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March 1918



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**WAR DIARY**

OF

*2nd Aust. Field Bakery.*

FOR

*March.* 191*8.*

Signature of Officer compiling

*W. Nash Capt.*  
*of 2nd Aust. Fd. Bkry*

Signature of Officer Commanding

*W. Nash Capt.*  
*of 2nd Aust. Fd. Bkry*



3rd. AUSTRALIAN FIELD BAKERY.

MARCH, 1918.

1. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks. (1 surplus).  
Casualties, 1 hospital, 1 sick, 6 leave, 7 details;  
available for duty, 78 other ranks.
2. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks (1 surplus).  
Casualties, 2 hospital, 6 leave, 6 details; avail-  
able for duty, 79 other ranks.
3. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks, (1 surplus.)  
Casualties, 2 hospital, 6 leave, 6 details; avail-  
able for duty, 79 other ranks.
4. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks (1, surplus).  
Casualties, 2 hospital 1 sick, 6 leave, 6 details;  
available for duty, 78 other ranks.
5. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks (1, surplus).  
Casualties, 2 hospital, 6 leave, 1 command, 6 details;  
available or duty, 78 other ranks.
6. ~~Exxxkkkxx~~, Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks, (1,  
surplus). Casualties, 2 hospital, 1 sick, 2 leave,  
1 on command, 6 details; available for duty, 81 other  
ranks.
7. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks, (1, surplus).  
Casualties, 2 hospital, 1 sick, 1 leave, 1 on command;  
available for duty, 82 o.r. (6 details).
8. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks. (1, surplus).  
Casualties, 2 hospital, 1 sick, 1 leave, 1 on  
command, 1 isolated, 6 details; available for duty,  
81 other ranks. Air raid warning, 2.10 a.m. No  
attack.
9. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks, (1, surplus.)  
Casualties, 2 hospital 3 sick, 1 leave, 1 on command,  
1 isolated, 6 details; available for duty, 79 other  
ranks. O.C., and Orderly room clerk proceeded to  
Rouen for Records purposes.
10. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks, (1 surplus).  
Casualties, 2 hospital 2 sick, 1 leave, 1 on command,  
1 isolated, 6 details; available for duty, 80  
other ranks.
11. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks, (1, surplus).  
Casualties, 1 hospital, 1 leave, 2 on command, 1  
isolated, 6 details; available for duty, 82 other ranks.

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12. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks. (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital, 1 sick, 1 leave, 2 on command,  
1 isolated, 6 details; available for duty, 81 other  
ranks.
13. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks, (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital, 1 sick, 1 leave, 2 on command,  
1 isolated, 6 details; available for duty 81 other  
ranks.
14. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks, (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital, 1 sick, 1 on command, 6 det-  
ails; available for duty, 84 other ranks.
15. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital 3 sick, 1 on command, 1  
isolated, 6 details; available for duty, 81 other  
ranks. O.C., and Orderly Room Clerk returned from  
duty at Records section.
16. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks, (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital 1 sick, 1 isolated, 1 on  
command, 6 details; available for duty, 83 other  
ranks.
17. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital 1 sick, 1 isolated, 1 on comm-  
and; available for duty, 83 o.r. (6 details).
18. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 Hospital, 1 sick, 1 isolated, 1 on  
command, 6 details; available for duty, 83 other  
ranks.
19. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital 1 sick, 1 isolated, 1 on  
command, 6 details; available for duty, 83 other  
ranks.
20. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 2 hospital, 1 isolated, 1 on command,  
6 details; available for duty 83 other ranks.  
Hostile air raid warning 9.30 p.m. Attack till 11.30  
p.m. All clear given 11.30 p.m.
21. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks, (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 2 hospital, 1 leave, 1 isolated, 1 on  
command, 6 details; available for duty, 82 other  
ranks. Hostile air raid warning 8.35 p.m. "All  
clear given " 10 p.m. No attack.

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III. (Continued ). -

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22. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 2 hospital 1 leave 1 isolated, 1 on  
command, 6 details; available for duty, 82 other  
ranks.
23. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 2 hospital, 1 leave, 1 isolated, 1 on  
command, 6 details ; available for duty, 82  
other ranks. Hostile air raid warning 8.15 p.m.  
"All clear" given at 10.30 p.m. No attack.
24. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 2 hospital, 1 sick, 1 leave, 1 on  
command, 6 details; available for duty 82 other  
ranks. Hostile air raid warning 8.20 p.m. "All  
clear" given at 9 p.m. No attack.
25. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital, 1 leave, 1 on command, 6  
details; available for duty, 84 other ranks.
26. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital, 1 sick, 1 leave, 6 details;  
available for duty, 84 other ranks. Hostile air  
raid warning 9 p.m. "All clear" given at 10.30 p.m.  
Bombs dropped, but no damage to bakery buildings,  
quarters or injury to personnel.
27. m Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital, 1 leave, 6 details; available  
for duty, 85 other ranks. Hostile air raid warning  
2.30 a.m. No attack.
28. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital 1 leave 6 details; available  
for duty, 85 other ranks.
29. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks, (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital 1 leave, 6 details; available  
for duty, 85 other ranks.
30. Strength, 1 Officer 93 other ranks. (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital 1 leave, 6 details; available  
for duty, 85 other ranks.
31. Strength, 1 Officer, 93 other ranks (Surplus, 1.)  
Casualties, 1 hospital, 1 sick, 1 leave, 6 details;  
available for duty, 84 other ranks.

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# APPENDIX

IV.

## EXTRACTS FROM MASTER BAKER'S ACCOUNT.

MARCH, 1918.

Shewing receipts, expenditure, and production etc., in Flour, Cones, Bread, Salt and Yeast.

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FLOUR.	Remains 28/2/18.	210,051 lbs.
	Receipts. Mch.	7,531,980 lbs.
	TOTAL.	7,742,031 lbs.
	Expended in bread,	7,516,521 lbs.
	Remains, 31/3/18.	225,440 lbs.
CONES.	Remains, 28/2/18.	1,400 lbs.
	Receipts. Mch.	48,440 lbs.
	TOTAL.	49,840 lbs.
	Expended in bread.	46,200 lbs.
	Remains 31/3/18.	3,640 lbs.
BREAD.	Remains, 28/2/18.	690,293 lbs.
	Produced, Mch.	10,193,444 lbs.
	TOTAL.	10,883,737 lbs.
	Expended, (Issued).	10,247,407 lbs.
	Remains, 31/3/18.	636,330 lbs.
SALT.	Remains, 28/2/18.	28,720 lbs.
	RECEIPTS. Mch.	110,000 lbs.
	TOTAL.	138,720 lbs.
	Expended,	99,040 lbs.
	Remains, 31/3/18.	39,680 lbs.
YEAST.	Remains, 28/2/18.	7,889 lbs.
	Receipts, Mch.	30,352 lbs.
	TOTAL.	39,241 lbs.
	Expended,	32,697 lbs.
	Remains, 31/3/18.	5,544 lbs.

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V. (Continued).

## T A B L E .

Shewing percentage of ingredients, used and quantity of bread produced by 3<sup>rd</sup>. Aust. Field Bakery, for the Month of March, 1918, based on one tenth of the whole amounts, i.e., the unit being one tenth of the total bakery personnel.

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### FLOUR

Expended in the production of bread.	751,659 lbs.
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### CONES.

Expended in the production of bread.	4,620 lbs.
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### BREAD.

Produced for the month,	1,919,344 lbs.
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### SALT.

Expended in the production of bread.	9,904 lbs.
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### YEAST.

Expended in the production of bread.	3,269 lbs.
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