

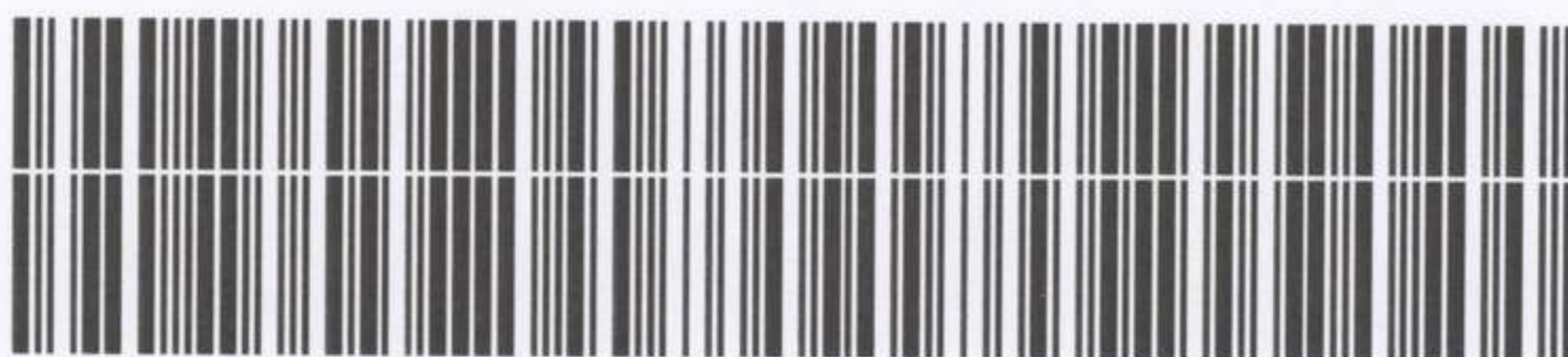
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ROUEN	1.5.16.		A.D.T. inspected personnel and vehicles. To inspect Ambulances and personnel tomorrow.	
ABBEVILLE	2.5.16.		Supply Column with workshop and store extra left at 6.35 a.m. An excellent run to ABBEVILLE at 4.30 p.m. Reported A.D.T. Camp Commandant. To Rest Camp: parked outside town on main road.	
MORBECQUE	3.		Away at 8 o'clock Halted 1 o'clock at St.Pol. Reached MORBECQUE at 5.30 p.m. Reported H.Q.'s ANZAC Corps, also H.Q.'s Div.	
	4.		Sent Signal D.D. of S.T. IInd Army Informing of arrival yesty. aftn.	
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MORBECQUE	4 -		<p>To HAZEBROEK garage Railhead: saw P.S.O and S.S.O; N.Z. Div. arranged to dump all loads in commodities and reload for the Formations: This was done. The Column split into 4 sections, 1 for each formation: 1 formation dumped in MORBECQUE: one to DOULIEU - 1 to ESTAIRES and 1 to: The section under NCO did not return till 10.30 p.m. having lost its way.</p>	
"	5.		<p>Column to Railhead, HAZEBROEK GARAGE at 8.45, arriving 9.0. loaded 41 lorries with supplies: 2nd train being late did not finish at Railhead till 10.0. Loaded 6 lorries full of coal, dumping one at M-. having 5 full, and so 46 lorries loaded with supplies for formations: rendering Column immobile accordingly: having had to dump spares: 3 lorries under repair: FAW sent in a Ford a Deary for repair: Painted bonnet covers with numbers: Lorry out with tents to NEUF BERQUIN at 4 p.m. back 9.30. Noticed 200 yards of road - shot cut MORBEC - LA MOTTE. 1/4 mile out of M- badly cut up by lorries. To Corps H.Q. to speak re: mobility of Column.</p>	

