

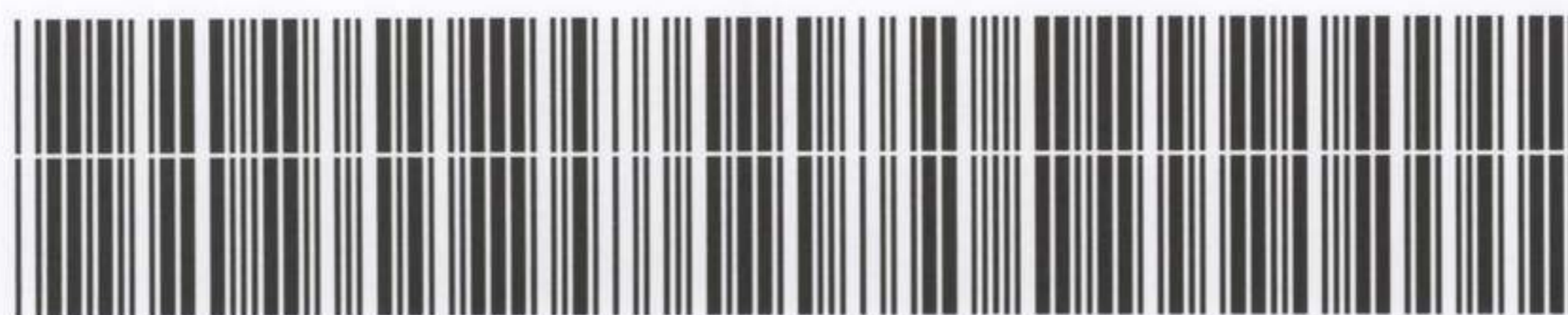
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OF

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF
SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

FOR

MONTH of MAY 1918.

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May 1918

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BEAUCOURT	1918 May 1st.		FOURTH ARMY A.& Q. notes received	App.1.
			Arrangements made for the relief of the Division by the 47th. Division. The D.A.Q.M.G. 47th. Division has been living with us for three days in order to familiarise himself with the sector and today the A.A. & Q.M.G. 47th. Division arrived and is living at our Headquarters. This is unusual but was advisable because the 47th. Division was away back near ABBEVILLE, and the personnel were brought up in one staging in lorries.	
BERTANGLES	2nd.		Divisional Headquarters moves to BERTANGLES.	
			Relief completed at 10 a.m., when Headquarters Second Australian Division opened at BERTANGLES Chateau. As the Division will probably be out in rest (Corps Reserve) for only nine days every effort will be made to bathe and provide every man with clean underclothing during that time.	
	3rd.		Advice received from D.A.G. A.I.F. that authority given in A.I.F. Order 1442 for 20 extra sappers per Field Company Engineers is cancelled.	
	4th.		Weekly Strength Return	App.2.
			Owing to an additional Division being placed in the line to the immediate North of us, it became necessary to move the 5th. Australian Infantry Brigade out of the MONTIGNY Area. We made arrangements to accommodate them in ALLONVILLE and CARDONETTE, leaving one Battalion in FRECHENCOURT. A.Q. visited 7th. Brigade in the afternoon in the RIVERY Area to see that accommodation was satisfactory there.	
	5th.		D.A.G., A.I.F. advises approval given for Captain R.C. WERTHEIM Second Australian Pioneer Battalion to be Intelligence Officer AUSTRALIAN CORPS and Lieut. M.E. DENING, 31st. Battalion to be Intelligence Officer Second Australian Division.	
			5th. Brigade moved to ALLONVILLE and CARDONETTE.	

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ALLONVILLE	May 5th.		Major-General SMYTH and A.A. & Q.M.G. went to 6th. Brigade Church Parade at QUERRIEU, attended by General BIRDWOOD, who presented medal ribbons after the service, and then addressed the Brigade, thanking them for their good service in the line since their arrival on the SOMME front. The whole Brigade afterwards marched past General BIRDWOOD and made a splendid showing. General BIRDWOOD then assembled all the Officers and addressed them for about 10 minutes on "leadership".	
			Divisional Headquarters moves to ALLOnVILLE.	
	6th.		A.A. & Q.M.G. visited 3rd. Australian Divisional Headquarters at St. GRATIEN and obtained particulars of the administration of their sector, locations of units, system of supply of rations and ammunition, water points, canteens, working parties, traffic control, bomb dumps, transport lines, kitchens etc, with a view to arranging for our relief of that Division in a few days time.	
	7th.		Administrative Memorandum No.206 issued to Units giving administrative arrangements for relief of 3rd. Australian Division in "B" Divisional Area.	App.3.
	8th.		The D.A.A.G.3rd. Australian Division visited us in order to get details of our dispositions etc, in view of them taking over our billets etc in Corps Reserve.	
			FOURTH ARMY A.& Q. notes received	App.4.
			Addendum to Administrative Memorandum no.206 issued to Units.	App,5.
			A.A. & Q.M.G. visited the Headquarters of the 5th, 6th. and 7th. Brigades at CARDONETTE, QUERRIEU and RIVERY respectively in order to talk to Staff Captains about the relief of 3rd. Division.	
	9th.		Letter to Units forwarding copy of AUSTRALIAN CORPS Letter with reference to stealing of horses.	App6
			A.A. & Q.M.G. visited 3rd. Australian Divisional Headquarters at St. GRATIEN and 11th. Inf. Brigade Headquarters at FRECHE COURT.	

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ALLONVILLE	May 9th.		<p>6th. Brigade relieved 10th. Brigade in the line.</p> <p>A.A. & Q.M.G. visited Corps Headquarters reference relief of 3rd. Division, as it is noticed that a great number of men are now living in billets in FRANVILLERS, LA HOUSOYE, QUERRIEU and PONT MOYELLES, within comparatively easy shelling range of the enemy, and it is feared that we might easily suffer heavy casualties in those places from shelling and bombing. A request for trench shelters so that these men may live in the trench systems close to the villages was favourably received - 300 being promised for the next day. This particularly applies to the Reserve Brigade and the Divisional Train.</p> <p>5th. Brigade relieved the 9th. Brigade in the line and 7th. Brigade relieved the 11th. Brigade in reserve.</p>	
St. GRATIEN	11th.		<p>Weekly Strength Return</p> <p>Relief of 3rd. Australian Division completed and command changed at 10 a.m.</p> <p>A.A. & Q.M.G. and D.A.Q.M.G. visited the Baths and Canteen at QUERRIEU, the Bomb Dump on the Albert Road (near LA HOUSOYE) and the 5th. and 6th. Brigade Headquarters at HEILLY.</p> <p>Divisional Headquarters moved to St. GRATIEN.</p>	App. 7.
	12th.		<p>A.A. & Q.M.G. visited 7th. Brigade at FRECHENCOURT and the Town Majors at FRANVILLERS, LA HOUSOYE and QUERRIEU, and afterwards went to Corps Headquarters, at BERTANGLES to get more trench shelters.</p>	
	13th.		<p>Letter to D.A.G. A.I.F. recommending that Lieut. N.R. MEARNS 20th. Battalion be appointed Divisional Gas Officer vice Captain R.J. McNIVEN 18th. Battalion.</p> <p>A.A. & Q.M.G. visited the Reinforcement Wing at BERTEAUCOURT. The Battalion Nucleus personnel, 108 per Battalion, are living there, and exchanges are made with tired men about once a week. Two C.Os. and two Company Commanders per Battalion are also there in order that they may have a spell from the strain of Command in the front line. The Nucleus Personnel and the reinforcements are all under the Command of the senior officer present, usually a Lieutenant-Colonel.</p>	
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St. GRATIEN	May 14th.		D.A.Q.M.G. went to ABBEVILLE to arrange for the storage of our kits which were dumped at ARQUES just before the Division left the SECOND ARMY. It became necessary to move them from ARQUES because all accommodation there is required for the French Troops who have gone North to assist the SECOND ARMY against the German offensive at ARMENTIERES and MESSINES. 17th. Battalion took 50 prisoners.	
			A.A. & Q.M.G. visited the Divisional Bomb Dump and found supply of S.A.A. and bombs correct; afterwards visited 5th. Brigade Headquarters at HEILLY.	
	15th.		FOURTH ARMY Q & Q notes received.	App. 8.
			A.A. & Q.M.G. visited 7th. Brigade Headquarters and then with Staff Captain visited the Battalions in the trench systems east of FRANVILLERS and LA HOUSOYE to make sure their accommodation was good, the men comfortable, supplies and kitchens O.K. etc.	
	16th.		Letter to French Mission requesting that civilians be evacuated from villages of LA HOUSOYE and FRANVILLERS as these places are constantly shelled.	
			A.A. & Q.M.G. experimented with message carrying rockets, for S.O.S. signals when fog, smoke and dust prevent the ordinary S.O.S. rocket from being seen. These are fitted with a whistle to attract attention, and give off a bright light during flight, and smoke to show where they fall. Can be fired within 100 x of a mark at ranges of 1300, 1600 and 1900 yards.	
	17th.		A.A. & Q.M.G. visited D.A.G. A.I.F. to discuss questions of promotion of Officers and N.C.Os.	
	18th.		Letter to Units giving locations of water points in Divisional Area.	App. 9.
			Letter to Units giving instructions for taking on strength of reinforcements	App. 10.
			Administrative Memorandum No. 207 issued to Units reference to the demanding of Machine Guns and Trench Mortars from D.A.D.O.S. to replace others destroyed by shell fire.	App. 11.
			Weekly Strength Return	App. 12.
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St. GRATIEN	May 18th.		General BIRDWOOD visited Divisional Headquarters. A.A. & Q.M.G. visited 6th. Brigade Headquarters to ascertain that all supply preparations for tomorrow's attack were perfected.	
	19th.		Congratulatory message received from General Sir H. RAWLINSON Bart, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., K.C.M.G., Commanding FOURTH ARMY.	
			Letter to Units forwarding copy of message from General RAWLINSON	App.13.
			A.A. & Q.M.G. visited 5th. and 6th. Brigade Headquarters at HEILLY and found all O.K. after the attack, also the P.O.W Cage at FRANVILLERS. Special attention was paid to the Straggler Posts and general discipline between Battalion and Divisional Headquarters; this was found to be very satisfactory - only 1 Straggler.	
	20th.		D.A.G. A.I.F. advised approval given for Major S. FLETCHER 2nd. Aust. Mob. Vet. Section to Command 1st. Aust. Evacuating Station and Captain W. MacGREGOR A.A.V.C. to Command 2nd. Aust. Mobile Veterinary Section.	
			Letter to Units giving revised list of cemeteries in the FOURTH ARMY Area.	App.14.
			General SMYTH ordered to proceed to 58th. Division on 21st. General ROSENTHAL arrived as his successor.	
			A.A. & Q.M.G. visited Corps Headquarters to see A.Q.M.G. requests of supplies.	
	21st.		Army Commander and Corps Commander visited Divisional Headquarters.	
			Letter received from Aust. Corps advising that owing to shipments of horses and mules from United Kingdom being small it has become necessary to discharge animals from Veterinary Hospitals, which are not up to the usual high standard. Consideration to be given to this by Veterinary Officers and remounts should not be rejected without very careful inspection.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ST. GRATIEN	May 21st.		<p>Congratulatory wire received from Field Marshal Sir Douglas HAIG, K.T., G.C.B., G.C.V.O., K.C.I.E., Commander-in-Chief.</p> <p>Letter to Units forwarding copy of congratulatory wire from Commander-in-Chief.</p>	App. 15.
	22nd.		<p>FOURTH ARMY A & Q notes received</p> <p>Letter to all units with reference to fresh vegetable ration.</p> <p>Letter to units reference remounts</p> <p>Letter to units reference captured trophies</p>	App. 16. App. 17. App. 18. App. 19.
	23rd.		<p>A.A. & Q.M.G. visited 5th. Brigade Headquarters reference Court of Enquiry into circumstances surrounding wagon salvaged from ^{by} 5th. Field Company and alleged to be stolen from 38th. Division.</p>	
	24th.		<p>Advise received from D.A.G. A.I.F. that approval is given for Lieut. N.R. MEARNES 20th. Battalion to be Divisional Gas Officer vice Captain R.V. McNIVEN, 18th. Battalion, dated 8.5.18.</p> <p>Letter received from Australian Corps pointing out necessity for keeping recommendations for Honours confidential. All officers and Chaplains to be informed that any reference to recommendations in letters to relatives of deceased soldiers is forbidden.</p> <p>Australian Corps calls attention to danger of services of valuable officers being lost through their continuing to be subjected to strain of active operations; when tactical situation permits two Commanding Officers per Brigade and two Company Commanders per Battalion should be with nucleus having a spell.</p>	
	25th.		<p>Administrative Memorandum No. 208 issued to Units giving list of spare parts of Lewis Guns to be taken into action with guns.</p> <p>Weekly Strength Return</p>	App. 20. App. 21.

