

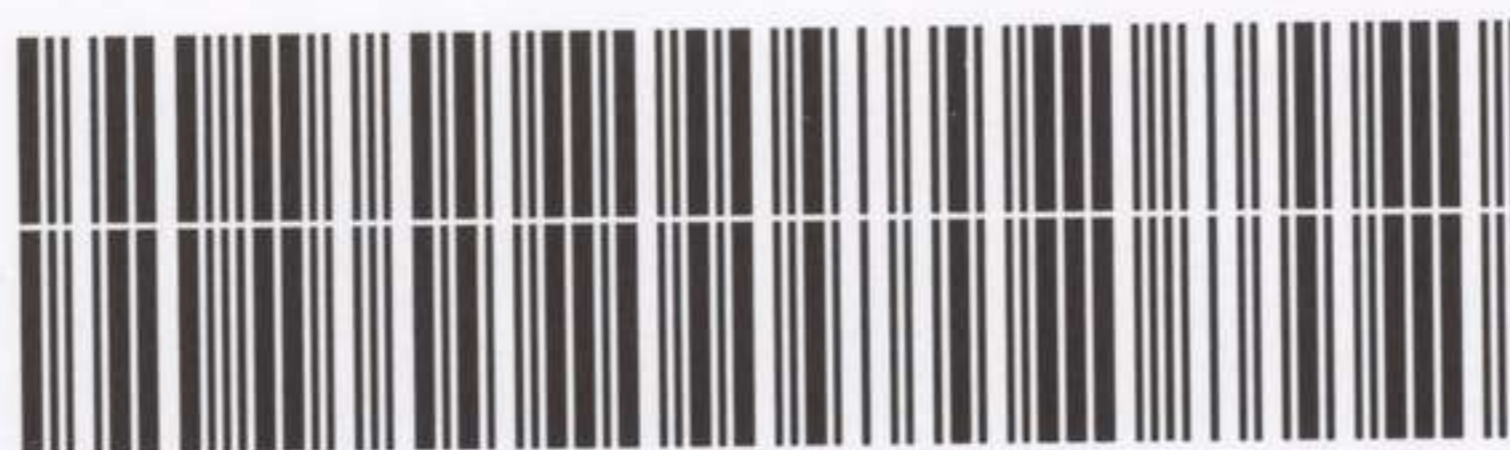
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FAUQUEM- BERGUES.	1/11/17	Thurs.	<p>Military medals awarded to following N.C.Os. and men (2nd. Anzac R.O. 1399, 27/10/17) for gallantry and devotion to duty in operations east of YPRES prior to and on 12th. Oct: No. 10807, T/Sgt. W. J. Jameson, 18401 L/Cpl. H. M. Williams, 10596 Spr. C. E. Chancellor, 10669 Spr. G. Sanderson, 10854 Spr. F. C. Tuckett, 10802 Spr. W. S. Touchell.</p> <p>Unit strength today 9 officers, 300 other ranks. Wanting to complete 6 officers and 26 other ranks. Two other ranks taken on strength transferred from 5th. Australian Divisional Signal Company and 44th. Battalion respectively. One other rank transferred to 2nd. Divisional Signal Company.</p> <p>In view of the serious shortage of some 60 signallers in Battery signal personnel, a School commenced about 90 strong. Only one Brigade officer (Lt. Cook, 7th. Bde) available; several N.C.Os. away at Schools and leave, making instructors very short.</p> <p>To meet a similar shortage in Signal personnel in their Battalions, <del>the</del> consequent upon actions at Ypres, 9th. and 10th. Brigade schools arranged; Section N.C.Os. acting as instructors. Periodical tests are showing satisfactory results.</p>	
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FAUQUEM-BERGUES.	2nd. Nov. 1917.	Fri.	<p>and Two other ranks rejoined from hospital/depot respectively and taken on strength. One other rank admitted hospital.</p> <p>Meeting, representative of the Sections, held and it was decided to open unit canteen. £40 Comforts Fund money was made available from Regimental Funds to be used as purchase money as required. An officer, 1 N.C.O. and two men detailed as Canteen Control Committee under the O.C.</p> <p>7th. Artillery Brigade moved their Headquarters from near DE SEULE (in vicinity of STEENWERCK) to 28, Rue de Lille, BAILLEUL, where office established.</p>	
FAUQUEM-BERGUES.	3rd. Nov. 1917.	Sat.	<p>For week ending today 9th. Brigade report satisfactory results from School of 120 Battalion signallers. 75% of the men, although new to the work, passed buzzer tests at 4 words per minute. 16% passed tests at 6 words per minute. Louvre shutter work was not quite so good but men show enthusiasm.</p>	<p>Appendix - No. 1: Company Routine Orders 226-233.</p>

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FAUQUEM- BERGUES.	4th. Sun Nov. 1917.		Acceptance of a Douglas motor cycle, in lieu of an evacuated Triumph machine, deferred and application made through Divisional Headquarters for a Triumph machine. The Douglas machine has already proved entirely unsuitable for Signal Company work.	
			Appendix No. 2: Correspondence suggesting and recommending increases in technical equipment of Signal Sub-sections as indicated.	
do.	5th. Mon. Nov. 1917.		Leave of Lieut. V.D. Bowen (O.C., No.3 Section) in United Kingdom extended to Nov. 15th. at request of G.O.C., 11th. Brigade.	
			Appendix No. 3: Company Routine Orders 234 - 236.	
do.	6th. Tues. Nov. 1917.		Company canteen opened. 6 other ranks taken on strength from Depot. 1 other rank to Hospital.	
			Fullerphones installed in Divisional Headquarters and Brigade Signal offices and working with every satisfaction. This arrangement is designed to assist personnel concerned to an intimate working knowledge of the instrument.	
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FAUQUEMBERGUES	7th. Nov. 1917.	Wed.	10 other ranks left for Carps Cable-Jointing School, MORBECQUE. Wire subsequently received Cable-Jointing School cancelled. Details to be returned to unit accordingly. 3 other ranks returned from previous Cable-Jointing School. Sgt. F.R.D. Rogerson left for Officers Cadet Course, England. 1 other rank proceeded on English leave; 2 other ranks returned from United Kingdom leave. 1 other rank rejoined No. 4 Section from Hospital. 1 runner attached Headquarters to Hospital sick. Second inoculation of Headquarters and No. 1 commenced; 44 men dealt with.	
do.	8th. Nov. 1917.	Thurs.	In view of 9th. Brigade moving out of area, Signal School for Battalion signallers closed. Section 2 instructors from Headquarters and No. 1/returned to lines. Results of School considered satisfactory. Men were enthusiastic and attained fair proficiency in practical signalling and line work. They will be posted as required to meet deficiencies in Battalion personnel. Section Second inoculation of Headquarters and No. 1/completed. Men off duty for 24 hours.	

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FAUQUEMBERGUES	8th Thurs. Nov. 1917.		7th. Artillery Brigade Sub-section's Signal School closed in view of movements. Of 54 men under training for the 9 days, good progress was made by the majority and results very satisfactory. These men will be drawn for Battery Signal personnel as required.	
	(continued.)		Appendix No. 4: Company Routine Orders 237 to 240.	
			Appendix No. 5: Correspondence regarding supply of Triumph motor cycle in lieu of Douglas motor cycle, this type having proved to be unsuitable for Divisional Signal Company work.	
do.	9th Fri. Nov. 1917.		Corporal H. Chadwick awarded bar to Military Medal for conspicuous work in YPRES offensive of October 12th. Capt. L. Tuckett, M.C., M.M. "Mentioned in Despatches."	
			7th. Artillery Sub-section closed at BAILLEUL at 11 a.m. and moved to Sheet 36, B 11 d 1.3, opening office at 12.30 p.m. Communications taken over and lines O.K. 8th. Artillery moved at 9 a.m. to ENGLISH FARM Sheet 36, T 21 d 2.1. Communications in good order; buried routes were adjacent to all Batteries.	
			9th. Brigade moving by 'bus to VIEUX BERQUIN area. Signal office at CAMPAGNE-LES-BOULONNAIS closed at 1.30 p.m. As Brigade will be 35 miles distant from Divisional Headquarters before the latter moves, two motor cyclists attached for duty to Brigade. Transport halted	

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FAUQUEMBERGUES.	9th Fri.		for night at AIRE. At 7.30 p.m. office opened at VIEUX BERQUIN. Through to Headquarters by	
	Nov. 1917.		'phone via STRAZEELE.	
	(continued.)		10 other ranks returned from Cable-Jointing School, MORBECQUE; School having been cancelled on 7th. instant. 2 other ranks taken on strength as Power Buzzer personnel. 1 other rank (Anzac Wireless attached) struck off strength to Hospital.	
			Direct commissions approved for Serjeants A.S.H. Gifford and S. Fountain, dated 6/11/17.	
			10th. Brigade Signal School closed in view of movements. Upwards of 100 men were trained and, although the syllabus was comprehensive, the results obtained were highly satisfactory. Replacement of Signal personnel within Battalions has been greatly facilitated.	
do.	10th.Sat.			
	Nov. 1917.		1 other rank to PARIS on 14 days' leave.	
			To make preparation for move, Headquarters advance party despatched at 10 a.m. to VIEUX BERQUIN. Signal office relief arranged, office being opened for traffic at 5 p.m.	
			Communication to 8th. Corps, at 6.40 p.m. through to 9th. and 10th. Brigades at DOULIEU and	

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FAUQUEMBERGUES.	10th Sat.		LA MOTTE respectively.	
	Nov.		Divisional Artillery closed office at HAZEBROUCK 8.30 a.m. and opened at STEINWERCK at 10 a.m.	
	1917.		Sheet 36	
(continued)			7th. Artillery Sub-section at wagon lines/B 16 c 3.8 closed at 3.5 p.m. and moved to new Brigade Headquarters position.	
			8th. Artillery took over exchange as arranged previous day. Wagon lines moved to same position as Brigade Headquarters.	
			9th. Brigade transport arrived at VIEUX BERQUIN 4.45 p.m.	
			10th. Brigade office closed at BLEQUIN 10.15 a.m. and opened up in new area at LA MOTTE at 5.0 p.m. Through to VIEUX BERQUIN.	
			Appendix No. 6 :- Company Routine Orders 241 - 248.	
FAUQUEMBERGUES	11th Sun.		Heavy showers.	
- VIEUX BERQUIN.	Nov.		At 7.15 a.m. Headquarters and No. 1 transport and 66 men in column, under Captain Tuckett,	
	1917.		left FAUQUEMBERGUES. Midday halt at AIRE. VIEUX BERQUIN reached at 5.30 p.m., the distance of 31 miles having been covered without undue effort or mishap. Remainder of personnel and stores removed by motor lorries. Signal offices at FAUQUEMBERGUES and CHATEAU D'HERVARRE handed	



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FAUQUEMBERGUES + VIEUX BERQUIN	11th Sun. Nov. 1917.		over to 7th. Imperial Division at 9.0 a.m. Military Medals awarded to Sappers W.J.F. Adams, <del>S.H.E. Hollow</del> , J.R. Russell, and P.P. Page for work in YPRES offensive prior to and on October 12th. 1 other rank taken on strength from Depot. 7th. Artillery Sub-section in touch with Wagon lines, Sheet 36, B 10 c 3.9 at 4.5 p.m. 8th. Artillery Sub-section lines to 30th. and 31st. batteries cut by shell-fire, Alternatives arranged and no interruption suffered. 9th. Infantry Brigade moved to DOULIEU and office established. 10th. Infantry Brigade moved to VIEUX BERQUIN area and office established at LA CARONNE 10.15 a.m. Through to Division. 11th. Infantry Brigade still at ELNES and preparing to move.	
VIEUX BERQUIN	12th Mon. Nov. 1917.		Unit satisfactorily billeted and communications to Brigades and higher formations O.K. Serjeant (now 2nd. Lieutenant) A.S.H. Gifford recalled from Army Wireless School. 10th. Infantry Brigade moved from LA CARONNE, office closing 10.53 a.m., opening BLUE BALL VILLA (Reserve Brigade area, STEENWERCK) 12 noon. Communication through 8th. Imperial	

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VIEUX BERQUIN.	12th. Mon. Nov. 1917.		Division (STEENWERCK.) Advance party forward at ROMARIN to arrange Brigade office and lines. 11th. Infantry Brigade closed ELNES at 9.0 a.m. and moved to BOESEGHEM arriving 5.0 p.m. (continued). As no lines available communication maintained with Division by 2 motor cyclist despatch riders attached.  Appendix No. 7:- Company Routine Orders 249 - 252.	
do.	13th. Tues. Nov. 1917.		Advance party moved to STEENWERCK to take 2 o'clock relief with 8th. Imperial Division. Wireless personnel moved to TAHUNA CAMP near PONT D'ACHELLES on BAILLEUL - ARMENTIERES road. 7 linesmen despatched to NIEPPE to join No. 14 Area Signal Detachment, and 1 lineman and 1 telephonist to STEENWERCK test hut and local exchange.  7th. Artillery Sub-section communication through <sup>to</sup> Battery wagon lines at 2.0 p.m. At 8.30 a.m. 9th. Brigade moved from DOULIEU to BRUNE GAYE FARM, 2 operators left at DOULIEU to maintain line. At 12.55 p.m. Signal office at BRUNE GAYE taken over from 23rd. Imperial Brigade, and 9th. Brigade went into the line. Forward Brigade station located in PLOEGSTEERT WOOD. All lines O.K.  10th. Brigade closed BLUE BALL CAMP 11.0 a.m. and moved forward into line, opening office	

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VIEUX BERQUIN.	13th Nov. 1917.	Tues.	Rue de Sac, ROMARIN, at same hour. Both this location and that of Brigade forward station taken over from 24th. Imperial Brigade. Two battalions from each of 9th. and 10th. Brigades occupying the line.  11th. Brigade closed BOESEGHEM 7.45 a.m. and moved to LA CARONNE. Office established 5.30 p.m. with communications to Divisional Headquarters and Brigades.  Wireless stations taken over from 8th. Imperial Division. Wireless station at Divisional Headquarters (STEENWERCK); one wireless station and one amplifier and power buzzer station Left Forward Brigade; one power buzzer station Left Battalion, Left Brigade; one amplifier and power buzzer station, Right Battalion, Right Brigade.	
VIEUX BERQUIN - STEENWERCK.	14th Nov. 1917.	Wed.	Military Medal awarded to No. 10546, Serjeant J.F. Sims, D.C.M. dated 9/11/17, for gallantry at YPRES October 12th.  Divisional Headquarters Signal office moved from VIEUX BERQUIN to STEENWERCK. Closed and opened respective offices at 10 a.m. Transport and personnel arrived STEENWERCK 11.0 a.m.  Divisional Artillery Headquarters detachment, with No. 4 Cable Detachment, already located in STEENWERCK, rejoined unit. Divisional Artillery Headquarters Signals established in same Signal office with Headquarters at STEENWERCK, taking over from 8th. Imperial Division.	