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MORBECCQUE	6.5.16	8.9 a.m.	<p>Convoys for 2nd and 3rd Brigades and Div^l Troops went off at 4 & 5 a.m. to their dumps. at 7.35 Lt L.T. Culverwell telephoned from ESTAIRES that he had been ordered to detach 4 lorries for special duty by O.C. Divisional Train. ordered him back at once and reported to S.A.A. Q.M.G. Corps. later took O.C. Divisional Train's letter of instructions to Corps HQs - to Col Gibbs: relation position of Column to be straightened out. 7 loads of coal off loaded & dumped today. Train delay at Southhead due to lateness of 2nd train caused some delay: otherwise work expeditious.</p> <p>visited N.Z. Div Field Cashier at ESTAIRES, but as the frame has gone down to c since he got his cash unable to procure pay.</p> <p>visited S.D. of S.T. - II Army.</p>	
"	7.5.16 (Sun)		<p>Convoys off for 2nd & 3rd Brigades & Div^l Troops at 4 a.m. & 5 a.m.: back to Southhead.</p> <p>2 lorries detailed to BLARINGHEM at 7.30 for duty. S.S.O authority.</p> <p>4 lorries " for coal 11 a.m. to HAZEBROOK garage. S.S.O authority.</p> <p>All lorries loaded in 1 hour except 6. had to wait for train nearly 2 hours.</p> <p>Informed N.Q.M.G. of the delay.</p> <p>Voluntary church parade - 6.30 p.m.</p>	
"	8.5.16		<p>Convoys - A Sect to BLARINGHEM. B. dumps MORBECCQUE. N. B. J. D. C. & D. to ESTAIRES and DOULIEU. at 5 a.m. & 4 a.m. respecty.</p>	

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MORBECQUE	9.5.16		<p>To D.D.S.T. II^d Army ref strength of PAWB Workshops now part of Sup. Col: no m/cycles on the strength. to draw 2 m/cycles for replacement.</p> <p>Daimler Car. Divisional - in for new top leaf spring.</p> <p>7 m/cycles drawn for Capt To Sup Col for Ranthead - despatched by Pay to NEUF BERQUIN to OC. CTSE.</p> <p>- 4 lorries detailed for coal again today</p> <p>- Informed at Army HQs that 2 lorries are to be taken away at once - v establishment reduced to 60</p> <p>- 9 ROs copied at HQs by Capt Sims.</p>	
	9.5.16		<p>To 2nd Corps Field Cashier to obtain 5000 frs (MIEPPE).</p> <p>- ANZAC sending all Daimler Cars tomorrow to be examined by Workshop Officer. Austin car of CRA in for overhaul; in an exceedingly bad condition.</p> <p>- Return of officers sent to A Q M G - g HQ direct.</p> <p>- 30 Tons of coal to be shifted today. Ordnance lorries engaged on this.</p> <p>- New Route Map received from ANZAC.</p>	

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MORBECCQUE.	10/5/16.		<p>Supplies out in 3 sections, off at 5 a.m. & 5.30 a.m. To Railhead 9.30 a.m. 20 ton coal & 12 ton potatoes to shift</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To ANZAC HQ for conference re petrol consumption and use of lorries. O.C. Corps Park to be O.C. MT. Corps - generally, with regard to requisition for spare vehicles. Petrol ledger to be started at once. Home leafs for petrol received and journey done to be issued at once with log books to all vehicles and entered daily - journeys - mileage reckoned and entered at end of week by sectional officers. - 2Lt Carter & 2Lt CT Culverwell sick. - Saw AQMG: ANZAC about water cart: one will be supplied. - Wrote CRE re bad water in well of School MORBECCQUE and asked for field latrine. - Issued order to boil all water for drinking. - CRA's Austin out after temp repair: Reported AQMG the bad condition of Divisional Cars. - Div Train Wolsey in for overhaul: Did Damsler 20 hp in for inspection of spring: also by Damsler: Finished pay: sent in final Quittance Roll. 	

