

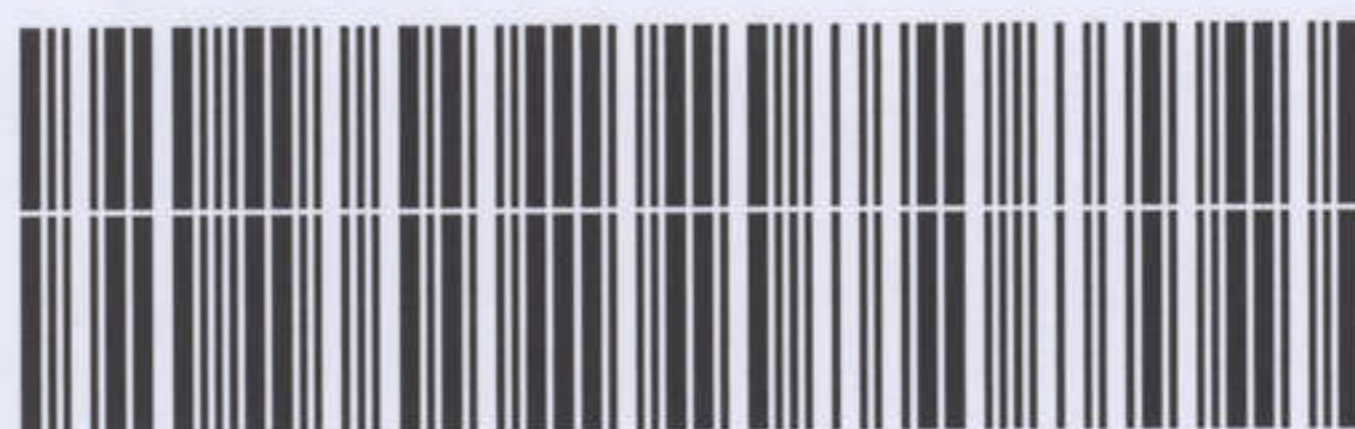
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WAR DIARY

OF

2nd Australian Light Railway Op. Coy.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Belgium	17/18		<p>Unit located at Heidebeke Sheet 19x27 A. 2. 8. under command of Capt G. A. Gahan, who is also $\frac{1}{2}$ Army loco Supt with HQ at Yser. Other Officers employed as follows: -</p> <p>Lt L. B. Leslie at Central Light Railway Workshops. Lt J. P. Anderson. Yser loco Workshops. Officer $\frac{1}{2}$ Lt J. C. Beattie } Company Duties & Supervision of Lt J. R. Patterson } maintenance work alternately.</p> <p>Working under ADLR $\frac{1}{2}$ for LRCB $\frac{1}{2}$. Administered by $\frac{1}{2}$ Corps.</p> <p>Strength of Company 5 Officers 262 ORanks Detached 2 " 26 3 " 236 Attached for Rations & discipline 20 Total 5 256</p> <p>Company responsible for maintenance of line between Swiss Cottage & Luno. 1 Officer 81 OR employed</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<p>regularly on Maintenance. Between 40 & 70 men regularly working for A.D.R. Stores Officer. Men to be instructed & trained in the use of arms without interfering with Rly work. Camp to be made more habitable & vacant plots put under cultivation. Revetting & sandbagging of all tents & buildings to be completed without delay. The health & comfort of the men to be considered & any possible improvements effected. Health of men good.</p>	<p><i>g/y</i></p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
July	1 st		Weather fine. Effective strength 5 Officers 262 Other ranks 1 Officer 81 OR on Maintenance. 70 OR loading Sand for A.L.R. Stores. Sgt Keddie & 3 O/s salvaged at Ellersyde* (Evacuated area of light Railways) 443 ft of 4" piping, & 90 ft 70 lb Rails. Balance of Officers & OR detached & on Regt Duties	See Map Gf
	2 nd		Warm in the morning, cool in afternoon. Usual number on maintenance. 81 O/s working in Heidebeke Yard loaded 20000 steel ties into broad gauge trucks. Salvage Party salvaged 448 ft 4" piping. Owing to heavy shelling of Cuddebeke & Remunghels they were unable to work at these places.	Gf
	3 rd		Windy & fresh. Usual number on maintenance & 81 O/s off loading sand from broad gauge & loading onto light Rlys. Sgt Keddie's party salvaged 330 ft 4" piping & 2 x 4" valves Also 420 ft - 70 lb rails recovered & sent to Army Loco Workshops O/s to be converted into engine guard irons.	Gf

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
July	4		Weather fine. All maintenance parties fully employed. 70 Op off loading & reloading sand. Salvage Party rescued 405 1/2 ft 4" piping. The work was interrupted by enemy shelling. One Op transferred to Infantry at own request.	} Gg
	5		Weather fine. Maintenance parties as usual 71 Op working in Heidebeke Yard for ADLR Stores Officer. 445 ft Piping salvaged by party at Ellersyde which completes the work there. All water piping, flanges, joints, screws etc from this place have been rescued.	} Gg
	6		Weather fine. 42 1/2 ft piping salvaged near Pacific. Could not work at Ouderdonk account of enemy shelling. Maintenance parties as usual & 71 Op on Sand Party.	} Gg
	7		Nice warm day. Unit visited by Col Hancock, DSO, CO Aust Rly Coy. Australian Mail received. Salvage party resting. Maintenance gangs as usual 40 Op on Sand Party. 11 Op dismantling & loading "Amstrong"	} Gg

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
(Continued)	7 th		Armstrong Huts at Turro. (A.S. & C.P.C. Quarters shifting to Yser)	} Gf
	8		Close & windy day ending in a thunderstorm at night.	}
			A conference on Railway matters was held at A.Q.	}
			Usual maintenance gangs & 43 op working on sand loading	}
			11 op loading huts at Turro for conveyance & erection at Yser.	}
			Capt Powell reverted to Private & transferred to Infantry units	}
			at his own request. Sgt Keddie's party salvaged 430 ft	}
	9		piping 2-4" thread valves, 1-4" flange joint & 4-4" Bends	} Gf
	9		Fresh morning & cool day. Maintenance & Sand (43 op)	}
			Parties as usual. 10 op erecting Tanks at Dawsonpool for	}
			ADLR II	}
			3 C.M.'s & 4 Tractor crews warned to standby for special gas	}
			stunt which however did not eventuate.	}
	10		Heavy rain early morning but fine later. Maintenance, Sand	}
			and Salvage Parties working as usual. Special party still	}
			standing by.	} Gf

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	11		Weather showery. Heavy thunderstorms about 3 pm. Fatigue Party employed in laying duckboard tracks throughout the camp. The recent rains have made conditions very uncomfortable & efforts are being made to meet the needs of winter. Maintenance gang, S and S & salvage parties working & special party standing by.	g
	12		Heavy rains during morning. The inclement weather necessitates careful attention to the permanent way & the maintenance gangs are kept fully employed. 46 op on sand party & other parties standing by.	g
	13		Day fine & clear. O A B Sgt audited paybooks & accounts & other ranks returned from Hospital. All parties as on previous day. Enemy aeroplanes flew over the camp about midnight & dropped bombs in close proximity, the nearest falling about 50 yards distance from camp.	g
	14		Showery again. 13 op reinforcements arrived & taken on strength. All parties & gangs as on 13th inst.	g

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	15 th		Weather fine. Parties working & standing by as usual.	} 49
	16		2 NCOs granted leave to Paris.	
	16		Heavy thunderstorms early morning & again at night. 32 ops reported to A Troop where they unloaded 24 trucks of mine earth. This is heavy work. Others as usual.	} 49
	17		Weather close & unpleasant. Routine as usual. We were favored by a visit & selections from the Belgian Band.	
	1		Supplied a Dispatch Rider to S.I.R.II for duty.	} 49
	18		Weather close & unpleasant. 3 NCOs rejoined from Hospital. Work as per usual. Nothing else to report.	} 49
	19		Nice day. Nothing unusual to report. A Cricket Match was played against the B.M.O's, the latter winning.	} 49
	20		Heavy showers thro' the day. Regular working routine. An open-air boxing tournament held & was a complete success. 500 pes distributed in Prize money.	} 49

