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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1918			
	June			
ALLONVILLE	1		D.C.O. Routine.	
BUSSY-LES	2		D.H.Q. moved to this area.	
DAOURS.	3		Conference with Area Commandant, French Mission and Maire as to pasturing of horses and mules	
	4		D.C.O. Routine. <i>in view of increased distrust</i>	
	5		D.C.O. Routine. D.R.O. para 2078 re grazing --	App.i
	6		D.C.O. Routine.	
	7		D.C.O. Routine. Conferring with A.A. & Q.M.G. letter re position of crops in forward and back areas ---	App.ii
	8		D.C.O. Routine. Circular memo Q.28/200 re cost R.E. Stores -- Attending on all units, 4th Div. Arty. in ABBEVILLE Area, and discussion with G.O.C. and unit Commanders the matter of pastures and claims generally.	App.iii
	9		D.C.O. Routine and 4th Army R.O. Nos. 2170 and 2171. 4/6/18. re grazing, green fodder and cutting of timber -- Letter to Claims Commission re system of trenches going through the crops, and their reply, same retained by D.H.Q. <i>for record.</i>	App iv.
			Conferring with S.O.D. attached re green fodder <i>to be supplied to troops</i>	
	10		D.C.O. Routine. G.R.O. No. 129 para 4207, 7/6/18 re damage to crops repeated in D.R.O. 10/6/18 para 2089	App.vi
	11		D.C.O. Routine and receipt of Aust. Corps Administrative Instructions No. 205 re Faits de Guerre arising from German offensive.....	App.vii.
	12		Visited AUBIGNY and DAOURS re looting cases and reporting on thereon to Claims Commission. First village under incessant shell fire and almost totally destroyed and damages very difficult to assess except as Faits de Guerre	
	13		D.C.O. Routine. Letter to D.H.Q. re breaches of G.R.O. 4207: D.R.O. 2092 thereupon drawing attention to Corps Administrative Instructions No. 205 re Policy of Claims	App. viii.
	14		D.C.O. Routine and visiting forward Brigades.	

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BUSSY-LES -DAOURS.	June 15		D.C.O. Routine. Claims record again exceeded to date. D.R.O. para 2099 again drawing attention to G.R.O. 4207.....	App. ix
	16		D.C.O. Routine. Noting memo re cutting of trees in forward area by C.R.E., 310/106/3 of 14/6/18.	
	17		D.C.O. Routine. D.H.Q. shelled heavily with H.E. and Yellow Cross shelled for 1½ hours, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	
	18		D.C.O. Routine.	
	19		D.C.O. Routine and receipt of following documents, to note - (1) Aust. Corps 40/730 of 13/6/18 re Claims. (Aust. Corps 80/177) (2) 4th Army Q.2308 of 6/5/18 and D.H.Q. Q.28/214 re Forage and Pastures.	
			Village again shelled, between midnight and 1 a.m.	
	20		D.C.O. Routine.	
	21		Presided at F.G.Cs.M. at 12th A.I.Bde.	
	22		Presided at Court of Enquiry at DAOURS on two fires. D.H.Q. "B" Echelon moved back to wood on account of D.H.Q. again shelled heavily early this morning.	
	23		D.C.O. Routine.	
	24		D.C.O. Routine. D.H.Q. again shelled, Colonel MOSELEY, D.S.O., A.D.M.S. wounded severely.	
	25		D.C.O. presided at F.G.Cs.Ms at 12th A.I.Bde. Nucleus and D.C.O. Routine. 4th Army R.O. para.2231 re grazing in forward areas. S.S.Os. to make their own arrangements as to provision of green forage and grazing.	
	26		D.C.O. Routine. Very difficult to keep work up to date owing to its growing volume.	
	27		D.C.O. Routine and Conference with C.R.A. and all 5 C.Os of Brigades at present under his command re Claims generally. Repeating 4th Army R.O. 2244 re camps in orchards. At my request 4th Aust. Div. Artillery No 226 published.....	
	28		D.C.O. Routine. 1056/4 Return completed and forwarded to Corps. Record for month again broken and considerably exceeded. <i>DRO No 2117 re Corps Administration Instructions No 206</i>	
	29		D.C.O. Routine.	
	30		D.C.O. Routine. A.F.N. 1531A completed and for signature by G.O.C. and then Paymaster. Preparations are now being made very recently to straighten out our front line and 3 Aust. Divisions are to take part with tanks and a considerable artillery barrage.	

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OF

4th Aust Div Claims Officer

FOR

June 1918

LIST OF APPENDICES.

- | No. | Subject. |
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| 1 | D.R.O. Para 2078 re Grazing |
| 2 | Letter by D.C.O. 7/6/18 re Position of break in "forward & back areas" |
| 3 | Prices of R.F. stores 7 8/6/18 |
| 4 | 4 th army, Paras 2170 & 2171 |
| 5 | Letter by D.C.O. 9/6/18 re Fairs at Suere & Venches. |
| 6 | G.R.O. Para 4207 re Damage to crops; D.R.O. para 2089 thereon |
| 7 | Corps Administrative Instructions No 205 40/225 of 10/6/18 |
| 8 | D.R.O. para 2092 re Corps Instructions No 205 |
| 9 | D.R.O. para 2099 re G.R.O. 4207 Damage to crops |
| 10 | D.R.O. para 2177 re Corps Administrative Instructions No 206 |
| 11 | 4 th Aust Div artillery R.O. 226 |
| 12 | 1056/4 re Claims Return for June 1918 |
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APPENDIX I

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Major-General E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN, C.B., D.S.O.,
Commanding 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

5th June, 1918.

2069. HONOURS AND REWARDS. Under authority granted by His Majesty the King, the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief has awarded the following Decorations. The Army, The Corps and the Divisional Commanders desire their congratulations conveyed to the recipients :-

Bar to Distinguished Service Order.

Lieut-Col. A.G. SALISBURY, D.S.O., 50th Battalion.
Major (T/Lt-Col.) R. CHRISTIE, D.S.O., 51st Battalion.

Distinguished Service Order.