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MORBETQUE	11/5/16		<p>Cd Commr Dist Train's car undergoing complete overhaul. Hope to have ready Sunday night; wired so according to his enquiry.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thomas for coal today. - Pte Bares J.W. loader. 140 0140. under arrest. arrested by APM. ANZAC Corp. for drunk - being in LA MOTTE village without a pass; has fired 4 cartridges. wrote APM asking whether he should be examined for insanity. before charging him. APM concurred. This will be done ^{tomorrow} the mg. MO's report to come before he is charged. - Recd control maps (2). - Started Company Canteen. - Sgt C. Culverwell still in bed. Sgt BA Carter. & ready still. - 2 boxes handed over to II Army Troop Sup Col: Sgt Henderson accompanying. notified Corp HQ. - With Lt Barrett to Div HQ. - got list of all cars: pointed out the need for falling into the order to send in all cars fortnightly for 24 hours. - Siddleey Deasy F.A. No 24165. in: having been tampered with by enemy. Pte Griffiths P.R. D.M. 075188. Reported APM Corp for advice as to dealing with. 	

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MORBECQUE.	13/5		<p>Division moving. To form another transport section for dump at PONT DE NIEPPE near ARMENTIERES tomorrow.</p> <p>2 Lt BA Carter and Lt CT Culverwell (in Gazette 10th as Lt) still away sick.</p> <p>- Pte Barros medically examined, stated to be sane: so had to punish him but reported he can't do it.</p> <p>- Corp'l Austin's case represented to St W for special leave - owing to its outersing and serious nature.</p> <p>- One lorry detailed (our lorry No 63. A 27006) to Improved Corps Troops Supply Column - at NEUF BERQUIN. transferred.</p>	
	13/5		<p>- Great shortage at Railhead: 12 lorries to CAESTAE to draw.</p> <p>- New Refilling Point - at PONT DE NIEPPE. 24 L.T. Culverwell off with convoy at 4 a.m. 9 lorries.</p> <p>- Sent first aid to ANZAC lorry ditched near SERCUS: had been pulled out by HT.</p> <p>- Pte Currie to No 12 C.C. Hospital. HAZEBROOK.</p> <p>- To CASSEL to A.D.T. to see to changing two motor cars for Division: arrived before the report, but cars will be changed at once.</p> <p>- Two lorries to be detailed to CRE. ARMENTIERES tomorrow. A 27011. Pte Green W.S. m2/127257. and Pte Aidgadd R.C. m2/136501. and A 27034. Pte Gilbert J.T.B. m2/187027 and Pte Wright W. m2/152090.</p> <p>- A lorry with officers kit for NZ Rifles to DOULIEU: repeated 9 p.m. Returns all in to HQ ANZAC. 4.30 p.m.</p> <p>Corp'l Austin granted 2 days leave: to go home.</p>	

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MORBEQUE	14/5/16		<p>Convoy off at 4 & 5: to PONT DE NIEPPE: loading in 5 trucks. To Div HQ re changing 2 Austin cars: authority of DD S&T given: on to ARMENTIERES to CRE. to see & arrange about exchanging the lorries with C.R.E. truck, and also to PONT DE NIEPPE to arrange for workshop position: settled on BRASSERIE CHIEUS ERNOOT - maps 36A 23. B. 2. 2: Wrote Corps HQ about. - Wrote all 7 Ambulance, to indent for their MT & MIV stores thro' us. - Applied DD of S&T for two lorries to complete Establishment. Sanitary Section and Signal Coy.</p>	
	15/5/16		<p>Report about disturbance caused by NZ Red Cross men at Cafe au Casino: M Georges Prieu Belgian interpreter reported: wrote full report to A&MG, ANZAC. - Applied for long Div HQ Electric Lighting. - Wrote S.S.O. and ADVS ref returning their cars for exchange. - Saw Major Butler. SADM ref latrine screens & RANC order attached. - Sent a lorry to STRAZELLE to load 2 Stokes guns to be taken at once to Bgd HQ in ARMENTIERES, which was done. - Sgt Akers reports Ambulance to be handed over to NZ drivers tomorrow: with A&MG.</p>	