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	21		Weather clearing up. Enemy aeroplanes over in force during the night. Small Australian Mail in. 65% supplied to A.D.L.R. Stores Officer for loading sand. Other parties as usual.	} 1/4
	22		Weather fine. Pgt Reddie's Salvage Party augmented by 15 men from 35th of R.M.B. Coy. They succeeded in salvaging 372 1/2 ft of Water pipe from between Pacific & Underdown under shell fire. 70 men working in Heidebeke Yard loading steel ties, rails etc also mulbaded 30 trucks (broad gauge) of sand. Maintenance party as usual & Special party standing by.	
	23		Raining again. Salvage party recovered 528 1/2 ft piping, 16 cast iron tank plates. Maintenance & Sand gangs as usual. He supplied 3 M.C.'s & 4 Tractor crews for a similar gas stunt as occurred on 22/6/18. The trains, each of 7 box trucks with 32 cylinders in each truck, were standing marshalled & picked up at Pretoria. They proceeded to Austral Piding*. The last train arriving at 11.5 p.	} 1/4 * see 18/19

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	23 rd		The trucks were hand shunted from Austral Adg to a point near Stone siding & the gas discharged successfully at 12.40 am. The trucks containing the empty gas cylinders were then hand shunted back to Austral, picked up by the waiting tractors & departed, the last train leaving at 3.25 am 24/7/18. Some difficulty was experienced during the shunting movements thro' some trucks becoming derails but the enterprise was a great success & without casualties.	lg
	24 th		Weather fine. Working parties as usual. 528 1/2 ft piping recovered from between Ellersyde & Zealand.	lg
	25 th		Windy day. Working parties as usual. Cricket match played between a picked team & the Sgts. The former won. Enemy aeroplanes active during the night. At 12.30 am, 26/7/18, a two seater enemy plane was hit by bullets from our Lewis Gun & descended in flames. One aviator was killed, & the other wounded. Congratulatory & confirmation letters attached.	lg

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July	26 th		Very wet day. Working parties as usual. 12 cast iron Tank plates & 323 ft water pipe salvaged from Ouderdom despite heavy shelling.	} 89
	27		Showery all day. Maintenance, Sand & Salvage Parties as usual. 451 1/2 ft piping salvaged at Ouderdom. Water tank dismantled but could not be brought away owing to the line being blown up.	} 89
	28		Weather bit better. Reactor Work as usual. Our Cricket Team visited Buques & played the 6 th Bly ACC at Cricket but were defeated.	} 89
	29		Fine warm day. Nothing unusual to report.	} 89
	30		do do do. 30 cast iron tank plates & 466 1/2 ft piping rescued from Ouderdom. Maintenance & Sand parties as usual.	} 89
	31		Fine day. 60 men sent to St Iscte at 6am to unload a train of mine earths. 537 1/2 ft piping salvaged from Ellarsycle. Maintenance party as usual.	} 89

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<i>General</i>			<p>Men taken in small parties & regularly instructed in the use of arms & Box Respirators. Provision made for Daily leave at the rate of ten (10) per day. The cleanliness of Personnel & Quarters provided for, the former by the erection of a shower & the latter by fatigue parties.</p> <p>Q.M. Dep. Fairly satisfactory although considerable difficulty is experienced in obtaining Australian made & pattern clothing. The Ration dump has been removed from Proven to the Ring Dump near Swiss Cottage. A parcel of 800 received from the Comforts Fund, & three (3) cases of Cigarettes from the Victorian Railway Commissioners thro' Martins Ltd.</p> <p>The Lewis Gun Team distinguished itself by bringing down an enemy aeroplane.</p> <p>Rations augmented by the purchase of vegetables & 800 francs spent on sports & material.</p> <p>New drains & duckboard tracks made thro' the camp</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Maintenance Party			<p>Section to be maintained has been increased & reached beyond Swiss Cottage to the main Poperunghe Road at the eastern end & on the west to Proven Rd Swiss Broad gauge Xing. No 1 Party in section, Poperunghe Rd to buckle Dump which includes a large transit yard & the Dump lines at Swiss Cottage. Work for the month includes the renewing of several lengths of rails, realignment of curve at west end of Swiss Cottage yard, renewal of timbers in Diamond Xing. No 2 Gang resleepered a bridge with metre gauge ties & repaired the timbers without causing any delay to traffic. No 3 Gang have received the steel in 2 Diamond Xings & have done much useful ballasting, lifting & packing. No 4 Gang have done splendid work at Mudebke transit yard & on the main line towards Dawson. No 5 Gang have lifted & packed the line from Dawson to Proven Rd Xing, & ballasted it with three earths.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sand Party			Over 1000 trucks (broad gauge) of sand unloaded at Heidebake & reloaded into light ply trucks. 20000 steel ties & much material loaded. Several broad gauge trains of Mine Earths unloaded at St Sixte.	
Gas Party			Successfully carried out their part of the stunt against the enemy as reported on 23/7/18. & much credit is due them for their coolness & efficiency.	
Salvage Party			Working continuously between Pacific & Ellersyde & at Zealand & Underdown. They are endeavouring to recover the Railway Water piping (which is in great demand at present) on this section. The pipes are up to 4ft below the surface & have to be dug up & loaded into trucks within close range of the enemy. Over 10000 ft has been salvaged besides other valuable material.	

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Gov Workshops			Our detachments at the Army Loco Workshops, including loco & ICE fitters, boilermakers etc. Wagon repairs etc have gained the approval of those in authority by their fine workmanship which is second to none.	
			The month has been satisfactory & with that Australian characteristic the men have adapted themselves to the work & conditions of the time.	
Statistics for month			Sick to Hospital 17. Rejoined ex Hospital 27. Reinforcements taken on strength - 14. Detached for duty 8. Rejoined ex detachment 5.	
				Capt OC 2nd ALRC

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- (3) Water colour sketch of Light Railway Engine No 1290 (Coke), drawn to scale & true to life on Active Service
Drawn by 2^d Lt C B Garbett
2nd A/R O C
- (4) Graph of Daily Effective, Ration & detached strength.
- (5) References to destructions of Enemy planes by L G
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2nd AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

Company Routine Order No. 244

In the Field.
July 1st 1918

by
Capt. G. A. Mahan, Commanding.

Duties.	Orderley Officer.	Lieut. J. C. Beattie.
	Next for Duty.	Lieut. J. C. Beattie.
	Orderley Sergeant.	Sergt. Payne A.
	Next for Duty.	Sergt. Summons J. E.

Routine.	Reveille.	5.00 am.
	Sick Parade.	5.30 am.
	Breakfast.	5.45 am.
	Parade.	6.30 am.
	Cease Work.	11.00 am.
	Dinner.	12. noon.
	Tea.	5.00 pm.
	Mail Parade.	5.30 pm.
	Guard Parade.	5.45 pm.
	Lights Out.	9.30 pm.

G. A. Mahan
 Captain.
 C.O. 2nd Aust. L.R.O. Coy.

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2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY.

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:245
by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, COMMANDING.

2nd July 1918.

PART I.

DUTIES	Orderly Officer	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
	Next for Duty.	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
	Orderly Sergt.	Sergt Summons J. E.
	Next for Duty	Sergt Cooper F. R.

PART II.

ROUTINE.	Reveille	6.15 a.m.
	Sick Parade	6.30 a.m.
	Breakfast	6.45 a.m.
	Parade	7.30 a.m.
	Inspection	10.00 a.m.
	Lunch	Noon to 1.00 p.m.
	Cease Work	4.00 p.m.
	Rations	4.30 p.m.
	Dinner	5.00 p.m.
	Mail Parade	5.30 p.m.
	Guard Parade	5.45 p.m.
	Lights Out.	9.30 p.m.

POSTAL.

For the future all letters written to an address in Australia must include at the foot of the text the following particulars of the writer.

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Coy. or Section, _____
Unit. _____

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Authy. D. A. G. A. I. F. 52/51 of 17/6/18.

Letters with the above information omitted will be returned to the writer.

