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12' Field Amb
MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD

39
15642 Name C. O. K. E. R. LEONARD GORDON
Unit 2ND DEPOT BATTALION A.I.F.
Joined on 1 APR 1916

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

- What is your Name? ... 1. Leonard Gordon Coker
- In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ... 2. In the Parish of _____ in or near the Town of Prospect in the County of St. Australia
- Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... 3. Natural Born
- What is your age? ... 4. 21 1/2 years
- What is your trade or calling? ... 5. Carpenter
- Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... 6. Yes To J. Lewis 5 years
- Are you married? ... 7. NO
- Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... 8. (MOTHER) COKER, FLORENCE SARAH VICTORIA ST. PROSPECT SOUTH AUSTRALIA
- Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... 9. NO
- Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incorrigible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with disgrace from the Navy? ... 10. NO
- Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... 11. NO
- Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... 12. yes
- Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... 13. NO
- (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)—
Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach _____ per day? ... 14. _____
- Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever? ... 15. yes

I, Leonard Gordon Coker do solemnly declare that the above answers made me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily enlist in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.
And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children

Date 1 APR 1916

L. G. Coker
Signature of Person Enlisted.

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age
† Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

Description of Leonard Gordon Coker on Enlistment

Age 21 years 9 months

Height 5 feet 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

Weight 134 lbs.

Chest Measurement 32.34 inches

Complexion Fresh

Eyes Blue

Hair Light Brown

Religious Denomination Catholic

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

No R L

No e L

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:—

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 27.3.16

Place ADELAIDE.

L. O. Bette Cap

Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and

appoint him to C. Coy 2ND DEPOT BATTALION A.I.F.

Date 1.4.16

Place Adelaide

Mr. Hancock

LT. COL.
CAMP COMMANDANT

Commanding 2ND DEPOT BATTALION A.I.F.

Statement of Service No.

Name

Coker L.F.

| Unit in which served | Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c. | Period of Service in each Rank | | Remarks |
|--|---|--------------------------------|----------|--|
| | | From | To | |
| C Along and depot 3/48. Rein Mitcham 3/50 a.m.c Sept Rein a.m.c. " " " | Pte | 1.4.16 | 15.4.16 | |
| | | 12.4.16 | | |
| | | 16.4.16 | 30.4.16 | Co 887 |
| | | 1.5.16 | 30.9.16 | Co 987 |
| | | 1.10.16 | | Co 254/2 |
| | Pte | 23/10/16 | | Nov. J. H. 16 |
| | Embarked. Adelaide | 23-10-16 | | |
| | "Port Melbourne" | | | E.R. 8976 |
| | Disembarked Devonport | 28-12-16 | | |
| | Taken on strength of 12 th Hd. Amb (a.m.c.) from a.m.c. details | 1.2.17 | | 1/2 4 85. 27. 1. 17 |
| | To hospital sick | 25.1.17 | | 1/2 6 123. 10. 2. 17 |
| | Transferred into R.A.M.C. Eng 10th No. 1 Camb. Path. Base Gen @ base "Port Melbourne" | London | 24/2/17 | 1/2 11. 2 92/4 550 E 62, 79, 10, 10 |
| | Proceeded to Sea to France per "Princess Blanche" Folkestone | London | 4-1-17 | 1/2 4 13/4 764 E (a.m.c.) |
| | Gk. Crime. At Sea Troopship a.m.c. 2 days Award Admonished by Lt. Col. G. Stanley D.D. C.O. Troop Troops 2 days pay under R.W. | London | 31.10.16 | 1/2 157 1748 E 29 a.m.c. D.H.S. 2 |
| 2 nd Lt. Amb. | Rejoined Unit from Hosp | France | 21.4.17 | 1/2 157 318 1.5.17 |
| | To hosp sick | " | 25.4.18 | 100 955 15.5.18 |
| | Emb on "S. Kewlaven" for Eng. 9.3.18. "Bronchitis" | " | 9.3.18 | 20. 11/933. 27.3.18. |
| | Adm. Mil Hosp. Newsham Bronchitis trench fever severe | England | 9.3.18 | 100 11. WS 674 350 E 18.3.18 HA 357. |

