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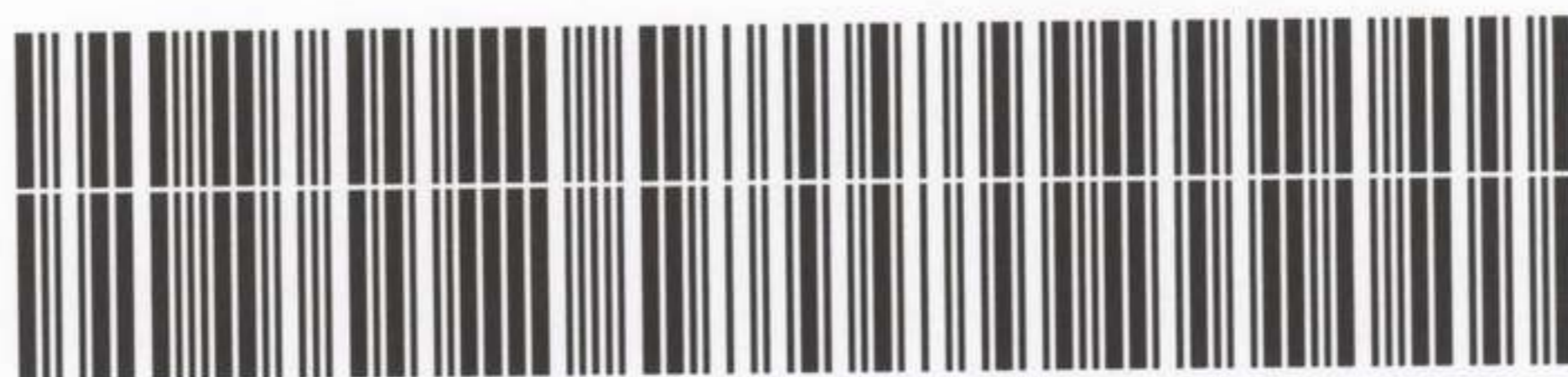
**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,
1914-18 War**

Repatriation & Demobilisation

Item number: 30/1/8 Part 1

Title: Repatriation and Demobilisation, AIF

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DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION & DEMOBILISATION

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			<p>In recording the work of the Department of Repatriation & Demobilisation for the month of May, the following salient points are worthy of special mention:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Splendid increase in the allotment of Family Ships. (2) An improvement in the organisation and embarkation of Family Quotas. (3) The embarkations shew an increase of 30% over any previous period. (4) Splendid enthusiasm being displayed in the various forms of Non-Military Employment. (5) Gradual demobilisation of Staffs. (6) Increased number of applications for advances on Deferred Pay. 									
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			<p><small>D. D. & L., London, E.C. (10349) W1 W1500/P713 750,000 3/18 B 2688 Form C(225/18)</small></p>									

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is impossible to estimate the splendid service being rendered to Australia from an Educational standpoint by the large number of students engaged.

Special mention must be made of the arrangements completed for the sending of specially selected parties on various Educational Tours. The most notable of these is the party of Dairy Experts travelling through Denmark under the special guidance of the Agricultural Department of the Danish Government. The other important projected Tour outside the United Kingdom is the course about to commence in the United States of America. A large batch of applicants interested in Irrigation, Pig Farming, and Intense Cultivation, have presented themselves for selection. 100 students have been nominated, and the course set out for a period of six months. On completion, the party will return to Australia via Vancouver. The Federal Government will have the benefit for the future of a large number of Specialists in Dairying, Forestry, Irrigation, and the Pig Farming Industry, to assist its various Agricultural Institutes in the vigorous development of Agricultural work.

The Ordnance and Equipment Section is nearing completion of its work of Financial Adjustment with the Imperial Authorities. A rather important part of the duties undertaken by this Branch has been the preparation of indentments for all arms of the proposed

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			<p>Post-Bellum Army in Australia. Under the guidance of Defence Authorities a satisfactory arrangement for issue of Ordnance and Equipment has been arrived at, and the proposed period of Financial Adjustment accepted by the War Office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">While filing a record of the work of various Branches during the earlier period of Demobilisation of Units, mention can now be made of the successful disposal of animals of the A.I.F. as follows:-</p> <p><u>UNITED KINGDOM.</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Strength at 30.11.18.</td> <td style="width: 40%; text-align: right;">886</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"> </td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Disposals.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Handed over to Imperial Authorities for disposal as surplus</td> <td style="text-align: right;">535</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Died or destroyed</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Issued from Imperial Remounts on loan</td> <td style="text-align: right;">20</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Remaining</td> <td style="text-align: right;">348</td> </tr> </table>	Strength at 30.11.18.	886	 		Disposals.		Handed over to Imperial Authorities for disposal as surplus	535	Died or destroyed	3	Issued from Imperial Remounts on loan	20	Remaining	348	
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			<u>FRANCE.</u>	
			Disposals.	
			(1) To Fourth Army Staging Camp, JAMBES, for sale to Belgian Government ("Z" Surplus)	997
			(2) Sold locally under Divisional arrangements ("Z" Surplus)	5832
			(3) Sent to 1st Australian V.E.S. ("Z" Surplus)	1076
			(4) Sent to 1st Australian V.E.S. for Evacuation ("D" Butchery Cases)	1537
			(5) Sent to Imperial Veterinary Hospitals for Evacuation ("D" Butchery Cases)	475
			(6) Despatched to Base Remount Depots for sale in U.K. ("Y" Surplus)	11539
			(7) To No. 11 Remount Squadron JAMBES	444
			(8) Lost or stolen	183
			(9) Died or destroyed	112
			(10) Transferred to A.I.F. Graves Detachment, France	55
				22250
			Remaining nil.	
			Surplus over strength disposed of	396
			Note:- This surplus is reported by the G.O.C. "B" Australian Group as in all probability by:-	
			(a) Remounts received from Base after 1.1.19.	
			(b) Animals found after 1.1.19.	
			(c) Animals held by Units surplus to War establishments and not reported by them at the time.	
			The exact number under above headings cannot be stated at this juncture.	
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			<u>EGYPT.</u>	
			Strength as at 30.11.18.	11454
			<u>Disposals.</u>	
			(1) Evacuations to Base (Surplus Remounts)	468
			(2) Transfers from A.I.F. to Imperial Units	30
			(3) Handed over to British for sale as surplus	88118
			(4) Evacuated sick to British Veterinary Hospitals	246
			(5) Died	71
			(6) Destroyed	2583
			(7) Lost	4
			Total:-	11520
			Remaining nil.	
			Surplus over strength disposed of:-	66
			Note:- (a) The above surplus may be accounted for in part from the issue to A.I.F. since 30.11.18 of 57 Remounts.	
			(b) In connection with 42 animals investigation is being made in Egypt with a view to confirming their number and their disposal.	

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PROGRESS REPORT - FOR WEEK ENDING 3-5-19

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Progress Report by Branch I.D., for period up, and
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1. I.D.

Checking and submitting Applications for decision carried on.

Appendix "A" shows the total number of Applications dealt with to date by Branch I.D., under their respective headings.

2. I.D.1. Early Repatriations.

177 new Applications received.

Rolls of "Approved" and "not approved" Applications issued - 191, and 25, respectively.

Discharges.

52 new Applications received during period under review.

Leave, Non-Military Employment etc.

During the week 27 new Applications were received and 15 passes issued.

2631 Approved Applications for N.M.E., and 218 for Extended leave etc., are held waiting for personnel to report.

Returns - B213, Records etc.

Daily and weekly returns promulgated.

"C" Return is now right up to date.

General.

Correspondence is still very heavy, and often of a trivial nature. Queries regarding pay matters are, if anything, increasing in volume, and these are sent by special runner direct to S.D. for action.

I.D.2. Non-Military Employment (Educational).

Library - Books were issued to Havre, London, Tidworth and Hurdcott, as well as to Reference Library.
Volumes indented for during week ---- 122.
Stock of books on hand 2.5.19. ----36,659.

Correspondence Courses.

Two Students notified of the grant of Scholarships, making a total to date of 463. Five Diplomas were sent to Students, a total of 14 to date having been awarded.

Universities.

The week has been a busy one, the number of 540's dealt with having risen to a maximum in the record of the Branch. This may be only a final spurt. There has also been much to record, from the University point of view, in the monthly report of the Committee to the Australian Universities, which is the longest yet sent. Important developments are pending, in the relationship of the British to the Australian Universities and the educational work of the H.I.F., will have been largely instrumental in making them possible. Practically all the Students placed by this Branch have had good reports for the late term's work and have reported interestingly with regard to their experience. A few are attaining considerable distinction.

The meeting of the Imperial Education Committee on the 30th April, shows that that Committee is entering on a more significant stage of its existence. The work it has to do in allotting the new scholarships to British Service men, including men domiciled in the Dominions, is bringing it into closer touch with both British and Dominion Universities. This will add to the weight of a new authority to the good record of the A.I.F. students in strengthening the claim for an easier passage for Overseas men into the Universities of the United Kingdom. A special Committee of the Imperial Education Committee has been appointed to consider this among other requirements of the situation created by the new scholarship scheme.

At the request of the Imperial Education Committee a brief account of the Australian Universities has been written. It will be printed first by the Imperial Education Committee in an abstract of the facilities furnished by Dominions' Universities to British soldiers.

Efforts have again been made to secure for students the privilege of study abroad as well as in Great Britain. The British Universities are themselves are considering a very large scheme of sending both students and teachers of their own to the United States. It seems necessary that Australia should also taken advantage of the specially friendly intentions of the United States towards British subjects wishing to study there. The French mission to Australia has already increased the interest of French educational institutions in students from the British Dominions and a Conference with one of its members in Paris is shortly to be held on behalf of the work of this Branch. Meanwhile the number of A.I.F. personnel being placed abroad is slowly increasing. Several more are going to Rome. There should presently be a number for France where summer courses will be more frequent than in England. The opportunity for modern language teachers who have been serving in the A.I.F. has not yet quite gone.

Technical.

The number of forms received during the week shows a fair increase on last week's figures, but the number recommended has been well maintained.

As shown in the past few weeks, the majority of Applications now being received continues to fall under the heading of "Miscellaneous", a continued decline in applications for higher technical subjects being experienced.

As is to be expected, the number of applications for extension continues to be steady. It is very gratifying to note that in not one case up to the present has any adverse report been received from the Firms or institutions at which members of the A.I.F. are working on N.M.E., which has warranted extension not being approved.

Agricultural.

The week has been a busy one. A large number of Applications are still coming forward, 208 arriving during the week. We were enabled to complete 300 forms and recommend 37 extensions. Of the 564 forms still in hand, over 400 represent men who have been sent for to come to the Pool.

During the week 129 men reported to their positions. The Wool classes at Leeds, Bradford and Halifax are now almost full, a few vacancies only remaining at Leeds. The Galashiels Wool class is, however, not yet complete. Considerable difficulty has been met with in obtaining students for this class punctually. In spite of the fact that the men's locations were discovered through Records, and wired for the first week in April, only relatively few of these men have come forward. The question of pay and subsistence for these classes is still a difficulty but the position seems to be improving.

The Agricultural class at Aberdeen is now complete and good work is reported by Capt. Goodall, our representative of the College. Good reports also are sent forward from Kilmarnock Dairy Institution. The East of Scotland Agricultural class held at Edinburgh, dealing primarily with animal husbandry, is now being rapidly filled. Prof. Wallace is arranging excellent tours for the Students at Edinburgh ~~University~~, which will enable them to see the best stock in Scotland.

Reports from men on properties are generally satisfactory, some of the men reporting after completion of their course stating that the experience they have gained is exceedingly valuable, but there is a difficulty in obtaining sufficient supply of properties to meet the demand.

Lt. Creed proceeded from Lincoln to York and Driffield. He has addressed meetings at several centres, and openings are still being made available in the Midland Counties. Lt. Pratt reports interesting tours round the City Markets, particularly in his inspection of Fell-Mongering Factory. He reports that the City Markets generally have been most sympathetic and helpful in offering facilities for our men. W/O. Wright is accompanying a party from Tidworth round the Scottish properties. W/O Yeomans is in the Market Drayton district seeking further openings for our men.

Tours - 2 tours have been in progress. One, a party of 25, which arrived at Edinburgh from Tidworth 24.4.19. They proceeded to visit important properties in the vicinity, including Earl Rosebery's Dalmeny Farm. They then proceeded through Perth to Aberdeen.

Another party proceeded to Lincoln, where an important annual cattle fair was in progress. From there they proceeded to Leeds and Bradford, where, with the assistance of Major Marfell, they gained access to Woollen Factories.

The shearing machine classes at Wolsley Works, Birmingham, and the Lister Works, Dursley, both report keen interest and full roll of students.

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General.

The total authorised expenditure for period ending 26.4.19., amounts to £11,109. 16. 2.

Arrangements made for various Lectures to be given in U.K. Depots, Sutton Veny, Codford and Weymouth Areas.

One Officer was taken on strength, and one Officer and 4 other ranks struck off.

During the period ending 1.5.19, the number of Applications dealt with was as follows :-

	<u>Recd.</u>	<u>Passed to 5.D.</u>	<u>Rejected.</u>	<u>Passed to 1.D.3.</u>
University	32	62	3	--
Technical	156	184	31	29
Agricultural	85	299	33	--
TOTALS :	273	545	67	29

In addition to the above, 17 Forms 545 were also passed to 5.D.

3. 1.D.3. Non-Military Employment (Industrial).

During the week ending May 3rd, 151 forms 540 were received, 206 recommended and 237 men actually placed out in Non-Military Employment.

Up to date 92 Applications for extensions have been recommended.

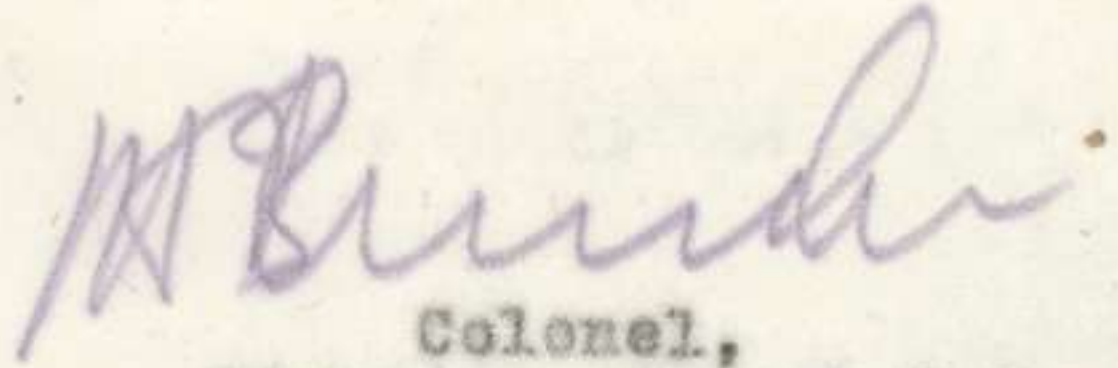
There is nothing of importance to report for Sub-Sections, the work of which is proceeding satisfactorily.

The following comparisons of results for the month of April with previous figures will give a good idea of improvement there has been in getting men actually put out on their jobs :-

	<u>To the end of February.</u>	<u>For month of Mar.</u>	<u>To end of Mar.</u>	<u>For To end of Apr.</u>	<u>To end of April.</u>
Applications received	3585	1180	4765	1126	5891
" recommended	1352	1155	2507	1315	3822
Men actually placed	366	934	1300	1320	2620

During the current week visits have been paid to Swansea and Chepstowe districts. With regard to the former district, trade conditions will not permit of many men being placed, except for a few men in the Motor and Electrical trade. The Chepstowe Area is more satisfactory and we should be able to place a fair number of men in the large docks and housing scheme which are in the course of completion. The Carpenters' and Joiners'

Society at Barrow-in-Furness advise, that, owing to the possibility of industrial trouble in that Area, it would not be advisable for this Department to place any men in that District. We have an order for over one hundred men with Vickers at this town, but nothing can be done until the industrial trouble is settled.