Lieut-Col. J.L. WHITHAM, C.M.G., 52nd Battalion.
Major L.G. TASSIE, 13th Fld.Ambce., AAMC.

Bar to Military Cross.

Captain R.J. HENDERSON, M.C., 13th Battalion.
Lieut. R. EARL, M.C., 51st Battalion.

Military Cross.

2/Lieut. J. CLIMPSON, M.M., 4th Div. Sig. Coy., att. 13th A.I.Bdo.
Lieut. W.R. de la P. BERESFORD, 50th Battalion.
2/Lieut. P.E. NUTTALL, 50th Battalion.
Capt. W.R. HARBURN, 51st Battalion.
Lieut. M.C. CROCKER, 52nd Battalion.
Lieut. H.G. HATTON, M.M., 52nd Battalion.
Lieut. W.J. HALL, 52nd Battalion.
The Rev. D.B. BLACKWOOD, Aust. C.D., attached 13th A.I.Bde.H.Q.
Captain G.F. ARMOLD, A.A.M.C., attached 51st Bn.

Distinguished Conduct Medal.

2253 Sgt. C.A. STOKES, 51st Battalion.
22A L/Cpl. C.E.R. BURT, 51st "
4525 Pte. R. HELLAR, 51st "
1867 Cpl. T.B. SULLIVAN, 51st "
7120 Pte. H.I. PASSMORE, 51st "
3312 Sgt. A.W. WHITE, M.M., 52nd "
3190 Sgt. H.R. WRIGHT, 52nd "
2389 Sgt. E. ENGLAND, M.M., 16th "

2070. ORDERS. Special attention is drawn to the following Routine Orders -

General Routine Orders - 4148 Vaccination, Record of in officers' "Record of Services" book, A.B. 439.
4149 - Road Discipline.
4160 - Medal Ribbons on sale at E.F.C. Canteens.
4161 - Recovery of Solder, Zinc, Lead.
Army Routine Orders - 2127 - Casualties to animals through hostile bombing.
2129 - Messages by Signal Service.
2130 - Telephone Calls.
2131 - D.R. Letter Service.

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2071. HONOURS AND REWARDS. The Corps Commander has awarded the Military Medal to the undermentioned Other Ranks, and desires that his congratulations be conveyed to the recipients. The Divisional Commander desires to add his congratulations to those of the Corps Commander :-

4783 Pte. L.W.GREENLEAF,	13th Battalion.
1403 Pte. S.W.SMITH,	13th "
3509 Cpl. J.A.WATT	13th "
62 Dvr. B.HARDNER,	14th "
1384 Dvr. A.MATTSON,	14th "
6357 L/Sgt. H.R.SCOTT,	14th "
965 Sgt. J.L.GLARK,	4th A.M.G.Battalion.

2072. SCHOOL RESULTS. The Divisional Commander desires to congratulate the undermentioned N.C.O. on having obtained a very satisfactory report at 50th Course at the G.H.Q. Lewis Gun and Light Trench Mortar School :-

4321 Cpl. E.P.PREEDY, 48th Battalion.

2073. ANTI-GAS CLOTH. All Indents for Union Anti-Gas cloth will be forwarded to C.R.E.

2074. APPOINTMENTS. The following appointments have been approved :-

<u>50th Battalion.</u>	Lieut. C.P.GREENE to be Lewis Gun Officer vice Lieut. C.G.EDWARDS. Lieut. W.B.SIMS to be Bombing Officer vice Lieut. C.A.WILLCOX.
<u>13th Battalion.</u>	Lieut. T.B.WEBSTER to be Assistant Adjutant vice Lieut. R.L.GOWING.
<u>48th Battalion.</u>	Lieut. W.C.SHELDON to be Lewis Gun Officer vice Capt. N.G.IMLAY.
<u>4th Aust. M.G.Bn.</u>	Lieut. A.A.FOWLESS to be Assistant Adjutant vice Lieut. H.J.HUNT, M.C.

2075. TYPEWRITER MECHANIC. The Typewriter Mechanic will in future visit Australian Corps Headquarters on the Second Monday of each month. Machines in need of repair should be sent to the Chief Clerk, Corps Headquarters, on that day.

2076. PROTECTION OF ANIMALS FROM BOMBS. All units will render a certificate to this office by noon on 7th inst. that their animals are protected from the explosive effect of bombs in accordance with A.R.O. 2089, paras. 28 to 31 inclusive.

2077. WATER POINT. A Water Point has been established at I.32.a.2.5.

2078. GRAZING. Horses and Mules may be grazed on any pasture land including clover, but not crops,
East of the River HALLUE and a line thence south through Squares N.5.central, 11 and 17 central to Square 23 central.
West of the above line neither crop nor pasture is to be used for grazing without the consent of the owner obtained through the French Mission.

R. Jones

Lieut-Colonel,

A.A. & Q.M.G., 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Notices.

1. LOST, from lines at N.24.b.20.70. on 1st inst., L.D. Horse, 15.2 hands, dark brown, white star, white spot on near hind, white tip near hind. Information to A.P.M., 4th Aust. Div.
2. STOLEN, from H.Q., 23rd Army Bde., R.F.A. Wagon Lines on night 31st May - 2 Officers' Chargers, seen in possession of an Australian -
(1) Dark Bay gelding, 15.3 hands, stockings both hind legs.
(2) Dark Bay gelding star, partial stocking inside off hind, big near hind fetlock, old wound off hind coronet, 15.3 hands.
Information to C.O., 23rd Army Brigade, R.F.A.

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Headquarters,
7th June 1918.

A.A. & Q.M.G.,
4th Aust. Div.

