

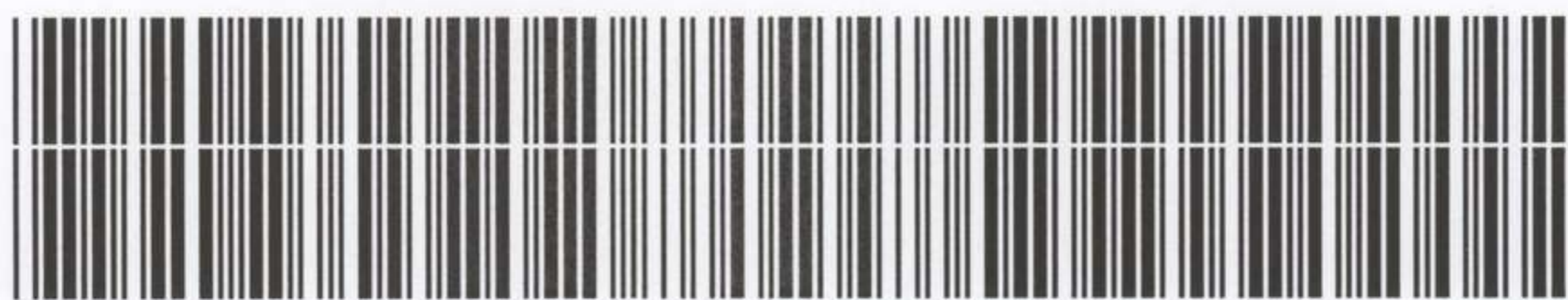
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Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,
1914-18 War

Infantry

Item number: 23/21/41 PART 2

Title: 4th Infantry Battalion

July 1918 Appendices



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Adj. 4th Bn. 7.7.18
Report re Working Parties
Night 6/7th

The working party which was to
work in front of N^o 2 Post arrived there
at 2 o'clock. The one for N^o 3 Post reached
there at 1.30 am.

The sappers who were to accompany
these parties reported at Coy H.Q. during
my absence early in the night, but
owing to the non-appearance ~~of the sappers~~
of the parties the sappers returned home.
In consequence very little working was
done.

Owing to some misunderstanding the
party which was to work ~~at~~ on new Coy H.Q.
was split up only 5 men reported at 1.30 am.
The remainder apparently returned straight home
after carrying material to the forward posts.

3.15 am

Jed. W. Smith
OC PCOM

Adj. 4th Bn

7.7.18

With reference to proposed minor
operations.

I have studied the enemy position
on my front carefully and in my opinion
his post at approx E12B 25.90. would be
the best point of entry.

I would suggest that the raid be
carried out by an officer + 5 OR leaving
one N^o 2 Post at approx E6D3.4 & that
it should be done in daylight - say 9 am.

11.20 am

Jed. W. Smith
OC PCOM

N.O.P.U

FN 4 | 7 | - | AAAA |

New dispositions as ordered were put into effect on night 6/7th with the exception that Coy HQ remains in old position approx F 6 A 80.25.

11 40 am

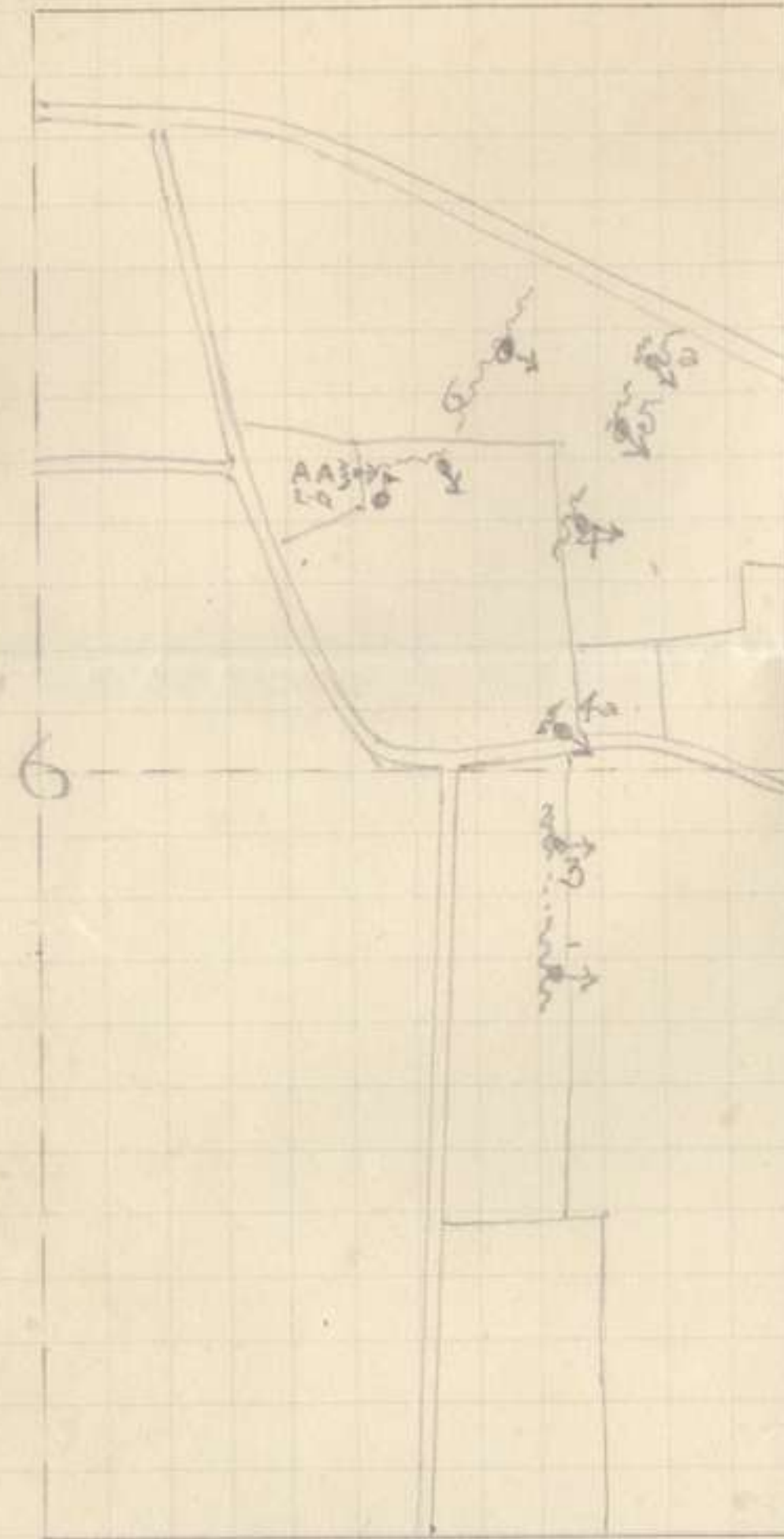
A Coy

Headquarters
D.C.

Amended Disposition Report

C. Coy 4th Bn. 7.6.18

Sq. E-6-a + b



- 1 Coy HQ.
- 3 - No. 9 Pl.
- 4 - No. 10 less one LG team
- 4a. LG team from No. 10
- 5. No. 11 less one LG team.
- 5a. LG team No. 11.
- 6. No. 12 Pl. (support)

R. A. Charalpin Capt.
D.C. C. Coy.
7.7.18.

7-7-18
To O.C. C. Coy.
Patrol Report

On 7th about 2.15 A.M. Listening post was heard to challenge & then immediately open fire. Listening Post then gave signal they were returning & rushed into post & reported a party of enemy approaching.

I ordered everyone to stand-to & then fired flare. Enemy M.G. opened fire at once & we heard rattling in traps in front & thinking it to be an enemy party attempting to rush post ordered my men to open fire.

Everyone in my Post was

warned about Patrol going out & given Password.

Plts Warrad & Bennett who were on duty in Listening Post state they saw someone approaching post who when challenged made no reply but ~~he~~ threw themselves on ground.

Platoon men on returning to Post advised me that party they saw were enemy.

By runner
3.30 A.M.

J. Lang 2 Plt.
O.C. 11 Platoon

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* B Coy will release C Coy in front line posts			
A Coy will send one platoon to the front act as support to B Coy under OC B Coy			
C Coy on relief will occupy support trenches in E6B and W29D			
D Coy will advance No 3 post to E6D 7550			
D Coy will patrol to enemy bank at E6D73 ascertaining strength of position and wire etc			
From			
Place			
Time			
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Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
* Received from the 4th Aust Bn 7 un wounded wounded prisoners H B and P			
From			
Place			
Time			
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Adj. 4th Coy.

Buy Order 72 + Adm. Instruction Recd.

M. 250 recd.

R. A. Macalister Capt
D. C. Coy.

8718

Adj. 4th Coy.

Addendum to the Order 72
+ map recd

J. H. James pl
for D. C. Coy

8.7.48

FROM

PLAC

(1969) 1987/M 1970

Prefix *GH* Code *GH* Words

From *NODU* At *m* *NODU*
 By *ROD* To *9-7-18*

Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions *NODU*

Handed in at Office m Received *8:27m*

TO *NODU*

*Sender's Number. *FR 731* Day of Month. *9th* In reply to Number. *AAA*

<i>Ref</i>	<i>B.O.O</i>	<i>CP 128</i>	<i>AAA</i>
<i>ARMADALE</i>			

FROM *NODU*
 TIME & PLACE

*This line should be erased if not required.
 500,000.—John Ricker, Ltd.—6310—1934. Form 0215.

Prefix *JD* Code *JD* Words

From *JD* At *m* *NODU*
 By *JD* To *9/7/18*

Charges to Collect
 Service Instructions

Handed in at Office m Received *DIS*

TO *NODU*

*Sender's Number. *JD 14* Day of Month. *9* In reply to Number. *AAA*

<i>Bn.</i>	<i>orders</i>	<i>72 and</i>	<i>73</i>
<i>received</i>			

FROM *JD*
 PLACE & TIME *0155*

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N O P U

FN 14. 9. — AAA

Addenda to PW Order 72
Copy 4 and PW Order No 73
Copy 3 received

1.40 am

J.A. Fred Wrentham
OC

Report on the attack carried out by
6 Coy The Buffs
on night of 9/10th July 1918

Object

To advance our position on a line
approx F1A3.1 to F1A1.9 in
connection with 6th Div who were operating
on the left.

It was decided to make
3 Platoon positions each platoon being
given a definite route and definite
objectives. This was made
possible through the military staffs
and ceaseless patrolling of 4 Coy
Salmer & Lang who discovered the
necessary routes.

At 11.30 pm the
artillery assisted by night search
lights, placed a barrage on the
enemy gun posts, 1st Coy + 2. This
lifting the objective line 1st Coy + 4
then following a prepared barrage
on a line of the front.

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The night platoon advanced in total formation to an objective at E6D 69 and met with considerable resistance which eventually was overcome with the result that between 20 & 25 dead Boches are in front of this platoon. 10 Boches & 1 MG were captured by the platoon. Great credit is due to 2nd Lt. Hammond for the success of this operation.

The center platoon which had its objective at 71A 30.00 also met with great resistance and had to be reorganized by 1st Lt. Polmer early in the operation but under the command of 2nd Lt. [unclear] this platoon succeeded in capturing a point about 200 yds to the left of its objective although the worst type of fighting was encountered & 1 MG was captured.

The left platoon had as its objective FIA 30/30 but could not advance to it owing to constant MG fire which was not overcome.

about 3 A.M. Owing to heavy casualties it was found to be impossible to hold FIA 30 15 and we pulled the platoon back to a most harassing position at FIA 10.30. It was almost impossible to dislodge this post and several attempts were made to dislodge it but each time they always were frustrated by the enemy fire 3 A.M. when the post was found to be impossible to dislodge.

At dawn the platoon made a reconnaissance and corrected the dispositions of the boys and our posts are now in their correct positions viz. ~~FIA~~ FIC 10.80 FIA 30.00 and FIA 30 30.

It is estimated that our casualties are between 30 & 40 while those of the enemy are estimated at about 100 including wounded.

Altogether 13 Boches and 3 MGs were captured and it is thought by this number may be added to roll.

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the clothing info parties have completed
 their work. The ~~work~~ articles
 damage and T.M. work was excellent
 and gives all that could be desired.
 It was found that the
 enemy was holding this line with
 M.G. nests and as it could be
 judged without definite support, and
 they had no to these positions had
 to retire. There are several officers
 killed including the Ammunition Sergeant
 and a Corporal of the Coy I 311th and further
 and to be recommended on their former
 work which will be dealt with in
 a separate report.

R.A. Robertson
 O.C. Coy I

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TO { 11th Div

Sender's Number. * 116109 Day of Month. 9th In reply to Number. A A A

to white of the
 Dr. Intelligence Section is
 despatched of coming with
 no tonight past to
 this possible please A.M.

From 6 Coy.

Place

Time H. 35 PM

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

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Prefix.....

Charges to Collect.....

Service Instructions.....

From..... At..... m. 9.7.15

By R.D.D. To N.O.P.U.

