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WAR DIARY

OF

4TH AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

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4TH. AUSTR. M.G. BATTALION.

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BELGIUM. Sheet NAMUR 8 ANSEREMME.	1919. March 1. Saturday.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Fine. Light Clouds. <u>APPOINTMENT.</u> Lieut. A.A.FOWLESS to be Adj. vice Capt. H.W.CROUCH, M.U. to Australia. Dated 14/1/1919. (A.I.F. List No. 443 of 21-2-19.)</p> <p>On and after March 1st., all payments to troops will be made in Belgian Currency. Present rate of exchange 5 francs = 3/9.</p>	
	March 2. Sunday.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Dull. Divine Service conducted by Chaplain A.B.J. KING at 10.30 in Y.M.C.A. Summertime table came into operation at 2300 on 1st. inst., when clocks were put on one hour.</p>	
	March 3. Monday.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Fine. Light Clouds. Duty Companies for week = 4th. and 24th. Coys. The 4th. Coy. supplying outlying Guards, and 24th. Coy. supplying inlying Guards. Lieut. K. MORLING, Capt. for week. Personnel marched out on draft to Australia, Quota No. 13. Capt. S.H.Carroll, M.C., Lieut. W.P.Banks, and 12 other ranks (including C.S.M. HAMLIN, N.G. (M.M.))</p> <p><u>EDUCATION.</u> Arithmetic and Book-Keeping (elementary) Classes held.</p>	
	Tuesday March 4.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Cloudy. <u>Education:-</u> Classes in French and German conducted. <u>DEMOBILISATION.</u> Demobaust advises:- Embarkation to 22nd. ultimo = A.I.F. 30766, Relatives & Muniton workers 2767, 35 Ships in all.</p>	
	Wednesday March 5.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Cloudy. <u>EDUCATION.</u> Wool Classing, Shorthand, Arithmetic and Algebra Classes held. Farmers' Study Class held in Hotel Beau Sejour at 1730, when C.S.M. HAINES read a supplementary paper on "Treatment and Feeding of Horses". 11 other ranks in charge of Sgt. DEEKER marched out to Australia via England on Pay Duties.</p>	
	Thursday March 6.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Cloudy. Rivers Meuse and Lesse rising. Australia's share in the great war. Enlistments for Active Service 417,574. 700000 volunteered for service. Number of deaths 53,000 killed in action or died on service. Total casualties nearly 300,000. Amount contributed to Patriotic Funds estimated to be between 7 and 8 million pounds.</p>	

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ANSEREMME.	1919.			
	Friday		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Cloudy and Cold.</p>	
	March 7.		<p><u>Education.</u> Following Classes held - Arithmetic & Algebra, French & German.</p>	
			<p><u>Football.</u> Results = Aust. Rules - 4th. Div. 6.6 = 42. 5th. Div. 5.3 = 33</p>	
			<p><u>PROMOTION.</u> Education Officer - 2/Lieut. R. HOLTHAM promoted Lieut. as from List 451 of 1/3/19.</p>	
	Saturday.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Cloudy.</p>	
	March 8.		<p><u>Education.</u> Classes in Wool Classing, and Advances Book-Keeping conducted.</p>	
			<p><u>Promotion.</u> Headquarters. To be T/Cpl. No. 513 Pte. O. HANSEN vice O'NEILL dated 21/2/19.</p>	
			<p>12th. Company. To be T/C.S.M. (T/W.O. Class II) No. 2001 Sgt. J.W. WATHERSON, M.M. vice HAMLIN to Australia 3/3/19.</p>	
			<p>24th. Coy. To be T/Cpls. No. 510 A/Cpl. J.A. HOUSLAR vice BEALE dated 23/1/19.</p>	
			<p><u>Football.</u> Results. Soccer. 4th. Div. 2 points. 1st. Div. NIL.</p>	
			<p>Preparation completed for march out from ANSEREMME on 9th. inst. to new billeting area at GOUGNIES.</p>	
	Sunday.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Dull. Cold wind.</p>	
	March 9.		<p>The Battalion evacuated DINANT area, after a pleasant sojourn of nearly three months in the beautiful and healthy valley of the Meuse. At 10 a.m. in column of threes, under the command of Lieut-Colonel H.W. MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M., the Battalion marched out of ANSEREMME farewelled by the populace which lined the streets as the Australians marched along. The day's march totalled a distance of 19 kilos and ended at the village of DENEÉ (which had a population of about 1000) En route the following towns and villages were passed through:- DINANT, BOUVIGNES, SOMMIERE, MONTAIGLE. About midday a halt was made for lunch, and hot tea was provided. At DENEÉ the troops were comfortably billeted for the night. The march was arranged in easy stages, and was negotiated by all ranks without undue fatigue.</p>	
			<p>Lieut. R. HOLTHAM proceeded on leave to ITALY.</p>	

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BELGIUM. Sheet NAMUR 8. GOUGNIES.	1919. Monday 8 March 1919.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Dull and Cold. The second and final stage of the march entered upon. The distance covered 16 Kilos, and our objective, the village of GOUGNIES (South east of CHARLEROI) was reached about 1530. The town of METTIT, (population of 3000) was passed through during the morning. Luncheon was again partaken of in the open air, and hot tea provided. The villages of SEREY and BIESME were passed during the afternoon, and about 1500, the village of GOUGNIES was entered. The billeting of the troops proceeded satisfactorily. GOUGNIES has a nominal population of 700 and is situated about 17 Kilos South East of CHARLEROI. Billeting good.</p>	
	TUESDAY. March 11		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Dull. Parades of Coys. Roll call and foot inspection. During the morning an Inspection of all Billets by Claims Commission, and inventory of damage in evidence on taking over of billets taken. Troops settling down in billets. Major DUCHATEL, M.C. marched in from 75 days from U.K. (special leave).</p>	
	Wednesday. March 12		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Dull and Cold with light showers of rain. 2/Lieut. C. BULL marched in from O.C.B. and taken on strength of Battalion Headquarters. Chaplain R.O.D. FINIGAN awaiting Repatriation in England. Pte. Mulholland proceeded on Paris leave.</p>	
	Thursday March 13		<p><u>Wednesday. Weather:-</u> Dull and Cold. Duty Coys. for week - 12th. and 13th. Coys. Lieut. P.B. ROBIN, Capt. for week. Guards are being supplied, viz. 13th. Coy. 2 Officers, 31 O.R. at HASTIERE. 5 O.R. Siding ANSEREMME. 12th. Coy. 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 9 O.R. 7 other ranks, CHATELET Picquet.</p>	
			<p><u>Education.</u> Book-Keeping (Elementary) Arithmetic and Algebra Classes held. Attention is drawn to Sheep, Wool course at Leeds University from 25th. April to 25th. Oct. 19. Also to Special Agricultural Course at ABERDEEN University from 31st. March to 31st. July, for one interested in CLYDESDALE Horses, Fat Cattle and stock generally.</p>	

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GOUGNIES.	1919.			
	Friday			
	March 14		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Fine.</p> <p><u>Education</u>. Intimation received that the Aust. Corps, Central School at RUE will conduct examinations during April, corresponding to the following:- Aust. Public Examinations:- Matriculation, Public Service, Intermediate Accountancy, Final Accountancy. It is probable that these examinations will be recognized by Corresponding Institutions in Australia.</p> <p><u>CLAIMS COMMISSION</u>. Meeting held at 1000 in Headquarters Officers' Mess to-day.</p> <p><u>Medical Inspection</u> conducted by R.M.O., Capt. ALLEN of men due for early Quota.</p>	
	Saturday			
	March 15		<p><u>Weather</u> :- Dull and Cold.</p> <p><u>Education</u>. Class in Book-Keeping conducted.</p> <p><u>BOUNDS</u>. All estaminets in GOUGNIES have been places out of bounds each evening from 9 p.m.</p> <p><u>Football</u>. Result of Inter. Div. Contest. - Aust. Rules - 2nd. Div. 4 Goals, 8 Behinds = 32 points. 4th. Div. 2 Goals, 5 " = 17 "</p> <p>2 horses reported having been lost, 1 R., and one L.D. 15 other ranks marched out to N.M.E.U.K.</p>	
	Sunday			
	March 16		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Dull and Cold.</p> <p><u>Church Parade</u>. Mass at 11.50 in GOUGNIES Church. No other Church Parade owing to absence of Padre.</p> <p><u>Promotion</u>. To be T/C.Q.M.S. No. 476 Pte. CHAPPLE, L.S. vice ROGERS to England, dated 15/2/19.</p> <p>Particulars regarding repatriation published in orders.</p>	
	Monday			
	March 17		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Rain and Sleet and Hail fell steadily throughout the day.</p> <p><u>Education</u>. Arithmetic and Elementary Book-Keeping Classes held at 1000 and 1100 respectively.</p> <p><u>Duties</u>. Duty Coys. for week - 4th. and 24th. Coys. Capt. for week, Lieut. A.C.BALL. 4th. Coy. supplies Guard Room Guard. 24th. Coy. supplies CHATELET Picquet of 1 Officer, 1 N.C.O. and 6 men. Also D.P.M. Guard of 1 Cpl. and 6 men.</p>	
	Tuesday			
	March 18		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Morning dull, afternoon occasional glimpses of sun.</p> <p><u>Baths</u>. Available for Battalion to-day and to-morrow at BIESEMES. Allotment as follows:- 13th. H.Q., 4th., and 12th. Coys. 19th. 13th., and 24th. Coys. and Transport.</p> <p>One other rank marched out to Non-Military Employment.</p>	

