

In replying please

refer to Record No. 19.7175 Prisoners.

*Paul Freeman*



*Home Secretary's Office.*

*Brisbane* 18th July, 1919.

M.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 12th instant, I have the honour, by direction, to inform you that Paul Freeman was charged with a breach of Regulation 9 (4) "War Precautions Alien Registration Act, 1916".

Yours obediently,

Under Secretary.

G.F.Brault, Esq.,  
Honorary Secretary,  
Samford W.P.O.,  
SAMFORD.

*Prisoners*

*Paul Freeman.*

19-7175.

17 JUL 1919

Samford  
12-7-19

To the Home Secretary

Hon. Mr. F. Huxham

Dear Sir

I was instructed  
to write to you by the members of the  
Samford Workers Political Organisation,  
and to ask you to tell us of what crime  
is Paul Freeman accused of, who laid  
the charge against him, and for what  
reason was he deported from one  
country to another. Will you grant  
this organisation an early reply.

I am  
Sir

*Infirm and similar  
terms to be  
T. Campbell*

Yours truly

G. F. Brault  
Hon. Sec.  
Samford W.P.O.  
12-7-19

*Wd  
17/7/19*



In replying please

refer to Record No. 19.7175  
Prisoners.



*Home Secretary's Office.*

*Brisbane* 1st July, 1919.

W.

Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 20th ultimo,  
I have the honour, by direction, to inform you that  
Paul Freeman was charged with a breach of Regulation 9  
(4) "War Precautions Alien Registration Act, 1916".

Yours obediently,

Under Secretary.

T. Campbell Esq.,  
Honorary Secretary,  
Oxley Workers Political Organization,  
Darra Sub-Branch,  
D A R R A.

*Prisoners*

*Paul Freeman.*

"HOME" PREVIOUS.  
19-816.



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Jules W.P.O.  
Dava Sub-Branch  
20<sup>th</sup> June 1919

Hon J. Hincham M.L.A.  
Home Secretary  
Brisbane

*Alone according to*

*20/6/19*  
I am directed by the above W.P.O. Sub-Branch to enquire of you on what charge Paul Freeman was arrested by the State Police.

Yours faithfully  
T. Campbell  
Hon. Sec. Dava W.P.O.

*Inform*

*wd*  
*22/6/19*



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19. 816

Paul, Freeman



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Chief Secretary's Office,

Brisbane, 11th February, 1919.

The Honble. J. Huxham, M.L.A.,  
Home Secretary,  
BRISBANE.

Dear Mr. Huxham,

I return herewith papers in connection with the deportation of Paul Freeman, and regret that in consequence of my hurried departure from Melbourne I was unable to see the Federal authorities in connection with the matter.

Yours faithfully,

*Edward G. Staddon*

Acting Premier.

Enc.



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rue  
No. 19  
FREE MAN  
15226  
OFFICE SECRETARY'S OFFICE  
JAN 21 1919

Queensland  
Concurry District  
Concurry Station  
11<sup>th</sup> Jan'y. 1919

Commissioner of Police,  
Brisbane.  
For your information.

The letter written by Paul Freeman to James Hogan  
Kureadala

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I beg to report the attached letter was handed to me by the watch house keeper here (Const Stonebridge) who got it from a prisoner named Paul Freeman, now Con. fined in Concurry lockup. Enroute to Brisbane, by order of Military Authorities

W A Sidden  
Serg. 368.

Sub Insp. Phil  
Bloucairey }

Sent to the Standard,  
on request over,  
11/10/19  
21.1.19



Police Station,  
Cloncurry,  
Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1919.

Mr. James Hogan,  
Kuridala,

Dear Jim: -

Was arrested for deportation  
at 11 P.M., 8<sup>th</sup> of Jan. in my camp, brought  
to Cloncurry and tomorrow morning  
will be taken direct to Brisbane from  
where they will send me most likely to  
the U.S.A.

In view of the above I would be  
very much obliged if you'd send Three  
Pounds Eight Shillings due me to George  
Cook who will forward the money to  
me in due time. Am constrained to  
confess of being unusually short of cash,  
which I will sorely need.

Please convey my best regards to  
Miss Hogan.

Regret my inability of bidding  
you good by personally but I suppose  
it can't be helped.

