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FOREST IN TUNGHANA

The summary of events to June 9th with sketch map and gaug'g.

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21 January 1918

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Sir,

I am etc to request you to inform the Army Council that he would be glad to learn whether they can now furnish a reply to the letter from this Department of the 5th of 1917 on the subject of the non recovery of certain articles of equipments issued from 1914 to local military forces in Europe

18 Jan

Return 18/1/18

W. J. BRAD

The ~~large~~ amount of the
 equipment reported as missing is
 large, but Mr. Long ~~has~~
~~there is no alternative~~
 the Acting Governor ~~is~~ but only
~~which he asks to write~~ *H. C. H.*
 irrecoverable, or ~~the~~
 that such efforts as may ~~be~~
 possible will be made to trace the
 articles concerned and that the value
 of any articles which may be recovered
 will be credited to the Common Charge
 Account. He will be glad to learn
 whether the Army Council concurs
 in this view.

I am, Sir,
 Yours faithfully,
 H. C. H.



Downing Street,

5 Sept

Ans'd 8386

3/06/16

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SECRETARY

WAR OFFICE

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Mr. Botherley 1/9/17

Mr. Stephens 2/9/17

Mr. B. 4/7/16

Mr. G. 1/1/17

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Mr. T. 1/1/17

Mr. W. 1/1/17

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Sir,

With reference to the letter from this Department of the 28th of August, 1916, and connected correspondence, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Long to transmit to you, to be laid before the Army Council, the accompanying copy of a despatch from the ^{Acting} Governor of the East Africa Protectorate, enclosing lists of equipment, issued in 1914 to local military forces, which cannot now be traced and which it is proposed to write off as irrecoverable.

2. The list of equipment issued to Mr. J. S. Cox, late Provost Marshal, is not referred to in the Acting Governor's despatch and further enquiries will be made on this point.

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Chas. F. Jones Esq

26 August 1917

MINUTE.

Mr. Chairman, 22 Aug
 Mr. Ballou, 29.5.17

Mr. Grindle

Mr. Lambert

Mr. Reed

Mr. G. Fiddis

Mr. A. Fred. Westhead

Mr. Long

I am in the cable zone
 (35000) attention to the letter from the
 Dept of the B.R. of July, relating
 to the disposal of certain
 articles of equipment, issued
 to the defunct Railway Vehicle
 which are stated to have
 been handed over to you &
 to request you to return a
 reply hereto at an earlier
 date.

HENRY LAMBERT.

Re-circulate

		ITEM	QUANTITY
number	2nd	Khaki Helmets	6
	6th	Motor Bicycle	1
	19th	Bicycle complete	1
	6th	European blankets	4
		Mosquito Nets	2
	19th	Camp Beds	1
number	11th	" "	1
number	3th	Spare part for motor cycle	1
number	11th	Bicycle complete	1
	19th	Cup & saucer	1
		G.I. Bucket	1
		" "	1
	11th	European blankets	2
	19th	Large table fork	1
		Frying pan	1
		Glass tumbler	1
		Large table knife	1
		Kettle	1
	11th	Hurricane Lamp	1
	19th	Plates	2
	11th	Pull through Cord	1
	19th	" "	1
	11th	Rifle Sling	1
	19th	Small table spoons	1
		Aluminum Sufferias	6
	11th	Camp table	1
	19th	" "	1
	11th	European water bottles	1
		Mosquito Net	1
		Camp Chair	1
	19th	9' x 7' Tent complete	1
		Spanners for bicycle	1 set.