By.....

Handed in at..... Office..... m Received..... m.

TO N.O.P.U.

*Sender's Number. 2020	Day of Month. 9 th	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Rations have been deliv-
-ered to C Coy and of part
from C Coy is taking rat
ions to the front

FROM.....

TIME & PLACE..... 2:00

*This line should be erased if not required.

100,000.—John Bacon, Ltd.—Printed in Great Britain. Form 1015B.

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Tuesday NOT tomorrow as
advised

Disregard Lt

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Secret

At.....m.
 To.....
 By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO: *D' Coy*
(addressed A B to leg for inf)

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. **AAA**

* *M 253* *10/7.* _____

You will advance your
no 3 Post ^{tonight} to E6 D 75.50
approximately 70 yards and
new post to face
in a south easterly
direction and
completion will be notified
as soon as possible
and

From *H.O.P.V*
 Place *H.K. White Capt 9 Coy*
 Time _____

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7506 Pte Miller S - Day - SW L Phld.
~~665 Pte Williams to - to -~~
 7017 Pte Wall H S - Transport - SW L Thigh
 7027 " Mcbann - C - SW Thigh
 Lt Lang - C - W - L Arm - Peck.
 Pte Lane A G - C - Bnt W. L Leg.
 2703 " Gorman - C - SW Face
 4645 " White H G - C - SW L Arm
 7045 " Proud W - C - SW L Arm
 6142 " Jackson G - C - W Face
 5072 " Cohen A to - C - SW L Arm
 4046 Lt Selby - C - Bnt W Head.
 6843 Pte Webb - C - " Face
 5751 Lt Montgomery - B - " Head
 6211 Pte Anderson A C - B - " L Arm
 Lt Parmer A P - C - " L Leg
 397 Sgt Somerford T - C - " R Eye & Back
 97 Lt Boothby A T - C - " L Phld.
 7456 Pte Chadwick E - C - B - L Leg

10-7-18

1199A Pte McGarvey S - L leg - Bnt W Head
 7598 " White H G - C - SW R Leg
 Lieut Jolly W R - B - SW L Arm 2 leg & Back
 6731 Pte Gillmann A V - C - B W L Arm - ? O, SW
 7522 " Mahoney G - C - B W R Arm
 Sgt Osmond - B - R leg & chest
 5144 Pte Kelly - C - B W Chest - L Arm
 6803 " Jones G H - C - B W R Thigh & chest
 7019 " Mayo - C - " L Arm
 7442 - Bonnett W. - C - B W R Phld

3 off
 25 off

[Signature]

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RECEIVED

Charges to Collect _____ By T.B. Johnson At NOPU m.

Service Instructions _____ To 10/7/18 m.

By 4.50 p.m.

Handed in at _____ Office _____ m. Received _____ m.

TO NOPU

* Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<u>RAM</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>AAA</u>
<u>We</u>	<u>have</u>	<u>captured</u>	<u>another</u>
<u>light</u>	<u>M.G.</u>	<u>making</u>	<u>a</u>
<u>total</u>	<u>of</u>	<u>4</u>	

FROM J.C.

PLACE & TIME 1600

* This line should be erased if not required.

(19629) W1220/M1970. 300,000 Pds. 4/17. M.C. & Co., Ltd. (K1212).

Charges to Collect _____ By R.O.P. At NOPU m.

Service Instructions _____ To 10/7/18 m.

By _____

Handed in at _____ Office _____ m. Received _____ m.

TO NOPU

* Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<u>RA 12</u>	<u>10th</u>	<u>A39</u>	<u>AAA</u>
<u>Ref your message combined</u>			
<u>posts. Cpl Swinkey & 3 men of</u>			
<u>B Coy were sent to left Bn</u>			
<u>right post immediately on</u>			
<u>receipt of your message. The</u>			
<u>M.G. referred to has not been</u>			
<u>seen or heard by us but have</u>			
<u>sent out patrol to investigate</u>			

FROM J.C.

TIME & PLACE 12:30 p.m.

* This line should be erased if not required.

300,000.—John Rizzo, Ref.—40*—2001—Form 70/95.

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Penny postage stamps to Collect		From <i>LC</i>	At.....m.
Service Instructions.		By <i>Johnson</i>	To.....
Handed in at.....		Office.....m	Received <i>5:23 a</i> m.
TO <i>NO PU</i>			
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<i>LC 1.</i>	<i>10</i>		
<i>Combined</i>	<i>post</i>	<i>established</i>	<i>with</i>
<i>left</i>	<i>Bn</i>		
FROM		<i>LC</i>	
TIME & PLACE		<i>0500</i>	

*This line should be erased if not required.

500,000.—John Brown Ltd.—4/11—2021. Form 78155

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Adjutant

Re Evacuation of Wounded tomorrow night.

Please inform Company Commanders that Ambulance relief will be posted at E5b-84 (New dog-outs)

The Company stretcher-bearers will carry from front line to there only.

~~Please~~ ask that Coy Stretcher bearers reconnoitre spot mentioned

M.O.

Charges to Collect		From... <i>JD</i>	At.....m. <i>NOPU</i>
Service Instructions		By... <i>ROD</i>	To..... <i>11/7/18</i>
Handed in at.....		Office.....	Received... <i>4/22/18</i>
TO	<i>NOPU</i>		
* Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<i>JD28</i>	<i>11th</i>		
<i>14 more prisoners taken by 2nd post on the way down now</i>			
FROM	<i>JD</i>		
PLACE & TIME	<i>1611</i>		

* This line should be erased if not required.
 (1929) W4525/M1970. 300,000 Pads. 4/17. M.C. & Co., Ltd. (E1212)



To	By	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By
TO	H ^h	B ^w	
Sender's Number.	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
* 12.06.18	11 th		

I presume that the undermentioned fatigues
 are to be supplied by you tonight for
 for B^w boy

1 Officer & 18 OR	working party
1 " & 6 "	working
1 Sgt & 8 "	working

The total working strength
 of the company is only 3 officers & 48 OR.

From: b-boy
 Place: 500
 Time: 5:20

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z) R A D B A I A P P O R T

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name

(4198) Wt. W1 042-M44. 100000 Pads. 12/15. Sir J. C. & S.

To	By	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By
TO	H ^h	B ^w	
Sender's Number.	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
* 12.06.17	11 th		

I have ascertained that another
 MG is to be added to
 our list of captives making
 guns in all this gun was
 knocked out by the artillery
 from dressing the carriage and
 for Lt Jackson knocked off
 Lt Diamond did not
 it necessary to report it
 add it to his list.
 I am sending you
 a map back tonight who
 brings evidence of it.

From: b-boy
 Place: 500
 Time: 5:20 PM

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z) R A D B A I A P P O R T

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(4198) Wt. W1 042-M44. 100000 Pads. 12/15. Sir J. C. & S.

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Code..... Words.....		From <u>JD</u>	At..... m.	<u>NOPO</u> <u>11/7/18</u>
Charges to Collect	£ s. d.	By <u>[Signature]</u>	To.....	
Service Instructions.			By.....	
Handed in at.....		Office.....	m.	Received..... m.
TO	<u>NOPO</u>			
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.		AAA
<u>JD 27</u>	<u>11th</u>			
<u>Prisoners</u>	<u>belong to</u>	<u>1st Res</u>		
<u>Inf</u>	<u>Reg No 57</u>	<u>aaa</u>	<u>three</u>	
<u>prisoners</u>				
FROM	<u>JD</u>			
TIME & PLACE	<u>1.15 pm</u>			
*This line should be erased if not required.				
900,000.—John Bates. Ltd.—87/88, 88/89, 89/90, 90/91, 91/92, 92/93, 93/94, 94/95, 95/96, 96/97, 97/98, 98/99, 99/00.				



Adjutant
4th Bn

In reply to A50

Herewith detailed list of the disposition of the Company I omitted the C.S.M in my original number making in all 68

The Signaller + Runners are doing gas Guard to night as well as their ordinary duty

The two light men are both unable to work both receiving wounds in the line.

Rhanford Lt
ajoc B' Coy

14/7/18

8.55 PM

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Words... 16		Received.	
Charges to Collect		From JA	At NOPU
Service Instructions		By [Signature]	To 14/7/18
Handed in at JA		Office 9 p.m.	Received 9:59 m.
TO	NO NOPU		
*Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
30	14		
Cannot	supply	fatigue	party
of	15	OR	asked
for			
		77	
		47	
		30	
FROM	JA		
PLACE & TIME			



WORKS PARTY To OC D Coy

I left HQ at 8.45 pm & arrived at
E8D5.7 at 9.40, then proceeded to E7D6.0
& arrived there at 10 pm. From there
I sent Sgt Campbell to report to Jam where
party was working the night previous
(E4C8.8) He found 2 Engineer sgt. there who
could not give him any information.
This was at 10.15 pm. I remained there
with my party till 10.30 & then in no one turned
up. I decided to bring my party home.

14.7.18.

DB Jones Lt
OC WORKS PARTY

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- O.C. "A" Company.
- O.C. "B" Company.
- O.C. "C" Company.
- O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
15/7/18.

CAMP ROUTINE ETC.

(1) Companies will be at the disposal of Company Commanders for the 16th. inst. for general cleaning up and reorganising.

(2) The following daily routine will be carried out:-

Revielle	0630
Sick Parade	0645
Breakfast	0715
Dress for Parade	0800
Markers	0820
Advance	0825
Dinner	1245
Orderly Room	1400
Coy Recreational parade	1430 - 1600
Tea	1630
Retreat	2100
First Post	2115
Last Post	2130
Lights Out	2145

For 16th inst only
0900 Revielle
0715 Sick Parade
0745 Breakfast
from 17th & thereafter
Parades as on left

(3) The Guard will mount at 4 p.m. daily.

(4) Roll calls will be held at Revielle, 2 p.m., 6 p.m. & Tattoo and all cases of absence without leave reported.

(5) Orderly Officers are detailed as follows:-

16th.	Lieut. C.H. GUAN.
17th.	2/Lt. S.A.F. GLUTCH.
18th.	Lieut. R. CRAWFORD "DCM"
19th.	2/Lt. W.V. DIAMOND.
20th.	2/Lt. A.F. GORDON.
21st.	Lieut. A.J. COWLED.
22nd.	2/Lt. G.J. FRITH "DCM"
23rd.	2/Lt. T.J. PERKINS.
24th.	2/Lt. W. BACK.

(6) Tent flaps will be rolled from Revielle to 12.30 p.m. and kit laid out as previously instructed. Company lines will be inspected ready for inspection by the C.O. (being previously inspected by the orderly Officer) by 9.30 a.m.

(7) Tins or boxes for rubbish will be provided at intervals along the Company lines. All food will be kept covered. A list of the occupants of each tent will be placed on the pole and signed by the tent commander.

(8) The drawing of meals from the cookers will be carried out as a parade under the orderly Officer.

(9) One Officer per Company must inspect the meal.

(10) Inter-Company Competitions in Football, Cricket and Guards will be carried out. Company Commanders will please forward suggestions by 9 a.m. 16th inst. for the conduct of the latter.

A.K. White
Capt. & Adjt.
 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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TO			
All Coy			
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* A 500	16	A 500	
Each Coy will take down fire tents (unattached for preference) & deliver same to B O Rm by 11 A M a a a 10			
French shelters will be delivered in lieu of tents			
From	L. W. B.		
Place			
Time			
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~~W. Long~~

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TO			
J M			
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* A 201	17	AAA	
<p>Which is the time requests for using practice and they are required here by 2 PM and</p> <p>Advt. News & Certificates were delivered to R.S.M. yesterday morning. <i>Smolton</i> <i>for 5/10</i></p>			
From	4 M B		
Place			
Time			
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.		(Z)	<i>John H. ...</i>
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* This line should be erased if not required.			
(3796.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ld. (E. 1187.)			



TO: Alloys

Sender's Number. Day of Month. 17 In reply to Number. AAA **AAA**

* A 203

From the 18th ahead
 kits will be placed
 outside the tent for
 inspection & removal
 there till 12 noon

A. J. [unclear]
J. [unclear]
C. [unclear]
B. [unclear]

From 44 R

Place

Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. **(Z)** A. J. [unclear]

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

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TO: Alloys

Sender's Number. Day of Month. 17 In reply to Number. AAA **AAA**

* A 200

There is a distinct
 lack of uniformity
 throughout the Rn
 in the method of
 setting out the equipment
 a a A sample equipment
 will be outside the
 Commanding Officers tent at
 12.30 PM DPC Companies
 will be there

From

Place 44 R

Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. **(Z)** A. J. [unclear]

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TO	V. 6	B. C. & D. Coys	
Sender's Number.	7005	Day of Month.	17/7
		In reply to Number.	AAA
Personnel for line duty with Royal Linniskilling Fusiliers will parade to B.F.O. at 2 pm today, thence proceeding for inspection by G.O.B. at 3rd Battalion Headquarters B C D			
From	White Capt & Coy		
Place	of Aust. Prov		
Time			
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)			
Censor.	Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name		
* This line should be erased if not required.			
Order No. 1625. Wt. W3253/ P 511. 27/2 H. & K., Ltd. (E. 2634)			

4th Rev.

