

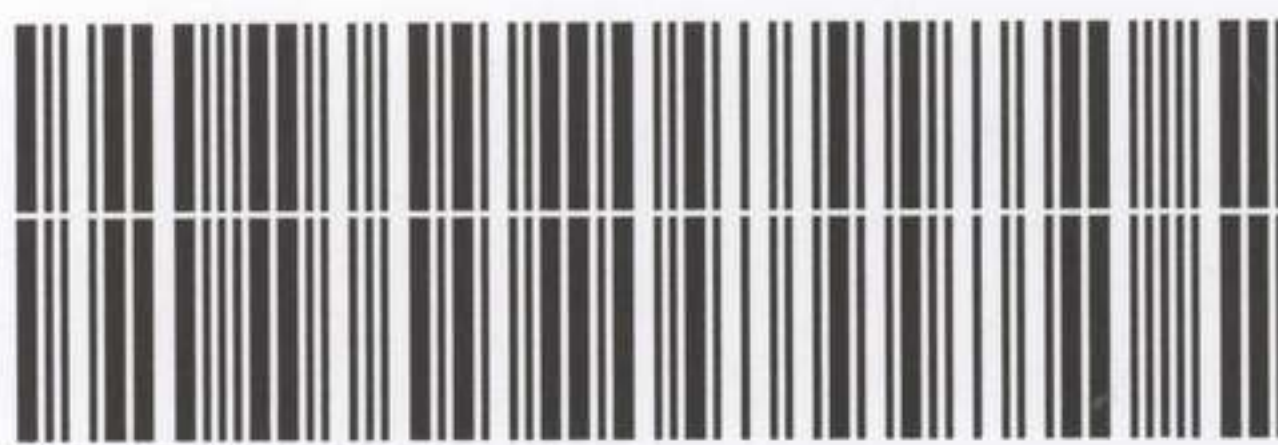
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OF

D. A. D. O. S. 5th Aust Division

FOR

January 191*9*

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	23		15th Brigade Group delivered stores by lorry to Units of that Brigade; 25 pairs of Binoculars issued to 57th Battalion to complete to establishment. 7 tons of General Stores received from Base and issued to respective groups. The 400 Braziers demanded on 12th inst. are advised as having been consigned from Base.	

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	25		The following stores were cleared from Beaumont Railhead :- 3 tons of General Stores a quantity of Electrical Gear, 48 sacks of Equipment and 3 sacks and 9 bundles of clothing. The position as regards Boots is still very unsatisfactory but Base now wire that all outstanding demands are being met, and the balance due to this Division will be consigned in first available truck.	
	26		Owing to large quantity of Salvage being received the Salvage Coy. is requested to detail 2 additional men to give the necessary assistance to those already employed on that work. The stock of Frost Cogs etc., held is owing to mild weather experienced to date, still more or less intact. Heavy demands are expected when Frost sets in but all arrangements have been made to meet same and ample stock held.	
	27		1000 rounds of Blank Ammunition were issued to Divisional Headquarters for training purposes. Units in possession of Snipers Rifles and Rifles fitted with telescopic Sights were requested to return same in accordance with G.R.O. 6091, to this Depot. 400 Braziers and a G.S.Wagon were received from Base, Divisional Headquarters were advised of the receipt of the same former and were asked for instructions as to the distribution of same	
	28		4 tons of General Stores received from Base which includes picketing gear, oils, and Grease and a number of detail parcels. Australian Corps Administrative Instructions No.16 received These instructions deal with the despatch to Demobilisation Depot Calais of all Units Mobilisation Stores giving particulars of the procedure to be adopted.	
	29		Kitchen Travelling Body issued to 57th Australian Infantry Battalion also a number of wheels and other stores to Units calling. All stores on hand for the 12th Army Artillery Brigade were delivered by lorry. In view of the early demobilisation of this Brigade all outstanding indents were cancelled on Base.	

