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Australian Imperial Force.

WAR DIARY

OF

2nd Australian Machine Gun Coy.

FOR

December 1918

Signature of Officer compiling

H. Adams Lieut.

Signature of Officer Commanding

J. H. Hogg Capt.

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BEAURIEUX Ref. Map NAMUR 8 4/100,000	Dec 1		During the morning a church parade of Church of England and other Protestant Denominations was held. The Co paraded in greatcoats and sidearms. Gloves were worn as the weather was chilly. 8 other ranks being January and February 1915 personnel proceeded en route to Australia. Rum was issued to the Co. 1 OR. rejoined from leave to Paris. In the afternoon the Bn team played the Pioneers team at Aust. League and the match resulted in a win for the gunners. Our ration strength was 7 officers 155 other ranks. 2/11	
do.	2		In the morning a lecture was delivered by the C. S. O. III to the Co. on "Intelligence". The remainder of the morning was devoted to the cleaning up of the streets of the village and improving the entrances to transport lines. The weather was fine. Our ration strength was 7 officers 148 other ranks. 2/11	
do.	3		The morning was devoted to timber drill and the work of repainting the timbers was commenced. The Co. supplied the guard for Bn. Hqs. 1 OR. was evacuated to hospital. Recreational	

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BEAURIEUX	Dec 3		Training was carried out in the afternoon. It was wet all day. Our ration strength was 7 officers 148 other ranks.	
do.	4.		Being very wet in the morning the Co devoted its time to laying out their kits in a uniform method and also sewed on colour patches on their greatcoats. 1 OR. was transferred to 4 th Co. A.A.S.C. and 1 OR. was detached to 2 nd Aust. M. G. Co. Our ration strength was 7 officers 147 O.Ranks.	
do.	5		The Co. paraded at 0900 in drill order and went for a pants march. 4 ORs rejoined from leave to the United Kingdom and 1 OR. rejoined from furlough to Australia. 14 OR. reinforcements and 5 OR. casuals joined us. 1 OR. rejoined from hospital. The weather was dull but no rain fell. Our ration strength was 7 officers 145 Other Ranks.	
do.	6.		at 0900 the Co. fell in and went for a pants march. The weather remained the same as yesterday. Our ration strength was 7 officers 170 O.Rs.	

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BEAURIEUX.	Dec. 7.		The Co. paraded at 0900 in drill order. CAPT. J. C. HOGE MC. and two other ranks rejoined from leave to the United Kingdom while LIEUT. A. G. HONYBUN. MC. and 3 other ranks proceeded on leave to the United Kingdom. 2 ORs. were detached to Bn. Hqrs. The weather being fine in the afternoon Nos 1 and 2 Sections played Nos. 3 and 4 Sections at Aust. Rules football and resulted in a win for the former. Our ration strength was 8 Officers 170 Other ranks. <i>2/11</i>	
do.	8		During the morning an inspection was carried out by Col. FRENCH and the Co. was paid. It was a sunny day. In the afternoon our Aust. rules team played the 21st Aust. M. B. Co which resulted in a win for the 21st Co. Our Soccer team also played the 21st Aust. M. B. Co which which resulted in a draw the scores being NIL to NIL. Our ration strength was 7 Officers 167 ORs. <i>2/11</i>	
do.	9		The Co. paraded at 0900 in drill order. 1 OR. rejoined from leave to the United Kingdom and 1 OR. proceeded on leave to PARIS. 1 OR also proceeded on duty to A. I. F. Hqrs London. The weather	

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BEAURIEUX.	Dec. 9.		remained fine. Our ration strength was 7 officers 167 other ranks. 2/1	
do.	10		The Co. paraded at 0900 in drill order and during the morning LIEUT. PRIESTLY G.S.O. III conducted a class in conversational German. 1 OR rejoined from hospital and 1 OR. rejoined from leave to the United Kingdom. 1 OR. was detached to Bn. Hqs. Notwithstanding the wet afternoon our "soccer" team played the 49 th Bn. and resulted in a win for the 49 th Bn. Our ration strength was 7 officers 166 ORs. 2/1	
do.	11		At 0900 a muster parade of the Co. was held in full marching order. A list of shortages to complete establishment was taken. 3 ORs proceeded on leave to the United Kingdom and and 1 OR. who was accidentally injured was evacuated. The weather was wet. Our ration strength was 7 officers 168 other ranks.	
do.	12.		The Co. paraded in drill order at 0930. The R.M.O. carried out an inspection for venereal disease which showed a negative result. 1 OR. was evacuated to hospital and 1 OR. proceeded on leave to Paris.	

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BEAURIEUX	Dec 12.		The members of the Concert party held a rehearsal. CAPT. JOFOZAINNE delivered a lecture on "Local government". Rain fell all day.	
do.	13		The ration strength was 7 officers 164 O. Rs. The Co. paraded in their billets at 0900. It was sultry and raining for the best part of the day. 2 nd / LIEUT. S. J. PARISH attended a demonstration in setting out harness for inspection. A test was carried out with the expendable belt and the results proved satisfactory. 5 OR. reinforcements joined us. Our ration strength was 7 off. 162 ORs.	
do.	14		The Co. paraded at 0900 in drill order. LIEUT. L. C. GARDNER proceeded on 75 days leave to the United Kingdom. CAPT. J. C. HOGE attended a Company Commanders Conference at Bn Hqrs at 1145. The shorthand class of the Co. received their first instructions. A billeting party of two N.C. Os went forward to billet the Co. for the forthcoming move to Charlevoi area. In the afternoon recreational training was carried out. The weather was fine. Our ration strength was 7 officers 166 other ranks.	

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BEAURIEUX	Dec. 15		<p>The orders for a move having been issued the Co. packed their limbers and made all necessary preparations. The weather was fine. At 1100 the R. M. O. delivered a lecture on venereal disease. The C. O. held orderly room at 1400 when 2 O.Rs from this Co. were paraded for overstaying leave. In the afternoon Nos. 1 and 2 Sections played the rest of the Co. at Aust. rules but took on a bigger proposition than they expected for the match resulted in an easy win for the rest of the Co. Our ration strength was 6 officers 167 other ranks.</p>	
BEAURIEUX	16.		<p>The Co. paraded at 0930 in full marching order less blankets and steel helmets which were carried on the limbers and Co. marched in rear of the 1st Aust. M. G. Bn to BARBENCON. NAMUR 8 1/100000 4D4371. The Co. halted at 1220 for lunch and moved on again at 1300 and reached their billets by 1600 after completing a march of 15 kilometers in wet weather and bad roads. Our ration strength was 6 officers 165 O.Ranks.</p>	<p>See app. ✓</p>
BARBENCON	17		<p>Reveille 0700 Breakfast 0715 Co. parade 0830 Dress. Full marching order less blankets and steel helmets. Billets were cleaned and the Co. moved</p>	

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BARBENCON	Dec. 17		to GOURDINNE NAMUR. 8 ^{1/1000000} 3 F. 400p. Owing to bad weather the usual halt for midday meal was not observed and the column pushed on to its destination arriving about 1400 when the Co then had lunch and settled down for the remainder of the day. There was no alteration in our ration strength, it still being 6 officers 165 Ranks.	See app 2
GOURDINNE	18		The Co paraded in the same dress as the previous two days at 0745 and marched to JONCRET. NAMUR. 8 ^{1/1000000} 2 G 1326. Two other ranks were sent ahead of the Co. on bicycles to carry out the duties of billeting. It rained heavily during the march. 1 O.R. was evacuated to hospital. Our ration strength remained the same.	See app 2
JONCRET.	19		Reveille 0700 Breakfast 0715 Co. Parade 0845. Billets were cleaned and the Co moved with transport by route march to LE ROUX. NAMUR ^{1/1000000} 2HS365 LIEUT A.R. PEGLER and 2 runners proceeded to LE ROUX in advance as billeting party. 3 sets of lead horses reported to the Bn Q.M. for the purpose of drawing rations. This made matters rather difficult when the transport Section tried to pull out from the timber park as the pole	See app 2

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JONCRET.	Dec. 19.		<p>horses refused to move being so accustomed to lead horses. A short but sharp hailstorm made matters worse but through good horsemanship the limbers were soon on the road and gained their place in the column. On arrival at LE ROUX the Co. was shown into its billets and everybody busied themselves in settling down and getting comfortable. The four days journey was marked by rain, wind, mud, cold, poor rations, and every other little thing which tends towards discomfort but in spite of these facts a cheerful spirit was maintained. Two other ranks rejoined from leave to the United Kingdom while one other rank proceeded to an Educational School. Our ration strength was 6 officers 164 ORs. <i>J.M.</i></p>	
LE ROUX.	20.		<p>Reveille 0745 Breakfast 0900. The Co. paraded in clean fatigues dress at 0930. Some of the limbers were washed and one limber washed and a fatigue party went out to gather wood. The remainder of the day was devoted to generally cleaning up and digging of latrines etc. The mens quarters were made more comfortable and roads and approaches to billets were cleaned. Our ration strength was 6 officers 165 Other ranks. <i>J.M.</i></p>	

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LE ROUX	Dec. 21.		<p>The routine for the day was reveille 0730 breakfast 0800 and at 0900 the Co. paraded in clean fatigue dress. The remainder of the timber was washed and the process of further clearing up the village was attended to. A rifle inspection was held. Our proportion of the Bw Canteen stores were drawn from the Bw. Canteen officer. Our fire orders were posted up in the billets and the amendment to Gen. Standing Fire Orders was also issued, it being in itself self-explanatory. The weather was fine. Our ration strength was 6 officers 165 other ranks.</p>	<p>App. 3.</p>
do	22.		<p>A muster parade of the Co. was held at 0900 for an inspection of clothing. The weather was rough it being windy and showers of rain fell intermittently. Our ration strength was unaltered, it still being 6 officers 165 other ranks.</p>	
do.	23.		<p>The Co. paraded in drill order at 0900. The remainder of the morning was devoted to clearing up of billets, roads, approaches etc. LIEUT. F. S. WARD delivered a lecture on internal combustion engines. Three sets of lead horses reported to the Bw. G.M. for the purpose of drawing rations</p>	

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LE ROUX	Dec. 23.		There was no improvement in the weather. A Y.M.C.A. was opened in the village for the use of the men in the Battalion. Standing orders were issued and posted up in the billets. In the afternoon our Aust. Rules team gained a victory over the 1st Aust. M.G. Co. There was no change in our ration strength.	
do.	24.		A Co. parade was held at 0900 in drill order and the remainder of the morning was devoted in preparations for the Xmas dinner. One other rank rejoined from Paris leave and one other rank also rejoined from hospital while three other ranks proceeded on leave to the United Kingdom. The weather was fine in the morning but showery in the afternoon. Our ration strength remained the same.	
do.	25.		The day was observed as a holiday and during the morning everybody was doing his bit towards making the Xmas dinner a success. The dinner was a complete success and everybody did justice to it. The men were happy with the thoughts that war Xmas were finished and future Xmas in their own homes were more assured than ever they	

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LE ROUX.	Dec. 25		had been before. The weather was fine. Our ration strength was 6 officers 167 other ranks.	
do.	26.		Being Boxing Day it was observed as a holiday also. The weather remained fine. Our ration strength was 6 officers 167 other ranks.	
do.	27.		The Co. paraded in drill order at 0900 and went for a short route march. Capt. DANN. delivered a lecture on "Modern History" at 1100. In the afternoon the Bn Rugby team played the 4 th Bn. on their ground at ACOZ. at 1400. The match resulted in a draw. The weather was rough it being very windy and showery. 1 OR. was detached to Bn. HQRS. Our ration strength was 6 officers 167 other ranks.	
do.	28.		At 0900 the Co. paraded in drill order. No 1 Section proceeded to the Bn tailor for repairs to clothing. LIEUT. R. HARRIS. rejoined from the Base. LIEUT. A. R. PEGLER. proceeded on leave to the United Kingdom. Two other ranks departed for Australia. One other rank proceeded to P & B.T. school while one other rank rejoined from the Div. Kit Store. 1 OR. proceeded to hospital. The weather was wet. Our ration strength was 6 officers 166 ORs.	

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LE. ROUX	Dec 29		Parade 0900. Dress drill order. The Co. then went for a short route march. 1 OR. rejoined from leave to Paris. 1 OR. proceeded to Tank Corps Cent. Workshops for educational purposes. Slight showers fell during the day. Our ration strength was 6 officers 163 other ranks. <i>J.H.</i>	
do	30		Reveille 0730 Breakfast 0800. The Co. paraded at 0900. in drill order. No 2 Section proceeded to the Ben tailor and was followed by No 3 Sect. L/cpl. B. SCOTT. MM. was decorated by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales at GROUBNIES. LIEUT. J. N. D. SMITH and 1 OR. attended a sports committee meeting at 1945. Charges against 2 ORs were disposed of by the C.O. The weather was fine. Our ration strength was 6 officers 163 ORs <i>J.H.</i>	
do	31		A portion of the Co. proceeded to the Div. Baths at PRESLE at 0830 and the remainder went at 0930. A clean change of clothing was supplied. 2 Other ranks proceeded on leave to the United Kingdom and 2 OR. proceeded on leave to Paris. The weather was fine. In the afternoon our Rugby team played the 1st A.M.G. Co. which resulted in a win for the 1st A.M.G. Co. Our ration strength was 6 officers 163 ORs. <i>J.H.</i>	

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

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Subject.

1. Orders issued during month of December 1918.
2. Orders received & issued for move on 16, 17, 18, 19, Decem. 1918.
3. Five Orders.
4. Corps. news sheet.

H. H. Matthews Lieut
for O.C. 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 636

by

LIEUT. A. G. HONEYBUN, NO. 3. COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.
Company M.G., 1.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. F.S. Ward.
de Sergeant	Sgt. R.J. Hillier.
Duty Section	No. 4 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	S/Lieut. J.H.D. Smith.
Deputy Sergeant	Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
Duty Section	No. 1 Section.

2. STRENGTH.

The undermentioned O.Rs. (Jan. and Feb. '18) proceeded this day en route for Australia:-

- No. 1601 Pte. S. Clarke
- No. 1595 Pte. Martin, E.C.
- No. 1398 Sgt. O'Neill, H.J., MM.
- No. 1509 Pte. Beer, W.J.
- No. 1464 Pte. Hill, A.
- No. 1401 Pte. Racey, E.
- No. 1626 Cpl. Roddick, J.
- No. 1429 Cpl. Whyatt, C.A.

