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**WAR DIARY**

OF

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SIGNALS - AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

FOR

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
EU.	1, 11-18.		Details of a <del>route</del> route now not in use from which stores for training purposes could be salvaged were received from O.C. Signals, ABBEVILLE, Area, and the Os.C. No. 1 and 2 M.A.L. Sections instructed to commence work.	
	2-11, 18.		Information was received of a probable move of the Corps and the usual preliminary arrangements were made.	
	3rd Nov.,		In view of the further information available today of a move in the near future certain Officers were recalled from leave.	
	4th Nov.,		Owing to the non-arrival of Technical Stores consigned to us from Signal Park HAVRE, arrangements were made with Fourth Army to supply our Divisions which were moving forward with as much as possible of the stores demanded by them.	
	5th Nov.,		Consequent upon the arrangements made with Army Stores, a copy of the stores demand of the 1st Aust. Div. Sig. Coy., which was under orders to move up into Fourth Army Area, was forwarded to D.D. Signals, Fourth Army.	
	6th Nov.,		I visited D.D. Signals, Fourth Army to discover as much about the situation as possible. I was informed that owing to the increasing difficulty in obtaining stores and in transporting them forward, Corps were experiencing great difficulty in maintaining communication with Divisions and in some cases had found it impossible to do so. I visited the 9th and 13th Corps Headquarters. The latter Corps had lost touch with its Division in the line. The only forward line communication was to a Report Centre from which D.Re. conveyed traffic to various formations.	



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EU.	7th Nov.,		In consideration of the amount of work to be done, I wired the O.C. Australian Corps Signal Coy. to immediately despatch No. 1 and 2 MAL. Sections and an Emergency Office, equipment and personnel. I arranged with A.D. Signals, 9th Corps to supply these units with all available information.	
Le CATEAU.	8th Nov.,		Arrangements were made to draw Cable and Stores from Army Signal Dump at LA CHAPELLETTE. The remainder of Headquarters Section of the Australian Corps Signal Company moved by Lorry from EU to Le CATEAU. The 1st Aust. Div. moved from Long Area to St. SOUPLET, communication being obtained through 9th Corps.	
	9th Nov.,		I was informed by B.G.G.S. that Australian Corps would take over the Headquarters of the 13th Corps at Le CATEAU on the 11th inst. I moved up from EU to Le CATEAU in order to see that the work of preparing for the arrival of Corps and Divisions was pushed ahead. No. 1 and 2 Australian Cable Sections moved by Road <del>taxi</del> from EU to Le CATEAU. The 4th Aust. Div. moved from CAVILLON area to 9th Corps Area.	
	10th Nov.,		I visited the D.D. Signals, Fourth Army and discussed with him the construction of certain routes. It was decided to pool the whole constructional resources of the Army and construct a route forward to AVESNES. 2 American Construction Coy.s were also available for this. I was instructed to construct from a point in AVESNES back along the MARBAIX - AVESNES Road to meet the Americans who were building towards AVESNES. The route was to be one of 8 pairs, eventually, the top four pairs to be of 100 lb. copper and the bottom four pairs of 70 lb. copper. The O.C. of the 4th Telegraph Construction Coy. was to be in charge of the whole of the route. I instructed the Os. C. No. 1 and 2 M.A.L. Sections to report to him immediately. The D.D. Signals is to arrange for the construction of the Black and White routes to formations which established on the flanks of this main route. The approximate direction of the route in front of AVESNES was towards Dinant. Nominal Roll of Signal Officers for Month ending 10-11-18, forwarded to D.D. Signals, Fourth Army. (Copy attached)	App L1.



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Le CATEAU.	11th Nov.		<p>News of the cessation of hostilities from 11 a.m. today was received.</p> <p><del>XXXXXXXXXXXX</del> I reconnoitred the area to and forward of AVESNES, with the O.C. 1st Aust. Div. Sig. Coy. for suitable Headquarters for the 1st Australian Division.</p> <p>The 4th Australian Division opened at BUSSIGNY at noon. Australian Corps Headquarters closed at EU at noon and opened at Le CATEAU at same hour.</p>	
	12th Nov.		<p>I inspected No. 2 M.A.L. Section at work on the construction of the route through AVESNES. The difficulty of transporting stores to the job, owing to the state of the roads, had delayed the progress of the work slightly but good headway was made. Standing French Poles were being used for part of the distance and an old German route is to be cleared up and used in that portion of the route, near AVESNES. Orders were received from Advanced Army that all permanent line construction except to Headquarters already chosen and to which the work was in progress was to cease and construction units were to stand by. (Telegram attached)</p>	App.2.
	13th Nov.		<p>I reconnoitred the country to the north of AVESNES towards MAUBEUGE for existing routes. In almost all cases German routes have been partially or totally destroyed, but French routes have not been touched. A French route running along the main AVESNES - MAUBEUGE Road may prove useful as an extension to the route at present under construction to AVESNES should the line of advance be North Easterly.</p> <p>I was visited by O.C. Signals, 2nd Aust. Div. and discussed with him the general situation.</p>	
	14th Nov.		<p>I visited the D.D. Signals, Fourth Army and asked for information about the move forward. No information was available on the subject but the D.D. Signals informed me that he was to meet a German Representative at MONS on Nov. 15th. and expected information after that date. A Conference of A.D. Signals of Corps concerned was arranged for 11 a.m. on 16th at this Office. I also arranged with D.D. Signals that on completion of the route to AVESNES, the two Australian Airline Sections would commence constructing from a point, TRAIS PAVE in AVESNES, in a North Easterly direction.</p> <p>I visited the 1st Aust. Div. Sig. Coy. with regard to the Exchange at BOHAIN. At present this is being manned by 9th Corps and I arranged for it to be taken over by Australian Corps <del>when the 9th Corps moves out.</del></p>	

