106	MOREL ? John	23	Australian	Manager, North Sea Beach	North Sea Beach
107	WILMOT, Walter Parwell	42	"	Karamat Plantation	On the sea
108	KAMESHILE ? Lincoln	35	"	Manager New Ireland Tahl?	Kavieng
109	MILLINGTON Herbert? Neville?	60	"	Plantation	"
110	SETCHELL, William Gorden	40	"	Manager Kokopo Malebuk Plantation	Kokopo
111	MUGGERTON, Henry Andrew	36	"	Manager Kokopo Putaput Plantation	"
112	BERRIMAN, Roger Arthur	24	"	Urabo Plantation	"
113	WALLACE, Thomas Vallen-tyne	41	"	Manager ?? Plantation	"
114	SYMES ? Henry Hubbard	48	"	Manager Nakanairo	"
115	(? ATKINSON) William Cecil?	37	"	Rabaul Plantation	"
116	BAYRON ? Wilfred Redrey?	48	"	Newsaper Journalist	"
				Manager Kokopo	Karawat
				Karabaul Plantation	North Sea Beach
				Owner Kalabat Tarbilton Plantation	"
				Owner North Sea Beach	"
				Torbarkundan Plantation	"

96	MULLIGAN, Edward	34	Ireland			
97	CASCOIGNE ? Norman	15	Australian		19 YR	Boy at Arthur Duker State Radio Co. (Katakana cannot be deciphered)
100	REXTON, Albany	51	"		19 YR	
101	EDWARDS, John Harveyold	51	"		19 YR	Supervisor of Native Labour at P.P. Co
102	CANON, Saynell ?	42	"			Engineer Carpenter Co
103	SINSIEDEL E.R.	40	"			Employee P.P. Co
104	U-VU-SU ? Corb?	54	NSW	English	19 YR	Plantation Manager
105	ROBINSON, Wright	22	English			Manager, North Sea Beach Karamat Plantation
106	MOREL ? John	23	Australian			Manager New Ireland Tahiti Plantation
107	WILLMOT, Walter Parrell	42	"			Manager Kokopo Malabuk Plantation
108	KARMERLE ? Lincoln	35	"			"
109	MILLINGTON Herbert? Nevilley	60	"			Manager Kokopo Matapu Plantation
110	SETCHELL, William Garden	40	"		19 YR	Manager Kokopo Urago Plantation
111	MUGGINTON, Henry Andrew	36	"			Manager ?? Plantation
112	BERRINAN, Roger Arthur	24	"			Manager Nakanairo Rabaul Plantation
113	WALLACE, Thomas Vallan-tyne	41	"			Newspaper Journalist
114	SYMES ? Henry Hubbard Cecil?	48	"			Manager Kokopo Marabaub Plantation
115	(? ATKINSON) William Martin?	37	"			Owner Karabat Tarbilton Plantation
116	BAYRON? Wilfred Redrey?	48	"			Owner North Sea Beach Torbarkunden Plantation
117	PINCHING, Edward Rawleigh?	48	Australian			Owner South Beach Marghaw Plantation
118	DOYLE, Neville	21	"			Soft Drink Manufacture Rabaul
119	REER, Arthur Redrey?	46	"			Owner North Beach Unseton Pasture Rabaul Farm
120	DOCKRILL, William	60	"			Owner North Beach Unabuqu Rabaul Butcher
121	SMITH, James Oliver	62	"			Owner Masalax Plantation
122	MACKINTARNA, George	31	"			Manager North Beach Loward Plantation
123	O'DWYER, Noeladar?	45	"			"
124	GREEN, Alan ? Stanley	59	"			Owner North Beach Karbarella Plantation
125	WASHINGTON, Herbert Jarrold?	55	"			Manager North Beach Wangallamot Plantation
126	BUNNY, John Felix?	70	"			Owner North Beach Noeltana Plantation
127	ADAMS, Harry	50	"			Manager North Beach Wangalamot Plant.
128	BELL, Donald Joseph	29	"			Lumber Gushin Wangalamot Plantation
129	CAMPBELL, Charles James	41	"			Sales Agent Rabaul Medical Supplies
130	SHEBLAR, Augustus?	32	"			Owner Kokopo Mayuna Plantation
131	EARLY, Robert Bertram	45	"			Owner Toka Plantation
132	GARRETT, T.V.	35	"			Owner New Ireland Plantation
133	CARSDEN, L.W.	52	"			Manager New Ireland Maliwalan Plantation
134	RAND, D.W.	46	"			"