Wishing you <sup>all that is</sup> best in this world  
and hoping of corresponding with you some time  
in future,  
I am,

Yours for The Revolution,  
Paul Freeman.



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15226,

15th January, 1919

MEMORANDUM

Inspector Carroll.

DEPOT.

You are advised that Paul Freeman who was arrested at Dobbins on the 8th instant left Clonserry to-day under escort, en route for Brisbane. Have the prisoner met on arrival in Brisbane and escorted to the Victoria Barracks for deportation.

  
Commissioner.

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# TELEGRAM.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Charges to Pay—Message.....

Postmaster-General's Department,

Porterage.....

E.T. No. 2.  
B.774/4.18.—C.5019.

No. 606

Commissioner

Police

Brisbane

This message has been received  
subject to the Post and Telegraph  
Act and Regulations.

All complaints to be addressed  
in writing to the Deputy Post-  
master-General.

DATE STAMP.



STATION FROM.

No. OF WORDS.

CHECK.

TIME LODGED.

REMARKS.

Cloncurry 22 1;3 10 30am 2 12p0

Your wire third instant Freeman arrested  
Dobbyn eighth instant left here under escort  
this morning en route Brisbane

Carmody



15 JAN 1919

POLICE PREVIOUS  
Blone  
15/1/19

TIME RECEIVED.

Adv. Dept.

Ry 15/4/19

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15/1/19



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852

11th January, 1919.

The Commissioner of Police,  
BRISBANE.

Dear Sir,

re PAUL FREEMAN.  
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Adverting to my 66/5/852 of the 31st  
December, I attach a copy of wire received from  
Johnson, Solicitor, Cloncurry, and also copy of  
my wired reply.

Yours faithfully,

*Asking that Freeman be  
allowed to remain in custody at  
Cloncurry for 14 days to realise some  
property.. — 4 days allowed*

*Cy* Captain,  
Intelligence Section, General Staff.

*A* INSPECTOR  
NOTE AND RETURN.

*Larmody.*  
*Don,*  
*11/1/19*  
*[Signature]*

AWAY



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Sub-Inspector Carnody,

CLONCURRY.

Your B.C. ninth November last re Paul Freeman Military Authorities  
desire arrest this man and his conveyance Victoria Barracks Brisbane  
for deportation. Take action accordingly and wire me date his  
departure for Brisbane.

URQUHART

Commr. of Police.

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1ST MILITARY DISTRICT.		
66	5	852

COMMONWEALTH MILITARY FORCES,

1ST MILITARY DISTRICT.

TELEPHONE No. 4220.

Please Address Reply  
to "Head-quarters,  
1st Military District."



HEAD-QUARTERS,

Brisbane, 31st December, 1918.

To

POLICE PREVIOUS  
Comm  
18/11/18

The Commissioner of Police,  
BRISBANE.

re PAUL FREEMAN.  
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Dear Sir,

Adverting to my communication 66/5/852 of 26th October, in connection with the abovementioned subject, who is at present residing at Dobbyn, via Cloncurry, I have received instructions from Central Administration to have Freeman arrested.

I should be pleased if you would have this done and convey him to Victoria Barracks. Deportation Order is held at this Office.

Captain,  
Intelligence Section, General Staff.

Wire to D. Cannon ready.

3/1/19  
Accd 3/1/19  
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Cloncurry District  
Cloncurry Station  
10th November 1918.

Relative to:- Nationality, Loyalty,  
General Attitude and Occupation of a  
man named PAUL FREEMAN, referred to in  
the attached letter from the Military  
Authorities Brisbane.

C. Police

Sir,

I beg to report having made  
careful inquiries in reference to PAUL  
FREEMAN of Dobbyn, referred to in the  
attached letter from the Military  
Authorities Brisbane.

This man Paul Freeman claims to  
be an American by birth, and states he  
was born at Mount Vernon, United States  
of America, and from which place he  
states he came to Australia about 9  
years ago. He was registered under the  
"War Precautions (Alien's Registration  
Regulations) at Broken Hill, New South  
Wales on the 27th October 1916, as an  
American Alien. When questioned by me  
he stated he was never born in Germany,  
but born in America as stated, of German  
Parentage. Further in reply to me he  
states he can produce evidence of his  
Nationality, but declines to do so.

