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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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OF

27TH A.I. BATTALION

FOR

FEBRUARY - 1919

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W. Rodwick Lieut

Signature - Commanding Officer -

A. Sutton Capt

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MONT-SUR-MARCHIENNE	Feb. 16		Sunday* Fine weather. Church services held at the local Y.M.C.A. Farewell message received from Brigadier General Commanding the 7th Australian Infantry Brigade. see attached Appendix No. (16)	Appendix No. (16)
CHARLEROI AREA.	Feb. 17		Battalion Orders No. 489 - attached appendix No. (17)	Messge from 7th Bde H.Q.
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NAMUR 8	19		do. No. 491 - do. No. (19)	Battalion Orders -
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do.	Feb. 23		Sunday. Weather conditions wet and dull. Special Order by Major-General Sir Charles ROSENTHAL, KCB, CMG, DSO, Commanding Second Australian Division, see attached appendix No. (24)	Appendix No. (24)
	24		Battalion Orders No. 496 - attached appendix No. (25)	Special Order
			do. No. 497 - do. No. (26)	2nd Aust. Division
			do. No. 498 - do. No. (27)	Strength of unit for
			do. No. 499 - do. No. (28)	month ending Feb. 28th
			do. No. 500 - do. No. (29)	27 off, 287 o/ranks.
			do. No. 501 - do. No. (30)	
			R.M.O's Medical Report see attached appendix No. (31)	
			Education Officers " do. No. (32)	



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Summary of Events and Information

(Given in original and subsequent)

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Sig. Compiling Officer *W. Roddick* Lieut.

Sig. Commanding Officer *A. ...*

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Appendices refer to items and

will be bracketed in manuscript. Instructions regarding War Diaries and Intelligence

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

By Lieut-Colonel F.R. CHALMERS, D.S.O.,
Commanding.

Battalion Order 474.
In the Field 1/2/19.



1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut W.L.F. Taylor.
" Sergeant	Sgt J.H.F. Ward.
" Corporal	Cpl J.C. Ferrest.
Sick Corporal	L/Cpl J.H. Davey.

2. Visits to Workshops.

Reference Battalion Order 472, para 3 - Party will again report to Sgt CARTER at B.O.R. at 0815 on the 3 1st Feb.

3. Draft for 2nd Feb.

All personnel will parade on road near B.O.R. at 12.45 on 2/2/19, equipped as per instructions previously issued.

All Conduct Sheets are to be forwarded to B.O.R. by 6 p.m. 1/2/19. Every man's conduct sheet is to be accounted for.

2 blankets per man will be rolled in bundles of 10 and stacked at Q.M. Store at 1500, 2nd February. One blanket per man to be carried. T.O. will send a limber to collect and convey blankets to CHARLEROI station at a time to be notified later.

T.O. will in addition send three limbers to report to O.C., 2nd Aust. Div. Wing at 6 a.m. on the 3rd prox to convey kits and rations to CHARLEROI Station.

4. Non-Military Employment in France and Belgium.

Arrangements are being made to extend the principle of non-military employments as detailed in Department of Repatriation and Demobilisation General Instructions No. 3 to include training which can be more suitably obtained in FRANCE and BELGIUM.

The granting of these facilities for training will be limited to those special industries in which suitable instruction cannot be provided in the United Kingdom. In general this ~~principle~~ extension will be limited to the following industries, which, it is considered, are of special value in the future development of AUSTRALIA:

- Viticulture
- Beet sugar manufacture
- Pottery and Glass manufacture.
- Silk culture.

Applications for this employment will be made on A.I.F. form 540, and will be forwarded to the Assistant Director of Education, Australian Corps Headquarters, for investigation and transmission to the Department of Repatriation and Demobilisation for final approval.

In addition to this scheme of employment, arrangements are being made in connection with vocational training, for visits to various places in FRANCE which are centres of industries mentioned in para 2, in order that members of the A.I.F. who intend to pursue these callings after the war, may extend their knowledge of their occupation.

Any names will be forwarded to B.O.R. by 6 p.m. 1/2/19.

A.I.F. Form 540 is available at the Education Office.

5. Church Parades.

Church Services for Sunday February 2nd 1919.

PROTESTANT.

Service will be held in the Y.M.C.A. Hall, MONT-SUR-MARCHIENNE at 9.45 a.m.

Coys will parade in front of "A" Coy billets at 9.30 a.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

All R.C.'s will parade at B.O.R. at 0845.

Service will be held in the local Church at 0900.

Lieut W.A. PEPALL will take charge of this parade.

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All available men must attend the above parades.
Detailed Parade States will be forwarded to B.O.R.
0930.
Dress - Belt and side arms.



6. Dress.

Attention is drawn to Battalion Order 457, para 6 of 15/1/19.

It has come to notice that grooms are still wearing their puttees reversed. This practice must cease at once.

7. Leave to BRUSSELS.

The following is the leave allotment for the 2nd February -

"B" Coy 2 o/ranks
"C" " 2 "

Names will be forwarded to B.O.R. by noon, 1/2/19.

8. Technical Training.

Vacancies at the Universite du Travail are available in the following subjects -

- Blacksmithing
- Boilermaking
- Fitting
- Moulding.
- Electrical Work.
- Woodworking
- Chemistry of coal and general analysis.

These vacancies are being reserved for beginners and apprentices. The period of instruction will be for one month and certificates will be issued at the conclusion of the course

Nominations for attendance at the above classes will be forwarded to B.O.R. by 10 a.m., 1/2/19.

All 1917 men should, if possible, gain as much technical experience as they can before returning to Australia.

9. Ordnance Base Workshops.

Men of the following trades are needed to fill vacancies at the Ordnance Base workshops -

- Fitters
- Tinsmiths
- Saddlers
- Blacksmiths
- Enginedrivers

Any nominations for the above must be forwarded to B.O.R. by 5 p.m., 1/2/19.

PART II ORDERS.

Marched in.	6125	Pte	Newell, R.D.	"B" Coy	English Leave
		Lieut	DURDIN, A.B., M.C.	"C" "	do
	3245	Pte	O'Neill, L.J.	"C" "	Detached
	3067	"	Gray, R.	"C" "	"
	3053	"	Carter, H.L.	"B" "	"
	3025	"	Bond, W.J.	"B" "	"
	3054	"	Carter, J.F.	"C" "	"
	3314	"	Curtin, C.J.	"C" "	"
1978	"	Seroop, G.F.	"C" "	"	
Marched out.	4506	Pte	Robertson, F.C.	"C" "	Sick Hospital
	6548	E/Cpl	Cook, A.O.W.	"C" "	do
	55840	Pte	Kennedy, J.	"B" "	Detached
	6787	"	Beare, S.A.	"B" "	"
Appointments.	6047	T/Cpl	Bampton, T.R. to A/Sgt to date 1/2/19		
	6107	Cpl	Wilton, F. to L/Sgt to date 1/2/19.		

Adjutant, 27th Battalion, A.I.F.

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Appendix No (2)

27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

By Lieut-Colonel F.F. CHALMERS, D.S.O.,
Commanding.

Battalion Order 475.
In the Field, 2/2/19.



- i. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut A. B. Durdin,
" Sergeant	Sgt R. J. Carter.
" Corporal	Cpl C. J. McGee.
Sick Corporal	1/Cpl W. B. Smith.

- 2. Accommodation in PARIS for Officers on Leave or Duty.

Accommodation at reasonable rates for British and Overseas officers visiting PARIS on leave or duty has been arranged by the courtesy of the French Military Authorities.

Such accommodation is available for 150 officers at a time. Prices for beds vary from 8 to 15 francs per night. Prices for 3 meals vary from 15 to 24 francs per day.

The above variations are a long way below current rates in PARIS.

There are none ~~rooms~~ Hotels willing to reserve rooms. When an officer reports his arrival in PARIS to the Reception Officer at British Headquarters, 9 Rue le Grand, he will be able to reserve a room through the Liaison Officer, and will be assisted in every way in obtaining accommodation if all such beds are already taken up.

Beds must be reserved or taken up before 6.30 p.m. on any day. (G.R.O. 6122)

- 3. Souvenirs - German and Austrian Pistols - Prohibition.

It has been brought to notice that a large number of soldiers are offering for sale in England various patterns of German and Austrian automatic pistols, many of which must have found their way there from France.

This practice is strictly forbidden, and is in contravention of G.R.O. 1879 of the B.E.F., as amended by G.R.Os 1901 and 2207.

The only souvenirs that may be taken or sent home without special authority are German helmets, caps, badges, numerals and buttons. All other captured articles are to be handed in to the R.A.O.C.

Leave men will be inspected before leaving their unit to ensure that no pistols or souvenirs of any sort other than those in the preceding paragraph are in their possession.

Further inspections will be carried out at the port of Embarkation from time to time and any man found in possession of prohibited souvenirs will be sent back to his unit and his leave cancelled.

The kits of all ranks passing through Embarkation Camps for demobilisation will be inspected and any officer or man found in possession of prohibited articles will be arrested and his conduct investigated with a view to bringing him to a trial on a charge of theft or other suitable charge.

Any officer or man attempting to send prohibited articles out of the country by post or the Military Forwarding Officer will be dealt with similarly. (GRS 6123)

- 4. Draft for Feb 2nd.

Attention is drawn to Bn. Order 474, para 3.

T.O. will send limber to Q.M. Store at 0630 on the 3rd instant to convey blankets to the CHARLEROI Station. O.C. "C" Coy will detail 2 men (included on draft) to load and take charge of the blankets until loaded on the train at CHARLEROI. These men will report to the Q.M. at 0620 on the 3rd instant.