Strength. ¹⁸⁴⁴ COMS J Duke evac sick to Hospital 29/6/18

Sgt Skinner FO } returned from II Coy's Anti Gas School
Sgt Johnson R.J } 30/6/18

G. A. Gahan
CAPTAIN.
O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Coy.

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2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:-246.
by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, COMMANDING.

3rd JULY 1918.

PART I

DUTIES	Orderly Officer	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
	Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
	Orderly Sergeant	Sergt. Cooper F. R.
	Next for Duty	C. S. M. Irwin G. S.

ROUTINE Routine as per usual.

STRENGTH. Admitted to Hospital; 2nd July 1918.

No. 2374 Spr. Stephens W. C.
No. 1849 2/Cpl Goodwin F.

ISSUE OF CLOTHING. New Boots and Clothing will not be issued by the QuarterMaster Sergeant unless the old articles are produced. Clothing &c. issued without exchange will be debited against the soldier's pay.

CAPTAIN.
O. C. 2nd Aust L. R. O. Coy.

2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY.

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO: 247.

by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, COMMANDING.

4th July 1918.

PART I.

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
Orderly Sergeant.	C. S. M. Irwin G. S.
Next for Duty.	Sergt. Johnson R. J.

ROUTINE.

Routine as per usual.

MAIL.

Complaints regarding the non-delivery of and delay to Postal items by the Army Postal Service must be rendered officially to the D. A. D. P. S., A. I. F. Headquarters, London, through the C. O. of the Soldier's Unit. When complaints of delay are made it is essential that envelopes be returned.

STRENGTH

Rejoined Unit ex Hospital:-

No. 1844 C. Q. M. S. Duke J. S. 3rd July 1918.

Sick to Hospital:-

No. 2224	Spr. Benjamin M.	3rd July 1918.
No. 20272	" McMillan D.	-do-

G. A. Gahan
CAPTAIN
O. C. 2nd Australian L. R. O. Coy.

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Company Routine Order No 248.
by
Captain G.A. Gahan Commanding.

2nd Aust Light. Rly. O. Coy.
In The Field.
July 4th 1918.

Duties Mount at Reveille July 5th 1918.

- Company Orderly Officer Lieut J.C. Beattie
- Next for duty Lieut J.C. Beattie.
- Company Orderly Sergeant Sgt R.J. Johnson.
- Next for Duty Sgt F.O. Skinner.

Routine Routine as per usual.

Canteen The Balance Sheet ending 30-6-1918 is placed on the notice board for the information of all concerned.

Strength. No 2649 Sapper RAYMOND L.F. is transferred to Infantry Base Depot in U.K. and is struck off strength from 4th July 1918.

J.C. Beattie
O.C. 2nd Aust L.R.O. Coy. Captain

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COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:249 .

by
CAPTAIN G . A . GAHAN , COMMANDING .

6th JULY 1918 .

PART I .

DUTIES .

Orderly Officer	Lieut J . C . Beattie .
Next for Duty .	Lieut J . C . Beattie .
Orderly Sergeant	Sergt . Skinner F . O .
Next for Duty	Sergt . Page G . J .

ROUTINE .

Routine as per usual .

POSTAL .

Complaint has been made by the Postal Authorities that parcels posted in France are insecurely packed and consequently are considerably damaged in transit . All parcels should be packed in tins or boxes (if available) and securely wrapped and fastened .

J. Beattie
CAPTAIN .
O . C . 2nd Aust L . H . O . Coy .

2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:250.

by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, COMMANDING. 7th JULY 1918.

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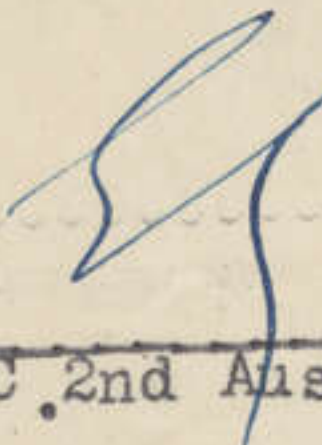
Orderly Officer	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
Orderly Sergeant.	Sergt Page G. J.
Next for Duty.	Sergt Culmsee .

ROUTINE

Reveille	7.00 a.m.
Sick Parade	7.30 a.m.
Breakfast	7.45 a.m.
R. C. Church Parade (Voluntary)	10.15 a.m.
Dinner	1.00 p.m.
Mail	1.15 p.m.
Tea	5.00 p.m.
Guard Parade	5.45 p.m.
Lights Out	9.30 p.m.

MAIL.

All packages sent in to be censored should be so packed as to enable the Censor to examine contents.


CAPTAIN.
O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Coy.

2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:251.

by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, COMMANDING.

8th JULY 1918.

PART I.

DUTIES.	Orderly Officer.	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
	Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
	Orderly Sergeant	Sergt. Culmsee F. C.
	Next for Duty	C. S. M. Page R. J. G.

ROUTINE Routine as per usual.

STRENGTH

No Hospital The undermentioned has been admitted to
Hospital 7th July 1918.

No 2004 2/Corpl. Vaughton T. G.

G. A. Gahan
O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Coy. CAPTAIN.

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2nd Australian Light Railway Operating Company.

ROUTINE ORDERS No. 252.

9th July 1918.

by

CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, OFFICER COMMANDING.

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PART I.

DUTIES.	Orderly Officer ---	Lieut J. C. Beattie
	Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie
	Orderly Sergeant	C. S. M. Page R.
	Next for Duty	Sgt Young.

PART II

ROUTINE. Routine as per usual.

STRENGTH. No. 1872 2/Cpl Powell G. B. reverts to Private, and is transferred to Infantry Training Depot, England, at own request. Auth: D. A. G. A. I. F. 187/3033 and is struck off strength. 8/7/18

TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

R	Rejoined ex Hospital :-	1929 Sapper Bridges R. C.
		1936 Sapper Coulcher P. W.
		1910 Sapper Harrigan H. T. B. Maiker.
Ex A. G. B. D.		2566 Sapper Keats H. E.

Captain
O. C. 2nd A. L. R. O. Coy.

2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO: 253

by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, COMMANDING

10th JULY 1918.

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PART I.

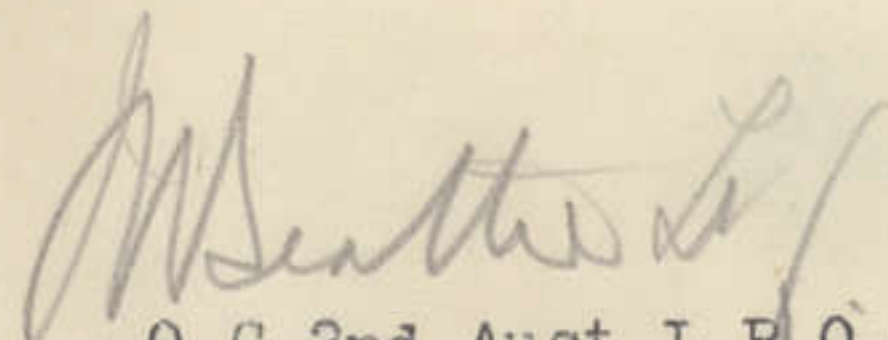
DUTIES.	Orderly Officer.	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
	Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie
	Orderly Sergeant	Sergt Young A. J.
	Next for Duty.	Sergt Aldrich R.

PART II.

ROUTINE. Routine as per usual.

CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS. Picture Postcards showing Views of Places in Army areas even without the names cut out are strictly prohibited by the Chief Censor and must not be sent through the Post.

PAYBOOKS. All Paybooks are required in the Orderly Room by noon on Thursday 11th inst.
Men wishing to draw pay will state the amount required.


CAPTAIN.
O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Coy.

2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:254

by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, COMMANDING

11th JULY 1918.

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PART I.

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J.C. Beattie.
Next for Duty	Lieut J.C. Beattie .
Orderly Sergeant	Sergt Aldrich R.
Next for Duty	Sergt Payne T.

ROUTINE

PART II.

Routine as per usual.

PAYBOOKS

All Paybooks are required in the Orderly Room by noon today (11th inst.) Men desirous of drawing pay must state the amount required.

CONCERT.

An Open Air Concert is to be held at Bedford Camp near the Football Ground this evening from 5.30 p.m. to 7 p.m.



