

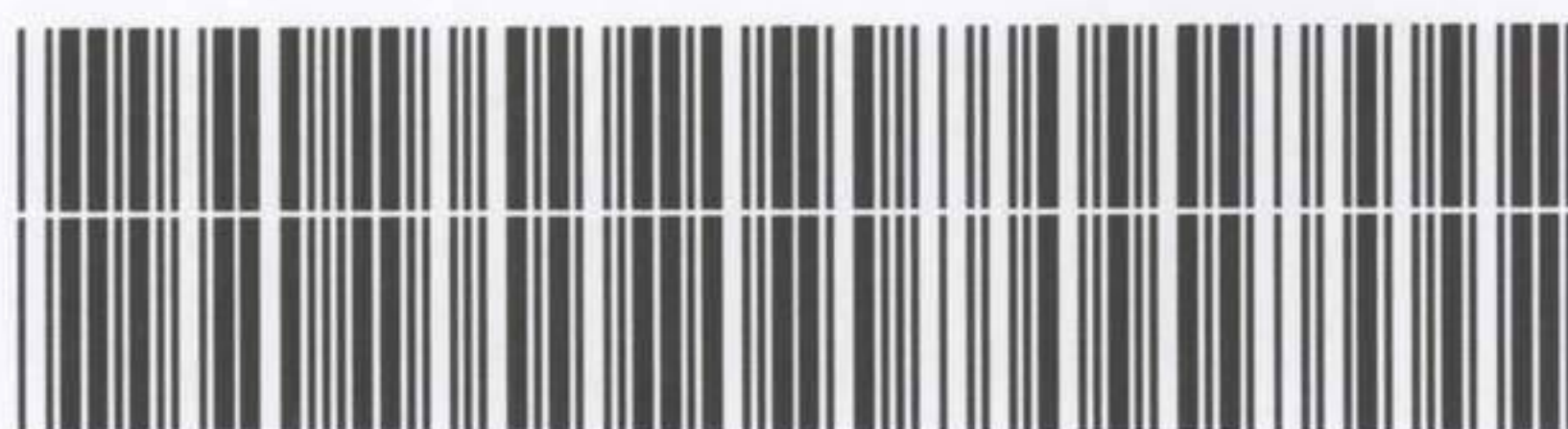
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ROUEN	MAY 1916 10	7 am.	<p>DISEMBARKED from S.S. CAESAREA Strength. 4 officers. 67 Other Ranks Ordered to proceed to M.T. Rest Camp to await arrival of vehicles. Med. Inspection Completing equipment. 4 men</p> <p>Lorries DISEMBARKED from S.S. ARYONIAN, Strength 10 DENNIS Type A SUBSIDY 3-TON Lorries, 10 Motor-Cars, 1 Ford Box Van 2 Solo Motor Cycles 1 Motor Cycle + side car also 1 officer and 4 drivers. 1 DENNIS Workshop and 1 DENNIS Store Waggon with 5 drivers disembarked from S.S. ARYONIAN at Havre HAVRE, and arrived at ROUEN at 4 p.m.</p> <p>Total Strength of Personnel 5 officers 76 Other Ranks.</p>	<p>End</p> <p>End</p> <p>End</p> <p>End</p>
			Completed equipment of vehicles & men.	End
			Ordered to send 8 Motor Cars, 2 3-Ton Lorries, 1 Ford Box Van + 1 Motor-cycle + Side Car to M.T. Depot, ROUEN.	
		2 PM	Above vehicles Despatched	End

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Rouen	14	5.30 P.M.	Inspected by A.D.T. Received orders to proceed to ABBEVILLE at 6.30 ^{am} on following day.	Emb
	15	6.30 AM	Left Rouen for ABBEVILLE. No DM2/165745 Pt Sinclair W.R. reports missing	
NEUFCHATEL		5.30 PM	Telephoned to Advanced M.T. Depot for authority to halt at BLANGY, Authority granted	
		7.30 P.M.	Column arrived at BLANGY + Bilted.	Emb
BLANGY NEUFCHATEL	16	7 am	Column left BLANGY for ABBEVILLE.	
		8 am	Received orders to proceed to NEUF BERQUIN.	
		4 pm	Arrived NEUF BERQUIN. Received orders to report at 1 st ANZAC H.Q. at noon on 17:5:16. Strength 5 officers 62 Other Ranks.	
NEUF BERQUIN	17	noon 3 pm 7 pm	Reported 1 st ANZAC H.Q. to AOMG. Received instructions. Damier motor car + 1 driver from H.Q. 1 st ANZAC received for overhaul. Reported D.D. of S. + T. II Army. Received instructions.	
	18		Took over from improvised 1 st ANZAC T.S.C. Railhead STEENBECQUE 2 Thornycroft 3-Ton Lorries + 4 drivers attached for duty from H.Q. 1 st Anzac. 1 Leyland 3-Ton + 2 drivers Transferred from Warwicks Heavy Battery. 1 Peerless ditto ditto ditto N.Z. D.S.C. { Detached with 1 Damier ditto ditto ditto 2 nd Aus. D.S.C. } 2 nd Cav. Div. S.C	Emb