5. Leave to BRUSSELS.

Reference Battalion Order 474, para 7. The following will report at B.O.R. at 0830 and proceed on leave to BRUSSELS. Party will be in possession of 24 hours rations.



- 5396 Pte SIMMONDS, J.A.
- 5424 L/cpl JONES, W.R.
- 4541 Pte WARE, J.N.

PART II ORDERS.

Marched in.

Marched out.

- 4371 Pte Anderson, C.H. Transp. English Leave
- 5581 " Griffen, M.J. "B" Coy Sick Hospital
- 5547 Cpl Gomer, W. while on English leave "B" " School.

A. R. R. [Signature]

Adjutant, 27th Battalion, A.I.F.

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

By Lieut-Colonel F.R. CHAMBERS, D.S.O.,
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 476.
In the Field, 3/2/19.



tail.

Orderly Officer
" Sergeant
" Corporal
Sick Corporal

Lieut H.R. Neale, M.C.
Sgt R.J. Carter.
Cpl WE. Ainsworth.
L/Cpl F. G. Matthews.

Pay on leave
to BRUSSELS.

Personnel proceeding on leave to BRUSSELS may be paid the following rates provided that paybook shows sufficient credit :-

N.C.Os 65 francs per day.
Privates 50 " " "

This advance may be obtained at the Divisional Paymaster's office. All personnel must be in possession of the necessary pass.

3. Officers' Clothing Depot.

The officer i/c Officers' Clothing Depot, NAMUR, will visit Ordnance Officer, Aust. Corps Troops, The Convent, BEAUMONT, every Monday, commencing 3rd February to take orders for Officers clothing. Time 10.00 to 13.00 and 14.00 to 16.00 hours. Stores will be delivered the following Monday.

4. Attachment of Skilled Tradesmen to Printing Presses.

Coys and Details will forward to B.O.R. by 6 p.m. 3rd instant, nominal roll of men, by trades, who desire attachment to a Printing Press under the control of the Director of Army Printing and Stationery Services.

Trades may be classified as follows -

Compositors (Hand)	Platen Machine Minders
Printing Cutter	Printing Machine Fitter
Stereotyper	Linotype Hand.
Warehouse Printer	Transferers Lithography.
Process Engraver	Printers Leader
Machine Minder (Printing)	Machine Minder (Assistant)
Mounter (Stereotyper)	Machine Minder (Lithography Rotary)
Designer (Poster)	Machine Minder (Lithography flat bed)
Process Blockmaker.	

5. Return of Old Pay Books.

A.I.F. Orders 507 ~~487~~ 539 and 1292 are cancelled and the following substituted. -

1. Withdrawn paybooks (either No. 1 issue - the original issue; or No. 2 - issued early in 1917) which are now held by the Chief Paymaster, will be returned to Australia, either with the non-effective accounts of the member concerned, or on the transport upon which the member embarks for Australia, and will be handed to the member on discharge in Australia.

2. Members who are discharged in the United Kingdom will receive their old paybooks from the Dischargees Section, Chief Pay Office, London.

3. No application for the return of old paybooks (either personally or by letter) will be granted except as provided in para 2.

PART II ORDERS.

Marched in.	340 Pte	Halls, L.	"B" Coy	Detached.	
Marched out.	Lieut	F. TAYLOR,) and 42 other ranks) marched out for) return to Australia.)		
	"	R. TOWNLEY			
	2/Lieut	W.A. PEPALL			
	E/2/Lt.	G.C. ELDRIDGE, MM			

Decorations.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL to the following N.C.Os, in recognition of valuable service rendered with the Armies of FRANCE and BELGIUM -



1999 Sgt T. M. WHELAN
1534 " H.V.C. IRVING.

Reversions.

3194 T/Dvr Lake, W.H. to revert to Pte 2/2/19 on marching out for return to Australia.
3982a T/Dvr Reid, S.W. to revert to Pte 2/2/19 on marching out for return to Australia.
3122 T/Sgt-Cook Goodwin, H.V. to revert to Sgt 2/2/19 on marching out for return to Australia.

R. Reardon Capt.

Adjutant, 27th Battalion, AIF.

27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

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Capt. J.W.K.BEDDOME,
Lieut R. C. HUNTER.
Lieut H. R. NEALE, MC.
T.O.
Q.M.



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1. The Commanding Officer has decided to combine all companies into one, which will be known as "B" Company.
2. Capt. J.W.K.BEDDOME will command and Lieut R.C.HUNTER will be 2nd-in-Command.
No. 1990 Sgt E.D.THOMAS will be A/CSM.
No. 5126 " J.A.PEARSON " " A/CQMS.
3. The Company Orderly Room will be located in the present "A" Company Office.
4. "B" and "D" Coy Cookers will remain in present location and will cook for the Battalion as usual.
5. All officers will mess at En.H.Q (Chateau) from the fourth instant, inclusive.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. J. ...".

Adjutant, 27th Battalion, A.I.F.

Appendix No 4
27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION



By Lieut-Colonel F.R. CHALMERS, D.S.O.,
 Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 477.
 In the Field, 4/3/19.

1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut H.C. Lynn, DCM.
" Sergeant	Sgt P.J. Duffy.
" Corporal	Cpl H. Davey.
Sick Corporal	L/Cpl W.F.F. H. Boase.

2. Forestry.

Arrangements have been made with the British Government for a few experienced men to gain further experience in forestry methods in the U.K.

Applications should be made on A.I.F. Form 540 (available at the Education Office) and forwarded to B.O.R. by 5 p.m. on the 4th instant.

3. Education -
 Conducted
 Tours to
 BRUSSELS.

The following further details are published -

(a) If rations are brought, the daily charge for bed and three meals at the Y.M.C.A. is approximately 5 francs; if rations are brought, 7 francs.

(b) Men should take enough money with them to cover the expenses during the tour, as there is no Paymaster in BRUSSELS.

(c) Blankets are provided at the Y.M.C.A.

(d) All men should be provided with passes covering the period of the tour.

(e) Belts or bandoliers must be worn by all ranks in BRUSSELS.

(f) Soap, Cigarettes and tobacco are procurable only at very high prices (7th Bde 224/123 of 2/2/19)

4. English
 Leave.

Several cases have occurred where men on short leave to U.K. have reported to the Department of Demobilisation and Repatriation, London, stating that they are due for early Repatriation, and that they consider that they may miss their turn owing to absence from their unit.

To prevent a continuance of this practice, men are not to be allowed to proceed on leave if nearly due for return to Australia unless there are circumstances which render special leave to U.K. desirable (7th Bde 26/546 of 2/2/19)

5. Court of
 Inquiry.

The following officers will constitute a court of Inquiry to assemble at B.O.R. at 2 p.m., 4th instant, to enquire into the absence of No. 5895 Pte T.C.M. MUIR.

Captain	R. D. SOUTHOON, MC	President
Lieutenant	A. B. DURDIN, MCL	Members
2/Lieut	W.L.F. TAYLOR	

All witnesses will be warned to attend.

PART II ORDERS.

Marched in.	B2444 Pte Marshall, J.H.	"B" Coy	English Leave
	B2442 L/Cpl Masters, C.A.	"B" "	School.
Marched out.	5441 Cpl Forrest, J.C.	"C" "	English Leave
	6340 Pte Hansen, A.C.	"B" "	Sick Hospital
	while on English Leave.		
Promotions.	Lieut (T/Capt.) ROSS, J.L. to be Captain		21/10/18
	2/Lieut. J.H.E. EVANS to be Lieutenant,		7/1/19
	2/Lieut H. C. LYNN, DCM. do		"

A. J. ...

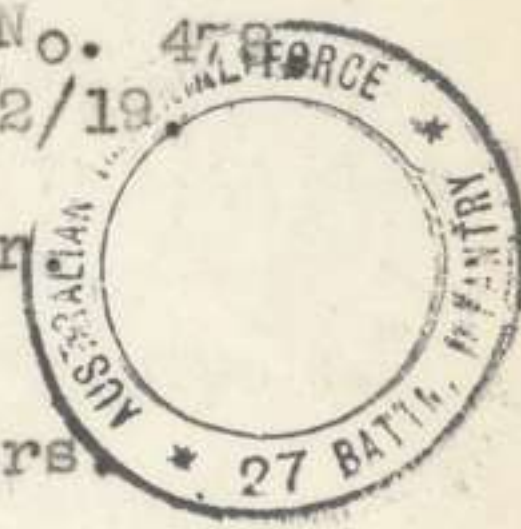
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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

By Lieut-Colonel F.R. CHALMERS, D.S.O.,
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 47
In the Field, 5/2/19



1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut R.C. Hunter
" Sergeant	Sgt R.J. Carter.
" Corporal	Cpl W.G. Buck.
Sick Corporal	L/Cpl C.A. Masters

2. Repatriation of married men.

In order to clear up a doubt which has arisen regarding the method of deppatching from France married men who desire repatriation with their families, the following instructions are issued -

(a) Men due for ordinary repatriation.

A married man who desires to be repatriated in the same ship as that carrying his family will so inform his Commanding Officer. He will be allotted to, and form part of the Quota appropriate to his place on the "repatriation precedence Roll". His Movement Card (A.I.F. Form 541) will be marked "C" in addition to the "Embarkation ~~and~~ Quota number" and he will be instructed to make application on A.I.F. Form 542 on arrival in ENGLAND; vide General Instructions No. 8, Annexure A, paragraph 5.

(b) Men approved for Early Repatriation with wife.

A man who has been ordered to ENGLAND for Early repatriation with his wife will proceed as part of a "raft", and not as part of a Quota. His Movement Card will be marked "B" and he will be instructed to make application on A.I.F. Form 542 on arrival in ENGLAND.