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	21		A consignment of Boots, S.D. Clothing and General Stores were received from Base 2 G.S. Wagons were demanded by Wire for No.2 Section 5th D.A.C. both to replace others rendered Unserviceable and Condemned by I.O.M.	
	22		The following vehicles were received from Base and issued to the Units mentioned: one G.S. Wagon to 18th A.A.S.C. one G.S. Wagon to 46th Battalion and a kitchen Travelling Body to 57th Battalion. R.O.O. Beaumont advises that he is unable to receive stores for consignment to Calais either to-day or to-morrow owing to shortage of trucks. Calais advise the despatch of 7 tons of stores. I Sgt. and three other ranks, all of whom had been attached to this Unit for duty for some time left en route for England and Australia for Demobilisation.	
	23		15th Brigade Group delivered stores by lorry to Units of that Brigade; 25 pairs of Binoculars issued to 57th Battalion to complete to establishment. 7 tons of General Stores received from Base and issued to respective groups. The 400 Braziers demanded on 12th inst. are advised as having been consigned from Base.	

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Grandrien.	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Jan.	23	24	<p>21 sets of Stores for the purpose of altering limbered wagons so as to enable a spare pole and wheel to be carried were received from Base and an allotment of same made to different units of the Division. A drawing to guide the alteration was issued with each set. Base advise the despatch of 4 tons of General Stores.</p>	
	25		<p>The following stores were cleared from Beaumont Railhead :- 3 tons of General Stores a quantity of Electrical Gear, 48 sacks of Equipment and 3 sacks and 9 bundles of clothing. The position as regards Boots is still very unsatisfactory but Base now wire that all outstanding demands are being met, and the balance due to this Division will be consigned in first available truck.</p>	
	26		<p>Owing to large quantity of Salvage being received the Salvage Coy. is requested to detail 2 additional men to give the necessary assistance to those already employed on that work. The stock of Frost Cogs etc., held is, owing to mild weather experienced to date, still more or less intact. Heavy demands are expected when Frost sets in but all arrangements have been made to meet same and ample stock held.</p>	
	27		<p>1000 rounds of Blank Ammunition were issued to Divisional Headquarters for training purposes. Units in possession of Snipers Rifles and Rifles fitted with telescopic Sights were requested to return same in accordance with G.R.O. 6091, to this Depot. 400 Braziers and a G.S.Wagon were received from Base, Divisional Headquarters were advised of the receipt of the xxxx former and were asked for instructions as to the distribution of same</p>	
	28		<p>4 tons of General Stores received from Base which includes picketing gear, oils, and Grease and a number of detail parcels. Australian Corps Administrative Instructions No.16 received These instructions deal with the despatch to Demobilisation Depot Calais of all Units Mobilisation Stores giving particulars of the procedure to be adopted.</p>	
	29		<p>Kitchen Travelling Body issued to 57th Australian Infantry Battalion also a number of wheels and other stores to Units calling. All stores on hand for the 12th Army Artillery Brigade were delivered by lorry. In view of the early demobilisation of this Brigade all outstanding indents were cancelled on Base.</p>	

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Grandrieu.	30		<p>Several issues of Frost Coqs were made, also Nose Bags and other miscellaneous stores to Units.</p> <p>Instructions were received from Divisional Headquarters to issue 200 sacks to 12th Army Brigade for the purpose of returning Mobilisation Stores. These sacks were delivered.</p>	
	31		<p>Indents covering all shortages of equipment etc., referred to on 5th instant have now been received from practically all Units. Those for stores required have been forwarded to Base whilst those for stores not required are being held for the present.</p> <p>The consignments of stores received during the month from Base have been rather erratic but Units demands have been satisfactorily met, although throughout the whole period a shortage of service Dress Clothing especially Pantaloon and Boots has been experienced.</p>	

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Det. P.O.S. 5th Aust. Division

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

No. Subject.

"A" LABOR EMPLOYED

"B" BULK ISSUE FOR MONTH

"C" LOCAL PURCHASE.

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<u>A P P E N D I C E S.</u>				
"A"			<p>The Labor daily employed varied from 12 to 14 outside the ordinary Ordnance Personnel.</p> <p>The number of Bootmakers continuously working was 12.</p>	
"B"			<p>Bulk issues during January:- Approximate strength of Division 14000 Great coats 448, Jackets, S.D. 2375, Boots ankle 798, Pantaloon 1472, Sheets ground 552, Trousers 1007, Puttees 2204, Hats felt 363, Tins mess 1279, Bottles Water 357, Shoes Horse 2194, Shoes Mule 1165.</p>	
"C"			<p>It was not necessary to expend any money on Local Purchase.</p>	

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