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L. CATEAU	15th Nov.		I visited TRAIS PAVE, the point from which the Airline Sections are to commence construction. The road between AVESNES and this point has been blown up and at the present time it could not be possible to get loaded Lorries through. The Officer in charge of the Repair Gang informed me it was hoped that a passage for Lorries over the crater would be ready the following day. The Airline Sections completed that portion of the route to AVESNES on which they were working.	
	16th Nov.		A Conference attended by the D.D. Signals, Fourth Army and the A.D. Signals 4th, 6th, 9th and Australian Corps was held at this office. Amongst other things the following points were discussed. (a) The supply of Cable. (b) Supply of Stores other than Cable. (c) Probable extent of communications on move. (d) The allotment and use of lines. (e) Employment of Airline Sections. The D.D. Signals, informed us with reference to (a) that the strictest economy was necessary, as supply and the means of transporting cable forward was limited. (b) Supplies of Stores from England were being cut down to an absolute minimum and as few issues as possible would be made from stock in hand. (c) Communications whilst on the move would be limited almost entirely to Wireless and D.Rs., though use would be made, where possible, of existing routes. (d) Lines would be allotted in the usual manner by Army to Corps. (e) Airline Sections of the various Corps in the Army would probably <del>used</del> be be used jointly on construction of one main route along the line of advance.	
	17th Nov.		I visited 3rd Australian Flying Squadron with reference to the employment of Aeroplanes for D.R. Service to 2nd, 3rd and 5th Australian Divisions. I <del>emphasised</del> emphasised the fact that the Time Table must be adhered to and punctuality was absolutely necessary. I also arranged that the Squadron should notify the Signalmaster before 9 a.m. daily if flying was impossible so that the normal Motor Cycle D.R. Service could be reverted to. A 5th Bde. R.A.F. Instruction regarding their communication during march to Germany was received. (extracts attached) An instruction regarding the use of Wireless communications during the march forward was issued to O.C. Signals of the 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Australian Divisions. (Copy attached)	App. 3. App. 4.



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Le CATEAU.	18th Nov.		<p>I left Corps Headquarters to visit the 2nd, 3rd and 5th Australian Divisions who are still in the back areas. I visited the R.T.O. at EU with regard to the reconsignment of stores from that place to the Australian Corps Railhead. I was informed by him that one truck had already been reconsigned on 24th inst.</p> <p>The location of the Aeroplane Dropping Stations of 1st, and 4th Divisions and Corps Headquarters was received.</p>	
	19th Nov.		<p>Extracts from "a note relative to Administrative consequent on the signing of the Armistice" were received and found to contain certain points of interest regarding the German Signal Service. (Extracts attached).</p>	App. 5.
	20th Nov.		<p>I spent the day with the 5th Australian Div. Signal Coy. and discussed with the O.C. the situation in general and gave him information concerning points of interest which had been discussed in recent Conferences. I advised him also to dispose of all his spare and unnecessary equipment to the Signal Dump ABBEVILLE.</p>	
	21st Nov.		<p>The 2nd Australian Division moved out from BELLOY - Sur - SOMME area enroute <del>from</del> for BOHAIN area.</p> <p>I visited the 3rd Australian Div. Sig. Coy. at HALLENCOURT and discussed various matters with the O.C. Information on the situation which affected the Signal Service generally was given him. I also advised him, in the event of his Unit moving, to send all unnecessary equipment to the Signal Dump ABBEVILLE.</p>	
	22nd Nov.		<p>I visited No. 2 Airline Section which is working on the route, AVESNES-CHARLEROI, the main Army route. I went along the route as far as CHARLEROI. Very little work would be needed on either a French or German Route which goes in the direction to provide necessary communication.</p>	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Le CATEAU.	23rd Nov.		I instructed the O.C. Australian Corps Signal Company to employ Nos. 1 and 2 Aust. Cable Sections on the salvage of cable in the vicinity of Le CATEAU, and also to relay several cable pairs which run from the Signal Office to the main Airline Route near St BENEN.	
	24th Nov.		I visited 4th Aust. Div. Sig. Coy. at PRECHIES and once again impressed on the O.C. that the strictest economy must be exercised in regard to use of cable, and I also arranged with him, to commence salvage of cable in his Divisional Area. I made a further reconnaissance of lines towards SAINS, discovering one German route which may be of use during further advances. At night I was advised that 1st and 4th Divisions would move on the following morning, the former to SOLRE - Le - CHATEAU and the latter to SAINS. Owing to the short notice it will not be possible to provide communication to the new Headquarters till some few hours after the move.	
	25th Nov.		The 1st Aust. Division closed at CARTIGNY at 1100, reopening at SOLRE - LE = CHATEAU at that hour. The 4th Aust. Division closed at PRECHIES at 1200, reopening at SAINS at that hour. Direct Communication was obtained to 1st Division during the afternoon but it was found impossible to get in touch with 4th Division until noon on 26th. No. 2 Aust. M.A.L. Section was employed on temporary repair of a German route to provide this communication to 4th Division. The Lines Officer at Army was able to assist but little as regards information concerning lines in the areas to which these Divisions moved, it being thus necessary to follow every route going in the direction of SAINS or Solre-Le-CHATEAU until the most suitable one was discovered. In view of the distance now between Corps and Divisions, it was decided to open an Advanced Office at CARTIGNIES. Direct lines will be obtained from there to 1st, 2nd and 4th Australian Divisions and 4th Army. Two direct lines will be arranged from this advanced office back to Corps at Le CATEAU. The reduction of the number of D.R. runs to 1st and 4th Divisions to two instead of three daily was suggested to the B.G.G.S. and agreed to by him. The new Time Table came into force immediately.	