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St. GRATIEUX	May 26th.		Letter to Div. Reinforcement Wing instructing that all reinforcement signallers for Division will be retained at the Wing until examined by an Officer of the 2nd. Australian Divisional Signal Company. Those selected will be drafted to Div. Signal Company.	
	27th.		<p>Letter from 5th. Aust. Inf. Brigade stating that as Lieut-Colonel A.J.BENNETT, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D. 20th. Battalion is physically unfitted to command a Battalion in the field it is recommended that he be given a position at the Base where his services will be of value.</p> <p>Letter to D.A.G. A.I.F recommending Lieut-Colonel BENNETT be employed at the Base.</p> <p>Letter to D.A.G., A.I.F. recommending Major L.G.FUSSELL, M.C. 17th. Battalion be appointed to temporarily command 20th. Battalion vice Lieut-Colonel BENNETT and to be temporary Lieut-Colonel</p>	App.22.
	28th.		<p>Letter to units advising that the Corps Commander will say au revoir to Officers of the Division on the 28th, giving particulars of itinerary.</p> <p>A.A. & Q.M.G. in office all day checking recommendations for immediate awards for 5th. and 6th. Brigades fighting at VILLE-sur-ANCRE.</p>	
	29th.		<p>Letter to D.A.G. A.I.F. recommending that as Lieut-Colonel H.M.BEIERS, M.C. 19th. Battalion has returned to duty he resumes command of 19th. Battalion and Lieut-Colonel F.W.D.FORBES, D.S.O., be transferred to command 20th. Battalion vice Lieut-Colonel A.J.BENNETT, C.M.G., D.S.O. V.D.</p> <p>Australian Corps forwards copy of letter from A.I.F. Headquarters reference presentation of medals. Asks opinion as to whether medals should be presented in LONDON or AUSTRALIA instead of men receiving same in FRANCE with consequent risk of loss.</p> <p>Letter from Australian Corps advising that ordinary leave is re-opened on reduced scale Same to be granted with to Officers with not less than 5 months and Other Ranks with 12 months service in FRANCE. All other cases to be special leave and approved by Corps. Allotment to 2nd. Australian Division is four per day via BOULOGNE.</p> <p>Leave allotment issued to units.</p>	App.23

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St. GRATIEN	May 29th.		<p>Instructions received from Australian Corps as to procedure to be followed when horse casualties occur owing to enemy bombing.</p> <p>Letter to Units instructing accordingly.</p>	
	30th.		<p>Letter received from 7th. Aust. Inf. Brigade recommending that Lieut-Colonel F.L.DAWSON 25th. Battalion be relieved of Command of Battalion and transferred from Brigade owing to neglect to ensure that all ranks of his Battalion were taught nature and effect of gas and properly trained in precautionary measures against gas.</p> <p>Letter to 7th. Aust. Inf. Brigade returning above correspondence which is to be shown to Lieut-Colonel DAWSON who will make a statement re same should he so desire.</p> <p>D.A.G. A.I.F. advises that administration of the A.A.O.C. will be carried out by the O.C., A.A.O.C.</p>	
	31st.		<p>Letter to units forwarding copy of letter from FOURTH ARMY reference erection of crosses in Army cemeteries.</p> <p>Letter to Infantry Brigades and C.R.A. forwarding copy of letter from Australian Corps reference presentation of medals. Asks views on this matter. G.O.C. is of opinion that medals should be presented in AUSTRALIA when relatives and friends of soldiers could be present.</p> <p>D.A.G. A.I.F. advises that Captain C.R.E. JENNINGS D.C.M.O. has been selected for duty as Court Martials Officer at A.I.F. Headquarters LONDON.</p> <p>A.A. & Q.M.G. visited 5th. and 7th. Brigade Headquarters at HEILLY.</p>	App.24.

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FOR

MONTH of MAY 1918.

LIST OF APPENDICES.

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✓ 1.	FOURTH ARMY A. & Q. NOTES.
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✓ 5.	ADDENDUM TO ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No. 206.
✓ 6.	Letter to Units re HORSE STEALING.
✓ 7.	WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN.
✓ 8.	FOURTH ARMY A. & Q. NOTES.
✓ 9.	LETTER TO UNITS RE LOCATION OF WATER POINTS IN DIVISIONAL AREA
✓ 10.	LETTER TO UNITS RE REINFORCEMENTS IN CORPS REINFORCEMENT CAMP.
✓ 11.	ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No. 207.
✓ 12.	WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN.
✓ 13.	LETTER TO UNITS FORWARDING CONGRATULATORY WIRE FROM ARMY COMMANDER ON CAPTURE OF VILLE-sur-ANCRE.
✓ 14.	LETTER TO UNITS FORWARDING LIST OF CEMETERIES IN FOURTH ARMY AREA.
✓ 15.	LETTER TO UNITS FORWARDING CONGRATULATORY WIRE FROM FIELD MARSHAL Sir DOUGLAS HAIG, K.T., G.C.B., G.C.V.O., K.C.I.E. on CAPTURE OF VILLE-sur-ANCRE.
✓ 16.	FOURTH ARMY A. & Q. NOTES.
✓ 17.	LETTER TO UNITS RE VEGETABLE RATION.
✓ 18.	LETTER TO UNITS re HORSES and MULES
✓ 19.	LETTER TO UNITS re CAPTURED TROPHIES.
✓ 20.	ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No. 208.
✓ 21.	WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN.
✓ 22.	LETTER TO UNITS REFERENCE DEPARTURE OF CORPS COMMANDER.
✓ 23.	LETTER TO UNITS re LEAVE.
✓ 24.	LETTER TO UNITS FORWARDING COPY OF LETTER FROM D.A.D.G.R. & E. re ERECTION OF CROSSES IN CEMETERIES.

These Notes are to be shown to the G.O.C. Formation.