I make the following observations:-

1. (a). Crops in back areas cannot be grazed upon without the consent of the owner, see G.R.O. 1028.
 (b). An arrangement has been made in Commune of BUSSY for Horses to be grazed on pastures (not including Clover, Lucerne and Minnet) without charge and subject to 4th Army A.R.O. 2007.
 (c). With reference to actual crops, it is still hoped Civilians with the assistance of the Army will be able to reap same when same is fit for harvesting.
2. With reference to Crops in the forward area, that is East of the line of HALUE River and the prolongation thereof, Corps has issued authority, the following has appeared in D.R.O. as under:-
 "Horses and Mules may be grazed on any pasture including Clover but not the Crops."
3. It would appear that if representations were made to the French Authorities in the spirit of the terms of memo attached to Fourth Army Q.18/37, no objection would be made to using the Crop as proposed by the 12th Aust. Inf. Bde., but it would be necessary to obtain authority to do so first.
4. The rule which at present covers grazing in this Area appeared in D.R.O. No. 2078 of the 5th instant.
5. In addition to above the S.S.O. is buying green stuff for Fodder.

W. H. H. H. H. H.
Major.
D.C.O.
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM NO. 51 BY CHIEF ENGINEER, AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

COST OF MATERIALS.

I wish to bring to the notice of all C.R.Es. the attached list showing the cost of some of the more common Engineer Stores, in order that the Officers, N.C.Os. and Sappers using these Stores may realise that unnecessary expense is caused by careless use, or waste, of these Stores.

It is not my wish or intention to restrict the legitimate use of any of these Stores; I merely wish that all should realise that, as everyone will have to pay his share of the cost of this War, it is up to everyone to use Stores of all sorts - not only the items named - as sparingly as is consistent with efficiency.

And the actual money cost is not all. Everyone must remember that there is the transport problem. Railways & Roads, M.T. and Horse Transport, are all being fully employed and even if 1000 Sandbags cost only 44 pence instead of nearly £44, it would still be criminal to waste them, as the Transport of them from the Base has to be considered.

Put this before your Officers, N.C.Os and Sappers, please, and ask them to think it over.

(sd) G.H. FOOTT.

Brigadier-General.

Chief Engineer, AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

PRICES OF R.E. STORES.

Cement.	barrels	11/6 including cask 4/6
French Wire entanglement.		5/8 per roll.
Corrugated Iron		£1-14s. per bundle.
Roofing felt		6/3 per roll.
Joists 9' x 5" x 3"		14/6 each.
Screw posts long		1/6 each
" " medium		1/1 1/2 each.
" " short		8 1/4 each.
Wire netting		21/2 per roll.
Willesden Canvas		1/2 1/2 per sq. yard.
Steel Shelters, large		£17/6/3d each.
" " small		£5/18/9d each.
N.P.M. large mesh		1/8 1/2 per sq. yard.
Coir Lewing or Jute Bagging		1/1 per lin. yd. 6ft wide.
Trench Pumps, Superior		£4/6/- each
" " Inferior		£3/10/- each.
Hose, Armoured delivery		£1/11/3 per 30' length
Hose, suction		£1/12/6 per 15' length.
Hose, Canvas		£1/4/- per 30' length.
Sandbags		10 1/2 each.
Oiled linen for Glazing		£7/8/9 per Roll of 50 yds x 1 yard.
Stoves, with piping (Queen pattern)		9/- each.
" Canadian large		17/6 each.
" " small		13/6 each.
Tar		15/6 per barrel.
200 gall. tank, circular		£2/3/6 each.
400 " " "		£8.14.0 each.
Barbed wire		8/- per small coil.
Hessian R.P.		£4 per roll of 100 yards.
" plain		3d per yard.
Plain wire		7/7 per coil.

The C.R.E., 4th Aust. Div. writes re Sandbags:-

"Each time the Division goes into the line there is a large demand, especially from Infantry Units, for Sandbags to carry rations forward.

The question raised with a view of checking waste both in trans-

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transport and issue of R.E. material is what becomes of these sandbags after the rationing is delivered.

I would ask that greatest economy be exercised by returning bags from forward area and using them over and over again, and when they have become unserviceable for this purpose they be delivered to the Salvage Company, which requires large quantities of bags for despatch of shell cases, etc., to the Base."

Headquarters,
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.
8th June, 1918.

Q.28/200.

4th Aust. Div. Arty.
C.R.E.
4th Aust. Div. Signal Coy.
4th Aust. Inf. Bde.
12th Aust. Inf. Bde.
13th Aust. Inf. Bde.
4th Aust. M.G. Battalion.
4th Aust. Pioneer Battalion.
4th Aust. Div. Train.
4th Aust. Mobile Vet. Section.
A.D.M.S.
A.P.M.
D.A.D.O.S.
4th Aust. Div. Salvage Coy.
Camp Commandant.

The above is issued for the guidance of all units.

The Divisional Commander desires that the closest attention and fullest promulgation be given these matters by C.Os. of all formations.

R. Brown

Lieut. Colonel,
A.A. & Q.M.G.,
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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4TH AUSTRALIAN
DIVISION.

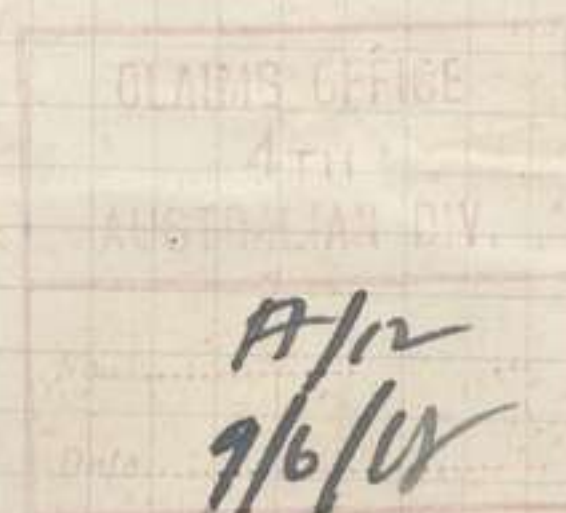
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President
 Claims Commission
 Boulogne.



Would you please favour me with
 any information you have with
 reference to the matter of compensation,
 if any, for the system of trenches,
 which have now been constructed
 in all areas?

It is presumed the same are "faits
 de guerre", but I would like to have
 your views generally, on the subject,
 as I am constantly reporting on troops
 through which these trenches run.

A. W. Howson
 Major
 4th Aust D.C.O.

ROUTINE ORDERS

by
Major-General E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN, C.B., D.S.O.,
Commanding 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

10th June 1918.