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MOABECQUE	15/5/16		<p>Ambulance drivers Griffiths, Hooper deprived of pay 4 days & 1 day for disobeying orders in that they tampered with their engine.</p> <p>Delay in Convoys thro' lack of loaders: Had them all in & dressed them same. Loading at STEENBEQUE today: 17th Div also load there.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - M. Bonifant, interpreter, left for Div HQ. - Reported ADVJ in his car & in driveway absconding himself. 	
	16/5/16		<p>Convoys off to Tine.</p> <p>Li CT Culvermill back, to report a lorry badly ditched at turning just before reaching BAILLEUL: right over in field on its side: also another lorry badly ditched at or near NIERRE, not to see. Li Barret with breakdown party out at 10.30. Both lorries in by 6 p.m. undamaged: 5 different groups today.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drew 5000 frs - & paid out: Allocated parties of Supp^y Detail to Pomatoin. - Ambulance drivers report they are to be replaced by N.Z. drivers tomorrow. 	
	17/5/16		<p>Convoys off: 5 groups - first started 4.15: Loading rather delayed through lateness of a front: but all done by 11.10 a.m.</p>	
	18/5/16		<p>Changed two Divisional Austins for Simonsine Daimlers: got the Austin cars loaded on rail at CAESTRE before 12 o'cl: and took off the Daimlers from II Army Troops Sup. Co. BAUVINCHOYE before 2 p.m. Li Barret drove them and took them to ARMENTIERES.</p>	

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Same -	10/5/16.		<p>handing them over to CRA and \$50</p> <p>Convoy off 20 minutes late this morning, and two sections back & late from Pont de NIÉPPE owing to a breakdown and also the fact that one of the Supply Officers failed to turn up at the time due to a thick fog also hindered.</p> <p>A lorry to WARDREQUES for 52nd Bde - with kits.</p> <p>To Capt HQs - to look into matter of Refilling Points for a new Division. These were selected on map & proved v satisfactory on the road.</p> <p>A considerable demand for lorie.</p>	
	19/5/16.		<p>Convoy 7 lorries to CAESTRE at 5.30 a.m. to take fresh meat, bread & bacon to be changed for p meat, biscuit and M.V.</p> <p>2 Lorries with Ordnance stores off at 6 a.m. to PONT DE NIÉPPE</p> <p>2 Lorries up for Ordnance today. to DADOS.</p> <p>Trying to get right a damaged Thresh machine at STEENBEQUE Str for 1st Clearing Str. ESTAIRES: wheel badly seized</p> <p>All at work on lorries. Advanced workshop preparing for departure.</p> <p>At Baret - staff - Inspected Camp.</p>	
	25/5/16.		<p>At Baret & workshop - staff, 1 workshop & 1 store & 1 spare lorry & medic & side ca - & 1 medic - off at 2.30 a.m. to BRASSERIE L'ESPERANCE - D. CHIEUS ERAUT - at PONT DE NIÉPPE. arrived safely.</p>	

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MORBEQUE	21/5/16		<p>W. Collard and 61 Supply Detail to STEENWERCK - at 6 am: int'l ltr. & full equipment. Billeted them all in farm of M. SEQU. 36. A. 10. a. 6. 9.</p> <p>Reported ANZAC. Also obtained permission from ANZAC to billet in MORBEQUE.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sent for lorry for SANITARY SECTION and SIGNAL COMPANY & brought them in: to be examined prior to proceeding to ARMENTIERES tomorrow. They came with drivers & an PEERLESS as requested. - Changed the 2 RE lorry at ARMENTIERES for a week. - Major Hutchinson came and had a chat about PEERLESS lorry. 	
	22/5/16		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Started removing chains for cleaning & running through hot grease. - Started baths by STEENWERCK Stn. - 5 lorry for supply duties today: 41 loaded: 3 Company work. - running off oil from Base chambers. - To ANZAC HQ - to see to Refilling Point. - Pte Borres disappeared: reported to A.P.M.; reappeared - was arrested. 	
	22/5/16		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cleaning homes: inspected all personally for steering. - To O.O. ANZAC re procuring wood: to indent for. - Sent Pte Borres to A.P.M. ANZAC, who returned him stating that he could not punish such a man: It is making a report upon him. - Paid out - drawing 5000 frs: interviewed all men to find out their trade. 	

