

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

DIVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

25th June 1915.

TO STAFF OFFICERS, BRIGADIERS, BATTALION COMMANDERS, F.A. BRIGADE  
COMMANDERS, and DIVISIONAL AND UNIT COMMANDERS.

- (1). It has been suggested that some steps should be taken early to perpetuate the memory of the late G.O.C First Australian Division, Major General Sir W.T. Bridges, K.C.B.
- (2). It will be readily understood that to call officers together to discuss in a preliminary way, the proposal and to appoint a Committee Etc., as is the usual practice in a case like this, would under the existing circumstances be impracticable.
- (3). It is thought therefore that the following proposal will be readily concurred in by all concerned, viz:  
That three officers be constituted a Committee to consider and to submit their opinion as to:-
  - (a). Whether it is desirable to take action as suggested in Para (1).
  - (b). What form the memorial should take.

In this proposal the G.O.C. Division concurs.

It is proposed that the Committee shall consist of  
Col. The Hon. J.W. McCay. V.D. O.C. 2nd Bde.  
Lt-Col G.J. Johnston O.C. F.A. Bde.  
Lt-Col C.H. Foott. D.A.Q.M.G.

The G.O.C. feels sure that the selection made will meet with the approval of all concerned.

J.K. Forsyth.  
Lieut-Col.  
A.A. and Q.M.G.

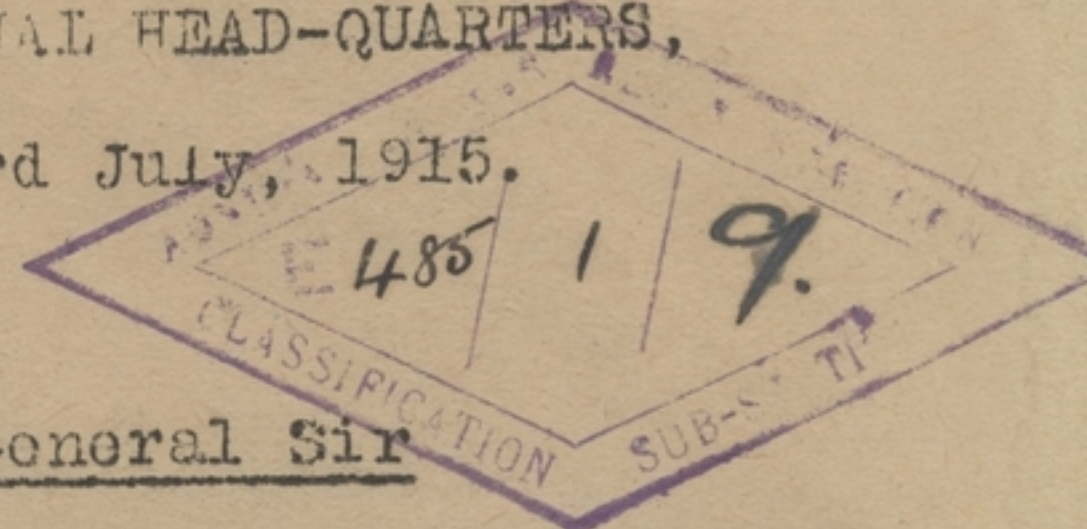


1st AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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DIVISIONAL HEAD-QUARTERS,

ANZAC COVE, 3rd July, 1915.



MEMORANDUM TO

All Commanding Officers.

Memorial to the late Major-General Sir

W.T. Bridges, K.C.B.

1. The Committee named in the previous Circular (dated 25th June) on the above subject, met on 29th June, and after a full discussion decided -

(i) That it is fitting that the Division should mark its respect and esteem for its first G.O.C., by erecting a monument over his grave, a tribute due from soldiers to their fellow soldier and late commander.

(ii) That for this purpose all Officers of the Division, with a right to officers of the 1st L.H. Brigade to join in if they desire, might be asked to contribute half a day's pay.

(iii) That the money so obtained be expended in the erection of a suitably inscribed monument over the grave of Major-General <sup>Sir</sup> W.T. Bridges.

(iv) That the design, lettering and manufacturing of the monument be all carried out in Australia, if practicable, and the monument be then shipped to Alexandria for erection.

2. The General Officer Commanding concurs in the foregoing decisions of the Committee.

3. With a view to carrying the decisions into effect the enclosed authorities to deduct pay are forwarded, in order that such of your officers as may desire to contribute on the basis above laid down, viz :- half a day's pay of their present rank, may do so. It is to be noted that "a day's pay" includes deferred pay but does not include field allowance.

4. In order to facilitate matters, the lists are prepared by ranks; when completed, will you kindly forward them to the D.A.Q.M.G., at Divisional Head-quarters.

CH Foot

Lieut-Colonel,  
D. A. Q.M. G.

W.A.

2/8/19.



Corner Ornaments  
Raised Above border

Cross Raised  
Polished Surface

Shaded portion Engraved deeply  
on solid  $\frac{1}{2}$ " Bronze

Ribbon Raised  $\frac{1}{4}$ "  
Letters Engraved Deeply

Black Enamelled  
bottom

Letters Raised  $\frac{5}{16}$ "  
Surface polished

Letters Engraved  
deeply on raised  
panel.

Bottom of Letters  
Enamelled Black

2' 6"



MAJOR-GENERAL SIR WILLIAM THROSBY BRIDGES  
K. C. B., C. M. G.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES  
BORN 18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 1861  
DIED OF WOUNDS GALLIPOLI 18<sup>th</sup> MAY 1915

CHIEF OF INTELLIGENCE, 1905-1908  
CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF 1909  
COMMANDANT, ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE, 1910-1914, INSPECTOR GENERAL, 1914  
COMMANDER 1<sup>ST</sup> DIVISION, AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE, 1914-1915

ERECTED BY MEMBERS OF 1<sup>ST</sup> AUSTRALIAN DIVISION AND OLD COMRADES