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FOURTH ARMY A & Q NOTES.

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SUMMARY OF SICKNESS DURING PERIOD 20-4-18 to 27-4-18.

FORMATION.	Sick percent- age all ranks admitted to Field Ambu- lances.	Sick percent- age all ranks evacuated to the Base.	Number of cases of principal cause of sick ad- mission.	Number of cases of Trench Foot admitted to Field Ambu- lances.
Corps and Army Troops.	.47	.46	-	-
<u>III CORPS:</u>				
8th Divn.	.82	.55	P.U.O. 24	-
18th "	.93	.80	P.U.O. 16	-
58th "	1.82	1.80	I.C.T. 43	4
<u>AUST:CORPS.</u>				
2nd Aus.Div.	1.26	1.23	P.U.O. 27	2
3rd " "	1.38	1.30	Scabies 19	1
4th " "	.99	1.09	" 23	4
5th " "	1.09	1.35	P.U.O. 22	4
TOTAL	.83	.83	-	11

Sick Percentage in all Armies for Week Ending 20-4-18.

	Admitted to Field Ambulances.	Evacuated to the Base.
First Army	*	*
Second "	1.07	1.03
Third "	1.61	1.24
Fourth "	.81	.50

* Figures not received.

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APPENDIX

306. WASTAGE IN HORSES DURING WEEK ENDING 25-4-18.

FORMATION.	WASTAGE.					Preventable Cases and Principal Diseases.					
	Number of Animals on Strength.	Killed and destroyed.	Died.	Evacuated.	TOTALS.	Debility.	Colic.	Mange.	Cracked Heels.	Picked up Wall.	Kicks.
<u>ARMY TROOPS.</u>	775	-	-	5	5	-	-	-	3	-	3
<u>AUSTRALIAN CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops.	7713	93	6	137	236	68	12	2	1	19	13
2nd Aust. Div.	2996	9	1	19	29	3	-	1	-	11	10
3rd " "	2949	39	-	12	51	-	1	-	9	6	-
4th " "	2527	7	-	6	13	2	3	2	-	6	6
5th " "	2323	95	-	6	101	1	-	-	-	2	-
<u>III CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops.	1836	73	1	101	172	28	17	1	-	6	-
8th Div. Less Art.	1423	3	1	3	7	-	2	-	-	1	2
18th Division.	2670	1	-	15	16	9	-	2	-	2	2
58th " "	2541	28	1	23	52	4	-	7	-	3	4
61st " Arty.	1306	41	-	45	86	8	-	-	-	-	-
<u>XIX CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops.	2165	-	-	35	35	-	2	-	2	5	21
8th Div. Arty.	1377	-	2	96	98	55	1	-	-	-	4
TOTAL.	32501	386	12	303	901	176	38	15	14	61	65

Battle casualties amounting to 447, of which 177 were killed and 46 destroyed, are included in the wastage shown above.

307.

WASTAGE IN MULES DURING WEEK ENDING 25-4-18.

FORMATION.	Number of Animals on Strength.	W A S T A G E.				Preventable Cases and Principal Diseases.					
		Killed and Destroyed.	Died.	Evacuated.	T O T A L.	Debility.	Colic.	Diarrhoea.	Cracked Heels.	Picked up Nail.	Ticks.
<u>ARMY TROOPS.</u>	227	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>AUST. CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops	1800	10	1	11	22	1	-	-	-	2	-
2nd Aust. Div.	995	2	-	4	6	-	-	-	-	2	1
3rd " "	1036	6	-	3	9	-	-	-	2	4	-
4th " "	1253	3	-	3	6	1	-	-	-	-	2
5th " "	1391	23	-	-	23	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>III CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops	1125	-	1	1	2	-	2	-	-	-	-
8th Div. (less Arty.)	295	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
18th Div.	1295	-	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
58th " "	1182	14	1	3	18	1	2	-	-	-	-
61st " Arty.	588	-	-	8	8	4	-	-	-	-	-
<u>XIV CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops	79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8th Div. Arty.	330	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	11,876	53	4	40	102	7	4	-	2	14	4

Battle casualties amounting to 60, of which 16 died and 8 were destroyed, are included in the wastage shown above.

APPENDIX

308. REMOUNT SITUATION 27-4-18.

FORMATION.	Demands Outstanding.			Due from Base, or to be drawn F.R.S.				Balance.		
	Rdg.	L.D.	H.D.	Rdg.	L.D.	W.	H.D.	Rdg.	L.D.	H.D.
Army Troops Units.	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
III CORPS:										
Corps Troops	1	8	5	-	8	-	5	1	-	-
Army F.A.Bds. & D.A.	135	323	13	-	96	-	7	135	227	6
18th Divn.	19	4	6	-	-	-	-	19	4	6
18th D.A.	3	16	-	-	-	-	-	3	16	-
8th Divn.	35	27	9	-	-	-	-	35	27	9
58th "	15	24	24	1	3	-	10	14	21	14
VII CORPS:										
Corps Troops	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
AUST. CORPS:										
Corps Troops	11	13	5	-	-	-	-	11	13	5
Aust. F.A.Bds.	-	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	67	-
AFAB (Attached)	-	121	6	-	15	-	-	-	106	6
Hvy. Arty.	-	29	60	-	-	-	40	-	29	20
2nd Aust. Div.	17	30	17	-	-	-	10	17	30	7
2nd Aust. D.A.	-	76	-	-	-	-	-	-	76	-
3rd Aust. Div.	23	-	12	-	-	-	4	23	-	8
3rd Aust. D.A.	9	27	-	-	-	-	-	9	27	-
4th Aust. Div.	18	8	5	-	-	-	-	18	8	5
4th Aust. D.A.	14	71	-	-	-	-	-	14	71	-
5th Aust. Div.	23	40	17	-	40	-	10	23	-	7
5th Aust. D.A.	-	125	-	-	-	-	-	-	125	-
Total for Fourth Army	326	1009	181	1	182	-	86	325	847	95

During the week 878 Remounts have been issued to units.

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BROAD GAUGE RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

309.

Week Ending 24-4-18.

Line.	Estimated Track Mileage.	Track laid to date.	Percentage of work completed.
ALLERY to VIRY Earthwork for double tracking.	-	-	20
VIRY to FORCEVILLE Earthwork for double tracking.	-	-	10
ST. LEGER Supply Siding.	.164	.164	100
ST. LEGER Additional Siding.	.378	-	7
PERNOIS New Siding.	.663	.530	73
PERNOIS GARAGE Siding.	.312	-	25
VILLE-le-MARLET.	.8	.68	82
PONT REMY Sidings.	2.25	.5	18
POULAINVILLE Siding.	2.5	2.5	100
CROUY Sidings.	2.0	.1	20
LONGPRE "Y" Doubling.	.5	.2	60
BETTENCOURT Riviere Siding.	.4	.4	70
ALLERY YARD Extension.	.4	-	-
VIRY YARD.	.4	.3	60
FORCEVILLE Siding.	.4	.3	60
AIRAINES to LONGPRE.) Earthwork for double tracking.)	-	-	15
VIGNACOURT STONE Siding.	.23	.23	100
" Garage Sidings.	.82	-	5

LIGHT RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

310.

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ROADS.

311.

NEW WORK DONE DURING WEEK ENDING 27-4-18.

AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

POULAINVILLE COUR - 450 lineal feet completed on West side.
ST. GRATIEN - FRESCHENCOURT road - repairs put in hand.

III CORPS.

AMIENS South diversion road.

Sleeper track portion - 40% completed.
New road portion - 30% "
Re-surfacing - 8% "

NEW SLEEPER ROAD connecting LONGEAU - ROYE and LONGEAU - BOVES roads - through M.36.d. - completed 23-4-18.

Roads and streets in AMIENS used by M.T. have been considerably damaged by shell-fire, but repairs have been executed and roads put in proper order within 8 to 10 hours in every case.

Progress on AMIENS South diversion road would have been much greater if a regular supply of stone had been kept up.

XIX CORPS.

Artillery Park, PONT REMY - siding formation prepared.
Turning point for Gun Park at PONT REMY - AIRAINES road completed.
PONT REMY Stone Siding - 50% formation work completed.

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ROAD METAL.

312.

The following road metal has been delivered to Corps during week ending 27-4-18:-

Corps.	Nature.	Tons.
AUSTRALIAN	(Macadam	* 1,334
	(Chippings	62
III	(Macadam	1,164
	(Chippings	30
	(Gravel	875
Total		3,465

* 151 tons of this supplied to L. of C. (South) Area.

TRAFFIC IN THE LONGPRE AREA.

313.

Week Ending 26-4-18.

	Actual number of trucks for each class, as under:-		
	Traffic received into the Area.	Traffic loaded and off-loaded within the Area.	Traffic despatched from the Area.
Supplies	1530	-	18
Ammunition	845	-	-
Stone	324	-	-
R.E. Stores	502	1	26
Coal	28	-	-
Light Railway Material	-	-	1
Broad Gauge Material	172	-	-
Sand, Mine Earth & Ashes	174	2	-
Ambulance Trains despatched	-	-	19 trains

RETURN OF PERSONNEL MOVED BY RAIL IN THE LONGPRE TRAFFIC AREA.

314.