CAPTAIN.
O.C. 2nd Aust L.R.O. Coy.

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2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:255 .

by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, COMMANDING .

12th JULY 1918 .

PART I .

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J. C. Beattie .
Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie .
Orderly Sergeant	Sergt Payne T .
Next for Duty	Sergt. Summons .

ROUTINE

Routine as per usual .

PAY .

Pay Parade at 6 pm. There will also be an issue of green envelopes & "Aussie"

G. A. Gahan
 _____ CAPTAIN
 O. C. 2nd Aust. L.R.O. Coy .

2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

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COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:256

by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, COMMANDING.

13th JULY 1918.

PART I.

DUTIES	Orderly Officer	Lieut J. C. Beattie .
	Orderly Officer	
	Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie .
	Orderly Sergeant	Sergt Summons J.
	Next for Duty	Sergt Cooper F. R.

PART II.

ROUTINE Routine as per usual .

STRENGTH The following Other Ranks are taken on strength on marching in from A.G.B.D. 12th July 1918.

No	1794	Sgt	Stephenson	G
	2025	2/Cpl	Jones	D. J.
	1939	Sapr	Davies	L. B.
	2037	"	Ganderton	J. B.
	1818	Corpl	Myers	F.
	1919	Bsmith	Anderson	S. T.
	1787	Spr	Randall	G. E.
	1843	2/Cpl	Doran	L. G.

G. A. Gahan
CAPTAIN .
O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Coy .

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2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY. &)

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:257,

by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, COMMANDING.

14th JULY 1918.

PART I.

DUTIES	Orderly Officer	Lieutm J. C. Beattie.
	Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie
	Orderly Sergeant	Sergt Cooper F. R.
	Next for Duty	C. S. M. Irwin G. S.

ROUTINE	Reveille	7.00 a.m.
	Sick Parade	7.30 a.m.
	Breakfast	7.45 a.m.
	R. C. Church Parade	10.15 a.m. (Voluntary).
	Dinner	1.00 p.m.
	Mail Parade	1.15 p.m.
	Tea	5.00 p.m.
	Guard Parade	5.45 p.m.
	Lights Out.	9.45 p.m.

STRENGTH Reported from 5th Aust. B. G. R. O. Company and taken
on strength 12th July 1918.

13 Other Ranks.

G. A. Gahan
CAPTAIN.
O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Coy.

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2nd AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS NO 257.

by

CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, OFFICER COMMANDING.

15th July 1918.

PART 1.

DUTIES.	Orderly Officer	Lieut J. C. Beattie
	Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie
	Orderly Sergeant	C. S. M. Irwin G. S.
	Next for Duty	Sergt Johnson R. J.

PART 2.

ROUTINE.	Reveille	6.15am	
	Sick Parade	6.30am	
	Breakfast	6.45am	
	Parade	7.30am	THIS INCLUDES SAND PARTY
	Inspection	10.00am	
	Lunch	Noon-1.00pm	
	Cease Work	4.00pm	
	Rations	4.30pm	
	Dinner	5.00pm	
	Mail Parade	5.30pm	
	Guard Parade	5.45pm	
	Lights Out	9.30pm.	

STRENGTH. Taken on Strength :-
 No. 2004 2/Cpl Vaughton T. G. Rejoined ex Hospital.

Admitted to Hospital :-
 No. 2566 Sapper Keats H. E.

LEAVE. Granted Leave to Paris from 14/7/18 to 22/7/18 :-
 No. 2026 L/Corpl W. J. Beavis
 No. 1893 2/Corpl A. W. Weeks.

Returned ex Paris Leave :-
 No. 1935 L/Corpl Coker R. H.
 No. 1842 2/Corpl Daly J. P.

G. A. Gahan
 CAPTAIN
 O. C. 2nd A. L. R. O. Coy.

NOTICE

SOCKS. Any member of the Unit short of Socks may obtain a supply from the Q. M. Stores on application.

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2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY.

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:258

by

CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN COMMANDING.

16th JULY 1918.

PART I.

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J. C. Beattie
Next for Duty	Lieut J. C. Beattie.
Orderly Sergeant	Sergt. Johnson R. J.
Next for Duty.	Sergt. Stephenson G.

ROUTINE.

Routine as per usual.

CAPTAIN.
O. C. 2nd Aust L. R. O. Coy.

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COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO: 558

BY

CAPTAIN G. A. GARRA, COMMANDING

18th JULY 1918 - PAGE 9L-

PART I

Next for Daily	Order's Officer
Next for Daily	Lieut J. D. Beattie
Orderly Sergeant	Lieut J. D. Beattie
Next for Daily	Sergeant Johnson
	Sergeant Cunningham

Routing as per usual

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 CAPTAIN
 G. A. GARRA

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2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDER NO:259 .

by

CAPTAIN G .A .GAHAN, COMMANDING .

17th JULY 1918 .

PART I .

DUTIES	Orderly Officer	Lieut J .C .Beattie .
	Next for Duty	Lieut J .C .Beattie .
	Orderly Sergeant	Sergt Skinner F .O .
	Next for Duty	Sergt Stephenson G .

ROUTINE *Part II* Routine as per usual .

STRENGTH Sick to Hospital 16th July 1918 .
 No .1865 2/cpl Milkins W .A .
 Attached to S .L .R .II .
 No .18945 Spr Hicks A .J . 16th July 1918

G. A. Gahan
 CAPTAIN .
 O .C . 2nd Aust L .R .O . Coy .

APPEAL

TELEPHONE—CENTRAL 4780.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.—3RD MILITARY DISTRICT

PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY
TO "HEAD-QUARTERS,
3RD MILITARY DISTRICT."

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE
No.

HEAD-QUARTERS

Melbourne,

From

To

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2nd Australian Light Railway Operating Coy.

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

No. 260 17th July 1918 by

Captain G. A. Gahan, Officer Commanding.

PART 1.

DUTIES.

Orderly Officer.	Lieut J. R. Patterson
Next for Duty	Lieut J. R. Patterson
Orderly Sergeant	Sgt Stephenson G.
Next for Duty	Sgt Page G.

PART II.

ROUTINE.

Routine as per usual.

STRENGTH.

Rejoined Unit ex Hospital thro' A.G.B.D. :-
 No. 1778 C.S.M. Bisset P.R.
 No. 2011 C.S.M. Cahill M.V.
 No. 1913 Fitter Mackie A.T.

Rejoined Unit ex School of Cookery :-
 No. 1972 Sapper Lambert T.H.
 No. 2275 " McVilly O.R.S.

Admitted to Hospital :-
 No. 2561 Fitter Frankish W.E. Accidentally injured.

OFFENCES.

No. 1984 B/Smith O'Drea M.
 A.W.L. 9-30pm 14/7/18 to 9-30pm 15/7/18.
 Punishment :- Forfeits 2 day's pay and awarded
 8 days F.P. No 2 by Lieut J.R. Patterson 16/7/18.
 No. 3377 Sapper Maxwell J.H. :-
 A.W.L. 9-30pm 14/7/18 to 1-10pm 15/7/18.
 Punishment :- Forfeits 2 days pay and awarded
 7 days F.P. No 2 by Lieut J.R. Patterson 16/7/18.

POSTAL.

Attention is drawn to Extracts from Camp Routine Orders regarding Postal and Censorship Regulations which are republished and placed on the Notice Board for the information of all concerned.

[Handwritten Signature]
 CAPTAIN
 O.C. 2nd A.L.R.O. Coy.

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

No. 261. 19th July 1918, by
Captain G.A. Gahan, Officer Commanding.

PART I.

DUTIES.

~~xxxx~~ Orderly Officer Lieut J.R. Patterson.
Next for Duty Lieut J.R. Patterson.
Orderly Sergeant Sergt Page G.
Next for Duty. Sergt, Culmsee C.G.

PART II.

ROUTINE

Routine as per usual.

Tea at 4.30 pm

STRENGTH

Admitted to Hospital:-

No. 2258 2/Cpl Joyce H.

OFFENCES?

No. 2258 2/Cpl Joyce H.
A.W.L. 9.30 p.m. 14/7/18 to 9.30 p.m. 15/7/18.
Punishment:- Severely Reprimanded; Forfeits 2 days
pay. Awarded by Lieut J.R. Patterson 18/7/18.