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GOUGNIES.	1919. Wednesday March 19		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Fog during early morning. Day fine, light clouds.</p> <p><u>Education</u>. Wool Classing, Arithmetic and Algebra Classes conducted. Meeting of Farmers' Study Circle at 1300. Subject under discussion, (Agriculture in the Future). Army pamphlet No. 5.</p> <p><u>Promotions</u>. 12th. Coy. To be T/Cpl. No. 523a Pte. WALSH, L.A. vice PARNELL 19/3/19. To be A/Sgt. T/Cpl. WALSH, L.A. dated 19/3/19.</p> <p><u>FOOTBALL</u>. Soccer. Inter. Div. Contest - 4th. Div. V. 3rd. Div. Result draw. Aust. Rules - 4th. Div. 6 goals and 10 behinds = 46 points. Aust. Corps 5 goals 11 behinds = 41 points.</p> <p>Rugby. 4th. Div. a forfeit from Aust. Corps.</p> <p>5 other ranks marched out to N.M.E.U.K. 5 other ranks marched out to E.R.</p>	
	Thursday March 20		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Froid, snowing.</p> <p><u>Education</u>. Book-Keeping Class held 1100.</p> <p><u>Leave</u>. Applications for leave to VENICE may now be submitted.</p> <p><u>Dress</u>. Other ranks will wear webb or leather belts when on leave outside their billeting areas.</p> <p><u>Promotions</u>. 4th. Coy. - To be C.S.M. (W.O. Class 2) T/C.S.M. A.N. HAINES, M.M. vice HUDSON dated 8/3/19.</p>	
	Friday March 21		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Fine, light clouds.</p> <p>2 other ranks marched out to N.M.E. Sutton Veny.</p> <p><u>EDUCATION</u>. Arithmetic and Algebra Classes held at 1000.</p> <p><u>Reversion</u>. Headquarters. T/Cpl. XXXXXXXXXX <i>PASSEY</i> reverts to Private on marching out to N.M.E. U.K. 19/3/19.</p>	
	Saturday March 22		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Dull, light fall of snow in evening.</p> <p><u>Education</u>. Book-Keeping Class at 1100.</p> <p><u>Promotion</u>. Headquarters. To be T/Cpl. No. 507 Pte. FAULKNER, W. vice Passey to N.M.E. 20/3/19.</p>	
	Sunday March 23		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Fine, bright sunshine.</p> <p><u>Church Parade</u>. Major N.R. CLARKE conducted an R.C. Church Parade in EGLISE, at GOUGNIES at 10.45. No other Church Parade owing to absence of Padre.</p> <p><u>Unit Equipment</u>. Company Commanders handed in all remaining Equipment to Q.M. to-day.</p> <p><u>Demobilisation</u>. G.H.Q. wires that no entraining of personnel for leave, demobilisation, etc. is to take place until further notice.</p> <p><u>Promotions</u>. Extract from A.I.F. List No. 455 dated 22/2/19. To be Lieuts. - 2/Lieuts. H. ROSS-SODEN, C.G. WILSON, and H.S. CHAVE.</p>	

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BOUGNIES.	1919. Monday. March 24		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Heavy fall of snow occurred during the morning, steady rain throughout the day.</p> <p><u>Amalgamation</u>. As from to-day, 12th. & 24th. Coy. amalgamate and will be termed No. 1 Coy. Lieut. J.H. KENNARE will assume command, pending the return of T/Capt. T.H. TRIMBLE.</p> <p>Lieut. W.L.O. MALLARD, M.C. has been appointed second in command.</p> <p><u>Duties</u>. Duty Coy. for week - No. 1 Coy. Capt. for week - Lieut. J.F. COYLE, M.M.</p> <p>The following Guards will be supplied:- Guard Room - 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 10 men. Div. Paymaster's Guard - 1 Cpl. and 6 men.</p> <p><u>Education</u>. Arithmetic Class 1000. <u>Demobilisation</u>. G.O.C. intimates that Dir. Gen. of R. & D. advises that shipping facilities are improving, and demobilisation will, as a consequence, be speeded up in the near future. <u>LECTURE</u>. A.T. SHARP Esq. of the Victorian Immigration Dept., London lectured on "The facilities offered in Australia to Returned Soldiers). All available men attended this lecture.</p> <p>Extract from A.I.F. List No. 456 - Lieut. E.P.C. UPTON embarked for Aust. ex KASHMIR on 9/3/19.</p>	
	Tuesday. March 25		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Heavy fall of snow during the early morning. Dull and cold throughout the day.</p> <p>17 other ranks marched out to Aust. Burials Detachment. 1 other rank marched out to discharge in U.K. 2 O.R. to N.M.E. Sutton Veny. 2 O.R. marched out to duty, Demob. Havre. NAK.</p>	
	Wednesday March 26		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Dull and cold.</p> <p><u>Education</u>. Arithmetic and Algebra Classes held. "Farmers' Study Circle" at 1300. Subject under discussion "Agriculture in the Future". Army pamphlet No. 5.</p> <p>Lieut. JACK T.R., marched out to N.M.E., PARKHOUSE. Lieut. C.N. BARTELLS and 2 O.R. marched to E.R. to Australia.</p>	
	Thursday. March 27.		<p><u>Weather</u>:- Cold. Strong wind, Snow.</p> <p><u>Education</u>. Classes conducted in Arithmetic, Algebra and Book-Keeping.</p> <p><u>LEAVE</u>. Sgt. G.C. [unclear], [unclear], proceeded on leave to CHARLEROI.</p> <p><u>BOXING CONTEST</u>. Aust. Corps V. Canadian Corps takes place March 29th. at "PALAIS DE SPORTS", BRUXELLES.</p> <p>C.S.M. HAINES, A.N., (M.M.) marched out to N.M.E. Agricultural Course, ABERDEEN.</p>	

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GOUGNIES.	1919. Friday March 23 th .		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Cold, rain & snow.</p> <p><u>Australian Furlough.</u> Preparations for despatching No. 25 quota well in hand. Medical Board in attendance in the afternoon.</p> <p><u>EDUCATION.</u> Lieut. R. HOLTHAM (Educational Services) marched out to N.M.E. Educational.</p> <p>2/Lieut. A. G. BALL, appointed Acting Education Officer, vice Lieut. R. HOLTHAM.</p>	
	Saturday. March 29.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Cold, heavy snow fell during night and throughout the day.</p> <p><u>Education.</u> Book-Keeping (advanced) Class held at 1100.</p> <p><u>Repatriation & Demobilisation.</u> Certain alterations in regard to pay (Active and deferred) on disembarkation and discharge in Aust. published in B.R.O. vide General Instructions No. 17.</p>	
	Sunday. March 30.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Weather:- Cold. Snow fell at intervals throughout the day.</p> <p><u>Australian Furlough.</u> 9 Officers and 129 O.R. under the command of Major C.F. DUCHATEL, M.C. comprising Quota 25, marched out, via CHARLEROI, and Angleterre.</p>	
	Monday. March 31.		<p><u>Weather:-</u> Cold morning, fine afternoon.</p> <p><u>Duties.</u> Duty Coy. for week - No. 2 Coy. Lieut. W. RIPPES, Capt. for week.</p> <p>The following Guards supplied - Guard Room, Div. Paymaster's Guard.</p> <p><u>Education.</u> Book-Keeping Class held at 1100.</p> <p><u>Amalgamation.</u> As from to-day, 13th. and 24th. Coys. amalgamate, and will be termed No. 2 Coy.</p> <p>T/Capt. DOUGLAS, T. will assume command.</p>	

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4TH AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

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4TH. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.TRANSPORT OFFICER'S REPORT FOR MONTH OF MARCH 1919.

1st. Cwing to Unit Equipment being handed into D.A.D.O.S., the Demobilisation of Animals was continued.

5th. All X and Y Class Animals were inspected by Divisional Veterinary Officer at ANSEREMME, and CZ Horses at DINANT. 60 Horses were put up for sale at DINANT on the 5th. 6th. and 7th., Animals bringing very satisfactory prices.

7th. 82 Animals were despatched to FLORENNES for entrainment to Base Depot, HAVRE. Lieut. SINCLAIR, D.C.M., M.M., being in charge.

9th. Battalion moved to DEENE, where they remained for the night. Transport moving independently.

10th. Move resumed at 9.30 a.m., arriving at GOUGNIES 1.30 p.m. Here all animals and men were billeted in very good billets.

13th. Two horses stolen.

15th. Three mules lost.

From then on duties were performed. Such as carting rations, fuel, etc.

23rd. One cooker was drawn from 49th. Battalion at VITRIVAL.

24th. The remaining Unit Equipment was handed into D.A.D.O.S., and 5 G.S.Limbers, 2 Cookers, and one Water-cart drawn from 4th. Pioneers.

25th. Inquiry into loss of animals held.

31st. 5 Mules were handed over to 1st. Div. Train.

5 Horses were handed over to 4th. Div. Train.

The weather during the month has been very changeable, several falls of snow being registered. Also very showery.

Rations for month have been good.

Health of troops has been good.

AMUSEMENTS. Owing to the lack of accommodation in this village it has been impossible to hold any concerts or dances; hence the pleasure of the troops has been greatly impeded.

