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1914-18 War

Machine Guns

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Depot

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.
AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN TRAINING DEPOT.
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
1-1-19.		1700	Weather conditions Cold and wet	See Appendix A
		1000	Daily strength 32 Officers 562 O/Ranks	B
		1300	4 O/R out to Fovant 1 O/R in from Delhi Hospital. 18 Officers 117 O/R under Tng.	C
		1030	Discipline good.	
		0830 to		
		1600	Training carried out according to Syllabus	G
2-1-19.		1700	Weather conditions cold and showery	A
		1000	Daily strength 32 Officers 565 O/Ranks	B
		1300	6 O/R in from O.T.B. 1 Officer out to Ad. Hqrd. London. 18 Officers 90 O/R under Tng.	C
		1030	Discipline good. 7 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay	
		0830 to		
		1600	Training carried out according to Syllabus.	G
3-1-19		1700	Weather conditions cold and fine.	A
		1000	Daily strength 31 1/2 Officers 565 O/Ranks.	B
		1300	2 O/R out to Tidworth. 15 Officers and 68 O/R under training.	C
		1000	No. 1957 Pte. A. J. Tebbitt, MGD tried by D.C.M.	M
		1030	Discipline good.	
		0830 to		
		1500	Training carried out according to syllabus.	G
4-1-19		1700	Weather conditions cold and fine.	A
		1000	Daily strength 31 Officers 552 O/Ranks.	B
		1300	1 O/R out to A.A.S.C. 17 Officers 54 O/R under training.	C
		1030	Discipline good. 1 case dealt with incurring loss of pay.	
		0830 to		
		1600	Training carried out according to Syllabus.	G
5-1-19		1700	Weather conditions cold and fine.	A
		1000	1 Officer out to France.	B C
			2 Officers 50 O/R on Church Parade.	
		1000	Daily Strength 30 Officers 562 O/Ranks.	B

6-1-19 1700 Weather conditions cold and fine.
 1000 Daily strength 30 Officers 562 O/R
 1300 1 O/R out to Group Hospital. 16 Officers 56 O/R under training.
 1030 Discipline good. 2 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay
 0830 to
 1600 Training carried out according to Syllabus.

7-1-19. 1700 Weather conditions cold and fine.
 1000 Daily strength 30 Officers 562 O/R.
 1300 1 Officer out to R.B.A.A. Haytesbury. 1 O/R 28 days Bulford Hospital off strength
 16 Officers 69 O/Ranks under training.
 1030 Discipline good.
 0830 to
 1600 Training carried out according to Syllabus.

8-1-19. 1700 Weather conditions cold and raining.
 1000 Daily strength 29 Officers 562 O/Ranks.
 1300 14 Officers 95 O/Ranks under training.
 1030 Discipline good.
 1000 Sentence by D.C.M. on No. 1957 Pte. A.J. Tebbitt, MGD promulgated.
 0830 to
 1600 Training carried out according to Syllabus.

9-1-19. 1700 Weather conditions cold - alternating sunshine and showers
 1000 Daily strength 29 Officers 562 O/Ranks.
 1300 16 Officers 97 O/Ranks under training.
 1030 Discipline good. 6 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay.
 0830 to
 1600 Training carried out according to Syllabus.

10-1-19. 1700 Weather conditions dull and cold.
 1000 Daily strength 29 Officers 562 O/Ranks.
 1300 1 Officer out to Weymouth. 16 Officers 92 O/Ranks under training.
 1030 Discipline good. 2 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay.
 0830 to
 1600 Training carried out according to Syllabus.

11-1-19 1700 Weather conditions cold and bright.
 1000 Daily strength 29 Officers 562 O/Ranks.
 1300 16 Officers 121 O/Ranks.
 1030 Discipline good 3 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay.
 0830 to
 1600 Training carried out according to Syllabus.