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STEENWERCK	16th Nov. 1917.	Fri.	<p>1 other rank taken on strength from Y Army Signal Company, R.E. as wireless personnel.</p> <p>Intelligence from 9th. Brigade delayed by despatch rider breaking down. Despatch rider from 10th. Brigade despatched to collect and deliver to Divisional Headquarters.</p> <p>11th. Brigade linked up with all battalions by noon, but owing to earthy lines unable to use ringing circuits. D.III's satisfactorily utilised pending repairs. At 4 p.m. direct line through to Divisional Headquarters.</p> <p>7th. Artillery Sub-section returned five horses with saddlery complete. Bicycles issued in lieu in accordance with alteration in establishment, viz.- 6 bicycles in lieu of 6 riding horses.</p>	
do.	17th Nov. 1917.	Sat.	<p>1 other rank to Paris 14 days' leave. 1 other rank to United Kingdom 14 days leave.</p> <p>1 other rank returned from Paris 14 days' leave. 1 other rank returned from Corps Wireless School after undue delay of 7 days in Divisional Reinforcement Wing.</p> <p>Second line from Divisional Headquarters to 9th. Brigade put through and tested O.K. at 12.50 p.m.</p> <p>10th. Brigade lines in right sector re-adjusted. When taken over they were frequently faulty. Battalions complete with technical equipment.</p>	
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STEENWERCK.	15th Nov. 1917	Thurs.	<p>9 other ranks taken on attached strength as orderlies from 1st. Anzac Cyclist Battalion.</p> <p>2 other ranks taken on strength as wireless personnel from Y Army Corps Signal Company, R.E.</p> <p>2 other ranks to Hospital. 1 other rank to Paris leave <del>for</del> from Brigade allotment. Lieut.</p> <p>V.D. Bowen reported from United Kingdom leave.</p> <p>7th. Artillery Sub-section through to Brigade wagon lines at 4 p.m.</p> <p>10th. Brigade Infantry lines working well through buries, but slight delays on artillery lines owing to faults. These being dealt with.</p> <p>11th. Brigade advance party forward to TROIS ROIS at 8 a.m. to arrange office and <del>lines</del> lines. 9 a.m. Brigade moved, arriving TROIS ROIS 2.30 p.m. Communication with 33rd. Division but trouble with Corps line. At 2.45 p.m. all lines to Divisional Headquarters and higher formations O.K.</p> <p>Personnel was somewhat affected in the feet by long march. This considered due to the quality of the boots, the later issues being of very inferior quality and not waterproof.</p> <p>Lieut. V.D. Bowen, O.C. Brigade Section returned from leave and assumed command at 9 p.m.</p>	
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STEENWERCK.	19th. Mon. Nov. 1917.		<p>1 other rank rejoined from hospital to No. 2 Section. 1 other rank to hospital sick.</p> <p>At 9 a.m. in Chateau grounds at Divisional Headquarters an amplifier and power buzzer demonstration was conducted by Lieut. W.J. Summers and Wireless Section in the presence of Major General Monash (Divisional Commander). The system of communication by these means was adequately explained. A practical demonstration was given of jamming by D.III's., interference of this kind being one of the peculiar problems yet to be conclusively overcome. The General Officer Commanding commented appreciatively on the work done.</p> <p>9th. and 10th. Brigade forward lines O.K. 10th. Brigade Company lines, which were previously in a bad state, improved and working well. Buried routes being patrolled daily.</p> <p>All in good condition.</p> <p>11th. Brigade section being in reserve, personnel off duty training in visual signalling.</p>	
do.	20th. Tues. Nov. 1917.		<p>Lieut. V.D. Bowen, M.C., and 1 other rank transferred to 5th. Divisional Signal Company.</p> <p>Sapper C.C. Lewis of Wireless Section interviewed at BETHUNE as candidate for A.F.C. (Flying Officer.)</p> <p>11th. Brigade section report interference with buried cable junction dugout and the disconnecting of line to 42nd. Battalion at 3.30 p.m.</p>	
			Appendix No. 10 :- Company Routine Order 258 - 264.	



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STEENWERCK.	21st. Nov. 1917.	Wed.	<p>Arising out of correspondence on the question of the acceptance of a Douglas motor cycle in lieu of a Triumph machine evacuated, Divisional Supply Column, under direction, today supplied Triumph motor cycle in place of one referred to.</p> <p>Owing to distance separating battalions in the line from Brigades relay posts established for the motor cyclists attached to left and right Brigades at HYDE PARK CORNER, PLOEGSTEERT WOOD, and LE BIZET CONVENT respectively. Brigade motor cyclists to deliver forward from Brigades to these relay posts from whence the despatches are taken to Battalions. An additional motor cyclist attached to 9th./Brigade to collect daily Intelligence Summaries and other special reports from 9th. and 10th. Brigades in line and bring same back to Divisional Headquarters. By this means units will be kept in closer touch and D.R.L.S. facilitated.</p> <p>As directing station in Divisional Wireless Communications, a Wilson set established at Divisional Headquarters and manned by Corps Operators with one Divisional wireless operator attached to take daily press. Wireless station also established at Sheet 36, <del>B 3 d 80.75</del> B 3 d 80.75 (10th. Brigade) to communicate with Divisional station, STEENWERCK, or Forward Brigade, Sheet 28, U 14 c 35.45. Amplifier and power buzzer station installed at Sheet 28, U 15 c 9.6 (Right Battalion, 10th. Brigade) to communicate with Brigade forward station. Further wireless communications to be arranged 22/11/17.</p>	
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STEENWERCK. (continued).	22nd. Nov. 1917.	Thurs.	Further wireless communications to those of 21/11/17 arranged. <del>One</del> One amplifier with power buzzer installed at Sheet 28, U 9 b 7.1 (left battalion, 10th. Brigade) to communicate with right battalion, 10th. Brigade and Forward Brigade station. One amplifier with power buzzer established Sheet 28, U 27 b 85.20 (left battalion, 9th. Brigade) to communicate with right battalion, 10th. Brigade. Communications complete as per Appendix No. 14.	
			8th. Field Artillery Brigade section report aerial line from Group Headquarters through O.K. to 29th, 31st. Battery wagon lines.	
			Runner relay post established by 9th. Brigade section at LE BIZET to facilitate forward working.	
			Appendix No. 12 :- Circular to all units respecting Weekly Return of Cable and Telephones" with pro forma.	
			Appendix No. 13 :- Circular to all units advising Cells "X" and "W", Batteries, Lucas Lamp, Bulbs, Lucas Lamp, and Tape, adhesive are not now controlled by Signals but by Army Ordnance Department.	
			Appendix No. 14 :- Print of Wireless Communications within the Divisional sector. (Subsequent additions as indicated in lithographed Route Diagram of Divisional Communications (Appendix No. 22.)	
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STEENWERCK	23rd Nov. 1917.	Fri- day.	In accordance with request from A.D. Signals O.C. Signals offers suggestions for revision of Signal Company equipment as specified in Appendix 15, dated 20/11/17.	
			7th. Field Artillery Brigade section report direct line to Left Battalion, 9th. Brigade, dis at 9 p.m.	
			10th. and 11th. Field Companies transferred to 10th. Brigade magneto board and working satisfactorily.	
			Appendix No.15 :- List of particulars desired consequent upon a Revision of the Equipment of a Divisional Signal Company.	
do.	24th. Nov. 1917.	Sat.	Lieut. J.L.G. Buckland, M.C., M.M. transferred from 5th. Divisional Signal Company, Australian Engineers, reported for duty 5 p.m. 1 other rank rejoined unit from Base Depot. 1 other rank to United Kingdom on leave, 1 other rank to Paris on fourteen days leave.	
			Enquiry held into loss of horse and saddlery at FRIEZENBERG RIDGE during operations of 15th. October. The Court found the loss was due to enemy action.	
			7th. Field Artillery Brigade section report direct line to Left Battalion, 9th. Brigade, O.K. at 10 a.m. Alternative routes used in the interim.	
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STEENWERCK.	24th. Nov. 1917.	Sat.	Runner relay post established by 10th. Brigade section at <del>HYDE</del> PARK CORNER, PLOEGSTEERT WOOD, for taking despatches to Battalions in line.	<i>[Handwritten mark]</i>
(continued.)			Appendix No. 16 :- Company Routine Orders 270 - 272.	
do.	25th. Nov. 1917.	Sun.	1 other rank to Engineer Depot (Signal Section) <del>xxx</del> England, as N.C.O. Instructor. Lieut. C.E.A. Miller and 1 other rank returned from 2nd. Army Wireless School before completion of course, Lieut. Miller's services being required by Corps in the taking of Referendum.	<i>[Handwritten mark]</i>
			Visual stations for working between Brigades and Battalions in line established by 10th. Brigade section.	
do.	26th. Nov. 1917.	Mon.	Cold and showery. Sapper C.C. Lewis (Wireless Section) to England for training as Flying Officer, A.F.C. 1 other rank returned from Paris leave.	
			9th. Brigade section establish 4 signal stations for Fullerphone working only, in front line in advance of companies holding the line.	
			10th. Brigade section's lines in connection with gas attack worked very well, the overland line holding throughout. Gas liberated 5.45 a.m.	<i>[Handwritten mark]</i>
			Appendix No. 17 :- Company Routine Orders 273 - 280.	

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STEENWERCK.	27th. Nov. 1917.	Tues.	Lieut. C.E.A. Miller left for temporary duty at 1st. Anzac Corps in connection with conscription Referendum. 1 other rank returned to 11th. Brigade section from United Kingdom leave.	
			Motor cyclist, 10th. Brigade, broke down on 8 a.m. forward run and despatches delivered on foot to relay post and thence forwarded by cyclist.	
do.	28th. Nov. 1917.	Wed.	1 other rank rejoined from hospital, 1 other rank to United Kingdom on fourteen days leave.	
			Battalions advised by circular letter that one mile of Cable, electric, D.2, will be issued per Battalion to be carried as a reserve and not to be used for ordinary purposes. A second mile to be issued as supplies are made available.	
			Corps pigeon despatch rider arrived at 10th. Brigade 10 a.m. with motor cycle disabled. Birds taken to cage at CATACOMBS in HILL 63. Cycle repaired in time for despatch rider to complete run.	
			Two special lines arranged through buried routes for forthcoming raid. Circuits	
			alternative from Brigade Headquarters (10th. Brigade) to Officer in charge Raid. One direct route via RD 2 <del>UX14</del> (U 15 a 1.4) to UR/(U 9 d 8.6); alternative circuit via RH/(U 21 c 1.7)	
			Sheet 36 Sheet 36 Sheet 36 Sheet 36 Sheet 36 LV/(U 16 d 5.2) and FZ/(U 10 d 2.3) to UR. In addition, overland line laid from Battalion	

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STEENWERCK.	28th. Wed. Nov. 1917.		TO Company in line. As alternative means of communication a power buzzer was placed forward with Company in line of Right Battalion, 10th. Brigade, to work back to Amplifier at Right Battalion Headquarters. Tested through O.K.	
(continued.)			Supplementary wireless communications already arranged within the Division. A power buzzer was installed with company in line of Left Battalion, 10th. Brigade, in addition to the power buzzer referred to in foregoing paragraph.	
			Appendix No. 18 :- Circular letter to all Battalions regarding issue of reserve cable for emergency use.	
do.	29th. Thurs. Nov. 1917.		Lieut. E.B. Stanbury entered No. 2 Australian Casualty Clearing Station for foot treatment.	
			8th. Field Artillery Brigade section laid line to front line for raids tonight. Lines badly cut by shell-fire during day but subsequently repaired. 108th. Battery O.P. line being extended after barrage to be used as Liaison Officer's line. This line was also cut and useless for first raid. For second raid line relaid from front line to O.P. at 12.15 p.m. and found badly cut on Battalion side of O.P. Time was not sufficient to repair the line before the 1 a.m. raid commenced. O.C. Group concurred in this.	
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STEENWERCK	30th. Fri. Nov. 1917.		<p>1 N.C.O. to Veterinary Course, NEUFCHATEL. 2 other ranks to Paris 8 days leave. 1 other rank to United Kingdom 14 days leave (special allotment, Divisional Headquarters.)</p> <p>Strength: Strength of unit today - 11 officers, 61 N.C.Os. 245 other ranks. In Hospital sick 1 officer, 1 N.C.O. and 1 other rank, making <u>effective</u> strength at date - 10 officers, 60 N.C.Os. 244 other ranks. Struck off strength during month - 1 officer, 6 other ranks. Taken on strength as reinforcements - 1 officer, 13 other ranks. Rejoined unit - 5 other ranks.</p> <p>Required to complete to establishment as on 30/11/17 - 4 officers, 20 other ranks. Total leave granted during month 12 other ranks.</p> <p>Two raids conducted by 10th. Brigade in Right and Left parties, Left party commencing first raid 5.15 p.m. Circuits as arranged on 28th. inst. held throughout. The active use of power buzzer as alternative means was therefore not required, although in good communication with amplifier. Messages were sent by telephone from forward positions and intercepted by amplifier and handed to Left Battalion Signal office.</p> <p>10th. Brigade section established Signal office for operations at CATACOMBS, HILL 63, with communications through O.K. to all concerned. Subsequent to first raid all forward lines patrolled and repaired in anticipation of second raid by right party commencing 12.45 a.m. 1st. December. (recorded in Vol. 14.)</p>	



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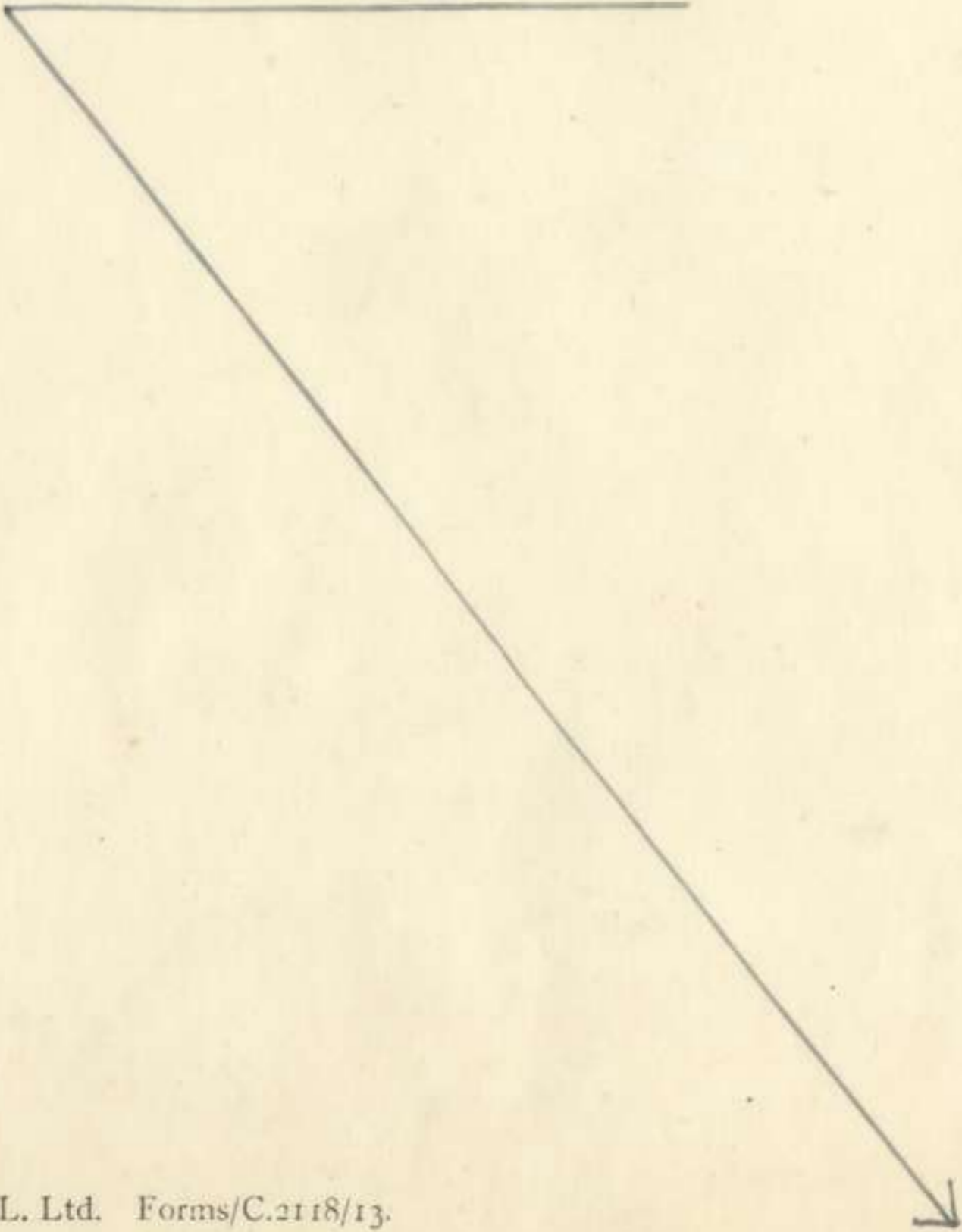

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STEENWERCK	30th Nov. 1917.	Fri.	<p>Communications since Division took over have been eminently satisfactory in every respect. Only very minor troubles occurred and those infrequently. Wireless communications were supplemented, bringing stations to a total of 3 Wireless, 4 Amplifiers with power buzzers, and 2 power buzzers. But in view of other means having held so well wireless was used mostly for practice messages.</p> 	

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STEENWERCK	30th. Fri. Nov. 1917. (continued.)		<p>Total traffic handled by the Signal offices of the unit for the month 22,670 messages <del>and 27,208</del> and 27,208 sealed packets (D.R.L.S). Details as follows: Divisional Headquarters 11,534 messages, 16,526 sealed packets; No. 2 Section (attached 9th. Infantry Brigade) 1,977 messages, 2,916 sealed packets; No. 3 Section (attached 10th. Infantry Brigade) 1,912 messages, 2,695 sealed packets; No. 4 Section (attached 11th. Infantry Brigade) 1,415 messages, 1,426 sealed packets; No. 1 Sub-section (attached 7th. Field Artillery Brigade) 1,108 messages, 604 sealed packets; No. 2 Sub-section (attached 8th. Field Artillery Brigade) 2,417 messages, 764 sealed packets; Divisional Artillery Headquarters detachment 2,309 messages, 2,277 sealed packets. Graphs given as Appendix No. 21.</p> <p>Appendix No. 19 :- Company Routine Orders 281 - 285.</p> <p>" No. 20 :- Recommendations for award of Parchment Certificates for Meritorious Service to Lieut. E.B. Stanbury and 18 other ranks.</p> <p>Appendix No. 21 :- Graphs shewing traffic returns for month.</p> <p>" No. 22 :- Route diagram of Divisional communications.</p> <p>" No. 23 :- Suggestions for the improvement in Organisation, Administration and Interior Economy of a Divisional Signal Company, and Genealogical tree illustrating the suggested re-organisation of the Signals within an Infantry Division.</p>	<p>25</p>

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STEENWERCK	30th Fri. Nov. 1917.	(continued.)	Appendix No. 24 :- Monthly balance sheet of Regimental Trust Funds.	