— Route of B. Coy's March.
 July 20. 1918. —

From Camp — to V. 16. 6.10. — V. 10. a 52 —
 V. 9. c. 28. — V. 15. d. 15. — to camp.

J. F. Haines Lt.
 O.C. B. Coy.
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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Coy.
O.C. "B" Coy.
O.C. "C" Coy.
O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
20/7/19.

BATHING.

1. At RACQUINGHAM abundant opportunity for bathing is offering and each Battalion has a Section of the Canal set aside for its use.
2. Where bathing is taking place within 150 yards off a house trunks will be worn.
The Q.M. will employ the Regimental Tailor forthwith on the making of V's, but to meet immediate requirements, he will issue on receipt 10 pairs of football shorts to each Company.
3. By the lists forwarded by Companies it would appear as though a half the Companies were unable to swim; it will therefore be necessary to ensure that a fair proportion of those attending bathing parades are capable swimmers.
Organised instruction in swimming will be arranged by each Company.
4. At least one Officer must be present at all swimming parades.

G.H. White
.....Capt-Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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A *AAA* **MEMO**

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.....

At.....m.....

To..... From.....

By..... (Signature of "Franking Officer.") By.....

TO { *All Coys*

Sender's Number * <i>A 8</i>	Day of Month <i>28</i>	In reply to Number <i>AAA</i>	AAA
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Names of N.C.O.s for Musketry Course & Patrol Instruction both commencing on the 1st July will be forwarded to each Bn Host by 6 PM today. aaa A Coy will detail sgt Miller to assist in instruction

From *4 MBn*

Place *4 MBn*

Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected (Z) *EK White Col.*

Censor



TO { All Coys }

Sender's Number * A 9 Day of Month 28 In reply to Number AAA **AAA**

Please instruct any new officers who may have attached themselves to your company to report to Pm Hdqrs at 1100 aca

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From 4th Bn
Place
Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected (Z) PK White Cape
Censor Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name

* This line should be erased if not required
(7700.) Wt. W492/M1647 110,000 Pads 5/17 C & R Ltd (E. 1187.)

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TO { All Coys HQ Officers }

Sender's Number * A 6 Day of Month 28 In reply to Number AAA **AAA**

It is proposed to form a snupstake for the Inter Company cricket & football matches for the best Pm Guard furnished by a company aca. It is suggested five francs per officer would be a suitable amount being a contribution of 15 francs in all to each unit. aca Will you please state your willingness or otherwise per byam aca. The company commander would be responsible to collect the amount & forward same to Lt Newell by 2 PM today.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Company.
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Battalion Headquarters,
28/7/18.

ORDERS ETC.

1. Herewith Copies of various orders etc., which require to be periodically brought before the notice of all ranks.
2. These Orders will be read out together with Battalion Standing Orders on a muster parade before 6 p.m. on the 31st. inst. and a certificate that this has been done forwarded by that time to Bn. HQrs
After the above has been done they will be placed on the Notice Board.
3. Daily Company Routine Orders will be prepared and one Copy sent to Battalion Headquarters daily and one placed on the Company Notice Board.
Company orders will include the training to be carried out on the following day, instructions re leave, lists of men granted leave on the following day, promotions, crimes, and any other matters which the Company Commanders wishes to bring before the notice of his Company.

B.K. WhiteCapt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th Batta.

The following names of Officers are submitted as names for Raiding School:-

LI	PARKES	H.A.
LT	GUAN.	C.H.
LT	COURT	W.J.
2/LI	BACK	W.

28/6/18

H.A. Parkes
OIC RAIDING

TO { 4th Batta

Sender's Number. * A1 Day of Month 29 In reply to Number ——— AAA

Proposed route for Coy Route march on 4/7/18:- from Camp to by road to

V15 D 90.75 V15 D 1.5 V2 D 9.2 V4 D 2.1

V10 D 8.2, thence by track across country to starting point AAA

From 6pm Place Aloy Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) H.A. Parkes

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

* This line should be erased if not required.

(4198) Wt. W1 042-M44. 100000 Pads. 12/15. Sir J. C. & S.

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TO All Coys

Sender's Number * A14 Day of Month 29 In reply to Number AAA AAA

A draw was held to decide the days on which each coy supply the Bn competition. Heard the result is as follows: A. B. D. coy. The strength of the Guard will be 2 15

From 4 M B Place Time

The above may be forwarded as now corrected (Z) P. White Coy. Censor Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name

* This line should be erased if not required (7700.) WL W492/M1647 110,000 Pads 5/17 C & R Ltd (E. 1187.)



TO {			
Platoon Comdrs x		Platoon Strengths	
Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA Total
* Platoons No 1	7th Perkins	38 OR	
Coy H Q	2 7th Pack	26 OR	
Lt Mcintosh	3 7th Mcintosh	28 OR	off OR
5 15 OR	4 Lt Court	20 OR	5 118
Coy H Q	5 7th Hyton	21 OR	+1
Capt Estall	6 7th Estall	22 OR	
5 13 OR	7 Lt Campbell	22 OR	
	8 Lt Cowled	23 OR	5 101
Capt Macalpine	9 7th Diamond	22 OR	
Lt Baines	10 7th Bedone	22 OR	
5 15 OR	11 Lt Moore	21 OR	
	12 7th Lacey	19 OR	6 99
Coy H Q	13 7th Buchanan	22 OR	
Lt A.S. Allen	14 7th Cox	22 OR	
7th H. Denig	15 Lt Gray	25 OR	
14 OR	16 7th Galuth	21 OR	6 104
H. Q. Hqs	CO, Adpt.	59 OR	6 59
	5th 9th I.O. M.O.		
From	Works Office		
Place	A.I. Guns		
Time	Total 28-465		
The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)			
Censor.		Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.	
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Battalion Headquarters.
July 29th 1918.O.C. "A" Coy.
O.C. "B" Coy.
O.C. "C" Coy.
O.C. "D" Coy.ROUTINE FOR NEW CAMP.

- (1) The daily routine from Reveille to Lights out will be as for the present location.
- (2) Roll calls will be held at Reveille, 2 p.m., 6 p.m., and Tattoo.
- (3) Orderly Officers.
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| 30th July. | 2/Lieut. A.F. Gordon. (Finishing at 4 p.m. 30th.) |
| 31st " | " T.J. Perkins. |
| 1st August. | Lieut. T.A. Robin. |
| 2nd " | " A.M. Eichler. |
| 3rd " | 2/Lieut. N.F. Buckenara. |
| 4th " | Lieut. T.W. Lane. |
| 5th " | 2/Lieut. W.E. Back. |
| 6th " | Lieut. A.J. Cowled. |
| 7th " | " R. Crawford. "DCM". |
| 8th " | 2/Lieut. K. Beale. |
| 9th " | Lieut. C.P. Beale. |
| 10th " | " H. Wilkinson. |
| 11th " | 2/Lieut. T.F. Arkinstall. "MM". |
- (4) All villages in the 2ND ARMY AREA are in bounds except BLARINGHEM. Leave up to 4 per day per company and Headquarters will be granted. Names of men recommended for leave will be forwarded to reach Battalion Orderly Room by 5 p.m. on the day preceeding that for which the leave is required. Men proceeding on leave will be dressed as per Battalion standing orders and parade at Battalion Orderly Room for inspection by the Battalion Orderly Officer. A company inspection will be held prior to the above and any man who appears on the Battalion inspection improperly or slovenly dressed will be returned to his company for duty.
- (5) Orders re tent flaps and trench covers, rubbish and food boxes, drawing of meals, inspection of meals, lists of occupants, will apply as at present and will be considered as standing orders applying to every camp for the future.
- (6) The supply dump is located at B.8.B.6.0.
- (7) Water is obtained from the BRASSERIE (RACQUINGHEM).
- (8) Sick are evacuated by the 131st Field Ambulance daily to EBBLINGHEM.
- (9) Hot baths are located on the Canal bank at B.9.A.1.1.
- (10) Y.M.C.A. tent with a small cinema show (Capacity 200 per ~~per~~ performance) is situated behind the Church RACQUINGHEM.
- (11) With regard to the previous instructions issued re bathing, it is now to be understood that a costume will at all times be worn. The Q.M. will issue one ~~per~~ pair of cotton underpants (short) to each man. Bathing will at all times be a parade and men made to undress in ranks placing their clothes in properly dressed lines.
(ONE OR TWO MEN WILL AT ALL TIMES BE LEFT ON WATCH OVER THE CLOTHING).
- (12) A picquet to ROQUETOIRE (G.6.D) will be provided nightly, commencing with "D" Company on the 30th inst.
The strength of picquet will be 1 Officer and 10 O/Ranks reporting to Battalion Orderly Room at 6.15 p.m. nightly and reporting to A.P.M. ROQUETOIRE at 7 p.m.

A. K. White
Captain & Adjutant.
4th Australian Infantry Battalion.

4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Coy.
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Battalion Headquarters,
 29/7/18.

Under no circumstances will unauthorised personnel be allowed to travel with the Transport.

Batmen, Grooms and all cooks excepting 2 per Company must travel with the Company.

The Transport Officer will be held personally responsible that these instructions are carried out.

E. White
Capt. & Adjt.
 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIA INFANTRY BATTALION.

C.C. "A" Coy.
C.C. "B" Coy.
C.C. "C" Coy.
C.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
29/7/18.

The following received from Brigade:-

IV CORPS.

1. Documents recently captured from the enemy disclose the fact that much such valuable information is often communicated to him by British prisoners.
2. The necessity of impressing upon the men the serious consequence of disclosing information to the enemy must therefore constantly be kept in mind.
3. Unit Commanders must explain to their men the correct attitude to adopt when they are unfortunate enough to fall into the enemy's hands, and the means which are used to induce them to divulge information. The employment of an English speaking german, dressed as a British soldier, is a well known device on the part of the enemy, and should be fully explained to the men, while no opportunity should be lost of impressing these facts on Officers, non-commissioned officers and men at Army & Corps Schools.

(Sgd.) J. PERCY, Major-General,
General Staff.

1st. Aust. Division.
Forwarded.

1. Attention is directed to G.R.Os. Nos. 3891 and 2142. It is to be constantly impressed on all Officers and men that if captured they are only to state their names and rank.
2. All ranks should also be reminded that discussion by Officers and other ranks at any time of forthcoming operations except in the execution of their duties is forbidden. Such discussion may lead to valuable information reaching the enemy and so prejudice the success of our operations.

(sgd.) R. SNOD, Brig-Gen.
General Staff.

E. K. White
..... Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

4TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters.
July 30th 1918.

The following has been received from Brigade & is to be read out on the first parade:-

The question of looting, as it applies to the present area occupied by this Brigade, will form a special feature of and be especially emphasised in lectures to men by Company and Platoon Commanders.

It will be pointed out to the men that the crops, potatoes, vegetables, wheat, etc. have been sown and cultivated by the old men, women and children whilst their husbands and sons are fighting and that they depend on the return brought in by these crops for their living during the rest of the year. It will be impressed on the men that their own rations are quite adequate and in every case much more than the civilians are allowed by the Government. Men will be told that they should consider it a point of honor amongst themselves not only to obtain from damaging and helping themselves to potatoes, etc., but also to stop any other men doing it.

In reference to the above Commanding Officers will immediately investigate any cases that come to their notice and take the necessary disciplinary measures in addition to adjusting the claim. The ration of vegetables is known to every Q.M. and cook and any extra supply noticed at the cook-houses should be immediately inquired into and the inspecting Officer will satisfy himself that the extra amount has been rightly obtained.

E. White Captain & Adjutant.
4th Australian Infantry Battalion.

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The following G.R.O.'s. are republished for information.

These orders will be read out on parade at least twice a month.

G.R.O. 1295 of 9/12/15. Wholesale destruction of property has been caused by fires in barns, outbuildings etc., due to neglect of the most ordinary precautions on the part of the troops occupying them.

Striking matches, kindling fires, smoking, or the use of naked lights in or near buildings where hay or straw etc. is stored, is strictly forbidden.

Company Commanding Officers will take steps to ensure that this order is made known to every man under their Command.

In this connection G.R.O. 620 is republished for information of all concerned:-

LA MATHÈRE, TENT FOLDING. During the winter months the scale of lanterns, tent folding on charge to units may with the approval of the G.O.C. the format on be increased to a number not exceeding double the establishment laid down in their respective Mobilisation Store Tables.

In the case of units for whom no establishment is laid down issue will be made in accordance with the number approved by the G.O.C. the formation to which the Unit is allotted.

G.R.O. 146 of 3/3/16. With reference to G.R.O. 1373 of 19/1/16 attention is drawn to the serious danger incurred by the indiscriminate erection of exaggerated fireplaces in or near barns or other buildings occupied by the troops.