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

443103 France
3 sheets. 4/8/18.

STATEMENT OF SERVICE OF No. 15642 NAME COKER L. J.

| Unit. | Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, etc. | Place. | Date. | Remarks. |
|---------------------------|--|--------|---------|--|
| 12 th Fld Amb. | At Offence Hurdcott 18.6.18 Award from 10 pm 18.6.18 to 2.45 pm 19.6.18 Award 10 days L.P. by Capt G. Anderson 20.6.18 Forfeits 2 days pay R.U. The money deducted from France via Southampton as at 10/10/18 | | | 13027/507 E 8.7.18. L07452 4 th Div A.A.M.C. 26457 12.8.18 10052/2964 E |
| 12 th Fld Amb. | Re-joined Unit D.O. 116/1843 1919 | France | 2.8.18 | 10023/724 14.8.18 12 th Fld Amb. |
| | | | 5.8.18 | 10029/753 2.8.18 12 th Fld Amb. |
| | | Eng | 28.8.19 | L.M.R.41 1.B.R.795 A203742. |

RETURN TO AUSTRALIA
Per L. J. Coker
For N. Stag

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during my
Coker
Enlisted.

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|---|--|--------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| C O R P S | | Leonard Gordon | 15642 | <i>gml</i> A.M.C.Rfts. |
| WAR GRATUITY SCHEDULE | | Other Names LH 6 1281 40 | Regimental No. | Unit. |
| PURPORT. | | | 4th M.D. | AUTHORITY. |
| Embarked at Adelaide on Transport "Port Melbourne" 23/10/16 | | | | Non. Roll. |
| 30/10/16 A.W.L. for 2 dys AWARD 31/10/16 admonished | | | | |
| Forfeits 2 dys pay | | | | ION. 15/8-17 |
| 1/8/18 O'seas to France (VT) | | | | ION 32/3-18 |
| 29/12/16 Moved into A.A.M.C. Trng Depot No 2 Camp Parkhouse from O'seas "Port Melbourne" | | | | ION. 3/6-17 ... |
| 23/2/18 To Hospital Sick | | | | BEFO 9/1-18 |
| 9/7/18 Embarked on U.S. "MELBAVEN" for England BRONCHITIS | | | | BEFO 11/2-18 |
| 4/1/17 Proc. O/s to France per "Princess Clementine" F'stone | | | | ION. 4/7-17 |
| 12/1/17 T. on S. of 12th Fld. Amb. (ex Rfts) from A.A.M.C. Dtls. | | | | BEFO 4/1-17 |
| 25/1/17 To Hosp. Sick | | | | BEFO 6/1-17 |
| 21/4/17 Rejoined Unit from Hosp. | | | | BEFO 15/1-17 |

D.S. 2516-4.2024.

| PURPORT. | AUTHORITY. |
|---|---------------|
| 1226/4/18 Discharged to Eur & Rej 4th C.D BRON TRENCH FVR | IF 459/108-18 |
| 2/8/18 Marched into Gen Base Depot from U.K. ex sick (VT) | BEFO 28/18 |
| 5/8/18 Rejoined Unit (VT) | BEFO 29/1-18 |
| 27.8.18. TO HOSP. SICK. (M'K) | BEFO 32/1-18. |
| 1.9.18. Adm. to L of C Hosp. SICK. " | BEFO 32/1-18. |
| 1.10.18 Dis to Unit. LK | BEFO 32/1-18 |
| 2.10.18 Rej Unit 12th Fld Amb. LK | BEFO 37/1-18 |
| 18-19/6/18 A.W.L. 20/6/18 AWD 1 days C.b forfs 2 days pay RW (VT) | ION 27/2-18 |
| 9/3/18 Adm Mil Hosp Lewisham Bron Trench Fvf (Sev) (VT) | ION 11/1-18 |

A.I.F. Form B103 Part I.
 261.
 and Casualty Form.
 PART I.
 18-1224.