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 No. 5 : Correspondence regarding supply of Triumph Motor Cycle in lieu of Douglas, this type having proved to be unsuitable for Divisional Signal Company.  
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 No. 10 : Company Routine Orders 258 - 264.  
 No. 11 : Company Routine Orders 265 - 269.  
 No. 12 : Circular to all Units respecting "Return of Cable and Telephones" - with pro-forma.  
 No. 13 : Circular to all Units advising Cells "X" and "W", Batteries, Lucas Lamp, Bulbs, Lucas lamp, and Tape, adhesive, are not now controlled by Signals but by A.O.D.  
 No. 14 : Print of Wireless communications within Divisional sector. (Subsequent additions as indicated in lithographed Route Diagram of Divisional Communications, Appendix No. 22.)  
 No. 15 : List of particulars desired consequent upon a revision of the Equipment of a Divisional Signal Company.  
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 No. 17 : Company Routine Orders 273 - 280.  
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COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS  
by  
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O.C. 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

In the Field,  
3rd. November, 1917.

226. STRENGTH. (Extract A.I.F. List No. 251, 30/10/17.)

" Lieut. F.J. TUCKETT, reported killed in action, is  
"struck off strength. 14th. Oct., 1917 "

227. MILITARY MEDAL. (Extract 2nd. Anzac Routine Order 1399. 28/10/17.)

" The Corps Commander under authority delegated to him, has  
"awarded the Military Medal to the following N.C.O.s. and men :-

Dated 27th. October, 1917.

UNIT	Regtl. No.	RANK AND NAME.
"3rd. Aust. Div. Signal Co.	18401	L/Corporal H.M. WILLIAMS.
" " " " " "	10669	Sapper G. SANDERSON.
" " " " " "	10596	Sapper C.E. CHANCELLOR.
" " " " " ")	10854	Sapper F. C. TUCKETT.
"Attchd. 10th. A. Inf. Bde. )		
"3rd. Aust. Div. Sig. Sect. )	10807	L/Corporal (T/Sergt.)
"Attchd. 11th. A. Inf. Bde. )		W. J. JAMESON.
"3rd. Aust. Div. Sig. Sect. )	10802	Sapper W.S. TOUCHELL.
"Attchd. 11th. A. Inf. Bde. )		

228. DUNKIRK - PASSES. (Extract 3rd. A.D.H.Q. letter Q. 111/21 2/11/17.)

" From 1st. November, 1917, no Despatch Rider can enter or leave  
"the town of DUNKIRK between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. without  
"a pass signed by a General Officer.

" This pass will be valid for one passage in one direction  
"through one gate and will be retained by the N.C.O. i/c of the  
"Guard of the Gate.

" Consequently each Despatch Rider proceeding to DUNKIRK  
"between the above-mentioned hours must be provided with two  
"passes signed by a General Officer, one for him to enter DUNKIRK  
"and one for him to leave."

229. ISSUES ON PAYMENT TO OFFICERS. (Extract G.R.O. 2761.)

" (1) In order to facilitate the accounts of all issues of  
"equipment and clothing on repayment, made to officers of the  
"A.I.F. in this country by the A.O.D., officers will present  
"their paybooks when making purchases, and the cost of issues  
"made will be entered in their paybooks and payment number will  
"be entered on A.F. W. 3225.

" (2) No issue on repayment will be made to officers in future,  
"unless these instructions are complied with."

Pigeons

Sheet 2.

230. PIGEONS. (Auth: 3rd. Aust. D.H.Q. letter G.37/111, 31/10/17.)

- (1) It has been decided to restrict the use of Carrier Pigeons during the period November - February.
- (2) The number of birds to be issued will be kept to a minimum; only two birds per battalion will probably be available.
- (3) Birds are not to be kept for duty longer than 24 hours.
- (4) Fresh birds are to be sent up daily as required.
- (5) Unless birds are liberated with important messages, they are to be returned to the lofts in baskets.

231. LEAVE. (Extract 2nd. Army R.O. 1267, 29/10/17.)

" From the date of the next allotment, November 1st., 1917, "the normal period for leave from this Army during the winter "months will be 14 days.  
 " No extended leave will now be granted to the Orkneys, "Hebrides, Isle of Man, or the Channel Islands."

232. LEAVE - PARTICULARS IN PAYBOOK. (Extract 2nd. Army R.O. 1262, 29/10/17)

" In future when N.C.Os. and men proceed on leave an entry will "be made in Army Book 64 (paybook) showing the dates on which such "leave is granted and for what period.  
 " Before a new paybook is issued to a soldier an entry will "be made in it showing the dates of the last grant of leave."

233. WEARING OF TRENCH HELMETS. (Extract 2nd. Army R.O. 1269, 29/10/17.)

" Trench helmets will be worn by all ranks East of the "following line till further orders :- Pont de Nieppe Bridge - "La Petite Minque Farm - Wulverghem - Spanbroekmolen - Vierstraat - "Eisenwalle - Swan Chateau - Ypres-Comines Canal."

*L.S. Buckland Lieut*  
 per Major.  
 O.C., 3rd. Aust. Div. Signal Co. A.E.

NOTICE.

The Trustees of the British Museum are anxious to obtain specimens of special Christmas cards and other topical literature produced by formations and units of the British Army in France. Copies of cards, programmes of sports and concerts and other similar productions should be addressed to the Director, British Museum, London.  
 Any specimens should be forwarded to Company Headquarters for transmission.

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A.D. Signals, 2nd. Anzac.

H.Q., 3rd. Aust. Divn. (for information.)

S. 32/3.

I beg to offer the following suggestion and strongly recommend that Signal Sub-Sections of Divisional Signal Companies be given an increase of equipment as follows:-

- 3 Test Panels.
- 1 Galvo. Test Panel.
- 1 10-line Cordless Switchboard.
- 1 Dating Stamp.

The Test Panels are really essential for the protection of Magneto Ringing Telephones and Magneto Switchboards, besides greatly facilitating the speedy testing of lines which is so important, especially during operations.

Galvo. Test Panels are really required to efficiently carry out the testing of lines properly, by being used in conjunction with Test Panels.

To give an Artillery Brigade an efficient and quick service the want of a 10-line Cordless Switchboard has long been felt, especially in view of the fact that a Sub-Section has often to work Group Signals and, at such times, has under control the Batteries of two or more Field Artillery Brigades.

A Dating Stamp is also required for stamping messages and sealed packets in Signal offices of Field Artillery Brigades.

4/11/17.

*R.G. Hamilton*  
Major.  
O.C., 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co.

## COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS

by  
Major R.G. Hamilton, M.C.  
O.C. 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

In the Field,  
5th. November, 1917.

234. APPOINTMENT. (Extract A.F. B. 213 of 3/11/17.)

"No. 16367 Sapper H.H. WATKINSON to be Driver vice Rugner,  
"dated 21/10/1917. Appointed under A.I.F. Order 786. 154382/27."

235. WILLS.

In order to complete the unit in the matter of Wills, Sections will submit forthwith the names of men who, previously, have not certified to one of the following clauses set out by A.I.F. Administrative Headquarters.

- (a) Do not desire to make a will.
- (b) Already made (state with whom deposited.)
- (c) Desire to make a will.

Necessary Will Forms will be supplied on receipt of returns.

236. LEAVE.

When a Section is given an allotment of leave, apart from the Company allotment, the name of N.C.O. or man selected must be forwarded by O.C. Section concerned to this Office for approval; dates of commencement and expiration of such leave to be given.

*R.G. Hamilton*

Major.  
O.C., 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

NOTICE.POSTAL:

Information has been received that tremendous congestion is occurring in the British Postal Parcel Section at Regent Park, and there will consequently be some delay in the delivery of parcels for members of the A.I.F. which are posted in the United Kingdom.

A. I. F.  
XMAS  
BOOK.

"The first edition of the A.I.F. Xmas Book has been completely sold out. A second edition is being printed forthwith and bookplates etc. will be sent you as soon as possible." The foregoing has been received from the Hon. Sec. A.I.F. Xmas Book Committee.



## COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Major R.G. Hamilton, M.C.  
O.C. 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

In the Field,  
8th. November, 1917.

237. CHRISTMAS GREETINGS. (Extract G.R.O. 2766, 4/11/17.)

" There is no objection to the following being written on  
"Field Service Post Cards:-

" "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

238. ROAD CONTROL. (Extract G.R.O. 2780, 4/11/17.)

" Whenever two or more men are travelling on a lorry a "look-  
"out" man must invariably be placed at the back of each vehicle  
"in order to warn the driver when vehicles approaching from the  
"rear overtake the lorry."

239. LEAVE PAY. (Extract D.R.O. 320, para. 1519, 7/11/17.)

" Advances to officers and other ranks proceeding on leave  
"will be obtained from Brigade Headquarters, O.C., Reinforcement  
"Camp or Divisional Paymaster on production of leave warrants."

240. BOUNDS. (Extract D.R.O. 320, para. 1521, 7/11/17.)

"The estaminet JOLY WINTEBERT Rue de Fruges FAUQUEMBERGUES is  
"placed out of bounds to all troops of the 3rd. Australian  
"Division for one month, from 7-11-1917.  
"The estaminet SPECQUE SANNIER at CAMPAGNE LEZ BOULONNAIS is  
"placed out of bounds to all troops of the 3rd. Australian  
"Division for one month from 7th. instant. "

*R.G. Hamilton*  
Major.  
O.C., 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

Headquarters, 3rd. Aust. Div.

S. 12/1.

A.D. Signals, 2nd. Anzac (for information.)

1. In connection with the attached report from No. 3 Aust. Divl. Supply Column, I have to report I was informed that the Douglas Motor Cycle in question was available and awaiting collection. By arrangement with the officer i/c Workshops of the Supply Column yesterday, it was agreed that the matter could stand over until I had seen Divisional Headquarters in regard to this matter. When I called at Divisional Headquarters yesterday afternoon I was unable to see the A.A. & Q.M.G. or the D.A.Q.M.G., as both officers were not present. It is absolutely incorrect of the Supply Column to state that this unit "refused" to accept the machine.
2. I beg to state that it is a G.H.Q. direction that Signal Companies be supplied with "TRIUMPH" machines; "DOUGLAS" machines have been found totally unfit for strenuous work of Despatch Riding, as "DOUGLAS" machines generally become unserviceable after being used for a very short period.
3. It is quite probable that serious delays are more liable to occur to despatches if Douglas machines are employed in forward areas.
4. It is pointed out that units, other than Signal units, are supplied with Triumph machines. May I suggest that the Triumph machines be withdrawn from these units and re-issued to Signal Companies, if there is a shortage of Triumphs. Douglas machines could be issued in lieu as they are suitable for ordinary work, especially in areas in rear of Divisions in line.
5. I might state a Triumph machine was evacuated and should be replaced by a Triumph. It is considered unreasonable that an inferior quality be issued to replace a thoroughly reliable make.
6. All spare parts, tools and accessories for Divisional Signal Companies are Triumph make, and are not interchangeable with Douglas parts, etc.
7. May I be instructed as to whether I am to accept this machine or not, please.

*R. Hamilton*

Major F.

O.C., 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal CO. A.E.

8/11/17.

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From O.C., No. 3 Aust. Div. Supply Column.

To A.A. &amp; Q.M.G., 3rd. Australian Division.

I have to report that your Signal Company has refused to take a Douglas Motor Cycle supplied from Base for that Unit.

A Douglas and a Triumph machine were sent down. The Signal Company declined to take delivery of the former.

As I can only issue the machines sent me, the Divisional Signal Company must either accept the Douglas machine or remain one short of establishment.

8/11/17.

(sd) M. Lyons, Major.  
Commanding No. 3 Aust. D.S.C.

O.C.  
3rd. Austn. Divl. Sig. Coy.

For your report and return of file to this office please.

6/11/17.

(sd) Selwyn King, Major.  
3rd. Australian Division. A.A.Q.M.G.

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by  
Major R.G. Hamilton, M.C.  
O.C. 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

In the Field,  
10th. November, 1917.

241. SECONDING. (A.I.F. List No. 254 of 6/11/17)

"Lieut. G.L. MAYMAN, evacuated wounded, is placed on Regimental  
"Seconded List. 17th. Sept., 1917."

242. HONOURS AND AWARDS.

BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL.

The following N.C.O. has been awarded a bar to his  
Military Medal:-

No. 11017 Corporal H. CHADWICK.

243. PROMOTIONS.

- 10786 Sergt. A.S.H. GIFFORD is appointed 2nd. Lieutenant dated 6/11/17,  
vide D.A.G., A.I.F., 45/22/71 of 6/11/17.
- 10609 Sergt. S. FOUNTAIN is appointed 2nd. Lieutenant dated 6/11/17,  
vide D.A.G., A.I.F., 45/22/71 of 6/11/17.
- 10679 Corpl. J.C. SMITH to be Sergt. vice Rogerson, dated 7/11/17,
- 10620 2/Cpl. A.F. HIBBERD to be Corpl. vice Smith " "
- 10613 L/Cpl. D.S. GILMOUR to be 2nd. Corpl. vice Hibberd " "

244. APPOINTMENTS.

- 10652 Sapper P.P. PAGE to be Lce. Corpl. vice Chadwick, dated 4/10/17.
- 11022 " S.H.E. HOLLOW to be Lce. Corpl. vice Allsop " 7/10/17.

245. SCHOOLS. (Extract "Y" Army Corps Signal Co. letter of 6/11/17.)

" "Y" ARMY CORPS SIGNAL CO. R.E. CABLE JOINTING CLASS, PERIOD  
" ENDING 4th. November, 1917.

Regt. No.	Rank and Name	Standard
3898	Spr. Lilburn A.A.	Very Good.
2449	" Pederson A.	Good.
6915	" Ewart R.	Very Good.
10669	" Sanderson G.	Good.
2589	" Griffiths M.H.	Good.
15561	" Hay A.	Good.
17045	" Empey V.G.	Very Good.
10610	" Brawley F.J.A.	Very Good."