2079. SCHOOL RESULTS. The Divisional Commander desires to congratulate the undermentioned on having obtained very satisfactory reports at the 4th Course, Aust. Corps Gas School, St. QUEN.

Lieut. L.A. HOCKER
No. 430, Sergt. R.H. CLEARY

15th Battalion.
15th "

2080. HONOURS & REWARDS. The Corps Commander has awarded the Bar to and Military Medal to the undermentioned Other Ranks. Please convey his congratulations to the recipients. The Divisional Commander desires to add his congratulations to those of the Corps Commander:-

BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL.

No. 3295, Sgt. G. FITZGERALD M.M., 47th Bn.

THE MILITARY MEDAL.

No. 1611, Sgt. W.D. DICKSON D.C.M. 47th Bn.

2081. BURIAL & MARKING OF GRAVES. Instances of the removal or destruction of Graves Registration Units Crosses having recently been reported, strict instructions are to be issued to all ranks to the following effect:-
Under no circumstances are Crosses erected or registered by the Graves Registration Units to be removed or altered without Authority from the D.G.R. & E. Where a Unit desires to erect a cross over a grave on which a Graves Registration Unit Cross is already in position, the latter should be used as a foot cross being driven deep into the ground.
2082. AMERICAN CASUALTIES. Formations will ensure that similar casualty Returns are rendered for American Personnel attached as for British Troops. In every case the American Division must be stated.
In addition to this Return Formations will also report full particulars of any Casualty, Battle or otherwise.
2082. PROTECTION OF HORSES FROM BOMBS. Reference Q.30/49.
Where Horses of the Div. Train are detached with Units they will be considered as animals of the unit concerned for any action necessary under these instructions.
2083. R.E. DUMPS. The Divisional R.E. DUMP at AUBIGNY is closed and is now established at DAOURS, O.1.a.2.6.
A Divisional R.E. Dump has also been established at Billet No. 56, LANEUVILLE, I.34.c.2.8.
2084. SOLDER KILN. Solder Kiln is located at N.5.b.2.3. Units will arrange that all tins are sent to the Kiln by 1st. Line Transport when a wagon load has accumulated.
2085. BURIAL etc., OF HORSES. Before burial, dead horses should be disembowelled or at least cut open. Deep holes should be dug to allow several feet of earth on top. Burial is facilitated if

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the carcase is cut into several pieces.

Then impossible to bury, burning or covering should be resorted to. In each case the carcase should first be disembowelled and the viscera buried.

2086. POSTAL. In order to facilitate the delivery of Postal Matter, C.Os. Units will furnish a Nominal Roll of their units on 20th instant to this Office which will be forwarded to the D.A.D.P.S. Aust. Corps. A copy of this Roll should be in the possession of each Unit Postal Orderly and corrected from time to time. Nominal Rolls will be kept up to date at the Aust. Base Post Office from information obtained from copy of A.F.B213.

2087. CANCELLATION OF ORDER. That part of D.R.O. 2070 referring to G.R.O. 4148 is cancelled.

G.R.O. 4148 does not apply to A.I.F.

2088. F.G.C.M. A. F.G.C.M. composed of the undermentioned Officers will assemble at 4th Aust. M.G. Battalion Headquarters at 10 am. on Friday, 14th instant to try such persons as are brought before them.

PRESIDENT.

Lieut-Colonel H. PAUL, 49th Battalion A.I.F.

MEMBERS.

Major C.M. JOHNSTON, 14th Battalion A.I.F.
Major A.S. ALLEN, DSO., 45th Battalion A.I.F.
Corps Court Martial Officer.

2089. Special attention is drawn to the following Routine Orders:-

- G.R.O. 4207 - Damage to Crops.
- 4218 - Rations.
- A.R.O. 2155 - Disposal of effects of deceased Officers.
- 2156 - Destruction of Railway Property.
- 2169 - Loss of Iron Rations.
- 2171 - Cutting of Timber.
- 2172 - Contagious Diseases - Horses & Mules.
- 2173 - Care of Sick Horses.
- 2185 - Dry weather Tracks.

Reynolds

Lieut-Colonel.
A.A. & Q.M.G.
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

NOTICES.

Lost. 1. Lost from Wood near DAOURS on 3rd June 1918, Bay Gelding height 15 hands 1, Wound inside off forearm - enlarged fetlock off fore. Information to O.C., 107th Battery R.F.A.

Salvage. 2. The following is the value of material salvaged by Brigades for week ending 8th instant.

4th Aust. Inf. Bde.	£.1953 - 15 - 9.
12th Aust. Inf. Bde.	619 - 0 - 9.
	£.2572 - 16 - 6.

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APPENDIX

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AUSTRALIAN CORPS.Headquarters,
10th June 1918.ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS No 205.POLICY AS REGARDS CLAIMS.

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The German advance during the last 10 days of March, and the re-occupation by them of French villages, has led to a situation of considerable complexity as regards claims, and the Corps Commander is anxious that, in dealing with the whole question of claims these problems should be approached by Divisional Commanders in accordance with a uniform policy.

The President of the Claims Commission has been personally consulted and the general principles now laid down are in accordance with his views.

2. The whole question turns on what acts of destruction or removal of the property of the inhabitants are to be classed as 'Faits de Guerre', and what are to be legitimately regarded as justifying claims against the British Army. The definition of 'Faits de Guerre' is to be found in the Claims Commission Circular for the British Army in the Field (3rd Edition) Sec. VIII, and should be studied and acted upon by Divisional Commanders in considering claims submitted to them. Broadly, 'Faits de Guerre' consists of damage caused by the enemy or as a result of encounters with him, or connected with the immediate necessities of the conflict; claims are justified where damage caused by our troops is wanton and unnecessary, or where the property of the inhabitants is taken for the personal use and comfort of the troops.