R. D. Wright Lieut.
T.O., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

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4TH. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

QUARTERMASTER'S REPORT FOR MONTH MARCH 1919.

During the month, the routine of the Quartermaster's Dept. has been practically the same as during preceding months.

CANTEEN. Supplies from Divisional Canteen, with the exception of boot polish have been excellent, and exceeded the demand of the Unit, now rapidly being depleted in the process of Demobilisation. The Quarterly Statement for period ending 31st. March 1919 has been audited and found correct.

RATIONS. The system of rationing was the same as the previous month, supplies being drawn in bulk and delivered by the A.A.S.C. to the Regimental Store, where they were portioned out and drawn by the various Company Quartermaster Sgts. The rations for the month were excellent.

COMFORTS RECEIVED.

Two consignments of Comforts were drawn from the Australian Comforts Fund Store in FLORENNES, and the exceptionally large supply of cigarettes is very much appreciated, by all ranks. The Comforts consisted of the following articles, viz:-

14 Cases Cocoa & Milk, 6 Cases Milk, 1 Case Curry Powder, 2 Cases Cigarettes, 1 Case Tobacco, 1 Bale Sheep-skin Vests, 1 Gramophone with records, 1 Case Battalion Gifts 62336, 7 Cases Oddments, 3 Gramophone Records, 430 A.C.F. Diaries, 1 doz. bottles Eucalyptus Oil, 5 doz. bottles Cough Syrup, in No. 1 Consignment.

No. 2 Consignment consisted of:-

11 Cases Cocoa & Milk, 6 Cases Milk, 2 Cases Leaf Sugar, 1 Case Oxo, 5 Cases Wallets, 2 Cases Biscuits, 2 Boxes Playing Cards, 3 Bales Socks, 1 Case Curry Powder, 9 Cases Groceries, 3 Rugby Footballs, and 2 Sets Quoits.

TECHNICAL GEAR.

All Armourer's Gear having been handed in to D.A.D.O.S., Recovery Department, CHATELINEAU, no repairs beyond those necessary for keeping gear in running order where possible.

TAILORING.

All repairs and alterations were carried out in an efficient manner by the one Tailor remaining with the Unit, but who has proceeded on Draft to Australia.

CLOTHING.

The personnel of this Battalion are well clothed, but supplies indented for are very tardy in arrival. The supplies of underclothing are good, and baths are arranged as often as existing conditions allow, which on the average is once a week.

H. L. Andrews 2/Lieut.

Q.M., 4th. Australian M.G. Battalion.

4TH. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

MEDICAL REPORT FOR MONTH OF MARCH 1919.

Active Operations - NIL.

ROUTINE WORK.

Number of Officers reporting sick	- 3.
" " " evacuated	- NIL.
Number of O.R. reporting sick	- 133.
" " " evacuated	- 18.

Most prevalent diseases were - Venereal Disease 11, Influenza 3,

SANITATION. - GOOD.

Arrangements for bathing etc. - Not good.

Quality of food and cooking facilities. - Good.

Reinforcements. - NIL.

Condition of Billets and Rest Billets. - GOOD.

1st. April 1919.

R.M.O., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.
GOUGNIES.

Capt.

4TH. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.EDUCATION OFFICER'S REPORT FOR MONTH OF MARCH 1919.

During the past month Classes have been held as usual, attendance being naturally smaller, although a good average was maintained.

No Classes were held on 9th. and 10th. March, owing to the Battalion moving from ANSEREMME to GOUGNIES.

The Farmers' Study Circle continues to be the most popular Class.

During the month papers have been read on (1) "Agriculture in the Future", (2) "Sheep raising in Australia", and there has been discussion on other subjects. A question box was also held.

In the Commercial Group, a short intensive Course (3 lessons) in "Business Principles and Practice" has been given by Sgb. J.M. LAUDE of this Battalion.

Cpl. ZILLIES has remained in charge of Mathematics and progress in this Class has been very satisfactory.

About 15 other ranks have obtained Non-Military Employment in U.K.

Cpl. ZILLIES (Instructor of Mathematics) and Cpl. REEDIE left the Education Service of this Unit with Quota 25 for Australia.

Alse C Ball 2/Lieut.
Acting Education Officer.
4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

April 1st. 1919.

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4TH AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION CANTEEN.

QUARTERLY STATEMENT

to
31st March 1919.

TRADING ACCOUNT FOR QUARTER ENDED 31st March 1919.

1919.		Francs.	1919.		Francs.
a. 1st.	To Stock	3022.25	Mar. 31st.	By Cash Sales	54215.20
r. 31st.	" Purchases	62370.30	" "	" Credit "	3135.60
"	" Gross Prof.	4196.65	" "	" Stock on hand.	7222.90
		<u>70039.70</u>			<u>70039.70</u>

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR QUARTER ENDED 31st March 1919.

a. 31st.	To Hsq. Canteen Expenses.	712.70	Mar. 31st.	By Gross Prof.	4196.65
"	" Nett Profit.	3483.95			
		<u>4196.65</u>			<u>4196.65</u>

P. & L. APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT FOR QUARTER ENDED 31st. March 1919.

a. 31st.	To Reg. Funds.	3138.95	Jan. 1st.	By Balance	16390.50
"	" Reg. Reserve		Mar. 31st.	" Nett Profit.	3483.95
"	" Trust A/C.	347.00			
"	" Trust A/C.	3000.00			
"	" Balance.	13390.50			
		<u>19374.45</u>			<u>19374.45</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31st. March 1919.

<u>LIABILITIES.</u>		<u>ASSETS.</u>	
Divisional Canteen	7345.50	Cash on hand.	2545.00
Reg. Res. Trust. A/C.	347.00	<u>DEBTORS.</u>	
Balance.	13390.50	H.Q. Dry.	173.65
		H.Q. Wet.	673.40
		4th Coy.	19.60
		12th Coy.	.30
		13th Coy.	71.40
		24th Coy.	340.20
		No.1. Coy.	212.65
		No.2. Coy.	201.90
		Div. Canteen (Loan A/C.)	1300.00
		Stock on hand.	7633.90
		" in Transit.	7345.50
	<u>21033.00</u>		<u>21033.00</u>

We certify that the above statement is a true and correct account of the Battalion Canteen for the Quarter ending 31st. March 1919.

1st. April 1919.

Arthur A. ...
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A. P. ...
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War Diary

ARMY FORM B. 15a
(AUSTRALIAN)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Unit 4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

Situation. GOUGHIES, BELGIUM.

Month ending. 23rd MARCH 1919.

or S	<u>OFFICERS ON STRENGTH DOING DUTY WITH UNIT.</u>		Date of being taken on strength as an Officer.
		Names	
S	Lieut - Col	H.W.MURRAY, VC., DSO., DCM,	15.3.18.
S	Major	G.F.DUCHATEL, MC	5.4.18.
S	T/Captain	T.H.TRIMBLE,	15.4.17.
S	T/Captain	T.DOUGLAS,	22.4.17.
S	Lieutenant	P.H.WRIGHT, MC	20.4.17.
S	"	E.M.CULIHORE, MC	20.8.17.
S	"	R.J.TUCKETT, MC	15.8.17.
S	"	J.H.KENNARE,	3.8.17.
S	"	G.R.T.RITCHARD,	25.12.17.
S	"	A.A.FOWLESS,	17.10.17.
S	"	W.J.NEAL, DCM	30.4.18.
S	"	G.R.COLOUHOH, MC	18.7.18.
S	"	N.F.H.TROTMAN,	18.7.18.
S	"	A.T.CHAPMAN, MC, MM,	28.9.17.
S	"	K.MORLING,	7.9.18.
S	"	G.M.MORROW,	28.8.18.
S	"	R.SINGLAIR, DCM, MM	28.8.18.
S	"	J.A.PONTIN, MC	31.7.17.
S	"	W.L.O.MALLARD, MC	1.4.18.
S	"	W.RIPPS,	26.3.18.
S	"	K.T.O.WALKER,	26.9.18.
S	"	G.M.WILSON,	15.1.19.
S	"	H.S.GHAVE,	28.1.19.
S	2/Lieutenant	P.B.ROBIN,	23.1.19.
S	"	J.F.COYLE, MM	26.1.19.
S	"	W.E.BAKER,	26.1.19.
S	"	A.G.BALL,	6.2.19.
S	"	H.L.ANDREWS, DCM, MM	17.2.19.
S	"	G.P.BULL, MM	12.3.19.
Adjutant:-			
	Lieut	A.A.FOWLESS,	17.10.17.
Quartermaster:-			
	S/Lieut	H.L.ANDREWS,	17.2.19.
<u>FIRST CLASS WARRANT OFFICERS DOING DUTY WITH THE UNIT.</u>			
3091	T/RSM (T/W.O.Cl 1)	H.C.BROWN,	6.2.19.

OFFICERS ATTACHED.

Capt G.S. ALLEN, Bn Medical Officer attached from 4th P.Amb. 3.12.19.
 Lieut W. GREGSON, Bn Signal Officer " " 4th Aust. Div. 23.5.19.
 No 5 Sig. Section
 Lieut R. HOLTHAM, Bn Education Officer attached from A.I.F. Education Services 21.11.19.

OFFICERS DOING DUTY AWAY FROM UNIT.