	Officers.	Other Ranks.
Strategical moves (outwards)	253	7,192
Tactical " " "	-	-
Reinforcements arriving in the Area	310	5,179
Miscellaneous units arriving in the Area	6	1,354
All personnel despatched, not included in above headings	229	5,993

Note: Exclusive of personnel returning from leave.

515.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOUR BY COMPANIES (EXCLUDING AREA EMPLOYMENT COMPANIES) ON 27-4-18 & AVERAGE WORKING STRENGTH DURING THE WEEK.

Corps.	No. of Coys.	TRANSPORTATION.						CORPS.			
		ROADS.		B.G. RLYS.		L. RLYS.		C.E.		ORD. SUPPLIES, AMM, SALVAGE., &c.	
		Brit. Coys.	Col'd Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd Coys.
III	15	5	-	-	-	-	-	7½	-	2½	-
AUST.	16	2	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-
XIX.	6	-	2	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-
ARMY AREA.	7½	1½	1½	-	-	-	-	2	1	1½	-
TOTAL.	44½	8½	3½	-	2	-	-	25½	1	4	-
	Total working strength							1803		887	
III	3828	1338	-	-	-	-	-	3705			
AUST.	4327	622	-	-	-	-	-	456			
XIX.	1882	-	652	-	774	-	-	331	352	579	
ARMY AREA.	2182	410	490	-	-	-	-				
TOTAL	12,199	2370	1142	-	774	-	-	6295	352	1266	-

516.

AREA EMPLOYMENT COMPANIES RETURN For Week Ending 27-4-18.

CORPS.	No. of Coys.	Effective Strength.	Non-effective Strength.	Working.
III	1 & Det.	310	15	310
AUST.	1	143	114*	143
XIX.	2	495	52	495
Army Area.	1	257	17	174
TOTAL	5	1205	193	1122

MECHANICAL TRANSPORT.

317. The table below shows the M.T. Situation in the Fourth Army on 27-4-18:-
The following abbreviations are used:-

L. 3-ton & 30-cwt. lorries.
F. Four-wheel drive "

C. Caterpillars.
A. Ambulances.
K. Motor cars.

FORMATION.	Type of Vehicle.	Establishment.	No. off road, owing to accidents, shell fire & minor causes.	No. off road owing to overhaul.	No. off road awaiting spare parts.	Evacuated, demanded, & awaiting replacement.	Total No. not available for duty.	Average number of lorries used daily.
Australian Corps	L.	1092	123	40	18	2	183	676
	F.	89	2	1	-	1	4	
	C.	47	1	1	1	-	3	
	A.	84	8	5	1	-	14	
	H.	61	2	1	1	4	8	
III Corps.	L.	760	62	29	17	5	113	635
	F.	-	-	-	-	2	5	
	C.	39	2	1	-	1	7	
	A.	63	5	3	-	1	10	
	H.	52	6	4	2	-	21	66
XIX Corps	L.	87	15	-	-	-	-	-
	F.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	C.	-	-	-	-	-	9	-
	A.	50	7	2	-	-	5	-
Army Troops.	H.	23	3	2	-	-	5	-
	L.	449	27	14	3	15	59	355
	F.	57	-	11	1	2	14	
	C.	6	-	-	-	1	1	
	A.	250	8	5	-	-	13	
Total for Fourth Army.	H.	70	1	9	1	4	15	
	L.	2388	227	87	40	22	376	1932
	F.	146	2	12	1	3	18	
	C.	92	3	2	1	3	9	
	A.	447	28	12	2	1	43	
H.	206	12	15	2	9	38		

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P.M.'s REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 27-4-1918.

	Army Troops.	Towns in Army Area.	III Corps.	XIX Corps.	Aust. Corps.	Total
Stragglers (Battle)	-	-	183	-	1	184
(Ordinary)	-	4	115	-	-	119
Absentees	-	-	50	13	95	158
Courts-Martial	-	-	11	12	31	54
<u>Charges made by Military Police:</u>						
Absent without leave	4	10	4	2	20	40
Drunkenness	8	1	21	7	5	42
Failing to salute	1	-	-	4	-	5
Improperly dressed	24	-	8	3	-	35
In estaminet during prohibited hours	2	-	5	-	7	14
Damage to crops	-	-	-	-	29	29
Miscellaneous	2	5	23	1	51	82
<u>Traffic Offences:</u>						
Trotting on pavé	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trotting H.D.horses	1	-	1	1	5	8
Riding on loaded vehicles	-	-	15	-	-	15
Leaving engine running	2	-	1	-	-	4
Vehicles unattended	-	-	2	-	2	4
Horses unrugged	-	-	-	-	-	-
Exceeding speed limit	5	-	6	38	30	79
Going against circuit	2	-	3	1	2	8
No Duty Order	-	-	-	-	-	-
No "look-out" man	2	-	18	5	1	26
Exercising on main roads	-	-	-	-	-	-
No traffic maps or arrows	-	-	-	-	-	-
No bits	-	-	16	1	-	17
Riding one horse and leading two	-	-	9	-	-	9
Double banking	-	-	-	4	-	4
Civilians riding on box car	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reckless driving	-	-	3	-	-	3
Using non-lorry routes	-	-	-	-	-	-
No rear number plate	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	4	1	-	4	9
TOTAL	53	20	136	67	157	433

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SUMMARY OF ECONOMY UNDERDRAWALS AT RAILHEAD.

Week Ending 20-4-18.

FORMATION.	Strength over period.	Value of Underdrawals.			Detail.									
					Complete rations.	Biscuit. lbs.	P. Meat. tins.	Jam. lbs.	Tea. lbs.	Rice. lbs.	M. & V. tins.	Bacon. lbs.	D. Fruit. lbs.	Cheese. lbs.
8th Divn.	102,542	£	s.	d.						17				
18th "	93,903	13	4	7	2	290	99	20						
58th "	128,500	Nil.												
66th "	43,371	Nil.												
2nd Aus. Div.	138,713	18	5	5							1341			209
3rd " "	127,584	13	16	5			50							
4th " "	98,392	11	13	0		112					641			
5th " "	134,114	50	13	5		1030	504							
III Ops. Tps.	139,252	Nil.												
XIX " "	108,608	Nil.												
Aust. " "	204,326	26	10	1			93	119		347	111	57	23	
Fourth Army Troops.	30,519	60	12	1		1005	724							
TOTAL	1,349,824	£195	9	8	2	2437	1470	139	17	2329	111	57	23	209

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SALVAGE.

During the week ending 27th April good progress has been made, and salvage work is settling down.

The sites of the Casualty Clearing Stations at NAMPS are now cleared, and the removal of salvage from that part of the area handed over to the French is being continued.

Good work has been done by the Corps. A considerable amount of salvage has been evacuated from FLESSELLES and VIGNACOURT. A Corps workshop has been opened at VIGNACOURT, where salvaged rifles are overhauled previous to re-issue.

Since the 25th April, all salvage organizations have been concentrated on the salvage of 18-pdr. and 4.5" shell cases, and 135,000 of which have been sent to the Base.

H C Holman

Hd.Qrs., Fourth Army.
30-4-18.
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Major-General,
D.A. & Q.I.G., Fourth Army.

UNIT	NO. OF SHELLS	NO. OF CASES	NO. OF RIFLES	NO. OF OTHER WEAPONS
JACOBS	30,110	1		
VIGNACOURT	50,230	1		
MIX	708,906			
III CORPS				



STATE OF AUSTRALIA

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 1918. MAY, 1918.

Unit	actually with	shown in Div arvn	a demand leave, etc.	Total strength	Slab- ment	required to com- plete or- estab- lish- ment.	over	estab- lish- ment.						
3rd. Div.	29	105		29	105	33	710	4	2					
4th. Div.	6	21		6	21	6	20		1					
5th. Div.	6	792	6	34	792	25	792	5	15					
6th. Div.	35	792	21	35	792	25	792	13	18					
7th. Div.	1	606	1	20	606	15	606	5	32					
8th. Div.	15	106	3	15	106	8	106	2	6					
9th. Div.	5	647	5	33	647	24	647	9	61					
10th. Div.	16	348	2	16	348	15	348	1	2					
11th. Div.	1	30	4	11	30	11	30	2						
12th. Div.	20	967	20	61	967	44	967	34	7					
13th. Div.	14	967	14	46	967	44	967	71	2					
14th. Div.	4	967	4	34	967	44	967	13	299					
15th. Div.	18	967	18	40	967	44	967	4	151					
16th. Div.	2	46	2	4	46	4	46		1					
17th. Div.	11	30	3	11	30	11	30	2						
18th. Div.	4	967	4	42	967	44	967	2	92					
19th. Div.	8	967	8	46	967	44	967	2	87					
20th. Div.	8	967	8	38	967	44	967	6	58					
21st. Div.	9	967	9	39	967	44	967	5	242					
22nd. Div.	4	46	4	4	46	4	46							
23rd. Div.	7	30	4	11	30	11	30							
24th. Div.	3	967	3	46	967	44	967	2	5					
25th. Div.	4	967	4	45	967	44	967	11	1					
26th. Div.	29	967	16	45	967	44	967	1	12					
27th. Div.	30	967	12	42	967	44	967	2	79					
28th. Div.	44	46	1	4	46	4	46		13					
29th. Div.	13	892	2	39	892	47	892	41	12					
30th. Div.	1	986	1	39	986	39	986		83					
31st. Div.	2	218	1	12	218	10	218	2						
32nd. Div.	1	218	1	11	218	10	218	1	12					
33rd. Div.	9	218	1	10	218	10	218		14					
34th. Div.	23	413	2	29	413	25	413	5						
35th. Div.	1	28	1	1	28	1	28							
36th. Div.	1	69	1	1	69	1	69	1						
TOTAL	728	14058	9	57	159	8455	799	17267	867	18289	36	1177	65	275

C. H. Cunningham
 Major, Australian Division.

FOR THE AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Copy No.....