3. Accountants.

The Air Ministry require about fifteen Chartered Accountants for service in England for a period of about six months, more or less -

Full particulars may be obtained from -

The Air Ministry (Finance)
Strand, LONDON, W.C.2.

to whom all applications should be addressed.

Members of the A.I.F. who obtain promise of an appointment should then submit applications for Extended Leave vide General Instructions, No. 4, paragraph 20.

4. Baths.

The Baths at the CHARBONAGE, MARCHIENNE AU-PONT are allotted to "B" Coy from 1300 to 1350 on the 5th instant.

All available men to attend the parade. Party to arrive at Baths at 1300 (punctually) and to be marched to and from the Baths under the command of an officer.

Officer in charge of the party will ensure that the men are clear of the Baths at 1350 hours.

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Leave.

The following is the allotment for the 6th February

"B" Coy	2	o/ranks
Transp.	2	"

Names to reach B.O.R. by noon, 5th instant.

6. Shortage of Books in AUSTRALIA.

All ranks are advised that owing to the dislocation of the Publishing Trade by the War, there is at present in Australia a shortage of books, up-to-date text books, and the very latest reading matter.

By the activities of the A.I.F. Education Service, a number of interesting and instructive volumes have been placed on the market. These are being offered to members of the A.I.F. at a very low figure.

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

By Lieut-Colonel F.R. CHALMERS, D.S.O.
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 479.
In the Field, 2/19.

- 1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut C.J. Rollins, MC.
" Sergeant	Sgt R.F. Agars.
" Corporal	Cpl C. Crocker
Sick Corporal	L/Cpl J.E.C. Plush

2. Brussels Leave. Reference Battalion Order 478, para 5. Men for BRUSSELS Leave will report at B.O.R. at 0830 on the 6th instant. 24 hours rations to be carried.

3. Baths. Baths at the Charbonage, MARCHIENNE-AU-PONT are allotted to this unit from 1300 - 1350 on the 6th inst as follows -

Transport	20	o/ranks
Headquarters		all available men.

Party will parade at B.O.R. at 1215. Sgt Pridham will warn and parade Headquarters.
O.C. "B" Coy will detail an officer to march the party to and from the Baths. Officer detailed will ensure that all men are clear of the Baths by 1350.

PART II ORDERS.

- Marched in.

5889	Sgt	Peteron, C., DCM, MM	"B" Coy	School.
5548	"	Agars, R.F.	"B" "	"
6620	L/Cpl	Plush, J.E.C.	"B" "	"
- Marched out.

	Lieut	W. RODDICK	H.Q.	Engl. Leave
570	Dvr	Green, R.E.	Transp.	Sick Hospital.
62383	Pte	Lengnick, H.L.	"B" Coy	Detached
- Promotions.

5126	Sgt	Pearson, J.A.	to be Temp/COMS to date 25/1/19	
vice 6222	COMS.	Cameron, A.G.	temp.promoted.	
5400	Pte	Stephens, P.L.W.	to be Temp/Cpl to date	
3/2/19	vice 2591	Cpl Bissell, J.B.	returned to Australia.	
This N.C.O. to be in charge of Battalion Cookers.				
5325	L/Cpl	Coat, C.	to be Temp/Cpl to date 3/2/19 vice	
2265	Cpl	Thomas, R.L.	returned to Australia.	

[Handwritten Signature]

Adjutant, 27th Battalion, A. I. F.

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RATES OF EXCHANGE

The official rates of Exchange for FEBRUARY 1919 have been fixed as follows -

- FRANCE. 5 francs equal Three Shillings and Ten Pence. English Money received by you from the Post Office will be calculated at 26.10 francs to the Pound Sterling.
- BELGIUM. 5 francs equal Three Shillings and Eight Pence.
- GERMANY. 5 Marks equal Two shillings and Seven pence.

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

By Lieut-Colonel F.R. CHALMERS, D.S.O.
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 480
In the Field, 7/2/19.

1. Detail.
- | | |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| Orderly Officer | Lieut W.L.F. Taylor |
| " Sergeant | Sgt R. J. Carter |
| " Corporal | Cpl W. E. Ainsworth |
| Sick Corporal | L/Cpl W. M. Walters. |

2. Baths. Baths at the Charbonage, MARCHIENNE-AU-PONT are allotted from 1300 to 1350 on the 7th instant as follows -

Q.M. Staff
 Transport personnel who were not bathed on 6th inst.
 Headquarters " " " " " 6th "
 "B" Company " " " " " 6th "

Party will parade at B.O.R. at 1215.
 O.U. "B" Coy will detail an officer to march the party to and from the Baths.
 Officer detailed will ensure that all men are clear of the baths by 1350.

3. B.O.R. Hours. Commencing from the 7th instant, the B.O.R. hours will be from 0900 to 1200, and from 1330 to 1800 daily. Only business of an urgent nature will be transacted outside these hours.

4. Leave Boats and trains. Commencing on the 3rd February, the following time of sailing BOULOGNE - FOLKESTONE service will come into force for Staff officers, Field Officers and leave officers of the 2nd and 4th Armies.
BOULOGNE : Departs - 1030 and 1515
 Arrives - 1345 and 1715 daily.
 Commencing 3rd February, Staff Trains will leave Victoria 1255. All leave officers of the 2nd and 4th armies are permitted to use this train.

PART II ORDERS

Marched in.	3225	Dvr	Smelt, F.H.	Transp.	Detached Eng. Leave Reinfs.
	641	Pte	Mogridge, F.G.	H.Q.	
	62360	"	Smith, C.E.	"B" Coy	
Marched out.	6650	Cpl	White, G.A.	H.Q.	Eng. Leave Detached Paris L. Detached Sick Hosp.
		Chap. Rev.	A.H. GALLOP	H.Q.	
		Lieut	H.C. LYNN, DCM.	"B" Coy	
	5889	Sgt	Peterson, C., DCM, MM	"B" Coy	
	4375	Pte	Barber, H.D.B.	Transp.	

while on English Leave.

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Adjutant, 27th Aust. Inf. Battalion.

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

By Lieut-Colonel F.R. CHALMERS, D.S.O.
Commanding.

Battalion Order 481.
In the field, 8/2/19.

1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut A.S.A. Kenney
" Sergeant	Sgt P. J. Duffy
" Corporal	Cpl C. J. McGee
Sick Corporal	L/Cpl D. Hughes.

2. Binoculars
Compasses,
etc.

All officers and other ranks will take immediate steps to return the following articles, now on issue, to the R.Q.M. who will provide receipts for same.

Binoculars
Compasses
Electric Torches.
Pistols (complete with Holsters, Lanyards, pouches and cleaning rods)

This matter is to be treated as urgent.

3. A. W1 L.
during
Demobilisation.

The following extract from Australian Corps News Sheet is published -
Cases have occurred of men absenting themselves during the journey from FRANCE to ENGLAND, and during the journey from Depots in the United Kingdom to the ship's side, and of men overstaying leave and being therefore absent from embarkation.

Such practices not only seriously dislocate embarkation procedure, but also involve that the men guilty thereof remain a charge upon the state for longer than necessary.

It is to be clearly understood that any men so offending will become liable to -

- (a) Penalty by G.O. or court-martial.
- (b) The forfeiture in whole or in part of any or all, of the privileges or payments prescribed both before embarkation, during the voyage and after disembarkation.
- (c) Lose his priority of return.

A cablegram will be sent to Australia reporting the offence and the name of the offender.

4. Leave.

Leave to IRELAND is now open. (D.R.O. 1986)

5- Troops
Travelling.

Demobilisation and Leave Trains are often delayed through troops travelling in the brake vans, as French Guards will not take over in these cases.

All ranks will be warned accordingly. (D.R.O. 1988)

6. Canteen
Stores.

The practice of selling canteen stores to civilians must cease immediately. Troops will be warned, and notices placed in all canteens, institutions, etc. where these stores are obtainable. (D.R.O. 1989)

PART II ORDERS

Marched in.	62335	Pte	Neale, E.A.	"B" Coy	Reinforcements
Marched out.	6620	L/Cpl	Plush, J.E.G.	H.Q.	Paris Leave
		Lieut	W. L. DAVIES, MC	H.Q.	English Leave
Promotions.	6521	ER/Sgt	Aldersey, R.M.	} Promotions amended to read T/Sgt.	
	6539	"	Brown, W.R.		
	6550	"	Digance, J.R.		
	4215	ER/Cpl	Stenghel, F.S.	- Promotion amended to read T/Cpl.	
Ceased to be attached.	4402	Pte	Chivell, C.	} ceased to be attached to H.Q. Signal Section and will report to "B" Coy for duty.	
	4673	"	Crowley, P.		

[Signature]
Adjutant 27th Battn. N.F.Y. A. I. F.

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION



By Lieut-Colonel F.R. CHALMERS, D.S.O.
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 482.
In the Field, 9/2/19.

1. Detail.	Orderly Officer	Lieut H. L. Hosking.
	" Sergeant	Sgt R. F. Agars
	" Corporal	Cpl F. L. Sowton.
	Sick Corporal	L/Cpl F. G. Matthews.

2. Battalion Classes.

Arrangements have been made by which, in future, the 27th and 28th Bns. will hold combined classes in all subjects.

Commencing 9/2/19 the present 27th Battalion Education office will be utilised by both Battalions and the Education Officers concerned will arrange a timetable of classes to meet the needs of both Battalions.

3. Church Parades.

Church Services for Sunday 9th February 1919.

PROTESTANT.