3. The difficulty with which Divisional Commanders are faced lies in differentiating between 'Faits de Guerre' and unnecessary damage in the case of villages close to the front line. The following instances are typical of the difficulties encountered, -

(a) During the retirement it was necessary to remove and destroy property to prevent its falling into the hands of the enemy. As soon as the enemy's advance was checked, such destruction became unnecessary and legitimate subject-matter for claims, but it was impossible for unit commanders to know just where the enemy would be held, and no doubt a considerable amount of property was destroyed and removed with the bona-fide intention of preventing its benefitting the enemy, in places which, as events turned out, did not fall into his hands. The French owners, on their return, and on finding that the Germans did not enter their village will regard the damage as due to our occupation and will submit claims accordingly. Such claims should be rejected and the damage classed as 'Faits de Guerre'. Ground used for camps or the grazing of crops may be legitimately classed as 'Faits de Guerre' in this connection, if occupied with a view to denying it to the enemy.

(b) Certain villages are so near the front that their destruction by shell fire is only a matter of time. Troops sometimes argue that property abandoned in these villages is certain to be destroyed and that it is better that they themselves should take it than that it should be left to destruction. If property can be removed it can be treated as salvage and handed over to the French authorities, and this argument cannot be upheld. At the same time there is no objection to property being utilised for the comfort of the men, when it has been genuinely abandoned and left in villages under close shell fire, so long as this is done under proper authority and a record kept, but the property should only be used on the spot and not taken away when the unit moves.

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(b) cont'd.

It remains the property of the owners and not of the troops, and must always be regarded as subject to restoration to the owner, should this ever become possible. Destruction of property, e.g., the taking of doors, woodwork, etc., for fuel is not permissible.

(c) The Divisions have done splendid work in salvaging property from villages close to our front line, and abandoned by the people. It has been impossible to keep any detailed record of this salvage or of its ownership. Should we advance and these villages be re-occupied, the owners, finding their property gone, and knowing that the Germans were not in occupation, will probably submit claims. These should be treated as 'Cas Reservés', (vide Claims Commission Circular, page 16, para 2), and should not be paid.

(d) There are a few claims still unsettled in connection with damage alleged to have been done in villages which have in the meantime passed into the hands of the enemy. (e.g. NEUVE EGLISE). The question arises whether the Claim should now stand. The Claims Commission considers that this does not annul the claim. Property taken or destroyed by our troops must be paid for, irrespective of the fact that the rest of the claimant's property has subsequently been lost through 'Faits de Guerre'.

(e) If, in the course of operations, we retake a village, from the enemy, we become, from the moment of our re-occupation, guardians of French property found in that village, and responsible for any subsequent loss or damage caused by our troops.

(f) Grazing should be regarded as an integral part of the general question of supplies. If animals can be grazed it should be possible for records to be kept of the lands so utilised, and this must always be regarded as the duty of the Unit Commanders concerned. Where grazing is sanctioned in areas not included in the operations of the Purchasing Board, fields should be apportioned to units and records kept by the Supply Officer concerned. Crops should not be used for grazing under any circumstances as there is a likelihood of an advance enabling the owners to harvest and recover them. The fact that an owner has had to abandon his fields and remove his cattle does not nullify his claim to consideration should we consume his pastures.

4. Divisional Commanders have been given wide powers in the matter of claims, and the Claims Commission very rarely criticises or questions their decisions. Divisional Claims Officers are their Staff Officers and are answerable to them and not to the Claims Commission for their awards. Commanders must therefore regard themselves as being the guardians of the interests of the French people, as well as being responsible for seeing that the British Government and the units of the Army get a fair deal. Where a Maire or other French Authority is available he should be consulted and associated with all settlements, so that the transactions may be on record, and the duplication or re-submission of the same claim may be avoided. Where, as in the case of abandoned villages, no Maire or other local authority exists, the Divisional Commander must assume the responsibility for placing all possible transactions on record and for sending the records to the Claims Commission.

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5. It is not possible to lay down hard and fast rules for adjudicating claims, Commanders must deal with each case on its merits, and do what they consider right and fair towards the owners and towards the Army.

It is the wish of the British Government that the French people should suffer as little hardship as possible from the occupation of their country by our troops, and it rests with Divisional Commanders to carry this policy into effect while safeguarding the British taxpayers from exploitation.

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Brigadier-General.
D. A. & Q. M. G.
AUSTRALIAN Corps.

DISTRIBUTION.

2nd Aust. Division.	(2)
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4th Aust. Division.	(2)
5th Aust. Division.	(2)
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B.G., H.A.	
French Mission.	
Fourth Army 'A'.	
Spares.	(10).

ROUTINE ORDERS

by
Major-General E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN C.B., D.S.O.,
Commanding 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

13th June 1918.

2090. SCHOOL RESULTS. The Divisional Commander desires to congratulate the undermentioned personnel on having obtained very satisfactory reports at the following Schools:-

Australian Corps Gas School - 5th Course.

No. 3496, Cpl. R.J. WHITE	45th Battalion.
631, Pte. E.W. ADAMS	48th "

Fourth Army S.O.S. School - 19th Course.

Capt. C.A. SYMONS	47th Battalion.
2/Lieut. S.E. JOYCE	51st "

No. 4904, Sgt. SCHIFF W.A.	13th "
2923, L/C. RUTTER S.	13th "
1346, Cpl. LUNN P.F.	46th "
2658, " BENEFIELD A.R.	51st "
2528, L/C. ROBERTS T.	51st "

2091. IMPROPER USE OF BOMBS. It is strictly prohibited to use Bombs for the destruction of Fish in Rivers or Canals. Considerable damage has been done to telephone cables by this practice, and strict disciplinary action will be taken by unit commanders to prevent it.

Units will furnish Picquets on water ways in their immediate vicinity to ensure the observance of this order.

2092. POLICY AS REGARDS CLAIMS. Australian Corps Administrative Instructions No. 205 is issued to all units for information and guidance.

2093. SANITARY APPLIANCES. Sanitary Appliances are supplied from Sanitary Sections will be preserved and handed over to incoming unit as area stores - there is great waste at present as regards these things.

2094. ORDERS. Special attention is drawn to the following Routine Orders:-

- G.R.O. 4233 - Sensorship Orders - Postal Addresses.
- 4235 - Disposal of Kits & effects of Officers & O.Rs. of U.S. Army who become casualties.
- 4237 - Leave & Railway Warrants.