Divisional Headquarters,
7th. May, 1918.

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No. 206.

Issued with General Staff Warning Order G.3/1/835
of the 5th. May.

BILLETING

Parties will report in advance to make the necessary
arrangements for billeting troops prior to arrival.

AREAS

The following is a list of Town Majors appointed
in 'B' Divisional Area :-

LA HOUSOYE	Lt. ARMSTRONG	3rd. Aust. Divn.
QUERRIEU	Lt. SIMONDS	-do-
PONT NOYELLES	Major STEWART	
MERICOURT	Lt. BOGLE	3rd. Aust. Divn.
RIBEMONT	Capt. CHISHOLM	-do-
HELLY	Lt. RICHARDS	-do-
BONNAY	Lt. GIBBS	-do-
FRANVILLERS	Lt. CROTTY	-do-
FRECHENCOURT	Capt. HARRISON	Cyclist Battalion
ST GRATIEN	Lt. FENWICK	

MOBILE
ECHELON

Full echelon will be carried

AMMUNITION

- Railhead - FLESSELLES
- A.R.P. - I.7. Central
- Divisional Reserve Dump B.20.d.6.2.
- S.A.A. Section D.A.C. I.7. Central.

The Divisional Bomb Officer will be located
at the A.R.P. to whom all indents for ammunition will
be sent. Brigade and Battalion reserves will be left
on wheels and the system of guides will be the same
as detailed in Administrative Memorandum No. 201.
Brigades will advise Divisional Headquarters the
locations selected for Brigade and Battalion mobile
reserves. In addition to the dumps above mentioned
dumps have been established in the defensive systems as
follows :-

	Sheet 62D.-	S.A.A.	T.M.C.ades.S.O.S.
<u>BRIDGE-HEAD</u>	I.29.b.6.3.	30,000	- No.23.300 --
<u>LINE.-</u>	I.24.b.3.5.	30,000	- No.23.300 --
	J.13.c.5.8.	30,000	- No.23.300 --
<u>BAIZIEUX</u>	Vicinity of BONNAY		
<u>LINE</u>	I.16.b.7.9.	25,000	500 No.23.1000 12. No.34.1000 No.35. 200
	HELLY Brickworks.		
	I.6.b.2.7.	25,000	500 No.23.1000 12 No.35. 200
	C.30.c.9.7.	10,000	
<u>FRANVILLERS</u>	Vicinity of	50,000	100 No.23.1000
<u>SYSTEM:</u>	I.13.c.7.4.		No.35. 200

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FRANVILLERS SYSTEM:
(Contd)

Sheet 62D	S.A.A.	T.M.C.	GRENADES	S.O.S.
BOIS ESCARDONNEUSE.				
Vicinity of				
I.14.b.9.6.	10,000	500.		

LA HOUSOYE				
I.8.b.or.d.	50,000	500.	No.23 1000.	
			No.35 200.	
			No.34 1000.	

Vicinity of FRANVILLERS:				
C.23.c.3.2.	50,000	500	No.23 1000.	
			No.35 200.	

LA HOUSOYE SYSTEM:

I.7.Central	50,000			
C.26.c.7.6.	50,000			
Wood -				
C.20.d.4.5.	50,000			
(Wagon Lines).				
B.30.b.4.7.	100,000.			

TRANSPORT

Transport will as far as possible be Brigaded as laid down in Administrative Memorandum No. 201.

BAGGAGE

Kits will be dumped prior to moving into the line and stored by Brigades in accommodation unsuitable for billeting of men. A small guard will be left in charge of packs. Location of dumps will be notified to Divisional Headquarters.

AREA STORES

Will be taken over on relief. A statement of all tents and shelters handed over and taken over will be supplied Divisional Headquarters within 48 hours after relief.

BATHS.

Baths are located at HEILLY - 6 showers - 80 men per hour -

I.12.d.4.2.	6 showers 80 men per hour
H.11.b.5.2.	6 showers 100 men per hour
QUERRIEU	6 showers 100 men per hour

In addition tubs are available in the villages of MERICOURT and RIBEMONT where men can be bathed under Battalion arrangements. Supplies of clean clothing can be obtained from the Divisional Clothing Store at 30 Oxford St. QUERRIEU.

ORDNANCE

D.A.D.O.S. main store will remain at BOIS de M AI H.1.A.0.3. Supplies will be refilled to the forward area. Brigades will communicate with D.A.D.O.S. the most suitable points for refilling Brigade Groups.

TRAFFIC CONTROL

The A.P.M. will arrange to take over from the A.P.M. 3rd. Division Traffic Control and Straggler Post duties.

STRAGGLER POSTS

PRISONERS OF WAR

Prisoners of War will be taken over from Units at Prisoners of War Cage HEILLY and escorted by A.P.M. to the Corps Cage MONTIGNY.

TRAFFIC
REGULATIONS

Lights will not be used on cars or lorries east of St. POL-AMIENS Road inclusive.

Motor cycles may use headlights but will cover them when halted. Cars and lorries when halted will cover or extinguish side lights except sufficient to mark convoys.

REINFORCEMENTS

Railhead PERNOIS
Reinforcement Wing.

BERTEAUCOURT

Corps Staging Camp

VAUX EN ALIENOIS

Divisional Staging Camp H-7 Central

Nucleus Personnel

BERTEAUCOURT

Lieut-Colonel A. J. BENNETT, C.M.G., D.S.O. 20th. Bn. will command the Nucleus Personnel and reinforcements, or in his absence the next Senior Officer. He will be responsible for discipline and training. Captain J.S. DOUGLAS will be Adjutant.

BURIALS

Cemeteries are established at :-

HEILLY

BONNAY

QUERRIEU

FRANVILLERS

WATER

The following information is supplied relative to water available in the Divisional Area :-

BUIRE

Wells. Plentiful and good supply requiring mostly one scoop.

RIBEMONT

Mostly well water; plentiful and good supply requiring one scoop.

MERICOURT

Mostly dependent on rain water; good quality.

HEILLY

Good and plentiful supply, mostly requiring one scoop.

LA NEUVILLE

Well supply. Water is plentiful and good, requiring one scoop.

BONNAY

Good and plentiful supply, requiring one scoop.

LA HOUSOYE

Very bad. Water varies from 3 to 6 scoops.

PONT NOYELIES

Good and plentiful supply, mostly one scoop.

QUERRIEU

Mostly underground tanks; quality good.

FRANVILLERS

Fairly plentiful and good supply; some underground tanks and a few wells unfit.

ST. GRATIEN

Water is scarce and not very good. A good many sources of supply are underground tanks.

FRECHENCOURT

On outskirts of village is a series of spring-heads, which could be easily utilised as a water refilling point. Supply is practically unlimited.

SALVAGE

The Divisional Salvage Officer will take over and continue the salvage scheme of the 3rd. Division on completion of the Divisional relief. Vehicles returning empty from the forward system will be available for transporting salvage to salvage dumps to be located near refilling points.

DIVISIONAL CANTEEN

Will open at FRANVILLERS.

SUPPLIES

Supply forecast will be issued later.

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Lieut-Colonel,
A.A. & Q.M.G.
2nd Aust. Division.

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

C.F.A.	1-5	G.	51
C.F.E.	6-9	2nd Aust. Div. Salvage	52
2nd Aust. Div. Sig. Coy	10-11	Company	
5th Aust. Inf. Brigade	12-17	Div. Bomb Officer	53
6th Aust. Inf. Brigade	18-23	D.A.D.O.S.	54
7th Aust. Inf. Brigade	24-29	French Mission	55
2nd Aust. Pioneer Bn.	30	Div. Canteen Officer	56
2nd Aust. Div. Train	31-36	Div. Burials Officer	57
2nd Aust. M.G. Bn.	37-41	Div. Baths Officer	58
A.D.N.S.	42-45	5th Aust. Inf. Bde. Nucleus	59
D.A.D.V.S.	46-47	6th Aust. Inf. Bde. Nucleus	60
Camp Commandant	48	7th Aust. Inf. Bde. Nucleus	61
A.P.M.	49	3rd. Aust. Division	62
G.O.C.	50	5th. Aust. Division	63
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Aust. Div.

These Notes are to be shown to the G.O.C. Formation.

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FOURTH ARMY A & Q NOTES.

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7-5-18.

322. SUMMARY OF SICKNESS DURING PERIOD 27-4-18 to 4-5-18.

FORMATION.	Sick percent- age all ranks admitted to Field Ambu- lances.	Sick percent- age all ranks evacuated to the Base.	Number of cases of principal cause of sick admission.	Number of cases of Trench Foot admitted to Field Ambulances.
Corps and Army Troops.	.50	.40	-	-
III CORPS: 18th Divn. 58th "	.50 1.34	.45 .44	P.U.O. 12 I.C.T. 27	-
AUST: CORPS: 2nd Aus.Div. 3rd " " 4th " " 5th " "	1.24 1.80 1.53 1.13	.96 1.17 .73 .74	P.U.O. 50 Tr.Fever 57 P.U.O. 40 P.U.O. 42	-
TOTAL	.85	.58	-	-

Sick Percentage in all Armies for Week Ending 27-4-18.