3. LECTURE.

Lieut. G. Priestley, G.S.O. 111, will deliver a lecture on "Intelligence Systems" to this Company at 1100 tomorrow, 2nd instant. Company will be in position on Church Parade Ground at 1050. Dress - Greatcoats with belt and sidearms.

4. CRIMES AND OFFENCES.

- No. 7027 Pte. Hart, H.R., Charged with:- "F.O.A.S., A.W.L. from m/n 12/13.11.18 till m/n, 15.11.18. Awarded - 5 days F.P. No. 2. forfeits 5 days pay R.W.
- No. 4521 Pte. Wignall, E. Charged with - "F.O.A.S., A.W.L. from m/n 14.11.18 till 17.11.18 (3 days) Awarded - Admonished, forfeits 3 days pay R.W.
- No. 5020 Pte. Bickford, C.O., Charged with - "F.O.A.S., A.W.L. from m/n 12.11.18 till 17.11.18 (5 days.) Awarded 7 days F.P. No. 2, 5 days pay R.W.
- No. 3166 Pte. Williams, E.H. Charged with - "F.O.A.S., A.W.L. from m/n, 12.11.18. till m/n, 17.11.18. (5 days.) Awarded - Deprived of Lance Stripe forfeits 5 days pay R.W.

5. PARADES.

Parade 9 a.m., Dress - Drill Order.

A. G. Honeybun Lieut.
for O.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 637

by

LIEUT. A. G. HONYBUN, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.
Company H.Q., 8.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer
do Sergeant
Duty Section

S/Lieut. J. M. D. Smith.
Sgt. L. R. WINDLEY, L.R., DCM, MM.
No. 1 Section.

Next for Duty:-

Orderly Officer
do Sergeant
Duty Section

Lieut. A. R. Tegler.
Sgt. R. J. Hillier.
No. 2 Section.

2. WILLS.

The Wills made by men in old Pay-Books will be kept at Estates Branch, Horseferry Road, England, for safe custody unless soldier desires to retain same, in which case application is to be made immediately for same.

3. PURCHASING OF BREAD.

D.R.O. 772 is republished for information:-

"The purchasing, ~~or~~ or receiving in any way, of FRENCH Bread from Civilians is strictly forbidden, as the ration issued to them is small and only sufficient for their own use."

4. DISCHARGE IN ENGLAND ON DEMOBILISATION.

Each application for Discharge in England on demobilization will be considered on its merits by the Demobn. Branch.

Applications for such discharge should be made ~~through~~ through Units, stating fully, reasons for the application, nature of the employment available, etc.

5. GERMAN MONEY. The following instructions will be read on parade on two successive occasions:-

"There is at the present, practically nothing but German money in reoccupied Belgium.

This money is subject, commercially, to depreciation of about 50%. Belgian shopkeepers will probably endeavour to induce men to accept this money at pre-war value. Should they accept it they will find that they will only be able to exchange it later on at considerable loss."

6. STRENGTH.

No. 4286 Dvr. Ryan, J. rejd. ex Paris Leave - 1.12.18.

7. PARADES.

Parade - 9 a.m. Dress - Drill Order.

A. G. Honybun

Lieut.
for O.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

COMPANY ORDER NO. 638

by

LIEUT. A. G. HONYBUN, MC., & COMMANDING 3rd AUST. MG. CO
Company M.C.,
3.12.18.

1. DUTIES. Orderly Officer Lt. A. R. Pagler.
do Sergeant Sgt. R. J. Hillier.
Duty Section No. 2 Section.
Next for Duty:-
Orderly Officer Lt. F. S. Ward.
do Sergeant Sgt. A. G. Trestrail,
Duty Section No. 3 Section.

2. STRENGTH. No. 1321 Pte. Wignall, M. evacuated to
Hospital, 3.12.18.

3. ROUTINE. Parade 0900.
Dress:- Drill Order.

Honybun
Lieut.
for O.C. 3rd. Aus. M.C. Co.,

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 639
by

LIEUT. A.G. HONEYBUN, MC. T. COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.

Company H.Q., 4.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. F.S. Ward.
do Sgt.	Sgt. A.G. Trostrail, MC.
Duty Section	No. 3 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	2/Lieut. J.N.D. Smith.
do Sgt.	Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MC.
Duty Section	No. 4 Section.

2. SCULPTORS AND MOULDERS.

The Aust. War Records Section is commencing work which will require the services of a Sculptor or modeller and applications from members of the A.I.F. with suitable qualifications are now invited. Applications, accompanied if possible by specimens, should be forwarded to the Officer i/c, Aust. War Records Section, 103, Horseferry Road, London, S.W.1., through this office.

3. APPOINTMENT. To be Farrier. (vide B.R.O. No. 36 of 4.12.18.)
No. 284 Pte. Lawrie, D.W. To date 4.12.18.

4. PARADE. Parade:- 0900.
Dress:- Drill order.

5. DETACHMENTS. No. 767 Pte. G. King is detached to 2nd. Aust. M.G. Co.,
4/12/18.

J. H. Atkinson
Lieut.
for C.C. 3rd. Aus. M.G. Co.,

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 640
by

LIEUT. A. G. HONYBUN, MC., T / COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.

Company H.Q., 5.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	2/Lieut. J. N. D. Smith;
do Sergeant	Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
Duty Section	No. 4 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	Lieut. A. R. Pegler.
do Sergeant	Sgt. L. R. Fendley, DCM., MM.
Duty Section	No. 1 Section.

2. SICK PARADE. Orderly Corporal will arrange for Sick Parade to be at E.H.Q. at 0845 in future.

3. STRENGTH. (Depts.)
 No. 50603 Pte. Burns, L. J. detached to A.A.S.C. - 5.12.18.
 (Arrivals.)
 No. 567 Dvr. Whittaker, P. F. rejoined ex Hospital and is posted to the Transport Section - 5.12.18.
 No. 7327 Pte. Tomkins, L. rejoined ex U.K. Leave and is posted to No. 4 Section - 5.12.18.
 No. 6131 Pte. Inglis, G. C. rejoined ex U.K. Leave and is posted to No. 2 Section.

4. REGIMENTAL POLICE.
Applications for position as Regimental Police on Battalion Headquarters are asked for.

5. PARADE. Parade - 0900. Dress - Drill Order.

J. H. Main
 Lieut.
 for C.O., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

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by

Lieut. A.G. HONYBUN, MC, COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.

Company H.Q., 6.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer Lieut. A.R. Pegler,
do Sergeant Sgt. L.R. Fendley, DCM., MM,
Duty Section No. 1 Section.

Next for Duty:-

Orderly Officer Lieut. F.S. Ward,
do Sergeant Sgt. R.J. Millier,
Duty Section No. 2 Section.

Rejd. ex detachment - No. 50603 Pte. Burns, L.J. (AASG.)

2. STRENGTH.

The u/m rejoined ex U.K. Leave on 5.12.18.:-

No. 335a L/Cpl. Madden, J.A.

No. 4733 Pte. Darth, W.

No.

The u/m casuals rejoined ex M.G.B.D. on 5.12.18. and are posted to Sections as under:-

No. 2736a Pte. Kennedy, W. to H.Q. Section.

No. 1774 L/Cpl. Orton, A.T., MM. to No. 2 Section.

No. 287 Pte. Jones, F.J. to do

753a Pte. Brett, J.V. to do

2219 Pte. Taylor, S.F. to No. 3 Section.

The u/m O.R. rejoined ex Leave to AUSTRALIA on 5.12.18., and is posted to Transport Section.

No. 769 L/Cpl. Dvr. Wright, J.D. to Tpt. Section.

The u/m Reinforcements rejoined ex M.G.B.D., on 5.12.18., and are posted to Sections as Under:-

No. 4483 Pte. Shaw, J.T. Posted to No. 1 Section.

No. 2441a Pte. Stewart, T. do

No. 6713 Pte. Williams, F.G. do

No. 50726 Pte. Fraser, J. do

No. 7473 Pte. Goodall, P. Posted to No. 3 Section.

No. 7745 Pte. Lavars, C.E. do

No. 4285 Pte. Ryan, H.G. do

No. 7301 Pte. Duttrell, H.L. do

No. 6991 Pte. Delanotte, H.F. do

No. 5995 Pte. Bardon, W.E. do

No. 7505 Pte. Marich, H. do

No. ~~6252~~ 3143 Pte. Wollaston, T.P. do

No. 230 Pte. Bryant, C.G. do

No. 2289 Pte. Wilson, W.A. Posted to No. 4 Section.

3. PARADE.

Parade - 0900. Dress - Drill Order.

A.G. Honybun Lieut.
Comd. Co., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

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 COMPANY ORDER NO. 642

by

342 J.C. HOGE, M.C., THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY, COMMANDING.

Company H headquarters
 7th December, 1918.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer
 do Sergeant
 Duty Section
 Next for Duty.

Lieut. F.S. Ward.
 Sgt. R.J. Hillier.
 No. 2 Section.

Orderly Officer
 do Sergeant
 Duty Section

S/Lieut. J.N.D. Smith.
 Sgt. A.G. Trestrail.
 No. 3 Section.

REASSUMES

2. STRENGTH. Capt. J.C. Hoge, M.C. rejoined ex U.K. Leave and takes command from 7.12.18.

Lieut. A.G. Honybun, M.C. proceeded on leave (75 days) to U.K. 7.12.18.

No. 2497 Cpl. Chapman, E. rejoined ex U.K. Leave - 7.12.18.

No. 245a Pte. Norris, F.H. do do do

No. 576a Pte. McDonald, I.D. detached to B.H.C. from 7.12.18

No. 5712 Pte. Lawrie, J.H. do do do

3. UNIVERSITY CANDIDATES.

Applications are invited from any who desire to sit for University of LONDON Matriculation Examination to be held in January next. Applications will include subjects for which candidates wish to sit, all applications to be handed in at Coy. orderly room by 6 p.m. tomorrow, 8th inst.

4. INSPECTION. The Commanding Officer will inspect all Billets tomorrow at 1100. If the weather is fine, all men will be out of billets.

(17.11.18.)

5. DESERTER. No. 4479 I/Cpl. CHILTON, A.J. is posted as a deserter and is struck off strength. ~~see list~~

6. PARADE. Bay Parade 1100.

J. H. Honybun Lieut.
 for C.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

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COMPANY ORDERS. NO. 643.

by

CAPTAIN J.C. ROGE, M.C. COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Company Headquarters,
8th. December 1918.

1. DUTIES. Orderly Officer
Orderly Sergt.
Duty Section

2/Lieut. J.N.D. Smith.
Sergt. A.G. Trestrail, M.M.
No. 3 Section.

NEXT FOR DUTY.

Orderly Officer
Orderly Sergt.
Duty Section.

Lieut. A.R. Pegler.
Sergt. A.H. Wadsworth, M.M.
No. 4 Section.

2. PROCEEDED ON LEAVE. The undermentioned other ranks proceeded on leave to the United Kingdom 7/12/18. and are placed on the detached list.

No. 5916	Pte. Smith,	J.A.	No. 2 Section.
2439	Dvr. Errington,	R.R.	" " Transport.
3333	" Button,	H.	" "

3. EDUCATION. Applications are invited from members of the Company who desire to undertake a course to qualify as meat and food inspectors. This class is suitable for men who have been Sanitary Inspectors, for practical butchers, and other N.C.Os. and men who desire to enter on such businesses. All applications should reach this office before 9 a.m. on Dec. 11th. Further information can be given on enquiries at the Orderly Room.

4. GERMAN CURRENCY-RATE OF EXCHANGE.

The rate of exchange temporarily fixed by Allied Headquarters between Marks and French Francs, is one Mark equals 70 Centimes. This rate has been temporarily sanctioned for British Armies. It is understood that the Belgian Government are buying Marks at a higher rate to assist Belgian civilians, therefore any contracts in BELGIUM must be arranged for payment in Francs, not in Marks.

5. PARADE.

11th Dec
Parade 0900.
Dress Drill order.

J. J. ... Lieut.
for C.O. 3rd. Aust. Mach. Gm Co.,

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 644
by

CAPTAIN J.C. HOGG, MC., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Company H.Q., 9.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. A.R. Pegler.
do Sergeant	Sgt. A. Wadsworth, WM.
Duty Section	No. 4 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	Lieut. F.S. Ward.
do Sergeant	Sgt. L.R. Fendley, DCW, WM.
Duty Section	No. 1 Section.

2. STRENGTH.

No. 1968 L/Cpl. Hamilton, G. proceeded on leave to Paris - 9.12.18.
 No. 7196 L/Cpl. Maloney, G.L. proceeded on Duty to A.I.F.H.Q., London, 9.12.18, and is struck off strength.
 No. 609a Pte. Tanner, H.C.A. rejoined ex U.K. Leave - 9.12.18.

3. CORRIGENDUM.

Reference G.R.O. 622 of 16.11.18.
 No. 1958 Pte. Low, A. (attached ex B.H.Q.) proceeded on leave to U.K; should now read -
 No. 1958 Pte. Low, A. evacuated to Hospital.

4. TRANSFER.

No. 50603 Pte. Burns, L.J., previously shown as detached to No. 4 Coy., A.A.S.C., is now transferred as from 4.12.18., and is attached therefrom for duty.

5. LEAVE.

All men proceeding on leave must carry one blanket in future.

6. BATTALION CONCERT PARTY.

Nominations are required for a Violin player for Battalion Concert Party. Applications to be submitted to Coy. Orderly Room by 0900 tomorrow, 10th instant.

7. ROUTINE.

Parade - 0900. Dress - Drill Order.

M. Hamilton
 Lieut.
 for O.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

N O T I C E S.

XMAS MAILS.

It is notified by D.A.P.S., B.H.Q., that the latest dates of posting for Xmas Correspondence are as follows:-

British Isles (except London)	{ LETTERS. 17 Dec.
	{ PARCELS. 15 Dec.
London	{ LETTERS. 18 Dec.
	{ PARCELS. 16 Dec.

A supply of French Letters are now available at B.H.Q., price three-pence each.

COMPANY ORDER NO. 645

by
WETAIRN J. G. HOGE, N. C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.
Company N. C., 10.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer Lieut. F. S. Ward.
do Sergeant Sgt. L. R. Fendley, DCM, MM.
Duty Section No. 1 Section.