R. G. Jones

Lieut-Colonel.
A.A. & Q.M.G.
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Notice.

1. Stolen between 12.30 am and Dawn 10.6.18. from the lines of the Chestnut Troop R.H.A. at N.17.d.5.6. Dark bay gelding 15.1. age 10 Wound above near hock, wound under girth on off side, white mark in near eye just below eyeball, scar from ropegall off hind, long tail. No white markings except saddle marks, no marks on hoofs. As a test for Horse he will neigh if offered grass or shown a nose bag. Information to A.P.M. 4th Australian Division.

THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE
RESULTS OF THE RECENT SURVEY
CONDUCTED BY THE RESEARCH
DEPARTMENT OF THE
ARMY IN THE
MONTH OF
JANUARY 1945.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Major-General E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN, C.B., D.S.O.,
Commanding 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

15th June, 1918.

HONOURS AND REWARDS. 2095. Under authority granted by His Majesty the King, the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief has awarded the following decorations. The Army, the Corps and the Divisional Commanders desire that their congratulations be conveyed to the recipients :-

Military Cross.

Captain W.R.M. BEALOND, 14th Battalion.

Distinguished Conduct Medal.

No. 520 C.S.M. SCANLON R., M.M., 14th Battalion.

ABSENTEES. 2096. Unit Commanders will ensure that all absentees arrested, accounted for, returned to unit, etc., be immediately advised to A.P.M. 4th Aust. Division, so that the Absentee Records of the Division may be kept up to date. Instances are repeatedly occurring where men reported absentee have been accounted for and it was not until their names had been noticed in A.F. 2069 that they were found to have ceased to be absentees - no information of the fact having been sent by unit.

SAW-DUST AND MILL WASTE. 2097. Saw-dust and mill waste timber can be obtained at the Divisional Saw-mills at O.I.A.2.4. on application.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE. 2098. In order to minimise infection of Influenza, C.O.s. Units will take steps to ensure that the throats of all personnel under their command are gargled daily with solution of Pot. Permanganate under arrangements to be made with Medical Officers.

DAMAGE TO CROPS. 2099. Special attention is again drawn to G.R.O. 4207 of 7/6/18. All ranks must recognise their obligations and duties. Strict disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

REMOVAL OF FURNITURE, &c., FROM VILLAGES. 2100. Area Commandants and Town Majors are instructed to take immediate disciplinary action against any Officer or other rank removing articles of furniture or household effects of any description from villages without their consent previously obtained.

Lieut-Colonel,
A.A. & Q.M.G.,
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Notices.

1. Mass will be celebrated in village church, BUSSY, on Sunday, 16th June, 1918, at 9 a.m.
2. The C.R.A. will give a prize value of £1/- to the designer of the selected cover for the programme for the forthcoming 5th Aust. Divisional Artillery Sports. All competitors for this prize will please submit their designs, together with their name and unit, to the office of 5th Aust. Div. Artillery Headquarters, by 19th June, 1918. The competition will be decided on 20/6/18.

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APPENDIX

by
Major-General E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN, C.B., D.S.O.,
Commanding 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

28th June 1918.

2112. HONOURS AND REWARDS. The Corps Commander has awarded the MILITARY MEDAL to the undermentioned Other Rank. Please convey his congratulations to the recipient. The Divisional Commander wishes to add his congratulations to those of the Corps Commander:-

No. 2564, Pte. E.S. STEVENSON, 46th Battalion, A.I.F.

2113. SCHOOL RESULTS. The Divisional Commander desires to congratulate the undermentioned Personnel on having obtained very satisfactory reports at the Australian Corps Gas School:-

Lieut. R.J. SWINBOURNE	13th Battalion.
Lieut. E.P. FARRELLY	15th "
59, Sgt. McLENNAN A.B.	14th "
1661, " McKENDRICK R.J.	15th "
3553, Cpl. SMYTH L.	16th "

2114. MEAT SAFES. Butter-cloth for construction of Meat Safes is now available and can be procured from sub-section of 5th Aust. San. Section located Sheet 62D. H.25.d.2.4.

2115. SOCKS. All Socks returned to D.A.D.O.S. must be turned inside out and packed loose in sacks. Sacks to be labelled in each case with numbers contained.

2116. DRIPPING RETURN. The Dripping Return of this Division compares unfavourably with the rest of the Corps. C.Os. will take steps to ensure that better results are obtained in the saving of Fat etc.,

2117. CLAIMS. Attention is drawn to copy of Australian Corps Administrative Instructions No. 206 issued herewith.

2118. PAY. Pay will be available for units of this Division on Wednesday next, 3rd ~~insten~~ July, at the Office of Div. Paymaster at H.39.b.5.1.

2119. ORDERS. Special attention is drawn to the following Orders:-

G.R.O. 4321	- Officers Rest House PARIS PLAGE
4326	- Recovery of Sheet Tins from Biscuit, Tea and other large tins.
4332	- Air Raids.
4356	- Bicycles and Clinometers.
A.R.O. 2242	- Return of unserviceable clothing.
2244	- Erection of Camps in Orchards.
C.R.O. 173	- Returns, Trophies of War.
176	- Bounds, CORBIE.
179	- Excessive driving of M.T.
180	- Dummy cartridges for use with Machine, Lewis and Hotchkiss Guns.
D.R.O. 1965	- Solder, recovery of.

A.I.F. List No. 347 Notices - Marriages in England and Wales.

R. Brown
Lieut-Colonel.
A.A. & Q.M.G.
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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NOTICES.

and reply

1. The following invitation/is published for information:-

Lieut-General Sir Arthur CURRIE, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., and Officers of CANADIAN CORPS, Request the pleasure of the company of 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION at the Canadian Corps Sports to be held on Dominion Day, July 1st 1918, at TINGUES commencing 10 am.

Major-General E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN and 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION thank Lieut-General Sir Arthur CURRIE and Officers, CANADIAN CORPS, for their kind invitation to their Sports, on 1st July, and gladly accept; they wish them good weather and a successful meeting.