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Le CATEAU.	26th Nov.		An Advanced Office was opened at CARTIGNIES at 1700 and excellent communication was obtained from there to 1st, 2nd and 4th Divisions. Half of No. 2 M.A.L. Section was instructed to go to CARTIGNIES as a Breakdown Gang in case of trouble on lines from there.	
	27th Nov.		Detachments of No. 1 and 2 Cable Sections commenced work on relaying and generally straightening local cables and cables which run through the town and join the Airline route outside. This work will take some time to complete as a very large amount of <del>cable</del> cable has been run through the town by the various units.	
	28th Nov.		A warning order for the move of Australian Corps Headquarters to AVESNES on November 30th was issued. An advanced Party was sent forward to prepare the Signal Office and gather all information about the area. I visited AVESNES and BEAUMONT, the latter a possible future Corps Headquarters.	
	29th Nov.		4th Army Rear Office moved from AVESNES and the O.C. Australian Corps Signal Coy. was instructed to take over the Office vacated by them. Nos. 1 and 2 Cable Sections moved forward to AVESNES. The move of Australian Corps Headquarters was postponed 24 hours, Headquarters closing here at 12 noon on December 1st and opening at AVESNES at the same time.	
	30th Nov.		Necessary arrangements were made for the splitting and leading in to the new office at AVESNES of the lines to 1st and 4th Divisions and to 4th Army, and for the bridging through at CARTIGNIES and LE CATEAU of lines to 2nd and 5th Divisions and Corps Heavy Artillery. From AVESNES we will have direct communication to 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Divisions, Corps Heavy Artly. and Fourth Army.	



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In the field	1.11.18		Drew comforts from boy. Received poor issue. Daily duties & training	
	2.11.18		Saw O.C. Sig boy. re comforts. Daily duties & training	
	3.11.18		Muster parade of Sections. Played Goldstream Guards Soccer at Quel Plage. Lost. 6-0	
	4.11.18		Indent taken to 4th Div at Barillonville bailed for comforts fund. Photo taken of officers of boy. Lts Wilkinson & Mashford absent.	
	5.11.18		Majors Stanley & Joseph 5th & 4th Div. Sig boys respectively called in reference to the appointment of W/T officers in place of Lts Metcher & Burns who being 1914 men are to return to Australia	
	6.11.18		Notified corps HQ to move on 8th inst to Le Cateau	
	7.11.18		Daily duties & training	
	8.11.18		Left St Quentin Janette for Le Cateau at 8am	
	9.11.18		Arrived 11pm. Section billeted in Rue de la Republique	