Next for Duty:-

Orderly Officer 2/Lieut. J. H. D. Smith.
do Sergeant Sgt. R. J. Hillier.
Duty Section No. 2 Section.

2. STRENGTH. No. 6131 Pte. Inglis, C. C. detached to B. H. Q. from 10.12.18.

3. PARADE. MUSTER PARADE at 0900. Dress - Full Marching Order,
less Blankets. Every available man will be on this
parade.

W. L. Lattin

Lieut.
for C. C., 3rd Aust. M. G. Coy.

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 646

by
CAPTAIN J. C. HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.
 Company H.Q., 11.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	2/Lieut. J.N.D. Smith.
do Sergeant	Sgt. R.J. Hillier.
Duty Section	No. 2 Section.

Next for Duty:-

Orderly Officer	Lieut. A.R. Pegler.
do Sergeant	Sgt. A.G. Trestrail, MM.
Duty Section	No. 3 Section.

2. STRENGTH. No. 6077 Dvr. Jones A.H. ret'd. ex U.K.L. 10.12.18.
 No. 241 Pte. Moore, C.F. " " Hosp. do
 No. 1934 T/CSM. Carter, E. W. proceeded on leave to U.K. 11.12.18
 No. 1531 Pte. Pomeroy, W.A. do do
 No. 6795 Pte. Phinlister, J. do do

3. EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

No. No. 1969 Sgt. Riley, G. on leave to U.K., has been granted extension till 6th instant.

4. PARADE.

Mustering Parade at 0930. Dress - Clean Fatigue.
 Company will parade at the above hour sharp on the road in front of Coy. Orderly Room.

5. TEMPORARY C.S.M. No. 4078 Sgt. Fendley, L.R., DCM, MM. will carry out the duties, temporarily, as Company Sgt. Major vice C.S.M. Carter, on leave to U.K.

J. H. H. H. H. Lieut.
 for O.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

COMPANY ORDER NO. 647

by

CAPT. J. C. HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING 3RD AUSTR. M.G. COMPANY
Company H.I., 12.12.18.

1. DUTIES. Orderly Officer Lieut. A.R. Pegler.
do Sergeant Sgt. A.G. Trestrail, MM.
Duty Section No. 3 Section.
Next for Duty:-
Orderly Officer Lieut. F.S. Ward.
do Sergeant Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
Duty Section. No. 4 Section.

2. STRENGTH.

No. 7731 Pte. Evans, A.E. to Hosp. ex Div. Kit Store
BOHAIN, 3.12.18 and is struck off stgth.
No. 1804 T/Cpl. Richards, R.H. to Hosp. (accidental
injuries) - 11.12.18.
No. 585b Pte. Seaman, M.J. evacuated to Hosp.
12.12.18.
No. 2221 T/Sgt. Tinknell, A. proceeded on leave
to Paris - 12.12.18.

3. PARADE.

Parade. 0900.
Dress:- Drill order.

H. H. H. H.
Lieut.
for O.C. 3rd. Aus. M.G.Co.,

COMPANY ORDER NO 648

by
CAPTAIN J. C. HOGE, MC. COMMANDING 3RD AUST. M.G. COY.
Company H.Q.,
13.12.18.

1. DUTIES. Orderly Officer Lieut. F. S. Ward.
do Sergeant Sgt. A. Wadsworth, M
Duty Section No. 4 Section.
Next for Duty:-
Orderly Officer 2/Lt. J. N. D. Smith
do Sergeant Sgt. R. J. Hillier
Duty Section No. 1 Section.

2. STRENGTH. No. 6865 Pte. Buxton, A. E. rejd. ex U.K. 12.11.18
No. 7201 Pte. Bickford, J. evas. Hosp. - 13.12.18.
The u/mentioned O.Rs. are taken on streng
ex M.G.B.D., and are posted to sections as
shown:-

No. 6610 Pte. Booth, G.	No. 3 Sec
No. 7019 Pte. Jefferies, E. J.	do
No. 56178 Pte. Hayes, E.	No. 4 Sec
No. 62161 Pte. Willis, E. A. A.	do
No. 6093 Pte. Hutchins, F. N.	do

3. DIV. CONCERT PARTY.

A Flute Player is required for Divisional
Concert Party. Nominations to Coy. Orderly
Room by 9 a.m. tomorrow, 14th instant.

4. SANITATION. During the C.C.'s inspection of ~~bill~~
billets it was noticed that rubbish, tea
leaves, etc. have been thrown into the midden.
This practice must cease immediately.

5. PARADE. Parade 9 a.m. Dress - Drill Order.

J. Mathews Lieut.
for C.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 649

W.D.
 by
CAPTAIN J.C. HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.
 Company H.Q., 14.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	2/ Lieut. J.W.D. Smith.
do Sergeant	Sgt. R.J. Hillier.
Duty Section	No. 1 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	Lieut. A.R. Fogler.
do Sergeant	Sgt. A.G. Trestrail, MM.
Duty Section	No. 2 Section.

2. SECTIONAL TRANSFERS.

No. 759a Pte. Kirk, W.A. is transferred from No. 4 Section to H.Q. Section from 14.12.18.
 No. 6758 Pte. Kingston, W. is transferred from No. 4 Section to Transport Section from 14.12.18.
 No. 4167 Pte. Serle, W.J. is transferred from No. 4 Section to Transport Section from 14.12.18.

3. STRENGTH.

Lieut. L.C. Gardner proceeded on 75 days leave to the United Kingdom - 14.12.18.
 No. 461 Pte. Mackie, C.B. rejoined ex U.K. Leave - 14.12.18.

4. FOOTBALL CLOTHING. All football clothing held in possession of players will be handed into Q.M.'s Store by 1000 on 15th inst. ~~14.12.18~~
 The practice of players retaining football clothes after a match and wearing them as underclothes must cease.

5. DISCHARGE OF MEMBERS OF THE A.I.F. IN UNITED KINGDOM.

A.I.F. Order No. 1470 of 6.12.18. is published for information:-
 "The following conditions are imposed upon members of the A.I.F. desirous of obtaining their discharge in the United Kingdom, and no member will be discharged unless they are fulfilled:-
 (1.) Next-of-Kin resides outside Australia or has no objection to discharge abroad.
 (2.) Domicile was ordinarily outside Australia before the War or would be necessary for person concerned to return to U.K. if returned to Australia for Discharge.
 (3.) Must be able to maintain himself abroad.
 (4.) Release the Commonwealth Government from any obligation to repatriate at any future period.
 (Authority: D.A.C., A.I.F., 19/1224 of 30.11.18, and Defence Cable (No. W.R. 880 of 25.11.18.)

6. LECTURE. The R.M.O. will deliver a lecture to this Company at 1100. Company will parade on road at 1045. Dress - Clean Fatigue. All personnel except essential duties will attend.

J.C. Hoge Captain.
 O.C. 3rd. Aust. Mach. Gun Co.,

by

W.D. 415
CAPTAIN J.S. ROGE, MC. COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Company Headquarters,
 15th. December 1918.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer
 Orderly Sergt.
 Dgty Section.

Lieut. A.R. Pegler.
 Sergt. A.G. Trostrail, MM.
 No. 2 Section.

NEXT FOR DUTY.

Orderly Officer
 Orderly Sergt.
 Dgty Section

Lieut. F.S. Ward,
 Sergt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
 No. 3 Section.

2. EVACUATIONS. No. 2219 Pte. S.F. Taylor evacuated to hospital 15/12/18.

3. DETACHMENTS. No. 50,736 Pte. J. Fraser detached to 1st. Aus. M.G. Bn. Headquarters 15/12/18.

4. DISCHARGE IN AUSTRALIA. The following Circular Memorandum D A G. AIF. No. 19/1212 of the 9th. December is published for information of all ranks.-

1. The Department of Defence advises that if they so desire men who enlisted in one Military District but whose homes or relatives are resident in another way, when returned to Australia, be disembarked and discharged in the Military District in which their homes are situated or in which their ~~xxxxx~~ relatives live.

2. This will be done on the understanding that the Defence Department is not liable for the expense of the transfer of the men later on to the District in which they enlisted.

3. ~~.....~~

5. MOVE.

Reveille - 0730/
 Co. Parade - 0930.

Breakfast - 0745.

Dress:- Full marching order, less blankets and steel helmets. Blankets and steel helmets will be packed on Section Ladders by 0845.

Brakeman.- Dress:- Fighting order.

Travelling Kitchen.- The cooker will supply midday meal at 12.30, when the column will be halted for 40 minutes.

Sanitation.- The Company is leaving the present area tomorrow, and all billets will be left scrupulously clean; latrines and refuse pits filled in.

J. W. Wain

Lieut.
 for C.O. 3rd. Aust. Mach. Gun Co.,

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 651
by

CAPTAIN J. J. HOGG, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.
Company H. 29, 16.12.18

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. F. S. Ward.
do Sergeant	Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
Duty Section	No. 3 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	2/Lieut. J. M. D. Smith.
do Sergeant	Sgt. R. J. Hillier.
Duty Section	No. 4 Section.

2. REVERSIONS.

No. 1904 T/Cpl. Richards, R.H. reverts to Lance Corporal on being evacuated accidentally ~~xxxx~~ injured. To date 12/12/18.

3. MOVE.

Reveille 0700. Breakfast 0715.
 Company Parade 0830,
 Dress:- Full Marching Order, less blankets and steel helmets.
 Blankets will be packed on Ladders by 0800 (and steel helmets.)
 Sanitation.- All billets will be left in a clean and sanitary condition by 0815.
 All vehicles ~~xxxxxx~~ on the south side of the road must be at the Transport lines by 0800.
 As the Company will not be halted for lunch on the road a small supply of refreshments will be carried on the men.

Lieut.
for O.C. 3rd. Aust. Mach. Gun Co.,

CAPTAIN G. R. HARRINGTON

by
COMPANY ORDER NO. 651

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 651.

by

CAPTAIN J. C. HOGE, MC, COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Company Headquarters,
17th, December 1918.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer
Orderly Sergt.
Duty Section

2/Lieut. J.M.D. Smith,
Sergt. R.J. Hillier.
No. 4 Section.

NEXT FOR DUTY.

Orderly Officer
Orderly Sergt.
Duty Section

Lieut. A.R. Pegler.
Sergt. A.G. Trestrail, MM.
No. 1 Section.

2. MOVE.

Reveille.- 0600. Breakfast 0615.
Company parade 0745.
Dress:- Full marching order, Less blankets & steel helmets

Blankets and steel helmets will be packed on Litters
by 0700.

Sanitation.- All billets will be left in a clean and
sanitary condition by 0730.

BILLETING PARTY. Cpl. H.G. Harrington, and Pte. F.T. McKay
will proceed with bicycles as this Company's billeting
party and will report to Lieut. R.H.D. Hay (21st. A.M.G. Co
at Church GOURDINNE at 0730 to-morrow 18th. inst.

H. Lattin
Lieut.
for C.C. 3rd. Aust. Mach. Gun Co.,

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1. Orderly Officer

COMPANY ORDER NO. 652

by

CAPTAIN J. G. HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.
Company H.Q., 18.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. A. R. Pegler.
do Sergeant	Sgt. A. G. Trestrail, MM.
Duty Section	No. 1 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	Lieut. F. S. Ward.
do Sergeant	Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
Duty Section	No. 2 Section.

2. STRENGTH. No. 56178 Pte. Hayles, E. evacuated to Hospital - 18.12.18.

3. MOVE.

Reveille 0700
Breakfast 0715
Company Parade 0845
Dress - Full Marching Order, less blankets and steel helmets.
Blankets and Steel Helmets will be packed on limbers by 0800.

Sanitation. - Billets will be left in a clean and sanitary condition by 0830.

Billeting. - Lieut. A. R. Pegler and two runners will act as billeting party for the Company. They will make their own way to Le ROUX.

RATIONS. Three sets of Lead horses and harness will report to Battalion Quartermaster near the Church, JONGRETT, at 0730 tomorrow, 19.12.18.

G. H. Atkinson
Lieut.
for O.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

W.D.

COMPANY ORDER NO. 653
by

CAPTAIN J. C. HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.
Company H.C.,
19.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly officer
do sergeant
duty section

Lieut. F. S. Ward.
Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
No. 2 section.

Next for duty:-
Orderly officer
do sergeant
duty section

2/Lieut. J. N. D. Smith.
Sgt. C. Riley, MM.
No. 3 section.

2. STRENGTH. No. 1969 Sgt. Riley, C., MM. rejoined ex U.K. leave - 19.12.18.
No. 7344 Pte. Burt, S. do do
No. 753a Pte. ~~_____~~, J.V. proceeded to educational sch. - do
Brett

3. PARADE & ROUTINE.

Reveille
Breakfast
parade

0745
0800
0930 press - clean fatigue.

4. TATTOO.

Tattoo will be at 2130, when all men will be in their
billets.

J. Mathew
Lieut.
for C.O., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 654
by

CAPTAIN J.C.HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.
Company H.Q., 20.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	2/Lieut. J.N.D. Smith.
do Sergeant	Sgt. C. Riley, MM.
Duty Section	No. 3 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	Lieut. A.R. Pegler.
do Sergeant	Sgt. R.J. Hillier.
Duty Section	No. 4 Section.

2. LEAVE.

Leave to CHARLEROI and other towns in and outside the Divisional Area is allotted as follows:-

3 passes per Section daily and 2 passes per Headquarters Section.

Names will be submitted to Company Orderly Room by noon on the day preceeding that on which the leave is to be granted.

3. DRESS OUTSIDE BILLETING AREA.

Men proceeding outside the Company's Billeting Area must wear belts.

4. ROUTINE.

Reveille	0730
Breakfast	0800
Coy. Parade	0900- Dress - Clean Fatigue.

W. Mathews
Lieut.
For O.C., 3rd Aust. M.C. Coy.

COMPANY ORDER NO. 655
by

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CAPTAIN J.C. HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.

Company H.Q., 21.12.18.

1. DUTY.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. A.R. Pegler.
do Sergeant	Sgt. R.J. Hillier.
Duty Section	No. 4 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	Lieut. F.S. Ward.
do Sergeant	Sgt. A.C. Trestrail, M.I.
Duty Section	No. 1 Section.

2. RATE OF EXCHANGE - MARKS (C.R.C. 5834 of 15.12.18)

Until further orders the rate of exchange of the mark will be as follows:-
5 marks equals 2s. 8d. equals 3.50 francs.