Service will be held in the Y.M.C.A. Hall, MONT-SUR-MARCHIENNE at 1045.

"B" Coy and Details will parade at B.O.R. at 1030.

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

0900 in the local Church.

All R.C's will parade at B.O.R. at 0830.

O.C. "B" Coy will detail an officer to take charge of this parade.

All available officers and other ranks will attend the above parades.

Dress - Belt and side arms.

Parade States will be forwarded to B.O.R. by 1030.

PART II ORDERS

Marched in.	6085	Pte	Glover, A.J.	H.Q.	English Leave
	5337	"	Feder, A.J.	"B" Coy	do
	2406	"	Nowland, F.H.	H.Q.	do
	6036	"	Coventry, J.L.	"B" "	do.

Promotion.

1990 Sgt THOMAS, E.D. to be Temp/C.S.M. (T/W.O. CLASS II) to date 16/1/19 vice 1093 C.S.M. (W.O. Class II) Curtin, M.J. returned to Australia 15/1/19.

Adjutant, 27th Battalion, A. I. F.

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All ranks are notified that the Second Australian Divisional Race Meeting will be held on the 9th instant. Racecourse is at CHATELET and can be reached by the tram from CHARLEROI.

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

By Lieut-Colonel F.R. CHALMERS, D.S.O.
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 485.
In the Field, 10/2/19.

1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut	A. I. Brown
" Sergeant	Sgt	R. J. Carter.
" Corporal	Cpl	W. M. Daly.
Sick Corporal	L/Cpl	R. Lambert.

2. Essays.

Prizes of £10, £5 and £2. are offered for essays on the following subjects -

- (a) Operations ALBERT-CORBIE area between March and July 1918.
- (b) Operations CORBIE-BRAY area between July and August 1918.
- (c) VILLERS BRETONNEUX on August 8th.
- (d) Operations VILLERS BRETONNEUX-PERONNE area since August 8th.
- (e) Operations PERONNE-MONT. ST. QUENTIN area August and September.
- (f) Operations PERONNE to Hindenburg line, September and October.

Education officer will arrange for necessary maps.

PART II ORDERS

Marched in.	T/2/Lt.	BROWN, A.I.	"B" Coy	O.C. Battalion.
	4725 Pte	Hancock, C.T.	"B" "	Sick Hospital
	5412 "	Wood, H.	"B" "	do
	5129 "	Stanton, A.T.	H.Q.	do
Marched out.	5412 Pte	Wood, H.	"B" Coy	Detached
	7554 "	Davis, G.	"B" "	English Leave
	B2442 L/Cpl	Masters, C.A.	"B" "	do
	5692 Pte	Lucas, M.G.	Transport	Paris Leave.

R. J. Carter

Adjutant, 27th Battalion, A. I. F.

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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By Lieut-Colonel F.R. CHALMERS, D.S.O.
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 484.
In the Field, 11/2/19.

2. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut H.R. Newle, MC.
" Sergeant	Sgt P.J. Duffy.
" Corporal	Cpl H. Davey.
Sick Corporal	L/Cpl W.B. Smith.

PART II ORDERS.

Marched in.

Capt. PELLEW, C.E.	"B" Coy	English Leave
4785 Pte Woodall, W.G.	"B" "	do
Al679 T/Dvr Mayhew, L.A.	Transp.	do
5985 Pte Eagle, F.H.	"B" Coy	do

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Adjutant, 27th Aust. Inf. Battalion.

N O T I C E S

Notes for
Commanding
Officers.

There are 20 unclaimed copies of "Notes for
Commanding Officers" at 7/6 each, issued by Senior
Officers' School, ALDERSHOT. Any officer desiring
same will apply direct to A.A. & C.M.G.

Mails.

The D.A.P.S., A.I.F. advises no mails have been
received from Australia since December 20th 1918. One
is expected to arrive about the 15th instant.

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

By Lieut-Colonel F.R. Chalmers, D.S.O.
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 485.
In the Field, 12/2/19.



1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut W.L.F. Taylor.
" Sergeant	Sgt F. Brown.
" Corporal	Cpl W.G. Buck.
Sick Corporal	L/Cpl R.G. Jewell.

2. Saluting.

It has come to the notice of the Commanding Officer that the saluting of all ranks is far from satisfactory. Officers will ensure that saluting is strictly carried out.

3. Permanent Commissions.

The following letter from the War Office is promulgated for the information of all concerned -

" I am commanded by the Army Council to inform you that the applications of those officers of the Special Reserve, Territorial Force, New Army and officers of Oversea Forces who wish to be considered for permanent Regular Commissions and whom you wish to recommend, should now be forwarded to this office.

Officers may state the particular Regiment or Corps to which they wish to be appointed, but they must understand that the requirements of the service must be the first consideration governing their appointment.

At the present moment there is a surplus of Regular officers and until it is known how many wish to retire, are permanently unfit for General Service, etc. it is impossible to say how many direct regular commissions can be granted but applicants will be informed, as soon as the conditions admit, of the result of their applications.

Applications from officers will be submitted to B.O.R. by 5 p.m., 12th instant.

PART II ORDERS

arched in.

5330	Cpl	Dawe, A.L., MM	"B"	Coy	Sick Hospital
5317	Pte	Brisbane, G.	"B"	"	do
		ex English Leave			
5561	"	Burke, M.G.	"B"	"	Detached
5907	"	Normington, G.L., MM	"B"	"	English Leave
5823	"	Carins, J.	"B"	"	do
5595	L/Cpl	Jewell, R.G.	"B"	"	do
6154	"	Schran, W.T.	"B"	"	do
5306	Pte	Baker, W.H.R.	"B"	"	do
5591	"	Polomka, V.	H.Q.	"	do
255	Sgt	Brown, F.	"B"	"	do
2475	Pte	Ray, E.	"B"	"	do
5865	"	Ingerton, J.	"B"	"	do
4403	L/Cpl	Coggins, H.C.	"B"	"	Detached

arched out.

	Capt.	BEDDOME, J.W.K.	"B"	"	Leave, LIEGE.
5787	Cpl	Smith, J.G.	"B"	"	Sick.H. wh.E.L.

missions of sentences.

The G.O.C., 7th A.I.Bde has remitted the sentences in the cases of the following soldiers -

2393	Pte	Miller, H.H.
411	"	Pond, G.
2285	"	Constable, H.

3336 Pte Gray, A. - Unexpired portions of sentence remitted by G.O.C., 7th A.I.Bde 19/1/19.

Adjutant, 27th Battalion, A.I.F.

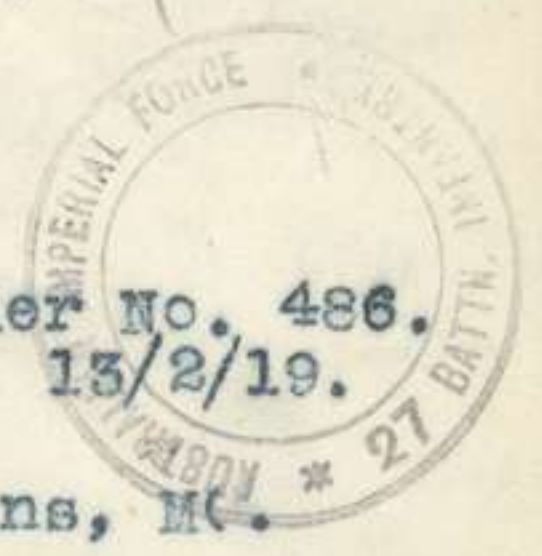
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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

By Lieutenant Colonel F.R. CHALMERS, D.S.O.
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 486.
In the Field, 13/2/19.



1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut O.J. Rollins, MC.
" Sergeant	Sgt J. McRae.
" Corporal	Cpl A.L. Dawe, MM
Sick Corporal	L/Cpl W.M. Walters.

2. Blankets of men on leave.

The following copy of wire received from Aust. Corps is published for information and necessary action -

" All men proceeding on leave will, until further notice, take with them two blankets. Blankets to be handed in on arrival at CALAIS. Commencing on the 9th instant all leave personnel returning will be provided with two blankets which they will be ordered to hand in to units on return.

3. Baths.

Baths at the Charbonage, MARCHIENNE-AU-PONT are allotted to this unit from 1300 until 1350 on the 13th instant.

All available men of "B" Coy., Hqrs Dtls, Transport and Q.M. Dtls will parade at B.O.R. at 1215 punctually.

O.C. "B" Coy will detail an officer to march this party to and from the Baths.

Officer detailed will ensure that all men are clear of the Baths by 1350.

PART II ORDERS.

Marched in.	4178	Sgt	McRae, J.	"B" Coy	Detached
	6083	Pte	Goldsworthy, C.	"B" "	Base Prison.
	3535	"	Lord, G.R.	Transp.	English Leave
Marched out.	5985	Pte	Eagle, F.H.	"B" Coy	Sick Hospital
Remission of Sentence.	5544	Pte	GODDARD, C.P.	-	The G.O.C., 7th A.I.

Bde has remitted the sentence in the case of the above named soldier. (7th A.I. Bde 9/853 od 11/2/19)

[Signature] Capt.

Adjutant, 27th Aust. Inf. Battalion.

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION



Lieut-Colonel F.R. Chalmers, D.S.O.
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 487.
In the Field, 12/2/19.

Detail.	Orderly Officer	Lieut A.B. Durdin, MC
	" Sergeant	Sgt P.J. Duffy.
	" Corporal	Cpl G.J. McGee.
	Sick Corporal	L/Cpl H.C. Coggins.

Belgian Money. The following wire from 7th A.I. Bde is published for the information of all ranks -

" Div. Canteen can accept Belgian money at reduced rate only AAA Warn all concerned AAA The question of rate of exchange has been taken up.