Army.	Admitted to Field Ambulances.	Evacuated to the Base.
First	*	*
Second	1.06	.81
Third	1.54	1.01
Fourth	.83	.83

* Figures not yet received.

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323. WASTAGE IN HORSES DURING WEEK ENDING 2-6-18.

FORMATION.	Number of animals on Strength.	W A S T A G E.				Preventable Cases and Principal Diseases.					
		Killed and Destroyed.	Died.	Evacuated.	T O T A L.	Debility.	Colic.	Mange.	Cracked Hoofs.	Picked up Nail.	Kicks.
<u>ARMY TROOPS.</u>	1171	-	1	-	1	1	1	-	2	-	9
<u>AUST. CORPS:</u>											
Corps Troops and Artillery	15645	24	13	211	248	188	27	9	2	36	16
2nd Aus. Divn.	2869	7	-	31	38	3	-	-	-	17	11
3rd " "	2957	9	-	27	36	6	3	-	3	-	-
4th " "	2507	10	-	11	21	1	5	1	-	6	1
5th " "	2498	54	-	32	86	-	4	-	-	3	-
8th Divn.	1418	4	2	2	8	-	2	-	-	-	2
47th "	1609	-	-	11	11	1	1	-	-	-	-
<u>III CORPS:</u>											
Corps Troops and Artillery	2634	2	1	34	37	9	2	1	1	9	1
18th Divn.	2313	6	1	8	15	3	1	-	-	4	1
58th "	2469	34	1	28	63	-	5	-	-	4	5
TOTAL	55,090	150	19	395	564	212	49	11	10	77	44

Battle casualties amounting to 280, of which 64 were killed and 68 destroyed, are included in the wastage shown above.
 There are far too many cases of nails picked up by horses. Attention is called to S.O. 1076.

Percentage of Wastage in all Armies for Week Ending 25-4-18.

First Army	-	1.05
Second "	-	1.81
Third "	-	1.12
Fourth "	-	2.52
Cav. Corps	-	1.16

324.

WASTAGE IN MULES DURING WEEK ENDING 2-5-18.

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FORMATION.	Number of Animals on strength.	WASTAGE.				Preventable Cases and Principal Diseases.					
		Killed and destroyed.	Died.	Evacuated.	TOTAL.	Debility.	Colic.	Mange.	Cracked Heels.	Picked up Nail.	Kicks.
<u>ARMY TROOPS.</u>	400	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
<u>AUSTRALIAN CORPS</u>											
Corps Troops & Arty	3716	5	6	8	19	8	12	-	-	5	-
2nd AUST. DIV.	985	3	-	9	12	-	-	-	-	2	-
3rd " "	1074	1	-	3	4	-	-	-	1	-	-
4th " "	1246	3	-	2	5	-	-	-	-	2	1
5th " "	1331	33	-	8	41	-	-	-	-	-	-
8th Divn.	293	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
47th Divn.	411	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>III CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops & Arty	642	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
19th Divn.	1204	7	2	8	17	3	2	-	-	2	-
58th " "	1180	20	1	11	32	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	12482	72	9	54	135	13	14	-	-	4	-

Battle casualties amounting to 122, of which 41 were killed and 22 destroyed, are included in the wastage shown above.

Percentage of Wastage in all Armies for Week ending 2-5-18.

First Army	, -	.49
Second " "	-	.84
Third " "	-	.38
Fourth " "	-	.85
Cav. Corps	-	.72

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REMOUNT SITUATION 4-6-18.

FORMATION.	Demands Outstanding.			Due from Base or to be drawn from R.S.			Balance.			
	Rdg.	L.D.	H.D.	Rdg.	L.D.	H.	L.D.	Rdg.	L.D.	H.D.
Army Troops Units.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
<u>III CORPS:</u>										
3th Divn.	30	12	-	-	-	-	-	30	12	-
8th D.A.	-	170	-	-	170	-	-	-	-	-
18th Divn.	19	4	6	12	4	-	-	7	-	6
58th "	9	13	18	-	13	-	-	9	-	18
58th D.A.	-	160	-	-	160	-	-	-	-	-
<u>XIX CORPS:</u>										
Corps Troops.	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
<u>AUST. CORPS:</u>										
Corps Troops.	15	7	21	-	6	-	-	15	1	21
Aust. A.F.A. Eds. and 4/Army Arty)	16	576	19	-	50	-	19	16	525	-
Heavy Art'y.	37	1	121	-	1	-	21	37	-	100
2nd Aust. Div.	14	7	-	11	7	-	-	3	-	-
2nd Aus. D.A.	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	-
3rd Aus. Div.	4	17	-	-	17	-	-	4	-	-
3rd Aus. D.A.	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-
4th Aus. Div.	10	15	10	10	15	-	-	-	-	10
4th Aus. D.A.	-	108	-	-	50	-	-	-	56	-
5th Aus. Divn.	13	-	2	10	-	-	-	3	-	2
5th Aus. D.A.	-	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	-
Total for Fourth Army.	180	1181	197	43	493	-	40	137	625	157

During the week 1,067 Remounts have been issued to units in the Army.

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326.

BROAD GAUGE RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

Week Ending 5-5-1918.

Line.	Estimated Track Mileage.	Track laid to date.	Percentage of work Completed.
ST. LEGER Additional Sdg.	.398	-	15
PERNOIS New Siding.	.663	.563	93
PERNOIS GARAGE Siding.	3.12	3.12	63
VILLE-lo-MARLET Sgs (N.)	.8	.8	95
" " " (S.)	.8	-	-
PONT REMY Sidings.	2.25	.5	-
VIGNACOURT GARAGE Sdgs.	.66	.38	70
POULAINVILLE Tank Ramp.	-	-	100
LONGPRE to AIRAINES (Earthwork for double Tracking).	-	-	45
AIRAINES to ALLERY (Earthwork for double Tracking).	-	-	5
ALLERY to WIRY (Earthwork for double Tracking)	-	-	45
WIRY to FORCEVILLE (Earthwork for double Tracking).	-	-	25
FORCEVILLE to OISEMONT (Earthwork for double Tracking).	-	-	30
CROUY Sidings.	2.0	1.1	65
HANGEST Siding.	.8	-	45
LONGPRE "Y" doubling and Siding.	.5	.4	95
BETTINCOURT Riviere Sdg.	.4	.4	95
AIRAINES Yard.	.3	-	25
ALLERY Yard.	.4	-	50
WIRY-on-MONT Yard Ext'n.	.4	.4	95
FORCEVILLE Siding.	.4	.4	98

327.

WORK ON ROADS FOR WEEK ENDING 4-5-1918.

Road.	Location.	Work.
POULAINVILLE Cour.	62D/G.1.b.	Timber Cour - 33% completed.
AMIENS Avoiding Road.		North end of road made pass- able for lorries.
TOUTENCOURT - CONTAY.	57D/U.14.c.4.0. to U.26.b.3.4.	Repairing & strengthening.
COISY - ALLONVILLE.		Haunches being strengthened.
AMIENS Diversion Road:- Timber track portion.	62E/R.20.d.	Work 90% completed.
New road portion.	62E/R.20.c.	Reconstruction - foundation work completed.
Road from R.23.c.7.4. to BOUTILLERIE Village.		Foundation work - 60% compl'td
DREUIL - SAVEUSE - PONT de METZ.	West end of AMIENS } Avoiding road }	Resurfacing - 12% completed. Strengthening & resurfacing proceeding satisfactorily.
PONT REMY Stone Sdg.	57E/M.22.b.	Formation work - 90% compl'td.
PONT REMY Art'y. Park.	57E/M.22.a.	" " - 95% "

ROAD METAL.

328. The following road metal has been delivered to Corps during the week ending 4-5-18:-

Corps.	Nature.	Tons.
Australian	{ Macadam	1402
	{ Chippings	205
III	{ Macadam	3301
	{ Soling	54
	{ Chippings	82
	{ Gravel	700
Total		5,744

329.

TRAFFIC IN THE LONGPRE AREA.

Week Ending 2-5-1918.

	Actual number of trucks for each class, as under:-		
	Traffic received into the Area.	Traffic loaded and off-loaded within the Area.	Traffic despatched from the Area.
Supplies	1394	1	49
Ammunition	834	-	-
Stores	318	-	-
R.E. Stores	416	-	50
Coal	31	-	-
Light Railway Material	36	-	-
Broad Gauge Material ..	224	-	-
Sand, Mine Earth, Ashes, &c.	607	1	-
Ambulance Trains despatched	-	-	11

330. RETURN OF PERSONNEL MOVED BY RAIL IN THE LONGPRE TRAFFIC AREA.

	Officers.	Other Ranks.
Stratigical moves (outwards)	94	2332
Tactical " " "	-	-
Reinforcements arriving in the Area	226	4056
Miscellaneous units arriving in the Area	64	3700
All personnel despatched, not included in above headings.	206	4140

Note: Exclusive of personnel returning from leave.

331. DISTRIBUTION OF LABOUR BY COMPANIES (EXCLUDING AREA EMPLOYMENT COMPANIES) ON 4-5-18 & AVERAGE WORKING STRENGTH DURING THE WEEK.