Nothing to be written in this Margin.

| | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|---|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| (1) PRESENT UNIT | | 12TH FLD. AMB. | | (2) Regtl. No. | 15642. <i>h</i> |
| (3) Present Rank | Pte. | (4) SURNAME | COKER. | | |
| (5) Decorations | | (6) Christian Names. | Leonard Gordon. | | |
| <u>Particulars.</u> | | | | | |
| (7) Date of Enlistment | 1.3.16. | (8) Place of Enlistment | Adelaide, S.A. | | |
| (9) Age on Enlistment | 21 Years 9 Months | (10) Any subsequent claim as to age after verification of Birth Certificate | Auth. C.R. | Years | Months |
| (11) Birthplace | Prospect, S.A. | (12) Religion | Meth. | | |
| (14) Trade or Calling | Carpenter. | (13) If Married | No. | | |
| (16) Date of Embarkation from Australia | 23.10.16. | (15) If an Apprentice | Yes. | | |
| (18) | | (17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad | Aust; | | |
| (19) | | (21) Special Notification Card No. | | | |
| (20) | | | | | |
| (22) | | | | | |

Form B. 103.

Regimental Number 15342

Casualty Form Active Service.

Rank Pvt. Regiment or Corps 12th Field Ambulance (19) General
 Surname Coates Christian Name Leonard Gordon
 Religion Age on Enlistment years months
 Enlisted (a) Terms of Service (a) Service reckons from (a)
 Date of promotion to present rank Date of appointment to lance rank
 Extended (.....) Re-engaged (.....) Qualification (b)
 or Corps Trade and Rate
 Occupation Signature of Officer

| Report | | Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case. | Place of Casualty | Date of Casualty | Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents |
|----------|---------------------------|---|-------------------|------------------|---|
| Date | From whom received | | | | |
| | | Embarked ... | | | |
| | | Disembarked... | | | 1948 |
| 30.10.16 | Attd. P. / Melloni / A.B. | Offence Troopship A.16 30/10/16 A.P.L. 2 days Award Admonished by Lt Col. G. G. Hardy V.D.S. CO Troop 31/10/16 In fact 2 days punishment | | 30.10.16 | 20 15/E dated 29/3/17 50 57 |
| 19/1/18 | 10/12/18 F.A. | On leave to U.K. | Wales | 17/1/18 | 552/55 |
| 2/2/18 | do | Rejoined | do | 30/1/18 | D52/57 |
| 23/2/18 | do | Wt. to Hospital sick | do | 23/2/18 | D52/60 509/53 |
| 1/3/18 | 1 accs | Wt. 9 | do | 23/2/18 | AK 2784/A |
| | | Bank etc. 2 accs | do | 1/3/18 | 112 |

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(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) Signaller, Shoeing Smith, &c.
 (622) W.13563/51477 2,400,000 1/17 MCA & W Ltd. Form B.1034 (K. 556) [P.T.O.]