G.A. Gahan
CAPTAIN.
O.C. 2nd Aust. L.R.O. Coy.

Notice

A Cricket Match will be played
against the B.M.D.'s commencing
at 5 pm.

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ROUTINE ORDER.

No. 262. 20th JULY 1918. by

Captain G. A. Gahan, Officer Commanding.

PART I.

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
Next for Duty	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
Orderly Sergeant	Sergt Culmsee C. G.
Next for Duty	C. S. M. Page R. J. G.

PART II.

ROUTINE

Routine as per usual.


CAPTAIN
O. C. 2nd Australian Light Rly Optg Coy.

TO ALL CONCERNED,POWER AND ROLLING STOCK ALLOTTED
TO C.R.T. UNITS.

Further to my C.T.C. 7/98 of 24th October 1917.

The following is the statement of Loco and Tractors and wagons with individual numbers allotted to C.R.T. units in Army area.

It will be seen that all C.R.T. units with the exception of the 8th C.R.T. have their own yard for stabling their power and Rolling Stock. It must be distinctly understood that this power must on no account be interfered with or used by District Traffic Officers for handling Army traffic.

REPAIRS.

All running repairs will be done by C.R.T. unit concerned (except the 8th C.R.T. whose tractors are maintained by the Operating staff at Angus and Romarin), and any other repairs required which cannot be done at the C.R.T. yards will be sent to Angus, and S.L.R.'s office advised at once of the repairs required. If a tractor or loco. is required to replace one sent to Angus for repairs, a requisition must be sent to this office for another tractor, and instructions will be issued for one to be sent to replace. D.O.'s Coms. are not authorised to allot tractors or locos, to C.R.T. units without permission of this office.

SUPPLIES OF PETROL AND OIL.

These will be supplied by the Operating Stores Officer at Ellarsyde.

TRAFFIC.

C.R.T. trains must work in with Army trains, and must on no account be delayed, to let Army traffic through, but it is understood that C.R.T. train crews will observe the rules laid down for traffic operations. District Controls will see that ballast and Railway material trains have a clear run as far as possible. It will not be necessary for District Controls to advise C.T.C. of the wagons in C.R.T. service as these wagons will be put on the board permanently. The C.R.T. wagons must on no account be removed to Railheads, or used by O.C. Districts under any circumstances whatever.

All cases of irregular working on the part of the C.R.T. units must be reported to C.T.C. at once. This includes cases of

1. wagons left foul of the main line,
2. blocking sidings in which Army traffic is required to be unloaded,
3. disregarding the orders of District transmitted through Control Posts,
4. wagons standing underload an unreasonable length of time,
5. When wagons allocated are considered too many, but such cases must be supported by facts and not general statements,
6. Use by C.R.T. of any wagons not shown on the following list, unless specially authorised by C.T.C.

Case must be taken by District Controls to show the trains on construction work on Daily Wagon Summaries but only in bulk and not individually

If any trucks not shown on the list are found to carry C.R.T. boards or signs of any description, a special report must be made to C.T.C. and the boards or signs taken off.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

No 263. 21st JULY 1918. by
 Captain G.A. Hahan, Commanding Officer.

PART I.

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J.R. Patterson.
Next for Duty	Lieut J.R. Patterson.
Orderly Sergeant.	C.S.M. Page R.J.G.
Next for Duty.	

PART II.

ROUTINE

Reveille	7.00 a.m.
Sick Parade	7.30 a.m.
Breakfast	7.45 a.m.
Church Parade R.C.	10.15 a.m. Voluntary.
Dinner	1.00 p.m.
Mail Parade	1.15 p.m.
Tea	5.00 p.m.
Guard Parade	5.45 p.m.
Lights Out	9.30 p.m.

J.R. Patterson

CAPTAIN
 O.C. 2nd Aust L.R.O. Coy.

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AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY.

ROUTINE ORDER.

No. 264. 22nd JULY 1918. by

CAPTAIN G. A GAHAN, OFFICER COMMANDING.

PART I.

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
Next for Duty	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
Orderly Sergeant.	Sergt. Young A. J.
Next for Duty	C. S. M. Cahill M. V.

PART II.

ROUTINE

Reveille	6.15 a.m.	
Sick Parade	6.30 a.m.	
Breakfast	6.45 a.m.	
Parade	7.30 a.m.	THIS INCLUDES SAND PARTY
Inspection	10.00 a.m.	
Lunch Noon to	1.00 p.m.	
Cease Work	4.00 p.m.	
Rations	4.30 p.m.	
Dinner	5.00 p.m.	
Mail Parade	5.30 p.m.	
Guard Parade	5.45 p.m.	
Lights Out	9.30 p.m.	

STRENGTH

Rejoined from A.G.B.D. 20th July 1918.

No. 1826	Sergt. Thornton A.M.
No. 1938	Sapper Dally S.C.

G. A. Gahan
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 CAPTAIN.
 O. C. 2nd Aust. L.R.O. Coy.

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2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY.

ROUTINE ORDER.

No. 265. 23rd July 1918. by

CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, OFFICER COMMANDING.

PART I.

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
Next for Duty	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
Orderly Sergeant	C. S. M. Cahill M. V.
Next for Duty	C. S. M. Bissett P.

PART II.

ROUTINE

Routine as per usual.

RAILWAY STORES.

The practise of removing Tarpaulins and Ropes from Railway Wagons or premises is strictly forbidden.

LOST

GOLD RING this evening between the Ablution Bench and No. 2 Hut. 22nd July 1918. Reward will be given. Finder please return same to Orderly Room.

J. R. Patterson
for

CAPTAIN.
O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Company.

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ROUTINE ORDER

No .266 . 24th JULY 1918 . by

CAPTAIN G .A .GAHAN , OFFICER COMMANDING .

PART I .

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J .R .Patterson
Next for Duty	Lieut J .R .Patterson .
Orderly Sergeant	C .S .M . Bissett P .
Next for Duty	Sergt . Thornton A .N .

PART II .

ROUTINE .

Routine as per usual .

SALUTING
A .O .211/1918 .

The left hand Salute by W .Os ., N .C .Os ., and men is abolished .
 The Salute will be given by all ranks with the right hand .
 When saluting to the side the head will be turned towards the person saluted .
 In cases where from physical incapacity a right hand salute is impossible, the salute will be given with the left hand .

JRP

CAPTAIN .
O .C .2nd Aust L .R .O .Coy .

S.L.R. IV 5th

Vauhall

7/3/18

Herewith is weekly report for period ending Thursday 27/7/18.

- (1) General working of traffic has been satisfactory.
- (2) All demands for engines have been met.
- (3) Sufficient power has been available. Owing to a succession of broken sprockets due to derailments, high ballast & poor material, tractors have been light.
- (4) Ample staff available. I have already advised no men released by men of labor say being available.
- (5) With intermittent work engines have
(a) had to be kept in steam in loco yard at times more than has been desirable.
(b) average mileage per engine below last week but same above.
- (6) There have been no delays.
- (7) Coal consumption fairly satisfactory.
- (8) Control system working satisfactorily - traffic has been fairly light.
- (9) Orderly room telephone changed - otherwise all satisfactory.
- (10) There have been no complaints.
- (11) Trolley deviation ballasted but bridge not yet completed.
D.C. on leave.

H. H. H. H.
W. H. H. H.

KLATAC

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2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY.

ROUTINE ORDER.

No 267. 25th JULY 1918. by
CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, OFFICER COMMANDING.

PART I

DUTIES	Orderly Officer	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
	Next for Duty	Lieut J. R. Patterson
	Orderly Sergeant	Sergt. Thornton A. N.
	Next for Duty	Sergt Aldrich R.

PART II

ROUTINE Routine as per usual.

PASSES. All ranks are warned that until further notice a Pass must be obtained in order to visit PROVEN.

G. A. Gahan
CAPTAIN.
O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Coy.

much chance of relief. Crews have not always had sufficient time without prejudice to shifts.

boards - there are boards here and three more boards required.

Workshops - two shifts can be provided for workshops - one more man more for this, only one man more.