	ITEM	QUANTITY	
set	30th	Hurricane Lamps	3
set	27th	Hurricane Lamps	2
	30th	Large Enamelled Plates	9
	"	Table Forks	6
	27th	Tent Complete 7' x 7'	1
number	1st	Camp Beds	6
	4th	Mosquito Nets	6
	1st	Camp Table	1
	4th	"	1
	1st	Hurricane Lamps	1
	4th	Enamelled cups & saucers	10
	"	Fastures Filters	5
	"	14" G.I. Buckets	5
	"	Large Enamelled Plates	20
	"	Saucepans	8
	"	Enamelled Kettle	1
	"	Large table knives	20
	"	" forks	20
	4th	Enamelled frying pan	1
	15th	Haversacks	2
	27th	Pail through	20
	4th	Bicycles Complete	1
	27th	"	8
	"	European Blankets	12
	4th	"	6
nr	14th	Revolvers	2
	8th	Cups & saucers	2
	"	Large enamelled plates	2
	"	" Kettle	1
	"	Table knives	2
	"	" forks	2
	"	" spoons	2
	End	Bicycle Pumps	3
	14th	"	2

No.	Date	Item	Quantity
	21st	Signalling Flags	4
	24th	Hurricane Lamp	1
	30th	San Brown Belt	1
	24th	Haversacks	1
	13th	Mosquito Net	1
	"	Camp Bed with Rods	1
	7th	Aluminum Scaffins	6
	10th	Rifle Slings	30
	26th	Knives	3 dos.
	"	Forks	2 1/2 Dos.
	"	Plates	4 Dos.

TOWN GUARD - MONSARA

	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>
21st	Mosquito Nets	15
20th	Blankets	24
"	"	8
27th	Police Whistles	8
31st	"	3
28th	Water Bottles	6
22nd	Tarpaulin 20 x 12	1
24th	Wooden Palkeys	2
27th	Bicycle Pumps	6
29th	Haversacks	12
27th	Bicycles	3
28th	"	4
"	"	1
"	"	1
31st	"	1
27th	Leather Buttons	40 lbs.
28th	Tents Complete 8' x 6'	3
22nd	Aluminium Scaffolds	6
23rd	Brass	2
26th	15" G.I. Buckets	2
24th	Hoe Heads	20
22nd	Aluminium Prying Pan	1
24th	Hoe Handles	20
21st	Haversacks	2
24th	Bicycle Complete	2
"	"	1
"	G.I. Sheets	5
25th	Claw Hammer	1
24th	Sanitary Buckets	6
"	Berkfield Filters	5
25th	Lamp	1
7th	Bicycle Pump	1
19th	Revolver	1
31st	Signalling Flags	4

		ITEM	QUANTITY
Vendor	30th	Rash Pipe S.I.	5
Vendor	19th	Leather Sandollers	50
	1st	European Water Bottles.	50
	12th	Axe Helves	3
	1st	Pick Heads	3
	"	Shovels	6
Vendor	18th	Felling AXS	1
	19th	Khaki Haversacks	37
	"	Hurricane Lamps	2
	18th	Mattocks	3
	"	Alluminum Sufferias	3
	"	Iron Tavas	2
	"	Iron Spoons	3
	19th	European Water Bottles	11
	"	Canvas Bush Tents	5
	18th	Axe Handle	1
	19th	Mattocks Handles	2
	18th	Pick Handles	3
	"	Jemie Handles	6
	"	Felling Axes	3
	26th	Hurricane Lamps	3
	"	Mattocks	6
	"	Iron Tavas	2
	"	Iron Spoons	3
	"	Canvas Bush Tents	5

U. S. ARMY INDIAN VOLUNTEER CORPS

		ITEM	QUANTITY
Set	20th	Tents Complete 9'x7'	3
Number	4th	Camp Bed	1
	"	Mosquito Net	1
	"	Camp Table	1
	10th	Water Bottles	50
	4th	Hurricane Lamp	1
	9th	Family Scales	1 pr.
	4th	Galvd. Iron Bucket 16"	1
	8th	Americano Tent	1
Number	15th	Rifle Slings	3
	2nd	Tents Complete 9'x7'	2
	26th	Rifle Slings	4
	"	Bayonet Frogs	7
	"	Brown Leather Belts	7
	2nd	Axes	2
	"	Pick Heads	9
	"	Galvd. Iron Buckets 16"	3
	"	Hoe Heads	50
	"	" Handles	50
	"	Pick Handles	9
	"	Pull throughs	12
	19th	Signalling Flags	10
	11th	Cold Chisels	3
	2nd	Saw	1
	27th	Hurricane Lamp	2
	2nd	Shovels	8
Number	30th	Felling Axes	3
	"	Leather Bandoliers	50
	"	Hoe Heads	6
	10th	Pangas (corn knives)	100
	30th	Mattocks	3
	"	Aluminum Scaffolds	12
	"	Canvas Buckets	6
	"	Water Bottles	50
	"	Canvas Ground Sheets	50