246. BADGES - GALLIPOLI SERVICE. (Extract A.I.F. Order 937, 6/11/17.)

" The following Military Order, issued by the Department of  
" Defence, Melbourne, is published for information:-  
" 'Members of the Australian Imperial Force who served on  
" 'Gallipoli will be entitled to wear over their unit 'Colour  
" 'Patches' on both sleeves of the service Dress Jacket and  
" 'Greatcoat the letter 'A' as an indication that the wearer  
" 'had taken part in the operations on the Gallipoli Peninsula.'  
" The provisions of the above will apply in all units to all  
" members of the Australian Imperial Force who come within the  
" scope of the Order."

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Sheet 2, Company Routine Order<sup>s</sup> of 10/11/17.

247. RATE OF EXCHANGE. (Extract A.I.F. Order 939, 6/11/1917.)

"The rate of exchange for issue of cash to the troops of the Expeditionary Force, has been fixed at the rate of five francs equals three shillings and eight pence for the month of November, 1917."

248. COMBINED LEAVE AND RAILWAY TICKETS - ALTERATION OF (Extract A.I.F. Order 940, 6/11/1917.)

"The combined leave and railway tickets issued to all men proceeding on leave to England are clearly endorsed in red as follows:-

" ANY ALTERATION WILL RENDER THE TICKET USELESS/<sup>UNLESS</sup>MADE  
 " AND SIGNED BY A RAILWAY TRANSPORT OFFICER."

No N.C.O. or man is permitted to make any alteration whatever to leave warrant.

*M. Hamilton*

Major.  
 O.C., 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

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COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Major R.G. Hamilton, M.C.

O.C. 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A. E.

In the Field,  
12th. November, 1917.

249. MILITARY MEDAL (Extract 2nd. Anzac R.O. 1496, dated 10/11/17.)

"The Corps Commander, under authority delegated to him, has awarded the Military Medal to the following N.C.Os. and men:-

UNIT	Regtl. No.	RANK AND NAME.
Dated 9th. November, 1917.		
"3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Coy. A.E.	10652	Sapper P.P. PAGE.
" " " " "	10696	Sapper J.R. RUSSELL.
" " " " "	11022	Sapper S.H.E. HOLLOW.
" " " " "	10576	Sapper W.J.F. ADAMS.

250. WEARING OF EQUIPMENT.

The following extract from para. 1721 of the King's Regulations is republished for information:-

"The haversack will be worn over the right shoulder, except by mounted men of the R.E., who will wear it over the left shoulder. The haversack sling will, when the belt is worn under the tunic or jacket, be shortened so that the top of the haversack is 4 inches above the elbow."

The above regulation will apply to all N.C.Os. and men of this Company and, in future, equipment will be worn in order as stated below:-

- (1) Haversack (worn over the left shoulder.)
- (2) P.H. Helmet (worn over the left shoulder.)
- (3) Bandolier.
- (4) Mess tin, which will be worn on the bandolier, at the back., (except by drivers and mounted numbers when mounted.) It should be attached by passing the mess-tin strap through the runner and then through the lower portion of the buckle. Two openings of mess-tin downwards.
- (5) Water Bottle (worn over the right shoulder.)
- (6) Small Box Respirator (worn over the right shoulder.)
- (7) The Linemens' Belts will be worn under the S.D. Jacket.
- (8) Motor Cyclists will wear waist belts in the usual manner outside the S.D. Jacket.

N.C.Os. and men appearing in the street, or proceeding on leave to towns and villages, must be properly dressed, i.e. with bandolier only. Linemens' Belts, if worn, must be under the tunic.

251. ENTRIES IN PAYBOOKS.

All paybooks which require entries concerning appointments, promotions or reversions to be made on pages 2 and 3 must be sent to the Company Orderly Room. Entries concerning the above must not be made by sections or sub-sections.

252. FURLOUGH PAY FOR MEN FROM FRANCE AND EGYPT WITHOUT FUNDS.  
 (A.I.F. Order 696, as amended by A.I.F. Order 942.)

"It has been represented that through no fault of their own some  
 "men of good conduct are unable to proceed on leave as they have  
 "not the requisite credit balance in their paybooks to defray  
 "the expense involved. The case of a married private who has an  
 "allotment of 4s. per day is specially cited, but there are  
 "other cases equally deserving. This does not, however, include  
 "men who, with ordinary care and foresight, should be able to  
 "save and provide funds for leave purposes.

" In order to permit of leave being granted to deserving  
 "cases, the procedure outlined below will be followed in each  
 "case:-

- " 1. Applications for leave in the prescribed form from men  
 " without funds will be carefully considered by Commanding  
 " Officers.
- " 2. The C.O.'s will make recommendations thereon to the  
 " Headquarters of the formation to which they belong.
- " 3. The Paymaster attached to the Headquarters will assess an  
 " amount to be advanced, which must not exceed £10, and  
 " which amount will be advanced as an overdraft against the  
 " soldier's active pay; in the case of an applicant on a  
 " drawing rate of 2s. or upwards, but who has been on such  
 " rate for a period of less than three months prior to the  
 " application, the Paymaster will, when assessing the  
 " amount to be advanced, take into consideration the efforts  
 " of the soldier to accumulate a credit balance on his pay  
 " account for the period during which he has been on the  
 " higher drawing rate of 2s. per diem or upwards; he, the  
 " Paymaster, will also issue an advice note to the soldier,  
 " which will be presented for payment to the Chief Paymaster,  
 " A.I.F., 130, Horseferry Road, London, unless the soldier is  
 " not proceeding to London, in which case the advance will  
 " be made by the Paymaster in France.
- " 4. A Commanding Officer is not to recommend applications  
 " for approval when-  
 " (a) The soldier has, for a period of three months or longer,  
 " been on a net drawing rate of 2s. per diem or upwards.  
 " (b) The soldier, through his own misconduct, has not the  
 " necessary funds.  
 " (c) The soldier, although on a small net rate, has an  
 " allotment to a bank or person who is not dependent on  
 " him.  
 " (d) The soldier has had leave within the preceding 12  
 " months.
- " 5. An advance so made will be clearly entered by Paymaster as  
 " such in the soldier's paybook, also an entry placing him  
 " on a reduced drawing rate until the advance is liquidated,  
 " will be made therein.
- " 6. Commanding Officers are to clearly understand that this  
 " Order does not authorise them to make advances to men  
 " under any circumstances, and that it only applies to  
 " men on furlough from France and Egypt. "

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Headquarters,  
14th. November, 1917.

D. R. L. S. TIME - TABLE.

FROM & TO CORPS.

Leaves Corps.	7.0 a.m.	12.0 Noon.	4.0 p.m.	8.0 p.m.
Arrives D.H.Q.	8.0 a.m.	1.0 p.m.	5.0 p.m.	9.0 p.m.
Arrives Corps.	9.30 a.m.	2.30 p.m.	6.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.

To Pioneer Bn., Infantry Brigades and Artillery Brigades.

Leaves D.H.Q.	8.0 a.m.	1.0 p.m.	5.0 p.m.	9.0 p.m.
Pioneer Bn.	8.20 a.m.	1.20 p.m.	5.20 p.m.	9.20 p.m.
7th. A.F.A. Bde.	8.35 a.m.	1.35 p.m.	5.35 p.m.	9.35 p.m.
9th. Inf. Bde.	8.50 a.m.	1.50 p.m.	5.50 p.m.	9.50 p.m.
10th. Inf. Bde.	9.0 a.m.	2.0 p.m.	6.0 p.m.	10.0 p.m.
8th. A.F.A. Bde.	9.10 a.m.	2.10 p.m.	6.10 p.m.	10.10 p.m.
11th. Inf. Bde.	9.30 a.m.	2.30 p.m.	6.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.
Arrives D.H.Q.	9.50 a.m.	2.50 p.m.	6.50 p.m.	10.50 p.m.

Circular Run to Divisional and other units in Divisional area.

Leaves D.H.Q.	9.0 a.m.	2.0 p.m.	7.0 p.m.
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All previous time-tables are hereby cancelled and should be destroyed.

Times of closing - ten minutes before time of departure of D.R.

(SGD) R. G. HAMILTON.

Majr.  
O.C. Signals, 3rd. Aust. Division.



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Circular Run to Divisional and other units in Divisional area.

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COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS  
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In the Field,  
17th. November, 1917.

253. PROMOTIONS.

6263 Cpl. F.L. BEVAN to be Serjt. vice Fountain, dated 6/11/17.  
19555 2/Cpl. R.M. TAYLOR to be Corpl. vice Bevan, " "  
10858 Sapper N.H. RAMSDEN to be 2/Cpl. vice Taylor " "  
10683 Corpl. A.N. SYMES to be Serjt. vice Gifford " "  
10792 2/Cpl. W.A. KENNEDY to be Corpl. vice Symes " "  
10807 L/Cpl. W.J. JAMESON to be 2/Cpl. vice Kennedy dated 6/11/17.

254. APPOINTMENTS.

22561 Sapper P.D. PHILLIPS to be Lance Corporal, dated 15/11/17.  
10801 " W.S. TOUCHELL to be Lance Corporal, " "  
11019 " G.E. CRITCHLEY to be Lance Corporal, " "  
10784 " H.L.W. JUNEMANN to be Lance Corporal, " "

255. POSTING OF N.C.Os.

10819 Serjt. V.P. HEALY from 8th. Art. Bde. Signal Sub-Section  
to 3rd. Aust. D.A.H.Q. Detachment.  
10801 L/Cpl. W.S. TOUCHELL from 11th. Bde. Signal Section  
to Hd. Qrs. Section.

256. SIGNALLERS. (G.R.O. 2784.)

"1. The Officers authorised to conduct the classification tests  
"of Signallers (Training Manual Signalling - Para. 207) will be the  
"Commandants of Army and Corps Signal Schools and the O.S.C.  
"Divisional Signal Companies.  
"2. No N.C.O. or man will be classified as a Signaller or per-  
"mitted to wear the Signallers' badge unless he has been passed  
"in the prescribed tests by one of these Officers or by a  
"qualified Officer appointed by the F.M., G.-in C. Home Forces.  
"3. N.C.O.s holding assistant instructor's certificates will wear  
"the Signallers' badge above the chevrons of rank.  
" N.C.O.s and men who have passed the classification tests, but  
"who have not the Assistant Instructor's certificate, will wear  
"the badge on the left arm below the elbow."

Any N.C.O. or man who is wearing Signallers' badges and who  
has not passed the classification test or qualified as an Assistant  
Instructor, will remove the badges forthwith.

257. TRENCH TRAMWAYS. (D.R.O. 327, para. 1545.)

"Troops are forbidden to use Trench Tramway tracks as paths;  
"such traffic causes much damage, and draws enemy fire."

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In the Field,  
20th. November, 1917.

258. MILITARY MEDAL. (3rd. Anzac Routine Order 1410, 14/11/17.)

" The Corps Commander, under authority delegated to him, has  
" awarded the Military Medal to the following N.C.O.:-

UNIT	REGTL. NO.	RANK AND NAME.
Dated 9th. November, 1917.		
" 9th. Aus. Inf. Bde. )	10546	Sergeant J.F. SIMS.
" 3rd. Aus. Div. Sig. Co. )		
" Att. 9th. Aus. Inf. Bde. )		
" A.I.F. )		

259. PROMULGATION OF COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS.

In order to facilitate the promulgation of Company Routine Orders, it is notified that all Orders must be posted in a conspicuous place available to members of the unit. Any Orders at present held will be posted on a notice board forthwith.

260. OFFICERS AND OTHER RANKS PROCEEDING TO ENGLAND. (A.I.F. Order 964.)

" It has been brought to notice that A.I.F. Order No. 722, dated  
" 29.6.17, is not being complied with. This Order is repeated  
" hereunder, and must be strictly observed.

- " (i) Immediately on arrival in London, officers proceeding
- " to England on duty from France will report personally,
- " and officers on leave either personally or in writing,
- " to Room 13, at Administrative Headquarters, A.I.F.,
- " 130 Horseferry Road. If reporting in writing the
- " following particulars must be given :-
- " Rank and Name.
- " Unit.
- " Leave from / / to / / .
- " No. of combined leave and railway warrant.
- " Address on leave.
- " Any change of address whilst on leave must also be
- " notified immediately.

- " (ii) Warrant and non-commissioned officers and men proceeding
- " to England on duty or on leave from France must, on
- " arrival in London, report themselves personally to
- " Furlough Department, Administrative Headquarters,
- " A.I.F., 130 Horseferry Road.

" An escorting party of N.C.O.'s will be on duty at arrival  
" stations in London to meet each leave train, and these  
" N.C.O.'s will be responsible for conducting all soldiers  
" on leave to Administrative Headquarters.

" Arms and equipment must be left at the Cloak Room provided for  
" the purpose at Administrative Headquarters. Under no  
" circumstances are men to take equipment to any other  
" address. "

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261. CADET TRAINING UNITS - SIGNAL SERVICES (Ex.A.I.F.List 259. 16/11/17)

"The undermentioned reported to Signal Service Training Centre,  
"Bedford, and are appointed Cadets:- 16th. Nov. 1917.

- "  
" 3544 Sgt. Rupert Leslie MASHFORD, 1st. Anzac Wireless Section.  
" 80 C.S.M. (W.O. Class II) Cyril John VAUSE, 1st. Div. Sig. Co.  
" 2571 Cpl. Robert Sinclair SLADDIN, 2nd. Div. Sig. Co.  
" 10666 Sgt. Frank Richardson Dunk ROGERSON, 3rd. Div. Sig. Co.  
" 3254 Cpl. (T/Sgt.) Richard Lewis BORDER, 4th. Div. Sig. Co.  
" 3669 C.Q.M.S. Charles William Kelvev PEARSON, 5th. Div. Sig. Co.  
" 418 Cpl. Charles John JACKSON, 36th. Aust. H.A. Group.  
" 8 Cpl. John HORWOOD, 36th. Aust. H.A. Group.

262. AERIAL SIGNALLING APPARATUS. (Extract G.R.O. 2814.)

" The nomenclature of the Aerial Signal Apparatus will in  
"future be as shown under (b).

"(a) PRESENT NOMENCLATURE. - (b) FUTURE NOMENCLATURE.

"  
" Aerial Signalling Apparatus:-  
"  $\frac{3}{4}$  circle ground sheet ... Discs,  $\frac{3}{4}$  circular  
" Semicircular ground sheet ... Discs, semi-circular.  
" Ground signalling strips ... Ground signalling strips,  
" 9 ft. by 9 in.  
" Ground signalling panels ... Panels, signalling. "

263. LEAVE. (Extract G.R.O. 2822.)

" It is notified for information that an Officer or O.R.  
"proceeding on leave is entitled to travel without payment to the  
"nearest point to his home, to which there is a regular passenger  
"service, even if this entails passage by a regular ~~passenger~~  
"steamboat or motor service run in extension of the railway.  
"Cab, bus or tram journeys beyond this point cannot be allowed  
"at Government expense."

264. WEARING OF BELTS. (Extract D.R.O. 328, para. 1549.)

" The Divisional Commander has noticed that transport drivers  
"and despatch riders are very often seen about the roads without  
"any belts or bandoliers.  
" O.S.C. Units will ensure that every man away from his billet,  
"with the exception of grooms taking horses to water, will wear  
"either belt or bandolier as the case may be."

This Order is to be strictly complied with in accordance  
with instructions recently issued.

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(To accompany Company Routine Orders of 20/11/17.)

N O T I C E.

A Book, entitled "Over the top with the 3rd. Aust. Division" will be published shortly. Owing to shortage of paper and labour, a limited edition only is available. Those requiring copies should order them as early as possible. Full particulars are obtainable from the Author - Chap. the Rev. G.P. CUTTRISS, C/o 3rd. Australian Pioneer Battalion.

" The Book has an introductory by Major-General JOHN MONASH, C.B., V.D., and is freely illustrated by Corporal N. McBEATH, 3rd. D. H. Q.