Breakdown - being broken down, gang is being broken down with details of the out of the unit, and I will write you about this.

Running shed - two men are as cleaners, engine firemen impossible to keep engine clean with crew getting 15 hour shifts, and averaging 15 hours.

Coy Dublin - too few men are on Coy Dublin. Two men are required for fire and one as orderly, even if 10 of the Coy is not stationed but I want 10 men for Coy Dublin on account of my obligation as senior officer here, although I do not mean company would draw your report to the senior extent of course.

2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY.

ROUTINE ORDER.

NO. 268. 26th JULY 1918. by

CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN. OFFICER COMMANDING.

PART I.

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
Next for Duty	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
Orderly Sergeant.	Sergt. Aldrich R.
Next for Duty	Sergt Payne T.

PART II.

ROUTINE

Routine as per usual.

STRENGTH

The undermentioned have reported to Unit from Leave.

No. 2 026 L. Cpl	BEAVIS J. W.	Paris. 24/7/18
No. 25824 Spr	HAYES C. J. H.	U.K. do

Rejoined Unit from Hospital.

No. 2561	Sapper FRANKISH W. E.	25th July 1918
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Sick to Hospital

No. 25824	Sapper HAYES C. J. H.	25th July 1918
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Postal.

Irregular Posting of letters.

G.R.O. 2044 is reinserted in Orders for the information & strict attention of all concerned :-

"In areas served by the Army Postal Service, the posting of letters in civil post offices is forbidden."

G. A. Gahan
CAPTAIN.
O.C. 2nd Aust. L.R.O. Coy.

R.C. Church
Services.

Confession. 7.30pm Friday
in the Officers Mess.

Mass. 6.30am in Sgt's
Mess Saturday.

Report for week ending Thursday 21-2-18

- ① General working of traffic has been satisfactory.
- ② Supply of empties has been sufficient to meet all requirements.
- ③ Supply of power has been satisfactory. Tractors were kept at times owing to machines wanting spare parts (chains) chains are now coming forward.
- ④ Staff has been sufficient to meet work in hand.
Staff were relieving one another working + district staff relieved as working.
- ⑤ (a) Average hours in steam practically the same as last week. Standing time in steam on loss is reduced to as small an extent as possible.
(b) Total mileage has dropped, following reduction in traffic. Individual engine mileage is kept as high as possible.
- ⑥ There have been no delays of consequence.
- ⑦ Total consumption has dropped with the reduced mileage. Individual engine consumption shows little difference.
- ⑧ Control system is worked in accordance with instructions with reduced traffic delays due to working of train board have been slight.
- ⑨ One telephone used by train controller is operative at times, other two phones are good.
- ⑩ There have been no complaints.
- ⑪ Glynnville dump is in operation - has over 1,000 tons of coal on stock. The platform is not having been completed it was necessary to unload when there was no change. This platform is being drawn on rails to enable stage to be completed. Stock room being properly furnished. Fence now complete with exception of gates.

L. Vanshall

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ROUTINE ORDER.

No .269 . 27th JULY 1918 . by
CAPTAIN G .A .GAHAN . OFFICER COMMANDING .

PART I .

DUTIES

Orderly Officer	Lieut J .R .Patterson .
Next for Duty	Lieut J .R .Patterson .
Orderly Sergeant	Sergt . Payne T .
Next for Duty	C .S .M . Lenihan F .J .

PART II .

ROUTINE

Routine as per usual .

STRENGTH .

Sick to Hospital ex Detachment to 21st L .R .T .C .Co .
No .17844 Sapper NEAL J .B . 26th July 1918
Detached from Unit to 21st L .R .T .C .Co .R .E . 26/7/18 .
No .2037 Sapper GANDERTON J .B .

COINAGE

Silver coins of the following denominations: 2fr; 1 fr
50 cts and 20 cts bearing on the obverse the effigy
of Napoleon III with Laurel wreaths will not be legal
tender from 1st August .
Such coins should be exchanged at Civil Post Offices
or Banks on or before 31st JULY 1918 .

R / C .CHURCH
PARADE .

MASS will be celebrated at 6 a .m .Saturday 27th inst .
in the Sergeants' Mess .

G. A. Gahan CAPTAIN .
O .C .2nd Aust .L .R .O .Coy .

NOTICE

FOUND

Brown Cardigan Jacket - in Mens' Latrine .
Same may be had on application at W .O .Davis' Tent .

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ROUTINE ORDER.

No .270 28th July 1918 by

CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN. OFFICER COMMANDING.

PART I.

DUTIES.	Orderly Officer	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
	Next for Duty	Lieut. J. R. Patterson.
	Orderly Sergeant	C. S. M. Lenihan F. J.
	Next for Duty	Sergt. Summons J.

PART II.

ROUTINE.	Reveille	7.00 a.m.	
	Sick Parade	7.30 a.m.	
	Breakfast	7.45 a.m.	
	Church Parade	R.C. 10.15 a.m.	Voluntary.
	Dinner	1.00 p.m.	
	Mail Parade	Tea 4.15 p.m.	
	Guard Parade	5.45 p.m.	
	Lights Out	9.30 p.m.	

STRENGTH. Rejoined Unit ex Hospital. 26th July 1918.

No .1890 2/Cpl WALL R.
No. Sapper FINCH E. J.

Rejoined Unit from Leave. 27th July 1918.

No .1893 2/Cpl WEEKS A. W.

Detached to Aust. Corps School. 27th July 1918.

No .2553 Sergt. COOPER F. R.

NOTICE.

The following letter has been received from the AREA COMMANDANT, CROMBEKE, and is published for general information.

" To Officer Commanding,
2 Australian L. Ry. Op. Coy.

As I understand several units
"are claiming that their A. A. Gun brought down the
"enemy plane in your vicinity last night I am
"writing you to say I and another Officer were outside
"when the plane was over and from the direction it
"came and after making a turn (the Tracer bullets
"from your Gun were plainly visible) your gun was the
"only one that located it. We distinctly saw the
"bullets from your gun on the plane when it burst
"into flames. When I heard other units were claiming
"the honour I felt I wanted to let you know that your
"Gunner should have the satisfaction of knowing he had
"as much or more claim to the destruction of the plane
"as anyone else.

(Sgd) W. Sears. Major.
Area Commandant Crombeke

G. A. Gahan
Captain.
O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Coy.

APPENDIX 1

2nd AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COY

COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS No 271 by
Captain G.A. Cahlan, Officer Commanding.
29th July 1918.

PART 1

DUTIES.	Orderly Officer	Lieut J.H. Patterson.
	Next for Duty	Lieut J.R. Patterson.
	Orderly Sargeant.	Sergt Summons J.
	Next for Duty	C.S.M. Irwin G.

PART II

ROUTINE. Routine as per usual.

PAY BOOKS ALL Pay-books are required in the Orderly Room by 6.30pm to-day (Monday). Those requiring to draw pay will state the amount.

G.A.
Captain
O.C. 2nd A.L.R.O. Coy.

Field
28th July 1918.

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2ND AUSTRALIAN LIGHT RAILWAY OPERATING COMPANY

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ROUTINE ORDER.

No 272. 30th JULY 1918 by

CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN OFFICER COMMANDING.

PART I.

DUTIES	Orderly Officer	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
	Next for Duty	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
	Orderly Sergeant	C. S. M. Irwin G. S.
	Next for Duty	Sergt Aldrich R.

PART II.

ROUTINE Routine as per usual.

OFFENCE. No 1819 Corpl. McGiffen J.
Crime:- A. W. L. from 9.30 p.m. on 28/7/18 to 10.30 a.m.
on 29/7/18. 13 hours.
Award:- Reprimanded. Forfeits 2 days Pay. 29-7-18.

LEAVE PASSES ALL Leave Passes must be handed in either to the
Orderly Room or to the Sergeant of the Guard on
expiration of same.

G. A. Gahan
CAPTAIN.
O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Coy.

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ROUTINE ORDER.

No. 273. 31st JULY 1918. by.

CAPTAIN G. A. GAHAN, OFFICER COMMANDING.

PART I.