This man Freeman usually follows  
the occupation as a Miner, and is at  
present engaged working a small copper  
show, i.e. (mining for copper ore) for  
himself about 10 miles from Dobbyn, but  
in reality he is a member of the Indust-  
rial Workers of the World.

Twisted statements  
attached from J.R. Thompson  
W. Bonway both of  
Dobbyn & they verify  
expressions used by  
Freeman. From  
inquiries made I might  
mention that Freeman is a

*disloyal subject*

*Disloyal subject*

*1st Military Division*

*In your information*

*Very truly yours*

*9/11/18*

AWAY



Agitator, and Organiser for that Organisation for Dobbyn and the surrounding districts, but no direct evidence can be obtained against him as such. He has up to a few months ago addressed Meetings at Dobbyn on the principles of the I.W.W. and its doctrine, and carried on its propaganda, and he is not only regarded by the majority of the respectable residents of Dobbyn and the surrounding districts, as being a very disloyal person, but also as a very dangerous man capable of doing anything, and with little or no respect for Police, State or Commonwealth Laws. He is also looked upon as being the leader of the I.W.W. at Dobbyn, at which place the element of such and its sympathisers are very strong.

In reference to the words referred to in the attached letter alleged used by him, I find that Freeman made use of these words, in addition to many other disloyal utterances, at a Meeting addressed by him at Dobbyn about 5 or 6 months ago in the presence of about 30 or 40 persons, and I attach two (2) statements to this effect confirming the words referred to in the attached letter. I may state that in the course of my investigations I carefully interviewed many other respectable persons who stated also that Freeman made use of these words, but they do not desire to give statements to this effect as they regard him as being such a dangerous man that in the event of any publicity being taken by them in the matter, he or his followers may do them some bodily injury, if not perhaps to their property or their respective businesses, but on the other hand they are only too ready to assist the Police or the Military Authorities.

I personally interviewed Freeman regarding his Naturalization and he states he was never naturalized, and has no intention of doing so. Though Freeman states he is an American by birth, I am strongly of the opinion that he is of pure German birth, as he has a very strong



German accent, and has the appearance of one, by his countenance, features etc, and is openly beleived about here to be such.

From the result of my inquires I find that the general attitude of this man Freeman, ever since he came to this district about 18 months ago that he has been responsible for a great many Industrial troubles in the mines about here, and amongst the miners employed in the mines, as he has a very strong influence over them, and in my opinion, and personal knowledge of him, I consider him a very disloyal person, and a very dangerous man, and in the event of any steps being taken to have him removed or arrested it would be necessary to have at least 2 or 3 Police to carry out his removal from Dobbyn where he now resides.

*L. Baker*  
Acting Sergeant 1772.



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26th October, 1918.

The Commissioner of Police,

BRISBANE.

Dear Sir,

I should be pleased if you would cause a full report to be furnished to this Department concerning the nationality, loyalty, general attitude, and occupation of one FREEMAN, residing at Dobbyn, via Cloncurry. It should also be stated whether he is naturalised or not.

Freeman is stated to have made the following remark - "That any man who put on uniform to fight was lower than a dog".

It is requested that this statement be verified and a report submitted regarding same.

Yours faithfully,

18/40729  
INSPECTOR, *Carmody*  
FOR INQUIRY AND REPORT.

(Signed) C. WOOD, Captain,  
Intelligence Section, General Staff.

OCT 28 1918

AWAY



QUEENSLAND POLICE

In your reply please refer to

No. 122

Sub-Inspector's Office,



**NOTED.**

4 - JUL 1918

THE COMMANDANT,  
1ST MILITARY DISTRICT,  
Forwarded for your information.  
PLEASE RETURN.

*E. J. G. G. G.*  
Commissioner of Police.

4 - JUL 1918



Commissioner of Police

Extracts taken & file returned  
herewith.

*C. Wood* Captain.  
Int. Sec. General Staff.



I have the honour to report in Compliance with your Memorandum No. 15226.9th May last that the American Alien Paul Freeman Reg No,33, Broken Hill, appeared before W. Ferguson Esq P.M. at Cloncurry Police Court on the 14th instant for breach of Regulation 9(4) Of the Alien Registration Regulations 1916, and was fined 10/ and 3/6 Costs, the fine and costs were paid.