Colonel,
Director, Branch I.D.

5-5-19.

Applications dealt with by Branch I.D.

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	Period ending 28.4.19.	Week ending 5.5.19.	Total to 3.5.19.	Remarks.
<u>"A" Discharges. (Form 535).</u>				
Applications received	2207	127	2334	Includes 184 cases reconsidered.
" Not approved	630	10	640	
" Referred	140	3	143	
" Approved	1437	114	1551	" "
<u>"B" Early Repatriations (Form 537).</u>				
Applications received	4244	146	4390	Includes 48 approv- ed by Defence cables & 20 re- considered cases.
" Not approved	1026	25	1051	
" Referred	36	--	36	
" Approved	3182	121	3303	" "
<u>"C" Extended Leave (Form 539)</u>				
Applications received	681	42	723	Includes 47 cases approved previous to inauguration of present system.
" Not approved	4	--	4	
" Referred	41	2	43	
" Approved	636	40	676	" "
<u>"D" Non-Military Employment (Form 540).</u>				
Applications received	10049	1010	11059	Includes 233 cases of completion of one period of N.M.E. & subse- quent extension.
" Not approved	28	5	33	
" Referred	571	57	628	
" Approved	9450	958	10408	" "
<u>Total Applications received to 3.5.19. ----- 12,506.</u>				

Progress Report for Week ended 3.5.19.

2D1. Rail Transport.

1. Issue of Railway Warrants as required, and check of all Railway Warrants issued by A.I.F. in U.K., and returns in connection with same, excepting for A.I.F. Depots.
2. Adjustment of irregularities in Railway Warrants used by A.I.F. personnel.
3. Entrainment of details embarking by the following transports, viz:-

s.s. "China"	Advance Party, Nurses, Pay Staff and Main Embarkation Party.
s.s. "Karagola"	do. do.
s.s. "Leicestershire"	Medical Details, Advance Party, Nurses, Pay Staff and Main Party.
s.s. "Kaiser-i-Hind"	Medical Details, Nurses and Advance Party.
s.s. "Karoola"	Nurses and Advance Party.
4. Ships' stores were forwarded to the following transports, viz:-

s.s. "Orontes", "Port Napier", "Soudan", "Kaiser-i-Hind", "Karoola", "Zealandia", "Devanha".
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5. Movement of Miscellaneous Stores in U.K., and to France and Egypt was arranged.
6. General indenting and arrangements for printing, etc., were carried out.
7. General correspondence in connection with the above.

2D2. Sea Transport.

The following transports were cleared from embarkation ports:-

Name.	Officers & Nurses.	W.Os.& Sgts.	O.Ranks.	Total A.I.F.	Miscellaneous.
"Karagola"	88	190	571	849	Also 1 dependent.
"China"	120	66	931	1117	" 6 "
"Leicestershire"	119	89	821	1029	

2D5. Embarkation of Personnel.

The applications received to date from Officers, N.C.Os. and men in Depots in U.K. for return to Australia with their wives and families = 4,124.

The applications received from women whose husbands have already returned = 2,029.

2D6. Board of Survey.

1. The following transports were inspected:-

Karagola, Konigin Luise, China, Soudan, Konig Friedrich August, Madras, Lucy Woermann, Rio Padre, Osterley, Chemnitz.

2. On 29.4.19 the exact position of the Board of Survey was discussed at length with the Director of Movements and Quatering.

Hector R. Blagden
Brig.-General.
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DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILISATION
 PROGRESS REPORT BY BRANCH 3.D. FOR WEEK UP TO AND INCLUDING 3.5.19

The work of the Sections has been as follows :-

3.D.1.

RECORDS. Many inquiries, chiefly concerning location of individuals, have been finalised during the week.

REGISTRY. All matters in connection with this Sub-Branch are now working very smoothly.

STATISTICS. Returns. The following returns were compiled and issued during the week -

A16, B16, C16, D16, E16, H16, J13, JA5, K8, L12, M4, N4, P4, R4, T4, V4, Q1, X33 ("RHINIC"), X34 ("KAROGOLA"), X35 ("CHINA")

Miscellaneous Statements.

The following were compiled and issued :-

M.S. 33 -- W.O'S in France
 M.S. 34 -- Publicity Wire.

Graphs and Strength Calendars.

These were corrected ~~and~~ up to date.

Census Wives in U.K.

The compilation of this Census has commenced but only a few hundred returns have been received up to date.

A.I.F. Form 534.

(1) Number of A.I.F. Forms 534. received for week ending
 3.5.19 394

Total number of A.I.F. Forms received to
 3.5.19 124989

(2) Number of A.I.F. Forms 534 completed for :-

H.M.A.T. "KAROGOLA"	...	796
H.M.A.T. "CHINA"	...	977
H.M.A.T. "LEICESTERSHIRE"	...	845
H.M.A.T. "KAISER-I-HIND"	...	1347
H.M.A.T. "ALEXANDER WOERMAN"	...	8
H.M.A.T. "KAROOOLA"	...	369
		4342.

Previous total despatched to

Transport 29270

Total number of completed forms 534 despatched
 to transports to week ended 3.5.19 33612

(3) Number of Educational Slips detached from
 Forms 534 and despatched to Educational

Department for week ended 3.5.19 92.

PROGRESS. The work of checking forms with the record cards at the A.B.P.O. has now been completed and the final roll of members of the A.I.F. yet to complete form 534 obtained.

Obtaining locations from Records of these men have still to be completed for making the return of outstanding forms complete.

Filling in the Federal Electorate on foot of the form is now nearing completion.

The percentage of completed forms for troopships is gradually being raised with the exception of ships carrying invalids

3.D.2.

EMBARKATION QUOTAS. Checking and recording movements of quotas and warning units. Issuing weekly returns of Movements and adjusting charts.

The following movements took place during the week -

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUOTA</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>OFF.</u>	<u>O.R.'S</u>
<u>Entrainments at Charleroi and Gamaches</u>				
28/4	43	1st Div.	25	975 app.
1/5	44	2nd Div.	25	975 app.
3/5	45	3rd Div.	25	975 app.
3/5	46	4th Div.	25	975 app.
<u>Arrivals at Havre.</u>				
29/4	43	1st Div.	25	975 app.
2/5	44	2nd Div.	25	975 app.
3/5	45	3rd Div.	25	975 app.
<u>Departure from Havre and Arrival in U.K.</u>				
29/4	39	3rd Div.	63	934
30/4	40	4th Div.	47	936
1/5	41	5th Div.	66	915
2/5	42	3rd Echelon	26	794

During the week 202 Officers and 3579 O.R's arrived at Depots in U.K. en route to Australia.

EARLY REPATRIATION. Receiving and Recording Rolls etc. Table "A" hereunder shows details of personnel approved and notified for early repatriation. Total for week 68 O.R's.

Statement Showing no. of other ranks ordered for early repatriation from France during week ending 3.5.19

<u>Divisional Group</u>	<u>No.</u>
Corps	-
1st Division	11
2nd Division	13
3rd Division	4
4th Division	22
5th Division	7
3rd Echelon.	11
Total	<u>68</u>

EDUCATION. Usual recording and filing of correspondence received.

AMALGAMATION OF UNITS. Receiving and recording movements of Units amalgamated. Checking and recording same. Recording Cadres and Units as completed.

3.D.3. Compilation and revisions of General Instructions No.22.

Consolidation of Progress Repats

Preparation of Fortnightly Despatch to Defence Melbourne.

Compilation of War Diary.

Departmental Instructions No.17 compiled and distributed.

Correspondence re Printing, Requests for Forms etc. dealt with. Distribution to Branches, Liaisons, etc of all circulars, Orders, Memos etc. received from outside sources.

3.D.6."A" Aust. Divl. Group

During week ending 25.4.19

Evacuated	8
"Z" Class Animals sent to Base	136
do sold by auction	154
	<u>298</u>

Remaining	321
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"B" Aust. Divl. Group

During week ending 25.4.19

"Y" Class animals sent to Base	491
"Z" Class animals sold to horse Butchers or civilians	34
	<u>525</u>

Remaining	268
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3rd Aust. Division.

Evacuated for week ending 25.4.19 6

Remaining	364
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Aust. Corps Troops

Remaining	40
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Total A.I.F. Animals in France for week ending 25.4.19	<u>993</u>
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Veterinary services in France.

The five Australian Mobile Veterinary Sections have been demobilised, and the personnel have been despatched to U.K.

The 1st Aust. V.E.S. will function as M.V.S. for the two Australian Divl. Groups still remaining.

From 30th April Major S.J. Gilbert A.A.V.C. acts as Senior Veterinary Officer, Aust. Troops in Belgium. One Veterinary Officer has been allotted to each of "A" and "B" Divl. Trains, and three other Veterinary Officers will remain at the disposal of Major Gilbert at 1st Aust. V.E.S. All other Veterinary Officers will be demobilized in due course by the Units to which they are attached.

3.D.7.

1. Interviewing Officers, Nurses and men; supplying information on Repatriation and Demobilisation.
2. Acknowledging correspondence; sending available literature to A.I.F. Troops.
3. Submitting matters for decision in cases arising in correspondence and interviews.
4. Continuing file and index for newscuttings dealing with Demobilisation.
5. Lecture delivered at War Chest Club by Major Ryan, on 'Repatriation in Australia'. Preparing press paragraph in connection with above lecture.
6. Arranging lecture for Lieut. Col. Dexter, D.S.O., M.C., D.C.M. on 'Family Ships' to be delivered at War Chest Club on 7th inst.
7. Despatching parcels containing presentation copies of the London Daily Telegraph dated 1st April containing article on the Battle of Amiens and subsequent actions of the Australian troops, ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ to O.C. Troops of outgoing troopships for information of the troops.

Bl. Redley Lieut.-Colonel
Branch 3.D. (Administration).

6.5.19

Usual Routine duties were carried out during the past week.

The question of disposal of a quantity of Australian Pattern Harness surplus to requirements of A.I.F., in U.K. was further dealt with (Vide Report No. 10) War Office are still persisting that this Harness should be utilized to minimize our demands for re-equipment of Post-bellum Army instead of their taking it over as per their agreement of April, 1918, and then re-issuing it, if found suitable, to meet our demands for re-equipment. The course they propose is impracticable, and Administrative Section, A.I.F. Headquarters, has been advised that the alternative proposed by this Branch is the only acceptable procedure.

Arms and Accoutrements withdrawn from Officers of the A.I.F. in U.K. This question was again taken up, and it was instructed that action be expedited to complete collection of such stores.

Further to the subject of incidence of cost of increases in equipment of Australian C.C.Ss. or General Hospital beyond the scale on which such Units were originally based, the specific case of No. 3 C.C.S. has been taken up with Finance with a view to ascertaining whether such eventualities as set out on this question in Report No. 17. were envisaged by any agreement between the A.I.F. and Imperial Government, or failing formal agreement whether any claims for such increases have been preferred against the A.I.F.

Conferences took place with War Office representatives re Mobilisation Store Table for the Brigade Ammunition Columns of Mounted Divisions.

War Office have been urged to specify details of Wireless Equipment now considered necessary for Mounted Divisions, it being understood that the signalling equipment of such formations is being altered to allow of an increase of Wireless Equipment.

Indents for the following Units have been prepared and checked during the week:-

Light Horse Regiment
Field Coy. Engineers

Reports received from A.D.O.S., Demobilisation, France, show that in period 14.4.19 to date, the demobilisation of stores of the following further Units has been completed:-

H.Q.	3rd.	Australian Division	1st.	Aust.	Tunnelling Coy.A.E.
"	4th.	" "	2nd.	"	Field Coy. Engrs.
"	3rd.	" Infty.Bde.	3rd.	"	" "
"	4th.	" " "	4th.	"	" "
"	7th.	" " "	8th.	"	" "
"	8th.	" " "	9th.	"	" "
"	9th.	" " "	10th.	"	" "
"	10th.	" " "	11th.	"	" "

1st. Australian Infantry Bttn.	14th. Aust. Field Coy. Engineers.
3rd. " " "	15th. " " " "
5th. " " "	2nd. " " Ambulance
6th. " " "	15th. " " "
7th. " " "	No. 1 " Cable Section.
12th. " " "	No. 2 " " "
14th. " " "	No. 1 " Motor Airline Sect.
17th. " " "	Aust. Corps H.A. Sig. Sectn.
23rd. " " "	2nd. Aust. Mob. Vety. Section.
24th. " " "	3rd. Coy. A.A.S.C.
27th. " " "	15th. " " "
30th. " " "	16th. " " "
34th. " " "	22nd. " " "
35th. " " "	23rd. " " "
38th. " " "	26th. " " "
40th. " " "	28th. " " "
44th. " " "	29th. " " "
45th. " " "	H.Q. 1st. Aust. Div. Artillery
51st. " " "	H.Q. 4th. " Field Arty. Bde.
53rd. " " "	H.Q. 5th. " " " "
55th. " " "	10th. Battery, A.F.A.
57th. " " "	11th. " " "
5th. " L.T.M. Battery	12th. " " "
6th. " " "	13th. " " "
8th. " " "	14th. " " "
9th. " " "	15th. " " "
14th. " " "	104th. How. Bty. A.F.A.
1st. " M.G. Battalion	H.Q., 2nd. Aust. D.A.C.
3rd. " Pioneer Btn.	No. 1 Sect. 2nd. Aust. D.A.C.
3rd (Army) Bde. Sig. Sub-Sect.	No. 2 " " " "
6th. " " " " "	S.A.A. " " " "
12th. " " " " "	S.A.A. " 1st. " "
	S.A.A. " 4th. " "
	24th. Coy. A.A.S.C.

Walter Owen

BRIGADIER-GENERAL,
4.D.
Repatriation & Demobilisation Dept., A.I.F.

5.5.19.

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - NO.

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Week ending 5: 5: 19:

5D.1. Early Repatriation.

Nominal rolls for 4 ships were dealt with shewing 366 Officers, 3,921 men - 4,287 in all embarked. £25,330 in cash was placed on these ships for which receipts have been received and recorded.

5D.2. Accounting.

No payments this week.

5D.3. Returnees to Australia.

To return at own expense for discharge, 25.

Passages of dependants.

Amounts refunded by H. Com's Office on account of passages not availed of, I item, amounting to £38.--.--. Army Form 543 received and passed to Accountancy, ~~£~~ 49 amounting to £1,189. Cash collected and paid into Family Passage A/c, £806.

Applications for Deferred Pay.

Applications received.....	220.
" approved.....	173.
" disallowed.....	23.
"under consideration.....	24.

Extended leave in U.K.

Number recommended.....	42.
" disallowed or deferred...	4.

TOTAL CASES.	46.
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Approved through Part II Orders.....38.

5D.4. Discharges in U.K.

Men discharged.....	66
Final settlements effected.....	31
Clothing allowances paid.....	56
Settlements of men discharged in Australia.....	-
Cases investigated.....	25.
Applications dealt with.....	100.
Gratuity credited to discharges, 88	
amounting to.....	£1,334 - 4 - 0.
Disbursed.....	£5,683 - 19 - 0.

5D.5. Non-Military Employment.

834 applications dealt with.
729 " approved through Part II Orders.