2. STOLEN. A Bicycle No. B37259 belonging to Area Commandant, BUSSY, from outside Billet No. 72 at 2.30 pm on 26th June. Information to 4th Aust. D.H.Q.
3. LOST. Strayed from horse lines on the night 24/25th June 1918. Hule - Dark bay. Markings - No. 107 near fore RFA off hind. BAC over 150 near hind 107 near hind quarters. Saddle marks, withers. Scar on thigh. Information to be forwarded to 150th Army Bde. RFA.
4. LOST believed stolen, on night 19/20th June from Wagon Lines H.32. c & d - Bay Mare 14.2 2 hind white stockings, bad rope gall scar on off fore heel. Branded No. 172 near fore. RFA off hind 150 BAC near hind.
5. LOST believed stolen, between 10 pm 22nd and 7 am 23rd June from HQ. 189th Army Bde. R.F.A. at H.33.d.6.O. Cycle, Hudson make No. H.9459. Painted with Signal Colours. Blue and white on rear mud guard and on Frame.
6. STRAYED from forward wagon line of "C" Bty, 298th Army Bde. R.F.A. on the evening of the 19th June. Black gelding 16.3. hands, 9 years, saddle marks, two white hind fetlocks, branded with large C on near hind quarters.
Information of three last named, to be forwarded to units concerned.

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CLAIMS.

The following instructions are issued for the guidance of Divisional Commanders in their handling of Claims. -

A. Under normal conditions.

(a). The aim should be to ensure that the method adopted will enable the Claims to be expeditiously investigated, render the greatest justice to the Claimants, and at the same time limit to a minimum the travelling about, outside the Divisional Area of the respective Divisional Representatives.

(b). When Claims are found to be fair and reasonable they should be settled at once. Whether they are to be eventually met from the Funds of the Public or of the units concerned does not justify a postponement in the settlements. The Divisional Commander of the unit involved can subsequently decide whether the payment should be made under G.R.C. 763 or G.R.C. 1036. Only when it is necessary to enable a D.C.O. to arrive at a just decision or to prevent duplication of payments should the Claim be sent to the responsible units first for a report, where such action leads to delay in settlement.

(i). Every effort should be made to induce the French Inhabitants to submit claims immediately they arise, the local MAIRE and through him, not to the Claims Commission, but to representative of French Mission of the Division on the spot.

(ii) To prevent delay and accumulation of claims, arrangements should be made with the MAIRE of a return of Claims each week and where no Claims have arisen, a Nil return will be insisted upon.

(iii) In handing over a Divisional Area to an incoming Division, all Claims, if possible, should be settled by the outgoing D.C.O. before departure. Steps should be taken by the French Mission, prior to the move, to warn the Inhabitants, through the MAIRE, to send in at once, all Claims to the MAIRE. Units will endeavour to settle these claims direct.

(iv) When Claims are paid by units-direct, MAIRES and D.C.Os. should always be notified, to prevent a further payment on the same score.

(v) When the units have been unable to arrive at a settlement, full reports should be attached to the Claims before forwarding them to the D.C.O.

(vi) Only Claims submitted within 12 hours of the departure of the unit concerned need as a rule be considered. Divisional Commanders must decide whether special circumstances justify the consideration of Claims submitted later than 12 hours.

(vii) Claims will be regarded as Area Responsibilities, that is claims independently of how or when they have arisen, will be investigated by the D.C.O. of the Division on the spot.

(viii) Where a Claim is being investigated by a local D.C.O., it should be carried through to completion and not referred to another D.C.O. for payment, because it appears that one of the units of the latter Division may be responsible, but only for prior or subsequent report, or refund from the unit concerned.

(ix) A D.C.O. should not be called upon to handle claims outside his own Divisional Area unless he has personally investigated them, except to obtain a refund or report from one of these - his own units.

(x) Where refunds have been received by a D.C.O. on Claims not settled by him, he will inform the Division that compensated the Claimant, that this refund has been received and credited to his Imprest Account.

B. Under the abnormal conditions created by intense enemy pressure, a number of Claims are received in which Inhabitants property alleged to have been taken by troops.

(a). As a rule these are dealt with from a disciplinary point of view by the higher formations (Corps and Armies) and investigated by the Provost Branch and Gendarmerie. On no account should any action be taken by Divisional Claims Officers which might delay or prejudice this course, and these cases cannot be considered from the Claims point of view until the disciplinary aspect has been examined. When, however, the damage can-

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not be brought home to any particular formation, and when absolute proof of the loss is difficult or impossible, Divisional Claims Officers should adopt the following procedure:-

(b) A report should be made to the Claims Commission, giving all evidence procurable, and stating as far as possible :-

(i) Date or period of damage.

(ii). Whether the Claimant was absent or present at the time of the damage.

(iii). Whether the Claimant has evidence that British Troops are responsible.

(iv) Whether the Claimant brought the damage to notice.

(v). What evidence the Claimant can produce of the existence of property and its value.

(vi). Whether the Area in which the damage took place has been evacuated by Civilians.

(vii). Whether troops other than British occupied the Commune.

(viii) What salvage operations, if any, took place in the Commune. It is very important to ascertain this in view of extensive salvage operations that were carried on in various Communes by French and British Military Authorities, and also by French Civil Authorities.

(c). All these cases will eventually be dealt with by the Claims Commission on a general basis applicable to all claims of this class arising within certain dates and specified areas.

(d). Information may assist in establishing dates during which damage of this kind was frequent in certain localities or Communes, and statements of the general conditions under which it took place, greatly assists the Commission.

(e). Some of these Claims may come within scope of G.R.O. 763 and although units cannot be identified, British responsibility may be clearly established. In this case they can be settled by the Divisional Claims Officer at the discretion of the Divisional Commander.

(f). Subject to the above, the investigation and adjustment of Claims should continue as heretofore, and G.R.O. 1036 should be strictly enforced as far as possible.

(g). In notifying the Claims Commission of payments made, Divisional Claims Officers should mark all adjustments under G.R.O. 1036 "Recovered from Unit".