The G.O. Unit, is held responsible that no such structure shall be built or erected in billets occupied by his unit in a manner to obviously constitute a source of danger from fire.

When a Unit occupies a billet, already provided with such a structure erected by troops previously in occupation the G.O. Unit will arrange for its use as a fireplace to be made impossible unless all necessary steps are first taken to obviate danger from fire.

Attention is directed to Kings Regs. paras 1029 and 1031.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST FIRE. 1. Fires, stoves, braziers, naked lights and smoking, are forbidden in a room or barn which contains hay, straw or any other inflammable material.

2. When stoves and braziers are allowed in billets or huts, they must be placed on sheetiron or an earth or brick floor, and definite precautions must be taken to prevent ashes or bits of burning coal from falling out of the stove or brasier.

3. No open lighted brasier or naked light is to be left unattended in any hut or billet.

4. Cookhouses, Field Cookers, forges, and incinerators will not be placed against walls of any buildings, or in the vicinity of racks or stacks of inflammable material. Their precise position will be fixed by an Officer.

5. Tent lanterns, when available, will always be used in billets, huts or tents; when these are not available and candles are used, they must be fixed in an empty tin to protect them on three sides and top and bottom, and placed as far as possible from any canvas or tarred material in the billets.

6. Petrol must not be used in any heating or cooking stoves. Petrol, paraffin, oil and candles, must not be stored near any stove, brasier, or fireplace or lamp.

7. Buckets, or tins containing water, sand or dry earth, will be kept ready to hand in every billet or hut or tent for use in case of fire.

8. The greatest care must be taken in throwing away matches or cigarette ends, knocking out pipes or handling lights candles. It is the duty of every man to realise the danger to life and property caused by carelessness in such matters. Company Commanders will ensure that a copy of above instructions are posted up in every hut occupied by their Company.

POLLUTION OF STREAMS.

The greatest care is to be taken to prevent the pollution of streams, wells and ponds.

Orders are to be issued and strictly enforced, on the following points:-

Washing or bathing in streams etc.

Washing clothes or vehicles in or near streams.

Watering of horses direct from streams, etc. instead of by pump and trough or bucket.

Fouling of ground near watercourses or water supply.

Throwing tins or other rubbish into streams or ponds.

DAMAGE TO CROPS.

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.O.'s 1028 and 2085 (Extracts from G.R.O.'s Part II, 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 troops the movement of troops in the face of the enemy.

DISSENTS- PUBLICATION OF NAMES IN PRESS IN AUSTRALIA.

The following extract from A.I.F. Orders, of 15/1/18, is republished for information.

"As there has been in some units in the A.I.F., a number of cases of DISSENT, and it is considered essential that the opprobrium attaching to such a matter should rest upon the individuals at fault and not upon the A.I.F. as a whole, it has been decided by the DEFENCE DEPARTMENT that hereafter the names of the men convicted of DISSENT from the fighting line or after their units have been warned for the line, thereby throwing extra work and danger upon their loyal comrades, will be cabled, together with their unit, place at which enlisted and sentence, to the Defence Department, Melbourne who will arrange for their publication in the press throughout AUSTRALIA.

The decision has been arrived at after mature consideration of the matters involved. In the interests of the brave men who compose the mass of the Australian Imperial Force it is necessary that steps be taken to prevent their inclusion in the general condemnation caused by the action of a few individuals.

The spirit of fair play in the AUSTRALIAN FORCES will understand this need. A man who deserts his comrades in a time of stress who refuses to pull his weight and take his share of risk - thereby not only increases the danger and labour of the remainder but what is worse, he tarnishes the fame which the gallant men who have fought and died have built up for AUSTRALIA.

It is only fair that any man whose actions tend to cast a slur upon Australian should themselves bear the shame and that their names should be made known to those at home to whom our individual and collective reputation is dear" (Authority D.A.G., A.I.F., 20/14 of 2/1/18.)

LIGHTS, DARKENING UP.

The attention of all units is again called to the necessity for screening lights in camps at night. Aeroplane observers report that many lights are nightly visible in the various camps in the Corps area giving enemy aeroplanes the best possible marks for bombs. The strictest disciplinary action must be enforced against breaches of the rule against lights.

TAKING OF PHOTOGRAPHS.

The following appendix 27 from the regulations of the control of the civilian population in FRANCE and BELGIUM is published for information of all ranks:-

The superior military authority in virtue of article 7 of the law of 9th. August 1849 regarding the state of Siege directs:-

Article 1.

Photographing and bearing photographic apparatus is forbidden throughout the zone occupied by the British Army.

At the same time professional photographers, who make a declaration before the Mayor of the Commune in which they follow their calling, may continue to take photographs within their studios.

Article 2.

Any infraction of the present order will be dealt with by the police Court, without prejudice to any further prosecution which may be undertaken for espionage before the Military Tribunals.

Commanding in Chief, British Army.
Chief of the French Military Mission.
attached to the British Army.

General Headquarters,
April 22nd. 1915

No Officer, N.S.O. or man is to issue authority for, or encourage civilians to take photographs contrary to these regulations or allow himself to be photographed contrary to the above.

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PASSAGE TO RAILWAY TRACKS.

The following extracts from D.V.R.O.'s. are republished for information:

"Second Army Routine Order 572 is republished for information -

"Riding or walking along railway tracks in the 2nd. Army Area is forbidden.

There have been numerous reports of damages to railways caused by troops riding or walking along the lines contrary to above order, especially in wet weather.

Companies will therefore take steps to ensure that the above A.R.O. is brought to the notice of all ranks, strictly complied with and that severe disciplinary action is taken against all offenders.

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SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS

The attention of all Units in the Brigade is again called to this Order 17/5138 of 11/12/17.

All ranks are to be warned forthwith that tampering with arrangements for signal communication or the unauthorized removal or collection of Engineer Material, such as shelters, corrugated iron sheets, pit props, scantling planking and duckwalks, is strictly prohibited and will be severely dealt with.

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DISMANTLING OF UNOCCUPIED DUGOUTS ETC.Special Divisional Order.

1. It has come to the notice of the Divisional Commander that unoccupied dugouts and splinter proof shelters are being dismantled and otherwise destroyed presumably to procure firewood - This practice is to cease forthwith and anyone contravening this order will be severely dealt with.

2. It must be impressed on all troops that every dugout, shelter etc., if not required in the near future for the normal accommodation of troops will be of value to give protection against bombs dropped by hostile aircraft. It is also the duty of Unit commanders to endeavour to keep in repair those occupied and to improve and add to existing accommodation of the bomb proof kind.

This order applies to both forward and back areas.

2.
 A.R.O. 1104 PRECAUTIONS AGAINST DYSENTERY - DRINKING WATER SUPPLY.

Every effort must be made for the provision of an adequate supply of chlorinated water for drinking purposes for all troops, especially those occupying the front line and if found necessary, arrangements must be made for carrying up supplies of drinking water in petrol tins or other suitable containers.

Cases will occur in which it will be found impossible for certain front line troops to be kept supplied with drinking water from the rear. To meet this contingency such troops will be kept supplied with bottles of sterilizing tablets of bisulphate of soda, which are to be used strictly in accordance with the instructions issued with each bottle.

These tablets are to be added to the filled water bottles not more than one hour before drinking, and on account of likelihood of corrosion of the bottle they must be cleaned out as early as possible.

It is to be clearly understood that the sterilizing action of bisulphate of soda is inferior to that of chlorination, and no effort must be spared to provide a satisfactory supply of chlorinated water, whenever possible. It is only when a supply of chlorinated water fails that recourse is to be had to the use of these sterilizing tablets.

Fresh warning must be issued to troops against the use of water from shell holes for drinking purposes.

These Tablets can be obtained on indent from supply railheads.

VENEREAL DISEASE.

A.R.O. 5152 of 23/2/18.

"Any Officer or man who contracts VENEREAL DISEASE is to be deprived of LEAVE for a year from the date of discharge from hospital."

LEAVE.

Any man who overstays leave will forfeit all right to LEAVE for 12 months from the date of apprehension or reporting back to unit.

1st Ansb Inf Brigade. 7th Australian Division. Australian Corps. June 17th 1918 Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name (Christian names must be stated)	Action for which commended (Date and place of action must be stated)	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	4 th Bn	7	Lieutenant Troy Cor. M.C.	<p>STRAZEELE.</p> <p>June 12th 1918</p> <p>This officer having located an enemy trench by crawling through our wire into No Man's Land, next morning took a party of six men & raided the trench. On jumping in the trench was found to be strongly held by over 40 of the enemy nevertheless he remained long enough to kill ten Germans & take two prisoners. On the way back the two prisoners were killed by bombs thrown by their own men but their</p>	<p>Ch. D. Saxe</p> <p>Lt Col</p> <p>4th Bn</p>	<p>BAR</p> <p>to</p> <p>M.C.</p>	

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	4 th Bn		Lieutenant Taylor M.C.	STRAZEELE June 13 th 1918 identifications were secured by Lt Taylor's party. This splendid example of bravery & dash & resourcefulness materially assisted us in keeping up our complete ascendancy in No Man's Land & secured very useful information.	P. D. Saxe Lt Col. 4 th Bn	BAR to M.C.	

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	4 th Bn	1237	Sergeant McLennan	<p>STRAZEELE June 12th 1918</p> <p>This N.C.O. volunteered for a daylight raid on an enemy trench killing several of the enemy himself. In company with his officer he remained out in No Man's Land & covered the return of his party & also helped to collect identifications from one of the prisoners killed by the enemy bombs, the whole time he was under rifle & V.G. fire. This splendid act of bravery and devotion to duty had a most inspiring effect on the men of his company.</p>	P. B. Stone Lt Col 4 th Bn	MILITARY MEDAL	

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1st Ansb Inf Brigade. 1st Australian Division. Australian Corps. June 17th 1918 Date of Recommendation. 2

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name (Christian names must be stated)	Action for which commended (Date and place of action must be stated)	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	4 th Bn	1655	Private Mrs Longall	STRAZEELE. June 12 th 1918. He volunteered for a daylight raid on an enemy trench. Besides killing several of the enemy this man stayed out in "No Man's Land" under heavy rifle & M.G. fire & helped to collect identifications from a prisoner killed by an enemy bomb. Again later in the day he accompanied an officer out into "No Man's Land" to the enemy trench to gain further information. He utterly disregarded for danger & the devotion to duty shown by this soldier was a fine example to the rest of his company.	C. B. Lane Lt Col. 4 th Bn	MILITARY MEDAL	

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Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name (Christian names must be stated)	Action for which commended (Date and place of action must be stated)	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	4 th Bn.	518.	Lance Corporal STRAZEELE Pierce	June 12 th 1918. He volunteered for a daylight raid on an enemy trench & accounted for several of the enemy furthermore by the skilful use of his bombs he kept the enemy off while two prisoners were being got out of the trench. His great bravery & devotion to duty together with his prompt action helped largely to the success of the operation & the gaining of useful information	C. B. Saxe Lt Col. 4 th Bn.	MILITARY MEDAL	

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4109	Cpl	Napier	Charles
1067a	Pte	Bridge	Ernest
3214	4Cpl	Reidy	William
1280	4Cpl	Kerry	Charles HENRY
4076	Pte	Evans	Arthur Trevor
3267	Cpl	Tyler	John Alfred
3786	Cpl	Hoare "MM"	Alfred Martin
3188	Cpl	Newton	Charles Arthur
2033	Pte	Figuerado	Ronald

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1st Aust Inf

Attached are recommendations for
award of certain officers NCOs and men
whose work and efforts for duty
during the operations on the night of 9th
July are in my opinion deserving of
recognition.

Attached also is a list of
names which I would suggest be
published in the Order, as the NCOs &
men concerned displayed great adroitness
and tenacity beyond the paragon.

R. A. Robertson, Capt

11th July 1948

R. A. Robertson

2nd Lt. Lang

For most conspicuous gallantry and
devotion to duty during an advance
early in the operation this officer was
wounded but ~~continued to lead his platoon~~
continued to lead his platoon
until wounded a second time.
He had been working before zero in
his efforts to make his part of the attack
a success and personally reconnoitered
no man's land both by day and night.
The example this officer set undoubtedly
helped to carry his platoon forward
after he had to give it.

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1st Lt. Lang and 1st Lt. Palmer, both
displayed a devotion to duty that is
worthy of the highest praise.

Before the operation both these
men courageously and voluntarily controlled machine
guns all day, destroying the enemy's
and best means of attack, staying out
for hours at a time. These efforts were
most valuable and added largely to the
success of the operation. During the day
they both displayed gallant spirit and
courage, and both became casualties.

1st Lt. Lang though wounded
by shell fire early in the operation continued
to lead his platoon until he was
wounded again and had very reluctantly to
give in.

Both these officers by their example
inspired and developed in their platoons
a desire to fight in the most
valuable of positions.