Leave. G.R.O. 6185 is published for promulgation to all ranks

" All ranks proceeding on leave to the United Kingdom are warned to be on their guard against having money transactions with strangers.

Several cases have occurred recently at Railway Stations in London of Bank of "Engraving" notes which are easily mistaken for Bank of "England" notes being offered to soldiers in exchange for money.

Marriages between British Soldiers and French or Belgian Women. G.R.O. 6184 is republished for information -

" 1. With reference to G.R.Os 3924 and 5571, it should be noted that all children born in France or Belgium of marriages between British soldiers and French or Belgian women are British subjects.

2. Unless, however, steps are taken to have such births properly registered inconvenience and possible hardship may result in after life to the children concerned.

3. Consequently every officer or soldier who becomes the father of a child born in France or Belgium of marriage with a French or Belgian woman should forthwith communicate with the British Consular Officer nearest to the place at which the birth occurs. The British Consular Officer will be able to furnish all information as to what is necessary in order that the desired registration may be effected. Particulars of such registrations are forwarded in January of each year by British Consular Officers to the Registrar-General, London, and the effect is therefore exactly the same as if the birth of the child had been registered at home by a District Registrar.

4. Officers Commanding Units will on receipt of this order take steps to ascertain whether any officer or man now serving under their command is the father of a child born of such a marriage, and if so, will ensure that this order is brought to the notice of such officer or man. They will also ensure that this order is similarly brought to notice in any future cases which may come to their knowledge.

5. British Consular Officers will be found at Amiens, Boulogne, Calais, Cherbourg, Croix, Dieppe, Dunkirk, Havre, Lille, Paris, Rouen, Caen, Fe camp, Honfleur, Treport and Eu. With regard to Belgium, communications should be addressed to the British Consul-General at Antwerp.

PART II ORDERS.

Attached in.	888	Pte	Oswald, E.G.	Transp.	English Leave
	6310	"	Burns, J.E.	"B" Coy	do
			and remained detached		
Attached out.	62360	"	Smith, C.E.	"B" "	Detached
	5925	"	Want, R.B.	"B" "	Sick Hosp.
Transfer.	5090	Cpl	Ekens, G.L.	transferred to A.I.F. H.Q., 31/1/19	
			while on English Leave		

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALIONBy Lieut-Colonel F.R. Chalmers, D.S.O.
Commanding.Battalion Order No. 488
In the Field, 15/2/19.

1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut A. S. A. Kenney.
" Sergeant	Sgt F. Brown.
" Corporal	Cpl F. L. Sowton.
Sick Corporal	L/Cpl D. M. Skinner.

2. Blankets of men on leave.

Reference Battalion Order 486, para 2. The following copy of wire received from ~~Fourth Army~~ Aust. Corps is published for information and necessary action -

" Following from Fourth Army "Q" begins AAA The number of blankets issued to men proceeding on leave will be entered by the man's unit on the back of the perforated slip of the leave warrant AAA Men arriving at Base with less than the number of blankets entered on leave warrant will be reported to their units and charged with the cost thereof on return AAA Any men returning from leave to unit with less than two blankets will be similarly treated".

All men proceeding on leave, and returning, will report at B.O.R. with two blankets.

3. Routine.

Sick Parade will be held at 0930, daily.

4. Demobilisation.

The following copy of Aust. Corps G.783 of 8th inst. is to be promulgated in order that all ranks may be aware of the reason for delay in despatch of quotas :-

" Following message received from DEMOBAUST begins AAA Following information for publicity AAA Embarkation to 6th February 26860 A.I.F., 1958 others, families, etc. AA February shipping to take 19,000 and 2730 others AAA Shipping delayed by strikes in dockyards and railways but hope to adhere to programme AAA Shipping ministry have been asked for to provide shipping for 20,000 for March AAA Ends.

. Leave to BRUSSELS.

Following is the allotment for the next period, 16th instant -

"B" Company -	2 offs.	2 o/ranks.
Transport	2	4

Names to reach B.O.R. by 1700, 15th instant. Men to be paid by the unit.

PART II ORDERS.

Marched in.

6045	Pte	Bayfield, A. E.	"B" Coy	Detached
5132	"	Vockins, J.	"B" "	"
5581	"	Griffen, M. J.	"B" "	Sick Hosp.
		ex English Leave and rem. detached.		
B2470	"	Rocke, J. L.	"B" "	English L.
3225	"	Steer, W. S.	"B" "	do
4499	"	Regan, W.	"B" "	do

Transfer.

6805 L/Cpl Davis, E. G. transferred to D.A.D.O.S. 14/2/19 whilst detached. (Authority : D.A.G., A.I.F. 191/6/78 of 31/1/19)

Adjutant, 27th Aust. Inf. Battalion.

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7th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Headquarters,
15th February 1919.

TO MY COMRADES OF THE 7th A.I.Bd.

It was my desire to meet you all, that is all who are new here, and say Good Bye, but finding the inconvenience I should be putting you to I decided it would be better to write.

My object is not only to say Au Revoir, but to try to express to you my thanks for the way you have supported me in my efforts not only to carry out the many more or less difficult tasks which have been set us, but also to make the Brigade the really fine Unit it has been right up to the last. It is a platitude for me to say I am proud of the Brigade. In a somewhat varied career I can honestly say the best part of my life was spent with you.

The Brigade is being wiped out and will die as a Brigade, but the spirit of comradeship which has grown up and permeated all ranks, making for that mutual understanding, trust and co-operation, which has been such a great factor in our success: — that will never die. That we will carry back with us to Australia, and wherever men of the "Saucy Seventh" may be they will be glad to gather together, not merely to fight their battles over again, but to help each other and stick to each other through thick and thin, as they have done so wonderfully during the War. There is another thing that will never die, and you will I am sure see that it is kept well alive, that is the magnificent record of the Brigade. Remember that since the Battle of POZIERES the Brigade has fought in 18 battles, in everyone of which it has been victorious. Since that time it has been unbeaten. That is surely a record we may all be proud of. We may also be proud of the way the Brigade has individually and collectively "played the game" generally. The discipline, training and conduct has been splendid, and for all these things I sincerely thank you all.

I would have preferred to have stayed with the old Brigade until the dead finish, but higher authority has ordered otherwise and I go to other duty in LONDON. I shall not say Good Bye, because I hope I shall have many opportunities of seeing you at home in AUSTRALIA, and I would ask each one of you wherever you may be to honor me by giving me the opportunity of shaking you by the hand. I therefore say Au Revoir and God Bless you, and may your futures be full of Happiness and Prosperity, which I know you deserve so well.

Yours Sincerely,

Wau Wau Wau

Brig. General.

~~Commanding 7th Australian Infantry Brigade.~~

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.



Lieut-Colonel F.R.Chalmers, D.S.O.
Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 489
In the Field *16/2/19.

. Detail.	Orderly Officer	Lieut M.L.Hosking
	" Sergeant	Sgt C.R.Graves.
	" Corporal	Cpl. W.E.Ainsworth.
	Sick Corporal	L/Cpl A.H.Palmer.

. Leave to BRUSSELS. Reference Battalion Order 488, para 5. The following will proceed on leave to BRUSSELS on the 16th instant. They will report to Lieut A.S.A.KENNEY at B.O.R. at 0830. Other ranks will be in possession of 24 hours rations.

- Lieut A.S.A.KENNEY
- 2/Lieut A. I. BROWN.
- 6056 Cpl C. Crocker.
- 6051 Pte A. Carr.
- B2372 Cpl F. R. Boughen.
- 6095 Pte D. Hall.

. Discipline. The following copy of letter received from H.Q., 2nd Australian Division is published for information and necessary action -

" 1. The Divisional Commander regrets to notice that great slackness is being shown by all ranks of this Division in the matter of saluting. This has been specially noticed in the town of CHARLEROI. Officers offend in this respect just as much as the men. There have been no instructions re relaxing the orders about saluting and the Divisional Commander desires all Unit Commanders to take the necessary steps to see that these orders are carried out.

2. Great slackness has been noticed also in the matter of dress. A large majority of the men seen in CHARLEROI have not been properly dressed, the special point noticed being the absence of belts. This shows slackness in the inspection of men before they are allowed away from their billeting area on leave or duty. Commanding Officers will take steps to have this remedied immediately.

. Snow-balling The following copy of letter from 7th A.I.Bde is published for information and necessary action :-

" A complaint has been received that a considerable number of street lights were broken recently, owing to the indiscriminate throwing of snow-balls.

The G.O.C. does not desire to altogether stop the practice of snow-balling but he instructs that all ranks are to be warned against indiscriminate practices, such as the above mentioned, and that of snow-balling drivers of vehicles which is exceptionally dangerous.

Please ensure that this matter is brought to the notice of all ranks.

Purchase of Meat, Bread, and Flour from civilian Shops and Bakeries. Owing to the shortage of flour in Belgium, it has been necessary to put civilians upon a ration which is only just sufficient for their needs. In order to prevent wastage, civilian bakers are allowed only the quantity of flour which is required for this ration. In every case, therefore, where British soldiers persuade a civilian baker to sell them flour or bread, they are depriving the inhabitants, mostly women and children, of food.

This also applies to meat, which although not rationed, is difficult to obtain.

The Army Commander trusts to the honour of the troops not to buy or consume these foodstuffs, which are only barely sufficient for the needs of the families of their comrades of the Belgian Army. (Bde R.O. 666)

6. Church
Parades.

98 Church Services for Sunday, 16th February 1919.



PROTESTANT.