" Arrangements may be made with the Publishers to mail copies to any part of the British Empire. The published price is 3/-."

Members of this Company who require a copy of the above should send their name to the Company Orderly Room through the O.C. Section concerned.

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COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS  
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In the Field,  
21st. November, 1917.

265. APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, ETC. (Extract A.I.F. List No. 258.)

"3rd. Div. Sig. Co.

"  
"Capt. R.G. HAMILTON, M.C., is transferred from 5th. Div. Sig.  
" Co. on 26.10.17, and to be Major, and to Command vice  
" Major T.C. Wilson seconded for duty with Engr. Tng. Depot  
" (Signal Section). 29th. Oct. 1917.

"  
"The promotion of Lieut. V.D. BOWEN, M.C., to his present rank  
" is ante-dated to 1st. May, 1916.

"  
"Lieut. C.H. SIMPSON, M.C., evacuated wounded, is placed on  
" regimental seconded list. 18th. Oct. 1917.

"  
"Lieut. L.G. SIMPSON is placed on supernumerary list. 18th. Oct. 1917!"

266. LEAVE. (A.I.F. Order No. 959.)

"Commanding Officers will make an entry on the inside back cover  
" of Soldiers' pay Books in all cases of members of the A.I.F.  
" proceeding on leave, showing the date on which such leave is  
" granted and for what period.  
"Before a new pay Book is issued to any member of the A.I.F. an  
" entry will be made on inside back cover showing the date of  
" last grant of leave."

Prior to proceeding on leave N.C.O.'s and men will  
forward their paybooks to the Company Orderly Room to have the  
necessary entry made.

267. LAMPS LUCAS, DAYLIGHT SIGNALLING. (Extract G.R.O. 2836.)

" The following scale on which it is intended to issue Lucas  
" Daylight Signalling Lamps, is published for information:-

Unit.	Total scale of Lucas Lamps.
" Divisional Signal Company -	
" Including Brigade Sections	12
" Excluding R.F.A. Signal Sub-sections	4
" R.F.A. Signal Sub-section ... ..	2
" R.F.A. Battery ... ..	6
" Infantry Battalion ... ..	2
" Machine Gun Company ... ..	-

" In many cases the issues authorised above have already  
" been authorised by circular letter and the lamps are already  
" in possession.

" In the remaining cases indents will be called for by Signal  
" Officers of Formations when the Lamps are available for issue.  
" Indents will not be submitted to A.O.D. as these lamps are  
" "controlled" stores - vide G.R.O. 2731.

" When the Lucas Lamps are received any "lamps, electric,  
" field signalling" or Fallolite or French pattern Lamps in  
" possession will be returned to Ordnance Officers of Formations.  
" G.R.O. 719 and all other authorities for holding Electric  
" Field Signalling or Daylight Signalling Lamps by any Units are  
" cancelled."

Sheet 2, Company Routine Orders of 21st. November, 1917.

268. DESIGNATION OF CABLE SECTIONS, BRIGADE SIGNAL SECTIONS AND SIGNAL SUB-SECTIONS.

The following will be the new designations of units enumerated below. In future such units will be known and referred to only in these terms:-

<u>Unit</u>	<u>New Designation.</u>
No.1 Section (i.e.2 Cable Sections.)	No. 1 Cable Section - A & B Detachments. No. 2 Cable Section - C & D Detachments.
Bde.Sig.Sec.with 9th.Inf.Bde.....	No. 2 Section.
" " " " 10th.Inf.Bde.....	No. 3 Section.
" " " " 11th.Inf.Bde.....	No. 4 Section.
Signal Sub-section with 7th.F.A.Bde.	No. 1 Sub-section.
" " " " 8th.F.A.Bde.	No. 2 Sub-section.

269. PRACTICE MESSAGES.

1. To avoid the danger of a "Test" or "practice" message containing misleading information by reaching an unforeseen destination, the text of all practice or test messages by whatever means they are sent will, in future, invariably begin with the word "practice".

2. The word "practice" in practice or test messages sent by wireless or power buzzer is never to appear in clear, but must always be enciphered when used.

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SIGNALS, 3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.	
No.....	101 BJR
Date.....	22/11/17

SUBJECT : WEEKLY RETURN OF CABLE & TELEPHONES.

Acting under instructions received from Divisional Headquarters, I am directed to call for the above-mentioned Return to be rendered weekly, as per pro forma attached herewith.

Please ensure the Return is correctly compiled and that the particulars as stated on the form are complied with.

It is requested that this return be rendered punctually, please.

*RG Hamilton*

Major:

O.C., Signals, 3rd. Australian Division.

Distributed to all concerned.

21-11-17.



WEEKLY RETURN OF CABLE AND TELEPHONES

DATE .....

UNIT .....

	TELEPHONES D. Mk. 3	TELEPHONES P.O. 44.	♣. TELEPHONES MAGNETO RINGING	♣. FULLERPHONES	BUZZER UNITS 4 plus 3	CABLE, D.2 Miles	CABLE, D.7 Miles	CABLE, D.8 Miles	CABLE, S.11. Yards	LUCAS LAMPS	REMARKS
ESTABLISHMENT											
ON HAND											
REQUIRED TO COMPLETE											
EXPENDED DURING WEEK											

NOTE ♣ Pattern numbers to be stated in "Remarks" Column.  
 Particulars concerning instruments, loaned to, received on loan from, to whom sent for repairs, etc., are to be definitely stated in "Remarks" Column.  
 When an instrument is lost or destroyed, a certificate in explanation must be forwarded with the return.  
 Return to be rendered through Bde. Signal Officer, to reach O.C., Signals, by 12 noon on Thursday of each week.

.....  
 Commanding .....

.....  
 Date .....

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SIGNALS, 3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.	
No.	<i>100 ms</i>
Date	<i>22/11/17</i>

SUBJECT : SIGNALLING STORES.

For your information please. -

The undermentioned stores are not controlled by  
Signals for Infantry and Artillery Units. In future they  
should be demanded from the A.O.D.

Cells, electric, "X"

" " "W"

Batteries, Lamps, Lucas

Bulbs, " "

Tape, adhesive.

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Major:

O.C. Signals, 3rd. Aust. Div.

21-11-17.

Distributed to all concerned.

# WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS OF 3<sup>rd</sup> AUST. DIV.

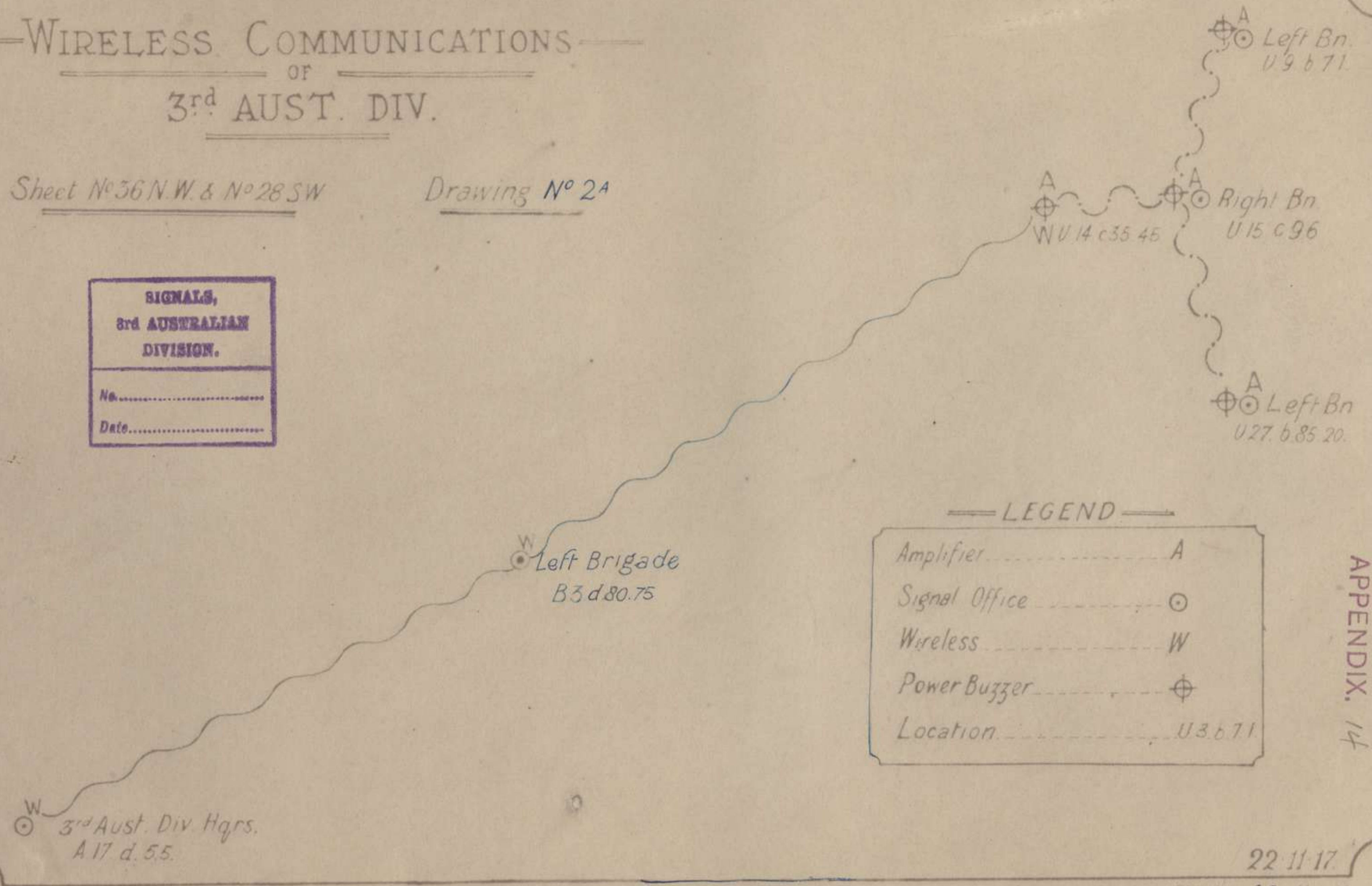
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**SIGNALS,  
3<sup>rd</sup> AUSTRALIAN  
DIVISION.**

No. ....

Date. ....



— LEGEND —

Amplifier	.....	A
Signal Office	.....	⊙
Wireless	.....	W
Power Buzzer	.....	⊕
Location	.....	U 3 b. 71.

APPENDIX. 14

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O.C. 3rd. Div. Signal Coy. A.I.F.

22.11.17.

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23/4/17

List of particulars re revision of Equipment of a  
Divisional Signal Company.

PISTOLS, WEHLEY

All linemen and wireless personnel to be provided with pistols in lieu of rifles. Linemen of Brigade Sections and Sub-Sections to be included. Waist belts, holsters and pouches to be provided also.

WEB EQUIPMENT.

To be withdrawn - packs only of the web equipment to be carried by all ranks.

BANDOLIERS.

Only to be supplied to personnel issued with rifles.

FLAGS, distinguishing, telegraph office, Mark III.

One to be supplied to each Brigade Section, Sub-Section and R.A.H.Q. detachment.

HELIOGRAPHS, 5" Mark V.

To be withdrawn - not required now that Lucas Lamps are supplied.

PANNIERS, SIGNALLING

To be increased as follows:-

Hd. Qrs.	4
Bde. Sections 2 =	6
Sub-Sections 1 =	2
Wireless	
Section	<u>2</u>
Total	<u>14</u>

Required for the protection of instruments and stores.

STANDS, Lamp or Heliograph

To be increased to allow one for each Lucas Lamp.

COMPASSES, Magnetic, Pocket

To be withdrawn.

COMPASSES, Prismatic, with case

To be increased as follows:-

R.A.H.Q.	1
Sub-Sections 1 =	2
Wireless	
Section	<u>1</u>
Total	<u>4</u>

WATCHES.

To be increased as follows:-

Sub-Sections 1 = 2.

CASES, Map, with leather sling

To be increased as follows:-

Hd. Qrs.	4.
R.A.H.Q.	2
No. 1 Section	4
Bde. Sections 2 =	6
Sub-Sections 1 =	2
Wireless Section	2
Total	<u>20</u>

CANDLES, Composite

To be increased as follows:-

Bde. Sections 8 =	24 lbs.
Sub-Sections 8 =	16 "
Wireless Section	<u>8 "</u>
Total	<u>48 "</u>

MATCHES, Safety

To be increased as follows:-

Bde. Sections 36 =	108 boxes
Sub-Sections 36 =	72 "
Wireless Section	<u>36 "</u>
Total	<u>216 "</u>

BINOCULARS, Prismatic

To be increased as follows:-

Hd. Qrs. & No. 1	8	
R.A.H.Q.	2	
Bde. Sections 4 =	<u>16</u>	12
Total	<u>26</u>	<u>22</u>

CARTS, Maltese

To be replaced by wagons, G.S. limbered, complete with horses, harness and vehicle equipment.

WAGONS, G.S. R.E.

To be withdrawn and replaced by special 14 ft. Territorial wagons.

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WAGONS, Limbered, R.E.

G.S. To be withdrawn and replaced by wagons, limbered,

BICYCLES.

Six to be withdrawn from Hd. Qrs. - not required.

LORRY, Motor, 30-cwt.

To be replaced by a 3 ton lorry.

MOTOR CAR.

"Ford" or "Maxwell" not to be supplied as they are unsuitable for Signal Service.

MOTOR CYCLES.

To be increased as follows:-

R.A.H.Q.		1.
Bde. Sections	1	= 3
Wireless Section		<u>1</u>
Total		5

"Triumphs" only to be issued - other makes are unsuitable and unreliable. The two spares authorized to be included on Mob. Store Table - at present they are not shown.

LAMPS, Electric, Signalling, Field, and case.

To be withdrawn from Mob. Store Table and Lucas Lamps shown in lieu.

LUCAS LAMPS.

To be increased as follows:-

Bde. Sections	2	= 6
Sub-Sections	1	= 2
Total		<u>8</u>

Stands, Mark III, to be supplied with all lamps.

BATTERY BOXES, 10-cell, complete with cell inert.

To be included on Mob. Store Table, as follows:-

Hd. Qrs		12
R.A.H.Q.		6
Bde. Sections	3	= 6
Sub-Sections	2	= 4
Total		<u>28</u>

CABLE, Electric, D3.

To be withdrawn and Cable, electric, D7 substituted. In addition, 10 miles to be carried by Hd.Qrs.

REELS, Cable, No.2:- Not required.

REELS, Cable, No.2, Spindles: Not required.

SPINDLES, Reel, Cable, No. 3: Not required.

TAPE, Insulating, Adhesive.

To be increased as follows:-

Hd. Qrs.	10 lbs.
R.A.H.Q.	4 "
No.1 Section	12 "
Bde.Sections 4 =	12 "
Wireless Section	2 "
Total =	40 "

WIRES, Electric, T13.

To be increased as follows:-

R.A.H.Q.	100 yds.
Bde.Sections 100=	300 "
Sub-Sections 50=	100 "
Total =	500 yds.

WIRE, Steel, hard, enamelled, No.25, S.W.G.: Not required.

BARS, carrying reel, Cable No.1.

To be increased as follows:-

Bde.Sections 2 =	6.
Total =	6

BARS, carrying drums, telephone wagon.

To be increased as follows:-

Sub-Sections 1 =	2.
Total =	2

BOXES, tin, plain, stationery, Unit B (filled).

To be increased as follows:-

R.A.H.Q.	2
Sub-Sections 1 =	2
Wireless Section	1
Total =	5

5.

BUCKETS, reel, cable, No. 2.: Not required.

CLIMBERS, pole.

The one pair authority<sup>sed</sup> for each Bde. Section to be included on the Mob. Store Table.

EARCUSHIONS, telephone, "C".

To be increased as follows:-

Bde. Sections	12	=	36.
Sub-Sections	12	=	24
Total		=	<u>60</u>

LANTERNS, Field telegraph.