				Date.
Major	R. MORRELL, DSO	Seconded 1st Aust. Div.		6.2.17.
Major	F.B. HINTON, MC	N.M. Employment Tech. Coll. Bradford		1.2.19.
Capt	H.L. WALL, Pers.	Super. List. List No 592		30.3.19.
Lieut	P.H.S. WESTON,	Supernumerary List No 409		3.6.19.
Lieut	F. GREASY, MM	" " "		8.10.19.
Major	E.G. RADFORD, DSO	N.M. Employment		12.3.19.
Capt	C.H. HATCHER, MC	" " " Guernsey Is		12.3.19.
Lieut	W.H. WOOD,	Supernumerary List 409		4.10.19.
Capt	A.L. LANGBORNE,	75 Days Leave U.K. ex Hosp.		11.22.19.
Lieut	F.C. GARNER, MM	Seconded A.M.G.T. Depot List No 341		23.2.19.
Lieut	A.S. HEADLAM,	" " " " "		17.9.19.
Lieut	A. PETTY TT,	" " " " 327		25.4.19.
Lieut	R.T. GILLIES,	" " " " 395		1.10.19.
Lieut	T.R. LYDSTER, MM	Wounded in action		9.9.19.
Lieut	L.D. SINCLAIR,	" " " "		19.9.19.
2/Lieut	L.C. CAMPBELL,	Seconded List No 323		24.2.19.
Lieut	A.E. FOX,	To Hospital ex detached 2nd Demob. HAVRE.		19.2.19.
Lieut	H. ROSS-SODEN,	Duty in U.K. Sports Committee.		23.2.19.
Lieut	R. TURNER,	N.M. Employment, Banerel S. Devon,		23.2.19.
Lieut	P. GRIEVESON,	N.M. Employment ex 75 Days leave		
Lieut	T.R. JACK,	Lytham, Lancs.		23.2.19.
	MC	N.M. Employment		26.3.19.

CHANGES OF RANKS OF OFFICERS.

2/Lieut	R. HOLTHAM,	to be Lieutenant	AIF List No 451	1.2.19.
2/Lieut	H.S. CHAVE	" " "	" " " 455	22.2.19.
2/Lieut	C.M. WILSON,	" " "	" " " "	22.2.19.
2/Lieut	H. ROSS-SODEN,	" " "	" " " "	22.2.19.
T/Capt	T.R. JACK, MC	reverts to Lieut on marching out to Non-Military Employment		26.3.19.

OFFICERS AND WARRANT OFFICERS TAKEN ON STRENGTH DURING THE MONTH.

2/Lieut	C.P. BULL, MM	from Officers Cadet Battalion	12.3.19.
		Date of First appointment to Commissioned Rank	2.1.19.

OFFICERS WHO HAVE QUITTED DURING THE MONTH. AND STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

Capt	S.H. CARROLL, MC	to Australia	3.3.19.
Lieut	W.B. BANKS,	" "	3.3.19.
Lieut	A.W.B. FAWCETT,	" " ex Hosp in U.K.	23.2.19.
Capt	W.M.B. CORY, MC	" " ex 75 Days Leave	23.2.19.
Lieut	A.R. CRESWELL,	" "	9.1.19.

DUGHIES, BELGIUM.

3th March 1919

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Lieut-Colonel.

C.O., 4th Aust. M.G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO.169.
 by
 LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.
 C o m m a n d i n g
 4th. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

1st. March, 1919.

PART I.

ATTENDANCE.

1. Duty Companies for week - 12th. and 13th. Coys.
 Lieut. J.F. COYLE, M.M. Capt. for week.

13th. Company will supply the following outlying Guards:-
 1 Sgt. and 10 Other Ranks - HASTIERE.
 1 N.C.O. and 8 " " - HERMETON.
 1 N.C.O. and 8 Other Ranks. - HEER AGIMONT.

12th. Coy. will supply the following inlying Guards:-
 (Power House - 1 N.C.O. and 4 men.
ANSEREMME. (Station - 1 N.C.O. and 4 men.
 (Timber Yard - 3 men.
 (Guard Room - 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl., and 8 men.

EDUCATION.

2. WOOL CLASSING CLASS - 1000 in Hotel Beau Sojour.
 SHORTHAND CLASS - 1000 " " " "
 BUSINESS PRINCIPLES and PRACTICE - 1100 - Beau Sojour.

PAY.

3. On and after March 1st., all payments to troops will be made in BELGIAN CURRENCY, the present rate of exchange of which is three shillings and nine pence (3/9).
 Officers and Other Ranks in possession of Belgian monies when proceeding on leave in FRANCE are instructed to have such monies converted in French Currency before leaving Belgium.

PART II.

APPOINTMENT.

- 1 Lieut. A.A. FOWLESS to be Adjt., vice Capt H.W.CROUCH, M.C. to Australia. Dated 14th. Jan. 1919.
 (A.I.F. List No. 448 of 21/2/19).

Arthur A. Fowless

Lieut.
Adjt., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO.170.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.
C o m m a n d i n g
4th. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

2nd. March, 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES.

- 1. Duty Companies for week - 12th. and 13th. Coys.
Lieut. J.F. COLLE, M.M., Capt. for week.

13th. Coy. will supply the following outlying Guards:-
 1 Sgt. and 10 Other Ranks - HASTIERE.
 1 N.C.O. and 8 Other Ranks - HERLETON.
 1 N.C.O. and 8 Other Ranks - HERR AGIMONT.

12th. Coy. will supply the following inlying Guards:-
 Power House - 1 N.C.O. and 4 men.
 Station - 1 N.C.O. and 4 men.
 Timber Yard - 3 men.
 Guard Room - 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl. and 8 men.

- DENTAL PARADE. 2. The following personnel will report to 84th. Dental Unit, 20 Place De Heuse, DINANT, on Monday, 3rd. March, 1919.

179 Sgt. ADAMS (A.A.V.C.)
 514 Pte. SUTTON.
 3237 Pte. WOOD.
 3337 Pte. CLANCY.

BOUNDS.

- 3. 4th. Aust. Div. Advises.

From midnight 2/3 March, CHARLEROI is placed out of bounds to all ranks of the Corps except those on duty who will be provided with special passes stamped by the A.P.H. Corps or D.A.P.M. Division.

- CHURCH SERVICE. 4. Divino Servizio will be held by Chaplain A.B.J. KING, for the Battalion at 10.30 in Y.M.C.A.
Dress. Drill Order.

Arthur A. Boulton Lieut.
 Adjt., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

NOTICE.

A Boxing Tournament will be hold at the Factory, DINANT, on Tuesday next.

SPROLES V FOWLER.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 171.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W. MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.
C o m m a n d i n g
4th. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

3rd. March, 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES.

1. Duty Coys. for week . 4th. and 24th. Companies.
24th. Coy. will detail one Officer for Duty as Capt. for the week.

OUTLYING GUARDS.

4th. Coy. will detail following Guards who will relieve Guards at present being supplied by 13th. Coy.

- 1 Sgt. and 10 Other Ranks - HASTIERE.
- 1 N.C.O. and 8 Other Ranks - HERMETON.
- 1 N.C.O. and 8 Other Ranks - HEER AGIMONT.

These Guards will be relieved at 10 a.m.

Dress:- Full Marching Order, and unexpended portion of day's rations to be carried.

INLYING GUARDS.

24th. Coy. will relieve Guards at 10 a.m. at present supplied by 12th. Company.

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|-------------------|---|-------------|---|----------------------------|
| <u>ANSEREMME.</u> | { | Power House | - | 1 N.C.O. and 4 men. |
| | | Station | - | 1 N.C.O. and 4 men. |
| | | Timber Yard | - | 3 men. |
| | | Guard Room | - | 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl., and 8 men. |

EDUCATION.

2. ARITHMETIC CLASS - 1000 in Hotel Beau Sejour.
BOOK-KEEPING CLASS (Elementary) 1100 Hotel Beau Sejour.

BATHS:

3. The Divisional Baths, DINANT, are available for the Battalion all day 5th. inst., and the morning of 6th. inst., and are allotted as follows:-

4th. Company	-	8.30 to 10.30	} 5th.
12th. "	-	10.30 " 12.00	
13th. "	-	13.30 " 15.00	
24th. "	-	15.00 " 16.30	
Transport	-	8.30 to 10.00	} 6th.
Headquarters	-	10.00 " 12.00	

Company Commanders will ensure that all ranks attend.

N. Jotman. Lieut.
Adj., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO.172.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.
C o m m a n d i n g
4th. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

4th. March, 1919.

PART I.

- DUTIES. 1. Duty Cdys. for week - 4th. and 24th. Companies.
Lieut. K.MORLING, Capt. for week.
- 4th. Company will supply the following outlying Guards:-
1 Sgt. and 10 Other Ranks - HASTIERE.
1 N.C.O. and 8 Other Ranks - HERMETON.
1 N.C.O. and 8 Other Ranks - HEER AGIMONT.
- 24th. Company will supply the following inlying Guards:-
 (Power House - 1 N.C.O. and 4 men.
 (Station - 1 N.C.O. and 4 men.
ANSEREME. (Timber Yard - 3 men.
 (Guard Room - 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl., and 8 men.
- EDUCATION. 2. The French and German Classes will not be held to-day
4th. instant.
- DEMOBILISATION. 3. Domobaust advises.
"Embarkation for Australia to 22nd. inst. - A.I.F.
30766, Relatives and Munition Workers 2767. 35 Ships.
Projected departures for February-March 28 ships carrying
25747 A.I.F., 2382 Relatives and Munition Workers. All
sailings depend on ships conditions becoming normal and no
further strikes.
- LEAVE TO ITALY. 4. Owing to the prevalence of small pox at NAPLES, and in
the neighbourhood of UDINE, TRIESTE, and FIUME, no British
troops except those on duty will be permitted to enter these
places.
- ATTENTION. 5. Attention is drawn to B.R.O. 171, para 3. BATHS.