Service will be held in the Y.M.C.A. Hall, MONTMARCHIENNE at 0945.

"B" Coy and Details will parade at B.O.R. at 0930.

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

Service in the local Church at 0900.

All R.C.'s will parade at B.O.R. at 0845.

"B" Coy will detail an officer to take charge of this parade.

All available officers and other ranks must attend the above parades.

Detailed Parade States will be forwarded to B.O.R. by 0930.

Dress - Belt and side arms.

PART II ORDERS.

ached in.	6790	Pte	Barry, W.J.	"B" Coy	Detached
	5911	L/Cpl	Palmer, A.H.	"B" "	English Leave
	6405	Pte	Clarke, A.E.	"B" "	do
	6390	"	Thorne, A.	"B" "	do
	4800	"	Hirschausen, S.F.	H.Q.	do
	4524	"	Starr, F.V.	"B" Coy	do
	4757	"	Ross, I.L.C.	H.Q.	do
	4774	"	Wadey, G.H.	"B" Coy	Paris Leave
	5438	Sgt	Graves, GR.	"B" "	English Leave.
ched out.	3093	L/Sgt	Duffy, P.J.	"B" "	Paris Leave
	6550	T/Sgt	Digance, J.R.	H.Q.	do
	6107	L/Sgt	Wilton, F.	H.Q.	do
	6045	Pte	Bayfield, A.E.	"B" "	do

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Adjutant, 27th Battalion, A.I.F.

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Ice Skates, Canadian Make, all steel, are immediately available on purchase at E.F.C., CHARLEROI. Price 11frs.65. and 14 frs. 50.

Size 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ - fit boots size 7 and under; 11 - fit size 8
12 $\frac{1}{2}$ - fit size 9 and over.

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION



By Lt Col F.R. Chalmers DSO.
Commanding.

Battalion Order No 490.
In the Field 17/2/19.

1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut A.I. Brown.
" Sergeant	Sgt R.J. Carter.
" Corporal	Cpl H. Davey.
Sick Corporal	L/c J.E.C. Plush.

2. Lecture.

Major General Sir A.A. MONTGOMERY KCMG, CB, MGCSS, 4th Army has kindly consented to lecture to this Division on Monday 17th February 1919.

Subject of Lecture -- WATERLOO.

Lecture will be held in the hall in the Rue EADORE PIRMEZ near the Grand Place MARGINELLE.

All ranks attending the lecture must be seated by 1030 hours 17th instant.

O.C. "B" Coy will detail 2 Officers and 4 Senior NCO's to attend this lecture.

3. Education.

The following men have been selected to attend a course in Telephony, Telegraphy and Radio Telegraphy at 2nd Aust Div. They will remain with the Unit and will report at Division each day commencing on 17th February at 1-45 p.m.

These men must be allowed to attend the classes each day without interruption and will be exempt from duty each afternoon.

5911	L/c	Palmer, A.H.
6021	"	Smith, W.G.
3325	Pte	Steer, W.S.
6390	"	Thorne, A.
6405	"	Clarke, A.E..
A6846	"	Kleeman, C.
4402	"	Chivell, G.
3319	"	Harman, E.L.

PART II ORDERS.

1. Marched in

4425 Pte Flynn, W.	"B" Coy	English Leave
130 Cpl McCarthy, J.	"B" Coy	Paris Leave
3319 Pte Harman, E.L.	"B" "	English Leave
4523 " Speck, H.	"B" "	-do-
Lieut LYNN, H.G. DCM	"B" "	Paris Leave.

2. Marched out.

44 Sgt Chambers, H.L.	HQ.	7th Field Amb.
1081 Pte Telfer, R.T.G.	"	-do-
13445 " Trowse, W.F.H.	"	-do-

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

By Capt. R.D. Southon, M.C.
Temp/ Commanding.

Battalion Order No. 491.
In the Field 18/2/19



1. Detail

Orderly Officer	Lieut. S.C.Hull.
" Sergeant	Sgt. J.McRae
" Corporal	Cpl. J.McCarthy
Sick Corporal	L/c. W.F.H.Boas

2. Inoculation.

Coy, Hqrs, T.O., and R.Q.M., will submit to B.O.R. by 9 a.m. 18th instant a return showing all men due for Inoculation.

This return must be accurate and taken from the men's pa books.

3. Education.

The Wolseley Sheep Shearing Machine Coy is willing to take men for a months course of instruction on Shearing Machine and Petrol Engine.

Applicants report to Education Office for Form 540.

4. Supplies.

The maximum prices for the following supplies obtainable in BELGIUM are notified:-

Potatoes	25 frs. per 100 kilos.
Butter	8-50 fcs per kilo.
Milk (Sterilised)	1-10 fcs per litre.

The above rates are not to be exceeded without authority of A.H.Q. (D.D.S. & T&)

PART II ORDERS.

1. Marched in.

5347 Cpl Gomer, W.	"B" Coy	School
2/LieutHULL, S.C.MM	"B" "	O.T.C.
3142 Pte Hart, H.R.	"B" "	Hospital

2. Marched out.

Lt Col. CHALMERS, F.R. DSO	"HQ"	Detached.
1024 Pte Scott, L.S.D.	"	-do-
5803 " Bell, R.	"B" Coy	-do-

R.D. Southon

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION. No 20

By Captain R.D. Southon, M.C.
Temp. Commanding

Battalion Order No 492.
In the Field 1/2/19



- 1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut H.C. Lynn DCM.
" Sergeant	Sgt R.F. Agars.
" Corporal	Cpl W.G. Buck.
Sick Corporal	L/c W.T. Schramm.

2. Sport. It has been decided to hold Group General Atkitt Athletic Sports competition on Friday next 21st instant, commencing at 12-30 p.m. on 27th Battalion Ground. MONT-sur-MARCHIENNE.

As the nominations for the various events are somewhat small, every effort should be exerted to secure further entries, and in this respect any additional will be accepted on the starting point.

3. Inoculation. The following men will parade at R.A.P. at 9-30 a.m. on the 19th instant for Inoculation:-
 3081 L/c Lambert, R.
 3142 Pte Hart, H.R.
 5337 " Feder, A.J.
 5966 Cpl Nelson, L.R.
 6085 Pte Glover, A.J.

PART II ORDERS.

- 1. Marched in. 7096 Pte McKenna, A.G.

R.D. Southon Capt.

Temp. Commanding 27th Bn A.I.F.



By Captain R.D. Southon, M.C.
Temp. Commanding

Battalion Order No 493
In the Field 2/19

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1. Detail

Orderly Officer	Lieut. H.R. Neale, M.C.
" Sergeant	Sgt F. Brown.
" Corporal	Cpl A.L. Dawe, MM
Sick Corporal	L/c D. Hughes.

2. Clerks

A number of men are required for duty as clerks. Applications will be received at B.O.R. until 1800 22nd inst to fill these positions. Applications should contain the following particulars:-

- Clerical experience.
- If a shorthand writer.
- If a typist.
- Date of embarkation from AUSTRALIA.

3. Russian Expeditionary Force.

Advice has been received from the War Office that the names of officers wishing to serve with the Russian Expeditionary Force will be noted for future use should the opportunity occur to utilize their services.

Any officer desiring to have his name noted for this purpose should submit an application through the usual channels to A.M.S., A.I.F. H.Q., LONDON. The application should set out a short record of service and a statement of any special qualifications possessed by the applicant.

4. Employment in Commonwealth Arsenal.

Applications are invited from members of the A.I.F. with Engineering or Technical qualifications with a view to their being trained for post war employment in Australia in connection with the Commonwealth Arsenal, with rank and salary as follows:-

Assistant Inspector	Hon Lieut	£550 p.a. upwards
Foreman Inspector	Master	£220 p.a. "
Examiner	Gunner W.O.1.	
Examiner	C. S. M.	£220 p.a. "

Applicants must be prepared to undergo the necessary course of training in England prior to being repatriated.

The following particulars are required:-

Reg. No., Rank, Name (in full), Unit, Married or Single, Medical Classification, Field Service, Pre-war Trade and qualifications, recommendation of Commanding Officer.

Final selection will be made to fill the following vacancies-

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Detail</u>	<u>Vacancies</u>
Assistant Inspector-	Carriages, including the complete inspection of all horse-drawn vehicles used in the service.	1
Foreman Examiners or Examiners	Vickers Machine Guns	1
	Lewis Guns	1
	Revolvers, Pistol Signalling	
	Bayonets and Scabbards	1
	Guns	1
	Carriages- Examination of Components	1
	Carriages- Sighting arrangements	1
	Completed Limbers and Wagons	1.

Applications in connection with the above will be received at B.O.R. until 1800 22nd instant.

Conducted Tour to BRUSSELS.

O.C. "B" Goy will submit to B.O.R. by 1800 20th instant, names of 3 NCOs or men desiring to accompany a party which leaves CHARLEROI on 24/2/19 and returns on 26/2/19. This party will also visit WATERLOO. Accommodation will be reserved at the Y.M.C.A. BRUSSELS.

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PART II ORDERS.

Marched in.	6526 Pte Sawyer, J.F.	"B" Coy English Leave
Marched out.	Licut. DEVONSHIRE, G.S.	"B" " English Leave

Robert [unclear]

Temp. C.O., 27th Battalion A.I.F.

NOTICE.

The 7th Australian Infantry Brigade Sports will eventuate on FRIDAY next 21st instant at MONT-SUR-MARCHIE-NE on 27th Battalion Football Ground commencing at 12-30 p.m.

W.S. Southon

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

By Captain R.D. Southon, M.C.
Temp. Commanding.

Battalion Order No 494.
In the Field 21/2/1919.