R. A. [Signature]

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2nd Lieut. William V. DIAMOND
for most conspicuous gallantry
action. During an attack his platoon
met considerable opposition from enemy
machine guns and mortar parties. Through
his officer's coolness and initiative the
enemy was driven and the objective
taken. Later two counter attacks were
beaten off and a great number of the
enemy killed. He organized and personally
led ~~some~~ parties against enemy posts
which were harassing his platoon. His
Courage and devotion to duty during the
whole of the operation contributed largely
to the success of the enterprise and set
a splendid example to his men.

M.C.

John Fothergill Barrie
Arthur William Palmer

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1st platoon. Later he repelled a counter attack
on his new position leaving behind 2
25 dead Germans around his feet.

The result of his work was the
capture of 8 light MGs and 10 men
himself plus a few wounded captives in
his platoon.

His conduct and example
inspired the whole night was
evidence of his courage and
determination.

R. G. Woodhouse
O.C. 6. Coy

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The Commanding Officer
11th Aust. Inf. Bn.

I desire to bring to your notice the excellent work of
Private R. G. Woodhouse of 6. Coy during
the night of 10th July 1918.
Private Woodhouse was in
command of my right platoon and he
was the objective of a position in front
of the bunker at 9.10.80. He had a most
difficult task to perform in that he
had to lead 6-7 men which had to be
dealt with and maintained. He was
that he carried out his task with a
dash and success that was admirable. The
manner in which his platoon was led
and the way in which he dealt with
each difficulty, personal taking out parties
to deal with stubborn posts of the enemy
making personal reconnaissance through
mine and search establishments.

Recommendation for Award
 131 Sgt. Maguire ^{D.C.M.} J., No 9 Platoon.

The above N.C.O. who is platoon sergeant of No 9 Platoon, displayed great gallantry & showed considerable initiative throughout the operation.

The platoon was subjected to severe machine gun fire from our right flank, which was not protected to a very large extent by the nest post on our right.

He organized a bombing party, & attacked the M. Gun, killing the crew save two men, whom he brought back together with the M. Gun.

Later on while we were digging in on our new position, he organized a patrol & went ahead sniping, inflicting loss on the enemy, & preventing them from gathering for a counter-attack on our left flank.

Throughout the whole operation this N.C.O. proved himself capable of meeting & combating with any enemy attempt to counter-attack & showed great skill & coolness

131 Sgt James Magee DCM

For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action.

During an advance the platoon of which this M.C.O. is platoon Sgt was subjected to very heavy MG fire from a flank. This M.C.O. organized a party and attacked the MG post with bombs, capturing the gun and two prisoners. While the platoon was digging in he led a patrol forward and by rifle fire and bombs prevented the enemy from counter attacking. Throughout the operation he displayed great courage and his personal example under very trying circumstances was of great value to the platoon.

Batt to F. M.C.

in handling his ²men & keeping
them together in the initial stages
of the attack.

Command
of
No 9 Platoon.

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4109 bpl

NAPIER

For most conspicuous gallantry in action
after an attack he led his section of four men against
a party of the enemy who were approaching the post
along a ledge. On fire being opened the enemy took cover
in some small dugouts in the ledge and this he did. Then
advanced with his section and bombed them and killing
most of them and capturing two prisoners. Later an
enemy trench which was in rear and holding up the
advance of the left platoon was located and this he
again organized his section and attacked the trench from
the rear capturing the gun and taking the crew of six
prisoners. Throughout the action he displayed
remarkable courage and initiative setting a splendid
example to those around him who had been subjected
to very heavy trench fire.

Recommendation for Award.
4109 Cpl. Napier C.H. No 9 Platoon.

The above N.C.O. displayed great gallantry throughout the attack.

He was in charge of No 1 Rifle Section, & brought his section through without a casualty.

The enemy had massed to the number of about 30 on our right flank & were moving up under cover of a hedge to counter-attack. This N.C.O. with his section of 4 men crawled out & met them. He dispersed the attack with rifle fire whereupon several of the enemy took cover in some old German dugouts behind the hedge, & began to snipe from there at the platoon which was engaged in digging in. He then organized his section as a bombing party, & bombed the dugouts, killing all but two, whom he brought back as prisoners.

Later on an enemy M. Gun on our left flank, which was about 100 yds to our left rear was temporarily holding up the next platoon on our left.

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He again organized his section & attacked the M. Gun from the rear, capturing the gun as well as its crew of six men, whom he brought back ~~to~~ as prisoners.

Throughout the whole of the operations, he showed great courage & skill, & volunteered for every dangerous service which arose during the attack.

His coolness under fire proved a great moral factor in inspiring his men, who were subjected all the time to very heavy M. Gun fire.

W. D. [unclear]
[unclear]
No 9 Platoon.

1067A Pte E

B

BRIDGE

For conspicuous gallantry ~~and~~ in action.

During an advance he assisted in bombing and capturing an enemy M.G. post which was holding up the advance. Later his section attacked a party of the enemy who were advancing against his post when he personally bayoneted three of the enemy. Throughout the attack he showed great coolness and his conduct was an example to his comrades.

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1067A. Pl 10 ridge 1/10 2/10

The above man displayed great gallantry & devotion to duty throughout the attack.

He accompanied Sgt. Maguire in bombing & capturing an enemy M.Gun on our right flank, which was temporarily holding up our advance.

Later on he formed part of Cpl Baker's party, which met & dispersed an enemy counter attack & on this occasion he ^{beyonded} ~~captured~~ three of the enemy.

Throughout the whole attack he showed great courage & his coolness under fire proved a great moral factor in inspiring the men who were with him.

Andrew
Lt.

No 9 Platoon

Recommendation for award.

3214 R/Cpl Reedy, W. No 9 Platoon

The above N.C.O. displayed great gallantry & coolness during the attack.

After the platoon had reached its objective, he went back & under heavy M. Gun fire, brought back bombs. He made this journey three times.

Later on he accompanied Cpl Napier, & was of great assistance in ~~defence~~ helping to disperse the counter-attack on our right flank, & ^{by bombing} ~~drove~~ the enemy out of their dugouts, in which they had taken shelter.

He also formed part of the party, which attacked & captured an enemy M. Gun to our left rear & which was temporarily holding up the advance of the next platoon on our left.

Throughout the whole of the operation he displayed great courage & devotion to duty.

W. J. Tamplin
No 9 Platoon

3214 Speer W

REIDY

For conspicuous bravery in action
 After an attack, this NCO on three occasions
 brought up bombs to the platoon through heavy
 enemy fire. Later he assisted to repel a counter
 attack on our flank and - bombing the enemy
 out of dugouts in which they had taken shelter.
 Later still he was one of a small party who
 attacked an enemy trench and captured it. He set
 a splendid example to the men with him and
 showed great courage and devotion to duty.

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Recommendation for ~~Decorations~~ ^{Award}

1280 4cpe KERRY G.H.

For conspicuous bravery in action
Immediately after an advance he went
out on a daylight patrol in company with
two other N.C.O.s. A ^{heavy} M.G. post manned
by 10 men was detected ~~which was~~ ^{which was} pushed
& ~~overcome~~ ^{overcome}. Later he returned with
a ~~prisoner~~ ^{prisoner} alone and brought back a ^{medium}
M.G. Throughout the operations of the preceding
24 hours he displayed the greatest
courage and devotion to duty setting
a splendid example to the men with
him.

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J. F. James N.

C. Coy
4th Bn

10.6.18.

Recommendation for Award

1746298 Sgt BAGBY, W. J.

Coy I. 311th Infantry U.S.A.

For conspicuous bravery & devotion to
duty, during an attack on enemy positions
near MERRIS.

He was a member of a mopping-up
party and though he and another ~~with~~ ^{number of the}
was the only party ^{uninjured} they reached
a M.G. post and captured it. Receiving
reinforcement they attacked another M.G.
post and this time all but Sgt Bagby
were wounded. He ~~advanced~~ ^{advanced} alone & ~~tended~~
the post but was forced to retire until reinforced.

Later in the night he acted as
guide to carrying parties for the front
line posts and made many journeys across
country swept by M.G. & shell fire, his
courage & tenacity being undiminished.

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J. F. James
C. Coy
4th Bn

10.7.18

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Recommendation for Awards.

Mr Pte Evans. On 20th 9th attached to A^o 10 plat. as volunteer for the operations gave valuable assistance. when enemy attacked the Plat soon after they breached their position he took charge the L. Grenade bombing party and after erecting a barricade in communication trench on left of position met the enemy with M.G. + bombing response + inflicted many casualties + caused the local attack to be discontinued thereby causing the enemy to fall back.

A. Weichler Lt.
A^o 10 Plat.

Recommendation for Award.

While the new position was being established after the attack on FIA 30.00 an enemy party of about 30 counter attacked from the rear. Capt Jyles took out 5 of his section and charged them with bayonet and bombs. The attack was dispersed and heavy casualties caused to the enemy.

Throughout the attack he showed the greatest dash, gallantry + sound judgement.

A. Weichler Lt.
A^o 10 Plat
"F" Coy

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Lyle
 For conspicuous bravery in action
 when on advance his platoon
 was counter attacked by about
 50 of the enemy. He led five men
 in a bayonet charge against the
 enemy, breaking up the
 attack and in fact, many
 soldiers with bayonet + hand

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 EVANS
 For conspicuous gallantry in action
 this man is attached to Pn. 14th and
 volunteered to rejoin his platoon for
 an attack. After the objective had
 been gained he took charge of a party
 and formed a barricade in a trench
 when the enemy counter attacked he
 was hit with a bayonet and hand
 breaking up the attack and in fact,
 many casualties.

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3786 Cpl A M HOARE

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the early stages of an advance his platoon commander became a casualty. He took charge of the platoon and led it to the objective through heavy enemy fire. While consolidating he rescued two ^{with} ^{down} ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{line} ^{of} ^{the} ^{advance}. He assisted the ^{platoon} ⁱⁿ ^{his} ^{flank} ^{who} ^{had} ^{been} ^{held} ^{up}. His coolness and courage inspired his men with confidence.

Bar to the ribbon

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Recommendation for Award.

3188 Cpl NEWTON. C.A.

For conspicuous gallantry & devotion to duty.

During an advance his platoon was held up by heavy M.G. fire. The officer & Platoon Staff being casualties he led the platoon together and led them forward to a favourable position where they consolidated. He displayed great ability as a leader and throughout the operations acted with sound judgment & fine courage. His coolness & devotion to duty being a splendid example to his comrades.

J. G. James. Lt

C. Coy

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4th Bn

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Recommendation for Award.

During the opening stages the attack on the night of 9th the Platoon Comdr became a casualty No 3786 Cpl Hoare A.M. No. took charge of the Platoon & led them through heavy M.G. fire to their objective. Two counter attacks in force were dispersed, and while the position was being consolidated and Cpl Hoare had thoroughly established the position before an officer arrived to take charge of the post.

He displayed excellent qualities of leadership, and did much to assist the people on his flanks who were temporarily held up by M.G. fire.

A McEichler Lt

No 10 Plat. Coy

Members in Despatches
Lieut Barnes
Palmer.

For gallantry and devotion to
duty during an attack.

W. B.

The attached lists of names
are those of those and must please
write giving the right of 1914
deserves some recognition and I
would suggest that their names be
published in the orders.

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R. A. [unclear]
O.C. Coy

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The following are the
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The Commanding Officer
 11th Assault Coy

I desire also to bring under your
 notice the standard work of the following
 officers of my company

Lieut J. Barnes
 2nd Platoon
 3rd Platoon

The work of these officers both
 before and during the operation was
 without doubt responsible largely for the
 success of the operation

Lieut Barnes who was acting
 as 2nd in command in the company had to
 take command of the left platoon for its
 commendable business of casualty and
 extinguish it from further serious progress
 This he ably accomplished and continued
 with the operation coming at the
 or successful conclusion.

Recommendation for Mention in Br Orders.

N^o 1145 Cpl Lyndell. G. H.
N^o 7295 Pte Spooner G. S.
N^o Pte Figueroa.

A. W. Litcher Lt
N^o 10 Plat.
"C" Coy.

Recommended for Mention
in Br Orders.
Operation July, 1918.

7022 4/Cpl Mess. L. H.

5744 4/Cpl KAY. J.

1615 Plc McDougall. L. (afterwards wounded)

2651 Plc NEED. W.

7519 Plc HAWORTH. B (afterwards killed)

(and ³¹¹⁶Cpl Newton & ¹²⁶⁸4/Cpl KERRY recommended for award.)

J. J. Warner Lt
C. Coy
"C" Coy

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Recommendation for mention in Battalion Order.

LH/97	Lt Cpl Bisher A.T.
4554	Pte Mc Garity L.T.
7600	: Hargreaves J.

W. Hammond

No 9 Platoon.

4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Company.
 O.C. "B" Company.
 O.C. "C" Company.
 O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
 21/6/18.

DEFENCE ORGANIZATION OF FRONT LINE POSTS.

1. The method of holding the posts in the front line is not that of scattering men in pairs over a considerable length of trench. Control is lost in this way.