DUTIES.	Orderly Officer	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
	Next for Duty	Lieut J. R. Patterson.
	Orderly Sergeant	Sergt. Aldrich R.
	Next for Duty	Sergt. Johnson R. J.

PART II.

ROUTINE. Routine as per usual.

STRENGTH. Admitted to Hospital; 30th July 1918.

No. 2305	Sapper	FINCH E. J.
No. 2008	Sapper	WORLEY W. R.
No. 2241	Sapper	SHAW J. (Dental) 29th July.

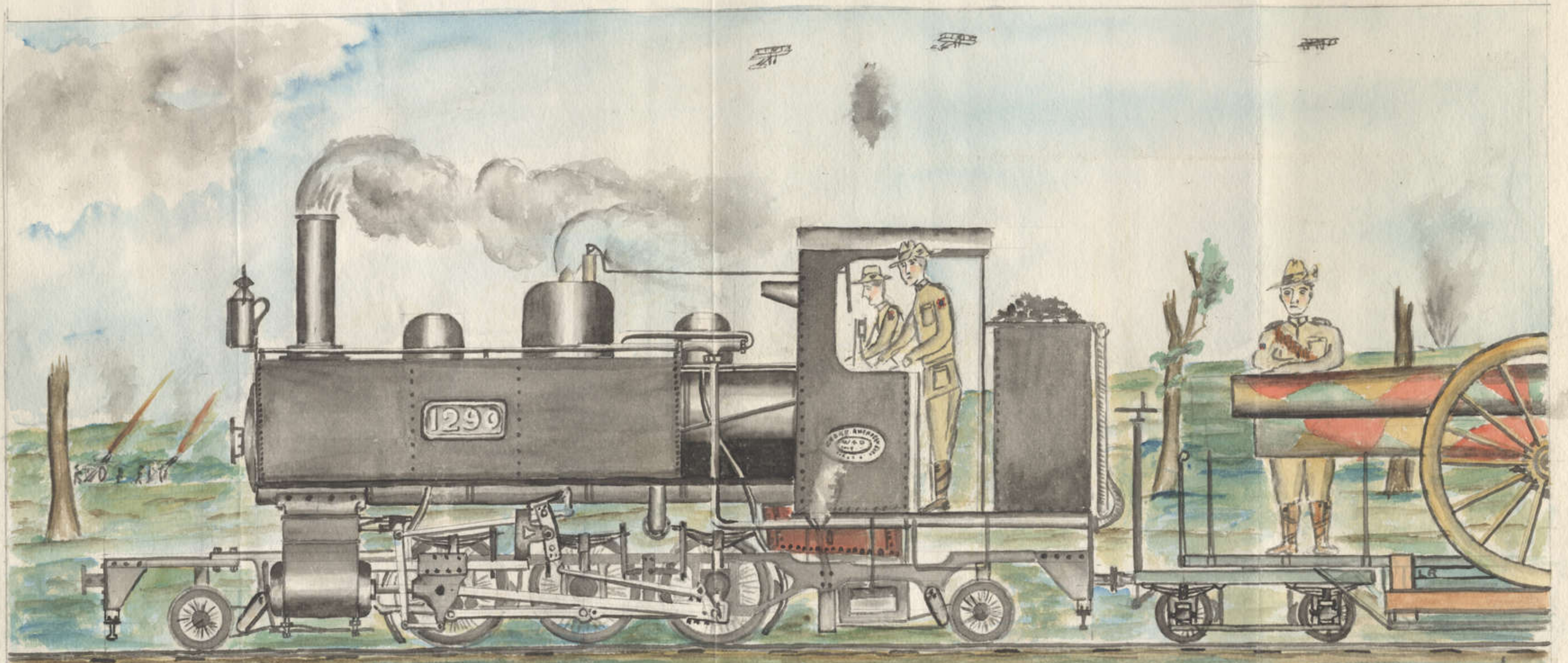
Leave to Paris. 30th July 1918.

No. 2960	L/Cpl	HEMINGWAY G.
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Pay

Pay Parade at 6pm.

G. A. Gahan
 CAPTAIN.
 O. C. 2nd Aust. L. R. O. Coy.



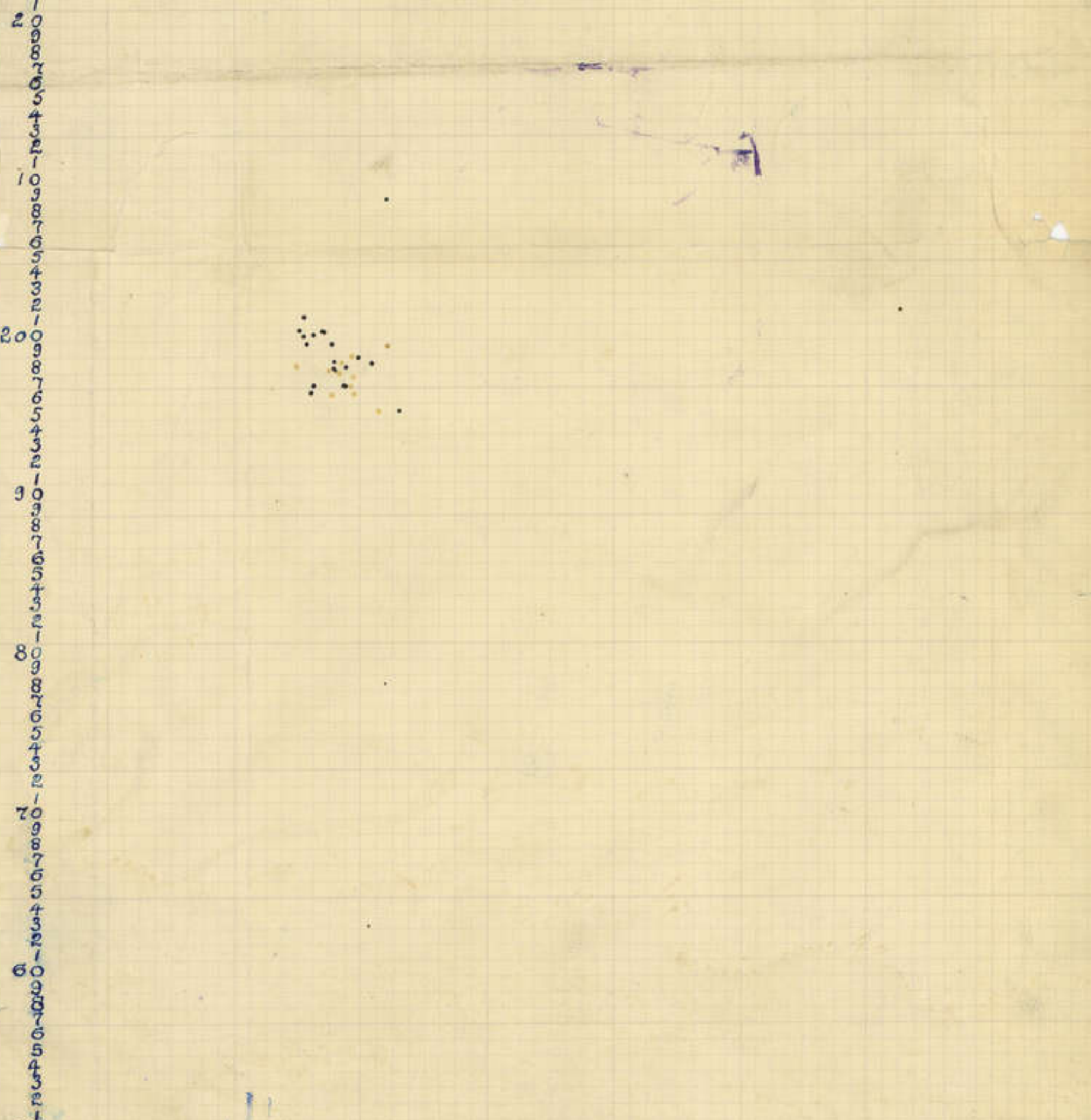
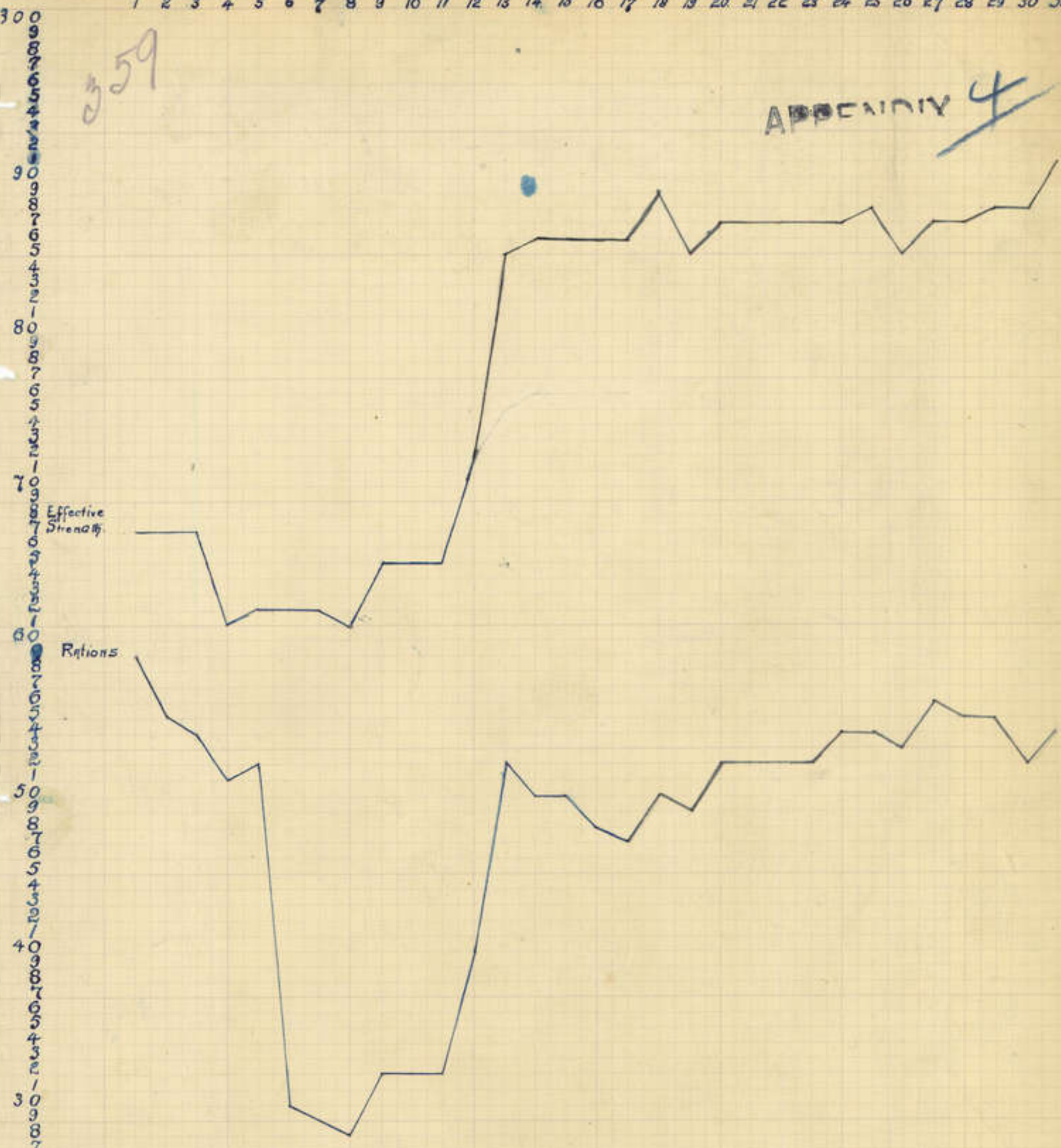
2nd Cpl. E.C. Garbett
2nd Aust Light Ry Coy
12. 7. 1918