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MORBECCUES	22/7/16		and filled in particular in Squad Book. Inspected steering of all vehicles personally. Authority from Q ANZAC for Supply Detail to be in form of M SECQ at STEENWERIK.	
	23/7/16		To STEENWERIK to see Supply Detail. Sending them long to remain there. On to PONT DE MEBPPE to see Advanced Workshop. burg with cars. ambulance - Arranging to enter school billets tomorrow. - Sent C. Q. M.S. to pay Supply Detail and Adv Workshop. or to take money to the O. V. to pay. Work in cleaning all vehicles.	
	24/7/16		Usual work: clean vehicles.	
	25/7/16		Clean vehicles: inspection: Q ANZAC phoned late to send off the Cyclist to ETAPLES at 0.15 from HAZE BROUCK tomorrow: up till midnight on this.	
	26/7/16		- Saw cyclist off after a hunt for 3 who were in No 1 Camp: - To AQMG Corps: received instruction to inspect LYNDE and that region for a suspected parking ground for 3 Am Sub Parks of 44 tonis each: found LYNDE unsuitable: SERCUS no contain on	

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	26/7/16		MORBECQUE - STEENBEQUE Station will hold a park, and one more the other side of the Railway. Camp Park at MORBECQUE also. - Inspection of MT vehicles, found: several defects found: brake drums loose. Major Hutchinson found later.	
	27/5/16		- To PONT DE NIEPPE - to advanced workshop, and on to CASSEL. - Inspecting vehicles. - Sent off 32 ANZAC cyclists at 8.50 ^{a.m.} to ETAPLES: 1/c Cpl Mission. - Sgt R Pannard - 3007, R/Lt F Trevor A. 3758 and Pl. Livingston A. 3040 of 1st ANZAC Cyclist Bn repated: also Sgt R. Cameron of 13th Light Horse, ANZAC Mt Troops. R/Lt Trevor - Pl. Livingston - also : to join their Bn on their arrival on 31st.	
	20/5/16		- 1st ANZAC FA wired at 1.30 a.m. for 6 lorries to proceed NEUF BERQUIN to shift them back here: Sent 3 lorries. We did 2 trips. - To ANZAC "Q" re returns: Contacted them all and took them in. - Sent foul underclothing, blankets & bannet covers to 1st Aust Cas: Co: Stn at ESTAIRES to be disinfected. This is promised for this evg. - Several lorries in shops. Radiators very near: Painting Daimler.	

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MORBECQUE	29/5		<p>up to PONT DE MIERPE to see Lt Barret; instructed him to examine drivers of Ambulances and cars. 2 lorries to help to shift No 1 FA from near ESTAIRES to MORBECQUE. 3 journeys. Heavy shelling ARMENTIERES.</p> <p>- Pte Russell off his m/cycle by concussion.</p> <p>1 lorry to No 1 NZ FA. Instructions to send no more lorries except to ANZA Corps Park.</p> <p>- Instructions ref Testing all drivers of Ambos, cars: wrote O.C. NZ No 1 FA re this.</p> <p>- C.S.M. Holland evacuated to No 8 C.E.S. Bailleul. Wrote Col's A.G.'s office. ref appointments. asgt Hunt & CQMS Thompson.</p> <p>- Special leave for Pte Weyer.</p> <p>- Interpreter Van Troostenbergh to STEENWERCK to see to supply details billets; also to PONT DE MIERPE to arrange ref Advanced Workshop billets.</p> <p>- Drew 3615 francs for pay.</p> <p>- D.A.D.M.S. round yesterday re Sanitation: To make fly proof latrine and urine pits also Incinerator. Started work on today.</p>	
	30/5/16			