The Platoon is to hold a definite length of trench as a post and each section will be kept together under the control of its Commander. Short intervals may be preserved between sections. Sentries will be mounted on the flank of each post and liaison with flank posts will be maintained by patrols.

2. An increased number of firing bays are to be made in each post, to provide if necessary, for treble garrison. The parapet is to be prepared properly at each bay so that men can fire in comfort and for a long/time.

The same applies to Lewis Gun posts. At least 2 well constructed emplacements should be made in each post for each gun.

3. Every listening post is to have a wire leading back to a sentry in the picquet post and a system of pull signals as suggested below will be arranged.

- 1 pull. - Am coming to your post.
- 2 pulls.- Be on look-out. Someone is approaching.
- 3 pulls.- All correct here.

Each end would have the same signals with the same meanings.

B. K. White
Capt.
 Adjutant 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Coy.
O.C. "B" Coy.
O.C. "C" Coy.
O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
28/6/18.

LECTURES.

- Saturday 29th. - General duties of Officers.
- Monday, 1st. July. - Chapter IX Infantry Training.
- Wednesday, 3rd. - Chapter XIV Infantry Training & Chap. V F.S.R. 1.

Officers will study before hand the chapters laid down.

Any Officer may be called upon to give a five minutes
lecture on the subject.

Lectures will be given by the C.O. and immediately after mess.

E. K. White
 Capt. & Adjt.
 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Coy.
O.C. "B" Coy.
O.C. "C" Coy.
O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
28/6/18.

JUDGING OF GUARD.

1. The sweepstake competition on the best Battalion Guard supplied by a Company will be judged ~~by~~ the Guard supplied by Companies on ~~four~~ consecutive days commencing on the 30th. inst.
2. The Judges will be the R.S.M. and each C.S. Major. The Officers commanding Companies will be present together with the C.O. & Adjt. The maximum marks given will be 30 being made up 10 for smartness of drill, 10 for smartness of dress and equipment, 10 for knowledge of duties.
3. The results of each days marking will be forwarded to the Adjt. by each C.S.M. under se perate cover.

A. K. White
.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O. C. "A" Coy.
O. C. "B" Coy.
O. C. "C" Coy.
O. C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
29/6/18.

R I F L E R A N G E S.

"D" Range, located at V.19.D.7.9. has been allotted to the Battalion and is reallocated to Companies as follows :-

"A" Company	1st. July.
"B" Company	2nd. July.
"C" Company	3rd. July.
"D" Company	4th. July.
Headquarters	5th. July.

The range will be used from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and practices at 100 & 200 yards carried out by the whole Company.

The day on which a Company has been allotted the range it may discontinue the Syllabus of Training at 11.30 a.m.

The range will also be available in the mornings for special instruction in the Lewis Gun.

The Q.M. will arrange the delivery of targets, red flags, and S.A.A.

S.A.A. can be drawn from the 1st. Battalion at V.14.C.5.4.

Companies will arrange to record their own marking etc. and will forward results to Battalion Headquarters by 9 a.m. on the following day.

E. White
.....Capt & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Coy.
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O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
29/6/18.

D R E S S.

The following irregularities in dress are noted for attention:-

- (i) Absence of colours.
- (ii) Hats are not turned up at the side.
- (iii) Runners and Signallers without armbands.
- (iv) Puttees put on upside down.

The point of wearing the puttees upside down is to be considered a serious one as many warnings have been issued on the matter and men found contravening the instructions will be crimed.

B. K. White
.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Coy.
O.C. "B" Coy.
O.C. "C" Coy.
O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
29/6/18.

C H U R C H P A R A D E.

1. Church Parade will be held on the Battalion Parade Ground for B, C & D Coys & Headquarters at 9.45 a.m.
2. Markers with parade states will report to the R.S.M. at the Battalion Orderly Room at 9.20 a.m.
The Battalion will be formed up in a hollow square, H.Qrs. forming the fourth Company.
3. The dress will be belt and side arms, hats turned up at the side, Box respirators. Officers will wear caps and puttees.
4. All Roman Catholics will report in Company parties to Lieut. MALONE at 10.50.
"A" Company will place one tent at the disposal of the R.C. Chaplain for service which will be held at 11 a.m.

.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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Battalion Headquarters,
 30/6/18.

NUCLEAR PRINCIPLES.

1. Under the new organization it is laid down that a Battalion must go into action with neither more nor less than its minimum strength which in the case of Platoons is 28: all ranks, made up as follows:-

2 Rifle Sections of 1 leader and 6 men.
 1 Double Lewis Gun Section of 1 leader and 10 men.
 1 Platoon Sergeant.
 1 Batman & Runner.
 1 Platoon Commander.

Company Headquarters in the line will consist of 4 Signallers 2 runners, 1 O.P.M., 1 Batman, 2 Sanitary men, 4 Stretcher Bearers, 1 Coy. Clerk, Company Commander, & when sufficient Officers are available, a Second in Command of the Company will be allowed.

It will be seen that this makes a total of from 5 - 6 Officers and 127 other ranks.

2. The reorganization of Platoons on the above lines should now be completed.

It is thought possible however that some Platoons may be stronger than others and assuming that this is the case transfers between Platoons will be made to bring them up to a minimum of 27 other ranks.

3. Companies will notify by 2 p.m. 1st. July present strength of Platoons and will have completed the new organization and equalising of Platoons by 6 p.m. 2nd. July.

4. A nominal roll showing those available over and above 28 per Platoon will be forwarded to Battalion Headquarters by 6 p.m. on 3rd. July.

A. K. White

.....Capt. & Adjt.
 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

- O.C. "A" Coy.
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- O.C. "C" Coy.
- O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
30/6/18.

C OLOURS AND ARM-BANDS.

The Q.M. is in possession of sufficient Arm-bands and Colours to equip any Companies requiring same and the C.O. will vie w any absence of these on B ttalion Parade on the 1st. July in a very serious light.

G. White
 Capt. & Adjt.
 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O. C. "A" Coy.
O. C. "B" Coy.
O. C. "C" Coy.
O. C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
30/6/18.

RIFLE RANGE.

With reference to the arrangements for the use of the ~~use~~ of Rifle Range, the following alterations are notified:-

(i) "C" Company will use the range on the 5th. inst. and not the 3rd. inst.

(ii) The range will not permit of practices of 100 & 200 yards being carried out owing to the range only being 30 yards.

Companies will use the time allotted to the best interests of the Company.

E. K. White
.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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O.C. "A" Coy.
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 O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
 1st. July, 1918.

BATTALION INSPECTION.

The following points came to notice at the Commanding Officer's Inspection today.

- 1; (A) "A" Coy. was prominently the best Coy. on parade and one other Coy. was distinctly the worst.
2. A large number of men have very long hair.
 Each Platoon Commander will make a special inspection of his Platoon and take the names of those who require haircutting and specially detail each man to get his hair cut at the same time making the necessary arrangements.
3. The orders re every man coming on parade are not being carried out.
 Company Cooks and one batmen are the only men in the whole Company who are allowed to remain off parade.
 Company Commanders will attend to this.
4. The personnel constituting Coy. H.Qrs. in the line have already been stated and under no circumstance must these be increased.
 Out of the line these will be added to by Cooks, C.Q.M.S. & perhaps additional Signallers.
 The Gas N.C.O. must be with a Platoon and have his Gas duties as additional to his Platoon work.
 No such appointment as storeman exists. If it is desired to render assistance to the C.Q.M.S. at any time one of the Sanitary men will be detailed for this duty.
 Under no circumstances will Coy. Headquarters be increased and Company Commanders must use their best endeavours to give the maximum number of men to each Platoon.
5. The Headquarter Platoon will be formed up from left to right as follows:-
 Signallers, Runners, stretcher Bearers, Sanitary men, Batmen.
6. Platoon Commanders should have their Platoons opened out ready for the Commanding Officer's inspection and when the Platoon is being inspected, follow the Commanding Officer round.
7. Both Lewis Guns must be brought on parade.
8. There is only one way of putting puttees on and Companies will see that these are put on in the regular way.
9. No assistance is given by some Companies to ensure a speed dressing of the Battalion.

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 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Coy.
 O.C. "B" Coy.
 O.C. "C" Coy.
 O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
 3/7/18.

The following is republished for information:-

"Attention is again directed to G.R. and other Orders on the Care of Crops by Troops. In the present state of the food supply any damage to crops is calculated to have a very damaging effect on relations between the French inhabitants and ourselves. The utmost care is to be taken that no damage be done by grazing horses or by troops moving through crops. It has been noticed that potato plants have been pulled up and thrown aside as the tubers were not sufficiently large for eating. It is thought that Australians know more about potatoes than to pull up immature plants, but when it occurs in the Australian Area the blame is immediately naturally apportioned to them. It is the duty of every man to immediately report any damage to crops or stealing by troops whether of this Division or a British formation. All ranks are to be informed that if any such damage done can be sheeted home, the offender will be very severely punished.

E. K. White
 Captain & Adjutant.
 4th Australian Infantry Battalion.

4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Coy.
 O.C. "B" Coy.
 O.C. "C" Coy.
 O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
 4/7/18.

BOMB PROOFING TENTS.

1. The Bomb proofing of tents will be carried out forthwith.
2. Tools as required will be arranged for direct with the Q.M.
3. A few tents at a time will be completed.
4. Earth will be banked up 2'6" high 18" thick and 1 foot away from the flaps of the tent.

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 Capt. & Adjt.
 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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Battalion Headquarters,
3/7/18.

To decide which Company is the premier at the Sports meeting, points will be awarded as follows, the Company gaining the most points being declared winners.

<u>EVENT.</u>	<u>1st.</u>	<u>2nd.</u>	<u>3rd.</u>
100 yards Championship	5	3	1
220 " "	"	"	"
440 " "	"	"	"
High jump	"	"	"
Standing broad jump	"	"	"
Running " "	"	"	"
Relay race	"	"	"
Officers 100 yds. Championship	"	"	"
" Relay race	"	"	"
Tug-O-War	4	2	1
Sack race	3	2	1
Potato race	"	"	"
Tug-O-War on horseback	3	2	1
Officer's Tug-O-War horseback	"	"	"
Wrestling on horseback	"	"	"
Pillow fight	"	"	"

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R. K. White
.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

O.C. "A" Company.
 O.C. "B" Company.
 O.C. "C" Company.
 O.C. "D" Company.
 1st. Adst. Inf. Bde.

Battalion Headquarters,
 5/7/18.

WORKS PROGRAMME.

The following Works Programme will come into operation on the night 6th/7th. inst.

1. 2/Lieut. G.J. FRITH "DCM" is appointed Battalion Works Officer.
2. One Section 1st. Field Coy. Aust. Engrs. will be available for work with the Battalion.
3. The Engineer Officer and the Battalion Works Officer will meet at Battalion Hdqrs. at 11 a.m. daily and make the necessary arrangements for the allotment of Sappers, material, working parties etc. for the following night.
 The Battalion Works Officer will get in touch with the Engineer Officer on the morning of the 6th. inst.
4. Companies will be responsible for the following works :-
 - (a) Two line Companies.
 - (i) Extending existing posts to either flank by at least 2 yards nightly (by garrison)
 - (ii) Thickening the wire by employing a wiring party from the support Platoon, or strengthening existing wire.
 - (iii) Improving accommodation (by garrison).
 - (iv) Improving, strengthening and wiring Coy. Hdqrs.
 - (b) Support Companies.
 - (i) Improving and adding to existing accommodation.
 - (ii) Joining up the support line where not continuous.
 - (iii) Strengthening the wire in front of the support line.
 - (iv) Supply a wiring party of 18 other ranks to be at the disposal of the Battalion Works Officer nightly for wiring ~~the~~ LINE Company front.
 - (v) Improving, strengthening and wiring Coy. Headquarters.
5. All accommodation will be made by running a short sap about 5 yards back in the parados, make a T or L and then excavate required space.
6. The Battalion R.E. Dump is located at E.4.b.9.9. (Bn. Hdqrs). Forward Dumps consisting of corkscrews, stakes and wire will be established in the vicinity of each line and Support Coy. Hdqrs.
 Coys. will forward by 4 a.m. daily their requirements in R.E. material.
7. The works Officer will detail working parties 24 hours in advance. Wiring parties & parties engaged on the construction of Coy. Hdqrs. will remain the same throughout.
 Strict attention will be paid to punctuality, provision of guides and correct dress of parties.
8. Coy. works reports of work carried out by that Coy. only will be forwarded to reach Bn. Hdqrs. by 4 a.m. daily. Pro forma herewith.
9. The Bn. Intelligence Officer will prepare a map showing in red all existing works and wire and will make daily additions to same in green of all works carried out during the previous 24 hours.
10. At least 24 hours work will be carried out by working parties.

A.K. White
Capt. & Adjt.
 Adjutant 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

'A' Coy
'B' "
'C' "
'D' "
Battn Hdqrs
6.7.18

OUTPOST ORGANIZATION.