V. Johnson Lieut.
Adjt., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO.173.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.
C o m m a n d i n g
4th. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

5th. March, 1919.

PART I.

YES.

- 1. Duty Companies for week - 4th. and 24th. Companies.
Lieut. K. MORLING, Capt. for week.

4th. Company will supply outlying Guards as in R.R.O. 172.

24th. Company will supply inlying Guards as in B.R.O. 172.

LOCATION.

- 2. WOOL CLASSING CLASS - 1000 in Hotel Beau Sojour.
SHORTHAND CLASS - 1000 " " " "
ARITHMETIC and
ALGEBRA CLASS - 1100 in Hotel Beau Sojour.
FARMERS' CIRCLE - 1750 " " " "
C.S.M. HAINES will read a supplementary paper on the
"Treatment and Feeding of Horses"

DISCHARGE
ELSEWHERE THAN
AUSTRALIA.

- 3. In applications for discharge in countries other than Australia, it is necessary that paras. 8, 7, and 8 on A.I.F. Form 535 be filled in and initialled by C.O's.

It is also necessary that the applicant forward written proof of statements:-

- 1. That he has no dependents in Australia, or that his dependents in Australia are agreeable that he should be discharged elsewhere than Australia.

That allotment is made

- (a) In a soldier's own favour.
- (b) No allotment at all is made by soldier.
- (c) Allotment is made to a person outside Australia.

is considered sufficient proof.

Where allottee is in Australia a letter or cable authorising discharge outside Australia is necessary.

- 2. That he is able to maintain himself if discharged.
A written guarantee of employment is the best evidence in this case.

In a case where the applicant is in possession of independent means, document evidence of the fact is necessary.

ALLOWANCE.

- 4. Sick Furlough and Sick Leave Allowance in lieu of Rations and Quarters.

On and after 17th. Feb. 1919, members of the A.I.F. and A.A.N.S. who are granted

- (a) Sick Furlough or
- (b) Sick Leave.

will, when rations and quarters, or allowance in lieu thereof are not provided, be entitled to draw an allowance of six (6) shillings per diem for the period of such sick furlough or sick leave.

N. Frohman, Lieut.
Adjt., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 177

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
C o m m a n d i n g
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

12th March 1919.

PART I.

- Duties 1. Duty Company for week - 12th Company.
Captain for week - Lieut. RODIE.
Duty Company will supply the following Guard :-
GUARD ROOM 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 8 men.
- EDUCATION 2. WOOL CLASSING - 10.00
ARITHMETIC and ALGEBRA 11.00
FARMERS CIRCLE 18.00 on all branches of Farming.
The Classes will be held in the "Theatre Room" opposite
the 24th Coy's Transport.
All ranks will continue to attend classes regularly.
- INFLUENZA. 3. (a) This disease frequently complicated by pneumonia, is
again prevalent in the army area, and it is attended with serious
and, in a number of cases, fatal results.
(b) To prevent the spread of the epidemic the following
precautions will be taken by all formations and Units located in
the 4th Army Area:-
(i) 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 patients chance of recovery is jeopardized by any delay in the
treatment of his case, which may further result in the spread
of the disease amongst his comrades.
(ii) Billets will be carefully inspected and overcrowding
dispersed. Ventilation in billets is of cardinal importance
in limiting the spread, and diminishing the severity of the
disease.
(iii) Warm clothing will be worn by night and day, and
exposure to inclement weather avoided whenever possible.
(iv) Influenza cases will be removed to hospital and isolated
cases are not to be treated in quarters.
(v) From 23rd 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 Service will be hold in the open air.
This order will be reviewed on the 1st March, when it is hoped
that the situation will allow of its modification.
(Extract from C.R.O. No.30.)
- RAILWAY 4. Instances are reported of British Troops riding on foot
ENGINES. plates of Belgian engines manned by Belgium Crews. This practice
is to cease forthwith.
- ORDERS. 5. Attention is drawn to the Following Orders:-
C.R.O. 2646, 2859, 2874, 2877, 2858.
C.R.O. 3337, and 3340 and 3375.
- DISCIPLINE 6. The French Military Authorities have recently reorganised
their Police Service at Railway Stations with a view to facilit-
ating the transportations of personnel. All ranks will conform
to any instructions which may be issued by the French police in
the exercise of their functions.

PART II.

- Appointments. 1. Education Service.
The undermention T/2 Lieut to be Lieut.
2/Lieut R.HOLTHAM dated 1st Feb. 1919 (A.I.F.Lt. 451)
- STRENGTH. 2. Taken on strength 12th Coy
1750 Cpl. A. STUART.

T. Arthur Lieut.
Adjt., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 178

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.V. MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C....,
C o m m a n d i n g
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

13th March 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES. 1. Duty Company for week - 13th Company.
Captain for week - Lieut. ROBIN.
Duty Company will supply the following Guard :-

GUARD ROOM 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 8 men.

EDUCATION. 2. BOOK-KEEPING Class (Elementary) 11.00
ARITHMETIC & ALGEBRA CLASSES - 10.00

Sheep and Wool Course at LEEDS University from
25th April to 25th Oct. 1919.

The above course is of special interest to those
intending to specialise as Stud Breeders of English Sheep
or those intending to take up a Lectureship at an
Agricultural College.

Special Agricultural Course at the ABERDEEN
University from 31st March to 31st July 1919.

For men interested in Clydesdale Horses, Fat Cattle and
and Stock generally.

Full particulars of the above two courses may be
had on application to the Education Officer.

FISHING. 3. C.R.O. 2883. Cases have recently occurred of fishing
in private waters without permission of the owners and
of using explosives to kill fish. This will cease at once.
Severe disciplinary action will be taken against Officers
or other ranks found guilty of the use of explosives
for this purpose.

INFLUENZA. 4. C.R.O. 2886. Restrictions on dances, cinemas and con-
certs are now removed.

OVERCROWDING OF TRAINS 5. C.R.O. 2895. Not more than 24 men will be entrained
in any truck in future.

ORDERLY ROOM 6. Orderly Room will be held at 10.30

PART II.

TAKEN ON STRENGTH 1. The following personnel have been transferred from
the Transport to the various Coys. shown under.

4th Company

284 Pte. GORDON, T.	3799 L/Cpl. CARTER, A.D.
415 Dvr. DALY, T.	5564 Pte. GODDARD, H.T.
2539 Pte. STARKEY, A.	802 Pte. RECKING, S.
6514 Pte. GEMHOE, W.	6797 Farr. ARNOLD, C.H.
5362 " COOK, W.G.	7239 Pte. DAVIES, E.
421 Dvr. HANDLEY, J.J.	3878 Dvr. WILCOX, R.
5025 Pte MC CORLANK, H.J.	378 Pte. KNIGHT, C.D.

12th COMPANY.

3557 Pte. CLANCY, E.A	646 Dvr. MARTIN, J.
2955 Dvr. PATE, R.	2402 Pte. SARRI, P.
249 Dvr. WILSON, M.	431 Dvr. GLYNN, D.G.
566 " McDONALD, P.D.	6643 " WALKER, J.
5094 " EDMONDS, P.L.	3338 " MAXHAN, A.R.
3793 " REYNOLDS, F.P.	470 " STIMPSON, W.J.
519 " STEVENS, J.	1915 " PYERS, W.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER COMPILED NO. 172 (Cont.)

Taken on Strength.	<u>15th COMPANY.</u>	
	2373 Pte. ATKINSON, R.D.	4202 Pte. HOLLIS, F.W.
	2159 Dvr. CHASE, T.W.	811 Dvr. MAGNUSSEN, C.V.
	3149 " FLEMING, T.	2031 Farr. LAVERCOCK, T.W.
	798 " FERGUSON, A.	3949 Dvr. BUTLER, F.
	1534 Pte. KOKKIN, A.A.	810 " LESLIE, W.D.
	807 Dvr. THOMPSON, C.H.	2113 Pte. STARK, A.C.
	801 Dvr. QUIGLEY, J.H.	3329 Dvr. KRATZMAN, W.C.
	612 " WALSH, J.J.	
	<u>24th COMPANY.</u>	
	4000 Dvr. LESOP, B.M.	549 Dvr. FITZPATRICK, O.
	761 Pte. JOHNSON, E.J.	423 Pte. McDONNELL, J.
	377 Pte. RIAN, E.J.	720 Pte. JOHNSON, D.G.
	453 Pte. AMY, F.A.	3535 Pte. HATTON, W.
	5243 Dvr. McColl, H.J.	577 Pte. McLELLAN, D.D.
	656 Pte. PARISH, L.F.	748 Pte. JONCOUR, C.L.

Personnel on leave or away on duty will join
Companies on return to Unit.

2/Lieut C. BULL, M.C. is taken on the strength of this
Battalion 12/3/1919.

N. Johnson Lieut.
Adjt., 4th Aust. N. G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 178

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W. MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.O.,
C o m m a n d i n g
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

14th March 1919.

PART I.

TIERS.