Ministers Warrant, your correspondence and conviction cards herewith.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

*M. J. Casbury*  
Sub Inspector

The Commissioner Of Police

Brisbane



QUEENSLAND POLICE

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In your reply please refer to

No. 122/18

Sub-Inspector's Office,

Cloncurry 20th March 1918



Sir,-

Re your attached B/C of 7th January last on papers bearing your Ref. No. 1376. M. anent paul Freeman, American Alien, Reg. No. 33, Broken Hill not giving notice of his intention to change his abode at Cobar, N.S. Wales. I have the honor to report that Freeman stated he left Cobar in June 1917, therefore it was not necessary for him to give notice at Cobar of his intention to change his abode but he has committed a breach of the Regulation by not reporting to the Police at Oona on his arrival at Dobbin.

Attached are "C" forms in duplicate of change of abode from Cobar to Dobbin via Oona. Please cause the original papers to be forwarded for filing at Oona.

Detail statement of Freeman's movements since leaving Cobar also attached.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

*M. J. Connolly*  
Sub-Inspector.

The,

Commissioner of Police,

Brisbane.

*Ask for forms*

APR 5 - 1918

*Accdly 5/4/18*

*Produce  
ill  
to*

*5/4/18*

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==== STATEMENT =====  
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PAUL FREEMAN states I am an American alien and I am registered under the War Precautions (Aliens Registration) Regulations 1916 certificate No. 33 Broken Hill. I changed my place of abode from Broken Hill to Cobar. It was sometime in June last that I left Cobar on a Motor Bicycle for Burke, then on to Barroongum, then to Cunnamulla, Queensland arriving there sometime in July 1917. I left Cunnamulla for Brisbane by train and stayed in Brisbane about a week waiting for a boat. I went from Brisbane to Townsville by boat then on to Cloncurry by train where I stayed for a few days and then went to Dobbin where I worked in the Mine for about a month. I then went out bush from Dobbin copper gouging and have been out gouging there ever since.

I was not aware that I had to give notice to the Police when I changed my abode until recently. I was not trying to give trouble or evade the regulations and I am sorry that this trouble has occurred. I will be more careful in the future and I will report to the Police if I should leave my present place of abode

P. Freeman.

Witness.

Cornelius Regan

Constable No. 1678.





*Office of Commissioner of Police.*

Ref. No. 15226.



MEMORANDUM.



8th April, 1918.

The Inspector General of Police,  
SYDNEY.

With reference to your B/C of the 1st January last on the attached papers I should be glad if you would kindly furnish me with all Registration Forms held by you for the American Alien, Paul Freeman, who recently changed his place of abode from Harcourt Street, Cobar, New South Wales, to Dobbin, Via Oona, North Queensland. This Alien registered at Bagot and Cobolt Streets, Broken Hill, the number of his certificate being 33, and he states that he left Cobar in June 1917 and that, therefore, it was not necessary for him to give notice of his intention of changing his abode. He has committed a breach of the Regulations by not reporting to the Police at Oona and I am taking steps to prosecute him therefor.

Please cause Station copy of this alien's registration forms which are filed at Cobar to be attached.

JAMES MITCHELL  
Inspector General of Police  
11.4.18 per *[Signature]*

The Superintendent of Police,  
Bourke.

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner of Police.



For attention.

*A Murray*

Superintendent of Police,  
Bourke, 17th. Apr., 1918.

Sergeant Osborne,  
Cobar.



Police Station Cobar.  
21st. April 1918.

I beg to forward herewith the Station  
copy of the within named alien which  
is filed at this Station.

*Alfred J Osborne*

Sergeant Third Class.

The Superintendent of Police.  
Bourke.



The Inspector General of Police,  
Sydney.

Forwarded with all registration  
forms of this alien as desired.

JAMES MITCHELL  
Inspector General of Police.  
Sydney 27.4.18 per *L*

The Commissioner of Police,  
Brisbane.

*Registration forms detached  
for transmission to Sydney.  
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7/5/19*



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10. DISTRICT INSPECTOR'S OFFICE, CLONCURRY. 19 JAN 1918 122

DEPARTMENT OF RECORDS, SYDNEY N.S.W. - 2 JAN 1918

INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, SYDNEY

INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, QUEENSLAND

Forwarded for your information. Perhaps some inquiries might be made with a view of ascertaining whether this alien has gone to Queensland. If he is located, it will be noted that he did not give the necessary notice of intention to change his abode.

