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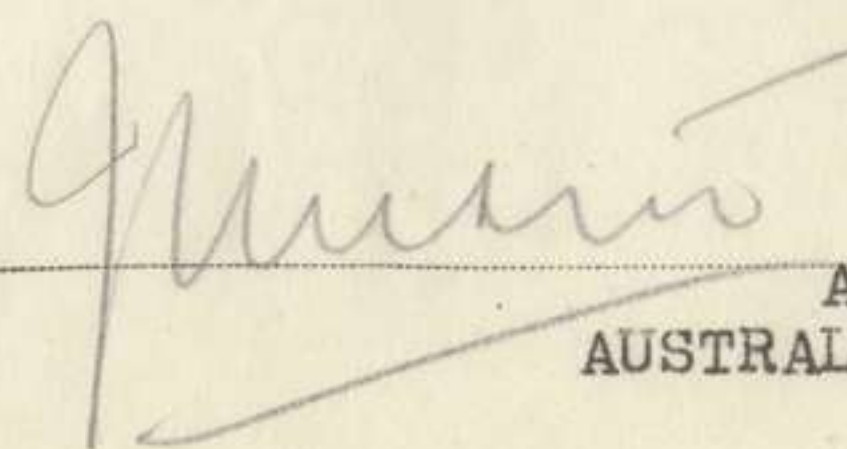
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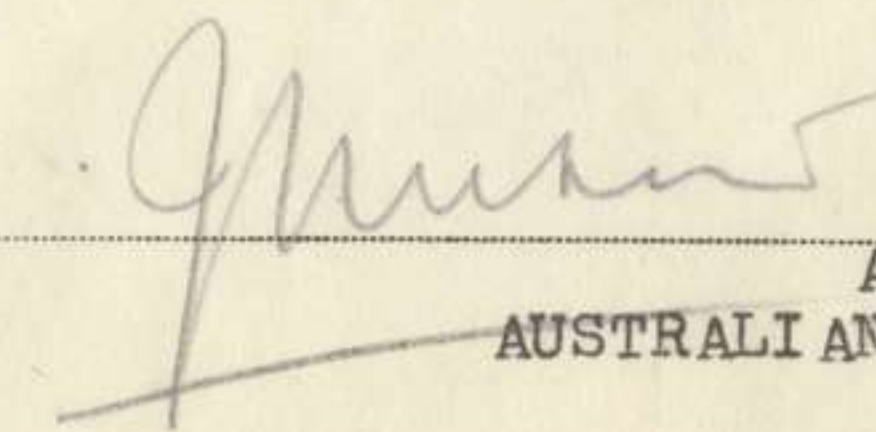
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A.D.O.S.,
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

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WAR DIARY

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== INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY ==

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
HAM sur HEURE.	Jan. 1919			
	1		Wrote D.D.O.S. Fourth Army that we would not require the services of an I.O.M. for Corps Armourers Shop in view of the early demobilization of same.	
	2		Wire received from Fourth Army, hastening report on ceded Guns, etc. Previous instructions were not received here, hence the delay.	
	3		To I.O.M. No.1 and I.O.M. No.3 Ord. Mobile Wkshops and instructed them to inspect ceded Guns, Machine Guns, Trench Mortars, etc. To H.Q. 4th Division. Answered questions re stores lost in Meteren Dump. To D.A.D.O.S. 4th Division re 470 German Machine Guns at Hastiere Lavaux. To D.D.O.S. Fourth Army re report on above. Drafted Administrative Instruction No.13 *	* Appendix. 62.A.
	4		Colonel Wynter, C.A.A.G..A.I.F. called and told me that Condrs. Newman, Sawyer, McCredie, and Watt's commissions were approved. Received reports on German Guns, Machine Guns, etc. and forwarded same to Fourth Army. Completion expected tomorrow. A.Q.M.G's and A.A.G's approval for disbandment of Corps Armourers Shop, obtained.	
	5		G.O.C., R.A. saw me regarding Clothing, Boots and Underclothing for 3rd Div. Artillery. Referred him to "Q" for underclothing through Baths Officer and promised to look into the question of Clothing and Boots.	
	6		To D.A.D.O.S. 5th Division regarding issues to the 3rd Div. Artillery. Found there are about 500 prs of Breeches, 500 prs Boots and 250 Hats outstanding. To Corps Armourers Shop and told Sergeant in charge to be ready to move tomorrow. Rang D.A.D.O.S. Corps Troops and told him to move armourers shop to his dump. Letter giving details of disbandment written. *	* Appendix 63.A.
			Actg. D.A.D.O.S. 4th Division called and complained of shortage of Nosebags, Horse Rugs and Clipping Machines. Told him to put facts on paper and I would deal with it. He has a surplus of Breeches, M.S. so I told him to deliver same to D.A.D.O.S. Corps Troops tomorrow. Told D.A.D.O.S. 5th to collect same for 3rd Div. Artillery.	
	7		To I.O.M. 1st Aust. Ord. Mobile Wkshop. I.O.M. 3rd Aust. Ord. Mobile Wkshop called and	