W. C. ...
Captain.
for Colonel.
CHIEF PAYMASTER, AIF.
(5D.)

54 Victoria Street

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10/5/19

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Branch 1.D. - Non-Military Employment
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

REPATRIATION & DEMOBILISATION DEPARTMENT.

Progress Report by Branch I.D., for period up to, and including, 10th May, 1919.

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1. I.D.

A Conference was held on 10th May, 1919, at which the following were present :- Director-General, Deputy Director-General, Director and Deputy Director, Branch I.D., and Director, Branch S.D.

The question of the Discharge in the U.K., of personnel wishing to return to Australia via America for business reasons was discussed, and it was decided to apply the same principle as is now in force for personnel returning via America for Educational reasons viz :- Discharge to be postdated, passage money paid, also deferred pay etc.

Various Rulings obtained and promulgated.

All Area Officers have now been appointed and taken up duty in their respective Areas - 10 in Provinces and 3 in London.

Checking and submitting Applications for decision carried on.

Appendix "A" shows the total number of these Applications dealt with in Branch I.D. to date, under the different headings.

2. I.D.1. Early Repatriations.

121 new Applications received.

Rolls of "Approved" and "not approved" Applications issued. - 93 and 29, respectively.

Discharges.

68 new Applications received.

Leave, Non-Military Employment, etc.

During the week 31 new Applications were received and 12 passes issued.

Returns - B213, Records, etc.

Daily and weekly Returns promulgated.

3. I.D.2. Non-Military Employment, (Educational).

Library - Books were issued to London, U.K. Depots and Reference Library.

Volumes indented for during week ----- 3.
Stock of Books on hand 9.5.19. -----49,392.

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Correspondence Courses.

5 new Scholarships requested from the I.C.S.

Universities.

The number of 540's recommended has now passed 500. The Applications continue to arrive at an undiminished rate. The consultations with students are increasing, the daily average having risen to about 22. The release of Education Officers from duty should provide a good number of excellent students for higher work.

During the week the most informative report yet sent to the Australian Universities has been completed; the outline of report on French Universities has been sketched, and an account of the Australian Universities has been written for the Imperial Education Committee. This Imperial Education Committee is now considering the inter-relations of the Universities of the Empire, and is likely to help in improving them. Its special care now includes the placing of British service men (domiciled in the U.K. or the Dominions) at British or Dominions Universities. To decide conditions for admitting such men to University courses had been a matter of some difficulty, and the sub-committee is now considering it.

Excellent summer courses have now been arranged in France and should furnish fresh opportunities for A.I.F. men.

The Institute of Journalists is actively engaged in finding other opportunities for journalistic training in the U.K. The Imperial Education Committee, as already reported, has allotted to the A.I.F., 20 vacancies in the Workers' Education Association summer schools at Oxford, during July and August.

According to the report of the Khaki University of Canada for March, 300 Canadian Students have been placed in British Universities. The A.I.F. total is now over 200, and therefore compares favourably. Over 160 others have been placed in Institutions giving higher instruction, among them being 50 students of the Council of Legal Education - the "Law University" of England.

Technical.

Increasing forms remain steady, but applications for higher technical training show a gradual decrease, and increase being experienced with the "Miscellaneous".

The demand for training and motor engineering and driving is high, and the majority of cases placed by the Mechanical Engineering sub-section fall under this heading.

The number of 540's still held by sections to be dealt with shows an increase.

Further tours of inspection of the firms and institutions at which members of the A.I.F. are placed have been made, and excellent reports received of the progress of our men.

The Association of Accountants has now met our wishes hold a special examination for members of the A.I.F., and the certificates obtained from the Association should prove of great value to these men on their return to Australia. 6

Agriculture.

3 very important wool courses at the Leeds University and Galashiels Technical College were commenced on 28th ult., and all three courses were filled by highly qualified and specially selected men.

A good number of men were placed during the week at various Woollen Mills at Galashiels, where first-rate opportunities were arranged for our men by Major Marfell, D.S.O.

Major Marfell visited this Office on the 2nd instant, and reports good progress being made by the men at the Colleges at Bradford and Leeds, and also by men who are in Woollen Mills in these cities.

Lt. Pratt, Officer in charge of the party of men interested in the wool, skin, hide and meat industries, reports on the very instructive and interesting time his party experienced this week, especially on 6th instant., when the May London wool sales opened with wool bringing record prices.

W.O. Yeomans returned during the week from a tour through the North-West Counties and reports favourably on the prospect of some of our men being placed on good farms there.

Capt. Joynt, V.C., reports highly on the very instructive tour in progress in Scotland through the various stud properties, etc., and he was able to secure various openings for our men on good farms. This tour has embraced leading shorthorn studs in the Edinburgh district; Clydesdale and Aberdeen Angus, properties in the neighbourhood of Perth and their visit to the Perth Market; a fine Ayrshire cattle herd near Ayr, and a visit to the Kilmarnock Dairy School. Lengthy reports of the various visits appeared in Scottish Newspapers.

Arrangements are in hand with a view to sending a party of men to attend the Jersey Royal Show towards the end of this month, and later a large number of men are to be provided for at the Royal show, Cardiff, to be held from June 24th to 28th.

Pressure of work in connection with Applications for Non-Military Employment is very appreciably diminishing, and Applications can now be dealt with in greater numbers than those which are coming to hand.

General.

The total authorised expenditure for period ending 3.5.19., amounts to £ 11223. 13. 0.

Arrangements made for various Lectures to be given in Sutton Veny and Codford Areas.

Strength.

6 Officers and 3 other ranks struck off, and 2 Off and 2 other ranks taken on.

During the period ending 8.5.19., the number of Applications dealt with was as follows :-

	<u>Recd.</u>	<u>Passed to S.D.</u>	<u>Rejected.</u>	<u>Passed to I.D.S.</u>
University -	10	35	4	---
Technical -	218	146	19	18
Agricultural-	64	82	7	---
TOTALS:-	292	263	30	18

In addition to the above, 4 Forms 545 were passed to S.D., and 98 Applications for extension of N.M.E. leave recommended.

4. I.D.S. Non-Military Employment (Industrial).

SHIPBUILDING.

The Aldous Boat and Yacht Building Yard, ^{gh}Britlingsea, has offered to place a number of men in their yards. The weekly return from Messrs. Vickers, Limited, Barrow-in-Furness, of their labour requirements shows vacancies for 500 men of various shipbuilding trades, but there are no men applying for these positions.

GENERAL ENGINEERING.

During the week a Representative from this Department visited Swansea and district and secured several vacancies for Moulders, which however, are held up pending approval by local Trade Union authorities.

INDUSTRIAL.

Two cases of strike affecting our men have been reported during the current week. One in the Aircraft Manufacturing Company at Hendon, where we have ten men, and the other in an Engineering Firm where one man is placed. These concerned expect the difficulties to be settled within a few days. An organisation at Glasgow complained of two of our men being placed with a Firm from which five men had already been dismissed. Full information is being obtained by the Area Officer.

The Carpenters' & Joiners' Union at Barrow-in-Furness has withdrawn its objection to our men being placed with Messrs. Vickers, Limited.

GENERAL.

During the week ending May 10th, 182 Forms 540 were received, 234 recommended and 136 men actually placed out in Non-Military Employment.

Up to date 121 Applications for extension have been recommended.

There is nothing of importance to report for sub-sections, Motors, Aeroplanes, Electrical, Woals & Textiles and Miscellaneous.

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Lt.Colonel, Deputy Direc
for Director, Branch, I.D.

12.5.19.

APPLICATIONS DEALT WITH BY BRANCH I.D.

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	Period ending 3.5.19.	Week ending 10.5.19.	Total to 10.5.19.	Remarks.
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Applications received	4390	124	4514	Includes 48 Approved by Defence cables & 24 reconsidered cases.
" Not approved	1051	27	1078	
" Referred	36	--	36	
" Approved	3303	63	3366	" " "
" Pending	---	34	34	
<u>"C". Extended Leave, (Form 539).</u>				
Applications received	723	39	762	Includes 47 cases approved previous to inauguration of present system.
" Not approved	4	--	4	
" Referred	43	2	45	
" Approved	676	37	713	" " "
<u>"D". Non-Military Employment, (Form 540).</u>				
Applications received	11039	681	11740	Includes 350 cases of completion of one period of S.M.E. & subsequent extension.
" Not approved	33	2	35	
" Referred	608	9	617	
" Approved	10418	670	11088	" " "
<u>Total Applications received to 10.5.19. --- 19,426.</u>				

PROGRESS REPORT WEEK ENDED 10TH MAY, 1919

2D1. Rail Transport

1. Entrainment of details embarking by the following transports was supervised, viz:-

"Alexander Woerman"	Advance Party
"Karoola"	Pay Staff and Main Embarkation Party
"Devanha"	Advance Party, Medical Party, Nurses Pay Staff, and Main Embarkation Party.
"Irishman"	Advance Party.
"Wahehe"	Advance Party and Main Embarkation Party.
"Borda"	Advance Party, Nurses, and Medical Details.
"Zealandia"	Advance Party, Pay Staff, Nurses Medical Details.
"Port Napier"	Medical Details, Advance Party.
"Soudan"	Advance Party, Medical Details, Nurses and Pay Staff.

2. Ships' stores were forwarded to the following transports, viz:-
s.s. "Alexander Woerman", s.s. "Borda", s.s. "Durham"
s.s. "Ypiranga", s.s. "Bremen", s.s. "Nestor", s.s. "Wahehe".
3. Movement of miscellaneous stores in U.K. and to France and Egypt was arranged.
4. General indenting and arrangements for printing, etc., were carried out.

2D2. Sea Transport.

1. The following transports embarked during the week:-

Vessel.	Officers & Nurses.	W.Os. & Sgts.	O.Ranks.	Total A.I.F.	Miscellaneous
"Kaiser-i-Hind"	173	85	1,258	1,516	40 Dependents.
"Alexander Woermann"	4	4	4	12	
"Karoola"	62	57	440	559	Includes Staff.
"Devanha"	60	198	968	1,226	11 Dependents (Inc. 2 Oddes. 1 Sgt. 3 O.Rs. for Egypt only).
"Irishman"	3	4	8	15	Muntn. Workers.
"Wahehe"	89	94	275	458	156 women; 39 children

2D5. Embarkation of Personnel

The s.s. "Wahehe" embarked on 10th instant. The Boat Roll was completed and finalized for the above mentioned ship
p.t.o.

2D6 Board of Survey.

1. Colonel Smith handed over to Major W.J.R.Scott the presidency of the Board of Survey and fitting of transports. Major Scott also assumed the position of military member of the board. Lieut. Colonel L.W.Jeffries, A.A.M.C., assumed the position of medical member in succession to Colonel Smith.

2. The following ships allotted to transports were inspected in connection with the progress of fittings:-

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|---------------|----------------------------|
| "Osterley" | "Windhuk" |
| "Rio Parde" | "Konigin Luise" |
| "Zealandia" | "Madras" |
| "Port Napier" | "Konigin Friedrich August" |
| "Orontes" | "Lucie Woermann" |

3. The first preliminary report for the fitting and allotment of the following ships was carried out during the week:-

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|------------------|-----------|
| "Somali" | "Main" |
| "Themistocles" | "Ormonde" |
| "Macedonia" | "Beltana" |
| "Port Lyttleton" | |

4. The final inspection of the fitting of the following ships was carried out:-

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|-----------------|---------------|
| "Kaiser-i-Hind" | "Zealandia " |
| "Soudan" | "Port Napier" |
| "Borda" | |

5. The following ships were embarked:-

From Southampton

- "Karoola"
- "Kaiser-i-Hind"

From Devonport

- "Zealandia"
- "Borda"
- "Devanha"
- "Soudan"

Walter H. Clayton

Brig-General
Director of Movements & Quartering

12-5-19

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DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILISATION,
 REPORT BY BRANCH S.D. for WEEK UP TO AND INCLUDING
 10th. May, 1919.

The work of the Sections has been as follows:-

S.D.1. RECORDS. Many inquiries in this Sub-branch have been finalised.
REGISTRY. This sub-branch is now working smoothly. The D.F.M.S. Branch, however, which has taken up its position at 54 Victoria Street, has still to be instructed in the system adopted at Central Registry.
STATISTICS.

Returns. The following returns have been compiled and issued during the week:-

A.17 B17 C17 D17 E17 H12 J14 JAG K9 L13 M5 N5 P5 Q2 R5
 T5 & 6 V6 X36 ("LEICESTERSHIRE" X37 ("ALEXANDER WOERMANN"
 KAISER-I-HIND", "KARoola") X38 ("DEVANHA", "IRISHMAN").

Miscellaneous Statements. The following were compiled and issued:-

M.S. 35 - A.I.F. Dependents and munition workers on water returning to Australia.

M.S. 36 - War Gratuity

M.S. 37 - Percentages.

Graphs and Strength Calendars. These have been kept up to date and a few copies of graphs have been made.

Census wives in U.K. This census is still being proceeded with.

A.I.F. FORM 534.

(1) No. of A.I.F. Forms 534 received for week ended 10.5.19. 312
 Total No. of A.I.F. Forms received to 10.5.19. 125301

(2) No. of A.I.F. Forms 534 completed for:-

H.M.A.T. "DEVANHA"	1117
- "ZEEALANDIA"	990
- "IRISHMAN"	9
- "WAHENE"	401
- "BORDA"	1776
- "SOUDAN"	1323
- "PORT HAPIER"	1396

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Previous total despatched to transports 33612

Total No. of completed A.I.F. forms 534 despatched to Transports to week ended 10/5/19. 40624.

S.D.2. EMBARKATION QUOTAS. Checking and recording movements of quotas and warning units. Issuing weekly return of movements and adjusting charts. The following movements took place during the week:-

Date	Quota	Unit	Off.	O.Rs.	
Entrainments at Charleroi and Gamaches.					
5/5	47	5th. Divisions	25	975	app.
7/5	48	Rue and Jeumont Schools	41	880	
8/5	49	1st. Division	25	975	app.
10/5	50	2nd. Divisions	25	975	app.
7/5 part	51	3rd. Division	7	288	%
Arrivals at Havre.					
4/5	46	4th. Division	49	898	
6/5	47	5th. Division	25	975	app.
7/5	48	Rue and Jeumont Schools	41	880	
9/5	49	1st. Division	25	975	app.
10/5	50	2nd. Division	25	975	"

<u>S.D.2. cont.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Quota</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Off.</u>	<u>O.Rs.</u>
	8/5	51	3rd. Division	7	288 ½
<u>Departure from Havre and arrival in U.K.</u>					
	6/5	43	1st. Division	36	942
	7/5	44	2nd. Division	50	891
	9/5	45	3rd. Division	57	920
	10/5	46	4th. Division	49	898

During the week 192 officers and 3651 O.Rs. arrived at Depots in U.K. en route to Australia.

EARLY REPATRIATION. Receiving and recording Rolls etc. Table "A" hereunder shows details of personnel approved and notified for early repatriation. Total for week 28 O.Rs.

<u>Divisional Group.</u>	<u>Number.</u>
Corps	-
1st. Division	1
2nd. Division	10
3rd. Division	1
4th. Division	7
5th. Division	1
3rd. Echelon	8
Total	28

EDUCATION. Usual recording and filing of correspondence received
AMALGAMATION OF UNITS. Receiving and recording movements of Unit amalgamated. Checking and recording same. Recording Cadres and Units as completed.

PROSPECTIVE ALLOTMENT OF QUOTAS FOR WEEK ENDING 17/5/19.

