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MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD**No. B4441Name RHYMER EdwinUnit 12th Batt.Joined on 2-8-1512th, Reinf's
16th, Battalion.**Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.**

1. What is your Name? ... Edwin Rhymes
2. In the Parish of ... in or
near the Town of Hackney
in the County of S. Aust.
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... MB
4. What is your age? ... 34 1/2 yrs
5. What is your trade or calling? ... Laborer
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... No
7. Are you married? ... No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ...
allottee Mrs Ethel May Rhymes
32 Charles St, Roswood
226/1/1010. A. 1. 2. 12719
see over
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable 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? ... No
11. 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 ... No
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... No
14. (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 after embarkation during your term of service? ...
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever? ... Yes

I, Edwin Rhymes do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve 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 + children

Date 31. 7. 15.E. Rhymes

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.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

~~I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.~~

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 3 AUG 1915

H. J. Corpse *Lieut.*
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, *Edwin Rhymes* swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 3 AUG 1915 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

SO HELP ME GOD.

E. Rhymes
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at *Adelaide* in
the State of *S. Aust*
this 3 AUG 1915 day _____ of
_____ 1915, before me—

H. J. Corpse *Lieut.*
Signature of Attesting Officer.

* A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialled by the Attesting Officer.

Description of Edwin Rhymes on EnlistmentAge 34 years 1 monthsHeight 5 feet 4 inchesWeight 162 lbs.Chest Measurement 32½ - 34 inchesComplexion DarkEyes BrownHair DarkReligious Denomination Catholic

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

in R. 6/9 L 6/6Race 24Tattoo both Upper Arms

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 31. 7. 15.Place Adelaide

Wm Hamilton Capt
Adelaide Adm
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 R. Group School

Date 3/8/15Place Adelaide

Wm Hamilton
Commanding Adelaide

CAMP COMMANDANT.

Statement of Service No. B4441
2754Name Rhymer, E.

Unit in which served	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of Service in each Rank		Remarks
		From	To	
R. Group. Esh.		3/8/15	31/8/15	
12/16 th Reinf.		1/9/15		
48 th Battr.	TAKEN ON STRENGTH	9.3.16		M.2. 6.46 26.3.16
G. G. C. M. "In the field"				
Head at mess change when O.A.S.				
23.6.16 absenting himself				
without leave				
from 0700 20.6.16				
to 1955 22.6.16				
Sentenced 50 days P.W. 26.6.16				
Confined by Brig Gen O'Glasgow				
12.12.16 to 26.6.16				
Total Detention 53 days pay				24 3252 1.8.16
Wing. 16/3/14	Wounded in Action	13.1.14		02.70 6/4/16 31/1/14
B103 Eny. 30/4/453	Emb. on St. David			
28 th Eny.	A. Platoon Jas. (G.S.W. Multiple)	England 6.2.17	42.70 10/933 28/2/14	
	Adm. Frensham Hill Milty.			
	Corp. (G.S.W. Multiple)	7/2/17		Pt 2/0. 14/1196 E. 17/2/17
	Pte. Returned to Australia per			
	A.Y. for change. (G.S.W. Multiple)			
	Head (Leg.).	24/7/17		8/0 54/220 L.R. 6259. August 8. 1917
	Emb. 2/12/15			
107 yes	Discharged 4 m7	23/8/17 (M.V.)		
	Wife. 10 Ethel May Rhymer			
	21. Easting Street			
	Worwood			
see change of address on front page				

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

S. Manshau
Major,
CAMP COMMANDANT.

Army Form B. 103.

Regimental Number **3754**

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regiment or Corps **48th Pz Div (Inf)**

Platoon A. 1st (late 42 Pz Div)

Rank **Plt**

Surname **Thymel**

Christian Name **Ed.**

Age on Enlistment **22** years

Religion **Anglican** Service reckons from (a) **1914** months.

Enlisted (a) **1914** Terms of Service (a) **5 years**

Date of promotion to present rank **1916** Date of appointment to lance rank **1914**

Extended **1916** Re-engaged **1916** Qualification (b) **or Corps Trade and Rate**

Signature of Officer.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 212, 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. 212, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
1916	Wm. Bell	Allocated to 48th Pz Div		9.3.16	AP 5295
	60 48th Pz	Taken on strength 48th Pz Div		do	AP 5609
		Proceeded to France 30.3.16		2.6.16	AP 8622
	60 48th Pz	Wounded		9.6.16	LR 5762
		When on active service absenting himself without leave from 0700 20.6.16			
		10.19.16 22.6.16 (3 days)			
		Confirmed 50 days FP No. 2			
		When on active service 28.6.16 in of days in leave and in			
		Total leave 53 days			
1917	60 48th Pz	Wounded		13.1.17	AP 848
					BR 24/3252
					1016/38213 2006/416

(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 shall be entered.

(b) Signaller, Shooting-Smith, &c.

[M1101] W 6135/M768 1000m 9/16 153 G & S

Form B. 103/A E. 352.

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Has left 29/17 VL (P.T.O.)