Not required - useless.

The five lamps, acetylene, field telegraph, authorised to be included in Mob. Store Table and, in addition, the following increase:-

Hd. Qrs.			7.
Bde. Sections	4	=	12
Sub-Sections	2	=	4
Wireless Section			<u>3</u>
Total		=	<u>26</u>

PLATES, earth, heel.: Not required.

STAMPS, Army telegraph, dating

To be increased as follows:-

R.A.H.Q.			1
Bde. Sections	1	=	3
Sub-Sections	1	=	<u>2</u>
Total		=	<u>6</u>

TELEGRAPH SETS, direct working, intermittent

The eight sets authorised to be included in the Mob. Store Table, viz. 5 for Hd. Qrs. and one set to each Bde. Section, and, in addition, the following:-

Hd. Qrs.			1
R.A.H.Q.			3
Sub-Sections	1	=	<u>2</u>
Total		=	<u>6</u>

CELLS, dry, "W", Siemens pattern:

To be increased as follows:-

Hd. Qrs.			20
R.A.H.Q.			10
Bde. Sections	10	=	30
Sub-Sections	2	=	<u>4</u>
Total		=	<u>64</u>



TELEPHONES, Magneto

The 54 authorised to be included on the Mob. Store Table and, in addition, the following:-

R.A.H.Q.	<u>10</u>
Total	= 10
	=====

Only the No. 100 pattern has proved to be thoroughly reliable; other makes go out of adjustment too quickly.

SWITCH UNITS, Magneto 5-line.

To be withdrawn from Sub-Sections and redistributed as follows:-

Hd. Qrs.	1.
R.A.H.Q.	1.

Two surplus to be returned to Signal Park.

SWITCH UNITS, Buzzer, 4 x 3

The two authorised for each Bde. Section to be included in the Mob. Store Table and, in addition, the following:-

∅ Bde. Sections	1 = 3
Total	= 3
	=====

∅ Required for Bde. Forward Station or Forward Exchange.

TEST PANELS, 12-line.

The 10 for Hd. Qrs. and 4 for each Bde. Section authorised to be included on the Mob. Store Table and, in addition, the following:-

R.A.H.Q.	4
Sub-Sections	3 = 6
Total	= 10
	=====

TEST PANEL, 4-transformer

To be increased as follows:-

R.A.H.Q.	<u>1</u>
Total	= 1
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TEST PANEL, 2-transformer

To be increased as follows:-

Sub-Sections	1 = 2
Total	= 2
	=====

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TEST PANEL, Galvo.

To be redistributed as follows:-

Hd. Qrs.		9
R.A.H.Q.		2
Bde. Sections	1	= 3
Sub-Sections	1	= 2
Total		= 9

SIGNALLING DISCS: Not required.FOLD-UP SIGNALLING SHUTTERS.

The 24 authorised to be included on the Mob. Store Table and the distribution to be as follows:-

Bde. Sections	6	= 18
Sub-Sections	3	= 6
Total		= 24

HAND CARTS.

The two authorised for Sub-Sections are not required and are absolutely useless and should be withdrawn.

SWITCHBOARD, 10-line, cordless

The five authorised to be included in the Mob. Store Table and, in addition, the following:-

R.A.H.Q.		1
Sub-Sections	1	= 2
Total		= 3

∅ In lieu of 5-line boards - this is really essential.

SWITCHBOARD, 20-line, double cord, with ringing and speaking keys

The one authorised to be included in the Mob. Store Table and, in addition, the following:-

R.A.H.Q.		1
Total		= 1

CORDAGE, tarred, spun yarn, heap, 1-thread

The 60 lbs. authorised for Bde. Sections to be reduced to 30 lbs.

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SOLUTION, rubber, 3 oz., tubes: Not required.

TAPE, rubber, pure: Not required now that adhesive tape  
is an issue.

Forward B and Rear B 20 watt W/T Sets:

These are not required as they are not  
serviceable on account of their construction, also, as Power  
Buzzers and Amplifiers are more useful and give better results  
in the forward areas.

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT ETC. SUGGESTED  
FOR A DIVL. SIGNAL CO.

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SWITCHBOARD, 30-line, double cord, with ringing and speaking keys.

Hd. Qrs.	<u>1</u>
Total	= 1
	=====

TELEPHONES, hand, D. Mark III (or similar pattern).

Some spares are required to be carried for D.3 telephones, Magneto Telephones and Fullerphones. The following distribution should be authorised:-

Hd. Qrs.	6
R.A.H.Q.	3
Bde. Sections	3 = 9
Sub-Sections	3 = 6
Total	<u>= 24</u>
	=====

TORCHES, electric.

These are particularly required for linemen, runners, etc. The following distribution should be authorised:-

Hd. Qrs.	6
R.A.H.Q.	3
No. 1 Section	12
Bde. Sections	6 = 18
Sub-Sections	6 = 12
Wireless Section	<u>4</u>
Total	<u>= 54</u>
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ANVIL: This is essential to enable the shoeing of the horses to be efficiently carried out. The establishment of horses for a Divl. Signal Co. is 134.

FORGE: ditto.

CHESTS, tool, empty, telegraph, mechanics, (2ft. x 2ft. x 1ft. 6 ins. fitted 14 drawers, to contain the smaller tools and stores)

This would be a great asset to the stores of Hd. Qrs. and would be particularly useful in carrying the smaller spare parts of telephones, etc.

WILSON TRANSMITTER and Mark III Receiver.

This should be authorised so as to enable a Division to have its own Directing Station. This would enable Trench Sets, which are employed forward, to be communicated with up to a range of approximately 10,000 yards.

FIELD KITCHEN.

It would be a great benefit to Hd. Qrs. etc. of the Company if one was authorised. Invariably about 150 to 170 other ranks, including attached runners, carrying party, power buzzer personnel, also some personnel of No. 1 and Wireless Sections are fed by Hd. Qrs.

Horses, harness and Field Kitchen equipment complete to be authorised also.

BOX CAR.

A speedy means of transport is really required to enable instruments and personnel to be transported to positions in forward areas etc. Transport is also required for wireless instruments and equipment, accumulators, etc. A box car would be the most suitable form of transport and one should be authorised.

GENERAL REMARKS.  
-----TELEPHONES, MAGNETO.

It is desired that a universal make be issued. The No. 100 pattern has proved to be the best telephone supplied and this make should be the only one issued to Divl. Signal Cos. Nos. 16, 92, "G" and French patterns, etc., have proved unsatisfactory.

I strongly recommend that all No. 100 patterns that have been issued to other units be withdrawn and reissued to Divl. Signal Cos. in lieu of No. 16, 92, "G" and French patterns, etc., which are being held at present; same to be returned to Signal Parks.

TELEPHONE, P.O. NO. 44.

This instrument has proved to be unsatisfactory owing to the generator not being sufficiently powerful. A similar type of telephone is required with a more powerful generator.

WAGON FOR BDE. SECTIONS AND SUB-SECTIONS.

A suitable wagon, limbered on G.S. pattern, with springs, is very necessary for the transportation of technical equipment, (telephones, etc.). The present wagon and maltese cart which are supplied have no springs and, after every move, all instruments are thrown out of adjustment through the jolting en route.

STORES ETC. FOR HD. QRS., R.A.H.Q. DETACHMENT & No. 1 SECTION.

It is desired that a definite establishment be laid down for these three units of a Divl. Signal Co. as the grouping under present arrangement is unsatisfactory.

CORDS FOR SWITCHBOARDS.

A flexible cord, similar to that used in the P.O., is urgently needed to replace the D.3 steel cords at present supplied which have proved very unsatisfactory.

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by  
 Major R.G. Hamilton, M.C.  
 O.C. 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

3RD	
AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL	
SIGNAL COY., A.E.	
No. 167	.....
Date 26/11/17	.....

In the Field,  
 24th. November, 1917.

270. INTELLIGENCE.

It has been brought under notice that a tin label ~~has~~ embossed in English has been dislodged from the walls of a captured "pill Box".

If any such evidence comes under the notice of any member of the unit, it should be communicated to Company Hd. Qrs. immediately.

271. THANKS OF THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT TO THE NAVY AND ARMY FOR THEIR SERVICES DURING THE PRESENT WAR. (A.I.F. Order 958, 13/11/17.)

"Army Order, dated 2nd. Nov., 1917, is published below:-

The Army Council direct that the following resolution, passed by both Houses of Parliament, be communicated to officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the British Armies in the field and to the women in the medical and other services auxiliary thereto.

"That the thanks of this House be given to the officers, petty officers, and men of the Navy for their faithful watch upon the seas during more than three years of ceaseless danger and stress, while guarding our shores and protecting from the attacks of a barbarous foe the commerce upon which the victory of the Allied cause depends.

"That the thanks of this House be given to the officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the British Armies in the field, and also to the women in the medical and other services auxiliary thereto, for their unfailing courage and endurance in defending the right, amid sufferings and hardships unparelled in the history of war, and for their loyal readiness to continue the work to which they have set their hands until the liberty of the world is secure.

"That the thanks of this House be accorded to the gallant troops from the Dominions Overseas, from India, and from the Crown Colonies who have travelled many thousands of miles to share with their comrades from the British Isles in the sacrifices and triumphs of the battlefield, and ~~xxxx~~ to take their full part in the struggle for human freedom.

"That the thanks of this House be accorded to the officers and men of the Mercantile Marine for the devotion to duty with which they have ~~to~~ continued to carry the vital supplies to the Allies through seas infested with deadly perils.

"That this House doth acknowledge with grateful admiration the valour and devotion of those who have offered their lives in the services of their country, and tenders its sympathy to their relatives and friends in the sorrows they have sustained."

272. Sale Mark on Articles purchased from A.O.D.

272. SALE MARK ON ARTICLES PURCHASED FROM A.O.D. (A.I.F. Order 957, 13/11/17)

"Instances have occurred where pistols, Compasses, etc., issued to  
" officers on payment by the A.O.D. have not been marked with  
" the W.D. sale mark.  
"

"In order to avoid the possibility of such articles being subsequently  
" claimed as W.D. property, officers concerned should take the  
" earliest opportunity of having the sale marks affixed at the  
" nearest A.O. Depot.  
"

"It is added that in Australia the effects of returned officers and  
" soldiers are examined to prevent unauthorised retention of  
" Government property. "

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Major.  
O.C., 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.



## COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Major R.G. Hamilton, M.C.  
O.C. 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.In the Field, France,  
26th. November, 1917.273. SIGNALLING TRAINING MANUAL, PART I. (Army Order 343.)

" The Training Manual, Signalling (Provisional), 1915, is being  
" rewritten in two parts. Signal Training Manual, Part-1., has been  
" approved and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.  
" Part 1 cancels Chapters 1.- VI., VIII., IX and X. and Appendix I.  
" of Training Manual, Signalling (Provisional), 1915. Signal  
" Training Manual, Part II., which is in process of compilation, will  
" cancel the remainder."

274. PAY WHILE ON FURLOUGH. (A.I.F. Order 973.)

" Approval has been given for the following increases in amounts  
" payable to non-commissioned officers and men on leave from France  
" who so desire and have sufficient funds to their credit:-  
" For Privates... .. £1.10s.0d. per diem for the number of days for  
" which ordinary leave is granted.  
" For N.C.O.'s... .. £2. 0s.0d. per diem for the same period.  
" The maximum amount payable in each case will be £21 and £28  
" respectively."

275. ANNUAL KIT ALLOWANCE FOR OFFICERS. (A.I.F. Order 974.)

" (a) In pursuance of a recent addition to War Financial Instructions  
" it is notified that the annual kit allowance of £5 provided  
" for payment to officers will only accrue in respect of service  
" abroad.  
" (b) For the purpose of calculating the allowance referred to,  
" "service abroad" shall be deemed to commence from the date of  
" embarkation from Australia or from the date of first appoint-  
" ment to commissioned rank - if promoted subsequent to embark-  
" ation - and to terminate on the date of return to Australia,  
" or if the appointment is terminated abroad, from the date of  
" such termination.  
" (c) Where an officer who returns to Australia for change, and not  
" for termination of his appointment, is due for the allowance  
" in respect of 12 months' service abroad, ~~such allowance~~  
" such allowance will be credited in his pay book, but where  
" less than 12 months' service has been performed an entry will  
" be made on the statement of his account, to be forwarded to  
" the Chief Paymaster on his re-embarkation for service abroad,  
" showing the period of previous service for which the allowance  
" is due.  
" (d) The foregoing provisions will have effect from 29th. Aug., 1916,  
" and the pay ledger accounts of officers affected thereby will  
" be adjusted accordingly."

276. MILITARY SERVICE REFERENDUM. (A.I.F. Order 975.)

" Votes of members of the A.I.F. will be taken between 1st. and 10th.  
" December, 1917. Full details regarding manner of polling, etc. will  
" be published later. Copies of the Proclamation issued by the Prime  
" Minister of Australia are being posted on 24th. November from London  
" in Units mail bags, and addressed to Commanding Officers of Units."

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277. SIGNAL STATIONERY. (D.R.O. 1564.)

" Units will demand direct on Base Stationery Depot for their  
" requirements of Signal Stationery and not on O.C., 3rd. Australian  
" Divisional Signal Co."

278. CADET SCHOOLS. (D.R.O. 1565.)

" In future all personnel of the A.I.F. nominated for attendance  
" at Artillery, Infantry, or other Officer Cadet Schools, are, prior  
" to such nomination, to be medically examined and to have been found  
" fit for service in the arm of the service for which they are  
" being nominated as Cadets."

279. BRICKS. (D.R.O. 1566.)

" No bricks are to be removed from any building without authority  
" in writing from the C. R. E. Third Australian Division."

280. RESTRICTIONS IN CONTENTS OF LETTERS (1st. Anzac R.O. 485.)

" G.R.O. 2041 is republished for information.

" It is forbidden to send or attempt to send to unauthorised  
" persons Intelligence summaries, Orders, Report Maps or any other  
" Official documents, or to disclose or to attempt to disclose their  
" contents, except in the course of Official duty.

" It is forbidden to send or attempt to send to unauthorised  
" persons any documents captured from the enemy, or found in places  
" occupied by the enemy or other documents which may contain inform-  
" ation about the enemy.

" It is forbidden to despatch or attempt to despatch to enemy  
" or neutral countries:-

" (1) Photographic or pictorial illustrations of any kind. This  
" term includes picture postcards, cards with silk embroidered  
" designs, illustrations cut from newspapers, magazines or books.

" (2) Newspapers, books, prospectuses, etc. except when sent  
" through the medium of publishers or authorised agents.

" COMMUNICATIONS TO THE PRESS.- All communications to the press  
" on the subject of the war or on matters directly or indirectly  
" connected with military subjects are forbidden.

" All ranks are reminded that under King's Regulations, para. 453,  
" they are responsible if persons to whom they write letters publish  
" them. The fact of a communication bearing a censor stamp, is not  
" in any sense to be regarded as an authority for publication.

" PHOTOGRAPHS.- The taking of photographs is not permitted, and  
" the sending of photographs and films through the post is prohibited.  
" This prohibition does not include photographs taken officially  
" and bearing an endorsement that they have been passed by the Chief  
" Field Censor.

" CIPHER.- All correspondence must be in "clear". The use of  
" codes, ciphers or shorthand is prohibited.

" This order is to be read on parade and a copy initialled by  
" every officer, as it is reported that picture postcards, silk  
" postcards, photographs are being sent to neutral countries from  
" units of the Corps franked by officers and are being intercepted  
" and stopped, causing disappointment and useless expense to the  
" senders."

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APPENDIX. **18**... WAR DIARY. VOL. **13**...

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O.O. 33rd. Bn.            39th. Bn. 43rd. Bn.  
 34th. "            40th. Bn. 44th. Bn.  
 35th. "            41st. Bn.  
 36th. "            42nd. Bn.  
 37th. "  
 38th. "

SUBJECT : CABLE, ELECTRIC, D.2.

