

Bass

Three Tommies (The Burning Question)

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ThreeTom-mies sat in the trench one day dis - cus-ing the war in the us-ual way They

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talked of the mud and theytalked of the Hun of what was to do and what had been done__

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They talked ab-out rum, and though it tis hard to be-lieve they

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ev - ven found time to talk a-bout leave, but the point which they ar-gued from

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post back to pil lar__ was whe-ther Notts coun-ty could beat As-ton Vil-la

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The night sped a-way and ze - ro drew night, E - quip-ment made rea - dy, all

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lips get-ting dry, and watch - es con-sul - ted with each pass-ing min-ute till

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five more to go, then t'would find them all in it_____ find them all

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in it__ The word came a-long down the line to "get rea - dy!"The ser-geants ad-mon-i-shing

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all to keep stea-dy. But out rang a voice gett-ingshrill-er and shrill er__

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41 **B**

The earth shook and swayed and the ba-rage was on as they leapt 'oerthe top with a

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rush and were gone A - way in - to Hun - land, through mud and through wire,

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stab-ing and drag-ging them selves through the Mire_____ Through mud and through

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wire. No time to heed those fall - en on route till, stopped by a strong point they

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lay down to shoot, Then through the din came a voice:

61 **C**

The strong point has gone and for-wards they press to-wards their ob-ject-ive in

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staggered breathing here please --

num-bers grow-ing less, They reach it at last, and pre-pare to re-sist the

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coun-ter a-ttack which will come through the mist_____ through the mist_____ of the

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rain fall-ing stead-i_____ ly: Dig and hang on. The word for su-port back to H. Q. has gone The

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air charged with mo-ment grows still - er and still-er -

81 **D**

Two"Bligh ties a stru-ggle through the mud to get back to the old A. D. S. down a

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rough duck board track, a has-ty field dress-ing, a ride in a car, a wait in a C. C. S. then

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there we__ are_____ and here we__ are packed side by side in a

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clean Red Cross train, Ha-ppy in hopes to see Bligh-ty a gain, Still through the band-age muff -

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Five Tom-mies sat in the trench one day dis

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cus-sing the war in the us - ual way They talked of the mud and they talked of the Hun of

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what was to do and what had been done_____

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point which they argu - ed

ov - er

and ov - er

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whe - ther

Mine - head

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could beat

Bris - tol

Ro - vers