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In the field	12.11.18		O.L. + Lt Caporn arrived Le Gateau. Muster Parade. How work days to be established as uncertain of time or length of stay here.		
	11.11.18		Muster Parade. Engine installed in Dennis for charging purposes. Line rewired for lighting for Pass station established. Hostilities ceased at 11 AM. Prisoners signed Parade and fatigues.		
	12.11.18		Parade and fatigues. Lt Masford returned from UK. Search for stores as much as possible. All P.B. 1000		
	13.11.18		Let's returned to Army.		
	14.11.18		Sent all gear above that actually required to the Army W/T dump at Hongrechy. Lt Caporn on UK leave. H. Wilkinson to Paris leave.		
	15.11.18		It is probable that first corps will shortly move to Belgium.		
	16.11.18		6th Set erected & continuous watch maintained.		
	17.11.18		In touch with 3rd Squadron A. 76 by W/T.		
	18.11.18		Parades		
	19.11.18				
	20.11.18				
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In the field	22.11.18		Lt Wilkinson returned from Paris.		
	23.11.18		Army asked for 2.6 W sets on loan for few days. Informed D.D. Sigs by phone none available at present as Durs on move. Wired 2nd Div asking if sets available.		
	24.11.18				
	25.11.18				
	26.11.18		Lt Wilkinson to Hospital		
	27.11.18		Received advice that post office moves to Fresnes on 30.11.18		
	28.11.18		Received note from 4th Army that our 6 W wavelengths 1130 metres is to be changed to 1100. Informed Durs & 3rd Squadron A.F.C. Section moves to Fresnes at 0830		
	29.11.18		Section moved off at 8.30 am for FRESNES - all instruments and men now installed in new billets.		

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# NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS.

10th November, 1918.

Australian Corps Signal Coy-

Rank and Name

Corps .

Date  
of  
Rank.

		LUSH,			
	W.G.	XXXXXXXXXX	M.C.		
O.C. Company.	Capt. XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		A.I.F.	15-XX-17.
Company Officer.	Lieut. J.E.S.	STEVENS,		do	30-4-17.
do	Lieut. L.E.	MONTAGUE,	M.M.	do	27-8-18.(8)
do	2/Lieut. T.G.	PURDUE,	D.C.M.	do	17-8-18.
do	2/Lieut. M.B.	HENNESSY,		do	13-9-18.
do	2/Lieut. G.W.	HEATH,		do	
O.C. No. 1 M.A.L. Section.	Lieut. E.B.	STANBURY,		do	11-7-17.
O.C. No. 2 M.A.L. Section.	Lieut. H.W.	WATSON,	M.M.	do	15-2-18.
O.C. No. 1 Cable Section.	Lieut. H.F.J.	HISCOCK,		do	18-2-18.
O.C. No. 2 Cable Section.	Lieut. A.F.	DAY,	M.M.	do	18-2-18.
O.C. Corps Wireless Section.	Lieut. R.	WILKINSON,	M.C.	do	12-11-18.
Section Officer.	Lieut. R.L.	MASHFORD,		do	22-7-18.
Section Officer.	Lieut. S.S.	CAPORN,		do	27-8-18.
O.C. Heavy Artillery Signal Section.	Capt. C.E.H. FERGUSON,	XXXXXXXXXXXXX	M.C.	do	15-10-17.
Section Officer.	Lieut. H.J.R.	PERRETT,		do	18-8-17.
Section Officer.	2/Lieut. W.P.	PRICE,		do	13-7-18.
Senior Instructor Corps Signal School.	Major T.C.	WILSON,		do	1-7-14.
Assistant Instructor	Lieut. H.D.	MAINE,	M.C.	do	17-8-18.
do do do	Lieut. J.D.	SCHRODER.	M.C.	do	23-1-17.
Signal Sub-Section 3rd (Army) Bde. A.F.A.	2/Lieut. P.C.	BUCHANAN,		do	9-9-18.
Signal Sub-Section 6th (Army) Bde. A.F.A.	Lieut. A.F.	PAUL,	D.C.M.	do	11-7-17.
Signal Sub-Section 12th (Army) Bde. A.F.A.	2/Lieut. L.A.F.	BOWNAS,		do	17-8-18.

Casualties from 10-10-18 to 10-11-18.

2/Lieut. C. FAULKNER, M.M. Returned to Australia on Parlo' on 10-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. P.C. BUCHANAN, Transferred to 3rd Army Bde A.F.A. vice 2/Lieut. FAULKNER to Australia.  
 Capt. J.M. GRANT, M.C. Transferred to 2nd Aust. Div. Sig. Coy. vice Major WATSON to Australia on 14-10-18.  
 Capt. C.E.H. FERGUSON M.C. Transferred from 3rd Aust. Div. Sig. Coy. vice Capt. J.M. GRANT to 2nd Div. Sig. Coy. 12-10-18.  
 Lieut. A.F. DAY, M.M. Rejoined from Hospital 12-10-18.  
 Lieut. G.W. HEATH, Joined from O.T.C. 27-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. L.E. MONTAGUE, M.M. To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 403 of 29-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. S.S. CAPORN, To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 403 of 29-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. R.L. MASHFORD MASHFORD, To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 10-10-18.