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.
Date	From whom received				
17.1.17	6.5m	admy 5th L multiple	Rouen	16.1.17	AK 742/65
6.2.17		to England		6.2.17	AK 872/33
20.1.17	38 lbs	admy 5th L. Legs	France	14.1.17	
	HS St David	Adm and train	St.	15.1.17	AK 742/71
		Embarked for England	Norman.	6/2/17	AK 772/52 80.0/9.15
7.2.17	Mie Hood Frenchem Mice	G. S. S. Multiple Adm.	England	7.2.17	DO 14/E 17/2/17
5.4.17	3 Aux Corp	Ad from Mie Corp Frenchem	Dartford	5.4.17	
4.5.17	3 Aux Corp.	Pte. Dischd from 400p	Dartford	4.5.17	
		Granted furlough 1 to			
		Rept to Depot Weymouth		19.5.17	
20.5.17	No 2 Com Depot	Pte Mfr from A. D. (re India)	Weymouth	19.5.17	SR 3029
		RETURN TO AUSTRALIA AY 1 22.7.17 For Change DATA...	England	22.7.17	2054E 8.8.
4.8.17	LD. 284 R	C.S. L. Multiple Head leg.			2096259
		Discharged with No. D. (W.) 23.10.17. B.R. L 120/42.			

Del Reg Post 4.3.40

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Department of Defence, in connexion
with the service of:—

*3754. P. E. Rhymmer
48 Bn.*

1945-5- Star

British War Medal.

Victory Medal.

E Rhymmer
Signature

17 March 1940
Date

This slip is to be returned to the Officer-in-Charge, Base Records, Canberra, A.C.T.

6256.

By Authority: L. F. JOHNSTON, Commonwealth Government Printer, Canberra.

PROCEEDINGS OF COURT MARTIAL HELD FOR TRIAL OF

Regimental Number.	Rank.	Initials.	Name.	Unit.
3754	Plt	E	Phymer	487th.

Sentenced to—

50 days PP

Dated 25/6 / 1916

Filed in Attorney-General's Department and

numbered 8208

OR 66716. Per Post. 14/3/40.

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Department of Defence, in connexion with the service of:—

3754. Mr. E. Phynner
48 Br

Duplicate

Returned: Soldiers Badge.

No. 8377.

Signature E Phynner

Date 26/3/40

This slip is to be returned to the Officer-in-Charge, Base Records, Canberra, A.C.T.

6256.

By Authority: L. F. JOHNSTON, Commonwealth Government Printer, Canberra.

SIGNATURES OF RECRUITS.

1. After being passed by Medical
Officer.

E. Rhymmer.

Date *July 31* 1915.

2. On Arrival in Camp ...

E. Rhymmer.

Date *Aug 11th* 1915.

3. On Allotment to Unit

E. Rhymmer.

Date *1. 9.* 1915.

- One*
4. ~~A few~~ Days prior to Embarkation

E. Rhymmer.

Date *1. 12* 1915.

4TH MILITARY DISTRICT			
A.G.	42	370	6129
WHEN RECEIVING PLEASE QUOTE REFERENCE NO.			



AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.
4TH MILITARY DISTRICT.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS			
DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS:		CAMPS:	
ALL OFFICERS	... C 8870	MITCHAM	... C 8880
S.O.O.	... C 1266	EXHIBITION	... C 8284
D.P.M.	... C 4358	MONMETHILLAS	CLAN. 68
KESWICK HOSPITAL	C 8870		

KESWICK BARRACKS,

ADFLAID, NOV 14 1917

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Officer in Charge,
Base Records,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE.

The under-mentioned soldier has been handed his discharge.
Medical Board Proceedings and other documents, as follows, for-
warded herewith:- B.179, B.178, B.122, A.29

No. 3754 Rank. Pte. Name. RHYMER, E.

Unit. 48th Batt.

Date of Attestation. 3/8/15

Date of Embarkation. 2/12/15

Date of Disembarkation 21/9/17

Ex.....Nestor.....

Reason For Discharge MEDICALLY UNFIT (NOT
DUE TO MISCONDUCT.)

Date of Discharge. 23/10/17

Total Service. 2 years 82 days

Service Abroad. 1 year 294 days

Character. Good

Account Adjusted in PART -
~~FULL~~

W. A. Campbell

LIEUT.

S.O. INVALIDS & RETURNED SOLDIERS. 4th M.D.

Base Records Office,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE. S.C.1.

The Deputy Commissioner,
Repatriation Commission,

Adelaide

23/12/1936

REFERENCE :

R4912

DATE

18/12/36

Herewith documents indicated relative to
the service of the undermentioned ex-member of the A.I.F. :-

Reg.No.	Name & Unit	Documents attached
<i>3754</i>	<i>Rhymer G. 48 Bn</i>	<u>FOR EARLY RETURN :-</u> A.F. B.103

TO BE RETAINED :-

B.R. Card

Attestation Paper

~~A.F. :- B.103~~ (1)

" B.178 (2)

" B.179

" B.181

" D.1

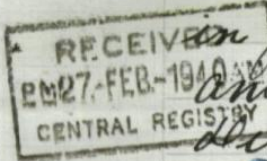
" D.2

" I.1237 (1)

T.ROBINSON.
Officer i/c Base Records.