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NEUF BERQUIN	19		Strength 5 officers 66 OR + 45 Drivers attached - 4 Drivers detached Lorry LEYLAND 3-TON Lorry No 6775 transferred from WARWICK HEAVY BATTERY with 2 DRIVERS. RAILHEAD changed to STEENWERCK.	GMB
	20	2-5 pm	1 KARRIER 30-cwt with 2 drivers attached from 47 th Av-Linc Section for repair. 1 Maudslay MAUDSLAY 3-TON Lorry No. 23604 with 2 drivers transferred from 1 st Aus. D.S.C. Major HUTCHINSON, D.A.D.T. INSPECTION BRANCH inspected the vehicles. Expressed himself satisfied with the DENNIS LORRIES but not with the vehicles transferred from other units.	GMB
	21	9.30 am 6 pm	Strength 5 officers 70 OR + 7 Drivers attached - 4 Drivers detached 1 Sunbeam Motor Car A 18933 received for inspection from HQ. 1 st ANZAC & returned same day.	GMB
	22	noon	RAILHEAD changed CASTRE Pz CLAIR (missing from ROVEN) reported having marched out with 15 th C.T.S.C. in error at 6 am on 14 14:5:16 1 CLYNO Side car Combination received for repair from 14 th M.M. Co Section 1 Mandalay Lorry with 2 drivers detached to 2 nd Aus. Cav. Div. P.C.	GMB CO

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NEUF BERQUIN	23		Strength 5 Officers 7 O.R. + 7 Drivers attached - 6 Drivers detached Daimler Motor Car and 1 Driver returned to H.Q. 1st ANZAC	GWB
	24		1 DENNIS LORRY and 2 drivers detached for duty as Postal Lorry with H.Q. 1st ANZAC. 1 Vauxhall Car received for overhaul with 1 driver Company pay day.	GWB
	25		2 Studebakers + 1 driver sent in from 1st M.M. Co Sec. for repair.	GWB
	26		1 DENNIS LORRY with 2 drivers detached for duty with O.O. HAZEBROUCK 1 driver attached with Vauxhall Car returned to H.Q. 1st ANZAC by special request.	GWB
	27		Issued instructions re change in distribution of supplies, approved by A.S.M.C.	Appendix GWB
	28		1 KARRIER 30-cwt Lorry with 2 drivers returned to 47th AIRLINE Section after repair, one similar outfit received. 1 THORNEYCROFT LORRY with 2 drivers evacuated to M.T. Repair Shop ST. OMER.	GWB

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NEUF BERQUIN	29		<p><u>STRENGTH</u> 5 Officers 69 OR + 7 attached - 10 detached 1 Vauxhall car from H.Q. 1st ANZAC received for overhaul & returned Same day. New System of issuing supplies inaugurated satisfactorily and refilling point changed to ESTAIRES.</p>	<p>End End</p>
	30		NIL	
	31		<p>Daimler car with driver received from H.Q. ANZAC for inspection 1 STUDEBAKER Box CAR with driver returned to 14th M.M. G Section 1 ditto received from 14th M.M. G. Sec. 1 Kamier KARRIER 30-cwt Lorry received from H.Q. Signal Coy. with 2 Drivers, for repair. Orders received from J.D. A.S. & T to exchange (EYLAND), MAUDSLAY DAIMLER & Peerless Lorries for DENNIS with 3rd D.S.C, 2nd ARMY H.A, 14th C.T.S.C. 50th D.S.C. Ref TM 2300/2307/2309/2311, also to collect 3 Ton Lorry from II ARMY TSC TM/2291.</p>	<p>End</p>

From: O.C., 1st ANZAC
Troops Supply Column.

To: O.C.

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CHANGE IN SYSTEM OF ISSUING SUPPLIES.

Up to the present it has been the custom for this Unit to issue supplies to Corps Troops between the hours of 7 and 10, for consumption on the following day.

This has necessitated the Supply Staff being divided between the Railhead where Supplies are drawn in the morning, and the dump where the supplies are issued at the same time, with the result that the staff has been insufficient to carry out either duty effectively.

In order to obviate this difficulty, on and after Monday next 29/5/16, supplies will be issued in the afternoon between the hours of 2.p.m. and 3.p.m. for consumption 2 days later, A.B's. 55 being handed in at the same time for supplies to be consumed 3 days later.

The following advantages will result from this scheme -

1. Units will indent in the afternoon instead of the morning, so there will be nearly another day available in which to determine their probable requirements.
2. The supplies indented for in the afternoon will be issued on the following day instead of 2 days later, as at present.
3. Units will always have on hand between 1 and 2 days' rations in the event of a sudden move.

It has also been decided to change the dump from NEUF BERQUIN to ESTAIRES, as this position is more central for all the units concerned.

The new dump will be a small square close to the Grand Place and vehicles coming for supplies should halt in the Grand Place and remain fast until brought forward.

In order to inaugurate this change, it will be necessary for units to draw 2 days' rations on Monday 29/5/16 for the 30th and 31st insts.

The first day's rations will be drawn in the morning as usual from the dump at NEUF BERQUIN, and the second day's rations will be drawn in the afternoon from the dump at ESTAIRES.

Should any unit find this absolutely impossible special arrangements will be made to meet the case on application being made to me.

Fuel will be drawn from the dump at NEUF BERQUIN on Fridays as usual.

G. M. Gibbon Capt.

In the Field,
27/5/1916.

O.C., 1st A.N.Z.A.C. Troops Supply Col.