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1st Australian Division Sig. Coy.	Rank and Name.			Corps or Regt.	Date of Rank.
O.C. Company.	Major	G.G.S.	GORDON,	D.S.O. A.I.F.	3-8-16.
Capt. (2nd in Command).	Capt.	V.D.	BOWEN,	M.C. do	20-11-17.
Capt. (Artillery).	Capt.	P.J.	MANLEY,	do	15-4-17.
No. 1 Section.	2/Lieut.	G.F.	MILLER,	DCM, MM. do	15-7-18.
No. 2 Section.	Lieut.	A.B.	COCHRANE,	do	6-2-18.
do	Lieut.	T.A.	COUPER,	do	5-3-18.
No. 3 Section.	Lieut.	H.P.	HARRIS,	M.M. do	16-2-18.
do	Lieut.	K.R.	KING,	M.M. do	27-8-18.
No. 4 Section.	Lieut.	J.R.J.	BURROWS,	M.M. do	21-12-17.
do	Lieut.	O.M.	NEALE,	do	11-7-17.
Signal Sub-Section 1st A.F.A. Bde.	2/Lieut.	G.G.	PATERSON,	M.M. do	17-8-18.
Signal Sub-Section 2nd A.F.A. Bde.	2/Lieut.	G.J.	VAUSE,	M.M. do	22-7-18.
Wireless Officer.	2/Lieut.	F.P.	BOYCE,	M.M. do	9-3-18.
Visual Officer.	Lieut.	R.F.	STANISTREET,	M.C. do	11-7-17.

## Casualties from 10-10-18 to 10-11-18.

Lieut. C.J.D. SMITH, Returned to Australia on Furlough 12-10-18.  
 Lieut. L.C. CAMPBELL, " " " " " 31-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. K.R. KING, M.M. Promoted to Lieut. 27-8-18. vide A.I.F. List No. 403 of 29-10-18.

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2nd Australian Division Sig. Coy.	Rank and Name .	Corps or Regt.	Date of Rank.
	(T/Major.)		
O.C. Company.	Capt. - J.M. GRANT,	M.C. A.I.F.	14-10-18.
Capt. (2nd in Command-)	Capt. F.U.J. TINKLER,	M.C. do	12-1-17.
Capt. (Artillery)	Capt. L.C. LUCAS,	M.C. do	14-6-18.
No. 1 Section.	Lieut. A. SLADDIN,	M.C. do	13-3-17.
do	Lieut. L.W. FRASER,	do	11-7-17.
No. 2 Section.	Lieut. H.S. BLUNT,	do	5-3-18.
do	Lieut. T.M. PRICE,	do	19-7-18.
No. 3 Section.	Lieut. H.L. HOGARTH,	do	16-11-18.
do	Lieut. H.L. JACKSON,	do	16-3-18.
No. 4 Section.	Lieut. J.C. PRICE,	do	25-11-17.
do	Lieut. R.M. BRENNAN,	do	11-7-17.
No. 5 Section.	Lieut. S.O. THORLEY,	do	2-4-17.
Wireless Officer.	Lieut. M.C. BONNAR,	M.M. do	27-8-18.
Visual Officer.	Lieut. R.C. DUNBAR,	M.M. do	16-2-18.
Signal Sub-Section 4th A.F.A. Bde.	Lieut. P.L. RUSSELL,	M.C., M.M. do	16-2-18.
Signal Sub-Section 5th A.F.A. Bde.	Lieut. J. HORWOOD,	do	22-7-18.
<u>Supernumerary to Est.</u>			
	Lieut. J.B. CANE,	D.C.M. do	13-8-17.
	2/Lieut. H. TITCHEN,	M.M. do	17-8-18.
	2/Lieut. H.M. ELLIS,	M.M. do	28-9-18.

## Casualties from 10-10-18 to 10-11-18.

Lieut. S/Capt. L.C. LUCAS, M.C. Promoted to Captain vide A.I.F. List No. 393 of 8-10-18.  
 Capt. J.M. GRANT, M.C., transferred from Aust. Corps Sig. Coy. and to be T/Major vice Major WATSON to Australia on 10th Nov. 1918 vide A.I.F. List. No. 403 of 29-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. T.M. PRICE, Promoted to Lieut. vide A.I.F. List. No. 395 of 11-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. J. HORWOOD, Promoted to Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 11-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. M.C. BONNAR, M.M. Promoted to Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 403 of 29-10-18.  
 Lieut. J.B. CANE, D.C.M. Rejoined from Hospital 25-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. C.H. MAYNARD, Evacuated sick to Hospt. 21-10-18. Died in Hospital 25-10-18.

