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Background Information

In March 1918, the 1st and 4th Canadian Labour Battalions were redesignated as the 1st and 2nd Canadian Infantry Works Battalions. In September 1918, these two battalions were reorganized as four infantry works companies, each with an establishment of five officers and approximately 500 other ranks. They were employed mainly in road and bridge construction, road maintenance and grading on light and standard gauge railways.

Sources

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Daily Orders

RG 150, vol. 247 = 1919/04/08 – 1919/05/24

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1st Canadian Infantry Works Companies

Background Information

Organized in September 1918 from the 1st Canadian Infantry Works Battalion.

Commanded by Captain A. J. Falconer.

Employed mainly in road construction under the supervision of road construction companies of the Royal Engineers.

Demobilized at Staples in May 1919.

See also 1st Canadian Labour Battalion.

Sources

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War diary, 14 Sept. 1918 - 24 May 1919

RG 9 III-D-3, vol. 5008, folder 709

Demobilization

RG 24, vol. 1980, file HQ 683-1084-1

Historical record

RG 9 III-D-1, vol. 4709, folder 93, file 21

Distribution, 3 May - 28 July 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4451, folder 4, file 1

Badges

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4450, folder 1, file 2

Canadian Records Office file, 1st Canadian Infantry Works Battalion

RG 9 III-B-1, vol. 1087, file L-10-4

Canadian Records Office file

RG 9 III-B-1, vol. 1087, file L-12-4

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2nd Canadian Infantry Works Companies

Background Information

Organized in September 1918 from the 2nd Canadian Infantry Works Battalion.

Commanded by Captain F. R. George.

Worked at ammunition dumps and on light railway maintenance under the supervision of 2nd Canadian Tramways Company.

Amalgamated with the 1st Canadian Infantry Works Company in April 1919 under that designation.

See also 4th Canadian Labour Battalion.

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File Title

Reference

War diary, 14 Sept. 1918 - 22 April 1919

RG 9 III-D-3, vol. 5008, folder 709

Historical record

RG 9 III-D-1, vol. 4709, folder 93, file 22

Demobilization

RG 24, vol. 1976, file HQ 683-1027-1

Accounts, 26 Nov. - 11 Dec. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 1

Institutions re administration, Sept. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 2

Appointments and promotions, 31 Oct. 1917 - 19 April 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 3

Instruction for troops of army of occupation, 30 Nov. - 15 Dec. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 4

Correspondence re badges and patches, 16 March - 16 Nov. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 5

Distribution of canteen profits, 14 Jan. - 25 Oct. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 6

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Courts of inquiry re casualties and dead, 2 Dec. 1918 - 23 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 7

List of personnel entitled to service chevrons, June 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 8

Claims for barrack damages, 16 Sept. 1917 - 3 Dec. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 9

Congratulatory message from Sir Max Ailken; Nov. 1916

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 10

Courts of inquiry, 27 Sept. 1917

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 11

Designation, Canadian Works Group Headquarters, Nov. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 12

Receipts for dispatches, 23 Nov. - 23 Dec. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 13

Discipline, 9 Jan 1918 - 21 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 14-15

Disposal of documents, 26 Nov. 1917 - 15 Nov. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 16

Soldiers effects, 19 Dec. 1917 - 8 Oct. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 17-18

Establishment, 18 Jan - 8 Nov. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 19-20

Registers of communications received and dispatched, 3 July 1918 - 21 Jan 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 1, file 21-22

Donation from Y.M.C.A. Nov. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 1

Honours and awards for chaplains, 12 Feb. - 13 Dec. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 2

Inspections, 14 Dec. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 3

Compassionate leave, 6 Nov. 1917 - 16 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 4

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Letter register, 28 July 1918 - 12 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 5

Disease and inoculation, 9 Oct. 1917 - 8 March 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 6

Return of coal miners to Canada, 31 Dec. 1918 - 11 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 7

Mobilization store table, Sept. 1916

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 8

Handing over of motor cars, 5 - 16 Jan 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 9

Nominal rolls, 31 July - 12 Aug. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 10

Officers' service, 9 Jan. - 31 July 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 11

Preparation of Pt II Orders

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 12

Organization, 13 Sept. 1918 - 18 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 13

Pay, pensions, separation allowance, Dec. 1917 - Aug. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 2, file 14-15

Regulations re promotions, 22 Sept. 1918 - 20 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 3, file 1

Rations and ordnance services, 1 Dec. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 3, file 2

Remounts, 9 - 14 June 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 3, file 3

Reorganization, Canadian labour units, 19 Jan. - 12 Sept. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 3, file 4

Sports, Aug. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 3, file 5

Loss of stores, 24 Sept. - 23 Dec. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 3, file 6

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Summary of strength returns, 15 March 1917 - 31 July 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 3, file 7

Trench shelters, 30 July - 4 Aug. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 3, file 8

Loss of 25 cases of whisky, 20 Dec. 1918 - 19 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4452, folder 3, file 9

Badges

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4450, folder 1, file 2

Canadian Records Office file re 2nd Canadian Infantry Works Battalion

RG 9 III-B-1, vol. 1087, file L-11-4

Canadian Records Office file

RG 9 III-B-1, vol. 1087, file L-13-4

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3rd Canadian Infantry Works Companies

Background Information

Organized in September 1918 from the 1st Canadian Infantry Works Battalion.

Commanded by Captain W. J. Chandler.

Employed mainly in road construction under the supervision of road construction companies of the Royal Engineers.

Demobilized at Etaples in May 1919.

See also 1st Canadian Labour Battalion.

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War diary, 14 Sept. 1918 - 15 May 1919

RG 9 III-D-3, vol. 5008, folder 710

Historical record

RG 9 III-D-1, vol. 4709, folder 93, file 23

Demobilization

RG 24, vol. 1976, file HQ 683-1028-1

Badges

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4450, folder 1, file 2

Canadian Records Office file re 1st Canadian Infantry Works Battalion

RG 9 III-B-1, vol. 1087, file L-11-4

Canadian Records Office file

RG 9 III-B-1, vol. 1087, file L-14-4

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4th Canadian Infantry Works Companies

Background Information

Organized in September 1918 from the 2nd Canadian Infantry Works Battalion.

Commanded by Captain S. Jennings.

Worked on road construction under the supervision of road construction companies of the Royal Engineers and on light railways under the supervision of the 1st and 2nd Canadian Tramways Companies.

Demobilized at Aubin in Vaast in January 1919.

See also 4th Canadian Labour Battalion.

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War diary, 14 Sept. 1918 - 31 Jan 1919

RG 9 III-D-3, vol. 5008, folder 710

Historical record

RG 9 III-D-1, vol. 4709, folder 93, file 24

Badges

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4450, folder 1, file 2

Disposal of casualties, Dec. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4453, folder 1, file 1

Supervision of labour, 12 July - 7 Oct. 1918

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4453, folder 1, file 2

Officers' postings, 28 Sept. 1918 - 2 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4453, folder 1, file 3

Daily orders, Pt. II, 14 Sept. 1918 - 27 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4453, folder 1, file 4

Separation allowance, 30 Oct. 1918 - 21 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4453, folder 1, file 5

Correspondence re personnel, 4 Oct. 1918 - 4 Feb. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4453, folder 1, file 6

Distribution of reinforcements, 10 Nov. 1918 - 16 Jan. 1919

RG 9 III-C-6, vol. 4453, folder 1, file 7

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Canadian Records Office file re 2nd Canadian Infantry Works Battalion

RG 9 III-B-1, vol. 1087, file L-11-4

Canadian Records Office file

RG 9 III-B-1, vol. 1087, file L-15-4