See Appendix

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12-1-19.	1700	Weather conditions cold and fine.	See Appendix A.
	1000	Daily Strength 29 Officers 562 O/Ranks.	B
		16 Officers 138 O/Ranks on Church Parade.	
13-1-19	1700	Weather conditions dull and cold	A
	1000	Daily Strength 29 Officers 562 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	1 Officer in from France. 1 O/R in from France. 2 O/R out to A.A.S.C.	
		16 Officers 141 O/Ranks under training.	C
	1030	Discipline good. 6 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay.	
	0830	to	
	1600	Training carried out according to Syllabus.	
14-1-19	1700	Weather conditions wet and cold	A
	1000	Daily strength 29 Officers 561 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	244 O/Ranks out to Heytesbury. 2 O/Ranks granted 1 Month's leave without pay. 16 Officers 177 O/Ranks under training.	C
	1030	Discipline good. 2 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay.	
	0830	to	
	1600	Training carried out according to Syllabus.	G
15-1-19	1700	Weather conditions dull and cold	A
	1000	Daily Strength 30 Officers 317 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	1 Officer in from 1914 Leave in U.K. 17 Officers 71 O/Ranks under training	C
	1030	Discipline good 1 case dealt with incurring loss of pay.	
	0830	to	
	1600	Training carried out according to Syllabus.	G
16-1-19	1700	Weather conditions cold and bright.	A
	1000	Daily strength 30 Officers 320 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	1 O/R out to Tidworth 1 O/R out to Group Hospital. 17 Officers 106 O/R under training.	C
	1000	Personnel of A.M.G.T.D. less the Camp Staff vacated No. 3 Camp and marched to No. 4 Camp Parkhouse.	M
	1030	Discipline good. 8 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay	
17-1-19	1700	Weather conditions cold and clear.	A
	1000	Daily strength 31 Officers 319 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	1 Officer out to Weymouth 1 Officer out to Tidworth Hospital 1 Officer in from 1914 Leave in U.K.	C
	1030	Discipline good.	

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18-1-19	1700	Weather conditions cold and bright.	See Appendix A
	1000	Daily Strength 31 Officers 318 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	5 Officers struck off strength remaining in No. 3 Camp Parkhouse.	C
	1030	Discipline good. 3 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay.	
19-1-19	1700	Weather conditions cold and wet.	A
	1000	Daily strength 24 Officers 264 O/Ranks. 48 O/Ranks marched out to Camp Staff No. 3 Camp Parkhouse. 1 O/R out to A.A.S.C. 1 O/R out to Bulford Hospital 3 Officers 123 O/Ranks attended Church parade.	B
			C
20-1-19.	1700	Weather conditions cold and wet	A
	1000	Daily Strength 23 Officers 264 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	1 Officer out to C.T.D.Parkhouse.	C
	1030	Discipline good. 3 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay	
21-1-19.	1700	Weather conditions cold and wet.	A
	1000	Daily strength 22 Officers 262 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	1 O/R in from Group Hospital 1 O/R overseas to France.	C
	1000	No. 5601 Pte.Morrison, F.A. MGD and No. 6903 Pte.Semmens C.W. MGD tried by D.C.M. Parkhouse.	M
	1030	Discipline good.	
22-1-19	1700	Weather conditions cold and clear.	A
	1000	Daily strength 22 Officers 263 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	1 O/R to Bulford 1 O/R to France 1 Officer to Tidworth	C
	1030	Discipline good. 3 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay.	
23-1-19	1700	Weather conditions cold and clear	A
	1000	Daily strength 22 Officers 263 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	1 O/R out to C.T.B.	C
	1030	Discipline good. 2 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay.	
24-1-19.	1700	Weather conditions cold and bright.	A
	1000	Daily strength 22 Officers 261 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	1 Officer in from Tidworth Hospital 1 Officer out to H.Q. London.	C
	1030	Discipline good. 1 case dealt with incurring loss of pay.	
25-1-19	1700	Weather conditions cold and dull	A
	1000	Daily strength 22 Officers 259 O/Ranks.	B
	1300	1 O/R in from Group Hospital 1 Officer out to No. 3 Concentration Camp P'house.	C
	1000	Sentence by D.C.M. on No. 6903 Pte.Semmens C.W., MGD promulgated.	
		Sentence by D.C.M. on No. 5601 Pte.F.A.Morrison M.G.D. promulgated	M
	1030	Discipline good. 2 cases dealt with incurring loss of pay.	

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26-1-19 1700 Weather conditions wet
1000 Daily Strength 22 Officers 259 O/Ranks.
1300 1 O/R to Group Hospital.
No. Church Parade on account of rain.

27-1-19. 1700 Weather conditions wet
1000 Daily strength 22 Officers 259 O/Ranks.
1300 7 O/R in from No. 3 Camp Parkhouse. 1 O/R to Group Hospital 10 O/R to No. 3
Concentration Depot Parkhouse. 6 O/Ranks to France. 77 O/Ranks to Heytesbury
2 Officers to Hospital
1030 Discipline good. 1 case dealt with incurring loss of pay.