3. ROUTINE.

Reveille	0730
Breakfast	0800
Musters Parade	0900 - Dress - Clean fatigue.

Every available man will be on this parade.

J. Lawman
Lieut.
for C.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

COMPANY ORDER NO. 655

by

CAPTAIN J. C. HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.

Company M.C., 21.12.18.

1. DUTY.

Orderly Officer
do Sergeant
Duty Section

Lieut. A. R. Pegler.
Sgt. R. J. Hillier.
No. 4 Section.

Next for Duty:-

Orderly Officer
do Sergeant
Duty Section

Lieut. F. S. Ward.
Sgt. A. G. Trestrail, M.I.
No. 1 Section.

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5 marks equals 2s. 8d. equals 3.50 francs.

3. ROUTINE.

Reveille 0730

Breakfast 0800

Musters Parade 0900 - Dress - Clean fatigue.

Every available man will be on this parade.

J. H. Lawton

Lieut.
for C.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

COMPANY ORDER NO. 656

CAPTAIN J.C. HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING 3RD. AUST. N.G. COMPANY.
Company H.Q., 22. 12. 18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. F.S. Ward.
do Sergeant	Sgt. A.G. Trestwall, M.I.
Duty Section	No. 1 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	S/Lt. J.H.D. Smith.
do Sergeant	Sgt. S. Wadsworth.
Duty Section	No. 2 Section.

2. SECTIONAL TRANSFERS.

The undermentioned sect. transfers take effect as from 22. 12. 18.

No. 6095 Pte. Hutchins, F.H.	from No. 4 to Tpt. Sect.
No. 3152 Pte. Somerville, C.	" " " " " "
No. 2229a Pte. Vagg, A.J.	" " " " " "
No. 5248 Pte. Brown, J.H.	" " " " " "

3. SANITATION.

Any man found creating a breach of sanitary regulations by not using authorised latrines, refuse pits, etc., will be charged with disobedience of Orders and punished by the O.C. to higher authority.

4. ROUTINE.

Reveille	0730
Breakfast	0800
Company Pde.	0900, Dress - Clean Fatigue.

W. Atkinson
Lieut.
for O.C., 3rd Aust. N.G. Coy.

NOTICES

A Y.M.C.A. has been opened and is situated in the square, LE ROUX, Canteen stores and refreshments are obtainable.

CANTEEN ACCOUNTS.

In future accounts may be opened at the Company Canteen, but there must always be a sufficient credit balance and on no account may accounts be overdrawn.



ROUTINE ORDER

BY
GENERAL SIR H. S. RAWLINSON
G.C.V.O., K.C.B., K.C.M.G.,
COMMANDING FOURTH ARMY.

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MILITARY SECRETARY'S BRANCH.

2702—Immediate Rewards.—(a) Under authority delegated by His Majesty the King, the Commanding-in-Chief has made the following awards for gallantry and devotion to duty:

THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

Captain J. B. LANE, Australian Imperial Force.
Captain G. F. LOWTHER, M.C., Australian Imperial Force.

BAR TO THE MILITARY CROSS.

Captain V. B. PORTMAN, M.C., Australian Imperial Force.
Lieutenant C. L. SELL, M.C., Australian Imperial Force.

THE MILITARY CROSS.

Lieutenant C. E. CAMERON, Australian Imperial Force.
Lieutenant W. H. ELKINGTON, Australian Imperial Force.
Lieutenant D. R. FLEMING, Australian Imperial Force.
Lieutenant J. A. HOLDSWORTH, Australian Imperial Force.
Lieutenant J. PLUMMER, Australian Imperial Force.
Lieutenant W. C. C. SATCHELL, Australian Imperial Force.
Lieutenant A. H. SHARP, Australian Imperial Force.
Lieutenant J. L. STAPLETON, Australian Machine Gun Corps.
Second Lieutenant E. S. GORDON, Australian Imperial Force.
Second Lieutenant H. A. S. HUGHES, Australian Imperial Force.
Second Lieutenant C. R. NICHOLSON, Australian Imperial Force.
Second Lieutenant J. P. THOMAS, Australian Imperial Force.
Captain A. L. McLEAN, Australian Army Medical Corps.

(b) Under authority delegated by the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief, Corps made the following awards for gallantry and devotion to duty in action:—

THE MILITARY MEDAL.

No. 1171 Sergeant A. MANZI, D.C.M., Royal Fusiliers.
No. 60522 Private H. KENT, Royal Fusiliers.
No. 12546 Sergeant T. FELTON, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 23760 Sergeant E. HEYBOURNE, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 220270 Corporal (a/Lance Sergeant) R. COX, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 41401 Corporal (a/Lance Sergeant) C. WARBOYS, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 39037 Private (a/Lance Corporal) J. ARMSTRONG, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 38629 Private (a/Lance Corporal) A. WILLS, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 45104 Private W. DRAYTON, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 48675 Private H. HARPER, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 48652 Private J. G. ISHAM, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 5615 Private G. PARKIN, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 203490 Private A. PLASKETT, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 220781 Private F. H. SINDEN, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 22335 Private H. TANNER, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
No. 43294 Sergeant E. ROBINSON, Cambridgeshire Regiment.
No. 325615 Sergeant G. WEST, Cambridgeshire Regiment.
No. 326885 Private (a/Lance Corporal) A. BENDALL, Cambridgeshire Regiment.
No. 14392 Private (a/Lance Corporal) J. RAVEN, Cambridgeshire Regiment.
No. 201162 Private F. BARHAM, Cambridgeshire Regiment.
No. 326374 Private H. BARHAM, Cambridgeshire Regiment.
No. 325790 Private F. LANHAM, Cambridgeshire Regiment.
No. 32547 Private G. WILSON, Cambridgeshire Regiment.

H. C. HOLMAN, Major-General,
D.A. and Q.M.G.

COMPANY ORDER NO.657

by

CAPTAIN J.C.HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.
Company H.Q., 23.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer
do Sergeant
Duty Section

2/Lieut. J.N.D. Smith.
Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
No. 2 Section.

Next for Duty:-

Orderly Officer
do Sergeant
Duty Section

Lieut. A.R. Pegler.
Sgt. C. Riley, MM.
No. 3 Section.

2. KINGS LEAVE. G.R.O. 5842 is published for information:-

"His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of four days extra leave in the United Kingdom and Ireland to be known as 'Kings Leave' being granted to all W.Os., N.C.Os. and men who have been awarded and and have not yet received, been presented with or shall be awarded the V.C., M.C., M.M., M.S.M., Albert Medal, or Edward Medal. This period will be added to the ordinary leave of a recipient of a medal and is granted to enable the presentation of the medal to be made while the recipient is on leave. This leave will be given when the turn of the W.O., N.C.O. or man who has been awarded a medal, has arrived for ordinary leave on the roster of his unit"

3. CORRIGENDUM. Reference C.R.O. 656 of 22.12.18., para 2.

"No. 6095 Pte. Hutchins, F.H. transferred from No. 4 Section to Transport Section from 22.12.18"
Delete complete entry.

4. APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS. (vide B.R.O. 39 of 21.12.18., Pt. II)

To be Sergeant.

No. 2035 T/Sgt. Trestrail, A.G., MM., vice Hanson wded.
To date 23.9.18. P.B. 216902.

No. 4339 T/Sgt. Wadsworth, A., MM. vice Bellingier Cadre.
To date 18.9.18. P.B. 38703.

To be Corporal.

No. 3422 T/Cpl. McIlldowie, J., vice Macklin, K.I.A.
To date 18.9.18. P.B. 38661.

No. 597a T/Cpl. Hughes, C.L., vice O'Neill promoted.
To date 25.9.18. P.B. 266098.

No. 4527 T/Cpl. Mounsey, J.J. vice Wadsworth promoted.
To date 30.9.18. P.B. 38633.

No. 1908 T/Cpl. Barber, R., MM. vice Trestrail promoted.
To date 3.10.18. P.B. 38670

No. 2382 T/Cpl. Graham, G.C. vice Lee wded.
To date 10.11.18. P.B. 38589.

To be Lance Corporal.

No. 2868 Pte. Thomas, S.C. to Complete Establishment-1.11.18

No. 462a Pte. Holdsworth, C.F. " " " "

No. 497 Pte. McConnell, S. " " " "

No. 7020 Pte. Hinds, F.H. " " " "

5. PUNISHMENTS. No. 7327 Pte. Tomkins, L. In the Field-12.11.18. W.O.A.S., Absent without leave from Midnight 12.11.18 till midnight 21.11.18. (9 days.) Punishment awarded: 21 days F.P. No. 2 and forfeits 9 days pay by R.W. 15.12.18.

6. SALVAGE OF JAM CARTONS. In future all Jam Cartons will be salvaged and returned to Q.M.'s Store. Q.M.S. will return cartons to Battalion Headquarters each Friday.

7. SECT. TRANSFER. No. 598 Pte. Durham, W. is tsfd. ex No. 1 to Tpt. Sect. 23.12.18

8. ROUTINE. Parade 0900, Dress - Drill Order.

J. H. Athlani
Lieut.
for O.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

CAPTAIN J. G. HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.
 COMPANY M.C., 24.12.18.

AWAITANCE ROLL

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. A. R. Pegler.
Sergeant in Charge of Five Frances	Sgt. G. Riley, M.C.
Duty Section	No. 5 Section.
Next for Duty	Orderly Officer
Orderly Officer	Lieut. F. S. Ward.
Sergeant	Sgt. A. Wadsworth.
Duty Section	No. 4 Section.

2. STRIKING.

No. 1962 L/Cpl. Hamilton, G. rejoined ex Paris Leave, 24.12.18.
 No. 766b Pte. Patterson, R. M. rejoined ex Hosp. and is posted to No. 1 Section - 24.12.18.

3. SALVAGE OF CARDBOARD.

All cardboard from Xmas Gift Parcels is to be salvaged and is to be returned to the Q.M.'s store.

4. LEAVE.

The undermentioned O. Rs. proceeded this day on leave to the United Kingdom, and are placed on the detached list:-
 No. 4389 Pte. Gent, A.C.
 No. 462a L/Cpl. Wadsworth, G.F.
 No. 465 Pte. Knowles, J. (attached to B.H.Q.)

A. M. Maitland
 Lieut.
 Coy. M.C., 3rd Aug. M.C. Coy.

The following has been received from General Birdwood, G.O.C. A.I.F.:-
 "I send most hearty greetings and good wishes for Xmas to every member of the A.I.F., for all can indeed look back with satisfaction to the magnificent work that has been accomplished. I trust that all may have many and still happier Christmases and prosperity for many a long year to come, when they reach their homes."

TOTAL

I certify that the amounts as stated against the members names were actually paid to the individuals concerned and have been entered in their passbooks.

Signature of the Officer making the advance

Date

Unit

Signature of Holder

Date of Exchange

5 Frances

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 659

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
by
CAPTAIN J.C.HOGE, V.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.

ACCOMPLISHANCE ROLL
Company No. 26.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	2/Lieut. J.N.D. Smith.
Sergeant	Sgt. A.G. Trestrail, A.G. MM.
Duty Section	No. 2 Section
Next for Duty:	
Orderly Officer	Lieut. A.R. Pegler
Sergeant	Sgt. C. Riley, M.
Duty Section	No. 2 Section.

2. COMPANY CLERK.

Applications are invited for clerks for Company
Orderly Room. Applications will be submitted to Orderly
Room in writing.

3. PARADE.

Parade

0900 Dress-Drill Order.

M. Atulain Lieut.
for O.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 660
by
CAPTAIN J. G. HOGE, M.G., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.
Company H.Q., 27.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer Lieut. A. R. Pegler. *Ward*
do Sergeant Sgt. C. Riley, MM.
Duty Section: No. 3 Section.

Next for Duty:-

Orderly Officer Lieut. F. S. Ward. *V. D. Smith*
do Sergeant Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
Duty Section No. 4 Section.

2. STRENGTH. No. 461 Pte. Mackie, C. B. detached to B.H.Q. - 27.12.18.

3. SPECIAL LEAVE FOR MEN RETURNING TO AUSTRALIA.

Men due for Return to Australia and who are desirous of Special leave to ENGLAND to adjust matters, must apply before they are warned for draft. No leave will be granted when once a man is warned for draft.

4. GERMAN MONEY. After 28th inst. German money will not be legal tender in Belgium. German money can be exchanged for Belgian money at the rate of 1.25 francs per mark at the Banque Nationale de Belgique, CHARLEROI, and at Post Office, CHATELET. Not more than 1000 marks will be exchanged for each person. Special forms must be duly filled in.
(D.R.O. of 26.12.18.)

5. PARADE.

The Company, less No. 1 section, will parade at 0900 in Drill Order. No. 1 section will fall in and be marched to Battalion Headquarters and report to the Tailor.

F. S. Ward Lieut.
for O.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

CAPTAIN J.G.HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.
Company H.C., 28.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer
do Sergeant
Duty Section.

2. Lieut. J.N.D. Smith.
Sgt. C. Riley, MM.
No. 3 Section.

Next for Duty:-

Orderly Officer
do Sergeant

7/2 Lieut. R. Harris
Sgt. R. J. Hillier.

Duty Section

No. 4 Section.

2. STRENGTH.

2/Lieut. R. Harris rejd. ex Regtl. Secd. List. - 28.12.18. [to Next Sect is posted]
Lieut. A. R. Pegler proceeded on leave to U.K. - 28.12.18.
No. 7344 Pte. Burt, S. proceeded to Corps P. & B. T. School - 28.12.18
No. 3090 L/Cpl. Maskell, E. H. rejoined ex Div. Kit Store - 28.12.18.
No. 2789 L/Cpl. Hall, S. evacuated to Hosp. - 28.12.18.
The U/M other ranks proceeded to AUSTRALIA this day, and are struck off strength.
No. 1772 T/cpl. McManus, M. T.
No. 1908 Cpl. Barber, R., MM.

3. TRAINING FOR SURVEYORS.

It is intended to make provision for the continuation of the training of officers and other Ranks who were qualified surveyors or who had served part of their articles prior to enlistment, and also to provide training for those who wish to become surveyors. Further information at B.H.Q. before 6 p.m. tomorrow, 29th instant.

4. CENSORSHIP. In many instances of late, letters for the censor have been handed in sealed. This practice must cease.

5. WAR TROPHIES. An exhibition of AUSTRALIAN war trophies and relics are on view ~~at~~ in the Exhibition Hall at Australia House LONDON.