1. Detail.

Orderly Officer
" Sergeant
" Corporal
Sick Corporal

Lieut G.J. Rollins, MC.
Sgt C.R. Graves.
Cpl. W. Gomer.
L/c W.R. Jones.

2. Class in Shorthand.

As some enquiries have been made, it has been decided to commence a Battalion Shorthand Class at once. Classes will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., commencing Friday, 21st instant. "Pitman's Rapid Course" will be used as a Text Book. Note-books will be supplied free.

PART II ORDERS.

1. Marched in.

Lieut. W.L. DAVIES, MC
" M.A. CRONIN
" R.H. HUGHES

"H.Q." English Leave
"B" Coy -do-
"B" Sick Hospital
ex Paris Leave

2. Marched out.

5548 Sgt Agars, R.F.

"B" Coy Leave to Albert

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Temp. Commanding 27th Battalion A.I.F.

27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

By Captain R.D. Southon M.C.
Temp. Commanding.

Battalion Order No 495.
In the Field 22/2/19.



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1. Detail

Orderly Officer	Lieut. R.H. Hughes.
" Sergeant	Sgt. R.J. Carter.
" Corporal	Cpl. W.M. Daly.
Sick Corporal	L/c W.M. Walters

2. Revolvers

Owing to the improper use to which some persons are putting revolvers which they have in possession the following instructions are issued:-

O.C. "B" Coy., Hqrs., T.O., will arrange to collect all revolvers in possession of officers and other ranks and hand them to the R.Q.M. for safe keeping. This includes souvenir weapons as well as those on charge.

In the case of souvenirs or private property all ranks must be given clearly to understand that same must be handed in and they will be given a receipt for them.

These weapons will be returned when the owners are leaving the Unit for demobilisation.

All revolvers must be handed to the R.Q.M. by 1800 22nd instant. After the 23rd instant, any officer, NCO or man who is known to be in possession of a revolver or firearms of any description, other than those authorised, will be liable to severe disciplinary action.

3. Arms, Equip-
ment &c. of
men at Leave
Camp CALAIS
31/1/19.

Circumstances necessitated the despatch to their Units of certain N.C.Os and men who were at leave camps at CALAIS on 30/1/19 without giving them an opportunity of collecting their arms, equipment or clothing.

An assurance was given that they would not be held responsible for such loss.

N.C.Os and men who were in the CALAIS Leave Camps on 30/1/19 are not to be called upon to make good any loss sustained by them, in view of the assurance given as stated above.

4. 1914-1915
Star.

In reply to a query from this Division as to whether all Australian Troops who landed in EGYPT prior to Midnight, 31st December 1915 were eligible for the 1914-1915 Star, the following reply has been received from Australian Corps.

"At present only those troops who took part in the operations on the Canal, and in the expedition against the Senussi, are entitled to the 1914-1915 Star.

The case of other troops in EGYPT prior to midnight 31st December 1915 has been referred to higher authority."

5. School

The following have been selected to attend the next course at the Australian Corps P. & R.T. School, which assembles on the 23rd instant. They will report to B.O.R. at 1400 on 22nd instant before proceeding to the School, fully equipped and carrying 48 hours rations.

6141 L/c. POPE, H.M.
5424 " JONES, W.R.
6555 " DAVEY, H.

6. Baths.

All men of "B" Coy, Hqrs, Transport Section and Q.M. Stores will parade at B.O.R. at 12-15 tomorrow for Bath Parade.

O.C. "B" Coy will detail an officer to take charge of the party.

All men must be clear of baths by 13.55.

PART II ORDERS.

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1. Marched in.	6620 L/c Plush, J.E.C.	"B" Coy	Paris Leave.
	6361 Cpl Lambert, H.B.	"B" "	Supy Lis.
	4707 Cpl Excelby, J.C.	"B" "	-do-
	5441 Cpl Forrest, J.C.	"B" "	S. Leave.
	6889 Pte Smith, J.M.	"Q.M."	-do-
	Capt BEDDOME, J.W.K.	"B" "	LIEGE Leave.



2. Promotion. 5782 C.S.M. HULLETT, A.L. to be Temp R.S.M. (t/W.O. class I) vice Coleman to Australia. To date 10/2/19.

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Temp. C.O. 27th Battalion A.I.F.

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SPECIAL ORDER.

by

Major-General Sir CHARLES ROSENTHAL, KCB, CMG, DSO, *

Commanding Second Australian Division.



I have been suddenly ordered to move to ENGLAND, there to assume command of the A.I.F. Depots in the United Kingdom.

I therefore formally relinquish command of Second Australian Division as from 23rd instant.

I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my keen appreciation of the loyalty accorded me by all ranks during the period I have been Divisional Commander.

A marked feature of the concluding months of fighting, as far as this Division was concerned, was the singleness of purpose of all ranks and units, pulling together as one splendid machine, and the magnificent results attained were the justly earned reward.

To Divisional Staff, to Commanders of all Arms and their Staffs, to regimental officers, to n.c.o.'s. and men I tender my very sincere and grateful thanks. I wish one and all the speediest possible return to AUSTRALIA and a future full of brightness and happiness.

D.H.Q.
23/2/1919.

Charles Rosenthal Major-General,
Commanding Second Australian Division.

29th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Appendix No 25

By Captain R.D. Southon, M.C.
Temp. Commanding.

Battalion Order No 496
In the Field 23/2/19.



1. Detail

Orderly Officer	Lieut. M.A. Cronin.
" Sergeant	Sgt E. McRae.
" Corporal	Cpl J.C. Excelby.
Sick Corporal	L/c F.G. Matthews.

2. Conducted
Tour to
BRUSSELS.

The following will report at B.O.R. at 1400 on
23rd instant, before proceeding on leave to BRUSSELS:-

Lieut HULL, S.C.
255 Sgt BROWN, F.
4604 " CARTER, R.J.
150 Cpl McCARTHY, J.
5330 " DAWE, A.L. MM

Each man must be in possession of three days rations. These
will be handed in at the Anglo-Belge Y.M.C.A., a nominal
charge being made for cooking and extras.

The total expenses of the trip, including any admission
fees necessary, are estimated at less than 20 frs. per head.

3. Australian
Burials
Detachment.

The following personnel are detailed to hold themselves
in readiness (pending further instructions) to proceed to the
Australian Burials Detachment for duty:-

6595 Pte MILLS W H
5347 Cpl GOMER, W.
62335 Pte Neale, E.A.
6790 " BARRY, W.J.
7096 " McKENNA, A.G.
6846 " KLEEMAN, G.
3672 " EVANS, J.

The O.C. "B" Coy will warn these men accordingly.

4. Visiting
Workshops
CHARLEROI

A number of Tours to Workshops in CHARLEROI have been
arranged. Any Officer, N.C.O., or man desiring to accompany
these parties will report the Education Officer, who will make
the necessary arrangements for their attendance.

5. Church
Parades

Church Services for Sunday 23rd February 1919.

PROTESTANTS Service will be held in the Y.M.C.A. Hall
MONT-SUR-MARCHIENNE at 10-45.

"B" Coy and Details will parade at B.O.R. at 1030.

ROMAN CATHOLICS. Service will be held in the local Church
at 0900. All R.C.'s will parade at B.O.R. at 0845.

All available officers and other ranks will attend the
above parades.

Detailed Parade States will be forwarded to B.O.R. by
0930.

Dress - Belt and Side Arms.

6. Text-
Books.

It should be brought to the notice of all concerned that
a serious shortage of text books exists in Australia, and
intending students are advised to secure all they are likely
to need in the near future before departure for Australia.
Enquiries should be made at the Education Office.

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PART II ORDERS.

1. Marched in.

Temp. 2/Et CORFIELD, W.
5098 L/Cp WILSON, P.R.

"B" Coy O.T.C.
"B" " Sick Hosp

2. Marched out.

6141 L/Cp POPE, H.M.
5424 " Jones, W.R.
6555 " Davey, J.H.

"B" Coy School.
"B" " "
"B" " "



A. Wilson Capt

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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By Captain R.D. Southon, M.C.
Temp. Commanding.

Battalion Order No 497.
In the Field 24/ 2/ 19.

1. Detail.	Orderly Officer	Lieut A.B. Durdin, M.C.
	" Sergeant	Sgt. J. McRae.
	" Corporal	Cpl. J.C. Forrest.
	Sick Corporal	L/c P.R. Wilson.

2. Damage to Railway Stock.

The following is an extract from a report on the condition of a leave train on its arrival at the Base:-
"Dirty - many stoves missing - Benches have been burnt in several trucks. First class French Coach D.P.Y. 140 has been entirely gutted; not only have cushions been taken but the general structure of the inside of the coach has been destroyed apparently with an axe. All windows broken - sashes, straps, cords and curtains cut out, or in other ways destroyed. The coach is in a disgraceful state and is certainly of no use to the train."

The above is only one of many similar reports which have been received of damage been caused to Railway Stock of trains employed for the movement of personnel both for demobilisation and leave.

The damage usually takes two forms, either damage done by carelessness, such as broken doors and windows of passenger stock, or damage due to deliberate abstraction of fittings such as stoves, seats, cushions, etc.

This damage has lately reached such proportion that it is impossible to effect repairs, or to replace fittings, sufficiently quickly to maintain the stock in condition and considerable hardship is inevitably caused to troops who have subsequently to use the damaged trains, more particularly in cold weather.

Damage of this nature can be avoided. Deliberate damage is caused by a small minority who do not appreciate the hardships they inflict on their comrades by their actions.

All ranks are therefore urged in the general interest to do everything in their power by loyal co-operation to maintain trains in the best possible condition.