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HAM sur HEURE	7th	contd.	was instructed to report on 10 German Guns lying at Florennes.	
	8th		Rang D.D.O.S. Fourth Army and told him there was serious trouble with the men of one Division and that one of their complaints was lack of Clothing and Boots. Asked him to wire Calais and ask them to make sure that all demands for Breeches, M.S. from this Corps, are met in full.	
	11th		O.C., No. 1 Aust. Ord. Amm. Unit reports move to JEUMONT is complete. Proceeded to England on leave. During my absence A.Q.M.G. Aust. Corps officiated as A.D.O.S. For any entries regarding the work of this office during the remainder of this month, see War Diary of "Q" Branch, Aust. Corps.	

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A.D.O.S. AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.
62 A.	Administrative Instruction No.13 re Mobilization Equipment.
63 A.	Instructions regarding disbandment of Aust. Corps Armourers Workshop.

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Headquarters,
2nd January 1918.ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS No. 13.MOBILIZATION EQUIPMENT.

It is realised that Units are deficient of stores which were not used, or it was impossible to carry, but, with a view to correct adjustment on Demobilization, all Units will immediately hold thorough equipment inspections and submit indents under the following headings for all deficiencies :-

- I. Lost or rendered unserviceable prior to 11-11-1918, which are required.
- II. Lost or rendered unserviceable prior to 11-11-1918, which are not required.
- III. Lost or rendered unserviceable since 11-11-1918, which are required.
- IV. Lost or rendered unserviceable since 11-11-1918, which are not required.

Indents under I and III will be rendered in duplicate; under II and IV in triplicate, and endorsed with the statement of the category under which they come.

Officers Commanding Units will render certificates through the usual channels to reach AUSTRALIAN CORPS by 14-1-1919, on the following pro-forma :-

"I certify that I have held a thorough inspection of the equipment of this Unit and submitted Indents to complete to scale laid down in latest Mobilization Store Table amended by G.R.Os. and Q.M.G. Authorities.

Sgd/
O.C., (Unit)."

This is the last opportunity of completing equipment, and it is essential that great care be taken in the preparation of these indents, as deficiencies on Demobilization will be the responsibility of the Officer Commanding the Unit.

J. H. V. Meyer
Lieut. Colonel

Brigadier-General,
D. A. & Q. M. G.
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

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Headquarters,
6th January 1919.

D.A.D.O.S.,
Aust. Corps Troops.

Corps Armourers Workshop.

In the absence of Captain H.S. BEST, A.I.A., on 75 days leave, I wish you to disband the above on lines indicated below.

1. The Workshop will be disbanded as from 8-1-1919.
2. Authorised establishment of Tools, Stores, etc., as per lists in possession of Sergt. ARMSTRONG, will be returned to O.O., Demobilization Depot, Calais Dunes, Siding, Beaumarais.
3. The Lathe and Drilling Machine not on above lists will be returned with Tools, etc.
4. Lists of stores, etc., returned, will be rendered to this office in quadruplicate on pro-forma as under -

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5. The Engine and Dynamo will be issued to 4th Aust. Division on application.
6. All surplus tools, etc., will be issued to C.E. for use in Educational Shops.
7. The personnel will be distributed as under :-

5978	T/Sgt.	ARMSTRONG	A.	att.	D.A.D.O.S.,	Corps Troops.
1072	T/Cpl.	THOMPSON	F.	"	"	"
3233A	T/Sgt.	BOWEN	H.N.	to	"	4th Aust. Div.
4536	T/Cpl.	LAW	G.L.	"	No.1 Aust. O.M.W. (M).	
3498	L/Cpl.	McBAIN	J.M.	"	D.A.D.O.S.,	2nd Aust. Div.
663	Pte.	SCHURR	J.R.	"	"	2nd " "
407	"	CHAMBERLAIN	F.E.	"	"	5th " "

8. The above N.C.Os. and Men will not be shown on A.F. B.213 as transferred unless they can be absorbed in their present or higher rank. They will be shown as "attached" from Corps Armourers Workshop.

Major,
For A.D.O.S.
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.