The exhibition is very attractive and also demonstrates the interest in which the Museum to be established in Australia will have, and for this reason especially it is desired that as many members of the A.I.F. as possible should visit it during leave.

The exhibition is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

J. G. Hoge
Lieut.
for O.C. 3rd. Aust. M.G. Co.,

TOTAL

I certify that the amounts as stated against the members' names were actually paid to the individuals concerned, and have been entered in their Paybooks.

Signature of the Officer making the advance.

Unit: Coy. Batt. Bn. Date: O.C.

Date of Exchange.

5 Francs =

Signature of the Holder.

CAPTAIN J.C.HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING ^{by} THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN CO.
Company H.Q., 29.12.18.

Date 1. DUTIES. Orderly Officer Lieut. R. Harris. Duty
do Sergeant Sgt. R. J. Hillier.
Duty Section No. 4 Section.
Next for Duty:-
Orderly Officer Lt. F. S. Ward.
do Sergeant Sgt. A. G. Trestrail, MM.
Duty Section No. 1 Section.

2. STRENGTH. No. 2221 T/Sgt. Tinekneil, A. rejd. ex Paris Leave -29.12.18
No. 2497 Cpl. Chapman, E. proceeded to Tank Corps Workshops,
29.12.18.

3. SECTIONAL TRANSFERS
No. 3020 Pte. Bickford, C.O. is transferred from No. 1 Sect.
to No. 4 Section from 29.12.18.

4. SYLLABUS. The Company, (less No. 2 Section to Tailer), will parade at
0900. Dress - Drill Order.
0900 - 0930 Company Parade, Rifle Exercises.
0930 - 1030 Short March.
1030 - 1130 Cleaning Equipment, etc.

Lieut.
for O.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE COMPANY ORDER NO. 664

by CAPTAIN J.C.HOGE.M.C.COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY. Company H.Q., 31/12/18.

1. DUTIES

Orderly Officer 2/Lt. J.N.D. Smith. Sergeants in Charge of Sections No. 2 and No. 3. Next for duty: Lt. R. Harris. Sgt. C. Riley, MM.

2. STRENGTH

Duty section No. 3 Section. 611 Pte. Volz, A.A. evacuated to Hosp - 29.12.18. 2921 T/CQMS. H.J. Dennis proceeded on leave to PARIS. 2174 T/sgt. R.J. Hillier " " " " 3139 Cpl. G.L. Collins DCM. " " U.K. 603 Pte. A. McCulloch " " " " All on 31/12/18.

5. REALLOTMENT OF REGIMENTAL NUMBER.

No. 769 L/Cpl. (Dvr.) Wright, J.D. reallocated Regtl. No. 769A. (D.O. Pt. 11 No. 141 of 12.12.18.)

4. TUG-OF-WAR.

A tug-of-war team will pull off in the Square at 1030 to-morrow. Any one desirous of witnessing the pull should be there at that time.

3. AUSSIE MAGAZINE.

5. HOLIDAY. To-morrow the 1st. January 1919 will be a Holiday.

6. BRUSSELS LEAVE.

Nominations are required for Leave to BRUSSELS to reach this office by 1800 to-morrow. Leave will be granted from the 5th. January to the 7th. of January.

J. Mathison Lieut. for O.C. 3rd. Aust. Mach. Gun. Coy.

NOTICE.

'AUSSIE' MAGAZINE.

It is suggested that the 'AUSSIE' Magazine be placed in envelopes instead of rolled in wrappers before despatching by post.

I certify that the amounts as stated against the members names were actually paid to the individuals concerned, and have been entered in their Paybooks.

Signature of the Officer making the advances. Date of exchange. Unit. Coy. Batta. Spn. O.C. Date

6187-RECORD 200,000 1/18 (8743) WBO-RSST 100,000 10/17 (8743) 6418

3rd
AUSTRALIAN
MACHINE GUN COY.
Date

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Orders
issued
during
Month
December
1918

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App. 2 ✓
ORDERS For

MOVE

16th 17th 18th

19th December 1918

3rd
AUSTRALIAN
MACHINE GUN COY.
No.....
Date

3rd
AUSTRALIAN
MACHINE GUN COY.
No.....
Date

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 19th
day of October, 1918, in the 9th year of
Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

MILNER.

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Gen. No.

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Previous Service in the Territorial Force counting A.O. 334.
towards Proficiency Pay. 1918.

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS WE deem it expedient to modify the
conditions under which soldiers who enlist, or may be
deemed to be enlisted into Our Army, after the date of
this Our Warrant, may count previous service towards
the period of service necessary to qualify for the grant
of Proficiency Pay;

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE is that in the case of such
soldiers no period of service in the Territorial Force
rendered prior to the 5th August, 1914, shall, in future,
be allowed to count towards the period of 6 months'
qualifying service at present required for the grant of
this emolument under Our Warrant of the 3rd Decem-
ber, 1917; and the provisions of (d) of Our Warrant of
the 16th February, 1915, are accordingly cancelled.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 30th
day of October, 1918, in the 9th year of
Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

MILNER.

Army Council's Instruction

Consequent on the provisions of the foregoing Royal Warrant
no period of service in the Territorial Force rendered before the
5th August, 1914 (including any period in camp as laid down in
Army Orders 290 and 350 of 1914), will be allowed to reckon
towards the period of 6 months' qualifying service required
under Army Order 1 of 1918 for the grant of proficiency pay.
Army Orders 290 and 350 of 1914, and Army Order 96 of
1915 (paragraph (d) of which is cancelled in the above Warrant)
are modified accordingly.

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2nd Amg Coy (for information)

1st AUSTRALIAN
MACHINE GUN
BATTALION.
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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Headquarters,
10th December, 1918.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH
DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 136 of 9th NOVEMBER, 1918.

1. (a) Advance parties as under will be sent forward by Motor Lorry to the new Area.

UNIT.	PERSONNEL.	DATE.	REMARKS.
1 Lorry. { 1st A.I.Bde. { 2nd A.I.Bde.	5 Off. 5 O.R. 5 Off. 5 O.R.	A. minus 2 day.	Pick up at SARS POTERIES Church at 8 a.m. Pick up at SOLRE LE CHATEAU Church at 8.15 a.m.
Belgian Interpreters as required and lorry accommodation available.			
1 Lorry. { 1st Div. Art. { 3rd (Army) Bde. AFA.	As required.	A. minus 2 day.	Pick up at Div. Art. H.Q. at 7 a.m.
Belgian Interpreters as required and lorry accommodation available.			
1 Lorry. { 3rd A.I.Bde. { 1st M.G.Bn. { 1st Pnr. Bn. { 1st Div. Engrs.	5 Off. 5 O.R. 1 Off. 1 O.R. 1 Off. 1 O.R. 1 Off. 1 O.R.	A. minus 1 day.	Pick up 3rd Bde. H.Q. 8 a.m. SOLRE LE CHATEAU Church 8.15 a.m. X Roads, L'ECREVISSE, 8.30 a.m. Pnr. Bn. H.Q., HESTRUD, 8.45 am
Interpreters as required, and lorry accommodation available.			

P.T.O.-

(b) Of the above Officers 1 per Brigade will be detailed as Area Commandant (temporarily) of the Brigade Area to co-ordinate the work of the Artillery Brigade or Battalion Representatives, who will be detailed as Town Majors of the Area allotted to the Artillery Brigade or Battalion.

Town Majors will organise billeting, sanitation, etc., in preparation for the arrival of their Units. They will have plans of the billeting accommodation prepared as soon as possible.

Area Commandants and Town Majors will reconnoitre their Areas for latrines, baths, ablution sheds, drying rooms, halls suitable for cinemas, lectures and recreation, and advise the unit concerned forwarding a copy to Divisional Headquarters direct. They will notify C.R.E. at once of the signboards required for cross roads, etc., and C.R.E. will arrange to make these available as soon as possible.

These Officers will be given written authority.

The Area Commandant will be also responsible that the class rooms are selected for Educational purposes in each Battalion Area, and Workshops in each Brigade Area.

(c) Names of these Officers will be forwarded to Divisional Headquarters at once, and their locations as soon as possible.

(d) Lieut. J.S. MORRISON, Divisional Gas Officer, will act as Area Commandant Divisional Troops Area and Town Major, PRESLES.

(e) Town Majors will report to this Office each Friday the
 (i) total accommodation, and
 (ii) vacant accommodation in each village.

2. D.A.P.M's. Transport will move with 1st Aust. Inf. Bde. Group on 'A' day and on 'B' day will proceed direct to CHATELET.

D.A.D.O.S., French and Belgian Missions, Divisional Paymaster, Laundry and Wholesale Canteen will move independently to CHATELET.

The following will move with 1st Aust. Inf. Bde. Group on 'A' day and on 'B' day will proceed direct to PRESLES.

1st Div. Headquarters Transport.

1st Div. Engr. Headquarters.

Headquarters and No. 1 Section 1st Div. Sig. Coy. will move independently to PRESLES.

P.T.O.-

3. D.A.Q.M.G. will arrange direct with Units regarding Lorries for the move.

4. Supply Arrangements for the move will be as follows:-

'A' DAY. 1st Aust. Div. Artillery draw rations at DIMECHAUX at 0700 for consumption 'B' day.

1st Aust. Inf. Brigade, including 1st Div.Hqrs., draw rations at SOLRE LE CHATEAU at 0700 for consumption 'B' day.

'B' DAY. 1st Aust. Div. Artillery draw rations at FONTENELLE at 0700 for consumption 'C' day.

1st Aust. Inf. Brigade, including 1st Div.Hqrs., draw rations at STREE at 0700 for consumption 'C' day.

Units now drawing, but not moving on 'A' day with this Group, will draw from Group they move with.

3rd (Army) Bde. A.F.A. draw rations at DIMONT at 0700 for consumption 'C' day.

2nd Aust. Inf. Brigade, including M.G.Battalion, draw rations at SARS POTERIES at 0700 for consumption 'C' day.

'C' DAY. 1st Aust. Div. Artillery having completed move draw rations at ORET at 0900 for 'D' day and subsequently.

1st Aust. Inf. Brigade having completed move draw rations at GERPINNES at 0900 for 'D' day and subsequently.

1st Div. Hqrs., will draw from FIGOTTERIE till 'F' day, when they will draw from CHATELET

3rd (Army) Bde. A.F.A. draw rations at FONTENELLE at 0700 for consumption 'D' day.

2nd Aust. Inf. Brigade draw rations at BARBENCON at 0700 for consumption 'D' day.

3rd Aust. Inf. Brigade draw rations at BEUGNIES at 0700 for consumption 'D' day.

'D' DAY. 3rd (Army) Bde. A.F.A. having completed move draw rations at HANZINNE at 0900 for consumption 'E' day and subsequent days.

2nd Aust. Inf. Brigade draw rations at PRY at 0700 for consumption 'E' day.

3rd Aust. Inf. Brigade draw rations at BARBENCON at 0700 for consumption 'E' day.

'E' DAY. 2nd Aust. Inf. Brigade having completed move draw rations at COUILLET at 0900 for consumption 'F' day and subsequent days.

1st M.G. Battalion will draw with 1st Aust. Inf. Brigade at GERPINNES at 0900.

3rd Aust. Inf. Brigade draw rations at PRY at 0700 for consumption 'F' day.

'F' DAY. 3rd Aust. Inf. Brigade having completed move draw rations at CHATELET at 0900 for consumption following and subsequent days.

1st Div. Hqrs., 1st Div. Engineers, 1st Pioneer Battalion and 1st M.G. Battalion will draw with 3rd Aust. Inf. Brigade on this day and subsequently.

Staff Captains and Supply Officers will, however, keep in close liaison in order to cope with any situation which may arise, as arrangements are subject to alteration in case of late arrival of Supply Trains.

5. Area Stores will be left in the present Area. Latrines will be left in a sanitary condition and all rubbish burned or buried before billets are vacated. G.R.O. 1146 regarding Claims will be complied with by all Units, and the necessary Billeting Certificates will be furnished.

6. Town Majors in the present Area will, if no other Unit arrives to take over, hand billeting statistics to Mairie for information of Troops following. They will not leave their Towns till all troops have left, and will send a certificate to Divisional Headquarters through their Units that billets have been left in a clean and sanitary condition.

7. A permanent picquet will be provided by ^DA.P.M. in CHARLEROI. 2nd Aust. Inf. Brigade will detail an Officer to command. Picquet Officer will report to ^DA.P.M. CHARLEROI. Picquet will be billeted at Cavalry Barracks, Boulevard Pierre Mayence, CHARLEROI. Belgian Mission will detail one Interpreter to be attached to picquet.

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8. SANITATION.

(a) Water supply in the new area will be examined and good and bad sources clearly marked.

(b) Manure will be removed from vicinity of billets or close packed.

9. ROADS.

Troops will keep road drains in the new area clear except on CHATELET - METTET Road and COUILLET - FRAIRE Road.

V. Hardie

Major,
A/A. A. & Q. M. G.,
1st Australian Division.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Headquarters,
13th December, 1918.

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AMENDMENT TO ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED IN
CONNECTION WITH DIVISIONAL ORDER No. 136 of 9th DECEMBER, 1918.

1. The following will move independently, clearing SOLRE LE CHATEAU by 0830 on 'A' day and will stage night A/B day at PRY proceeding direct to PRESLES and CHATELET on 'B' day.

1st Div. Hqrs. Transport.
1st Div. Engr. Headquarters.
D.A.P.Ms. Transport.

2. Supply arrangements for the move are altered as follows:-

'B' DAY. 1st Aust. Inf. Brigade draw rations at BARBENCON at 0700 for consumption 'C' day.

1st Div. Hqrs. Transport, 1st Div. Engr. Hqrs.,
D.A.P.Ms. Transport draw rations at FONTENELLE at 0700 for consumption 'C' day.

'C' DAY. 1st Aust. Inf. Brigade draw rations at PRY at 0700 for consumption 'D' day.

1st Div. Hqrs. Transport, 1st Div. Engr. Hqrs., and D.A.P.Ms. Transport having completed move draw rations from HYMIEE for consumption 'D' day.

'D' DAY. 1st Aust. Inf. Brigade having completed move draw rations at 0700 at HYMIEE for consumption 'E' day.

[Signature]
Captain,
for D.A.A.G.,
1st Australian Division.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Divisional Headquarters,
14th December 1918.