<u>Quota No.</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Depots.</u>
47	5th. Division	13th. May	No. 5 Group WYMOUTH
48	Rue and Jeumont Schools	14th. May	No. 3 Group GODFORD.
49	1st. Division	15th. May	No. 1 Group HEYTESBURY
50	2nd. Division	16th. May	No. 2 Group SUTTON VILL
51	3rd. Division	17th. May	No. 3 Group GODFORD

S.D.3. Compilation of War Diary.
 Compilation of Summary of Decisions and Rulings.
 Compilation of Departmental Progress Report.
 Preparation of Fortnightly Despatch for Defence Melbourne.
 Distribution to Branches and Liaisons etc. of all circulars memos, orders, received from outside sources.
 Distribution Lists revised and issue of General Instructions etc. out down as amalgamations and decreases in strength permitted.

S.D.6. "A" Australian Divl. Group. No report has been received from this formation. At the date of last report the total number of animals 321.
 "B" Australian Divl. Group. 19 animals were sold to Horse Butchers 127 "X" and "Y" class animals were sent by rail to Havre Remaining 227
 3rd. Aust. Division. 8 animals were evacuated. 197 "X" and "Y" class animals were sent to Base Remount Depot at Boulogne. Remaining 159. Total 707.
 It was intended that 59 of these remaining animals should be disposed of on 11th. inst. to the Imperial Remount Squadron at Jambes. Veterinary equipment and stores of the five Australian Mobile Veterinary Sections in France has been handed in to Ordnance. That of other A.I.F. Units is being collected and will also be handed in in the course of a few days.

3.D.7.

- (1) Interviewing Officers, Nurses and Men; supplying information on Repatriation and Demobilisation.
- (2) Acknowledging correspondence; sending available literature to Australian and Allied Force troops.
- (3) Submitting matters for decision in cases arising in correspondence and interviews.
- (4) Continuing file and index for newscuttings dealing with demobilisation.
- (5) A lecture was delivered at the War Chest Club on Wednesday, 7th. May on "Family Ships" by Chaplain Lieut. Col. Dexter, D.S.O. M.C., D.C.M. of the Shipping Department, Repatriation and Demobilisation Department, A.I.F. A large number of men from the various camps attended.
- (6) Preparing press paragraphs in connection with above lecture, and also on "Training in Pig Farming and Irrigation in U.S.A. for Australian Soldiers".
- (7) Despatching parcels of blackened lantern slides to the various Group camps, to be used for the publication of Shipping Intelligence, which will be telegraphed from this Department as it becomes available. The information will be published at the Camp Cinemas.
- (8) Preparing and sending to printers draft of pamphlet re "Repatriation in Australia".
- (9) Staff. Gnr. G.G. Neill transferred to C.P.M.'s Dept. as from 12th. May, 1919.

Added. 2977 Sgt. W.M. Dobbs, on 5th. May.
The Staff at present consists of -

- Lieut. H.K. BUSHELL
- Sgt. W.M. DOBBS
- Cpl. H.W. TARBATH.
- Mrs. W.E. Hughes.

Whalley

Lieut. Colonel,

Branch 3. D. (Administration).

The following general questions have been dealt with during the past week.

War Office have been again urged to make available information regarding the approximate cost of Machinery, Tools etc. of Heavy Mobile Workshop in Italy, which has been offered to Commonwealth Government.

Instances have been reported by A.D.O.S., Demobilisation France, where Units have certified that their deficiencies in such articles as Compasses, Binoculars etc. are due to Officers having taken these Stores away with them when evacuated from Unit. In such cases, A.I.F. will be committed to refunding Imperial Government the value of articles deficient. Action has been taken in ~~some~~ ^{some} instances to call on Officers to return the articles; in other cases (when the Officers have left the U.K.) the matter has been referred to 5.D. to ascertain what action can be taken regarding recovery of value of stores.

It has been laid before War Office that in all cases only latest and most up-to-date equipment should be supplied in satisfaction of our demands. The difficulty is that, whereas it is known that in Branches like the Signal Service, certain improved patterns of stores have been in use, such patterns are not laid down in Mobilisation Store Tables or other authorities. Arrangements are being made by which an Officer with knowledge of the Mobilisation Stores of the various Branches will follow this matter through with the responsible Sections of the various Imperial Issuing Depots.

Routine work for the week ending 10th. instant is summarized as under:-

Further Demobilisation of Unit Equipment.

In addition to the lists shown in Reports Nos. 15 and 18, the following Units have now completed demobilisation of their equipment:- (Lists and documents for same being held in this office)

H.Q. 9th. Aust. Inf. Bde.	8th. Aust. Infantry Bttn.
" 10th. " " "	9th. " " "
" 3rd. " Div. Engrs.	10th. " " "
1st. " Mob. Vety. Sect.	18th. " " "
3rd. " " " "	20th. " " "
H.Q. 4th. " Div. Artillery	39th. " " "
" 5th. " Infy. Bde.	43rd. " " "
" 6th. " " "	56th. " " "
" 14th. " " "	5th. " Depot Unit of Supply.
11th. " Field Amblce.	8th. " " "
2nd. " San. Sect.	11th. " " "
Aust. Veterinary Hospital	12th. " " "
17th. Coy. A.A.S.C.	15th. " " "
6th. Aust. M.T.M. Bty.	16th. " " "
H.Q. 3rd. " D.A.C.	21st. " " "
No. 2 Sect. 3rd. Aust. D.A.C.	23rd. " " "
H.Q. 7th. Aust. F.A. Brigade	24th. " " "
25th. Battery A.F.A.	2nd. " Field Butchery
26th. " " "	3rd. " " "
27th. " " "	3rd. " Div. Sig. Coy.
No. 2 Aust. O.M.W. (L)	
No. 3 " " "	

In addition there is a large number of Units whose stores have been demobilised but relative papers are now undergoing investigation.

Units now remaining to be demobilised as regards
Stores are as follows:-

	1st. Aust. Div. Sig. Coy. (part)	3rd. (Army) Bde. A.F.A. Park Sec
	3rd. " " " " "	6th. " " " "
	4th. " " " " "	12th. " " " "
H.Q.	11th. " Infantry Bde.	2nd. Squadron A.F.C.
	26th. " " Btn.	3rd. " " "
	33rd. " " " "	A.F.M.M. & B. Coy.
	39th. " " " "	
H.Q.	1st. " Div. Train	4th. Aust. B.G.R.O. Coy.
"	2nd. " " " "	5th. " " " "
"	5th. " " " "	6th. " " " "
	10th. Coy. Aust. A.S.C.	1st. " L.R.O. Coy.
	20th. " " " "	3rd. " L.R.F. "
	25th. " " " "	1st. " Siege Bde. Amm. Col. MT.
	6th. Aust. Field Amblce.	2nd. " " " "
	3rd. " Tunnelling Coy.	4th. " Field Bakery
H.Q.	Australian Corps	4th. " " Butchery
	Australian Wireless Section	3rd. " General Hospital
	Corps R.E. Workshops	3rd. " C.C.S.
	" Signal Coy.	7th. " D.U.S.
	1st. Aust. Rhead Supply Detachment	9th. " " "
H.Q.	Corps M.T. Column	12th. " " "
	1st. Aust. M.T. Coy.	13th. " " "
	2nd. " " " "	19th. " " "
	3rd. " " " "	22nd. " " "
	4th. " " " "	25th. " " "
	5th. " " " "	
	6th. " " " "	

Demands for re-equipment for following Units are now completed and being presented to Imperial Authorities for fulfilment as regards 2nd. Military District.

- 3 Headquarters Mounted Brigade
- 6 Light Trench Mortar Batteries
- 2 Mobile Veterinary Sections (France)
- 1 " " " (Egypt)
- 3 Signal Troops Mounted Brigade
- 1 Mounted Divisional Train
- 1 Signal Squadron Mounted Division
- 2 Headquarters Divisional Artillery
- 3 " " " Engineers
- 1 " " Mounted Division
- 6 Infantry Brigade Headquarters
- 2 Divisional Trains Infantry Division.

Walter Owen.

BRIGADIER GENERAL,
4.D.

Repatriation & Demobilisation Dept., A.I.F.

12.5.19.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - NO.17.Week ending 10.5.19.5D.1. Early Repatriation.

Nominal rolls for 6 ships were dealt with shewing 358 Officers (including 10 Nurses) 3,356 men, - 3,714 in all embarked.

£22,050 - 0 - 0 in cash was placed on these ships, for which receipts have been received and recorded.

5D.2. Accounting.

Payments made to the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, London, for 4,580 men drawing £15,764 - 15 - 5 Pay and £16,360 - 9 - 0 Subsistence.

Fees on account of 101 men, amounted to £2,631 - 5 - 10.

5D.3. Returnees to Australia.

To return at own expense for discharge,	14.
TO " " " " " " " with	
50 days pay.....	Nil.

Passages of dependants.

Amounts refunded by High Commissioner's Office on account of passages not availed of, 2 items amounting to £61 - 0 - 0.

Army Form 543 received and passed to Accountancy, 58 amounting to £1,495 - 10 - 0.

Cash collected and paid into Family Passage A/c, £1,112 - 0 - 0.

Applications for Deferred Pay.

Applications received.....	273.
" approved.....	167.
" disallowed.....	47
" under consideration.....	59

Extended leave in U.K.

Number recommended.....	29
" disallowed or deferred..	6
TOTAL CASES.	35

Approved through Part II Orders..... 26.

5D.4. Discharges in U.K.

Men discharged.....	78
Final settlements effected.....	32.
Clothing allowances paid.....	73 .
Settlements of men discharged in Australia.	-
Cases investigated.....	30.
Applications dealt with.....	70.
Gratuity credited to discharges.....	} 116.
(Disbursed £1,923 - 17 - 6.....)	

5D.5. Non-Military Employment.

701 Applications dealt with.
591 " approved through Part II Orders.

H. C. Jones
Captain.
for Colonel.
CHIEF PAYMASTER, AIF. 5D.

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DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILISATION

PROGRESS REPORT - FOR WEEK ENDING

17.5.19

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Progress Report by Branch I.D., for period up to, and including,
17th May, 1919.

1. I.D.

Various Rulings obtained and promulgated.

Checking and submitting applications for decision
carried on.

Appendix "A" shows the total number of these Applications
dealt with in Branch I.D. to date, under the different headings.

2. I.D.1. Early Repatriations.

149 new Applications received.

Rolls of "Approved" and "Not approved" Applications
issued - 66 and 17 respectively.

Discharges.

97 new Applications received.

Leave, Non-Military Employment, etc.

During the week 30 new Applications were received and
25 Passes issued.

Returns, - B213, Records etc.

Daily and weekly Returns promulgated.

3. I.D.2. Non-Military Employment, (Educational).

Library. The Library Records are being audited, and no figures
are available for this Report.

Correspondence Courses.

Scholarships granted during week	--	5
Diplomas sent during week	--	1
Progressive total of Scholarships	--	468
do. do. Diplomas	--	18

Universities.

The number of Applications received still keeps very
high compared with a couple of months ago. This, however, is
largely due to the frequency with which men who originally
applied for short courses now ask to have them extended. This
may be taken as a very good indication of the value of the
courses to the men, as quite a number of those asking for
extensions are due now, by date of enlistment, for early return
to Australia.

Applications from Officers and N.C.O.'s of the Education
Service for the W.E.A. Summer School at Oxford, are already
more than the 20 places allotted to us, and further applications
from English Depots are anticipated.

The Chairman attended on Wednesday 14th inst., a meeting of a Sub-Committee of the Imperial Education Committee.

Technical.

Incoming forms show an increase of 21.

The demand for tuition and Motor Driving, etc, again showed a steady decrease.

The number of 540's still held by Sub-Sections to be dealt with shows an increase of 75.

Opportunity has been given to a number of Students to take the November examination in spectacle making.

Negotiations have been opened with a view to placing men with a new Branch of industry, viz., Electrical Tanning. These men will be given the offer of employment in Australia.

Agriculture.

The Director of Education and a party of 5 Officers visited the Leeds district for the purpose of inspecting classes engaged in wool instruction courses. On the afternoon of Monday the 12th May the party were conducted over the Leeds University, special attention being paid to the Textile School, where several Australian Students were seen at work, and in the evening were entertained by the University Council.

On Tuesday morning a visit was paid to the Bradford Municipal Technical College, where a class of 50 of our men were seen at work on all processes of woollen manufacture, from the scouring of the raw wool to weaving and finishing of various types of cloth. At mid-day all A.I.F. students attending the College were gathered in the Assembly Hall and a short address was delivered by the Director of Education. After lunch, provided by the School Council, the party were conducted over the Saltaire Woollen Mills, one of the largest manufacturing establishments in the district, and here the processes of manufacture on a large scale were witnessed.

The wool course at Bradford, Leeds, Halifax and Galashiels are complete as regards students and reports from the Officers superintending these courses were highly satisfactory. Only a few vacancies are available now in wool classing, and these are at Woollen Mills, in Galashiels, Scotland.

Bradford and Halifax Technical Colleges have promised another course available for our men at the termination of the present course. Lt. Pratt with a party of 25 Officers and other ranks reports a very instructive and interesting tour of the meat, hide and wool industries, special interest being attached to the sale of colonial wool at the London Wool Exchange.

Capt. Joynt, V.C., during his recent tour through Cumberland, arranged with 25 Farmers to accept men from our Forces on their properties.

The Wolsley Sheep Shearing Co., Ltd, and the R.A. Lister Sheep Shearing Co., have the courses they offered to our men fully attended now and good progress is reported of the Officers in charge.

Lt. Creed has continued his canvass of the farming districts of Yorkshire. He visited Driffield, Malton and Pocklington, and addresses meetings of the National Farmer's

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Union at each of these places. The farmers continue to show a sympathetic interest in our farming out scheme, and 20 definite offers to take men for experience were received in addition to a large number of less certain proposals.

A special course of forestry has been arranged with the Director of Forestry at Edinburgh University. The course which starts on 19th inst., will embrace the initiative work that is required to enable men to make a success of forest operations. The lectures will cover all subjects in regard to a propagation, protection, planting and thinning out, timber values, diseases in timber, marketing of timber etc. Practical course will be observations taken in subjects dealt in lectures, in various centres in Scotland. Arrangements have been made for 40 men to take the course. A full class has been selected and will proceed to Edinburgh to commence work on the 19th.

General.

The total authorised expenditure for period ending 10.5.19. amounts to £11322. 8. 6.

Arrangements made for various Lectures to be given in Sutton Veny, Godford, Weymouth and Hardeott.

Strength. 5 Officers and 1 other rank struck off, and 1 Officer and 4 other ranks taken on.

During the period ending 15.5.19, the number of Applications dealt with was as follows :-

	<u>Recd.</u>	<u>Passed to S.D.</u>	<u>Rejected.</u>	<u>Passed to I.D.S.</u>
University.	59	11	--	--
Technical.	129	195	40	15
Agricultural.	261	133	13	--
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	429	337	53	15
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In addition to the above, 5 Forms 545 were passed to S.D., and 113 Applications for extension of N.M.E., leave recommended.

I.D.S. Non-Military Employment (Industrial).

There is nothing to report for Sub-Sections, Ship-building, Motors, Aeroplanes, Electrical, Woolls & Textiles or General Engineering.

Miscellaneous.

Arrangements are being made for the placing out of several disabled men (with leg amputations) for the purpose of learning trades which will be useful to them on return to Australia.

A further list of 46 men was submitted on the 8th inst, to the Railway Executive Committee for their approval for the men being placed with various Railways Companies.

Industrial.

As reported in previous weekly report strikes affecting some of our men occurred in Engineering shops and Aeroplane works;

in the case of the former the trouble has now been settled, but a number of the Employees have not been reinstated, including one of our men.