- 1. Duty Company for week - 13th Company.
Captain for week - Lieut. ROBIN.
Duty Company will supply the following Guard :-

GUARD ROOM 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 3 men.

UCATION

- 2. German and French Classes will not be held today.
THE AUST. CORPS CENTRAL SCHOOL at RUL, will conduct examinations during next month (April), corresponding to the following Australian Public Examinations :-
MATRICULATION
PUBLIC SERVICE
INTERMEDIATE ACCOUNTANCY
FINAL ACCOUNTANCY.

Negotiations are in progress with regard to these examinations, and it is very probable they will be recognised by the corresponding Institutions in Australia.

Men desirous of sitting for either of these examinations must submit their names to the Education Officer, ~~SM~~ ~~SM~~ before 14.00 today.

URT OF
QUIRY.

- 3. A Court of Enquiry composed of the following :-
PRESIDENT - Capt. T.R. JACK, M.C.
MEMBERS - (Lieut. G.N. MORROW.
(Lieut. K.T.L. WALKER.

will assemble at a place and time to be named by the President on 15th inst. to enquire into and determine the illegal absence, and deficiencies of Kit (if any) of the undermentioned :-

No. 3169 Pte. RAYMONT, G. - 24th Company.

Proceedings in duplicate (A.F. A2) will be forwarded to H.Q. when completed.

Pages 638 & 639 Manual Military Law and Page 140 para 673 Kings Regulations set out the necessary procedure to be adopted. Form of declaration as on Page 639 M.M.L. will be employed as finding of Court.

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- 4. Men who made application for Non Military Employment, or Early Repatriation must not be granted leave to U.K. or *other* than local leave.

AIMS
MISSION.

- 5. A Meeting of the members of the Claims Commission will be held at H.Q. Officers Mess this day at 10.00

RADE.

- 6. The following men will parade at the R.A.F. at 09.30 this day.
582 L/Cpl. H.B. STUART. 1915 Dvr. N.G. FARLOW
5336 Dvr. H.C. BELL 1962 Pte. S.S. MOSSOP.

RE GAUGE
IES AND
MWAYS.

- 7. C.R.O. 2900 - All soldiers travelling on metre gauge lines and tramways will pay the military fare.
The 1st class carriages on these lines are reserved for the use of officers and 1st class passengers.

A. Hutchman. Lieut.
Adjt., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 179

by
LIEUT-COLONEL R.W. MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
C o m m a n d i n g.
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

15th March 1919.

PART I.

- DUTIES. 1. Duty Company for week - 12th & 13th Coys.
Captain for week - Lieut ROBIN.
Duty Company will supply the following Guard :-
GUARD ROOM 1Sgt. 1 Opl. and 8 men.
- EDUCATION. 2. BOOK-KEEPING CLASS 11.00
The WOOL CLASSING CLASS will not be held today.
- CHURCH SERVICE. 3. R.C. Church Service will be held at the local church,
SUNDAY at 09.30.
- MOBILISATION. 4. The following message received from DEMOBAUST for information of all ranks begins AAA Embarkations to Australia to 9th inst. 1519 Officers 287 Nurses 2775 W.Os. and Sgts. 32947 other ranks 3127 wives families and munition workers in 45 Transports and 4 Passenger ships AAA Projected sailings March 16 vesels including 4 invalid ships carrying 901 Officers and Nurses 1715 W.Os. and Sgts. 13000 other ranks 280 families 1088 munition workers AAA Projected sailings depend normal shipping and no further strikes AAA ends.
- BOUNDS. 5. All Estaminets are placed out of bounds after 9 P.M. daily.

A. Futinau Lieut.
Adjt., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

NOTICES.

- FOOTBALL. 2nd Division 4 goals 3 behinds
4th Division 2 " 5 "
- LOST. 1 Ride bay gelding, branded B I. on near shoulder, white star on forehead. Classification brand C - Z, sale number 154 on near rump.
1 L.D. bay gelding, hollow backed, off hind hoof split, classification brand C - T. Amble when walking, no sale number.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 180.

by
 LIEUT-COLONEL H.W. MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
 C o m m a n d i n g
 4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

16th March 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES.

1. Duty Coys for week - 12th & 13th Coys.
 Captain for week - Lieut. ROBIN.
 Duty Coy will supply the following Guard.

GUARD ROOM 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 8 men.

NEXT FOR DUTY. 4th and 24th Coys.

4th Coy will relieve 12th Guard at GUARD ROOM, 10 a.m.
 17th inst. (1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 8 men).

24th Coy. will relieve 12th Coy. Picquet at CHATELLET, 1000
 17th inst. (1 Officer. 1 N.C.O. and 6 men.).

DISEASE.

2. Owing to the prevalence of influenza, NOTTINGHAM is placed out of bounds to all troops.

CHEVRONS FOR SERVICE OVERSEAS.

3. With reference to Army Order 4, of 1918 it is notified that chevrons awarded by the Board of Trade for service in the Mercantile Marine prior to joining the Army may be worn on Military Uniforms. Such chevrons will be of the pattern authorised for the Army, ~~namely~~ viz, Red or Blue worsted embroidery, according to the year for which awarded.

REPATRIATION.

3. The attention of all ranks is called to a Special Notice showing a Summary of "Assistance and Benefits" made under the "Australian Soldiers Repatriation Acts 1917-1918" which will be posted up on the Battalion Notice Board outside Battalion Orderly Room.

PART II.

PROMOTION.

1. 12th Company.
To be T/C.O.N.S.
 476 Pte. CHAPPLE, L.S. vice ROGERS to England.
 Dated. 15th March 1919.

A. Hutchinson Lieut.
 Adj., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 131.

by
 MAJOR-COLONEL H. J. URDINE, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
 C o m m a n d i n g
 4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

17th March 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES.

1. Duty Coys for week - 4th & 24th Coys.
 Captain for week - Lieut. A.C. Ball.
 4th Coy. will supply the following Guard.

GUARD ROOM 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 8 men.

24th Coy. will supply the following Picquet.

CHATELET, 1 Officer. 1 N.C.O. and 8 men.

EDUCATION.

- 2 ARITHMETIC CLASS 10.00
 BOOK-KEEPING CLASS 11-00. (ELEMENTARY) .

Classes will be held in the Theatre Room opp. 24th. Coy
 (Transport)

H. Trotman Lieut.
 Adjt., 4th Aust. M.G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 182.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H. V. MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
C o m m a n d i n g
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion

18th March 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES.

1. Duty Companies for week - 4th and 24th Coys.
 Captain for week - Lieut. A.C. BALL.
 4th Company will supply the following Guard :-
 GUARD ROOM 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 8 men.
 24th Company will supply the following Picquet and
 Guard :-
 CHAIRSHEET 1 Officer 1 Cpl. 6 men
 D.P.M. Guard 1 Cpl. 6 men @ 10.00

EDUCATION.

2. FRENCH and GERMAN Classes will not be held today.

BATHS.

3. Baths are available at BISSIE, this day and Wednesday and are allotted as follows :-

H.Q. and 4th Coy.	09.50	till 12.00)
Transport and 12th Coy	13.00	till 16.30) today.
- 13th Coy	09.30	till 12.00)
- 24th Company	13.00	till 16.50) 19/3/19.

KILLING OF GAME.

4. Attention is drawn to G.R.O. No. 6171.
 Many complaints are received that this order is not being complied with.
 Immediate steps will be taken to ensure that orders upon this subject are strictly observed.
 Special Patrols will, if necessary, be used to arrest soldiers not complying with this G.R.O..
 Any soldier found disobeying will be tried by COURT MARTIAL.

A. Johnson Lieut.
 Adj., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 182.

By
LIEUT. COLONEL H.W. MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
Commanding
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion

19th March 1919.

PART I.

- DUTIES. 1. Duty Companies for week - 4th and 24th Coys.
Captain for week - Lieut. A.C. BALL.
4th Company will supply the following Guard:-
GUARD ROOM 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 10 men.
- 24th Company will supply the following Picquet and
Guard :-
CHATELET 1 Officer 1 Cpl. 6 men
D.P.M. Guard 1 Cpl. 6 men
- EDUCATION. 2. WOOL CLASSING 10-00
ARITHMETIC AND ALGEBRA 11-00
FARMERS STUDY CIRCLE 18-00
Subject, "AGRICULTURE in the FUTURE".
Army pamphlet No. 5.
- BATHS. 3 Baths are available at BIESME this day and are
allotted as follows :-
- | | |
|----------|------------------|
| 13th Coy | 09.30 till 13.00 |
| 24th Coy | 13.00 till 16.30 |
- DENTAL. 4. All ranks requiring Dental treatment will parade
at the R.A.P. *** with the morning Sick Parade.

PART II.

- PROMOTION. 1. 13th Company.
To be T/Corporal.
523a Pte. L.A. WALSH vice PARNELL to A.I.F.Hqs.
Dated 18th March 1919.
- To be Act. Sergeant.
523a T/Cpl. L.A. WALSH vice PARNELL to A.I.F.Hqs.
Dated 18th March 1919.

H. J. Murray Lieut.
Adjt., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

NOTICES.

- FOOTBALL :- Soccer 4th Div. v 3rd Div. a draw.
Aust. Rules. 4th Div. 6 goals 10 behinds
Aust. Corps 5 goals 11 behinds.
Rugby 4th Div. received a forfeit from Corps.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 183.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H. V. MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
C o m m a n d i n g
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

20th March 1919.