28-1-19 1700 Weather conditions cold and wet
1000 Daily Strength 22 Officers 123 O/Ranks.
1300 1 O/R in from C.T.D.Parkhouse. 4 Officers in from Machine Gun School Grantham
1 Officer to H.Q. London. 1 Officer to No. 2 C.D.Weymouth 5 O/R to R.B.A.A.
Heytesbury. 1 O/R to H.Q. Tidworth 1 O/R to H.Q. London.
1030 Discipline good. 1 case dealt with incurring loss of pay.

29-1-19. 1700 Weather conditions cold and dull
1000 Daily strength 19 Officers 121 O/Ranks.
1300 1 Officer to No.2 C.D.Weymouth. 1 Officer to No. 3 Concentration Depot P'house.
42 o/ranks to France.
1030 Discipline good.

30-1-19 1700 Weather conditions, cold and dull
1000 Daily Strength 19 Officers 115 O/Ranks.
1300 1 O/R in from France. 2 O/R to Hq.London. 1 O/R out to Tidworth 3 O/R out to
C.T.D.Parkhouse.
1030 Discipline good.

31-1-19 1700 Weather conditions. Cold. Snow.
1000 Daily strength 18 Officers 109 O/Ranks.
1030 Discipline good.

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APPENDIX A - METEOROLOGICAL NOTES.

Date.	Notes.
1-1-19	Cold and wet.
2	Cold and showery
3	Cold and fine
4	Cold and fine
5	Cold and fine
6	Cold and fine
7	Cold and fine
8	Cold and raining
9	Cold - alternating sunshine and showers
10	Dull and cold
11	Bright and cold
12	Cold and fine
13	Cold and dull
14	Cold and wet
15	Cold and dull
16	Cold and bright
17	Cold and clear
18	Cold and bright
19	Cold and wet
20	Cold and wet
21	Cold and wet
22	Cold and clear
23	Cold and clear
24	Cold and bright
25	Cold and dull
26	Wet
27	Wet
28	Cold and wet
29	Cold and dull
30	Cold and dull
31	Cold. Snow.

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APPENDIX B - DAILY STRENGTH.

Date.	Officers	Other ranks.
1-1-19	32	562
2	32	565
3	31	565
4	31	552
5	30	562
6	30	562
7	30	562
8	29	562
9	29	562
10	29	562
11	29	562
12	29	562
13	29	561
14	29	317
15	30	320
16	30	319
17	31	318
18	31	264
19	24	264
20	23	262
21	22	263
22	22	263
23	22	261
24	22	259
25	22	259
26	22	259
27	22	123
28	22	121
29	19	115
30	19	109
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APPENDIX C - NUMBERS OF REINFORCEMENTS.

Date.	Marched In.		Trained or Under training.		Marched Out.	
	Officers	Other ranks.	Officers Other	Other Ranks.	Officers	Other Ranks.
1-1-19		1	18	117		4
2		6	18	90	1	
3			15	68		2
4			17	54		1
5			2	50	1	
6			16	56		1
7			16	69	1	1
8			14	95		
9			16	97		
10			16	92	1	
11			16	121		
12			16	138		
13	1	1	16	141		2
14			16	177		246
15	1		17	71		
16			17	106		2
17	1				2	
18					5	
19						50
20					1	
21		1				1
22					1	2
23						1
24	1				1	
25		1			1	
26						1
27		7			2	95
28	4	1			1	7
29					2	42
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APPENDIX M - OTHER ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST.

Date.	Particulars.
3-1-19.	No. 1957 Pte. A.J.Tebbitt, MGD tried by D.C.M.
8-1-19	Sentence by D.C.M. on No. 1957 Pte.A.J.Tebbitt M.G.D. Promulgated.
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DISCIPLINE. The discipline and general conduct of the Depot have been quite satisfactory.

SANITATION. The sanitary condition of the Camp is very good and the lines are kept thoroughly clean despite the small number of men now available for fatigues.

WINDING UP. The winding up of the Depot is proceeding satisfactorily.

Arthur S. Stradlan

Lieut.

C. O., Australian Machine Gun Training Depot.

No. 4 Camp Parkhouse.
11-2-19.