The trouble at the Aeroplane works has only affected one man and he has been withdrawn pending settlement.

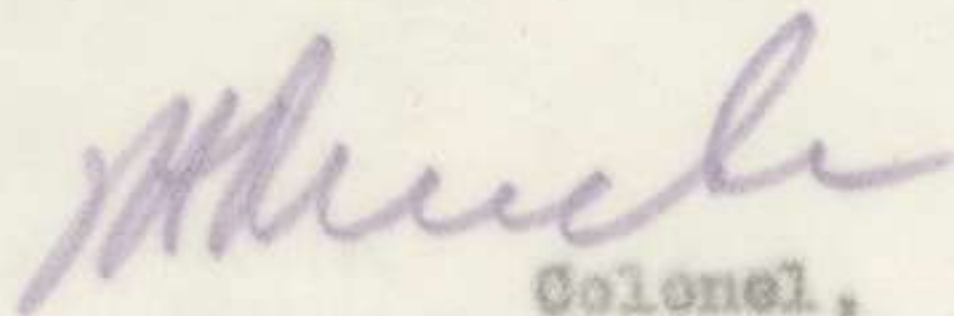
General -

During the week ending May 17th, 266 Applications were received, 194 recommended and 134 men actually placed out on their jobs.

Up to date 149 Applications for extensions have been recommended.

The number of working suits issued to men proceeding on H.M.E. for the week total 138, and Overalls 231, and 45 standard sets of tools have been supplied.

A Representative of the Department in the South Wales Area met with a good reception during the week in Newport, and found shortage of labour in the Building Trades, Engineering and Motor Works. Employers in this town were very interested in the scheme and a considerable number of Applications for men were obtained, and are likely to be supplemented in the near future. In Shipbuilding yards Union difficulties are against employers taking our men into their yards, though they are endeavouring to overcome these, in which case a great number of our men might be employed as there is a large amount of work on hand.



Colonel,
Director, Branch I.D.

19-5-19.

APPLICATIONS DEALT WITH BY BRANCH I.D.

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	Period ending 10.5.19.	Week ending 17.5.19.	Total to 17.5.19.	Remarks.
<u>"A". Discharges (Form 535).</u>				
<u>Applications received</u>	2410	80	2490	Includes 218 cases re-considered.
" Not approved	641	6	647	
" Referred	145	13	158	
" Approved	1563	108	1671	" "
" Pending	41	--	--	
<u>"B". Early Repatriations (Form 537).</u>				
<u>Applications received</u>	4514	128	4642	Includes 48 approved by Defence Cables & 27 re-considered cases.
" Not approved	1078	16	1094	
" Referred	36	5	41	
" Approved	3366	141	3507	" "
" Pending	34	--	--	
<u>"C". Extended Leave (Form 539)</u>				
<u>Applications received</u>	762	41	803	Includes 47 cases approved previous to inauguration of present system.
" Not approved	4	2	6	
" Referred	45	8	53	
" Approved	713	31	744	" "
<u>"D". Non-Military Employment (Form 540).</u>				
<u>Applications received</u>	11740	673	12413	Includes 453 cases of completion of one period of S.M.S. & subsequent extension.
" Not approved	35	--	35	
" Referred	617	43	660	
" Approved	11088	630	11718	" "
<u>TOTAL APPLICATIONS RECEIVED TO 17-5-19. ----- 50,348.</u>				

PROGRESS REPORT WEEK ENDED 17th MAY, 1919.

2.D.1. Rail Transport.

1. Issue of Railway Warrants as required and check of all Railway Warrants issued by the A.I.F. in U.K. and returns in connection with same.
2. Entrainment of details embarking by the following Transports were supervised viz:-

S.S. "Borda"	Pay Staff & main embarkation party.
S.S. "Soudan"	Main embarkation party.
S.S. "Zealandia"	do do do
S.S. "Ypiranga"	Medical details Advance party, Nurses Pay Staff & Main Embarkation party.
S.S. "Orontes"	do do
S.S. "Port Napier"	Pay Staff & Main Embarkation Party.
S.S. "Nestor"	Medical details & Advance party.
3. Ships stores were forwarded to the following transports viz:-

S.S. "Osterley"	S.S. "Lucy Woerman"
S.S. "Themistocles"	S.S. "Somali"
S.S. "Aneas"	
4. Movement of Miscellaneous Stores in U.K. and to France and Egypt was arranged.
5. General Indenting and arrangements for Printing &c were carried out

2.D.2. Sea Transport.

The following transports embarked during the week:-

Vessel.	Officers & Nurses.	W.O's & Sgts.	O.Ranks	Total A.I.F.	Miscellaneous.
"Zealandia"	68	74	917	1059	
"Borda"	102	216	1502	1820	
"Soudan"	42	139	1257	1438	
"Port Napier"	33	105	1400	1538	
"Ypiranga"	65	91	880	1036	
"Orontes"	124	116	1042	1282	

2.D.6. Board of Survey.

The following ships allotted as transports were inspected in connection with progress of fittings.

"Ormonde"	"Konigin Louise"
"Windhuk"	"Osterley"
"Rio Pardo"	"Themistocles"
"Rio Vegro"	
"Somali"	

The first preliminary report for the fitting and allotment of the following ships was carried out during the week.

"Macedonia" (Further preliminary)
"Boorara"
"Oxfordshire"

Final Inspection during week,

"Orontes"

Chapman

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for Brig-General,
Director of Movements & Quartering.
19-5-19.

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DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILISATION
 PROGRAMS REPORT BY BRANCH S.D. FOR WEEK UP TO AND INCLUDING
 17. 5. 19.

S.D.I.

RECORDS. Enquiries continue to increase owing to the rapid movement of personnel of different units and the number of requests for early repatriation asked for by Defence and personal applications.

REGISTRY. This sub-branch is working very smoothly.

STATISTICS. Returns. The following returns were compiled and issued during the week:-
 A.18, B18, C18, D18, K18, M18, J15, JA7, K10, L14, M6, N6, P6, Q6, R6, T7 & 8, V6, X99 ("Waharoa") X40 ("Borda", "Zealandia") X41, ("Soudan") "Port Napier" X42 ("Ypiranga", "Orontes")

Miscellaneous Statements.

The following were compiled and issued:-

M.S.38 - A.I.F. Dependents and Munition Workers
 on water returning to Australia.

GRAPHS AND STRENGTH CALENDERS.

These have been kept up to date.

GENUS WIVES IN U.K.

The returns for this Census are coming in rapidly and compilation being proceeded with.

A.I.F. FORM 534.

(1)	Number of A.I.F. Forms 534 received for ^{week} ending		
	17.5.19 ...	...	475
	Total number of A.I.F. Forms 534 received to 17.5.19 ...	...	125776
(2)	Number of A.I.F. Forms 534 completed for:-		
	H.M.A.F. "ORONTES"	1108	
	H.M.A.F. "YPIRANGA"	<u>991</u>	
	Previous total despatched to		2099
	Transports ...	...	40624
	Total number of completed A.I.F. Forms 534 despatched to Transports to week ended 17.5.19 ...	...	42723
	Less 24 forms returned for Officers and Other Ranks who did not embark on H.M.A.F. "SARDINIA" ...	...	<u>24</u>
			42599.
(3)	Number of Educational Service Slips despatched and sent to ID ...		43.

PROGRESS. Federal Electorate on foot of forms filled in for all forms on hand. Staff of the section now reduced to 1 officer and 6 other ranks.

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3D2.

EMBARKATION QUOTAS. Checking and recording movements of quotas and warning units. Issuing weekly return of Movements and adjusting charts.

The following movements took place during the week:-

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUOTA</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>OFF.</u>	<u>O.R.'s.</u>
<u>Embarkments at Charleroi and Gansches.</u>				
12/5	51	3rd Div.	29	430
13/5	52	4th Div.	25	975 app.
15/5	53	5th Div.	25	975 "
17/5	54	1st Div.	25	975 "

7 Offs. 238 O.R. of 3rd Div. Artillery being portion of Quotas 51 shown in return for 10/5/19.

Arrivals at Havre.

13/5	51	3rd Div.	29	430
13/5	52	4th Div.	25	975 app.
16/5	53	5th Div.	25	975 app.

Departure from Havre and arrival in U.K.

13/5	47	5th Div.	44	865
14/5	48	Rue and Jeumont Schools)	40	850
16/5	49	1st Div.	42	944
17/5	50	2nd Div.	46	929

During the week 172 Officers and 3588 O.R.'s arrived at Depots in U.K. en route to Australia.

EARLY REPATRIATION. Receiving and Recording Rolls etc. Table "A" hereunder shows details of personnel approved and notified for early repatriation. Total for week 12 O.R.'s.

Statement showing No. of other ranks ordered for early repatriation from France during week ending 17/5/19.

<u>Divisional Group</u>	<u>No.</u>
Corps	-
1st Division	3
2nd Division	-
3rd Division	2
4th Division	1
5th Division	3
3rd Echelon	3
Total	12

EDUCATION. Usual recording and filing of correspondence received.

AMALGAMATION OF UNITS. Receiving and recording movements of Units amalgamated. Checking and recording same. Recording Cadres and Units as completed.

3.D.3.

Compilation of War Diary.

Preparation of Fortnightly Dispatch for Defence, Melbourne.

Compilation, revision printing and distribution of General Instructions No.22 and Departmental Instructions No.19.

Compilation of Departmental Progress Report.

Distribution to all Branches & Maisons of Circulars, Orders, Important Correspondence etc., received from outside sources.

Printing records kept up to date.

S.D.6. France.
"A" Aust. Divl. Group.

220 animals were despatched to No.11 Re/mount Squadron at Jambes.

Remaining - nil.

Third Aust. Division.

155 animals were sent to No.2 Remount Squadron at Abbeville.

Remaining - nil.

"B" Divl. Group:-

7 animals were sold for work or butchering.

Remaining - £16.

Purple Cross Fund.

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A letter received from the Hon. Secretary, Purple Service of Victoria, intimated that in pursuance of one of alternate suggestions made by the D.D.V.S., A.I.F. in December 1918, the Committee of the Service in Melbourne had decided to hand over to the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, London, for use in the Veterinary Hospitals in France, any balance of Purple Cross monies still unexpended on the final demobilisation of A.I.F. Units.

It is understood that this balance is now £1576-7-8 and steps will be taken in due course to transfer such amount to the R.S.P.C.A. in accordance with the above decision.

S.D.7. 1. Interviewing Officers, Nurses and Men; supplying information on Repatriation and Demobilization.

A great number of enquiries are made by civilians, more especially soldiers' wives, who are anxious to obtain all possible information as to conditions, etc. of the voyage.

2. Acknowledging correspondence; sending available literature to A.I.F. troops.

3. Submitting matters for decision in cases arising in correspondence and interviews.

4. Continuing file and index for news-cutting dealing with Demobilisation.

Walter Brown

Major
for Lieut.-Colonel.
Branch S.D. (Administration).

17.5.19.

Normal Routine work has mainly engaged the attention of this Branch during the past week.

The questions of outstanding importance which have been dealt with - nearly all of them being action towards finalization of matters that had already cropped up - can be stated as follows:

Completion as between D.M.S. (Liaison) and A.D.O.S. Demobilization, France, of Certificates required to adjust the handing over of Stores at No.2 Australian General Hospital.

Adjustments re Arms and Accoutrements taken from deceased Officers' kits by Australian Section, 3rd Echelon, and forwarded to Imperial Base Depots, France, by that Section. Receipts were obtained for such Stores, but tracing such receipts is a matter of some difficulty. It now appears they are held at A.I.F. Kit Store, Hammersmith, and the O.C. has been asked to make very special search for them. A considerable Credit should be due to A.I.F. for these Stores (Vide Report No.7).

Definition of status of Major G.S. DOWN MC, who was appointed S.O. to this Branch in Egypt. The decision of G.O.C., A.I.F. communicated by cable to Cairo that this Officer is to be held as responsible only to this Branch, and is to communicate direct with it. (Vide Report No.17). Major Down's application for Early Repatriation has consequently been held up, as it is considered the above ruling should enable him to carry on the work for which he was appointed as representative of 4.D.

Further action towards preliminary examination of qualifications of applicants for special courses in Ordnance work, and further recommendations put forward re Courses in Ordnance Accounting and Administration.

Communications with War Office re reductions to be made in our Demands for Field Artillery consequent^{on} information from Australia as to quantities of Equipment already held there. Also on packing of Fuzes for shipment to Australia.

Conferences have been held on the disposal of Training Stores etc. on charge to A.I.F. in U.K. This question is still presenting difficulties.

Completion of Returns shewing disposal of Arms and Accoutrements taken as Government property from kits at A.I.F. Kit Store has been hastened. It is being sought to establish generally both as regards France and U.K. that Stores as above have within a reasonably close margin been at one time or another returned to Government possession. Completed lists of such articles withdrawn in U.K. under G.I. No.14 have been received in this Branch.

Reports from A.D.O.S. Demob. France dated 7.5.19. and received during the week shew that Stores demobilization is almost complete, though in the adjustment of covering documents, several matters require finalization. It was anticipated that Ordnance Personnel of 1, 2, 3, and 4 Divisions would be sent to England by this date.

Further to those reported on 10.5.19., the following demands for 2nd. Military District have now been finalized and distributed to Imperial Issuing Depots :-,

- 2 Machine Gun Battalions (France).
- 2 " " Signal Sections (France).
- Signal Sub-section A.F.A. Brigade (France).
- 2 Sanitary Sections (France).
- 2 Divisional Headquarters (Infantry).
- 9 Light Horse Regiments.
- 1 Sanitary Section, Mounted Division.
- 6 Field Companies Engineers.

Barricade

BRIGADIER-GENERAL.

4.D.

Repatriation & Demobilisation Dept., A.I.F.

19.5.1919.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - NO. 18.

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Week ending 17.5.19.

5D.1. Early Repatriation.

Nominal rolls for 6 ships were dealt with showing 534 Officers (including 25 Nurses), 7,739 men - 8,273 in all embarked. £47,600 in cash was placed on these ships for which receipts have been received and recorded.

5D.2. Accounting.

No payments this week.

5D.3. Returns to Australia.

To return at own expense for discharge, 9.
" " " " " discharge
with 50 days pay..... Nil.

Passages of dependants.

Amounts refunded by H. Com's Office on account of passages not availed of, 14 items amounting to £434.-

Army Form 543 received and passed to Accountancy, 67,
amounting to £1,621 - 10 - 0.

Cash collected and paid into Family Passages A/c. £865 - 10 - 0.

Applications for Deferred Pay.

Applications received, 264.
" approved... 199.
" disallowed. 24.
" under consideration 41

Extended leave in U.K.

Number recommended..... 31.
" disallowed or
deferred..... 6.
TOTAL. 37


Approved through Part II Orders.....12.

5D.4. Discharges in U.K.

Men discharged..... 105.
Final settlements effected..... 81.
Clothing allowances paid..... 96
Settlements of men discharged in
Australia... ---
Cases investigated..... 25.
Applications dealt with..... 50.
Gratuity credited to dischargees..... 104.
Disbursed..... £9,762 - 6 - 6.

5D.5. Non-Military Employment.

724 Applications dealt with.
560 " approved through Part II Orders.


Captain.
for Colonel.
CHIEF PAYMASTER, A.I.F.
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DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILISATION

PROGRESS REPORT - FOR WEEK ENDING

24/5/19

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- Branch 1.D. - Non-Military Employment
- Branch 2.D. - Movement s Quarters and Supply
- Branch 3.D. - Administration
- Branch 4.D. - Ordnance
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REPATRIATION & DEMOBILISATION DEPT.