135	HAMILTON L.	30	New Zealand	Manager Calawa Plantation	Kokopo
136	HOLDEN H.	45	Australian	Lumberman Rabaul	"
137	GREENWOOD F.O.	57	"	Owner Manager Plantation	"
138	MOORE RIK	56	"	Owner Tolliga Plantation	"
139	BANKS, Alfred Barnes	65	Ireland	Owner Rabaul Pacific Hotel	"
140	PEARCE, Ernest Wilfred	41	Australian	Secretary Rabaul Methodist Church	Rabaul
141	BEAILEY, Sydney Uwin ?	32	"	Missionary Bunari Methodist Church	North Sea Beach
142	TREVITT, Jack William	28	"	"	"
143	BRENNAN, Clifford	25	"	Missionary Honapoi Catholic Church	Kokopo North Sea.
144	MCCULLASH, David Bertrem	30	"	Missionary Terbundi Church	"
145	ABBOT, Edwin Malcom	33	"	Missionary Fumarua Methodist Church	"
146	PEARSON, Edward James	28	"	Missionary Lemarivana Methodist Church	Kokopo North Sea.
147	LAMBWOOD, William Lawrence	40	"	Missionary Rabaul Methodist Church	"
148	McARTHUR, Lawrence Archie	37	"	Missionary Town Methodist Church	"
149	POOLE, John William	28	"	Missionary Mutsusac Seventh Day Adventist	"
150	COLLETT T.V.	28	"	COOLM-Harstine ?	"
151	TYMAN, James	17	"		"
152	MOORO (Moore)? Bee-Ernest?	31	Norwegian	1st Mate Ship Herstine	(These persons adopted hostile attitude at Rabaul
153	BOLT, Ben	27	"	1st " "	Kokopo
154	OLSEN Gerhard	62	"	Officer "	Rabaul
155	MOSSTARD Knut	33	"	Sub-Engineer	"
156	MILLER Ryder ?	38	"	Sailor	Kokopo
157	RYDER, Arfresent ?	34	"	"	"
158	HUND, Arthur Ring	25	"	"	"
159	KOOHARNISH ? Gunar	27	"	"	"
160	ANDERSEN, Olibar ?	22	Estonian	"	"
161	KOINBERG, Axel	29	Norwegian	"	"
162	GRITENOUS ? Ryder	17	"	"	"
163	TOESEN, Finn	18	"	"	"
164	GUSTAVSSEN ? Gotha	20	Swedish	"	"
165	BICKMANN Niels	25	"	"	"
166	NIKISEN Gustav	20	"	"	"
167	CHRISTENSEN Christian	25	Norwegian	"	"
168	TYEEN Hansen	26	"	Motorman	"
169	BARDORSEN Jooneyadd ?	24	"	"	"
170	REAR (LEBAR?) BRABH ?	21	"	"	"
171	SCHOL, Argentinot	21	"	"	"
172	AND, Foguinee ?	21	"	"	"
173	NICHOLAI, John	46	"	essel Engineer Ship	Kokopo
174	EMEST, OSF ? ROH ?	32	"	"	"
175	BRUNAR, Peter	30	"	Electrician	"
176	PARGARLICH, Karllay ?	32	"	Cook	"
177	HANSEN, Ellis ?	35	"	Cook	"
178	HUNG, Arthur ? Lund ?	32	"	Boy	"
179	HANSEN, Karllay ?	19	Denish	Carpenter	"
180	HANSEN, Jack	42	Norwegian	Plantation Manager	11 May Kavieng
181	PETERSEN, Ayy-Joe ?	48	English	Official in New Guinea	"
182	STANLEY, Asbes ?	29	Australian	"	"
183	WICKELL, E.H.P.	37	"	Asst-Officer	"
184	DEEMAN, C.A.	30	"	Copra Trader	"
185	EDWARD, M.S. ?	40	Australian	Methodist Church	Meeyaho Island
186	ALLEN, A.G.	44	"	"	"
187	SHELFON, H.B.	44	"	"	"

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