PART I.

- DUTIES. 1. Duty Companies for week - 4th and 24th Coys.
Captain for week - Lieut. A.C. BALL.
4th Coy. will supply the following Guard :-
GUARD ROOM - 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 10 men.
24th Coy. will supply the following Picquet and
Guard :-
CHATELAIN - 1 Officer 1 Cpl. and 2 men.
Div. Paymasters Guard. 1 Jpl. and 3 men (weekly).
- EDUCATION. 2. BOOK-KEEPING Class 11.00 to be held in Theatre Room
opposite 24th Company Transport.
- KILLING OF GAME. 3. Attention is drawn to J.R.O. 6171.
Many complaints are received that this order is not
being complied with.
Immediate steps will be taken to ensure that orders
upon this subject are strictly observed.
Special patrols will, if necessary, be used to
arrest soldiers not complying with this J.R.O.
Any soldier found disobeying will be tried by COURT
MARTIAL.
- LEAVE TO VISIT. 4. Applications for leave to VISIT may now be sub-
mitted.
- BOUNDS. 5. The Ports in the Army Area are placed out of bounds to
all troops, unless employed on duty.
- TROPHIES. 6. D.R.O. 2501. - The Defence Dept. has reported that
it is experiencing considerable embarrassment through
officers writing to various Public Bodies in Australia
and informing them that they are forwarding trophies
etc. to them.
The attention of Units is drawn to A.I.F. Order 923
of 23th October 1918.
- DRESS. 7. D.R.O. 2505. WEARING OF BELTS ETC. Other ranks will
invariable wear web or leather belts or bandoliers
according to branch of Service when on leave outside
their own billeting area.
This order will be strictly enforced.
- DISCIPLINE. 8. Personnel approved for Early Repatriation who, after
EARLY REPATRIATES. arrival at A.I.F. Depots in U.S. are "A.L." will, on
completion of their punishment, be returned to their
Units in France, their Early Repatriation being can-
celled.
Further, they will not be permitted to make any
special application thereafter.

PART II.

- PROMOTION. 1. 4th Company.
to be C.S. (C.O. Class 11.)
T/J. ... A.L. HARRIS vice HUDSON to Australia.
Dated March 2th 1919.
(Auth. A.I.F. Letter A/2141/7/2 of 8/5/19.)

A. J. ... Lieut.
Adj., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. ~~XXX~~ 194.
by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
C o m m a n d i n g
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

21st. March 1919.

PART I.

- TIES. 1. Duty Companies for week - 4th & 24th Coys.
Captain for week - Lieut. A.C.BALL.
4th Coy. will supply the following Guard:-
GUARD ROOM 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 10 men.
24th Coy. will supply the following Piquet and Guard :-
CHATELET 1 Officer 1 Cpl. and 6 men.
Div. Paymasters Guard 1 Cpl. and 6 men (weekly).
- UCATION. 2. ARITHMETIC and ALGEBRA CLASSES - 10.00
The FRENCH and GERMAN classes will not be held today.
- LLING of ME. 3. Attention id drawn to B.R.O. 183 para 3.
- NOCULATION. 4. Innoculation returns will be submitted to R.A.P. by
noon thisday.

PART II.

- VERSIONS. 1. Headquarters.
561 T/Cpl. PASSEY, R.D. reverts to the rank of L/Cpl. on
marching out to U.K. Non Military Employment.
Dated 19/3/19.
- 4th Company.
8078 T/Cpl. GRIGG, reverts to the rank of L/Cpl. on marching
out to U.K. NON MILITARY Employment.
Dated 15/3/19.
- 13th Company.
832 T/Cpl. ARMSTRONG, J.S. reverts to Private on marching out
to U.K. Non Military Employment. Dated 15/3/19.
- Transport.
3291 T/Cpl. NUTLEY reverts to Driver on marching out to U.K.
Non Military Employment. Dated 15/3/19.

N. Fotherman Lieut.
Adjt., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ORDER NO. 125.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H. MURPHY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.,
Commanding.
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

22nd. March 1919.

PART I.

- DUTIES. 1. Duty Companies for week - 4th and 14th. Coys.
Captain for week - Lieut. A.C.BALL.
4th Coy. will supply the following Guard :-
GUARD ROOM 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 10 men.
14th Coy. will supply the following Picquet & Guard:-
CHAMBER 1 Officer 1 Cpl. and 3 men.
DIV. PATROLS GUARD :-1 Cpl. and 6 men.
- EDUCATION. 2. BOOK-KEEPING CLASS - 11.00
- CHURCH PARADE. 3. Major J.A.CLACK, Chaplain 13th Aust. Inf. Bde
will hold an R.C. CHURCH PARADE at 10.45 a.m. Sunday
In the Church, GOUGHIES. the
Captain for week will hand Parade over.
- DRAFT. 4. On or about the 2nd April it is reasonably
expected that a draft of approximately 120 men will
leave this Unit for Australia.
- KILLING OF GAME. 5. Cases have occurred of Game being shot. This is a
very serious offence and will be dealt with as such.
No rifle or revolver practice of any description
will be carried out in future unless under the
supervision of an Officer.
This order to be read to all ranks three times
on parade.
O.C. Coys. will see that all ranks are warned.

PART II.

- PRO MOTION. 1. Headquarters.
To be T/Corporal.
507 Pte. W. BULLOCK vice BASSIN to U.K. Hon
Military Employment Dated 20/3/19.

A. Johnston Lieut.
Adj., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

LOST.

GOLD BRASS RING with initials G.C.D. if found
return to M. Orderly Room. Reward.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 183,

by

LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
C o m m a n d i n g
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

23rd March 1919.

PART I.

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- DUTIES. 1. Duty Coys. for week - 4th and 24th Coys.
Captain for week Lieut. A.C.BALL.
4th Coy. will supply the following Guard:-
GUARD ROOM - 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 10 other ranks.
24th Coy. will supply the following Picquet and Guard.
CHATELAIN - 1 Officer 1 Cpl. and 60 men.
DIV. PAYMASTERS GUARD - 1 Cpl. and 3 men.
- AMALGAMATION OF COYS. 2. 12th and 4th Companies will amalgamate and be known as
No. 1 Coy. after 0600 24th inst.
Lieut. J.H.KENNARE will assume Command until the return
of Captain TRIBLE. Lieut. W.H.O.MALLARD, M.C. will be second
in command.
13th and 24th Coys will not amalgamate until further orders
- UNIT EQUIPMENT. 3. Coy. Commanders will arrange to hand over all remaining
Unit Equipment to the Quarter-Master on Sunday afternoon
(this day)
12th Company will supply a Guard of 1 N.C.O. and 4 men
to guard Limbers and Cookers at the Town Square. They will
mount at 1600 thisday.
- COLOUR PATCHES. 4. It is noticed there are a number of men going about with-
out Colour Patches and Cross Guns. These are available in
Battalion Q.M. Store.
Company Commanders an Transport Officer will at once take
steps to see that all men wear their correct colours.
- RAILWAY TICKETS. 5. No Officers or men are to travel on the Belgium Railways
unless they are in possession of a ticket. To enable them to
purchase tickets at quarter fare, they must report to R.T.O's
Office and obtain the necessary permits.
- DEMOBILISATION. 6. The following telegram has been received from H.Q.
" G.H.Q. wires from receipt of this wire no entrain-
ment of personnel for leave, demobilisation or cadre
is to take place AAA It will be explained to all
ranks that this temporary suspension of traffic has
been ordered owing to threatened strike in England."
- EXCHANGE OF FOREIGN CURRENCY. 7. Facilities have been provided at Victoria and Waterloo
Stations and at all Post Offices in the United Kingdom for the
exchange, at the official rates prevailing of any French,
Belgium, Italian or German Currency which troops may have in
their possession.
During the hours when Camp Post Offices are closed French,
Belgium, Italian or German money to a maximum amount of 5 fcs.
5 lira, or 5 marks per soldier may be exchanged at any Army
or Navy Canteen in a Dispersal Station at the official rate
obtaining in the Camp Post Offices.
- KILLING OF GAME. 8(a) Attention is drawn to E.R.O. 124 and 185.
(b) If members of other Battalions are seen around this area
shooting it will be promptly reported to Bn. H.Q.

PART II.

- PROMOTION. 1. Extract from A.I.F. List No455.
" To be Lieuts. Dated 22nd Feb. 1919
2/Lieut. H. ROSS-SODEN.
" C.M. WILSON.
" H.S.CHAVE.

A. Johnston
Adjt., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

Lieut.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO.187.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
Commanding.
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

24th March 1919.

PART I.

1. Duty Coy. for week - No.1 Coy.
No.1 Coy will supply Captain for week.
No.1 Coy will relieve the following Guards at 1000.

GUARD ROOM:- 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 10 ~~other~~ men.
DIV. PAYMASTERS GUARD :- 1 Cpl. and 6 men.

2. ARITHMETIC CLASS 1000.

3. Attention is drawn to B.R.O. 186 para 5.

4. The following Special Order by the G.O.C., A.I.F. Depots in U.K. is published for information to all ranks.

SHIPPING FACILITIES.

(1) The G.O.C. has much pleasure in informing the troops that the Director General of Repatriation and Demobilisation advises that shipping prospects are improving considerably, and that ships promised justify expectations of our being able to ~~week~~ embark four to five thousand troops weekly from now till the end of April. This, if realised, should enable Demobilisation movements to be speeded up at every stage in the near future.