(G.R.O. 6239 of 11/2/19.)

3. Court of Inquiry.

The following officers will assemble at B.O.R. at 1400 24th instant to inquire into the Illegal Absence of 3114 Pte P.W. FRY.

Captain J.W.K. BEDDOME.
Lieut. W. RODDICK.
" H.C. LYNN, D.C.M.

PART II ORDERS.

1. Marched in.	Lieut. RODDICK, W.	M.C. English Leave
	4444 Pte HERBERT, J.F.	"B" Coy Sick Hosp.
	5412 " WOOD, H.	"B" " Detached.
	62333 " McCLEOD, A.E.	"B" " Reinforcements
	62311 " FRANCIS, J.L.	"B" " -do-
	62356 " SWAN, G.J.	"B" " -do-
	62317 " HYNES, J.	"B" " -do-
	62308 " DRAPES, J.W.	"B" " -do-
2. Marched out.	5924 Pte LIGHT, E.L.	"B" " England;
	7554 " DAVIS, G.	"B" " A.I.F. Hqrs.
	3953 " CRANE, H.	"B" " Sick Hosp. while on Eng. Leave.
3. Transfers.	5024 " Light LIGHT, E.L.	"B" " Eng. for non- military employment.
	7554 " DAVIS, G.	"B" " A.I.F. Hqrs. while on Eng. Leave.

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By

By Captain R.D. Southon, M.C.
Temp. Commanding.

Battalion Order No 42
In the Field 25/2/19



1. Detail.	Orderly Officer	Lieut. W.L.F. Taylor
	" Sergeant	Sgt. J. McRae.
	" Corporal	Cpl. C.J. McGee.
	Sick Corporal	L/c. J.E.C. Plush.

2. F.G.C.M. No 5631 Pte W. BRANNEN "B" Coy will be tried by F.G.C.M. at BERTEAUCOURT on 28/2/19. The following personnel will report to Lieut A.B. DURDIN, M.C. at B.O.R. at 8-15 a.m. 25th instant:-

56 hours rations and blankets to be carried.

Lieut HUNTER, R.C.	Prisoner's Friend.
1518 Sgt CHURCHETT, J.J.	Pay Staff.
1990 CSM THOMAS, E.D.	} Witnesses.
3051 L/c LAMBERT, R.	
5005 Pte KING, T.A.	
385 Sgt McMILLAN, W.C.	
5347 Cpl GOMER, W. and 1 man as escort will also	also report with prisoner at time and place stated above.

PART II ORDERS.

1. Marched in.	6867 Pte Blacklock R.W.	"B" Coy.	Detached.
	5268 " Brown, N.O.	"B" "	-do-
2. Marched out.	6867 Pte Blacklock, R.W.	"B" Coy	Eng. Leave
	3268 " Brown, N.O.	"B" "	-do-
	B2414 " Gaskin, R.	"B" "	-do-
	Capt PELLEW, C.E.	"B" "	Detached.
	Lieut ROLLINS, C.J. MC	"B" "	-do-
	62317 Pte Hynes, J.	"B" "	-do-
	62356 " Swan, G.J.	"B" "	-do-

3. Illegal Absentees
3114 Pte Fry, P.W. "B" Coy was this day declared an Illegal Absentee by a Court of Enquiry and is struck off the strength of the Unit.

R.D. Southon

Temp. C.O., 27th Battalion A.I.F.

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By Captain R.D. Southon, M.C.
Temp. Commanding.

Battalion Order No 499
MONT-SUR-MARCHIENNE, 26/12/17

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1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. A.I. Brown.
" Sergeant	Sgt. P.J. Duffy.
" Corporal	Cpl. W.E. Ainsworth.
Sick Corporal	L/c. D.M. Skinner.

2. Use of the Phrase "In the Field."

The use of the phrase "In the Field" will in future be discontinued in all official documents in which it has hitherto been used, and the actual name of the place will be inserted instead. (G.R.O. 6313)

3. Influenza.

This disease, frequently complicated by pneumonia, is again prevalent in the Army Area, and is attended with ~~xxxx~~ serious, and, in a number of cases fatal results.

To prevent the spread of the epidemic the following precautions will be taken by all formations and units located in the Fourth Army Area.

- (a) Every man will be instructed to report sick immediately symptoms of the disease become apparent. These symptoms generally take the form of a headache slight cough with fever. A patient's chance of recovery is jeopardised by any delay in the treatment of his case, which may further result in the spread of the disease amongst his comrades.
- (b) Billets will be carefully inspected and any overcrowding dispersed. Ventilation in billets is of cardinal importance in limiting the spread and diminishing the severity of the disease.
- (c) Warm clothing will be worn by night and day, and exposure to inclement weather avoided whenever possible.
- (d) Influenza cases will be removed to hospital and isolated; cases are not to be treated in quarters.
- (e) From 25rd February (inclusive) until further notice, public places of entertainment will be placed out of bounds to all troops. Military Cinema and entertainment halls will be closed, and Church Parade Services will be held in the open air. This order will be reviewed on 1st March, when it is hoped that the situation will allow of its modification.

PART II ORDERS.

1. Marched in.

4210 Sgt. Skinner, H.M. IM	H.Q.	Detached.
5541 Pte Barrington, G.R.	"B" Coy	-do-
5093 L/Sgt Duffy, P.J.	"B" "	Paris Leave.

2. Marched out.

Lieut. HUGHES, R.H.	"B" "	transfer ENG.
" HUNTER, R.C.	"B" "	BERTEAUCOURT.
" DURDIN, A.B. MC and	"B" "	-do-
xxxxxx 9 other ranks.		
62535 Pte Neale, E.A.	"B" "	Sick Hosp.

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Temp. C.O., 27th Bt talion A.I.F.

27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

By Captain R.D. Southon M.C.
Temp. Commanding.

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1. Detail.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. T.L. Minnis, MM.
" Sergeant	Sgt. J. McRae.
" Corporal	Cpl. H.B. Lambert.
Sick Corporal	L/c. R.G. Jewell.

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2. BRUSSELS.
Leave.

O.C. "B" Coy will submit to B.O.R. by 1600 tomorrow
~~27th~~ instant three names of men desiring to accompany
a party on a conducted tour to BRUSSELS. Leave will
commence on 1st and finish on 3rd March.

PART II ORDERS.

1. Marched in

6650 Cpl White C.A.	H.Q. English Leave.
Temp. 2 nd Lt MINNIS, T.L. MM	"B" Coy O.T.C.

2. Transfer

4682 T/Cpl Carter H.H. MM is transferred to
Aust. Army Postal Corps to date 22/2/19.

R. Southon

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.



By Captain R.D. Southon, M.C.
Temp. Commanding.

Battalion Order No 501.
MONT-SUR-MARCHIENNE 28/2/19.

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| 1. Detail. | Orderly Officer | Lieut. T. Playford. |
| | " Sergeant | Sgt. F. Brown. |
| | " Corporal | Cpl. J. McCarthy. |
| | Sick Corporal | L/c. W.M. Walters. |

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2. Officers for duty in U.K. With reference to the following copy of minute received from the Assistant Director of Education. Nominations from officers willing to undertake these duties for at least three months will be submitted to B.O.R. not later than 6 p.m. 28th instant.

"Officers for Administrative Duty in connection with A.I.F. Education Service in Depots U.K."

"The Services of twelve officers, Lieutenants preferred, are required for administrative work in connection with the Education Service in the Demobilisation Depots in U.K. Duties will comprise supervision of educational equipment of all quotas and transports, and general administrative details, and the allotment of instructors to quotas and transports."

3. Return of Stores to ORDNANCE.

Aust. Corps telegraphs as follows:-

"Complaints have been received that some Units are handing in equipment to D.A.D.O.S. in a dirty condition. All equipment must be thoroughly cleaned before handing in. D.A.D.O.S. is authorised to refuse to accept any equipment considered by him unfit to return to Base."

Special attention must be given to this matter to ensure that no complaints are made as far as this Battalion is concerned.

4. Lecture.

Lieut. FORTESCUE will lecture in Y.M.C.A. Hall at 0930, 28th February on "Land Settlement and Co-operation". All available officers and other ranks will attend.

PART II ORDERS.

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| 1. Marched in. | Temp. 2/Lt. PLAYFORD, T. | "B" Coy. | O.T.C. |
| | Lieut ROLLINS, C.J. MC | "B" " | Detached. |

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27th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

EDUCATION SUMMARY for FEBRUARY 1919



CLASSES.

During the month another draft marched out for England with a consequent diminution in attendances at classes. The interest, however, has not evaporated, and those students who avail themselves of the opportunity to obtain instruction are receiving considerable benefit thereby.

The 28th Battalion Education Service has been incorporated with ours and the classes and instructors of each unit have been pooled with mutual benefit.

LIBRARY.

The Books in the Battalion Library are proving a great benefit to members of the unit who readily avail themselves of the excellent instructional works therein contained.

LECTURE.

On Feby. 28th, Lieut FORTESCUE delivered a lecture on "Land Settlement in Australia" to a large and appreciative audience. In future similar discourses embracing a wide range of subjects interesting to soldiers will be given twice weekly.

VISITS TO FACTORIES.

During Feby numerous visits to Factories and workshops in the surrounding districts have been made. These have proved of great educational value to those who attended.

UNIVERSITE DU TRAVAIL.

The various classes at this admirable institution are filled to overflowing and the students are obtaining great benefit in their respective branches.

RADIO-TELEGRAPHY.

A course of instruction in the above subject has been commenced at the 2nd Australian Divisional H.Q.. Eight members of our unit are attending.

*H. Davis Lieut
Ed. 27th Bn*