Progress Report by Branch I.D., for period up to, and including,
24th May, 1919.

1. I.D.

Checking and submitting Applications for decision carried on.

Appendix "A" shows the total number of these Applications dealt with in Branch I.D., to date, under the different headings.

2. I.D.1. Early Repatriations.

106 new applications received.

Rolls of "Approved" and "Not approved" Applications issued - 149 and 21, respectively.

Discharges.

The work of this Section has considerably increased, owing to the number of men applying for discharge to join the Russian Relief Force.

Leave, Non-Military Employment, etc.

During the week, 35 new Applications were received and 26 Passes issued.

Returns - B213, Records etc.

Daily and Weekly Returns promulgated.

3. I.D.2. Non-Military Employment (Educational).

Library- Books were issued to London, Egypt and U.K. Depots, as well as a number for transports.

Volumes indented for during the week	---	333
Stock of Books on hand 22.5.19.	---	48,129

Correspondence Courses.

Scholarships granted during week	---	4
Diplomas sent during week	---	1
Progressive total of Scholarships	---	472
" " " Diplomas	---	19

Universities.

The restriction of permission for Officers to obtain N.M.E. without special recommendation and the discouragement of applications for extension will have an appreciable effect in reducing the number of 540's approved by this Department in the near future, though applications are still very numerous.

The Chairman is at present in France visiting men already placed there and investigating further opportunities for study. Lt. Allen attended a meeting of the Imperial Education

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Committee which arranged the programme for the Conference of June 11th to 12th.

Technical.

Incoming forms showed an increase of 160. The demand for tuition in Motor driving is a feature of the past week.

Non-Technical Section record the highest figures for the period under review.

In consequence of the ruling that all reports from personnel on N.M.E. should be sent through Area Officers, the form of monthly report previously used has been cancelled and a new form issued.

Agricultural.

A party of 18 students visited the King's farm at Windsor on Saturday 17th May. A good variety of high class stock was seen, including Shorthorns, Hereford, Devon, and Jersey Cattle. Animals were seen that had been purchased by Australian breeders. The visit was most instructive, and the General Manager, Mr. McWilliam, offered the party full facilities to see the stud.

On the 19th inst., a party of 20 of our men left for Jersey under Capt. Joynt, to visit the various shows at present being held in the Channel Islands.

450 members of the A.I.F. will be included among the 1,000 invitations to Colonial Troops issued by the Imperial Authorities for the Royal Agricultural Society's Show at Cardiff. The allotments to Depots and Units of the A.I.F. of our share, have been made with the view of selecting men who would receive the most benefit by visiting this show, which is the finest exhibition of its kind in the U.K. All the arrangements with the Imperial Authorities are proceeding well within the needs of carrying through without a hitch.

Officers superintending the Wool Courses at Bradford, Leeds, Halifax and Galashiels all report good progress by the students in Wool Classing. All the Technical Colleges are now full, and only a few vacancies exist at the Woollen Mills.

Lt. Pratt reports a very interesting and instructive tour for the week in the Wool, Skin, Hide and Meat industries in London.

W.O. Yeomans has been canvassing the Northampton District for Farmers to accept our men, and on the 22nd inst., he was proceeding to Market Drayton for the same purpose.

The courses at the Wolseley Sheep Shearing Co. Ltd, Birmingham, and at the Lister Sheep Shearing Co Ltd., Dursley, are full and reports state that all the students are very keen, and are receiving valuable experience.

General.

The total authorised expenditure for period ending 17.5.19. amounts to £11,486. 3. 0.

Arrangements made for various Lectures to be given in Sutton Veny, Godford, Weymouth and Hurdcott.

Strength - 1 other rank struck off, and 2 other ranks taken on.

During the period ending 22.5.19., the number of Applications dealt with was as follows :-

	<u>Recd.</u>	<u>Passed to S.D.</u>	<u>Rejected.</u>	<u>Passed to I.D.S.</u>
University -	30	26	2	--
Technical -	351	130	37	28
Agricultural-	220	190	45	--
TOTALS:	601	346	84	28

In addition to the above, 10 Forms 545 were passed to S.D., and 65 Applications for extension of H.M.E. Leave recommended.

4. I.D.S. Non-Military Employment (Industrial). Miscellaneous.

The list of 46 men submitted to the Railway Executive's Committee as advised in last week's report has been approved by that body and necessary steps have been taken to have these men placed. A further list is being submitted early next week.
Industrial.

The Industrial unrest in the Engineering and Aeroplane trades referred to in last week's report, resulted in a number of our men having to be recalled, but they have now been placed with other Firms not affected by the dispute.

Complaints have been received from two Unions objecting to the placing of Australians in their trades, their objection being that they have their own members unemployed. As it is the policy of this Department to fall in with the wishes of the Unions and not place any of our men in trades where unemployment exists, and should it be shown that such is the case with the Unions concerned then our men will be withdrawn, but no definite action can be taken until further negotiations take place when the difficulties should be amicably settled. The Unions at Shepstone and Newport have been communicated with and arrangements made for their approval for the placing of Australians in that Area.

General.

During the week ending May 24th, 151 Applications were received, 234 recommended and 157 men actually placed on their jobs.

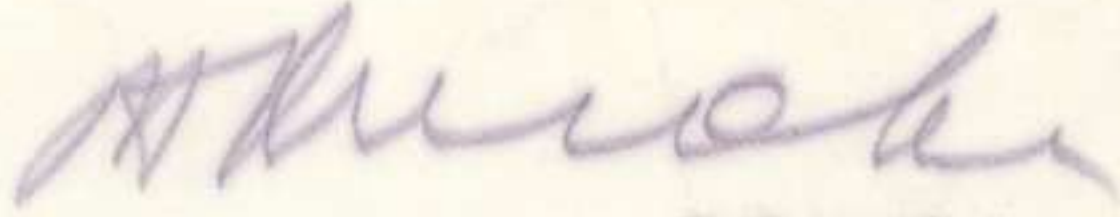
Up to date 178 applications for extensions have been recommended.

The number of working suits issued to men proceeding on H.M.E. total 117 and overalls 237. 66 standard sets of tools have been supplied.

The town of Shepstone in South Wales, was visited by a Representative of this section this week with a view to getting men into the Government Shipbuilding yards. A demand there exists for all classes of skilled workmen, both in the yards and also for building and construction of houses in the newly laid out villages in the vicinity. The Managers of the Works were very interested in our scheme and expressed a desire to help us in every way.

The chiefs at the Admiralty have also been waited upon,

and we understand are authorising their Managers to communicate their demands for men to us; in the meantime the Union Secretaries of the various branches of trades have been corresponded with to facilitate the acceptance of men in this Area - in this direction no hitch is expected as the local Secretaries do not appear to have any objection.



Colonel,
Director, Branch I.D.

26-5-19.

Applications dealt with by Branch I.D.

	Period ending 17.5.19.	Week ending 24.5.19.	Total to 24.5.19.	Remarks.
<u>"A" Discharges. (Form 535).</u>				
Applications received	2490	120	2610	Includes 239 cases re-considered.
" Not approved	647	5	652	
" Referred	158	14	172	
" Approved	1685	101	1786	" "
<u>"B". Early Repatriations (Form 537).</u>				
Applications received	4642	111	4753	Includes 48 approved by Defence cables & 31 re-considered cases.
" Not approved	1094	17	1111	
" Referred	41	3	44	
" Approved	3507	91	3598	" "
<u>"C". Extended Leave (Form 539).</u>				
Applications received	803	34	837	Includes 47 cases approved previous to inauguration of present system.
" Not approved	6	--	6	
" Referred	53	4	57	
" Approved	744	30	774	" "
<u>"D". Non-Military Employment (Form 540).</u>				
Applications received	12413	743	13156	Includes 558 cases of completion of one period of N.M.E. & subsequent extension.
" Not approved	35	---	35	
" Referred	660	37	697	
" Approved	11718	706	12424	" "
Total Applications received to 24.5.19. ---- 21,356.				

PROGRESS REPORT WEEK ENDED 24TH MAY, 1919.

Rail Transport.

1. Issue of Railway Warrants as required and check of all Railway Warrants issued by the A.I.F. in U.K. and returns in connection with same.
2. Adjustment of irregularities in Railway Warrants used by A.I.F. personnel.
3. Entrainment of details embarking by the following Transports were supervised viz:-
 - S.S. "Nestor" Pay Staff, Main party and nurses.
 - S.S. "Durham" Medical details, Main party, Advance Party, Pay Staff, Prisoners Escort
 - S.S. "Osterley" Medical details, Main party, nurses, Advance party and Wives and Families.
 - S.S. "Bremen" Medical details and Advance party.
 - S.S. "Rio Pardo" Medical details and Advance Party.
4. Ship's Stores were forwarded to the following Transports:-
 - S.S. "Rio Pardo" S.S. "Rio Negro"
 - S.S. "Swakopmund" S.S. "Madras" "S.S. Beltana"
5. Movement of miscellaneous Stores in U.K. and to France and Egypt was arranged.

Sea Transport.

The following Transports embarked during the week:-

Vessel.	Officers & Nurses.	W.O's & Sgts.	O.Ranks.	Total A.I.F.	Miscellaneous.
"Nestor"	63	136	1910	2109	
"Osterley"	24	6	--	30	Also 563 women 241 children dependents.
"Durham"	29	55	772	856	

Board of Survey.

The following Ships allotted as Transports were inspected in connection with progress of fittings:-

Preliminary Inspection.

"Port Darwin"	"Wiltshire" (Liverpool)
"Miltiades"	"Mahia"
"Orsona"	"Port Hacking"
"Suevic"	"Persic" (Liverpool)

Progress Inspection

"Oxfordshire"
"Osterley"
"Themistocles"
"Rio Negro"
"Madras"
"Somali"

"Miltiades"
"Oxfordshire (2nd)"
"Oxfordshire" (3rd)
"Konigin Louise"
"Rio Pardo"
"Ormondo"

Final Inspection.

"Osterley"
"Nestor" (Liverpool)
"Rio Pardo"
"Bremen" (Liverpool)

Chapman
Lieut.

26-5-19.

for Brig-General,
Director of Movements & Quartering,
Dept. of Repatriation & Demobilization. A.I.F.

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DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILISATION
 PROGRESS REPORT BY BRANCH S.D. FOR WEEK UP TO AND
 INCLUDING 24.5.19.

S.D.1.

RECORDS.

The numerous inquiries are still being maintained in this sub-branch.

REGISTRY.

Matters progressing very smoothly.

STATISTICS.

Returns. The following returns were compiled and issued during the week:-
 A19, B19, C19, D19, E19, K14, J16, JAS, K11, L15, M7, N7, P7, Q4, R7, T9, V7, X43 ("Nestor") X44 ("Osterly") X45 ("Durham"). Special Return, No.4. Enrolments in A.I.F. Education Classes.

Miscellaneous Statements.

The following were compiled and issued:-

- M.S.39. - A.I.F. Personnel embarked between 30.11.18 and 1.4.19.
- M.S.40. - Members of A.I.F., Wives etc. and Munition Workers on water at 17.5.19.
- M.S.41. - Embarkations of A.I.F. Invalids and men for Demobilisation.

GRAPHS AND STRENGTH CALENDERS.

These were corrected up to date.

CENSUS WIVES IN U.K.

The compilation of this Census is still being proceeded with.

A.I.F. FORM 534.

		39
(1)	Number of A.I.F. Forms 534 received for week ended 24.5.19./	
	Total number of A.I.F. Forms 534 received to 24.5.19	125815
(2)	Number of A.I.F. Forms 534 completed for	
	H.M.A.T. "NESTOR" ...	1881.
	H.M.A.T. "OSTERLY" ...	15.
	H.M.A.T. "DURHAM" ...	808.
	H.M.A.T. "BREMMEN" ...	454.
	H.M.A.T. "RIO PARDO" ..	<u>718.</u>
		3871
	Previous total despatched to Transports	42699
		46570
	Total number of A.I.F. Forms 534 despatched to Transports to week ended 24.5.19.	46570

PROGRESS. The work in this Section is now lessened considerably the chief duties being those of sending the forms on hand to transports as the boat rolls are received.

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3.D.2.

EMBARKATION QUOTAS. Checking and recording movements of quotas and warning units. Issuing weekly return of Movements and adjusting charts.

The following movements took place during the week:-

<u>DATE.</u>	<u>QUOTA.</u>	<u>UNIT.</u>	<u>OFF.</u>	<u>O.R's.</u>
<u>Entrainments at Charleroi and Gamaches.</u>				
19/5	55	2nd.Div.	25	975 app.
22/5	56	1st.Div.	25	975 "
24/5	57	5th. "	25	975 "

Arrivals at Havre.

18/5	54	1st.Div.	52	920
20/5	55	2nd. "	25	975 app.
23/5	56	1st. "	25	975 "

Departure from Havre and Arrival in U.K.

20/5	51	3rd.Div.	CODFORD 37	747
21/5	52	4th. "	Hurdcott59	915
23/5	53	5th. "	WEYMOUTH49	907
24/5	54	1st. "	LONG- BRIDGE 52 DEVERILL	920

During the week 197 officers and 3489 O.R's arrived at Depots in U.K. en route to Australia.

Early Repatriation. Receiving and recording Rolls, etc. Table "A" hereunder shows details of personnel approved and notified for early repatriation. Total for week 40 O.R's.

Statement showing No. of other ranks ordered for early repatriation from France during week ending 24/5/19.

<u>Divisional Group.</u>	<u>No.</u>
Corps	-
1st Division	6
2nd Division	10
3rd Division	2
4th Division	10
5th Division	4
3rd Echelon	8
Total	<u>40</u>

EDUCATION. Usual recording and filing of correspondence received.

PROSPECTIVE ALLOTMENT OF QUOTAS.
FOR WEEK ENDING 31ST MAY 1919.

<u>QUOTA NO.</u>	<u>UNIT.</u>	<u>DUE DATE.</u>	<u>DEPOTS.</u>
55	2nd. Div.	27th May	No.2 Group, SUTTON VENNY.
56	1st. Div.	29th "	No.1 Group, HEYTESBURY.
57	5th. Div.	31st "	No.2 " SUTTON VENNY.

AMALGAMATION OF UNITS. Receiving and recording movements of Units amalgamated. Checking and recording same. Recording Cadres and Units as completed.

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3.D.3.

Compilation of War Diary.

Preparation of Fortnightly Despatch for Defence, Melbourne.

Compilation, revision, printing and distribution of General Instructions, Nos. 23 and 24.

Compilation of Departmental Progress Report.

Distribution to all Branches & Liaisons of Circulars, Orders, Returns, etc. Departmental and received from outside sources.

3.D.6.

France.

"A" Aust. Divl. Group.

149 horses were despatched from "B" Group to No. 11 Remount Squadron at Jambes.

4 horses were sold to Horse Butchers.

Total number of animals now remaining with A.I.F. Units in France - 59.

Steps have been taken to ensure that the Motor two-horse Ambulance used by the 1st Aust. V.E.S. shall be sent to Australia on the final demobilisation of the Unit. The vehicle was purchased at a cost of £1100 out of funds provided by the Purple Cross Service of Victoria. It has been recommended, therefore, that it be retained by the Commonwealth Government for subsequent use in the 3rd Military District.

Arrangements completed with Messrs. Watteralls, Knightsbridge, for sale on 26/5/19 of three surplus Chargers belonging to A.I.F. Head Quarters, and used by Lieut. General Sir C.B.B. White, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., A.D.C.

3.D.7.

1. Interviewing Officers, Nurses and Men, supplying information on Repatriation and Demobilisation.

A great number of inquiries are made by civilians, more especially soldiers' wives, who are anxious to obtain all possible information as to conditions, etc. on the voyage. Also by men desiring to be discharged from the A.I.F. in order to enlist for the Russian Relief Force.