SECOND AMENDMENT TO ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED
WITH DIVISIONAL ORDER No 136 OF 9th DECEMBER 1918

1. 1st Divisional Headquarters and 1st Divisional Engineer Headquarters transport will move direct to destination on 19th instant.

2. (a). Supply arrangements are amended as follows :-

1st Div'l H.Qrs, Div'l Sig Coy (Less personnel at Presles) and H.Qrs Div'l Engineers (less personnel at Presles) will draw as follows :-

With 3rd Brigade at Beugnies on 16th for consumption 17th.

With 3rd Brigade at Beugnies on 17th for consumption 18th and 19th.

With 1st Brigade at Hymiee on 19th for consumption 20th

(b) Rations for D.H.Q Personnel at Presles will be drawn by Sig Coy from Supply Officer 1st Div'l Troops at Fontenelle at 0700 16th inst for consumption 17th and at Oret at 0900 on 17th

and at NYMIEE on 18th and 19th.

(c) Div'l Headquarters complete will draw with 3rd Brigade at Chatelet on 20th inst and subsequently.

(d) Reinforcement Wing will draw with 2nd Brigade at Couillet on 19th and subsequently.

(e) 1st Brigade refilling point will be at Hymiee on 17th and subsequently.

3. M.G.Bn will stage night 18/19th December at Joncret and Figotterie. They will draw supplies with 1st Brigade at Hymiee on 19th for consumption 20th and with 3rd Brigade at Chatelet on 20th and subsequently.

For information

V. J. Hardie
Major.
a/A. A. & C. M. G.
1st Australian Division.

Battalion Headquarters,
12th. December, 1918.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS
issued in connection with Battalion Order No.

1. An advance party consisting of Lieut. N.B. AAGAARD and No. 4431 Cpl. BEZZINA, M., will proceed to new area by Motor Lorry on "A" minus 1 day. Motor Lorry will pick this party up at Road Junction L'ECREVISSE (where road past 21st. A.M.G. Coy. Headquarters meets road to BESTRUD) at 0830.
2. Lieut. J.S. MORRISON, Div. Gas Officer will act as Area Commandant, Div. Troops Area, and as Town Major, PRESLES.
3. Lieut. N.B. AAGAARD will act as Town Major Le ROUX.
His duties will be as follows :-
 - (i) To organise the billeting, sanitation, etc., in preparation for the arrival of the Battalion.
 - (ii) Reconnoitre especially for sites for latrines, baths, ablution sheds, drying rooms, halls (or the equivalent) suitable for cinemas, lectures and recreation.
 - (iii) Prepare and forward to Battalion Headquarters for transmission to Division a report on the whole area.
 - (iv) Prepare and forward to Battalion Headquarters a list of signboards required for X roads, etc., which will be constructed by C.P.E.
 - (v) Report to Battalion Headquarters each Thursday :-
 - (a) Total Accommodation.
 - (b) Vacant Accommodation.
4. His duties as Billeting Officer will be :-
 - (i) Allot billets for Battalion Headquarters, Officers and Officers Mess and Cookhouse, Canteen, R.A.P., Orderly Room, Signal Office, Signal Section, Transport Lines and Stabling, Men's Cookhouse, Sergeants and Sergeants Mess.
 - (ii) Allot billets for four Companies. Officers, Officers Mess and Cookhouse, Orderly Room, Sergeants and Sergeants Mess, Transport (lines and stabling) men's billets and mess rooms where possible, cookhouses, etc., etc.
 - (iii) If a suitable building or buildings are available allot them for men's club, that is, rooms for lectures, reading and recreation. If possible 1 per Company and Battalion H.Q.
5. An Officer and 2 Other Ranks from each Company will go forward on "D" day and meet Lieut. AAGAARD at the Church at Le ROUX, and will act as guides to lead Companies to their billets.
6. Supply arrangements for the move will be as follows :-
 - "B" Day. Draw rations at SANS POTERIES at 0700 for consumption on "G" Day.
 - "C" Day. Draw rations at BARBENCON at 0700 for consumption on "D" Day.
 - "D" Day. Draw rations at PRY at 0700 for consumption on "E" Day.
 - "E" Day. Draw rations with 1st. A.I. Brigade at GERPINNES at 0900.
 - "F" Day, and subsequently draw from 3rd. Aust. Inf. Brigade Dump.

Quartermaster will, however, keep in close liaison with Supply Officer in order to cope with any situation which may arise, as arrangements are subject to alteration, in case of the late arrival of Supply Trains.

7. Area Stores will be left in present area. Latrines will be left in a sanitary condition and rubbish burned or buried before billets are vacated.

G.R.O.1146 regarding claims will be complied with, and the necessary billeting certificates rendered to Battalion Headquarters by 12 noon on "A" Day.

8. The Town Major in the present area, will if no other unit arrives to take over, hand billeting statistics to Mairie for information of Troops following. He will not leave till all troops have left, and will render a certificate to Battalion Headquarters for transmission to Divisional Headquarters that billets have been left in a clean and sanitary condition.

9. Sanitation. (a) R.M.O. will examine water supply in new area and cause good and bad sources to be clearly marked.
(b) Manure will be removed from vicinity of billets or close packed.

Walter Smith

Captain and Adjutant,
1st. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

D I S T R I B U T I O N .

1. War Diary.
 2. File.
 3. 1st.Aust.M.G.Coy.
 4. 2nd.Aust.M.G.Coy.
 5. 3rd.Aust.M.G.Coy.
 6. 21st.Aust.M.G.Coy.
 7. 1st.Aust.Division.
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1st. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

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----- MARCH TABLE.-----

To accompany Battalion Order No. 54.

Day	From	To	Route and Remarks.
"B"	BEAURIEUX	BARBENCON - SOLRE LE GERY ^{GERY}	Via GRANDIEV. (Starting point time and order of March will be notified later.)
"C"	BARBENCON - SOLRE St. GERY	THY - LN - CHATEAU Staging Area.	Via CASTILLON - PONTENELLE - WALCOURT. (Starting point time and order of march will be notified later.)
"D"	THY - LN - CHATEAU Staging Area.	Le ROUX.	SONZEE - GERPINNES - FIGOTTERIE - PRESLES.

Battalion Headquarters,
12th. December, 1918.

BATTALION ORDER No.54.

1. The 1st. Australian Machine Gun Battalion will move to Le ROUX - S.E. of CHARLEROI in accordance with attached March Table.

"A" Day will be notified later.

2. For the purpose of the move, the Division will be divided into three groups - "A" "B" and "C".
The Battalion will be attached to "B" Group, composed as follows :

- 2nd. Aust. Inf. Brigade.
- No.3 Section, Div.Sig.Coy.
- 2nd. Aust. Field Ambulance.
- No.3 Coy. Div. Train.
- 1st. Aust. M.G. Battalion.
- Mob. Vet. Section.

On arrival in new area the Battalion will be detached from "B" Group and be billeted in Divisional Troops Area.

3. Administrative Instructions are being issued separately.
4. Attention is directed to Fourth Army No.G.S.128 (Notes on March Discipline). The distances laid down therein will be maintained.
- ~~5. Battalion Headquarters will close at BEAUBIEUX at 1000 "B" Day and re-open at Le ROUX at the same hour.~~

Acknowledge.

D 2752

W. H. ...

Captain and Adjutant,
1st. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

D I S T R I B U T I O N .

1. War Diary.
2. File.
3. 1st. Aust. M.G. Coy.
4. 2nd. Aust. M.G. Coy.
5. 3rd. Aust. M.G. Coy.
6. 21st. Aust. M.G. Coy.
7. 1st. Aust. Division.

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1st. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION

Headquarters. 13.12.18.

1st AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN
Date. 13.12.18.
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Date.

1st. Aust. M.G.Coy.
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 21st. do.

Reference Battalion Administrative Instructions with B.O.54.

Three G.S. Waggon will be required by the Quartermaster daily from and including 16th. inst. to draw and carry rations and fodder during the move.

These waggon will be supplied as follows:-

- One from Battalion Headquarters.
- One from 1st. Aust. M.G.Coy.
- One from 21st. Aust. M.G.Coy.

A Motor Lorry will be available to carry the surplus stores of Battalion Headquarters and 21st. Aust. M.G.Coy.

Officer Commanding 21st. Aust. M.G.Coy. will arrange to stack all surplus gear to be carried by motor lorry at Battalion Guard Room on the 15th. inst. Only gear not required during the move will be carried by the lorry.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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W. Mitchell

1st. Australian Machine Gun Battalion
Capt. & Adj.

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1st. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

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Headquarters 14th Novr. 19B.

ADDENDUM TO BATTALION ORDER NO. 54.

1. The following will be the order of march, starting points and time to pass starting points for march to new Area. -

<u>Day.</u>	<u>Order of March</u>	<u>Starting point.</u>	<u>Time to pass starting point.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
"B"	21st. A.M.G. Coy) 1st. A.M.G. Coy) Battalion H.Q.) 2nd. A.M.G. Coy) 3rd. A.M.G. Coy)	Road Junction L'ECREVISSE.	1020	Companies will be in position on road, head of column at L'ECREVISSE at 1000.

"C" To be notified later.

"D" To be notified later.

2. DRESS. Full marching order- less blankets and steel helmets. Transport personnel will be uniformly dressed. Brakeamen will wear fighting order.

3. LUNCH. On the 16th inst. at 1220 column will halt for 40 minutes for lunch. Officers Commanding Companies will make arrangements for Cookers to be prepared for this.

4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Walter Litch

Captain and Adjutant.
1st. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

To all recipients of Bn Order No 54

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Reference Battalion
Order No 54 aau
"A" day. will be
15th met aau
Acknowledged

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From	1st amg Bn
Place	
Time	

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1st. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

----- MARCH - TABLE. -----

Day.	From	To	Route.	Starting Point.	Time to pass Starting Point.	Remarks.
"B" 16th. inst.	BEAURIEUX	BARBENCON	Via Grandieu & Fond de Lorrion.	L'ECREVISSE.	1020	Order of March will be :- 21st. Coy.) 1st. Coy.) Head of Column to Bn. H.Q.) be 50 yards from 2nd. Coy.) L'ECREVISSE at 3rd. Coy.) 1000, Battalion will be leading the Brigade Group.
"C" 17th. inst.	BARBENCON.	GOURDINNE	Via Castillon Fontenelle Walcourt.	X Roads south of "38" N.E. of BARBENCON.	0934	Order of March will be :- 5th. A.I. Bn., 6th. A.I. Bn., 8th. A.I. Bn., 7th. A.I. Bn., 2nd. A.L. T.M. Bty., Brigade H.Q., and No. 4 Sig. Section., 1st. A.M.G. Battalion. (Further Orders later).
"D" 18th. inst.	GOURDINNE.	JONCRET & FIGOTTERIE.	Via NALINNES La FAISANDERIE.	Road Junction due E. of Bois de BACONVAL.	0945	Join rear of Brigade Column at NALINNES. (Further Orders later).
"E" 19th. inst.	JONCRET & FIGOTTERIE.	LE ROUX	Via PRESLES.	(Further Orders Later).		

1st. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

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1st. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

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Battalion Headquarters,
15th. December, 1918.

ADDENDUM TO BATTALION ORDER NO. 54.

1. March Table attached to above order is cancelled and attached substituted.
2. The following distances will be maintained on the march :-
 - Between Company and Company Transport - 100 Yards.
 - Between Companies - 100 Yards.
 - Between Units - 500 Yards.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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M. J. Smith

Captain and Adjutant,
1st. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

1st. AUSTRALIAN M.G. BATTALION

by

CAPTAIN J.G.HOGE, MC. COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Company Headquarters,
15th. December 1918.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer
Orderly Sergt.
Duty Section.
NEXT FOR DUTY.

Lieut. A.R.Pegler.
Sergt. A.G.Trestrail, MM.
No. 2 Section.

Orderly Officer
Orderly Sergt.
Duty Section

Lieut. F.S.Ward,
Sergt. A.Wadsworth, MM.
No. 3 Section.

2. EVACUATIONS. No. 2219 Pte. S.F.Taylor evacuated to hospital 15/12/18.

3. DETACHMENTS. No. 50,726 Pte. J.Fraser detached to 1st. Aus. M.G.Bn. Headquarters 15/12/18.

4. DISCHARGE IN AUSTRALIA. The following Circular Memorandum D A G. AIF. No. 19/1212 of the 9th. December is published for information of all ranks.-

1. The Department of Defence advises that if they so desire men who enlisted in one Military District but whose homes or relatives are resident in another may, when returned to Australia, be disembarked and discharged in the Military District in which their homes are situated or in which their ~~XXXXX~~ relatives live.

2. This will be done on the understanding that the Defence Department is not liable for the expense of the transfer of the men later on to the District in which they enlisted.

~~3. This will be done on the understanding that the Defence Department is not liable for the expense of the transfer of the men later on to the District in which they enlisted.~~

5. MOVE.

Reveille - 0730/ Breakfast - 0745.
Co. Parade - 0930.

Dress:- Full marching order, less blankets and steel helmet
Blankets and steel helmets will be packed on
Section Limbers by 0845.

Brakesman.- Dress:- Fighting order.

Travelling Kitchen.- The cooker will supply midday meal at 12.20, when the column will be halted for 40 minutes.

Sanitation.- The Company is leaving the present area tomorrow, and all billets will be left scrupulously clean; latrines and refuse pits filled in.

cc no 1

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Wadsworth AW.

J.O. T.P.

C.M. D. H. H. H.

C.P.M.S. H.H.H.
H.Q. J. G. H. H. H.

J. G. H. H. H.

J. G. H. H. H.
Lieut.
for C.G. 3rd. Aust. Mach. Gun Co.,

C. S. M. & Ord. Sgt

9 glim timbers to carry all
gun gear and Sections blankets
and steel helmets also 4g Sections
blankets & steel helmets.