(2) Rumours have recently been circulated to the effect that ships allotted for the Repatriation of Australian Troops have been withdrawn and given to troops other than Australians. The G.O.C. desires it made known to Troops that there is absolutely no truth in such rumours; on the contrary, additional ships have been provided for Australians, and as pointed out in preceding paragraph (1) the prospects are exceedingly encouraging.

5. All ranks who enlisted before 30th June 1916 can ascertain their position on the Precedence Roll on application to their Company Orderly Room.

6. A Lecture will be given by A.T.SHARP Esq. of Victoria in the Hall attached to the CHURCH at 2 P.M. this day
Subject :- FACILITIES offered in Australia to Returned Soldiers.

Only men who are absolutely required for duty will be exempt from this parade.

PART. II.

1. Extract from A.I.F.List No. 456.
" Lieut. E.P.C.UPTON Embarked for Australia ex KASHMIR for Australia. - 9. 3. 19.

Arthur A. Fowler Liout.
Adjt., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

BATTALION. ROUTE ORDER NO. 133.

by

LIEUT-COLONEL H. W. MULLIK, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.,
Commanding.
4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

25th March 1919.

PART I.

- DUTIES. 1. Duty Company for week - No. 1. Coy.
Captain for week - Lieut. A.C. BALE.
No. 1. Coy. will supply the following Guards :-
GUARD ROOM :- 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. and 10 men.
DIV. PASSENGERS GUARD :- 1 Cpl. and 3 men.
- EDUCATION. 2. ENGLISH and GENERAL classes will not be held today.
- DE OBLIGATION. 3. Reference B. 1. 3. 127 para 3. This is now cancelled.
The following wire has been received :-
"MOVEMENT OF QUOTAS will be resumed from to day".

H. W. Mullik
Adjt., 4th Aust. M. G. Battalion.

Lieut.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 139.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W. MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.
C o m m a n d i n g
4th. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

26th. March, 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES. 1. Duty Company for week - No. 1 Company.
Lieut. A.C. BALL, Capt. for week.

No. 1 Company will supply the following Guards :-

GUARD ROOM - 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl., and 10 men.
DIV. PAYMASTER'S GUARD - 1 Cpl. and 6 men.

EDUCATION. 2. ARITHMETIC and
ALGEBRA CLASSES - 1100 in Theatre, Room opposite 24th.
Coys. Transport.

FARMERS' STUDY CIRCLE - 1800 in Theatre, Room opposite 24th.
Coys. Transport.

LEAVE. 3. Men who are standing by for return to Australia on ^{next} Draft will
not be granted leave after 30th. inst.
Company Commanders will ensure no applications from these
men are submitted. ~~after this date.~~

Lieut. A.C. Ball
Lieut.
Adjt., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO.190.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.
C o m m a n d i n g
4th. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

27th. March, 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES.

- 1. Duty Company for week - No. 1 Company.
Lieut. J.F. COYLE, M.H., Capt. for week.

No. 1 Company will supply the following Guards :-

GUARD ROOM - 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl., and 10 men.
DIV. PAYMASTER'S GUARD - 1 Cpl., and 8 men.

EDUCATION.

- 2. ARITHMETIC and
ALGEBRA CLASSES - 1000 in Theatre, Room opp. 24th. Coy.
Transport.
BOOK-KEEPING - 1100 in Theatre, Room opp. 24th. Coy.
Transport.

LEAVE.

- 3. Attention is drawn to Routine Order No. 178 of 14/3/19,
Para. 4. This must be strictly adhered to when recommending
applications for leave.
Para. 3 of Routine Order No. 189 of 26/3/19 is hereby
cancelled, and the following substituted.
"No application whatever will be considered for leave
from men who are standing by for Draft!"

Arthur A. Bowler

Lieut.
Adjt., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

NOTICE.

Boxing Contest - Aust. Corps V Canadian Corps to take place
29th. March at 1430 hours - PALAIS DES SPORTS, BRUSSELS.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO.191.

by

LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.
C o m m a n d i n g
4th. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

28th. March, 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES.

1. Duty Company for week - No. 1 Company.
Lieut. J.F. COYLE, M.M., Capt. for week.

No. 1 Company will supply the following Guards:-

GUARD ROOM - 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl., and 10 men.
Div. PAYMASTER'S GUARD - 1 Cpl. and 6 men.

EDUCATION.

2. FRENCH AND GERMAN CLASSES will not be held to-day, March 28th.

MEDICAL BOARD.

3. A Medical Board will sit at 2 p.m. to-day, 28th. March at the R.A.P.
All personnel warned for Draft will attend.

Arthur A. Dowle-Lewis

Adjt., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 192.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.
C o m m a n d i n g
4th. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

29th. March, 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES.

1. Duty Company for week - No. 1 Company.
Lieut. J.F. COYLE, M.M., Capt. for week.

No. 1 Company will supply the following Guards :-

GUARD ROOM - 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl. and 10 men.
DIV. PAYMASTER'S GUARD - 1 Cpl. and 6 men.

EDUCATION.

2. BOOK-KEEPING CLASS (Advanced) - 1100 in the "Theatre Room" opposite 24th. Coy. Transport.

PAY.

3. Department of Repatriation and Demobilisation.

General Instructions No. 17.

General Instruction No. 6, Annexure "C", para. 7, is hereby cancelled, and the following substituted:-

The District Paymaster in Australia will make available within seven days of disembarkation all balances to the credit of soldier's pay account to date of discharge, together with the whole of accrued deferred pay, also subsistence allowance if payable.

Ordinarily payment will be made in the home town of members whose homes are in the country.

Variance to this ruling must have the approval of the Officer Commanding Troopship by which the soldier returns to Australia, and will only be granted when good cause is shown or where change of district of disembarkation is approved, vide General Instruction No. 6, Annexure "C", para. 9.

General Instruction No. 2, Annexure "C", para. 8, is hereby cancelled, and the following substituted:-

Deferred pay is payable on discharge. The member's pay account, including the balance of his active pay account, together with deferred pay earnings will be settled as follows:-

First instalment to be made at date of discharge, and to include balance of active pay, leave gratuity, and 50 per cent of deferred pay.

Second and final instalment to be made 40 days after date of discharge, and to include any credit balance on the active pay account together with the balance of deferred pay.

In the event of a soldier not being in possession of a paybook or being in possession of a duplicate paybook, settlement will be made as follows:-

First instalment to be made at date of discharge, and to include balance of active pay, leave gratuity, and 25 per cent of deferred pay.

Second and final instalment to be made 40 days after date of discharge, and to include any balance on the active pay account, together with the balance of deferred pay.

Arthur C. Dowles. Lieut.
Adjt., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDER NO. 193.

by
LIEUT-COLONEL H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O., D.C.M.
C o m m a n d i n g
4th. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

30th. March, 1919.

PART I.

DUTIES.

- 1. Duty Company for week - No. 1 Company.
Lieut. J.F. COYLE, M.M., Capt. for week.

No. 1 Company will supply the following Guards :-

GUARD ROOM - 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl. and 10 men.
DIV. PAYMASTER'S GUARD - 1 Cpl. and 6 men.

ATTENTION.

- 2. Attention is drawn to D.R.O. paras. 2514, 2515, and 2517.

PART II.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

- 1. 4th. Company.
Lieut. F.J. CREAM, M.M. (To Australia) 16/3/19.
having proceeded per "OZARITZA"

Arthur A. Dowling

Lieut.

Adjt., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.

DRAFT.

No men need report to R.A.P. at
9 a.m. as previously advised.

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31st. March, 1919.

PART I.

UTIES.

1. Duty Company for week - No. 2 Company.
No. 2 Company will detail Capt. for the week.

The following Guards will be supplied by No. 2 Company.
GUARD ROOM - 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl. and 10 men.
DIV. PAYMASTER'S GUARD - 1 Cpl. and 8 men.

EDUCATION.

2. BOOK-KEEPING CLASS - 1100.
Applications will be received from Professional Teachers who wish to avail themselves of properly conducted tours extending over 14 days. The tours include visits to Elementary Infant, Central Secondary, and Technical Schools under the direction of the Board of Education.
For further particulars apply to Education Officer.

DISCIPLINE IN
CHARLEROI.

3. There has lately been certain cases of disorder in CHARLEROI and it is reported that generally men are in the town without passes and after the hour laid down in G.R.O. 3719, 9.30 p.m. - when all troops must be in their billets.
Whilst it is not desired to limit leave to CHARLEROI, steps will be taken forth-with to ensure that all men granted leave have a proper pass in their possession stamped with the Orderly Room Stamp and the date on which it is issued.
Army has been asked to extend the hour at which men must be in their billets until 10 p.m. Until this is approved all W.Os., N.C.Os., and men except those on duty or with special passes must be out of CHARLEROI by 9.30 p.m.
The A.P.M. has been asked to check all men in the town without passes, or after 9.30 p.m.

KILLING OF
NAME IN
BELGIUM.

4. Special attention is drawn to Army Order 2907. Units will institute special patrols to ensure the observation of this Order.

PART II.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

1. 9 Officers and 129 Other Ranks marched out to Australian Draft, Quota No. 25. March 30th. 1919.

A. Johnson Lieut.

Adjt., 4th. Aust. M.G. Battalion.