*Janet King*

I.G. Police. *DM*

The Commissioner of Police.  
BRISBANE.

*Sy* INSPECTOR, *King*  
FOR INQUIRY AND REPORT.

JAN 7 - 1918

Sergeant Fadden.  
Cloncurry.  
For inquiry and report.

19/1/18. Sub-Inspector.

*Conet Knowles.*  
*For inquiry report*  
*W. Fadden*  
*Serq.*  
*19.1.18*





Police Department,  
Superintendent's Office,  
Broken Hill District,  
Broken Hill, 25th. October, 1917.

PAUL FREEMAN, REGISTERED ALIEN.

In my report of 23rd. Instant, No. 17/1818 I stated that Paul Freeman had left here but had evidently not reported his change of abode as his papers had not been applied for. I find this is incorrect that Freeman was transferred to Cobar on 26th. April last. An entry to that effect was not made in the Register and owing to the absence through illness of the Alien Registration Officer (Sergeant Dimond) I concluded Freeman's papers had not been called for.

Those to whom Freeman was known here are aware of his present whereabouts. *not here*



*Miller*  
Acting Superintendent.

The Inspector General of Police,  
SYDNEY.

Forwarded for report. No previous papers have been received here.



I.G. Police,  
1.11.1917.

The Supt. of Police,  
Bourke.

For report. No notice of Change of Abode of this alien has passed through this office.

*A. J. Murray*  
Superintendent of Police,  
Bourke 4th. Novr., 1917.

Sergeant Osborne,  
Cobar.

I beg to report that Paul Freeman reported at this Office as having changed his place of abode from Broken Hill to Cobar. on the 12th. April last. On the same date I forwarded his notice of change of abode together with alien Frederick Hendersons to the Superintendents Office. I have not seen Freeman for some time but so far as I knew he has not left the District. If he has done so he has not reported to the Police as his papers are still at this Station. A careful record of aliens are kept at this Station, and notices of change of abode are carefully recorded, both in the file and in the correspondence book. Freemans papers are held here pending inquiries being made as to his whereabouts as it would appear from Superintendent Millers report that he is not in Cobar, or about this district.

The Superintendent of Police.  
Bourke.

*Alfred J. Osborne*  
Sergeant 3/c. Cobar. 6/II/I7.



Forwarded. There is no record of any of the papers referred to by Sergeant Osborne having been received here.



*A. Maynard*  
Superintendent of Police,  
Bourke, 9th. Novr., 1917.

The Inspector General of Police  
Sydney.

Forwarded for information. Has anything further been heard of Freeman?



Forwarded for further report.

*In*  
I.G. Police, *Dir*  
10.12.1917.

*In*  
I.G. Police, *Dir*  
14.11.1917.

The Acting Supt. of Police,  
Broken Hill.

The Supt. of Police,  
Bourke.



Has anything further been heard of Freeman at Cobar?

Referred for attention and report.

*A. Maynard*  
Superintendent of Police  
Bourke, 14th. Dec., 1917

Acting Superintendent,  
Broken Hill, 24/11/1917.

Sergeant Osborne,  
Cobar.

Sergeant 1st. Class Dimond,  
Broken Hill.

Police Station,  
Broken Hill, 1st Decr. 1917.

Police Station Cobar.  
21st. December 1917.

I beg to report that Paul Freeman has not returned to Broken Hill, and his present whereabouts cannot be ascertained. In conversation with him prior to him going to Cobar he informed that he had an idea of going to Cloncurry, Queensland.

I beg to report that I have made every inquiry about the Cobar District but no information can be obtained here as to the whereabouts of Freeman. He is said to be a mate of a man named Linol Dare a Member of the I.W.W. Organization who left Cobar some months ago after he was prosecuted and it is thought that he went to Queensland with him.

*William J. Dimond*  
Sergeant 1st Class.

The Acting Superintendent of Police,  
Broken Hill.

*Alfred J. Dimond*  
Sergeant 3/c. Cobar.  
21/12/17.

Forwarded.

*In*  
The Superintendent of Police,  
Bourke.

Forwarded.

*In*  
Acting Superintendent,  
Broken Hill, 3/12/1917.

The Inspector-General of Police,  
S Y D N E Y.

*A. Maynard*  
Superintendent of Police,  
Bourke, 26th. Dec., 1917.

The Inspector General of Police,  
Sydney.