SIGNALS, 3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.
No. <b>BCS 181.</b>
Date <b>28-11-17.</b>

I beg to bring under notice that the one mile of D.2. cable which has just been issued to you is not an authorised establishment, and is intended to be used only in cases of urgency; therefore I suggest it be carried in reserve, and should not be used for ordinary purposes.

Cable that is required for use in the line will invariably be issued on demands submitted to Brigade Signal Officers.

It is my intention to issue another mile of D.2. cable to each Battalion as soon as I obtain a supply, thus bringing the emergency reserve to a total of 2 miles per Battalion.

Please ensure that this cable is shown on the weekly Cable and Telephone Deficiency Return.

Distribution.Issued to all Bns.

"G" 3rd. Aust. Div. )  
 "AQ" " " " )  
 H.Q. 9th. Inf. Bde. )  
 " 10th. " " )  
 " 11th. " " )  
 Sigs. 9th. " " )  
 " 10th. " " )  
 " 11th. " " )

for information.

*R. G. Hamilton*Major. -  
O.C., Signals, 3rd. Australian Division.

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COMPANY ROUTINE ORDERS  
by  
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O.C. 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

In the Field, France,  
30th. November, 1917.

281. CHURCH SERVICES. (D.R.O. 336.)

"Divine Service has been arranged by Chap. the Rev. R.B.PITT-OWEN,  
"Senior Chaplain, for Sunday, 2-12-17., as follows:-  
"  
" 11.0 a.m. Temporary Church in the Mairie, Steenwerck,  
" Div. Sig. Co. "

282. DIVINE SERVICE. (D.R.O. 335.)

"Divine Services will be conducted on Sunday, 2nd.proximo, by  
"Chaplain the Rev: T. S. POWER, as follows:-  
"  
" ROMAN CATHOLIC.  
" ST. MARTINS CHURCH - NIEPPE.  
"  
" Morning. Evening.  
"  
" 6.0 a.m.  
" 7.15 a.m.  
" 9.30 a.m. 6.0 p.m.  
" 11.0 a.m. "

283. WIRELESS & POWER BUZZER MESSAGES.

Messages which contain the word "Acknowledged", "Received",  
or "Noted" only, in the text, will invariably be sent in clear.  
It must be distinctly understood that if the "address to" and "address  
from" appear in clear, the position calls or code names for the  
addressee ~~or~~ <sup>and</sup> addressor must be substituted.

284. MANNER OF WEARING THE AUST. HAT. (Extract Special D.R.O. of 30/11/17.)

" In future all ranks will wear the F.S.Hat with the brim hooked  
"up to the crown on the left hand side.  
" The hat badge will be removed from the front of the hat and  
"placed on the under side of the brim on the left hand side.  
" The hat will be worn well forward on the head and with a slight  
"tilt towards the right.  
" The chinstrap will be worn on the point of, and not above or  
"under, the chin.  
" This Order will be adhered to ~~at~~ all times, whether on or off  
"parade."

285. PRIVATE TELEGRAMS (Extract 1st. Anzac R.O. 495.)

" Private telegrams cannot be accepted at Signal offices. They  
"can be despatched from the French Civil Post Office, BAILLEUL,  
"but must bear the Censor Stamp of the Town Major, BAILLEUL."

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Hd. Qrs.,  
3rd. Aust. Div.

Reference: Your Q.74/177 of 31/10/17.

Subject: Parchment Certificates.

In accordance with the above-mentioned memo. the names of the undermentioned officer, W.O., N.C.Os. and men are submitted and recommended for a Parchment Certificate for conspicuous good work or devotion to duty.

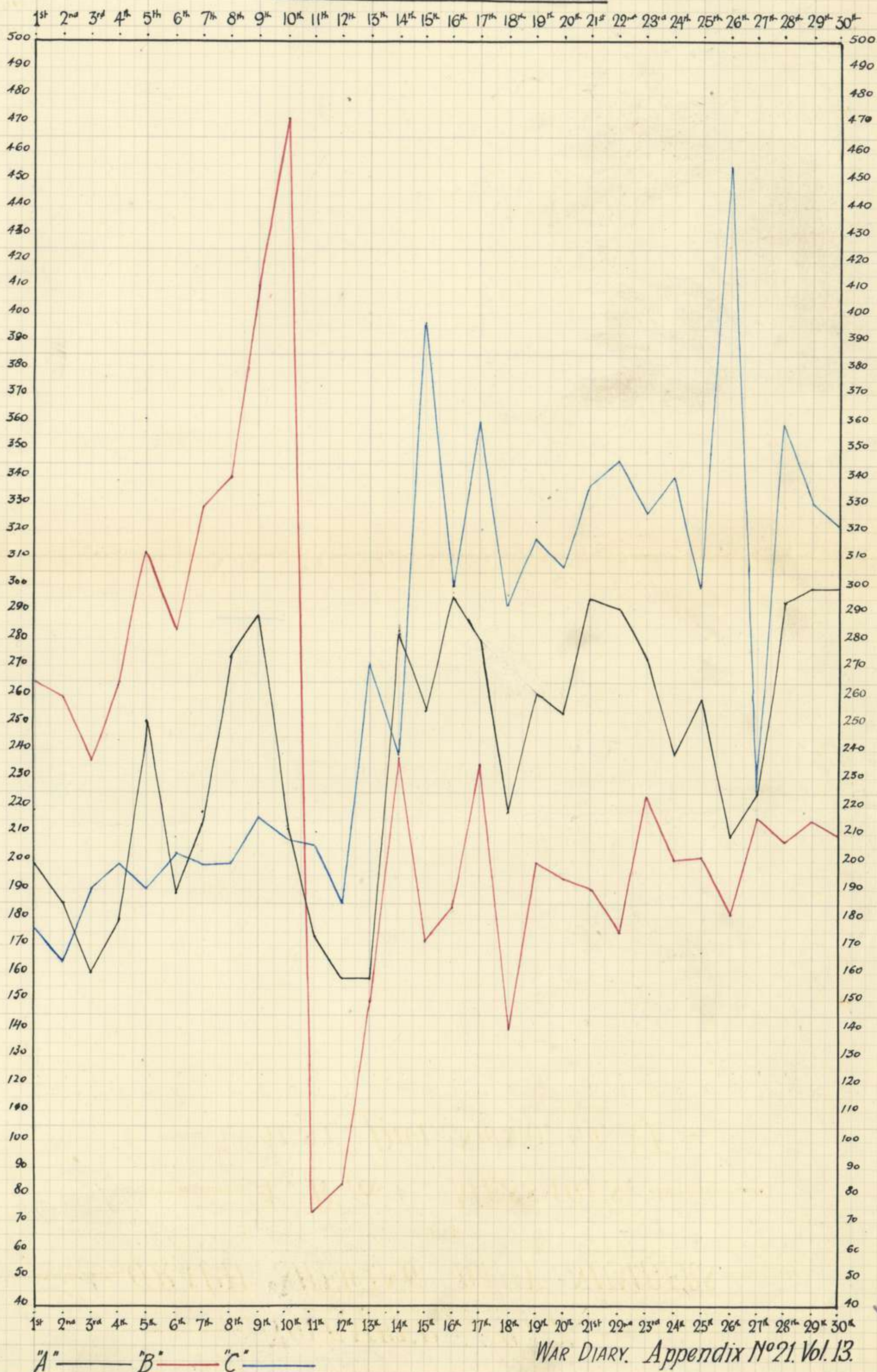
Regtl. Number.	Rank.	Name in full	Period
	Lieut.	Ernest Boreland STANBURY	1/4/17 to 1/11/17.
10577	C.S.M.	James William ALLAN	1/5/17 to 1/11/17.
10616	Fr.Sgt.	Alexander Davidson HARRIS	8/3/17 to 1/11/17.
10650	Sapper	John McTIER	1/4/17 to 1/11/17.
10689	Sergt.	George John WILLATS	1/2/17 to 1/11/17.
10658	2/Cpl.	Norman Huber RAMSDEN	1/4/17 to 1/11/17.
10639	Cpl.	Frank Frederick LIGHTWOOD	1/4/17 to 1/11/17.
998	B/Cpl.	James DOYLE	7/4/17 to 1/11/17.
10838	Sapper	Victor Robert FORD	1/4/17 to 1/11/17.
10784	L/Cpl	Herbert Lewis William DUNEMANN	1/4/17 to 1/11/17.
10679	Sergt.	Joseph Charles SMITH	1/2/17 to 1/11/17.
10804	Sapper	David John WHITEFORD	1/4/17 to 1/11/17.
10647	Sergt.	Alfred Sydney MONK	1/5/17 to 1/11/17.
10535	Sapper	William James EASTON	1/4/17 to 1/11/17.
10848	Sapper	Ernest Wilfred NICHOLLS	1/4/17 to 1/11/17.
19997	2/Cpl.	Harold Stanley MARTIN	1/5/17 to 1/11/17.
21994	L/Cpl.	George Anton CHRISTENSEN	1/5/17 to 1/11/17.
10532	Cpl.	Sydney Harold BROWNSMITH	1/4/17 to 1/11/17.

18/11/17

*L. A. Buckland*  
Major.  
O.C., 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

NOVEMBER 1917.  
 GRAPH SHEWING DAILY NUMBERS  
 OF  
 A. B. & C. MESSAGES.  
 3<sup>rd</sup> AUST. DIVL. SIGNAL Co. A.F.

<i>DIVL. HORS.</i>	11,534.
<i>N<sup>o</sup> 2 Sect. Attd. 9<sup>th</sup> Inf. Bde.</i>	1,977
<i>N<sup>o</sup> 3. Sect. Attd. 10<sup>th</sup> Inf. Bde.</i>	1,912
<i>N<sup>o</sup> 4. Sect. Attd. 11<sup>th</sup> Inf. Bde.</i>	1,415
<i>N<sup>o</sup> 1 Sub. Sect. Attd. 7<sup>th</sup> F.A. Bde.</i>	1,108
<i>N<sup>o</sup> 2. Sub. Sect. Attd. 8<sup>th</sup> F.A. Bde.</i>	2,417
<i>D-A-H-Q.</i>	2,309
<i>TOTAL.</i>	<u>22,670</u>



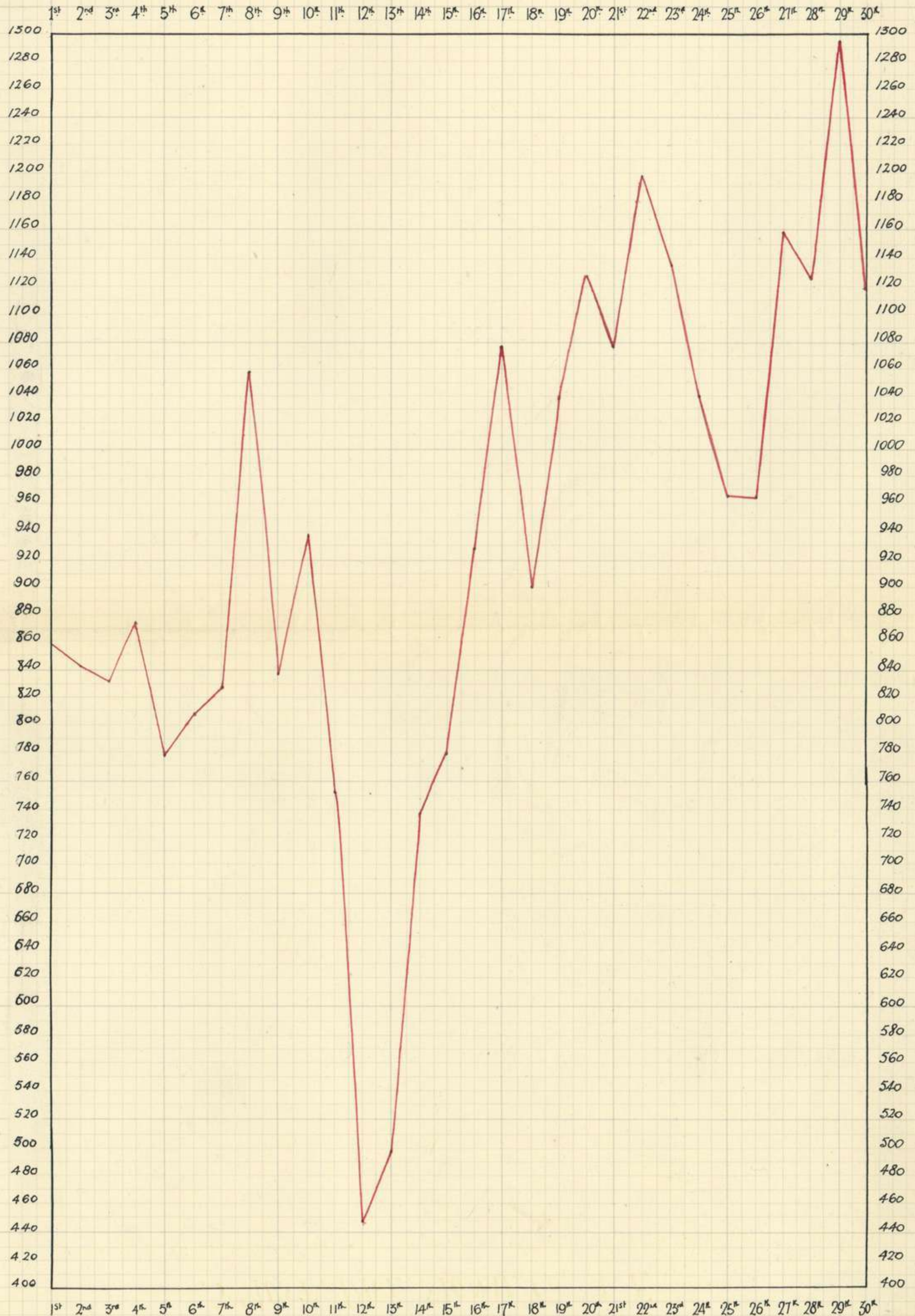
*L. G. Auckland*  
 Capt. 3<sup>rd</sup> Div. Signal Coy. A.I.F.

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NOVEMBER 1917.  
 GRAPH SHEWING DAILY NUMBER OF  
 SEALED PACKETS.  
 3<sup>rd</sup> AUST. DIVL. SIGNAL Co. A.E.