Department of Defence
Victoria Barracks
Melbourne

Dear Sir



While fishing on the Murray River
June 1920 the boat I was in capsized
and I lost my coat with my Military
Discharge & my returned Soldiers Badge
in it and I never recovered them
so would you kindly let me know
the particulars for renewal of them.

Also I have never received or applied
for my other war medals

(the Star and the Large Bronze & the Silver one)
so would you advise me at the same
time in regards to those also

E. Rhymers
No 3754) 48 Batt
Late 12/16 Batt

I went away on the (Melissa) in Dec 1915
and I come back on the (Nestor) Oct 1917
My present Address

✓ E Rhymers
C/o Little Sisters of the Poor
Glen Osmond
South Australia

Base Records
Canberra
ACT

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

STATUTORY DECLARATION.

I, Edwin Rhymner
(Name in Full).
of Gp Little Sisters of the Poor
(Address in Full).
Glen Osmond South Australia
do solemnly and sincerely declare:—

1. THAT I served in the Australian Imperial Force, and my Regimental Particulars were as follows:—

Regimental No. 3754 Rank Pte Unit 48 Bn

2. THAT I have lost the Discharge Certificate & R. S. Badge
issued to me by the Department of Defence.

3. THAT the circumstances under which the said loss occurred are as
under:—

While rowing on River Murray the boat
capsized and I lost my coat with my
Discharge & R. S. Badge in it and it was never
recovered

4. THAT the loss was unavoidable and, to the best of my knowledge and
belief, the said Discharge Certificate & R. S. Badge
is/are not in the hands of any other person.

AND I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the Statutory Declaration Act
1911, conscientiously believing the statement contained therein to be true
in every particular.

Signature of person
making declaration)

E Rhymner

DECLARED AT Adelaide the South
day of March 1940. before me:—

Signature of J.P. or
Commissioner for Declarations)

S. R. Hawtrey J.P.

NOTE:—Any person who wilfully makes a false statement in a Statutory Declaration is guilty of an indictable
offence, and is liable to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for four years.

HERE INSERT:—

1. Place and date of Birth Adelaide 9th June 1881

2. Name and address and
relationship of next-of-
kin on enlistment) Ethel May Easty St
Newwood S Aust Wife

Required for
Military
identification
purposes
only.

N.B.—This Form should be completed in all respects, otherwise unavoidable
delay may arise in dealing with applicant's request.

OR 66716

14 MAR 1940
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE,
Base Records Office,
CANBERRA. F.C.T.

1 MAR 1940

Dear Sir,

With reference to your application dated

stating that you have lost your Returned
Soldier's Badge, I am to request that you will forward to
this office a Statutory Declaration stating the circumstances
under which the Badge originally issued to you was lost,
proving that the loss was due to circumstances beyond your
control, that it has not been left with any creditor nor passed
by you into the hands of any other person.

The declaration must be made before a Justice
of the Peace, a Commissioner for Declarations, or other
authorized Officer.

The cost of replacement, including postage, is
one shilling (1/-), which amount should be remitted to this office
in the form of postage stamps.

IN REPLY PLEASE STATE YOUR REGIMENTAL NUMBER,
RANK, FULL NAME AND UNIT.

Yours faithfully,

J.H. EASSON

[Signature]
Officer i/c Base Records.

P.S. Under Separate registered cover I am forwarding your 1914-15 Star,
British War and Victory medals. Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Civilian
Sgt
1 MAR 1940
[Signature]

Transferred to

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

AIF Com Trust

No. *3754*

21/8/46 Died after Discharge

APPLICATION FOR SERVICE LEAVE GRATUITY PAID

Rank *Pte*

Name *RHYMER E.*

APR 1 1918

Unit *48th Battalion*

A/c. No. *25775*

972 Casualty *Wounded*

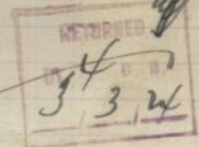
C. I. B. L. 1020/8209 C. D. Lond 2/2/17 al

Returning to Australia per A.T. A. 71 left England 22/7/17.

C. I. B. L. 1620. 960 7A dated London 9/8/17 L

DATE.	PURPORT.	REF. NO.
5 FEB 1917	N. O. K. Advised Wounded	
23 AUG 1917	N. O. K. Advised Returning to Australia	
23-10-17	<i>Discharged 4th Ab. D. S. O. R. S. 7.8. 1917/92.</i>	
21-9-17	<i>Returned to base per A 71 despatch G.O.W. Head & Legs Disembarked</i>	
10.5.20.	<i>Proceedings of "..." Department ... 8208 ...</i>	

WAR HISTORY INDEX
1914/1915 Star issued B.R.M. 48/1229/... *misc 157 R.*



14. 3. 40 1914/15 Star British War & Victoria Medal for post Reg. Post. No 1346.
7.4.24 B.R.M. 44 DESPATCHED 32 Charles St. Newwood SA.
14. 3. 40 Duplicate R/S Badge No C8247. sent per Post L.