1 S.A.A timber to carry Canon stores

1 - - - - transport gear

1 - - - - Wood & Vegetables ^{100 lbs} & Sgt

1 - - - - Officers kit & Ord. Room

Rec. $\frac{1}{2}$ H. & Q timber - Officers Mess

2 M carries 24 hrs rations
for personnel & horses.

J. H. Ashworth

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TO: 1st 2nd 3rd Coy

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In the event of heavy rain, water proof sheets or capes NOT overcoats will be worn and if not actually raining water proof sheets will be carried where they can be quickly got at

From: 1st amsg Coy
Place:
Time:

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TO: 1st amsg Coy 2nd amsg Coy
3rd amsg Coy 21st amsg Coy
Pon N. Ord

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* R 86	16/12/18		

A representative from each company 19th Nov will report to 60 at head of column at L'ECREWISSE at 1000 tomorrow 16th stating they are in position & ready to move off

From: 1st amsg Coy
Place:
Time:

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the move on the main road

(4) Order of March
1st Aug Coy - 2nd Aug Coy -
3rd Aug Coy - 21st Aug Coy
Buttr Hrs

(5) O's to Coy will inform their command that tomorrow is our longest march there will be no halt for lunch. A few biscuits or pieces of bread could with advantage be carried on the person

(6) As good a breakfast as possible under the circumstances will be given to the men

(7) Marches will be synchronized at Bu Hra at 2000 hrs

From with the CO on the Bu parade

Place tomorrow morning

Time (3) As per knowledge

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1st 2nd 3rd + 21 Aug Coy

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* F 3	16/1/18		

Battalion Orders for march to GOURDINE to narrow 17th inst.

(1) Battalion will parade in transport field at 0900.

(2) O's to Coy will see that all transport vehicles other than in the transport lines are in the above field by 0800, so as to cause no confusion to the Battalions who precede us

(3) O's to Companies will ensure that their Coys are marched to the Battalion Parade Ground by sections & on no account are they to get in the way of Infantry Battalions on

From

Place

Time over

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Dress F.M.O less blankets &
Steel Helmets.

Blankets & Steel Helmets with in
black on lumber by 0800.

Sanitarians

Latrines

Coy. Ide - 8.30 a.m.

Breakfast 7.15

Rev 7.45

Blankets on lumber by -

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COMPANY ORDER NO. 651

by

CAPTAIN J.C. HOGE, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY,
Company H.Q., 16.12.18

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. F.S. Ward.
do Sergeant	Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
Duty Section	No. 3 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	2/Lieut. J.N.D. Smith.
do Sergeant	Sgt. R.J. Hillier.
Duty Section	No. 4 Section.

2. REVERSIONS.

No. 1804 T/Cpl. Richards, R.H. reverts to Lance Corporal on being evacuated accidentally ~~xxxx~~ injured. To date 12/12/18.

3. MOVE.

Reveille 0700. Breakfast 0715.
 Company Parade 0830,
 Dress:- Full Marching Order, less Blankets and steel helmets.
 Blankets will be packed on Limbers by 0800 (and steel helmets.)
 Sanitation.- All billets will be left in a clean and sanitary condition by 0915.
 All vehicles ~~xxxxxx~~ on the South side of the road must be at the Transport lines by 0800.
 As the Company will not be halted for lunch on the road a small supply of refreshments will be carried on the man.

*Sign Lead
across*

J. Mathlan
 Lieut.
 for O.C. 3rd. Aust. Mach. Gun Co.,

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3 F.S.W. 2100

*Sgt Wadsworth A.W.
 CSM
 Ord Sgt
 COMS
 Heph Ball
 T.O. Sgt*

CAPTAIN G.R. HARRINGTON

COMPANY ORDER NO. 651
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TO 2.

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* R.90.	17,12,18.		

as soon after 0900 on 18th inst. as possible to arrange billets for the Battalion in JONCRET and FIGOTTERIE. Lt. K.H.D.HAY will be in charge of the party who will report to him at the CHURCH GOURDINNE at a time to be arranged by him.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE. *cl*
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From _____
Place **1st Australian Machine Gun Battalion.**
Time _____

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Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name. *[Signature]* Capt. and Adj

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TO **1st. A. M. G. Coy. 2nd. A. M. G. Coy.
3rd. A. M. G. Coy. 21st. A. M. G. Coy.**

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
* R. 90.	17.12.18.		

Order for march tomorrow the 18th inst.
1. Order of march will be 2nd. Coy. - 3rd. Coy. - 21st. Coy. - 1st. Coy.
2. Companies will fall in on the road - GOURDINNE - PAININ - NALINNES (running on the East of the BOIS DE BACONVAL) - head of column to be at the road junction due East of the BOIS DE BACONVAL ready to move off at 0820.
3. Watches will be synchronised with Battn. H.Q. at Billet No. 18 in the SQUARE at 1930 tonight and 0730 tomorrow the 18th inst.
4. Billeting. One Officer from 1st. Coy. and one Officer from 21st. Coy. both to be mounted and 2 O.H.'s. per Coy. and Battn. H.Q. on bicycles will report to Staff Capt. 1st. A. I. Bde. **GOUQNIES**

From _____
Place _____
Time _____

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Co. Parade 08.45

Dress 7 M.O. less blankets
& S.H.

Blankets & S.H. packed on
litters by 0700

Sanitation same para
by 0730

Billeting Cpl Harrington & 1 name
0730. Church 24 day.

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			By		

TO 181- 2nd Bn Coy

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

* R92 14/11/18

Bulleting A. C. O's will
 meet Lt K. H. D. HAY
 at Church GOORDINNE
 at 0730 tomorrow
 18th inst.

From 181- am g Bn
 Place
 Time

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by

CAPTAIN J.S. ROGGE, MC. COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Company Headquarters,
17th. December 1918.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer
Orderly Sergt.
Duty Section

2/Lieut. J.N.D. Smith.
Sergt. R.J. Hillier.
No. 4 Section.

NEXT FOR DUTY.

Orderly Officer
Orderly Sergt.
Duty Section

Lieut. A.R. Fogler.
Sergt. A.G. Trestrail, MM.
No. 1 Section.

2. MOVE.

Reveille.- 0600. Breakfast 0615.

Company parade 0745.

Dress:- Full marching order, Less blankets & steel helmets.

Blankets and steel helmets will be packed on Limbers by 0700.

Sanitation.- All billets will be left in a clean and sanitary condition by 0730.

BILLETING PARTY. Cpl. H.G. Errington, and Pte. F.T. McKay will proceed with bicycles as this Company's billeting party and will report to Lieut. K.H.D. Hay (21st. A.M.G.Co.) at Church GOURDINNE at 0730 to-morrow 18th. inst.

cc No 1 J.P. Smith
2 J.P.P.
3 J.S. Ward 2150.⁴⁵

J. H. ... Lieut.
for C.O. 3rd. Aust. Mach. Gun Co.,

Sgt Wadsworth AM.
T.O. S.J.
CSM
COMS.
COMS. H.P.
Hepi Ball.
Ord Spt. RH.

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1st. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

Headquarters 18th Novr. 1918.

1st. A.M.G.Coy.
2nd. A.M.G.Coy.
3rd. A.M.G.Coy.
21st. A.M.G.Coy.

Battalion Order for move to LE ROUX tomorrow
19th inst.

1. Order of March will be;-
 - 3rd. A.M.G.Coy. ✓
 - 1st. A.M.G.Coy.
 - Battalion H.Qrs.
 - 21st. A.M.G.Coy.
 - 2nd. A.M.G.Coy.
2. Starting point for all Companies except 2nd. A.M.G.Coy. will be X Roads North of "A" in ACOZ.
3. Time for head of column to pass starting point - 0915.
4. 2nd. A.M.G.Coy. will join rear of column at FIGOTTERIE.
5. Companies will make their own arrangements as to sending parties forward to act as guides.
6. Watches will be synchronised at Battalion Headquarters (Billet No. 75) JONCRET at 1930 and ~~with Commanding Officer~~ at 0730 tomorrow.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE. ^{d.} 00780

W. J. Smith

Captain and Adj. G.
1st. Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

COMPANY ORDER NO. 652

by
CAPTAIN J.C. Hoge, M.C., COMMANDING THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.
Company H.Q., 18.12.18.

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Officer	Lieut. A.R. Pegler. [?]
do Sergeant	Sgt. A.G. Trestrail, MM.
Duty Section	No. 1 Section.
Next for Duty:-	
Orderly Officer	Lieut. F.S. Ward.
do Sergeant	Sgt. A. Wadsworth, MM.
Duty Section	No. 2 Section.

2. STRENGTH. No. 56178 Pte. Hayles, E. evacuated to Hospital - 18.12.18.

3. MOVE.

Reveille 0700
 Breakfast 0715
 Company Parade 0845
 Dress - Full Marching Order, less blankets and steel helmets.
 Blankets and Steel Helmets will be packed on limbers by 0800.

Sanitation. - Billets will be left in a clean and sanitary condition by 0830.

Billeting. - Lieut. A.R. Pegler and two runners will act as billeting party for the Company. They will make their own way to Le ROUX.

RATIONS. Three sets of Lead horses and harness will report to Battalion Quartermaster near the Church, JONCRET, at 0730 tomorrow, 19.12.18.

O/C 1/2
(4) 3cpt James F.S.W. 1720
Ord Sgt. [unclear]
CSM. [unclear]
COms. [unclear]
4cp. Ball. [unclear]
TO Sgt
TICpl. [unclear]

[Signature] Lieut.
 for O.C., 3rd Aust. M.G. Coy.

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1st. AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

R109

Headquarters 18;12;18.

3rd. A.M.G.Coy.
21st. A.M.G.Coy.

Detail and Officer and 2 Other ranks at least to proceed to LA ROUX tomorrow 19th inst. as soon after breakfast as possible in order to ascertain location of billets, transport lines etc. and to act as guides for their Companies in to the village.

you

Walter Smith

Capt. and Adjt.
1st. Aust. Machine Gun Battalion.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

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FIRE ORDERS.

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

(b) Where stoves and braziers are allowed in billets or huts, they must be placed on sheet iron or on earth or brick floor or definite precautions must be taken to prevent ashes or bits of burning coal from falling out of the stove or brazier.

(c) No open lighted brazier or naked light is to be left unattended in any hut or billet.

(d) Petrol must not be used in any heating or cooking stove. Petrol, paraffin, oil and candles must not be stored near any stove, brazier, fireplace or lamp.

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

(f) The greatest care must be used in throwing away matches or cigarette ends, knocking out pipes or handling lighted candles. It is the duty of every man to realise the danger of life and property caused by carelessness in such matters.

(g) Special attention will be paid to the strict observance of "Lights Out", and fires will be put out and not banked at "Lights Out", or earlier.

(h) If a fire does break out, every endeavour must be made to extinguish it.

3rd AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN COY.	
No.....
Date.....

A. M. ... Lieut.
for C.C. 3rd. Aust. Mach. Gun Co.,

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S.S. 771.

FIRE

Any person discovering a fire will:

- (1) Try to put it out.**
- (2) Shout for assistance.**
- (3) Inform an Officer.**

*Lambert
James*

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FORM A-

AUSTRALIAN CORPS NEWS SHEET.

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BRITISH CASUALTIES. Over Three Millions.

Mr Macpherson, replying to Mr. Runciman in the House of Commons, said that the military casualties in the Expeditionary Forces in the different theatres of war were necessarily incomplete, and he was afraid that some time would have to elapse before the exact figures could be given. Up to November 10th, 1918, the figures, including the Dominion and the Indian troops, in the various theatres of operations were as follows:—

KILLED.

Including died of wounds, and died from other causes:

FRANCE.		MESOPOTAMIA.	
Officers	32,769	Officers	1,340
Other ranks	526,843	Other ranks	29,769
ITALY.		SALONIKA.	
Officers	86	Officers	285
Other ranks	941	Other ranks	7,330
DARDANELLES.		EGYPT.	
Officers	1,785	Officers	1,098
Other ranks	31,737	Other ranks	14,794
EAST AFRICA.			
Officers	380	Other ranks	8,724
Other theatres: Officers, 133; other ranks, 690.			

WOUNDED.

FRANCE.		SALONIKA.	
Officers	83,142	Officers	818
Other ranks	1,750,203	Other ranks	16,058
ITALY.		MESOPOTAMIA.	
Officers	334	Officers	2,429
Other ranks	4,612	Other ranks	48,686
DARDANELLES.		EGYPT.	
Officers	3,010	Officers	2,311
Other ranks	75,508	Other ranks	35,762
EAST AFRICA.			
Officers	478	Other ranks	7,276
Other theatres: Officers ... 142 Other ranks ... 1,373			

MISSING.

Including prisoners of war (including 6,741 officers and 164,767 other ranks known to be prisoners of war, and also over 80,000 officers and other ranks whose deaths had been accepted for official purposes):

FRANCE.		EGYPT.	
Officers	10,846	Officers	183
Other ranks	315,849	Other ranks	3,705
ITALY.		EAST AFRICA.	
Officers	384	Officers	38
Other ranks	727	Other ranks	929
THE DARDANELLES.		OTHER THEATRES.	
Officers	248	Officers	51
Other ranks	7,431	Other ranks	908
SALONIKA.		MESOPOTAMIA.	
Officers	114	Officers	566
Other ranks	2,713	Other ranks	14,789

Grand totals of killed, wounded, and missing:

KILLED		WOUNDED.	
Officers	37,876	Officers	92,664
Other ranks	620,828	Other ranks	1,939,478
MISSING.			
Officers	12,094	Other ranks	347,051

Making a total of officers killed, wounded, and missing, 142,634; and other ranks, 2,907,357.

The grand total was 3,049,991.

The above figures include sick, and men wounded on more than one occasion.

AMERICA'S CASUALTIES.

52,169 Killed; 179,625 Wounded.

WASHINGTON.

General Peyton March announced to-day that the total casualties of the American expeditionary forces up to the signing of the armistice were: Dead, 52,169; wounded, 179,625; prisoners and missing, 3,323.

The Americans have taken 44,000 German prisoners and 1,400 guns. General March added that the casualties in the American forces in Northern Russia were not severe, and that encouraging accounts of the situation there had been received.—Reuter.

WHAT WE TOOK FROM THEM IN BATTLE.

From July 15, to the end of October, 1918, the Allies have taken prisoners 7,990 officers and 354,365 men, while 6,217 guns, 38,622 machine-guns, and 3,907 mine-throwers have been captured.—Reuter.

GERMAN LOSSES IN WAR.