2. Acknowledging correspondence; sending available literature to A.I.F. troops.

3. Submitting matters for decision in cases arising in correspondence and interviews.

4. Continuing file and index for newscutting dealing with Demobilisation.

5. A Visit was made by Lieut. Bashell to Tilbu on Wednesday, 21st instant, for the purpose of viewing the accommodation of the "Osterley" sailing for Australian ports, carrying ^{wives} and dependents of Australian soldiers.

The "Daily Telegraph" and "Morning Post" published long articles describing the accommodation of these Family Ships.

BB Ashley

Major

for Lieut.-Colonel.

BRANCH 3. D. (ADMINISTRATION).

24.5.19.

Outside Routine work, the following important questions have come up for consideration during the week under review:-

Arrangements being made for storage in Ordnance Depot of arms and accoutrements withdrawn from Officers of the A.I.F. in U.K. under General Instruction No. 14. Question of the return of Stores issued to heads of services in U.K. for special purposes raised, e.g. return of Pistols issued to Chief Paymaster

Further enquiries made to finalize responsibility as to issues to meet the increased scope of our Stationary Hospitals and Casualty Clearing Stations above the basis on which originally equipped by Australia. In this connection things seem to be converging to the point that no charge has actually been preferred against the A.I.F. for such increases, no credit claimed or allowed when the Medical Unit so increased in scope was again reduced and stores set free. It is being sought to discover whether there has at any time been a definite agreement on this point between the A.I.F. and Imperial Government.

Instances have been reported where articles of Mobilisation and equipment have been taken to U.K. by individuals; action has been taken to have them returned to Imperial Depots in this country, and instructions have been issued as to method of adjusting Unit records accordingly.

The provision of a Mobilisation Store Table for a Pioneer Battalion on the 4 Company basis of the A.I.F. has again been urged on the War Office.

Question of quantity of 18-Pdrs. and 4.5" Howitzers to be shipped to Australia taken up with Chief of Staff A.I.F. in consequence of information contained in communication from Melbourne showing that the Defence Department were under a misapprehension as to quantities of each kind of armament to be sent out. Defence has been cabled to by G.O.C., A.I.F. on these matters. Also cabled to re quantity of practice ammunition to be obtained.

Our Indents Section having completed its preparatory work in connection with the demands for re-equipment has been considerably reduced during the past week. Practically only typing and checking staff is now retained, with one or two subsections whose work is held up pending decisions being given on certain points, e.g. Heavy Artillery.

The following lists of Units whose stores are demobilised have been received from Egypt:-

- 1st. A.L.H. Brigade Signal Troop.
- 3rd. A.L.H. Regiment
- 2nd. A.M.G. Squadron
- 2nd. A.L.H. Brigade Headquarters
- 5th. A.L.H. Regiment.
- 7th. A.L.H. Regiment.
- 1st. A.M.G. Squadron.
- 6th. Aust. Mobile Veterinary Section.

A.D.O.S., Demobilisation, France, reports the coming to United Kingdom of several L. of C. Units without having rendered certificate called for in Para. 10 of G.R.O. 6082, or

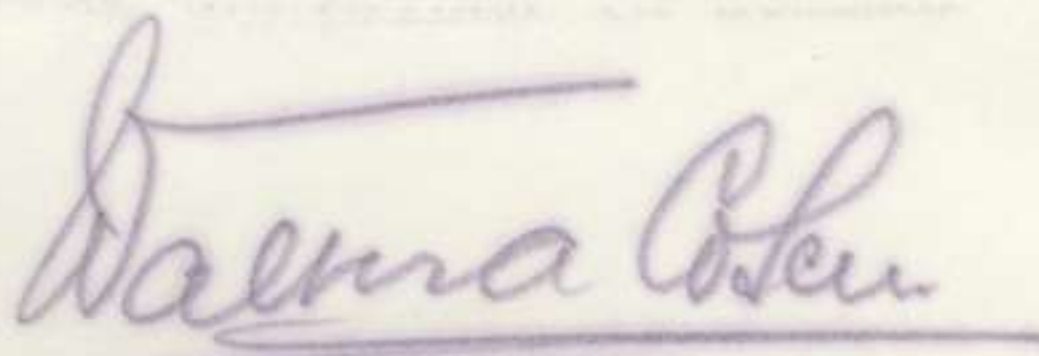
submitted him lists as per our General Instruction No. 14. These lists and certificates are now being obtained in U.K. by this Branch.

He also reports that the following are the only complete Units other than L. of C. Units who retain equipment.

20th. Coy. A.A.S.C.			
2nd. Australian M.T. Coy.			
3rd.	"	"	"
4th.	"	"	"
5th.	"	"	"
6th.	"	"	"

The following Indents have been distributed to Imperial Issuing Depots during this week:-

3 Cavalry Field Ambulances
Signal Sub-Section, for Artillery with
Mounted Division.
6 Field Ambulances.
2 Divisional Signal Coys.



BRIGADIER-GENERAL,
4.D.

Repatriation & Demobilisation Dept., A.I.F.

26.5.19.

54 Victoria Street

LONDON S.W.I

A U S T R A L I A N I M P E R I A L F O R C E

DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILISATION

PROGRESS REPORT - FOR WEEK ENDING

31/5/19

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- Branch 1.D. - Non-Military Employment
- Branch 2.D. - Movement s Quartering and Supply
- Branch 3.D. - Administration
- Branch 4.D. - Ordnance
- Branch 5.D. - Finance and Pay.

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DISTRIBUTION

- Director General - 1
- Defence, Melbourne 2
- Chief of Staff 1.
- Liaison Officer to Prime Minister 1.
- War Diary 3.

Imperial Education Committee. - A Committee Meeting and a sub-committee meeting have been attended. The I.E.C. is arranging an important Conference for 11th and 12th June to discuss questions of Imperial Education, and especially Imperial reciprocity and co-ordination. This Conference will embrace education of all kinds, including technical, commercial, and agricultural, and its results may be of far reaching consequence.

Universities Pamphlet. - The pamphlet about the Australian Universities, prepared at the instance of the I.E.C. for the information of British ex-service men who may desire to go to Australian Universities, under A.C.I. 280, has been passed for printing and is now being made ready for the press.

Report on teachers. - A report on the work being done by the teachers placed by this Section is also being prepared, and the teachers have been asked to submit individual reports and suggestions and to indicate, for the benefit of Australian Education Dept., their impressions of the work they have done here, and the sources from which they have gained the most advantage.

Monthly Report. - The Monthly report of the Committee to the Australian Universities has been prepared, and is now ready for despatch.

General. - The general work of the Section does not slacken. There are many consultations; new applications for courses still come in, and many men are applying for extensions.

Technical.

Incoming forms showed a decrease of 246.
Number of forms held shows a decrease of 173.

Owing to the number of applicants for advances from deferred pay, a "pre forma" was initiated on the 28th inst.

"Pre forma" for extensions "not recommended" was commenced on the 25th inst.

Agricultural.

Arrangements have been made for 100 of our men to visit the Suffolk Agriculture and Stock Show at Ipswich on the 5th June, under the auspices of the Imperial Education Committee.

A special tour to Lincoln and York, visiting long wool sheep and cattle properties, commencing the 2nd June, has been arranged.

Under Capt. W.D. Joynt, V.C., the fourth Agricultural tour (Jersey and Guernsey) was a success in every way, particularly the part devoted to the Island of Jersey. Here the Jersey cattle was seen and closely inspected in their natural home. Local judges offered their services to the party and accompanied it each day pointing out, with great pains, the chief points aimed at in the breeding.

On Wednesday, 21st inst., the party were the guests of the Jersey Royal Agricultural Society at their spring show and luncheon; this was the first show since the War, and is said to have been the finest ever seen on the Island.

Saturday, 24th inst., the party proceeded to Guernsey where

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the President of the Local Agricultural Society arranged a number of visits to the best farms.

Wednesday, 28th inst., the party returned to England and disbanded.

The tour has been very instructive, particularly as regards our men obtaining a first-class knowledge of the Jersey type, and there is not a man who has not benefited to a marked degree in his ability to "size up" and "tell off" this class of animal.

These tours are a splendid advertisement for Australia, owing to the fine stamp of man in the parties and the good impression their behaviour creates wherever they go.

Lt. Pratt's party visited the London Wool Show where there was some very fine wool on show.

On the 26th inst., the party visited the Smithfield Meat Market, where an interesting morning was spent.

Rabbits from Melbourne brought 10½ per lb. with skins on.

The Caledonian Cattle market and Slaughter-house were visited on Tuesday, where 600 to 700 cattle per week are being treated. It was noticed a large number were suffering from tuberculosis, which is put down to the bad feeding during the war.

W.O. Yeomans, at present on tour in the Northampton district, has secured another 30 farms for our men to be placed on.

All applicants to this Dept., for H.M.E. have been sent for on Pool.

General.

The total authorised expenditure for period ending 24.5.19, amounts to £11784. 14. 2.

Arrangements made for various Lectures to be given in Sutton Veny, Hurdcott and Weymouth Areas.

During the period ending 29.5.19., the number of Applications dealt with was as follows :-

	Recd.	Passed to S.D.	Rejected.	Passed to I.D.S.
University. -	10	9	1	--
Technical. -	212	160	31	21
Agricultural-	333	93	17	--
TOTAL :	555	262	49	21

In addition to the above, 6 Forms 545 were passed to S.D., and 143 Applications for extension of Non-Military Employment leave were recommended.

Strength. -

1 Officer and 1 other rank taken on, and 1 Officer and 5 other ranks struck off.

4. 1.D.3. Non-Military Employment (Industrial).

Industrial.

Negotiations were carried out during the week with several Unions associated with the Shipbuilding and Building trades at Chepstow, and the local District Council interviewed. Every assistance was offered in placing men. The one difficulty being pointed out was that accommodation in this Area is very hard to obtain and before sending men to commence employment arrangements would have to be made for their housing.

Two complaints from Industrial Unions were investigated; one from the Amalgamated Instrument Makers' Society, who stated that curm men were taking the places of their members out of employment. On investigation it was found that only four Australians were engaged in this trade and in these cases there was no foundation for the complaint and the matter was satisfactorily explained to the Union Officials.

The other complaint, which emanated from the Builders' Labourers Union, was of a more serious nature. It was alleged that men had been placed with a Firm at Warminster as labourers and were being paid less than the Union rate of wage. As we had a record of only 3 men, who were skilled, being sent to this Town, an Officer was sent to this district to investigate the matter, and it was found that a number of men, who had been granted leave, (waiting for a family boat) had been advised that they were at liberty to commence Non-Military Employment, if they could procure same.

It was also ascertained that 3 men were working in Sawmills controlled by the Board of Trade. The Union was advised of the result of our investigations, and as it is not the policy of this Department to place unskilled labourers, owing to the great number of such men being unemployed in England, arrangements would be made to have these men withdrawn.

General.

During the week ending May 31st, 194 Applications were received, 208 recommended and 194 men actually placed on Non-Military Employment.

Up to date, 255 Applications for extensions have been recommended, 47 being put through this week.

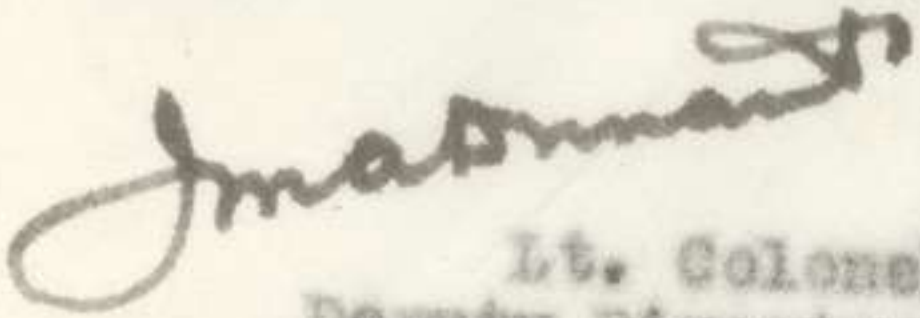
The number of working suits issued to men proceeding on H.M.E. during the week total 135, overalls 242, and standard sets of tools 54.

In answer to a reply to one of our circulars sent to various firms, the town of Huddersfield was visited and a ready response was met with for labour in various industries, more especially experienced men.

In common with South Wales, the scarcity exists for fully-experienced men in most classes of trades and we shall be able to place approximately 20 men in engineering and building trades, with prospects of this number being considerably supplemented.

There is nothing to report for the various other Sections.

2.6.19.


Lt. Colonel,
Deputy Director,
for Director, Branch 1.D.

APPLICATIONS DEALT WITH BY BRANCH 1.D.

	Period ending 24.5.19.	Week ending 31.5.19.	Total to 31.5.19.	Remarks.
<u>"A". Discharges (Form 535).</u>				
Applications received	2610	175	2785	Includes 255 cases reconsidered.
" Not approved	652	6	658	
" Referred	172	8	180	4 -
" Approved	1786	161	1947	" "
<u>"B". Early Repatriations. (Form 537).</u>				
Applications received	4753	100	4853	Includes 48 approved by Defence cables & 33 reconsidered cases.
" Not approved	1111	24	1135	
" Referred	44	--	44	
" Approved	3598	76	3674	" "
<u>"C". Extended Leave. (Form 539).</u>				
Applications received	857	51	908	Includes 47 cases approved previous to inauguration of present system & 2 further extensions granted.
" Not approved	6	--	6	
" Referred	57	2	59	
" Approved.	774	29	803	" "
<u>"D". Non-Military Employment (Form 540).</u>				
Applications received	13156	740	13896	Includes 759 cases of completion of one period of H.M.E. & subsequent extension.
" Not approved	35	5	40	
" Referred	697	25	722	
" Approved.	12424	700	13124	" "
<u>Total Applications received to 31.5.19.</u>			22,408.	

PROGRESS REPORT WEEK ENDING 31st May, 1919.

Rail Transport.

1. Issue of Railway Warrants, and check of Railway Warrants issued by A.I.F. in U.K. and returns in connection with same.
2. Adjustment of irregularities in Railway Warrants used by A.I.F. Personnel.
3. Entrainment of details embarking by the following transports was supervised viz:-

S.S. "Rio Negro"	Advance party, Pay Staff, Details, Prisoners & Escort.
S.S. "Aeneas"	Advance party, Medical Details Pay Staff, Main Embarkation party.
S.S. "Rio Pardo"	Pay Staff, Main Party, Prisoners & Escort.
S.S. "Somali"	Medical Details, Advance Party Pay Staff, Nurses & Main Embarkation Party.
S.S. "Beltana"	Advance Party, Medical Details.
4. Ship's Stores were forwarded to the following Transports viz:-

S.S. "Maida"	S.S. "Miltiades"	S.S. "Ormonde"
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5. 112 packages Deceased Soldiers effects were forwarded for shipment per S.S. "Beltana" to Australia.
6. General Indenting and arrangements for printing &c were carried out.

Sea Transport. The following Transports embarked during the week:-

Vessel	Officers & Nurses.	W.O's & Sgts.	O/Ranks	Total A.I.F.
56				
"Rio Pardo"	53	46	649	748
"Rio Negro"	55	48	602	705
"Aeneas"	96	108	1017	1221

Board Of Survey.

The following Ships allotted as Transports were inspected in connection with progress of fittings:-

Preliminary Inspections.

"Dunvegan Castle"
"Norman"
"Orita"
"Zealandic"

"Rugia"
"Malta"
"Karmala"
"Bahia Castle"

Progress Inspections.