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| Report | | Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case. | Place of Casualty | Date of Casualty | Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents |
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| Date | From whom received | | | | |
| 25 | 3/3/18 | 2 CCS | Bronchitis | Adm: Field. | 1.3.18 O.K. 2384/23 |
| 26 | | | | to H.F. 17 | 4.3.18 |
| 27 | 4/3/18 | L.M. M. Hosp | Bronchitis | Adm: Claples | 4/3/18 O.K. 2384/16 |
| 28 | 4/3/18 | | | to England | 9/3/18 " 126. |
| 29 | 9.3.18 | New Slaven | do | Embarked for England | 9/3/18 O.K. 2384/20 |
| 30 | 9.3.18 | Medley Hosp | Sci. Adm. | Trench Farm | 9.3.18 WS 64 |
| 31 | 8.4.18 | 3 rd Air Hosp | Bronchitis | Sci. Welford | 8.4.18 SO 11 250E 10/3/18 |
| | 12.4.18 | 3 rd Air Hosp | Sci. Adm | Welford | 12.4.18 HP 258. |
| 32 | | | | Turk 12.4.18 to 26.4.18 | |
| | | | | Report to No 4 Com. Dept. | 26.4.18 |
| 33 | 26.4.18 | No 4 Com Dept | Sci. M/in from A.H. Gals | London | 26.4.18 LE 3587 |
| | | | | ca Turko | |
| 34 | 21.6.18 | 2 nd No 4 Com Dep | Sci. M/out to 9 th Bde | Longbridge | 21.6.18 LE 5720. |
| 35 | 21.6.18 | 2 nd No 4 Com Dep | Sci. M/out to 11 th Bde | Longbridge | 21.6.18 LE 5716. |
| | 22.6.18 | to 2009 No 4 C.O. | Sci. Office | Turdcott | 22.6.18 LE 5716 |
| | | | | Award from 10 pm 18.6.18 to 2.40 pm 19.6.18. | 8.7.18 |
| 36 | | | | Award 1 Day to 13.6.18 by 7. Anderson | 20.6.18 |
| | | | | Stop for 2 days by R.W. | 1.5.52 |
| 37 | 5.7.18 | 2 nd No 4 Com Dep | Sci. M/out to P.A.M.C. 1 st Bde | Longbridge | 5.7.18 LE 5519 |
| 38 | 5.7.18 | 2 nd P.A.M.C. 1 st Bde | Sci. M/in from 1 st Bde | Longbridge | 5.7.18 LE 5519. |

Continuation
Sheet 3
CASUALTY FORM—ACTIVE SERVICE.

Army Form B. 103.

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Regimental No. 15642 Rank 1st Lt Name COKER Leonard Gordon
 Enlisted (a) _____ Terms of Service (a) _____ Service reckons from (a) _____
 Date of Promotion to } Date of appointment } Numerical position on }
 present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.O.'s }
 Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____
D. 922/4.14—C. 7516—50M

| Report. | | Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case. | Place. | Date. | Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents. |
|------------|---------------------|---|--------|---------|--|
| Date. | From whom Received. | | | | |
| 39 1.8.18 | Attd. HQ | He proceeded overseas France via Southampton ex Attd. HQ | France | 1.8.18 | L0454 D0.32/296/18.18 |
| 40 3.8.18 | Attd. HQ | He left from United Kingdom ex. Sick | France | 28/8/18 | AK 2914/19 D0.28/124(1918) |
| 41 6/8/18 | do | Returned to Unit | do | 4/8/18 | AK 2984/16 |
| 42 10/8/18 | CO 1st Lt | Returned Unit | France | 5/8/18 | D 52/81 D0.29/133(1918) |
| 43 31/8/18 | - do - | He is Hospital Sick | - do - | 27/8/18 | D 52/87 D0.32/175(1918) |
| 44 28/8/18 | 12th A.F. Capt. | Mumps. adv - do. - to C.C.S. | Italy | 27/8/18 | AK 3102/2 |
| 45 1/9/18 | 41st Sty Hosp | He Mumps. adv to 41 Army Ck | - do - | 1/9/18 | AK 3102/13 D0.32/288(1918) |
| 46 31/8/18 | 18th C.C.S. | Mumps. adv | - do - | 28.9.18 | AK 3102/75 |
| | | | | 27/8/18 | AK 3102/16 |

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into section D. Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) e.g., Signaller, Shoing Smith, &c., &c., also special qualifications in technical corps duties.

[P.T.O.]