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3rd Australian Div. Sig. Coy.	Rank and Name	Corps or Regt.	Date of Rank.
O.C. Company.	Major R.G. HAMILTON, (w) M.C.A.I.F.		29-10-17.
Capt. 2nd in command).	Capt. J.L.G. BUCKLAND, M.C., M.M.	do	4-12-17.
Lieut. ( Artillery).	Lieut. G.T. BATTY,	do	23-6-18.
No. 1 Section.	Lieut. S. FOUNTAIN, D.C.M.	do	16-2-18.
do	Lieut. J.F. SIMS, D.C.M., M.M.	do	27-8-18.
No. 2 Section.	Lieut. A.S.H. GIFFORD, D.C.M.	do	18-2-18.
do	2/Lieut. L.J. JORDAN,	do	17-8-18.
No. 3 Section.	Lieut. L.V. SMITH, M.C.	do	21-12-17.
No. 4 Section.	Lieut. H.W. GROVES, M.C.	do	15-2-18.
No. 5 Section.	Lieut. H.R. EVANS,	do	2-3-18.
Signal Sub-Section 7th A.F.A. Bde.	Lieut. B.E. GEORGE,	do	23-6-18.
Signal Sub-Section 8th A.F.A. Bde.	Lieut. T.F. HOULIHAN,	do	15-2-18.
Wireless Officer	Lieut. W.J. SUMMERS, (w)	do	21-12-17.
Visual Officer.	Lieut. F.R.D. ROGERSON,	do	22-7-18.
SUPERNUMERARY.	Lieut. J.W. ALLAN,	do	1-3-18.
	Lieut. F.W. OSBORNE,	do	5-3-18.
	Lieut. W.A. McPHERSON,	do	19-7-18.
(♢ in Hospital Sick)	2/Lieut. F.W. HOWIE,	do	12-7-18.

## Casualties from 10-10-18 to 10-11-18.

Major R.G. HAMILTON, M.C. Awarded the French Croix de Guerre avec Etoile de Vermeuil, vide A.I.F. Order 1422 of 1-11-18.  
 Capt. C.E.H. FERGUSON, M.C. Transferred to Australian Corp Sig. Coy. 11-10-18, to command vice T/Major GRANT, M.C.  
 T/Capt. J.L.G. BUCKLAND, M.C. To be Capt. with seniority as from 4th December, 1917, but for purposes of pay and allowances as from 4th February, 1918, vide A.I.F. List No. 400.  
 2/Lieut. G.T.B. BATTY, To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 11-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. B.E. GEORGE, To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 11-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. W.A. McPHERSON, To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 11-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. F.R.D. ROGERSON, To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 11-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. J.F. SIMS, D.C.M., M.M. To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 403 of 29-10-18.  
 Lieut. T.F. HOULIHAN, Admitted to Hosp. whilst on U.K. Leave 17-10-18.  
 Lieut. J.F. SIMS, DCM, M.M. Evacuated to Hosp. sick 29-10-18.  
 Lieut. F.W. OSBORNE, Admitted to Hosp. whilst on U.K. Leave 30-10-18.

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10th November, 1918.

4th Australian Div. Sig. Coy.	Rank and Name	Corps or Regt.	Date of Rank.
O.C. Company.	Major C.H. JOSEPH, M.C.	A.I.F.	21-8-18.
Capt. (2nd in Command-)	Capt. L. TUCKETT, M.C., M.M.	do	15-4-18 (7).
Capt. (Artillery).	Capt. R.B. ASHE, M.C.	do	1-8-18.
No. 1 Section.	Lieut. R.L. BORDER,	do	22-7-18.
No. 2 Section.	Lieut. V.J. LEWIS,	do	21-12-17.
do	Lieut. V.H. FIELD,	do	27-8-18.
No. 3 Section.	2/Lieut. E.W. PENNELL, D.C.M., M.M.	do	13-7-18.
No. 4 Section.	Lieut. W. LEE, (w).	do	11-7-17.
do	Lieut. J. CLIMPSON, M.C., M.M.	do	23-6-18.
No. 5 Section.	Lieut. W. GREGSON,	do	20-1-18.
Wireless Officer.	Lieut. A.G.M. BURNS, (w).	do	25-11-17.
Visual Officer.	Lieut. J.L. MCKINLAY, M.M.	do	18-2-18.
Signal Sub-Section 5 a. A.F.A. Bde.	2/Lieut. C.H.R. BRYANT,	do	17-8-18.
Signal Sub-Section 5 b. A.F.A. Bde.	2/Lieut. W.H. BROWN,	do	18-3-18.

Gas casualties from 10-10-18 to 10-11-18.

2/Lieut. J. CLIMPSON, M.C., M.M. To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 11-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. R.L. BORDER, To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 11-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. V.H. FIELD, To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 403 of 29-10-18.  
 2/Lieut. W.H. BROWN, Transferred from 6th Army Bde. A.F.A. Sig. Sub-Section 28-10-18.  
 Lieut. J. O'BRIEN, M.C., D.C.M., M.M. Evacuated sick to Hosp. on 10-11-18.

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10th November, 1918.