According to the Berlin Socialist paper *Vorwärts*, the German casualties down to October, 31st, 1918, were as follows:—

Dead	...	1,580,000
Wounded	...	4,000,000
Prisoners	...	490,000
Missing, fate unknown	...	260,000
TOTAL		6,330,000

It is interesting to note that the official return issued in Berlin, in April, 1917, the last available, gave the casualties as follows:—

Killed and died of wounds...	976,373
Deaths from sickness	66,656
Wounded	2,669,883
Prisoners	293,282
Missing	240,610

TOTAL ... 4,246,804

It is quite obvious that either that or the present return was falsified. For example, the Germans assert that on October 31 last they had lost 490,000 prisoners. In April, 1917, they admitted over 293,000. Now, the Allies captured on the Western front in the ten months January 1 to October 31, 1918, nearly 400,000 prisoners, whereas the German figure, if accurate, accounts for only 197,000 taken in over seventeen months. The French Staff recently estimated that in 1918 alone the Germans sustained about 2,500,000 casualties.

The Meaning of an English Peace.

German wireless of November 6th (5 days before the Armistice was signed) says:—

In the *Berliner Tageblatt* the Social Democratic correspondent explains what the English Peace would mean to Germany, namely, the separation of ALSACE-LORRAINE, and perhaps of the Prussian and Bavarian provinces to the left of the RHINE in favour of FRANCE; the separation of UPPER SILESIA, POSEN, EAST PRUSSIA and WEST PRUSSIA from GERMANY in favour of POLAND; the surrender of the German colonies to ENGLAND; tremendous war indemnities to all the enemy Powers, and, in addition, the burden of our own war debts; the remaining WESTERN GERMANY to be dominated by the Anglo-French guns; the surrender of the German war fleet to ENGLAND in order that English naval-militarism may dominate the world with even less restriction; the deprivation of German industry and German commerce by withholding raw materials, through the closing of the markets by means of penal taxations of all kinds, and, as a result of this, a continuous terrible lack of labour, a fall in all wages, and thereby the futility of most of the wage-movements; emigration of hundreds of thousands of workmen every year who, in foreign countries, would be subjected to humiliating treatment; furthermore, the surrender of German commercial ships to replace the ships sunk. All this would mean the unprecedented slavery of a great nation and thus the industrious classes of the German nation would have to bear the unheard-of burdens of a mutilated country and a ruined national economy for the rest of their lives and to serve foreign capitalists with their sweat and blood.

It was above all the hammer blows of the British Armies that were the decisive factors in the final defeat of the enemy.—*Marshal Foch*.

THE END OF THE HUN.

Hindenburg's Admission.

The Wolff Bureau states that Marshal von Hindenburg sent the following telegram on November 20 from his Headquarters at the Castle of Wilhelmshöhe to the new German Government in Berlin:—

"The Armistice Committee states that the enemy members of the Committee, especially the French, are adopting a less courteous attitude, and are continually demanding impossibilities, and that it is not improbable the French are anxious to find a pretext for resumption of hostilities. I must therefore strongly emphasise that the German Army, by reason of the hard terms of the armistice, and influenced also by events at home, is no longer in a position to resume the fight. Even a fight against the French Army alone would be impossible.

"I consider it also my duty to draw attention to the fact, because it is evident from articles which have appeared in the enemy press, that the enemy Governments are only prepared to conclude peace with a German Government which is supported by a majority of the people."—Reuter.

CASES OF GERMAN "FAMINE."

No Longer Able to Plunder.

COPENHAGEN, Saturday.

A Berlin official statement says:—

"The foreign Press is wondering why Germany is now apparently on the brink of a famine, when the former Government declared that Germany had sufficient supplies of food-stuffs to last her until the next harvest. It appears, however, that Germany's stores and supplies were estimated on a too optimistic basis. Moreover, there were formerly about 1,500,000 men and 300,000 horses quartered in the occupied territories in the East. At that time also we were deriving supplies from the Ukraine, which had promised liberal supplies of corn and forage, and by way of the Danube we expected supplies of oil and oilseeds.

"All these expectations have now been completely frustrated. Also German crops have not been so large as was estimated, the greater part of the potato crop having been destroyed by frost. Furthermore, at the signing of the armistice we lost the labour of all the prisoners of war, whose aid was absolutely indispensable to the agricultural production of the country."—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN CORPS NEWS SHEET.

REPATRIATION SCHEME IN AUSTRALIA.

What the Government is Doing.

Reprint of the Summary of a Speech Delivered in July last
by Senator MILLEN, Minister for Repatriation.

The Australian Repatriation Scheme is in full operation. Senator Millen, the Minister for Repatriation has aimed at making the scheme worthy of the men and women in whose interests it has been framed. He has succeeded.

WHO IT INCLUDES.

The scheme includes soldiers, sailors, nurses, doctors, and their dependants. The fundamental principal is that neither those who enlisted for active service abroad nor their dependents shall suffer economic prejudice by reason of their military service.

THE DEPARTMENT.

The Repatriation Department undertakes to provide each soldier applying for employment with the opportunity of earning at least a living wage, and until the opportunity is forthcoming, to pay to applicants such amounts as will ensure them incomes ranging from 42/- to 66/- weekly, according to circumstances. When employment involving travelling is obtained through the Department, the removal expenses of the soldier and his family and their household effects may be paid. The Department will also provide tools and personal equipment necessary to follow his trade.

FOR THOSE ILL.

Sufferers from illness or injury due to, or aggravated by military service, are given free medical treatment in their own homes or in hospitals, or special institutions, for so long as treatment may be necessary. Artificial limbs and surgical appliances will be repaired and replaced free as often as necessary. During the period of medical treatment and convalescence, soldiers and their dependents are entitled to sustenance. Fares to and from hospital and travelling expenses are also paid. Those who are unable through disability resultant upon service to pursue their usual avocations will be trained in other occupations to which the disability is no bar. During the period of training soldiers are guaranteed incomes ranging from 42/- to 66/- weekly, together with a travelling allowance of 3/- if they are in training classes; or a minimum wage of the industry in which they are undergoing training if such training is being effected in industrial establishments. Apprentices are guaranteed the adult minimum wage in the trade to which they are apprenticed the moment they resume indentures. Those so disabled as to prevent their return to normal efficiency are guaranteed a living wage, and are provided with opportunities to earn at least part of such wage in employments suited to their temperament and capacity.

COMMUNITY SETTLEMENTS.

The industries in which they are engaged are to be conducted in community settlements formed in each State.

In these settlements there will be national workshops and homes for workers and convalescents, schools, and other social accessories.

Men with the inclination, aptitude and physical capacity for engaging in farming pursuits will be financially assisted on easy, liberal terms to take up land and to acquire the stock and

equipment necessary for successful working. Until the land is ready for occupation, they may, if no employment is available, be paid a sustenance allowance, and when land is available the necessary fares and freights to enable them to enter into possession. They will also be entitled to sustenance during the unproductive period of occupation.

TO THOSE IN BUSINESS.

In approved cases, soldiers incapacitated to the extent of being unable to engage in their usual employment, and soldiers who prior to enlistment were dependent on businesses which they owned and conducted, will be advanced money to purchase business plant, stock, and live stock, to enable them to establish or re-establish themselves. The necessary fares and freights to their place of business will be paid.

Free passages from the Commonwealth may, on certain conditions, be granted to incapacitated soldiers, their wives and children, and to the widows and orphans of deceased soldiers, and the wives and children of soldiers married abroad, and to fiancées of soldiers and Australians who have served in the present war in the military and naval forces in any part of the King's dominions.

WIDOWS AND CHILDREN.

Widows and children have been subjects of Senator Millen's special care. Widows with children are entitled to gifts of furniture to enable them to re-establish their homes, and to augment their means of livelihood money will be advanced to them to assist in the purchasing of businesses, plant, stock, and live-stock, and their pensions will be supplemented and fees paid where widows with or without children decide to undergo training in any calling. They may also be granted rental allowances, or such other assistance as the Minister thinks proper. The provisions for rental allowances, as also for gifts of furniture, apply equally to totally incapacitated men.

Soldiers not incapacitated will be loaned money to purchase furniture and establish homes.

Towards the care and education of orphans of deceased soldiers and the children of incapacitated soldiers the Minister is empowered to pay such amounts as he deems fit.

The scheme also provides for advances to relieve the burden of oppressive mortgages effected prior to the soldier's enlistment, and for grants towards the funeral expenses of soldiers in indigent circumstances.

THE MOTHERS AND FATHERS OF THE FALLEN.

Parents have not been forgotten. Mothers and fathers who were dependent on their soldier sons will be assisted.

To carry out this liberal and statesmanlike scheme, Senator Millen is organising local committees from one end of Australia to the other. Wherever the soldier finds himself on his return, he will be in touch with willing workers anxious to repay some measure of the debt they owe.

Within the next few weeks the Minister hopes to place in the hands of every Australian soldier abroad a personal letter explaining the aims and objects of his department.

PLANS FOR DEMOBOLISATION.

Reprinted from the "British Australasian" dated November 21st, 1918.

Senator Pearce, Minister for Defence, states that the Government is in communication with the Imperial Government and other Dominions and the military authorities regarding the return of Australian Forces. The Cabinet has requested Mr. Hughes to take up the question of speedy demobilisation with the administrative and military authorities in London, who will take his directions on the main principles. Consultations are proceeding on questions relating to employment for those awaiting embarkation, and a scheme for university education.

The troops will return as units under their own officers. The Battalions, regiments and batteries will be divided into halves, the first-coming half containing as many men as possible meriting preferential treatment according to the priority list, as follows:—

Firstly, married soldiers, with preference according to the number of their children, length of service, and guaranteed employment in Australia; secondly, single soldiers of long service, with guaranteed employment; thirdly, other single men according to length of service.—COMMONWEALTH CABLE.

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SUGGESTED AUSTRALIAN TOUR.

The M.C.C. has been asked to consider the idea of a tour next summer of a cricket team picked from Australians serving at home and abroad, and if possible to arrange fixtures. The Australian Board of Control has been asked if they approve of the project, and if so, to nominate someone in this country with whom the M.C.C. can deal.

AN AUSTRALIAN CRICKET TOUR.

MELBOURNE, Nov. 19.

The Cricket Board of Control will, on December 6, consider the M.C.C.'s cable suggesting that an Australian team composed of active service men shall tour England in 1919.—EXCHANGE.

ESTEEM FOR MARSHAL FOCH.

It is proposed to erect in Sydney a bronze statue of Marshal Foch, and also to present him with a service of Australian gold plate.

VOTES FOR MEMBERS OF THE A.I.F.

It has been agreed by the Federal House of Representatives to give the vote to every member of the Commonwealth military and naval forces, irrespective of age.

THE DANES AND SCHLESWIG.

Danes resident in New South Wales are supporting the claim of the Schleswig Provinces for justice on the principle of self determination.

OUR DEBT TO FRANCE.

Mr. Watt, Acting Prime Minister of Australia, in cabling to M. Clemenceau, says that centuries cannot repay the debt due to undaunted France, and hopes for an indissoluble bond between free nations.

LORD FORREST'S SUCCESSOR.

The Times, Friday, Nov. 22nd, 1918.

John Forrest, born in Western Australia, started life with neither wealth nor influence, and became a peer of the realm. He died recently, and his successor in the House of Representatives is a youth named Corboy, barely old enough to have secured the franchise, but brave enough to have fought in the war.

TIMBER FOR AEROPLANES FROM THE WEST.

At the instance of the British and Commonwealth Air Boards, tests are being conducted in Western Australia of local timbers thought to be suitable for aeroplane building.

WAR SCHOLARSHIPS.

A trust has been formed in Western Australia for providing scholarships for the children of fallen or incapacitated soldiers. Scholarships to the value of £6,000 have already been allotted.

WORLD PEACE, AND WAR INDEMNITIES.

SYDNEY, NOV. 18.

Mr. W. A. Holman, Premier of New South Wales, in discussing the peace terms, said that if a scheme can be devised whereby Australia is assured that there will be no more war it becomes an entirely secondary and unimportant consideration whether she gets any indemnity. The best commercial treaty would be worth nothing under the liability of another war.

"We must not," he continued, "allow our minds to be diverted from the main purpose; but we must be prepared to surrender small, if attractive, immediate gains in order to secure a World Peace, which is the greatest gain of all."

AUSTRALIAN WHEAT STOCKS.

SYDNEY, Monday.

In consequence of drought the wheat harvest in New South Wales is expected to yield only 15,000,000 bushels, compared with 38,000,000 last season. The outlook is correspondingly bad in South Australia and Victoria, but the Commonwealth on the whole has 154,000,000 bushels, representing three years' accumulations, still available for export.

RESTARTING INDUSTRIES IN ENGLAND.

The *Daily Mail*, of 2nd Nov. contributes to this discussion a *résumé* of some of the plans of the Ministry of Reconstructions for the supply of raw materials, and makes other interesting statements. In most lines of material there will be more available than we can import, e.g., cotton at Galveston in Texas. Special ports will be set apart for the debarkation of troops, and others for ships bringing supplies. The Navy, which has 5,000 ships under its control, will carry out the transport of our demobilized troops; and big liners taking returning troops to America, will bring back food or raw material. The warehouses at our ports will be freed by storing war material in disused munition factories. Not only will the unified railway service be continued, but the whole inland transport will also be organized to secure economy in wheel traffic. The distribution of raw materials will be made according to a scheme of priority in trade, but in each trade the sub-division will be decided by the representatives of the trade itself.

AUSTRALIA AND THE PACIFIC ISLANDS.

There has been a very strong manifestation of feeling in the Commonwealth during the month upon the future of the Pacific Islands, and the whole subject was debated at length in the Commonwealth Parliament on Nov. 14 and 15, upon a motion submitted by the Government. During the course of this debate the acting Prime Minister (Mr. Watt) made a particularly important statement, in which he pointed out that the naval advisers of the Government had said that the Bismarck Archipelago and surrounding possessions, now held by Australia, would be of such strategic value to a potential enemy that unless they were retained in Australian hands an expenditure on defence of several millions per annum would be necessary. Apart from purely defensive reasons, Mr. Watt submitted that the islands should be retained as part of the reparation the Commonwealth was entitled to for her great outlay upon the war, supposing it were impossible to obtain true indemnity. A notable contribution to the debate was made by the leader of the Official Labour Opposition, Mr. Tudor, who, no doubt having regard to the Pacifist element in his party, took the line that he would not oppose the motion owing to the assurance that the retention of the colonies was necessary as a defensive measure. In the result the resolution submitted by the Government declaring that it was essential to the future safety and welfare of Australia that the captured German possessions in the Pacific, now occupied by Australian and New Zealand troops, should not, in any circumstances, be restored to Germany, was passed unanimously by both Houses of Parliament.