- (1) Back line company will organize its front with 3 Platoon posts & one Platoon post in support. Each Platoon post will have a listening post not more than 50 yards in front with a system of Signals as previously instructed. This work will be put in hand at once & the numerous small posts cut out as soon as possible. Support Platoon posts should be so located as to cover any considerable gaps.
- (2) Support company positions will be similarly organized into Platoon posts. The Right line company Hdqrs will move to the vicinity of E 6. C 9. 8.

P. K. White Capt & Adjutant
4th Australian Battn

Batter Headqrs

7/7/19

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DSANITATION ETC.

- (1) The Brigade Commander has complained of the Sanitary conditions of the trenches etc in this Sector & while admitting that the greater part of the responsibility for the existing conditions of affairs rests with the Unit relieved, he does not think that sufficient energy improving same is being shown.
- (2) The Sanitary men of each company must be kept on this work and if necessary assisted by other details.
- (3) All old disused shelters & trenches must be thoroughly cleared out and not used for harbouring rubbish.
- (4) All food stuff, Tins etc will be buried.
- (5) Salvage, such as desicct rifles, Blankets, Steel Helmets, Bayonets, Rum Jars, Jacks and net equipment will be gathered together & brought back by carrying & working parties & dumped at Batter Headqrs.
Four Coy dumps will be formed, & the Officers or NCO in charge of returning parties will ensure that Salvage is dumped as stated & will obtain a receipt from the N.C.O in charge of the dump. (Cpl Ackerman).
The name of returning parties will be taken and any failure on the part of leaders of working or carrying parties to bring back

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Savage will need explanation.

(6) Box latrines where required will be issued to companies, but at least one per Platoon must be erected.

(7) The Brigadier also spoke of dirty rifles lying about the trenches and of a number of men being without Box respirators & some not wearing Box respirators at the alert, men without equipment & Steel helmets.

(8) All of the above are matters of trench routine & that they should have to be brought before the notice of Officers, indicate incompetency or lack of control on their part.

(9) Companies will say by 4 am on the 8th inst whether Post Orders, Orders for actions, & Range cards have been placed in position & if not why not.

A. K. White Capt & Adj
4th Aust. Batta

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Battal Headquarters
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WORKING PARTIES.

(1) The following working parties will be supplied by Support Companies rightly & on inter company reliefs taking place these duties will be taken over by 'A' & 'C' Companies. -

- 1 Officer & 18 of Ranks for wiring front line
- 1 Officer & 18 of Ranks for wiring Support line.
- 1 Sgt & 8 men for building Line Coy Headquarters carrying party of 1 Officer & 16 of Ranks for carrying material forward to Coy Headquarters & to posts.

(2) The following points are brought to the notice of Coy Commanders & it is trusted a considerable improvement will be effected in tonight's parties.

- (a) Practically no work was carried out.
- (b) Working parties were very late & in one instance failed to report.
- (c) One Officer did not know the way to the Line Coy Headquarters, notwithstanding the fact that he had the whole day in which to reconnoitre.
- (d) Parties were very noisy & uncontrolled. All thoughts of working noiselessly appear to have been ignored & cases of men running away from their work were noted.

(3) Meals for the Support boys will for tonight & succeeding nights be delivered at 7 pm and all working parties will report to

Battalion Headquarters at 10 pm sharp & will carry forward material & on the return trip will bring back Salvage of which there is a large quantity.

Salvage will be dumped at the Support Coy Ration Dumps.

- (4) Company Commanders will be held personally responsible that the faults mentioned above are remedied at once & that working parties do not develop into a mere aimless, wandering about the country, of hundreds of men for no useful purpose.

P. K. White Capt & Adj
4th Australian Battalion

4TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters.

8/7/18.

O.C. "A" Coy.
O.C. "B" "
O.C. "C" "
O.C. "D" "
Quartermaster.

With reference to the Company relief etc taking place on the night 9th/10th instant, the following will be the arrangement re meals.

Evening meals will be as at present locations. Morning meals will be taken at the following places, "A" Company at "D" company position. "B" "C" & "D" Companies at forward positions.

It is again brought to notice that hot food containers are not being returned.

E. K. White
CAPTAIN & ADJUTANT.
4TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

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4TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters.
10/7/18.

O.C. "A" Coy.
O.C. "B" "
O.C. "C" "
O.C. "D" "

MEALS.

Meals will be delivered as follows:-

"A" Company, both meals to present location company arrangements will be made to send forward the breakfast meal for the platoon moving forward to the support of "B" company.

"B" company all meals forward being dumped at R.E dump in Shell hole. "C" company evening meal forward as above and morning meal to late "B" company position. "D" company both meals forward to usual location.

E. K. White
-----CAPTAIN & ADJUTANT.
4TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

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4TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters.
12/7/18

- O.C. "A" Coy.
 - O.C. "B" Coy.
 - O.C. "C" Coy.
 - O.C. "D" Coy.
 - 1st. Field Coy., A.E.
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Companies will supply working parties as detailed below, please:-

No of party.	Strength required.	Meeting point.	Date <u>July.</u>	Time.	Coy to supply.	Work.
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4TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters.

13/7/18

O.C. "A" Company.
O.C. "B" Company.
O.C. "C" Company.
O.C. "D" Company.

The following has been received from 1st Aust. Divisional H.Q.:-

During operations on the AISNE, the enemy shelled villages, with gas shell, up to 8 or 10 miles behind the line.

In view of this, and the possibility that he may drop gas bombs from aeroplanes, every reasonable precaution to avoid unnecessary casualties in back areas should be taken.

In case of Mustard gas being suspected, shell or bomb holes will be avoided, until properly filled up.

G. K. White
----- Captain & Adjutant.
4th Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters.
July 14th 1918.

O.C. "A" Coy.
O.C. "B" Coy.
O.C. "C" Coy.
O.C. "D" Coy.

In connection with the move set down for the 15th inst, it is pointed out that this will not take place till 3 p.m when the relieving troops arrive.

During the morning the full strength of companies will be employed on fatigues.

E. K. White Captain & Adjutant.
4th Australian Infantry Battalion.

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O.C. Coy.

4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters,
16/7/18.

Personnel for xvth Corps School will report to Lieut. F.J.S. MEAD "MC" "DCM" 10th. Battalion at La KREULE at 1 p.m. on the 18th. inst. where they will be picked up by lorries and conveyed to WARDRECQUES to entrain for LOTTINGHEM.

The unexpired portion of the days rations and 24 hours rations will be carried.
Dress - Full marching order.

No BALL AMMUNITION to be carried.

Parade at B.O.R. at 12 noon on the 18th. inst.

.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters,
17/7/18.

- O.C. "A" Company.
- O.C. "B" Company.
- O.C. "C" Company.
- O.C. "D" Company.

The following FREE Entertainments are being provided
by the Australian Y.M.C.A. each evening.
Sundays, Cinema only.

- 1. "SENTIMENTAL BLOKES" 6.0 pm.) Marquee at V.15.d.0.5.
Cinema. 7.45pm.)
- 2. "BOOMERANGS." 6.0 pm.) Barn at 3rd. Battalion
Cinema. 7.45pm.) V.17.c.9.1.

PK White

.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters,
17/7/18.

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- O.C. "A" Coy.
- O.C. "B" Coy.
- O.C. "C" Coy.
- O.C. "D" Coy.

Company Commanders will please note the following points for attention.

- (1) Captain or Skipper is not the correct way to address a Military Captain while it is quite correct to a Naval Captain.
- (2) All communications, personal or otherwise, will be made through the Adjutant.

P. White
Capt. & Adjt.
 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIA INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Company.	Battalion Headquarters
O.C. "B" Company,	20/7/18.
O.C. "C" Company.	
O.C. "D" Company.	

CHURCH PARADES will be held on the Battalion Parade Ground at 10.30 a.m. on the 21st. inst.

DRESS, belt and sidearms, hat turned up at the side and Box Respirator hanging at the right side.

The ROMAN CATHOLIC Service will be held at 9.15 a.m.

Company Parties will report to Lieut. A.L. MALONE on the Battalion Parade Ground at 9.a.m.

In the case of Companies going to the baths, R.C's. will not proceed to the baths but will attend Church Parade.

"B" Company will make a tent available for R.C. Chaplain.

The G.O.C. will inspect the lines sometime during the morning.

A.L. Malone
 Capt. & Adjt.
 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

- O.C. "A" Coy.
- O.C. "B" Coy.
- O.C. "C" Coy.
- O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters
20/7/18.

The following received from Brigade:-

" The Brigade Commander wishes every Platoon leader to be competent to instruct his men in all weapons used by the Platoon. To this end Battalion Specialist Officers will test every Platoon Commander in Lewis Gunnery, Bombing and Musketry. Those satisfying the tests will be returned to their Platoons, whilst those who fail to do so will be given such extra instruction as is necessary."

E. White
.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Company.
O.C. "B" Company.
O.C. "C" Company.
O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
20/7/18.

CHURCH PARADE will be held on the Battalion Parade Ground at 10.30 a.m. on the 21st. inst.

DRESS, belt and sidearms, hat turned up at the side, Box Respirator hanging at the right side.

MARKERS - 1 marker from each Company will report to the R.S.M. at Battalion Orderly Room at 10.15 a.m. with parade state.

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.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

- O.C. "A" Company.
- O.C. "B" Company.
- O.C. "C" Company.
- O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
20/7/18.

The Breakfast meal will now be a $\frac{1}{4}$ of an hour earlier and altered to 7.30 a.m.

Attention is again directed to the instructions issued re the drawing of meals being observed as a parade.

GK White

.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters,
21/7/18.

D.C. "A" Company.
O.C. "B" Company.
O.C. "C" Company.
O.C. "D" Company.

INSPECTION BY G.O.C.

The Brigade Commander drew attention to the following matters:-

1. Absence of muzzle protectors.
2. Absence of Breech Covers.
3. Men going about without their Respirators

Regarding No. 1 & 2 above, the necessary action will be taken forthwith to complete.

Commencing today with "A" Company, each Company will detail a picket of 1 & 3 for the road leading down to the Y.M.C.A. and all men going out without their Box Respirators will have their names taken and sent back to camp.

Earthworks for protection against bombing must be proceeded with forthwith.

G. K. White
..... Capt & Adjt
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters.
23/7/18.

- O.C. "A" Company.
- O.C. "B" Company.
- O.C. "C" Company.
- O.C. "D" Company.

Reference previous memo of 21/7/18, attention is again drawn to the fact that men are still going about without their Box Respirators.

It is also noticed that the Picket of 1 W.C.O. & 3 men, detailed in above mentioned memo, was not supplied today. "D" Company's attention/ is specially drawn to this matter.

G. White
.....Capt. & Adjt
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Company.
O.C. "B" Company.
O.C. "C" Company.
O.C. "D" Company.
H.Q. Officers.

Battalion Headquarters,
23/7/18.

The following will be adopted henceforth as a standing Order within the Brigade:-

"Whenever a party is detailed for any purpose by Brigade the senior Officer or N.C.O. with the party will prepare duplicate copies of the attached pro-forma showing number of his party and time of reporting at the appointed place. One copy will be handed to the Officer or N.C.O. to whom the party is ordered to report at the rendezvous, and the other copy will be forwarded to Brigade. In the case of working parties, the Brigade Copy of the pro-forma will mention also the time of departure from the job.

A. K. White
.....Capt & Adjutant
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.CONFIDENTIAL.Battalion Headquarters,
23/6/18.

O.C. "A" Company.
O.C. "B" Company.
O.C. "C" Company.
O.C. "D" Company.
H.Q. Officers.

1. The only too apparent carelessness in the execution of orders issued from Battalion Headquarters and grudging manner in which they are executed at times is indicating in an unmistakable manner that a large number of Officers do not fully appreciate their responsibility as Officers such and that they are confusing their responsibility as Officers with their personal likes and dislikes.
2. The Commanding Officer directs me to point out that he feels that it is very necessary for all Officers at the present time to have their duty as Officers brought more prominently before their notice and an earnest endeavour made by all concerned to inculcate a more cheerful, energetic and competitive spirit in the Battalion, remembering among other things that the 4th. Battalion has a record for fighting and thoroughness envied by many other Units.
3. The following conception of what represents a good soldierly spirit is brought before your notice, and should if acted upon, bring about the desired relations.
"It is assumed the Company Commander is playing a game of cards with his Platoon Commanders when he receives an order from Battalion Headquarters to carry out something immediately.
All familiar joking etc. which might have been proceeding prior to this ceases at once and the O.C. Company says, Mr. so and so, you will proceed as advance Officer to the front line at once. The orders having been issued and being complied with the game can then proceed on the same footing as previously."
Unless the above representation of what is the clear line of demarkation between what is ones duty as an Officer to the Battalion and what is the social relation between Officers can be fully understood and acted upon, considerable slackness and neglect of duty is bound to creep in.
4. Another noticeable point is that when a Company receives a lot of written matter instructing it to carry out a number of things which are requiring attention (unfortunately too often noticed by higher authority before the Company notices the necessity) they lapse into pettiness and say such things as "Oh this Paper War".
Let it be first clearly understood that those issuing the orders have very considerably more experience in such matters than those receiving them and fully understand what they involve. The next thing to do is to create a spirit of cheerful compliance and set about the execution of the order in an energetic manner completing it if possible straight away at once or as soon after as possible.
Any such spirit as saying "we are only here for a night" etc. is to be strongly deprecated. Let the Battalion keep the Motto which it has always had. If we come into a place for a night and it is dirty let us clean it up and when we go leave it clean.
If we come into a place in the forward area and it is not as well prepared for fighting as it should be we immediately set about improving it.
5. Further and in conclusion it is pointed out that because an Officer is spoken to as a matter of duty for something or other there is no need for him to allow this to develop into a personal matter and thus show that he does not fully understand his position and further that he is not entitled to Command those beneath him.
6. Company Commanders to whom this memo is addressed will impart its contents to the Officers of their Company and the Commanding Officer hopes that a considerable improvement in this matter will be effected.