"Chemnitz"
"Port Lyttleton"
"Valencia"
"Windhuk"
"Lucie Woermann"
"Lucie Woermann"
"Konig Friedrich August"
"Bremen" (Liverpool)

"Ormonde"
"Miltiades"
"Lucie Woermann"
"Mahia"
"Wiltshire"
"Bremen"
"Wiltshire (Liverpool)"

Final Inspection.

"Rio Negro"
"Beltana"

"Somali"

Embarkations.

"Rio Pardo"
"Aeneas"

Ch. Maynard

✓ Brig-General,
Director of Movements & Quartering,
Dept of Repatriation & Demobilization. A.I.F.

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DEPARTMENT OF REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILISATION
 PROGRESS REPORT BY BRANCH 2.D FOR WEEK UP TO AND IN-
 CLUDING 31/5/19.

2.D.1.

RECORDS. Many enquiries are still being received in this sub-branch.

REGISTRY. This sub-branch is working very smoothly.

STATISTICS.

Returns. The following returns were compiled and issued during the week:-
 A20, B20, C20, D20, H15, J17, JA9, K12, L16, M8, N8, P8, Q5, R8, T10, and 11, V8, X46 ('Rio Pardo') X47 ('Rio Negro').

MISCELLANEOUS STATEMENTS.

The following was compiled and issued:-
 M.S. 42. - Numbers of A.I.F., dependents, etc,
 Munition Workers on water at 24-5-19.

GRAPHS AND STRENGTH CALENDERS.

These were corrected up to date.

GENEUS OF WIVES IN U.K.

Information extracted from all forms received to date, and forms forwarded to Branch 2.D.

A.I.F.

FORM 534.

(1) Number of A.I.F. forms 534 received for week ending 31-5-19 175
 Total number of A.I.F. Forms 534 received to 31-5-19 125990

(2) Number of A.I.F. Forms 534 completed for:-
 H.M.A.T. "RIO NEGRO" 712
 H.M.A.T. "AKHEAS" 1017
 H.M.A.T. "SOMALI" 1305
 H.M.A.T. "BELTANA" 1500
 H.M.A.T. "LUCIE WOERMANN" ... 7

4541. - 4541.

Previous total despatched to Transports.....

46570
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Forms returned for those who did not embark on:-

H.M.A.T. "CLUNY CASTLE" 16
 H.M.A.T. "PORT MACQUARIE" 29
 H.M.A.T. "ZEALANDIA" 57

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Total number of Forms despatched to Transports to week ending 31/5/19. - 51009.

PROGRESS.

The bulk of the work in this section is now completed. A staff of four H.C.O's will carry on the duties of receiving forms and despatching completed rolls to Transports through 2.D. A synopsis of the work performed in this section is briefly set out below:-

A.I.F. DEMOBILISATION FORM NO. 534.

- (1) Forms are received in bundles direct from Units forwarded through Central Registry.

They are then counted and entered in a book against the name of each unit. This book shows the progressive totals received from day to day.

Where the forms are incomplete as to rank and unit they are sent to Records and returned when completed. Educational slips are detached, and where training in educational or industrial employment is required, they are forwarded to Educational Department and receipt obtained for number despatched.

- (2) Forms are then sorted in alphabetical order, irrespective of units.

- (3) Each letter is then taken and sorted in numerical order irrespective of units.

- { First, into thousands.
- { Secondly, into hundreds.
- { Thirdly, into tens.

{ Each bundle of tens of each letter commencing with the smallest number is picked up and sorted into strict numerical sequence, the regimental number being the best guide.

This applies only when a large number of forms is received.

These bundles are then sorted into the heaps of the forms already filed which have index slips indicating each thousand as a guide for obtaining a form quickly.

Forms for Officers are sorted in strict alphabetical order for each letter of the alphabet. This also applies to Nurses, the latter being kept separate, as in the case of Officers.

- 4. A Staff of 8 other ranks was sent to Australian Base Post Office to check the forms with the record cards in the cabinets at the A.B.P.O. This checking system was done with the purpose of obtaining a completed form for every member of the A.I.F.

As the form was verified with the card, a red pencil mark was made on the card, and on the form, and a nominal roll was later taken of the cards not bearing a red pencil mark.

The rolls were then sent to Units asking for the outstanding forms to be completed and forwarded to this Department.

- 5. A staff was also detailed for the purpose of filling in the Federal Electorate of each member of the A.I.F at the foot of the form. For this purpose maps showing the Federal electorates by States, electoral roll and copies of lists of polling places in the Commonwealth were procured from Australia House.

- 6. Commencing from the Transport "Ulysses" completed forms from these filed in this Section were sent to Australia on Transports for men embarking.

Tentative nominal rolls are received from Branch 2D about 4 days prior to date of sailing of each vessel. Completed forms are picked out and despatched to O.C. Troopship, through 2D, together with blank forms plus 10%, together with copies of instructions for Officers compiling forms for those members of the A.I.F. who have not previously completed a form. O.C. Transports have been instructed to give facility to any of the troops under his command, to make any alterations necessary on a form already completed, or submit a new form.

Completed forms are handed to 2D, 2 days prior to date of sailing and a receipt obtained.

GENERAL.

It was found that a large percentage of the names, procured from A.B.P.O. record cards, on being sent to Units, were non-effective &c. marched out, returning to Australia, died of wounds, deceased or discharged outside the Commonwealth.

The Rolls sent to Units were not the success anticipated for this reason and had to be sent to Records for location, as A.B.P.O did not show the latest address in each case.

Headquarters A.I.F. Depots were acquainted of this through this Department, and Depots despatching men to Transports were instructed to have outstanding forms completed in sufficient time ahead of embarkation for the Department to despatch forms to Transports.

The highest percentage of completed forms despatched to Transports is about 93%..

The heaviest part of the work of this Section was from December to the end of April. The first three months this period necessitated a good deal of overtime to keep pace with the work. Verification of doubtful forms and the filling in of regimental particulars, at the outside, held up the progress of the Section.

Now that nearly all the forms have been completed, very little remains to be done, with the exception of completing incoming boat rolls and despatching them to 2D in time for that Branch to send them to Transport, receiving incoming forms, entering and sorting them ready for boat rolls.

The two M.C.O's who assisted in the work from the formation of the Section are:-

779 - Cpl. CRAIG. W.	6th. Bn.
5790 - L/Cpl. COOK W.C.	22nd. Bn.

Both these M.C.O's have performed their work in a highly satisfactory manner and I wish to bring their names forward in this report as hardworking and reliable M.C.O's who have been of invaluable assistance in the work of this Section.

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EMBARKATION QUOTAS.
and warning Units.
ing charts.

Checking and recording movements of Quotas
Issuing weekly return of Movements and adjust-

The following movements took place during the week:-

Date.	Quota.	Unit.	Off.	O.R's.
<u>Entrainments at Charleroi and Gamaches.</u>				
29/5	58	1st & 4th Div.	25	975 app.
31/5	59	Mixed Divs.	25	975 app.
<u>Arrivals at Havre.</u>				
25/5	57	5th Div.	54	878
30/5	58	1st & 4th	25	975 app.
<u>Departure from Havre and Arrival in U.K.</u>				
27/5	55	2nd Div. Sutton Veny	41	894
29/5	56	1st " Haytes-bury	36	923
31/5	57	5th " Sutton Veny	54	878

During the week 191 Officers and 2695 O.R's arrived at Depots in U.K. en route to Australia.

Early Repatriation. Receiving and recording rolls, etc. Table "A" hereunder shows details of personnel approved and notified for early repatriation. Total for week 7 O.R's.

Statement showing No. of other Ranks ordered for early repatriation from France during week ending 31/5/19.

Divisional Group.	No.
Corps.	-
1st Division	-
2nd Division	-
3rd division	1
4th Division	-
5th Division	2
3rd Echelon	4
TOTAL:-	<u>7</u>

Education. Usual recording and filing of correspondence received.

Amalgamation of Units. Receiving and recording movements of Units amalgamated. Checking and recording same. Recording Cadres and Units as completed.

Prospective Allotment of Quotas. for week ending June 7th 1919.

Quota No.	Unit.	Due Date.	Depots.
58	1st and 4th Div.	5/6/19	No.1 Group, Longbridge Deverill.
59	Mixed Units	7/6/19	No.2 Group. Sutton Veny.

3.D.3.

Compilation of War Diary.

Preparation of Fortnightly Despatch for Defence, Melbourne.

Compilation of Departmental Progress Report.

Distribution to all Branches, and Liaisons of Departmental Circulars, Orders, Reports, Returns, etc. and also of all similar documents received from outside sources.

All correspondence re Printing and Issue of Forms, etc. dealt with.

3.D.6.

France.

"A" Aust. Divl. Group.

There are now no animals belonging to A.I.F. Units in France or Belgium, the last draft of 57 having been handed over to No. 11 Remount Squadron of Jambes for disposal on 28.5.19.

United Kingdom.

A.I.F. Depots in U.K. have (including about 30 animals on loan) a total of 285 horses and 175 mules. Consideration is now being given to the question whether these should in due course be handed over to the Imperial authorities for disposal, as was done with previous drafts of surplus A.I.F. animals, or whether the A.I.F. should not arrange independently to sell them by public-auction. The animals are for the most part worth more per head than the average price hitherto obtained in U.K. for animals sold by the Imperial authorities.

Egypt.

No official reports of the disposal of A.I.F. animals in this theatre have yet been received. From private sources, however, it is understood that practically all have been handed over to the Imperial authorities for disposal, and that when the recent disturbance amongst the Natives in Egypt began, and in consequence of which orders were issued from G.H.Q., E.E.F. for A.I.F. troops to be immediately re-mounted, animals were issued on loan and not on purchase as was previously the case.

3.D.7.

1. Perhaps this has been one of the busiest weeks, interviewing callers of all ranks, Nurses and Civilians. The special facilities offered by the Dept. for Agricultural training in U.S.A. and Denmark have brought numerous enquiries. Civilians, more especially soldiers' wives, who are desirous of obtaining all possible information as to the date of sailing, conditions, amount of luggage allowed, etc. Men desirous of enlisting in Russian Relief Force were very frequent callers.

2. Acknowledging correspondence, chiefly as regards taking of Private personal effects on troopships, also appertaining to Land settlement in Australia, repatriation and for passage for civilian War Workers.

3. Submitting matters for decision in cases arising in correspondence and interviews.

4. Continuing file and index for news cuttings dealing with Demobilisation.

5. Compiling and submitting for approval propaganda articles for Press re Demobilisation, etc. Despatching telegrams to A.I.F. Groups U.K. re sailings of troops, etc. for Lantern Slide Publicity at Camp Cinemas.

B.B. Ridley

LIEUT. COLONEL.
BRANCH 3.D. (ADMINISTRATION)

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BRANCH 4D.

PROGRESS REPORT.

No.22.

24.5.19 - 31.5.19.

Work in the Branch during the week under review has been almost exclusively confined to routine matters, the preparation, checking and distribution to Imperial Ordnance Depots of indents for re-equipment of Units allotted to the 2nd Military District.

The pursuit of Officers Commanding certain L. of C. Units which have arrived in U.K. for the certificates required under para. 10., G.R.O. 6082 has been maintained. In several instances these have already been obtained and forwarded to A.D.O.S., Demobilisation, France.

Conferences re questions of M.T. policy have been held, and ~~preparation~~ of recommendations in regard to same are being drafted.

A.D.O.S., Demobilisation in United Kingdom has been instructed to apply himself to the rendition of demobilisation lists of stores for Units of the A.I.F. in U.K. as has been done with our Units in France and Egypt. As Units in U.K. did not operate on Mobilization Store Table, certain slight modifications in the system of preparing these lists have had to be introduced. Also as these Units kept strict account of receipts and issues, the lists, it is anticipated, will ~~be more precise~~, take more time in preparation, and be exact in question of deficiencies as such Units' records have been subject to enquiries by a permanent Audit Staff.

Reports received from S.O., 4D (Egypt), still being forwarded through Commandant, Headquarters, Cairo, show that the question of adjustments of Units records is proceeding satisfactorily. On the subject of withdrawals of Officers' equipment, there seems to be a difficulty as to the handing in of, or purchase of, (in cases

cases where the Officer wishes to retain them) Sam Browne Belts, the Divisional Authorities holding in case of Australian Mounted Division that these are not to be handed in till further orders. It is therefore, anticipated that O.Cs. of Unit will, when period of embarkation comes, have some difficulty in collecting these articles or obtaining certificates as to disposal. The necessity for compliance with G.I.No.14 is being emphasized by S.O., 4D.

Medical Sub.Section reports the handing in to Dental Sub.Depot, A.I.F., LONDON, of equipment of all Dental Units except that of Dental Units Nos. 17, 19, 24, 29, which are as yet outstanding.

The following indents have been completed during the week and distributed to Imperial Depots:-

- 24 Infantry Battalions.
- 4 Trench Mortar Batteries.
- 3 Machine Gun Squadrons.

Walter A. Cohen

Brigadier.General,
4.D.

Repat. and Demob. Dept., A.I.F.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - NO. 20

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Week ending 31. 5. 19.

5D.1. Early Repatriation.

Nominal rolls for 3 ships were dealt with showing 204 officers (including 6 nurses) 2,470 men - 2,674 in all embarked.
£15,800 - 0 - 0 in cash was placed on these ships for which receipts have been received and recorded.

5D.2. Accounting.

No Payments made this week.

5D.3. Returns to Australia.

To return at own expense for discharge - 16.
To return at own expense for discharge with 50 days pay..... - Nil.

Passages of dependants.

Amounts refunded by High Commissioner's Office on account of passages not availed of - 2 items amounting to £55 - 0 - 0.

Army Form 543 received and passed to Accountancy - 82, amounting to £2,314 - 10 - 0.

Cash collected and paid into Family Passage A/c - £704 - 0 - 0.

Applications for Deferred Pay.

Applications received - 242.
" approved - 164.
" disallowed - 44
" under consideration - 34.

Extended leave in U.K.

Number recommended..... 16.
" disallowed or deferred..... 19.
TOTAL CASES. 35.

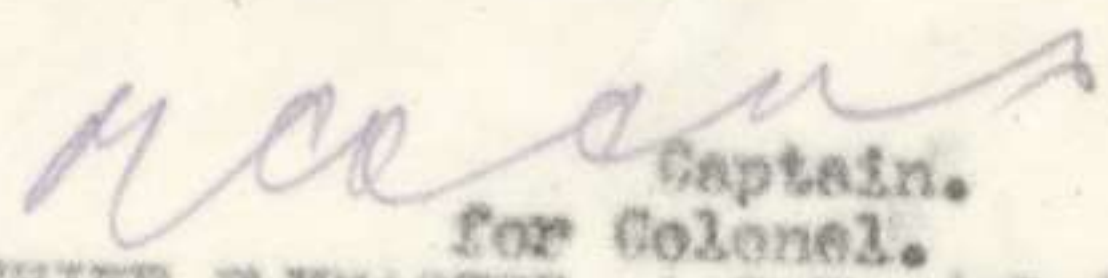
Approved through Part II Orders - 25.

5D.4. Discharges in U.K.

Men discharged..... 149.
Final settlements effected..... 91.
Clothing allowances paid 44
Settlements of men discharged in Australia... Nil.
Cases investigated..... 30.
Applications dealt with. 130.
Gratuity credited to discharges..... 173.
Disbursed..... £10,150 - 9 - 0.

5D.5. Non-Military Employment.

726 Applications dealt with.
689 " approved through Part II Orders.


Captain.
for Colonel.
CHIEF PAYMASTER, A.I.F. (5D.)