With the Light Railways on the Western Front

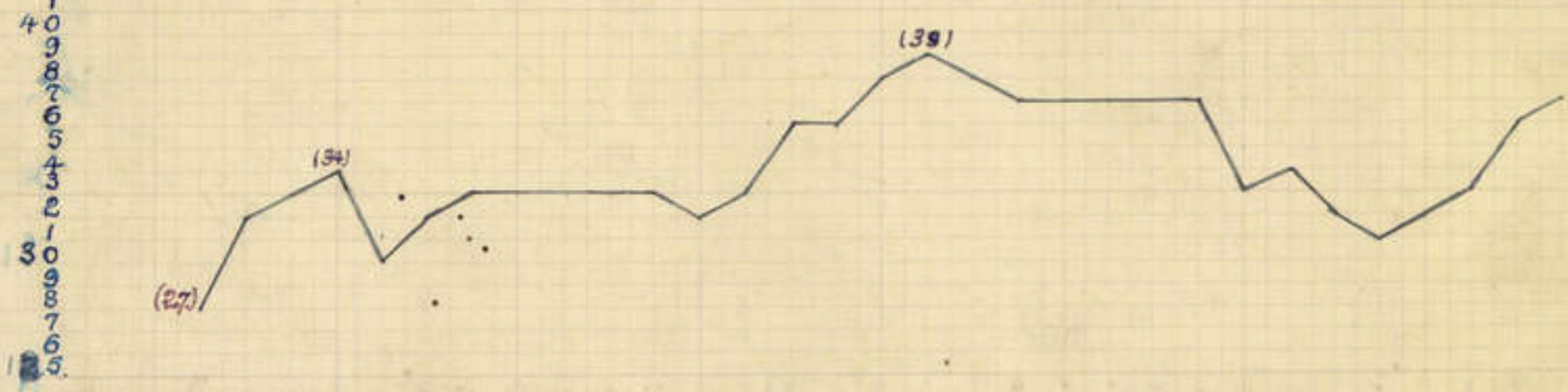
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APPENDIX 4



Detached



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Echecs le 26 juillet 1918

Je souviens avoir très vu les mitrailleurs
 Trapper & Waibe et sapper & Cooper
 dans la nuit du 25 au 26 juillet 1918
 15 minutes ~~à~~ ^{passé} minuit avoir abattu un avion
 allemand par les balles incendiaires

Le Brigadier Marginet
 Jules Joseph de la 56^{me} Batterie
 5284

Le soldat de 2^e classe Léon Gilliard 60^{me} Batterie
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Léon Gilliard - Belge

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Décrets le 26 juillet 1918

Je soussigné avoir tes en les initiales
Dapper J. Waite et sapper J. Cooper
Dans la nuit du 25 au 26 juillet 1918
~~15 minutes~~ ^{passé} ~~passé~~ minuit avoir abattu un avion
Allemand par les balles incendiaires

Le Brigadier Margiset
Jules Joseph De la 56th Batterie
5284

Le soldat de 2nd classe Léon Gilliard 60th Batterie
5284

Léon Gilliard - Belge -

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To O.L.
2 Australian F. Ry. Op. Coy -

July. 26/18

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As I understand several units are claiming that their gun brought down the enemy plane in your vicinity, last night, I am writing you to say I and another officer were outside when the plane was over, and from the direction it came and after making a turn, (the tracer bullets from your gun were plainly visible) your gun was the only one that located it. We distinctly saw the bullets from your gun on the plane when it burst into flames. Of course this is not in anyway an official letter, but when I heard other units were claiming the honor, I felt even if you didn't want the credit, I wanted to let you know that your Gunner should have the satisfaction of knowing, he had as much or more claim to the destruction of the plane as any one else.

W. Sears Major
and Command Cromwell

On the morning of the 26th July, about 12.30 am, I heard a hostile aeroplane flying very low, (and which had been cruising) (around for some time) appear to be in difficulties. After having been fired at by a J.G.* East of camp, I looked out towards the South the direction the plane appeared to be travelling when the engine stopped but was restarted, and the plane appeared to be then turned north. The engine was again stopped & restarted when I saw sparks emanating from the machine. The engine was again stopped & on being started the machine burst into flames & continued to travel in a N. Easterly direction when in line & over the field adjoining camp, the machine swung to the left & nose dived to the ground. During the time the plane was travelling towards Plover several Machine Guns were in action also when the machine burst into flames.

McMurdoo
315 W. S. R. 4