.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Company.
O.C. "B" Company.
O.C. "C" Company.
O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters
24/7/18.

The following received from Brigade:-

"In anticipation of the early withdrawal of the Brigade to Billets in an inhabited area the attention of Commanding Officers is drawn to Divisional Order -

Strict and ceaseless supervision will be required by all Officers to check in the men habits which perhaps they have unconsciously acquired in abandoned forward areas. Recourse must be had to Sentries and Picquets, remembering that prevention is better than cure. Assessment of damages should be made daily with inhabitants claims fixed upon individuals or definite Units and settled whilst they are fresh and small.

The views of the Brigadier upon this subject are as follows:-

The subject is an old one and well known to all. It is covered by countless Standing Orders. It is useless to make a ~~preliminary~~ prefunctory inquiry into a claim and then disclaim all knowledge of it and assert the innocence of one's own particular Unit. Transport Sections in particular are to be informed that there are laws of mine and thine. All claims are to be settled before leaving billets or else an Officer must be left behind to settle them. It is not desired that claims should follow a unit round the land for months after it has left a particular billet. The Brigadier considers that each unit should settle its own affairs as regards claims and will regard failure in this respect as a lack of discipline and power to Command."

E. White
..... Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th . AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

- O.C. "A" Company.
- O.C. "B" Company.
- O.C. "C" Company.
- O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
25/7/18.

Herewith the outline of a tactical exercise without troops designed for Company Commanders.

Two Company Commanders will attend on Saturday 27th. and 2 on Monday 29th. inst. as under, reporting to Brigade Headquarters at 9.30 a.m. on that date.

<u>Capt. MACALPINE, "MC".</u>	}	27th.	<u>Capt. F.W. NEWTH.</u>	}	29th.
<u>Lieut. A.L. MALONE.</u>			<u>Capt. W.L. COOKE "MC".</u>		

.....Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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GENERAL IDEA.

The Germans are being forced back and we are following up previous successes.

His line now runs as shown on the map, and our force as at midnight is also marked in.

SPECIAL IDEA.

At 4 a.m. the next British attack will be delivered.

The 4th. Battalion which came into the line last night, is ordered to capture LA BÉHAUDE and the trench system beyond and make good the counter up to the CASSENE BEQUE.

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 Reference Map :- BORRE - 1:10,000.

1. The enemy line runs N. & S. on the Western side of the HAMBROUCK-ST. SYLVESTERS GAPPSEL road where our patrols are in touch with him. Our line runs through the S. outskirts of LANORS COTTAGES, STAUGH FM., USHANT COTTAGES, MILDEW COTTAGE.
2. At 4 a.m. the advance will be renewed. The 1st. Battalion with the Battalion on the right and the Battalion on the left, will capture LA BRESARDE as the first objective and the enemy trenches in Square V.6. and V.12. as the 2nd. and 3rd. objectives.
3. The Battalion boundaries for the attack will be -
NORTH. The line MILDEW COTTAGES - DEPLOY CR. - Sq.V.6. Central.
SOUTH. The line STAUGH FM. - VETCH FM. (inclusive)
 The inter-company boundary in each case will be the LA BRESARDE - LE FEUFLIER Road, which will be inclusive to the left Company.
4. The Battalion will attack the first objective with A & B Coys. in line A Coy on the right C, Coy. in support and D, Coy. in reserve. The support Coy. will maintain close liaison with the line Coys. and conform to their movements.
5. On the capture of the 1st. objective A, & B, Coys. will be reorganised C, & D, Coys. will move up and pass through to the attack of the 2nd. objective with C, Coy. on the right. A, Coy. will be in support and B, Coy. in reserve at LA BRESARDE.
6. The 3rd. objective will be captured by A, & B, Coys. with A, Coy. on the right. D, Coy. will act in support and C, Coy. in reserve will be moved to the vicinity of LISBON FM.
7. On the capture of the 3rd. objective patrols will be pushed forward to exploit success. Under cover of these patrols an outpost line will be put out by A, & B, Coys.
8. At Zero the Artillery will bombard LA BRESARDE and the enemy position on the ridge for 20 minutes, after which it will lift to targets in rear. On the capture of 1st. objective an P.O.O. will be stationed at LA BRESARDE. Artillery support will be applied for direct to this Officer.
9. Sections V.M.G.'s. will operate with the Battalion. The Section Commanders will move and work direct with the Commanders of the attacking Companies.
10. Battalion Headquarters will remain at NEMO FM. until the capture of the 2nd. objective when it will move to LA BRESARDE.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

.....Capt & Adj
 3th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

Issued at 11.30 p.m. by runner.

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4th. AU STRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

- O.C. "A" Company.
- O.C. "B" Company.
- O.C. "C" Company.
- O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
25/7/18.

Herewith results of Guard Competition.

1st.	"A" Company.	- 8 points.
2nd.	"D" Company.	- 56 "
3rd.	"C" Company.	- 63 "
	"B" Company.	Disqualified.

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Capt. & Adjt
 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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SITUATION 1.

Time 12 midnight. "Y" day. Battalion Order for the attack comes in by runner; rations and ammunition have been issued.

Task 1. Jot down in your notebook an outline of your programme up to Zero.

Task 2. What messages or Orders will you issue, if any?

Task 3. Work out in detail the movements of the attacking Companies.

SITUATION 2.

LA BREARDE and trenches immediately east of it are in our hands. Time 8.30 a.m. We are being shelled and the enemy is machine gunning us from LISBON FM. Write your report for Battalion Headquarters.

Task 4. What do O.Cs. "C" and "D" Coys. do now?

SITUATION 3.

Task 5. "C" and "D" Coys. hop off at 10 a.m.

- (a) Work out the detail of their movements to 2nd. objective.
- (b) What action do O.Cs. "A" and "B" Coys. take?

SITUATION 4.

The left Coy. makes the objective at 11 a.m.
The right Company is hung up by machine guns at LAEGERNBEST.

Task 6. What are you, as O.C. right Coy., going to do?

SITUATION 5.

The 2nd. objective has been gained. Time 3 p.m. The flanks are ON
LETCHE FARM is seen to be strongly held and huns can be seen reinforcing
down the LES PEUPLIER switch.

Task 7. What do you do?

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4th. AU STRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Company.
O.C. "B" Company.
O.C. "C" Company.
O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
25/7/18.

Herewith results of Guard Competition.

1st.	"A" Company.	- 8 points.
2nd.	"D" Company.	- 58 "
3rd.	"C" Company.	- 63 "
	"B" Company.	Disqualified.

E. K. White
.....Capt. & Adjt
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters,
July 26th 1916.

- W.C. "A" Coy.
- W.C. "B" Coy.
- W.C. "C" Coy.
- W.C. "D" Coy.

- (1) A CHURCH PARADE followed by a MEDAL AND RIBBON PRESENTATION by the 5TH ARMY COMMANDER will be held at the 4th Battalion Camp (V.17.9.1.9.) at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday the 28th inst.
- (2) Each Company will provide a platoon of 2 Officers and 40 O/Ranks. The Company Commander and 2nd in Command will be notified later.
- (3) The dress will be Belt and Sidearms with hat turned up on the left side and chin straps at the point of chin. Box respirators hanging at the right side.
- (4) The selected platoons will fall in on the Battalion parade ground in close column in the order A B C & D Companies at 9.30 a.m. on the 28th inst.
A practice parade will be held at 12 noon on the 27th inst when selected platoons will fall in as above.
- (5) One marker per platoon will report to Battalion Orderly Room at 9.30 a.m. on the 28th inst. Marker should be a W.C.O who would be on the right flank when the platoon is formed up.
- (6) O/Ranks to receive medals as already notified to Companies will be included in the Company platoon. Those coming from Battalion Headquarters will be included in the "C" Company platoon.
- (7) Sergeant Macaulley, A.S. (an N.C.O) will proceed in advance and report to the Staff Captain at 10 a.m. with a nominal roll of personnel to receive medals etc.
"C" Company will make arrangements for this N.C.O to join his platoon on arrival at 4th Battalion Camp.
- (8) Medal and ribbons will be presented immediately after the Church Service when personnel for presentation will fall in on Sergeant Macaulley as right marker.
Platoon Officers will see that this is carried out expeditiously. On conclusion of parade personnel will fall in at their original places and the Brigade party will march past the Army Commander, 4th Battalion Company being last.

R. H. White
 _____ Captain & Adjutant,
 4th Australian Infantry Battalion.

4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Coy.
O.C. "B" Coy.
O.C. "C" Coy.
O.C. "D" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters,
27/7/18.

For Church Parade and Medal presentation tomorrow, ground sheets will be carried on belt at back.

Pack supporting straps will be used to attach the sheet to the belt.

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..... Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Company.
O.C. "B" Company.
O.C. "C" Company.
O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
27/7/18.

CHURCH SERVICES. 28/7/18.

Roman Catholic Service will be held at 10.30 a.m. Company parties will report to Lieut. A.L. MALONE on Bn. parade ground at 10.15 a.m.

"B" Company will place one tent at the disposal of the R.C. Chaplain.

Church of England Service, for those not attending presentation parade, will be held on Battalion parade ground at 10 a.m.

Company parties will be formed up as one Platoon.

Markers will report to R.S.M. at 9.50 a.m., with parade state, at Battalion Orderly Room.

E. K. White
..... Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

O.C. "A" Company.
 O.C. "B" Company.
 O.C. "C" Company.
 O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
 28/6/18.

The following will be the new posting of Officers to Coys.

"A" Company.

Lieut. F.W. NEWTH. X
 " H WILKINSON.
 " H.A. PARKES.
 " C.H. GUAN.
 " W.J. COURT. "MM"
 2/Lieut. W.E. BACK.
 " McNAMARA J.J.

"B" Company.

Capt. W.J. ESTALL W.J.
 Lieut. A.E. PASSMORE.
 " R. CRAWFORD. "DCM"
 " T.W. LANE. X
 2/Lieut. N.D. GRANT.
 " F.R. JOLLEY.
 " O. P. AYTON.

"C" Company.

Lieut. J.F. BARNES.
 " F.C. MARR.
 " G.S. BAINBRIDGE. X
 " C.E.W. MOORE.
 2/Lieut. G.J. FROTH. "DCM"
 " S.F. BASS. "DCM" X
 " J. LANG.
 " A.W. PALMER.

"D" Company.

Lieut. A.S. ALLEN "MC"
 " A.L. MALONE.
 " C.P. BEALE. X
 2/Lieut. COX A.R.B.
 " S.A.F. GLUTCH.
 " N.F. BUCKENARA.
 Lieut. D.B. GREY.

Headquarters.

Lieut. H.E. HOVENDENE.
 " D. LEITCH.

P. White
 Capt. & Adjt.
 4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

4th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

- O.C. "A" Company.
- O.C. "B" Company.
- O.C. "C" Company.
- O.C. "D" Company.

Battalion Headquarters,
29/7/18.

The following received from Brigade:-

" It appears that some units have been firing at rifle ranges with Lewis Guns and Machine Guns. This practice is most detrimental to the ranges and must cease forthwith. Lewis Guns should only be fired at the ranges provided for the purpose."

A. White Capt. & Adjt.
4th. Australian Infantry Battalion.

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4TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters.
July 30th 1918.

O.C. "A" Coy.
O.C. "B" Coy.
O.C. "C" Coy.
O.C. "D" Coy.
H.Q. Officers.
Quartermaster.

The range at B.3.D.2.9. has been allotted to the Battalion and is reallocated to Companies as follows:-

AUGUST 1ST	"C" COMPANY.
" 2ND	"D" "
" 3RD	"A" "
" 4TH	"B" "
" 5TH	"Hdqts.

Each company will draw its requirements of S.A.A and targets from the C.M.

Lewis guns will not be used on the range.

The attached certificate will be signed and forwarded to Battalion Headquarters after each day's practice.

Full safety precautions by putting out red flags and sentries will be observed.

Captain & Adjutant.
4th Australian Infantry Battalion.

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