Mr. J. I. COX LATE PROTEST MARSHALL

	DATE	ITEM	QUANTITY
19th	19th	Tents Complete 8' x 6'	1
20th	20th	Blankets	2
25th	25th	Panga (corn knife)	1
21st	21st	Hurricane Lamp	1

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IN SUPPLY NO. 1278

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UGANDA RAILWAY VOLUNTEERS.

	ITEM	QUANTITY		
August	21st	Tents Complete 8' x 6'	2	x
	"	Camp Beds with rods	4	x
	"	Mesquite Nets	4	x
	"	Camp Chairs	4	x
	"	Tables	2	x
	"	Enamelled toilet sets	2	
	"	Camp Bed Mattresses	4	x
	"	Hurricane Lamps	4	
	"	Tent Complete 8' x 8'	1	x
	"	Filter Paste	1	
September	"	Hurricane Lamps	4	
	30th	"	4	

not carried out, being, probably, due to the scarcity at that time of officers having a knowledge of military regulations.

4. Numerous letters have been written with a view to fixing final responsibility for the missing equipment, but without any definite result. Attempts to clear the matter up have been rendered nugatory by the non-receipt of replies to correspondence with persons who have left the country or have been killed in action, or with civilians who fail to answer the queries addressed to them. The only case in which action is still proceeding is that of the issues of Camp equipment to Uganda Railway Volunteers, a matter which has been referred to you in Sir Henry Conway Belfield's despatch No. 510 of 16th June 1916.

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It is to be noted that, in the list of equipment lost by the Uganda Railway Volunteers, the items marked with a cross are those for which it was sought to make Lieutenant Jones responsible, but that, as stated in your despatch No. 694 of the 27th September 1916, it has not been possible to effect recovery of their value from him.

5. As it is probable that most of the missing equipment, even if it could be found, would prove to be in an unserviceable condition, I feel justified in submitting the matter for authority to write off this equipment.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

ACTING GOVERNOR.

AFRICA PROTECTORATE
No. 329

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA

June 14th, 1917.

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Sir,

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With reference to paragraph 3 of your predecessor's Confidential despatch of 25th August 1916, I have the honour to request authority for the writing off of equipment issued in 1914, after the commencement of hostilities to the following units:-

- Uganda Railway Volunteers.
- East Africa Indian Volunteers Contingent
- Town Guard Mombasa.
- do. (Cyclist Section)

List

2. A list of the missing equipment is attached.

3. It appears that when these units were disbanded the procedure laid down in Appendix VII of the Field Service Regulations to accounting for equipment on demobilization was not

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
WALTER LONG, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET,
LONDON, S.W.

long end, although the Acting Governor gives no indication of the amount involved, it must be large. It will be as well therefore to put the matter to the War Office as in the draft which I submit.

The case of Lieutenant Jones is very extraordinary. When he came home, he was sent to Midhurst Sanatorium for treatment for tuberculosis. He ran away from there to escape his creditors, spent several nights sleeping in the open and finally, when we succeeded in tracing him, was discharged with a gratuity on the understanding that he would pay his debts, but a little afterwards he disappeared. You will see from ^{3504/7} the later minute on 44474/16 that he re-appeared in July and left an address, but the mention of the claim against him for this equipment seems to have frightened him again; and I really fear that, if we press him in the matter, we may next hear of his being found dead from exposure on some remote hill in South Wales.

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Remind W.O. - short draft

Wals. 12.1.18 above

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