(h). If Claimants are absent and payment is not possible their claims should be referred to the Claims Commission with Divisional Claims Officer's assessment for ultimate settlement. When such payments are to be made by the Claims Commission under G.R.O. 1036, a statement should accompany the vouchers that the money has been recovered and placed to the Public Credit.

(i). On no account should payment be withheld from persons entitled to be paid for damage evidently committed by British Troops on the ground that the Commune is under shell fire.

Claims from Areas now occupied by the enemy should be held up until some communication is received from the Claimant, when, if the Claim is admitted, it can be adjusted. In cases in which no evidence can now be obtained, the Claimant should be informed, that under the circumstances it is not possible to proceed. A similar procedure to that defined under B para (c) will eventually be applied to ~~in~~ such cases.

(signed) R.A. CARRUTHERS.
Brigadier-General.
D. A. & Q.M.G.
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

ROUTINE ORDER No. 226

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BRIGADIER-GENERAL W.L.H. BURGESS C.M.G., D.S.O.,

COMMANDING

Headquarters,
27th June 1918.

DAMAGE
TO
CROPS
153.

G.R.O., No. 4207 - "Damage to Crops" is repeated for information -

All ranks are reminded of the importance of safeguarding in every possible way the productivity of the land. It should be realised under what difficulties the country is being cultivated, and what splendid services the older men, the women and children of Northern France are rendering to the Allied cause by contributing by hard and constant toil as much as is in their power to the food supply of France.

Every kind of conduct is forbidden which might cause any avoidable damage to crops or sown fields, and severe disciplinary action is to be taken in regard to any conduct or neglect leading to such results. In particular officers and men are forbidden :-

- (i) To go when off duty, either on foot or on horseback, upon sown fields or crops (including clover and hay crops of any kind)
- (ii) To allow horses to graze anywhere unless arrangements have been made in the manner laid down in G.R.Os. 1028 and 2083 (Extracts from G.R.Os. Part 11, page 31);
- (iii) To play games in grass fields unless an arrangement has been made with the farmer to whom the field belongs.

Troops on duty or undergoing training must take the greatest care, compatible with the requirements of their duty, to avoid causing damage to crops.

This order does not apply to the movement of troops in face of the enemy.

The above order is to be promulgated in all units at frequent intervals, so that reinforcements may be made aware of it.

GRAZING
154.

D.R.O., No. 2078 - "Grazing" is repeated for information -

Horses and mules may be grazed on any pasture land including clover, but not crops.

East of the river HALLUE and a line thence south through squares N.5.central, 11 and 17 central to square 23 central.

West of the above line neither crop nor pasture is to be used for grazing without the consent of the owner obtained through the French Mission.

James R. ...
Captain,
Staff Captain,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

NOTICES.

STRAYED - from forward wagon line of "G" battery, 298th ARMY Bde R.F.A. on the evening of the 19th instant.

BLACK GELDING 16 - 3 hands, 9 years, saddle marks, two white hind Fetlocks, branded with large 8 on near hind quarters.

LOST - strayed from horse lines of 150th ARMY Bde RFA, on night June 24/25
MULE - Dark Bay. Markings No. 107 Near fore, R.F.A. off hind,
(BAC near hind. 107 near hind quarters. Saddle marks withers, scar
(150 on thigh

STOLEN CYCLE. Between 10pm 22nd and 7 am 23rd inst. from H.Q. 189 ARMY Bde RFA at H 33 d 60. Make HUDSON, No. H.9459. Painted with Signal Colours - Blue and white on rear mudguard and on frame.

Information to Units concerned.

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Return of Claims for month of June, 1918.

Under G.R.O. 763.

Total amount claimed -	F.185,924.65 (including those sent to Claims Commission for settlement.)
Total amount awarded -	100.
Number of Claims paid -	4
" " disallowed -	2

Under G.R.O. 634 :-

Number of Claims - 22
Total number of claims received for month - 131.

Headquarters,
28th June, 1918.

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Major,
D.C.O.,
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

ACCOUNT of sums received and expended by the Imprest Holder.

4th Aust. D.C.O.

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Unit.

for period from 29th May to 27th June, 1918, in account with the Paymaster

Dr.

Cr.

Date	No. of Voucher	From whom received	Particulars	Amount					Date	No. of Voucher	To whom paid	Particulars	Amount				
				Francs	c.	£.	s.	d.					Francs	c.	£.	s.	d.
1918.									1918								
May 28	1362/4	4th D.A.C.		65					May 30	1434/4	BOURY J.B.	Hay	30				
"		4th Fld.Ambce.	For cutting	55					"	1423/4	BALIN A.	Trees	30				
June 5		10th A.A.S.C.	trees in wood	10					"	1420/4	NAVSION A.	Rabbits	20				
" 6		2nd A.D.A.D.O.S.	of M.	10					June 1	1441/4	BALIN N.	Windows	20				
" 8		14th Bn. A.I.F.	HENNESSEY,	40					" 9	A/12	4th Aust.Div.)						
" 19		4th M.G.Bn.	ALLONVILLE.	70							Paymaster)		300				
" 2		46th Bn. A.I.F.	2 area wheat)														
			M.COU MARTIN,	20													
			CANON.														
" 3	1441/4	4th Aust.M.T.Col.		20													
" 9	1448/4	13th Fld.Ambce.		80													
" 15	1446/4	16th Bn. A.I.F.		20													
" 17	1434/4	14th Bn. A.I.F.		30													
" 27	1525/4	15th Bn. A.I.F.		15													
Total Receipts				415					Total Expenditure				400				
Balance due to Paymaster on last Account ...				351	30				Balance due by Paymaster on last Account ...								
Balance due by Paymaster on this Account ...									Balance due to Paymaster on this Account ...				366	30			
TOTAL DR.				766	30				TOTAL CR.				766	30			

I certify that the above Account is correct.

Station and Date In the Field, 30th June, 1918.

W. H. H. H.
Major, Imprest Holder
4th Aust. D.C.O.

1. This Account is to be made out by the Imprest Holder and should be forwarded, as soon after the termination of the period as possible, to the Field Cashier or Base Paymaster.
2. Vouchers representing disbursements on this return should bear distinctive numbers.

S. S. L. L.
Major-General,
Commanding 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.