| Report. | | Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c. during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case. | Place. | Date. | Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents. |
|------------|----------------------------------|--|---------|---------|--|
| Date. | From whom Received. | | | | |
| 47 27.9.18 | No 55 | Brumby Adm. | France | 25.9.18 | OK 2215/3 |
| 48 1.10.18 | CCS | To duty | | 1.10.18 | OK 2215/30 DO 31/951 (418) |
| 48 5/10/18 | CO. 12 th Hd. Amb. | Rejoined Unit | do | 2.10.18 | DS2/92. DO 31/927 (418) |
| 50 2/19 | do | Detached for duty with Town Major, Hamur | do | 4/19 | DS2/110. |
| 51 15/2/19 | do | Rejoined ex Hamur | do | 13/2/19 | DS2/111 |
| 52 do | do | Leave to Brussels. | do | 13.2.19 | DS2/111. |
| 53 1/3/19 | do | Rejoined | do | 28.2.19 | DS2/113 |
| 54 8/3/19 | do | Detached for duty with Town Major, Hamur. | do | 3.3.19 | DS2/114. |
| 55 29.3.19 | do | Rejoined from Hamur | Belgium | 28/3/19 | DS2/117. |
| 56 5.4.19 | do | Temp detached to G. M. S. | do | 30.3.19 | DS2/118 |
| 57 19.4.19 | do | To Hamur | do | 16.4.19 | DS2/120 |
| 57 19.4.19 | 2 nd A. Amb. | Adm. Quarters G.M.S. | do | 16.4.19 | 45005 S. |
| 58 20.4.19 | 55 G.M.S. | Quarters Adm | do | 16.4.19 | 45099. |
| 59 24.4.19 | do | do vice to duty | do | 25.4.19 | 453026 |
| 60 26.4.19 | 13 12AF Amb. | Rejoined from Hamur | do | 23.4.19 | DS2/121 DO 91/104 |
| 61 26.4.19 | 12 F. Amb. | Attached through B. Group | do | 26.4.19 | DS2/121 |

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

B.R. Form No. 9.

DA

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,

MELBOURNE, 27th March, 1918.

Dear Madam,

I beg to advise you that Private I.G. Coker has been reported progressing favourably. In view of the fact that no previous report has been received A.I.F. Hdqrs have been asked the nature of his disability. Upon receipt of this information you will be notified.

No 15642 Private I.G. Coker,
12th Field Ambulance,
Australian Imperial Force,
Abroad.

In the absence of further reports it is to be assumed that satisfactory progress is being maintained, but anything later received will be promptly transmitted, it being clearly understood that if no further advice is forwarded this department has no more information to supply.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN, Major,
Officer in Charge, Base Records.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,

MELBOURNE, 5/4/18.

Dear

Madam,

I now beg

to advise you that
has been reported

Private L.G. Coker,

admitted 9/3/18, Lewisham Military
Hospital London suffering from Bronchitis, trench fever severe.

His postal address will be:—

No 15642 Private L.G. Coker

12th Field Ambulance. (late A.M.C. Details)

Australian Imperial Force,

Abroad.

In the absence of further reports it is to be assumed that satisfactory progress is being maintained, but anything later received will be promptly transmitted, it being clearly understood that if no further advice is forwarded this department has no more information to supply.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN, Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

Transferred to

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 15642

Rank Pte Name COKER L. G.

Unit 12th Inf. Amb. (late Sept 1918 A.M.C.)

LIST.

Casualty Progressing favourably WSM 679 J. 11.3 dated London 24/11 Received B.R. 25/11
390 Bronchitis, Trench Fever SEVERE, ADMITTED Revisham, Pili Hosp 9th Melb
WSM 671 / 1163 dated London 1/12 Received B.R. 2-4-18. 5/18

Commenced WSM 67 (143) dated London 1/12 Received B.R. 11/12.
Relg. to Aust. per H.F. Kanowna embarked 28-8-19
C.F.B. 43612/6565 dtd Lon 3-9-19 Sea B.R. 5-9-19 Johning Staff. P.B.

Returned to Australia per A. Kanowna
Disembarked 2 M.D. 26/10/19 Dist. 346 Sta

Form B 105 received

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| DATE | PURPORT | REF. NO. |
|-------------|---|----------|
| MAR 27 1918 | N. O. K. Advised <u>Prog. favourably & eng casualty</u> | |
| APR 6 1918 | N. O. K. Advised in Hospital | |
| MAY 12 1918 | N. O. K. Advised Convalescent | |
| 11 SEP 1919 | N.O.K. Advised returning to Australia. Form <u>BH</u> | |
| 11/12/19. | Discharged <u>4</u> M.D. <u>Sta</u> | |

WAR HISTORY INDEX cf.