DIVL HQRS.	16,526.
N <sup>o</sup> 2 Sect. Attd. 9 <sup>th</sup> Inf. Bde.	2,916.
N <sup>o</sup> 3 Sect. Attd. 10 <sup>th</sup> Inf. Bde.	2,695.
N <sup>o</sup> 4 Sect. Attd. 11 <sup>th</sup> Inf. Bde.	1,426.
N <sup>o</sup> 1 Sub. Sect. Attd. 7 <sup>th</sup> F.A. Bde.	604
N <sup>o</sup> 2 Sub. Sect. Attd. 8 <sup>th</sup> F.A. Bde.	764
D-A-H-Q.	2,277
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27,208.</b>



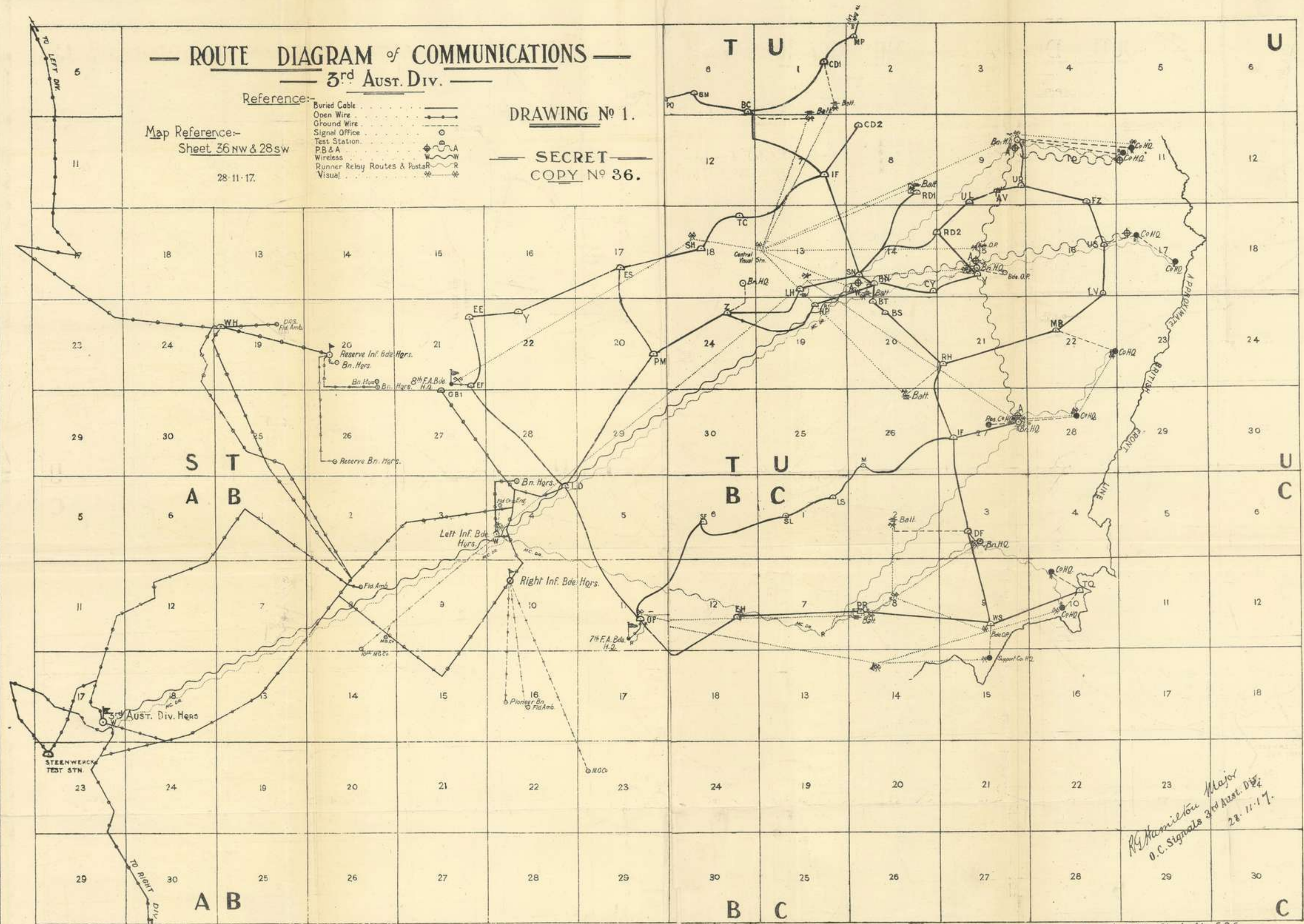
*L. G. Buckland*  
 Lt Col. 3rd. Div. Signal Co. A.E.  
*W. G. F.*

# ROUTE DIAGRAM of COMMUNICATIONS 3rd Aust. Div.

Reference:-  
Map Reference:-  
Sheet 36 NW & 28 SW  
28-11-17.

- Buried Cable
- Open Wire
- Ground Wire
- Signal Office
- Test Station
- P.B. & A
- Wireless
- Runner Relay Routes & Posts
- Visual

DRAWING No 1.  
SECRET  
COPY No 36.



*R.E. Macmillan Major  
O.C. Signals 3rd Aust. Div.  
28-11-17.*

Drawn by W.S.T. Checked by E.B.S.

Corps Topo. Section.

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(COPY).A.D. Signals.  
1st. Anzac Corps.  
T.50/3.  
27.11.17.

O.C. 1st. Aust. Div. Sig. Coy.  
O.C. 2nd. Aust. Div. Sig. Coy.  
O.C. 3rd. Aust. Div. Sig. Coy.  
O.C. 4th. Aust. Div. Sig. Coy.  
O.C. 5th. Aust. Div. Sig. Coy.

A conference will shortly be held at G.H.Q. to deal with the question of the organization, administration and interior economy of Divisional Signal Companies.

Please give this your careful consideration and let me have your views on the subjects by December 5th, 1917.

27th. November,  
1 9 1 7.

(sd) C.H. WALSH, Captain for Lieut.Col.  
A.D. SIGNALS, I A.N.Z.A.C.

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APPENDIX. 23

3RD	
AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL	
SIGNAL COY., A.E.	
No.	ES 254
to.	4/12/1917

Hd. Qrs.,  
3rd. Aust. Div.  
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Subject: Organization, Administration and Interior Economy of  
Divisional Signal Companies.

In response to a request by A.D. Signals to submit  
suggestions on the above-mentioned subject, a report was accord-  
ingly drawn up and forwarded.

A copy of the report and diagram is attached  
hereto for your information, please.

May the file be subsequently returned, please?

(sd) R.G. Hamilton, Major.  
O.C., 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

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 A.D. Signals,  
 1st. Anzac.

Reference: Your T.50/3 of 27.11.17 and D.Sigs/4721 of 10.11.17.

Subject: Organization, Administration and Interior Economy of  
 Divisional Signal Companies.

The question of Organization, Administration and Interior Economy of Divisional Signal Companies is a very wide subject, presenting many features of compelling importance and each equally problematic.

It is, in consequence, difficult to specifically set out the most desirable reforms in relative order of urgency. For a considerable time past it has been felt that the Signal Service has been limited to a point beyond which it was very essential that, in the interests of the Service generally, it should go. I refer to the distribution of personnel of Divisional Signal Companies, which extends only as far as the Headquarters of Artillery and Infantry Brigades. I am convinced that it should be further extended.

I consider the Signal Service, throughout the whole of the Division, should embrace all Signal personnel, including that of Battalions, Batteries and Machine Gun Companies and, further, that the Administration should be directed by one responsible officer.

This, undoubtedly, would lead to greater efficiency and result in more satisfactory work being accomplished.

The suggestion contained in the foregoing paragraphs is based on the fact that the total Signal personnel employed within a Division, exceeds that of an Infantry Battalion. The control would differ, of course, very widely from that of the latter, inasmuch that a Signal Company must necessarily consist of sections and detachments attached for duty to various formations and units. No less than 83 units (i.e. from Division to Companies and Batteries, etc.) require to be served.

At present the powers of an Officer Commanding a Divisional Signal Company are very limited. Under the present system he is unable to fully and effectively control the communications within a Division and direct the work and training of Signallers of Battalions, Batteries, etc. - work for which, in practically all Divisions, he is held responsible by the Divisional Commander.

Under the suggested system, the Officer responsible for the Signals of a Division should be a Staff Officer with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, and the appointment of Deputy Assistant Director of Army Signals (D.A.D. Signals).

He would be the executive officer directing Signals throughout the whole of a Division, one subaltern assisting him in administration, with an Officer in charge of Lines (Captain) directly controlling Lines for both Artillery and Infantry.

By a re-arrangement, and slight additions to the existing system, Divisional Signals would then be composed as follows :-

Two separate Signal Companies to be formed. One Signal Company to control all signals of Artillery, including Trench Mortar Batteries and Machine Gun Companies; and one Signal Company to control all signals of Infantry.

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DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY SIGNAL COMPANY

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DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY SIGNAL COMPANY.

In regard to ARTILLERY, the R.A.H.Q. Detachment together with a Cable Detachment from No. 1 Section of existing Divisional Signal Company, the <sup>two</sup> Signal Sub-sections, and all Battery, Trench Mortar and Machine Gun Company Signallers would form a DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY SIGNAL COMPANY. The Captain at present allowed on the establishment of Divisional Signal Company for Artillery Signals, to be the Officer Commanding and to have one subaltern as second in command.

HEADQUARTERS.

1 Captain (Officer Commanding).  
 1 Subaltern (2nd. in Command.)  
 1 Company Serjeant Major (Warrant Officer, Class II.)  
 1 Company Quartermaster Serjeant.  
 1 Corporal.  
 1 Sapper (Cook.)  
 2 Sappers (Batmen.)  
 3 Motor Cyclists.  
 1 Complete Cable Detachment.

Trench Mortar and Machine Gun Company Signallers also.  
 Remainder as at present.

TWO ARTILLERY BRIGADE SIGNAL SECTIONS.

As at present, with addition of two linemen, one Mechanic (Sapper) and one Driver to each Section.

BATTERY SIGNAL SECTIONS.

As at present, with a Serjeant in charge each Section.

DIVISIONAL INFANTRY SIGNAL COMPANY.

To be composed as follows:-

HEADQUARTERS.

Major (Officer Commanding).  
 Captain (2nd. in Command).  
 Lieut. (Adjutant & Quartermaster).  
 Regimental Serjeant Major (Warrant Officer, Class I).  
 Regimental Quartermaster Serjeant (Warrant Officer,  
 Class II.).  
 2nd. Corporal (Storeman.)  
 Corporal (Mechanic).  
 Corporal (Orderly Room).  
 Lance Corporal (Clerk).  
 Corporal (Draughtsman).  
 Lance Corporal (Draughtsman).  
 @ Farrier Serjeant.  
 2 Sappers (Cooks).  
 6 Sappers (Signalmen).

@ From present No. 1 section.

Remainder as at present.

@ WIRELESS SECTION.

@ Includes Power Buzzer and Amplifier personnel.

1 Subaltern.  
 1 Serjeant.

WIRELESS

As at present.

POWER BUZZER AND AMPLIFIER.

1 Corporal.  
 1 2nd. Corporal.  
 @ 16 Sappers  
 @ 16 Sappers. @ Includes 1 Lance Corporal.

NO. 1 SECTION (3 DETACHMENTS, rearranged from existing personnel).

2 Subalterns.  
 1 Serjeant.  
 3 Corporals.  
 1 Shoeing and Carriage Smith.  
 2 Sappers (batmen)  
 15 Drivers.  
 x 33 Sappers. x Includes 3 Lance Corporals.

3 INFANTRY BRIGADE SIGNAL SECTIONS.

Each. 1 Captain. (Officer Commanding).  
 1 Subaltern. (to remain).  
 1 2nd. Corporal (Mechanic).  
 1 Lance Corporal (Storeman).  
 6 Sappers (Linemen).  
 4 Sappers (Pigeoneers).  
 1 Sapper (Cook).  
 4 Sappers (Signalmen).

Existing 2nd. Corporal in Telephone Detachment to be  
 Corporal.

Remainder as at present.

12 BATTALION SIGNAL SECTIONS.

Each. 1 Subaltern.

Remainder as at present and, in addition, to include  
 the COMPANY Signallers.

DETAILS OF TRADES.

The following trades should be in addition to those  
 already authorised.

DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY SIGNAL COMPANY?

HEADQUARTERS.- Switchboard Operators 2 x  
 Telegraph Operators 4 x  
 Instrument Repairers 1  
 Motor Cyclists 3  
 Harness Maker 1 x  
 Cook 1 x

ARTILLERY BRIGADE SIGNAL SECTIONS (each).-

Switchboard Operators	2	x
Instrument Repairers	1	
Telegraph Operators	2	x
Linemen, dismounted	2	

DIVISIONAL INFANTRY SIGNAL COMPANY.

<u>HEADQUARTERS.-</u>	Signalmen	6	
	Draughtsmen	2	
	Clerks	2	
	Cooks	2	
	Instrument Repairers	2	

<u>WIRELESS SECTION.-</u>	Instrument Repairer	1	x
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<u>NO. 1 SECTION.-</u>	Instrument Repairers	2	x
	Telegraph Operators	6	x
	Permanent Linemen	3	x
	Field linemen, mounted	12	x
	" " Dismounted	12	x
	Wheelers	1	x
	Harness Makers	2	x
	Drivers	15	x

3 INFANTRY BRIGADE  
SIGNAL SECTIONS (each)

Switchboard Operators	2	x
Signalmen	4	
Instrument Repairers	1	
Field Linemen, dis- mounted	6	
Cook	1	
Storeman	1	
Pigeoneers	4	

x To be drawn from personnel authorised and at present with Units.

The attached diagram illustrates the suggested Re-Organisation.

With regard to D.A.D. Signals administration - the Clerks and Draughtsmen provided for on the Headquarters of the Infantry Divisional Signal Company could perform the necessary work required. In this connection a typewriter and accessories and draughting requisites would be essential.

The three Subalterns provided for with Infantry Brigade Signal Sections, when not engaged in active operations, should be made available according to instructions as issued by D.A.D. Signals for purposes of training Signal personnel.

In forwarding these suggestions, it is regretted that sufficient time was not available for a more exhaustive and detailed report to be submitted.

It is believed

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It is believed that more fruitful results would accrue if a consultation of O.C. Divisional Signal Companies was first held by each Corps; and a certain number of selected Divisional Signal Company Commanders were permitted to personally place the Corps' representative views on this and other matters affecting Divisional Signals, before Conferences which are held at G.H.Q. from time to time.

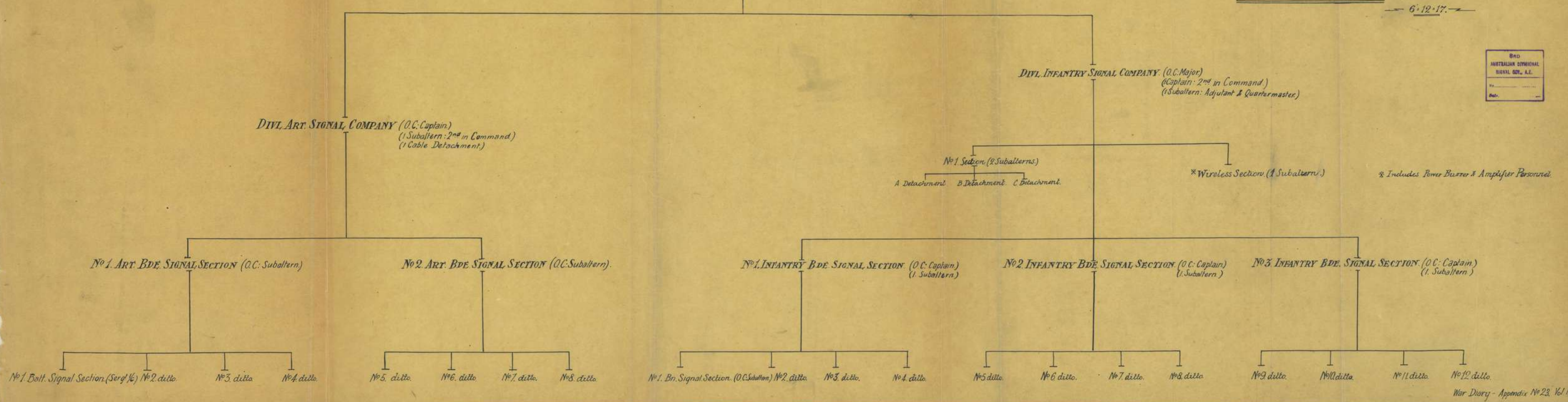
*R.G. Hamilton*

O.C. 3rd. Australian Divisional Signal Coy. A.E. Major.

SUGGESTED ORGANIZATION FOR SIGNAL SERVICE  
WITH AN INFANTRY DIVISION

6.12.17.

D.A.D. SIGNALS (Lt Col)  
ASSISTANT TO D.A.D. SIGNALS (1 Subaltern)  
Officer & Lines (1 Captain)



8th
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SIGNAL Coy. A.E.
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To Auditor, A.I.F.,  
Adm. Hd. Qrs.,  
LONDON.

3RD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL SIGNAL COY., A.E.	
No.	PA 233
Date	6/12/17

REGIMENTAL FUNDS - CASH STATEMENT.

Month ending 30th. November, 1917.

DR.				CR.			
RECEIPTS.	£	s	d	EXPENDITURE.	£	s	d.
1/11/17. Balance brought forward	52	17	7	5/11/17. Cash drawn for purchase of Canteen supplies	29	6	8
5/11/17. Sale of dripping		16	2	31/11/17. Balance carried forward.	24	7	1
	53	13	9		53	13	9

(sd) R. G. HAMILTON, Major.  
O.C., 3rd. Aust. Divl. Signal Co. A.E.

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