5th Australian Div. Sig. Coy.	Rank and Name.	Corps	Date of Rank.
O.C. Company.	Major R.A. STANLEY,	D.S.O. A.I.F.	1-4-17.
Capt. (2nd in Command)	Capt. C.H. BATH,	do	6-1-17-
Capt. (Artillery).	Capt. C.J. KELYNACK,	M.C. do	15-6-18.
No. 1 Section.	Lieut. S.L. BUTLER,	M.C. (w) do	11-7-17.
do	Lieut. J. MOORE,	M.M. do	27-8-18.
No. 2 Section.	Lieut. T.R. COLLIER,	M.C. do	30-4-17.
do	Lieut. B.E. MUDFORD,	M.M. do	16-2-18.
No. 3 Section.	Lieut. G.S. HAINING,	M.M. do	23-6-18.
do	2/Lieut. E.C.F. SJOBERG,	do	13-7-18.
No. 4 Section.	Lieut. G.W. YOUNG,	M.C. (w) do	11-7-17.
do	2/Lieut. T.G.B.C. BROWN,	do	17-8-18.
No. 5 Section.	Lieut. F.C. DAVIS,	do	5-3-18.
Wireless Officer.	Lieut. O.F. WETCHER,	(w). do	25-11-17.
Visual Officer.	Lieut. W. FORREST,	do	10-11-17.
Signal Sub-Section 13th A.F.A. Bde.	Lieut. J.R. MOFFAT,	do	23-6-18.
Signal Sub-Section 14th A.F.A. Bde.	Lieut. A.J. SWEETMAN,	M.C. do	9, 12-18.
<u>SUPERNUMERARY.</u>	Lieut. S. BARBER,	do	11-2-17.
	Lieut. F.J. MURPHY,	do	25-11-17.
	Lieut. R.T. MILLAR,	(w). do	2-8-18.
	Lieut. G.W.K. PEARSON,	do	22-7-18.

## Casualties from 10-10-18 to 10-11-18.

T/Capt. C.J. KELYNACK, M.C.	To be Captain vide A.I.F. List 403 of 29-10-18.
2/Lieut. J.R. MOFFAT,	To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 11-10-18.
2/Lieut. G.S. HAINING, M.M.	To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 11-10-18.
2/Lieut. G.W.K. PEARSON,	To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 395 of 11-10-18.
2/Lieut. J. MOORE, M.M.	To be Lieut. vide A.I.F. List No. 403 of 29-10-18.
Lieut. F.J. MURPHY,	Resumed duty from Regimental Seconded List 2-11-18.

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War Diary 1/11/28

**"C" Form.** Army Form C. 2123.  
(In books of 100).

**MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.** No. of Message

Prefix	Code	Words	Received.	Sent, or sent out.	Office Stamp.
Sm			From	At	
		£ s. d.	By	To	
Charges to collect					
Service Instructions.					
Handed in at			Office	m.	Received
TO			478		
*Sender's Number			Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
9623			11		
Following from G.H. and all permanent line construction (except in cases where New Hq have been definitely fixed and construction thereto is in progress) will be suspended forthwith and all telegraph and signal construction companies will stand fast and be ready to move in accordance with orders which will be issued later aaaa					
A.D. Signal					
Kw					
Adv 4th Army					
FROM					
PLACE & TIME					

\* This line should be erased if not required.

(6334). Wt, W7496/M857. 500,000 Pads. 10/16. D. D. & L. (E489). Forms C/2123/3.



App. 3.

The following are extracts from 5th Bde. R.A.F. - Instruction -  
Series 'A' No. 4. :-

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" Communications - WIRELESS.

1 GENERAL.

During the advance to the RHINE, communications between Army, Corps, Divisions R.A.F., H.Q., R.A.F., Bdes., Wings, Squadrons and Parks will be maintained by Wireless Telegraphy.

2 STATIONS.

In 5th Bde., C.W. Stations will be established at :-

5th Brigade, H.Q.  
15th Wing, H.Q.  
22nd Wing, H.Q.  
5th Balloon Wing, H.Q.

and one Station at each Aerodrome, at 4 A.P. and at Reserve Lorry Park. Where two or more Squadrons are on the one Aerodrome, the senior operator will arrange for his station to be erected, operators of remaining Squadrons will act as orderlies between the Wireless Signal Office and their own unit.

x                    x                    x                    x                    x                    x                    x

4 MESSAGES.

Messages for the most part may be sent in clear, provided always the Official Code Names of Units, as per attached addendum are used. Unit Commanders ~~are~~ ~~xxxxx~~ direct representatives will be held responsible for authenticity of all messages. Operators will not accept messages for transmission unless signed by an Officer. All messages will be sent in the turn received by each station, except priority messages. In 5th Brigade, the privilege of priority will be restricted to G.O.C., or direct representatives and Wing Commanders or direct representatives.