Corps.	No. of Coys.	TRANSPORTATION.						CORPS.			
		ROADS.		B.G. RLYS.		L. RLYS.		C.E.		ORD. SUPPLIES, AMM., SALVAGE, &c.	
		Brit. Coys.	Col'd. Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd. Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd. Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd. Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd. Coys.
AUST.	32	6	-	-	-	-	-	22	-	4	-
ARMY AREA.	14½	2½	5½	-	2	-	-	¼	1	3½	-
TOTAL	46½	8½	5½	-	2	-	-	22¼	1	7½	-
Total working strength.											
AUST.	9025	1851	-	-	-	-	-	6189	-	1005	-
ARMY AREA.	4335	583	1554	-	675	-	-	100	388	1032	-
TOTAL	13,360	2,437	1,554	-	675	-	-	6,289	388	2,037	-

332. AREA EMPLOYMENT COMPANIES RETURN.
For Week Ending 4-5-1918.

CORPS.	No. of Coys.	Effective Strength.	Non-effective Strength.	Working.
AUST.	2 & det.	520	115 *	481
ARMY AREA.	5	1237	151	531
TOTAL	7 & det.	1757	266	1012

* Includes 65 "Missing".

MECHANICAL TRANSPORT.

333. The table below shows the M.T. Situation in the Fourth Army on 4-5-18:-

The following abbreviations are used:-

- | | | | |
|----|---------------------------|----|---------------|
| L. | 3-ton & 30-cwt. lorries. | C. | Caterpillars. |
| F. | Four-wheel drive lorries. | A. | Ambulances. |
| | | M. | Motor Cars. |

FORMATION.	Type of Vehicle.	Establishment.	Number off road owing to accidents, shell fire & minor causes.	Number off road owing to overhaul.	Number off road awaiting spare parts.	Evacuated, demanded, & awaiting replacement.	Total number not available for duty.	Average number of lorries used daily.
Australian Corps.	L.	1628	169	45	20	7	241	1318
	F.	149	2	-	-	1	3	
	C.	87	1	1	1	-	3	
	A.	105	16	3	1	-	20	
	M.	174	14	3	1	7	25	
III CORPS.	L.	212	19	9	5	1	34	201
	F.	42	-	1	2	1	4	
	C.	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	A.	42	-	1	2	1	4	
	M.	33	1	3	-	2	6	
Army Troops.	L.	976	44	37	7	4	92	405
	F.	90	5	7	-	3	15	
	C.	48	2	1	-	1	4	
	A.	250	16	12	2	-	30	
	M.	224	6	10	3	11	30	
Total for Fourth Army.	L.	2816	232	91	32	12	367	1312
	F.	281	7	8	2	5	22	
	C.	135	3	2	1	1	7	
	A.	397	32	16	5	1	54	
	M.	431	21	16	4	20	61	

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P.M's REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 4-5-18.

	Army Troops.	Towns in Army Area.	III Corps.	Aust. Corps.	Total.
Stragglers (Battle)			24	7	51
" (Ordinary)			10	2	12
Absentees			38	89	127
Courts-Martial			6	50	56
Charges made by Mil. Police:					
Absent without leave	8	2	5	18	31
Drunkenness	7	8	3	7	25
Failing to salute	5	-	-	1	4
Improperly dressed	15	-	-	-	47
In estaminet during prohibited hours	8	-	32	-	14
Miscellaneous	4	3	2	4	11
Traffic Offences:					
Trotting on pave	-	-	-	1	1
Trotting H.D. horses	-	-	-	-	2
Riding on loaded vehicles	-	-	2	-	5
Leaving engine running	1	-	5	-	1
Vehicles unattended	-	-	-	-	1
Horses unrugged	-	-	-	1	1
Exceeding speed limit	7	-	17	60	84
Going against circuit	7	-	1	10	18
No Duty Order	-	-	-	-	11
No Look-out man	6	3	-	2	11
Exercising on main roads	-	-	-	-	-
No traffic maps or arrows	-	-	-	-	-
No bits	-	-	-	-	-
Riding one horse & leading two	-	-	-	-	-
Double banking	-	-	-	-	-
Civilians riding on box car	-	-	1	1	2
Reckless driving	-	-	2	-	2
Using non-lorry routes	-	-	-	-	-
No rear number plate	-	-	-	-	4
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	66	16	74	226	382

334a. Veneral.

Total cases: 35.

France: PAF'S 1, ST.OMER 2, METELEN 2, ST.OMER 2, ST.POL 1, BOULOGNE 2, PERNOIS 1, BALLEUL 3, ROUEN 1, FLIXECOURT 1. Total 16

U.K.: ..
Unknown: ..
Relapses: ..

France: 16
U.K.: 11
Unknown: 5
Relapses: 3
Total 35

Cases reported by Divisions, etc.

A.H.Q.	4	Aust. Corps.	
		2nd Aust. Divn.	14
		3rd " "	5
		4th " "	10
		Corps Troops	1
Total	4	Total	21
		Grand Total	35

SUMMARY OF ECONOMY UNDERDRAWALS AT RAILHEADS.

Week ending 27-4-18.

FORMATION.	Strength over period.	Value of Underdrawals.			Detail.								
		£	s.	d.	Biscuit. lbs.	Pres. Meat. tins.	Jam. lbs.	Tea. lbs.	Rice. lbs.	M. & V. tins.	Cheese. lbs.	Atta. lbs.	
8th Divn.	107,083		Nil										
18th " "	109,453	29	6	1	205	398	120						
58th " "	112,193	54	13	4	210	588	4	3			13		
2nd Aus. Div.	134,760	27	8	3					2012				
3rd " "	126,493	3	15	11					74		51		
4th " "	112,219	20	1	4	104				1277				
5th " "	134,123	62	13	2	1025	756							
III Cps. Tps.	174,472		Nil										
XIX " "	122,739	12	0	4					882				
Aust. " "	264,094	141	5	8		2799							558
Fourth Army Troops	95,153	19	18	10	285				698	46			
TOTAL	1,491,752	351	2	11	1829	4541	124	3	4943	46	64		513

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Comparative Return of Expenditure on Clothing and certain Equipment for month of April, 1918.
Per 1,000 men.

UNITS.	GREATCOATS.		BOOTS AND ANKLE.		JACKETS S.D.		MOUNTED.		DISMOUNTED.		CAPS.	SHIRTS.	DRAWERS.	SOCKS.	VESTS.	Haversacks.	WATER- BOTTLES.	MESS-TINS.	GROUND- SHEET.	FLANNELS.	SHOES HORSE & MULE.	Per 1,000 animals.	
	Issued.	Returned.	Issued.	Returned.	Issued.	Returned.	Issued.	Returned.	Issued.	Returned.													
8th Div	226	15	79	50	150	73	82	57	165	76	145	73	174	300	-	981	222	54	58	234	221	569	541
18th " (g)	166	12	133	74	145	90	42	5	188	93	245	97	155	500	500	1543	-	40	41	96	160	562	1919
58th "	126	25	133	112	150	108	76	52	140	110	169	92	152	350	6	934	11	52	39	124	101	664	2262
2nd Aus D.	18	10	156	104	51	57	224	240	66	36	55	42	2	-	-	222	-	-	1	7	2	448	1420
3rd " D.	6	21	149	101	73	64	80	52	74	48	115	66	34	-	-	-	-	13	19	34	6	395	1602
4th " D.	16	21	184	104	51	78	139	151	80	72	123	102	17	292a	2	328b	290c	1	10	52	38	874	3029
5th " D.	6	38	101	99	84	90	253	203	85	74	89	72	20	114	143	120	143	1	1	15	4	336	1433
III Ops. Tps (d)	2056	-	7692	-	5204	-	1219	-	4987	-	3118	-	3517	13076	11951	18918	925	575	747	1594	693	1111	12471
XIX " (e)	139	-	1309	-	651	-	295	-	485	-	601	-	505	1068	1140	1809	-	82	79	297	139	420	455
Aus. " (f)	2533	207	6499	858	3922h	763	2218	382	2632	647	3095	533	2507	16664	8094	18639	1359	754	1309	3180	907	1710	2100
Army Average	88	20	267	33	167	30	141	108	158	73	193	80	132	328	224	742	63	30	31	107	84	533	1583

- (a) 290 per 1,000 issued to baths.
- (b) 295 " " " " " "
- (c) 290 " " " " " "
- (d) These figures represent total issues. Not practicable to give percentages of issues per 1,000 men, nor of returned articles.
- (e) Impossible to give number of articles returned.
- (f) These figures represent total issues and receipts.
- (g) These figures do not represent the whole quantity returned. During earlier part of month considerable quantities were sent by supply lorries direct to Railhead for despatch to Base.
- (h) Includes issue of second suit of service dress to Labour Coys.

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SALVAGE.

337. Salvage for the month of April shows good results in spite of continued interruption owing to movements, and the fact that little salvage was undertaken during the first fortnight of the month.

Salvage is shown under 485 headings, the total cost of which is £294,785.