5 COMMUNICATION BETWEEN CORPS SQUADRONS AND THEIR CORPS.

Corps Squadron Wireless Officers will make arrangements with their Corps Wireless Officers and will exchange calls and wavelengths, so that Corps Squadrons may always be in touch with their Corps direct for Liaison purposes.

6 GROUP WORKING.

Of communications become congested, a system of Group working will be issued later. This can only be ascertained by trial. For the present, the Brigade Station will act as Control Stn. for 5th Brigaded Group.

7 TECHNICAL.

As wireless traffic will be heavy, strict attention will be paid to procedure (S.SM 209.). Lengthy calls must be avoided and operators must endeavour to get messages through without repetition.

The minimum power which will ensure communication must be only used. Aerials can be very low for short distances: the height of an Air Line Pole should invariably be sufficient for Squadron Stations. Correct wavelengths are most essential, arrangements are being made for Brigade Station to transmit standard wavelengths each day. "

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A.D. SIGNALS.  
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.  
T.S. 196.  
17.11-18.

O.C. Signals, 1st Aust. Div.  
O.C. Signals, 2nd Aust. Div.  
O.C. Signals, 4th Aust. Div.  
O.C. Signals, 5th Aust. Div.  
Spare.  
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WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DURING MARCH TO GERMANY.

1. Wireless communication between Army and Corps, and between Corps and Divisions will be carried out by C.W. using 1130 metres wavelength.
2. The Calls for all formations concerned have been issued under this office T.S. 196 of 16-11-18.
- 3- Of the Mk.111 C.W. Sets allotted to each Division Artillery, one will be kept installed at Division Headquarters and a second set kept available for stepping up during the march. Any other sets available may be distributed to lower formations at the discretion of the O's.C. Divisional Signal Companies.
4. While Divisions are on the move the regular "stepping up" procedure will be adopted. One C.W. Set will be sent in advance to the next position selected for Headquarters and should be in touch with Corps by the time the H.Q. Staff arrives.
5. A general relaxation of the instructions regarding the use of cipher and clear is permitted. All messages may be sent in clear except the designation or identification of units. The "Four Letter Code Call" will in every case be substituted for the clear address.
6. No spark wireless will be used without reference to A.D. Signals.
7. All Power-Buzzer Amplifier, and Loop set apparatus may be left behind in Divisional Dumps but should be carefully looked after as it will become part of the vocabulary stores on return to Australia.
8. Every endeavour must be made to keep in touch by Wireless and full advantage taken of its increased utility now that the necessity of ~~intercepting~~ enciphering is eliminated.

17th Nov.  
1918.

*J.R. Williams*  
Lieut-Colonel.  
A.D. SIGNALS.  
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.



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Herewith copies of extract from note relative to Administrative arrangements, Q.M.G's. Branch, consequent on the signing of the Convention of Armistice.

X " V. TELEGRAPHIC AND TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS. All telegraph and telephone lines and all fixed Wireless Signal Stations shall be handed over to the Allied Armies complete with military and civil personnel and all material, including all stores installed on the left bank of the RHINE.

Supplementary supplies required for the maintenance of the Signal System shall be furnished by the German Government during the continuance of the Armistice as they become necessary.

The Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Armies will effect a military occupation of the Signal System, assume its direction, and will make such changes or replacements in the personnel as he may deem advisable.

He will send back to the German Army such military personnel as he may consider surplus to requirements for the exploitation and maintenance of the signal system.

All plans relating to the German telegraph and telephone system shall be handed over to the Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Armies

X " 5. As far as the British Army is concerned the following commissions are to be formed having ~~Rxxxx~~ British Representatives in their composition. They are referred to again in the various paras. dealing with the subject.

INTER-ALLIED SIGNAL " 1 Military Member, "All Signals in the area  
COMMISSION. " assisted by tech- "between line 3 and the  
" nical members as "RHINE.  
" required. "

X " IV. TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE SYSTEMS.  
(a). In France and in Belgium each Allied Army shall re-establish the telegraph and telephone systems not only with a view to purely military requirements, but also to assist in the resuscitation of the economic of the Country and for the use of the civil administrative services.  
(b). In Belgian TERRITORY. The operation of the telegraph and telephone services will be carried out by the Belgian Authorities, it being understood that all circuits required by the Allied Armies for their own use shall be put at their disposal.  
(c). In Alsace-lorraine. The organisation shall be analagous to that in re-occupied French Territory.  
(d). Between Line 3 and the RHINE. The operation of the system will be under the direction of an Inter Allied Commission which will include a military member, assisted by such Technical personnel as he may consider necessary, for each of the Allied Armies. The location of the commission will be decided by the Marshal Commanding-in-Chief the Allied Armies who will also nominate the President.

The Marshal Commanding-in-Chief will decide, in agreement with the Allied Armies, as to which lines shall be specially reserved as main arteries for the common use.

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