The following are some of the principal headings:-

Article.	Number.	Cost.
		£
Live shells, various	11,210	50,445
Bombs and grenades, various	7,937	1,091
S.A.A. rounds	1,563,983	11,404
Rifles	5,049	25,245
Blankets	4,907	3,312
Boots, various	9,321	11,185
Waterbottles	3,637	242
Bayonets and scabbards	2,979	2,830
Ground sheets	1,539	577
Shell cases, brass	206,610	103,305
Wagon wheels	244	1,708
Verrey lights	1,950	32
Machine guns, various	47	4,230
" " belts	81	40
" " boxes	57	29
" " magazines	786	393
Bandoliers, leather	508	343
" " cotton (11 sacks &)	3,935	153
Equipment, web sets	1,239	1,952
" " leather "	684	1,846
Entrenching tools, heads	2,730	239
" " helms	1,530	48
Helmets, steel	6,078	2,432
Mess-tins	1,757	117
Respirators, box	6,419	4,494
Great Coats	2,433	4,468
Tunics	6,952	6,139
Drawers	7,550	2,265
Trousers	6,799	4,590
Shirts	9,714	3,400
Jerkins	2,511	1,758
Petrol tins, empty	17,956	2,693
		2253,035

338.

PETROL MILEAGE RETURN.

Month Ending 31-5-18.

Formation.	Miles run by lorries.		
	Loaded.	Unloaded.	Total mileage.
FIRST Army.	572,019	535,430	1,107,449
SECOND " *	712,809	675,210	1,388,019
THIRD " "	415,550	391,543	807,093
FOURTH " "	538,938	448,178	987,116
L. of C. Area	615,121	474,098	1,089,219
G.H.Q. Troops	220,113	283,305	503,418
Tank Corps	129,050	55,359	184,409

* Not including IX Corps.

339.

COOKERY.

Army "School of Cookery".- This school is located at PONT REMY, near the rifle range. The first courses assembled on the 7th May for:-

- (a) Company cooks.
- (b) Officers' mess cooks.

The allotments for future courses will appear from time to time in A.R.Co.

Catering.- The following points require attention:-

- (a) Insufficient interest is shown by cooks in the preparation and variation of meals. Full use must be made of S.B. 615, "Cooking in the Field". Units not already in possession of this book will apply at once to "Publications", B. LOGNE, for an issue.
- (b) Lack of cleanliness is still very noticeable, and improvement in this respect must be insisted on.
- (c) There is an absence of stock pots. Bones contain from 10% to 14% of the nutriment of the fresh meat ration, and, if a stock pot is not kept, this food is wasted.
- (d) Some units are not paying sufficient attention to the saving of dripping. Surplus dripping provides an income from which many useful extras can be purchased.

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DRIPPING.

Statement of dripping returned to Railheads by Army & Corps Troops and Divisions during the month of April, 1918.

Formation.	Weight, lbs.	Value. Fro.
Aust. Corps Tps.M.T.Coy.	990	546.50
Fourth Army Troops.	934	328.90
8th Division.	622	218.00
18th "	463	162.05
58th "	660	231.00
2nd Aust. Divn.	7765	2717.75
3rd " "	4731	1690.15
4th " "	1105	386.05
5th " "	32803	11481.05
TOTAL	50,071	17,559.45

341.

SOLDER.

Amount of Solder recovered from Bully Beef tins, &c., during month of April, 1918.

AUST. Corps - 498 lbs.

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ARMY ADMINISTRATIVE SITUATION MAP.

A copy of the Army Administrative Situation Map, dated 8-5-18, is attached.

Hd. Qrs., Fourth Army.
7-5-18.

H. H. H. H. H.
Major-General,
D.A. & Q.H.G., Fourth Army.

SECRET

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Copy No.....

Divisional Headquarters,
8th. May, 1918.

ADDENDUM to ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No.206.

SUPPLIES. 5th.Aust.Inf.Brigade 9th.instant.

Supplies for consumption 10th.instant will be delivered to Units by train wagons. Refilling Point ALLOUVILLE at 9 a.m.

10th.instant and following days

Refilling Point PONT NOVELLES. Time 10 a.m. Train wagons deliver to Units.

6th.Aust.Inf.Brigade 9th.instant.

Supplies for consumption 10th.instant will be delivered to Units by train wagons, refilling ~~QUEBRIED~~ 9 a.m.

10th.instant and following days.

Refilling Point PONT NOVELLES, time 10 a.m. Train supply wagons deliver to Units.

7th.Aust.Inf.Brigade. 9th.instant.

Supplies for consumption 10th.instant will be refilled into first line transport at 9 a.m. Refilling Point RIVERY.

Supplies for consumption 11th.instant will be delivered to Units by train wagons, refilling RIVERY noon.

10th.instant. No issue.

11th.instant and following days.

Refill PONT NOVELLES 10 a.m. Train wagons deliver to Units.

GENERAL PURPOSE RATIONS

General Purpose Reserve rations are dumped at the following locations :-

I.29.b.6.3.	600 rations
I.24.b.3.5.	600 rations
J.13.c.5.8.	600 rations

Brigades will furnish a return within 48 hours after completion of relief stating the number of rations taken over.

PRISONERS OF WAR.

Corps Cage is now located at POULAINVILLE and not MONTIGNY as stated in Administrative Memorandum No. 206.

for *W.P. Wadman* Capt
Lieut-Colonel,
A.A. & Q.M.G.,
2nd.Aust.Division.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Headquarters
9th. May. 1918.



- C.R.A.
- C.R.E.
- 2nd.Aust.Div.Sig.Coy.
- 5th.Aust.Inf.Brigade.
- 6th.Aust.Inf.Brigade.
- 7th.Aust.Inf.Brigade.
- 2nd.Aust.Pioneer Bn.
- 2nd.Aust.Div.Train.
- 2nd.Aust.M.G.Bn.
- A.D.M.S.
- D.A.D.V.S.
- A.P.M.
- 2nd.Aust.Div.Salvage Coy.
- Camp Commandant.

The following copy of a letter received from AUSTRALIAN CORPS is circulated for action as desired by the Corps Commander :-

" The Corps Commander regrets to find that neighbouring units regard the Australians as deliberate horse thieves, and that they find it necessary to post special piquets in horse lines when camped alongside units of this Corps. A number of incidents have occurred which tend to show that this impression is not entirely without foundation.

He therefore directs that a strongly worded order on this subject is to be issued to all units pointing out that the removal or retention of any horse or mule not the property of the unit is not only a crime but is also not playing the game and unworthy of the Australian Corps.

Any such act is to be regarded as a most serious offence and every C.O. will be held personally responsible that no horse or other property which has not come into the unit through the regular channel is retained."

J. Madman

Lieut-Colonel,
A.A. & Q.M.G.
2nd.Aust.Division.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

D. A. G., A. I. P.

STRENGTH RETURN AS AT NOON 11TH MAY 1918

Unit	Actually with unit		Sick in Div. area		On Command, leave, detached etc.		Total strength		Estab-lish-ment		Required to com-plete estab-lishment		Excess over Estab-lishment	
	off.	O.N.	off.	O.N.	off.	O.N.	off.	O.N.	off.	O.N.	off.	O.N.	off.	O.N.
N.H.Q.	29	105					29	105	33	110	4	5		
D. I. H. Q.	6	21					6	21	6	20				1
4th AYA. Bde.	30	706	3	5	1	9	34	800	25	792			9	8
5th "	30	774			5	24	35	798	25	792			10	6
2nd A.D.A.C.	18	653			2	44	20	697	15	606			5	91
N.T.V. Bty.	10	108		2			10	110	8	106			2	4
Div. Engrs.	28	660		9	3	30	31	699	24	641			7	58
Div. Sig. Co.	16	343		2		11	16	356	15	348			1	8
5th A.H.Q.	4	27			7	1	11	28	11	30		2		
17th Bn.	25	810	1		31	163	57	973	44	967			13	6
18th "	30	699		7	17	199	47	905	44	967		62	3	
19th "	25	847	1	16	5	124	31	687	44	967	13	280		
20th "	24	689			15	150	39	809	44	967	5	159		
5 ALTH. Bty.	2	38			2	10	4	46	4	46				2
6th A.H.Q.	10	25			1	3	11	28	11	30		2		
21st Bn.	33	762			10	171	43	873	44	967	1	94		
22nd "	36	769		12	9	193	45	914	44	967		53	1	
23rd "	30	774			8	172	38	946	44	967	6	21		
24th "	34	619		3	5	150	39	772	44	967	5	195		
6 ALTH. Bty.	4	46				4	4	46	4	46				
7th A.H.Q.	7	22		2	4	6	11	30	11	30				
25th Bn.	31	865	4		11	240	46	1105	44	967			2	130
26th "	32	827		3	13	194	45	1024	44	967			1	57
27th "	30	744			15	188	45	932	44	967		35	2	
28th "	27	763	1		12	175	40	928	44	967	4	39		
7 ALTH. Bty.	3	46			1	16	4	62	4	46				16
2nd AHD. Bn.	46	701	1	13	15	150	59	864	47	892		28	13	
2nd A. Par. Bn.	36	1036			1	44	37	1080	39	986	2			94
5th Pld. Amb.	8	134			2	24	10	220	10	218				2
6th " "	10	207		21		2	10	230	10	218				12
7th " "	10	166		14		44	10	234	10	218				6
Div. Train	24	357			2	44	26	401	25	413		12	1	
Mob. Vet. Sec.	1	25				3	1	28	1	28				
Div. Hal. Coy.	2	58		2		8	2	68	1	69		1	1	
Total	691	15046	11	111	193	2654	897	17811	867	19299	40	987	70	509

Marshall Major,
for G. O. C., 2nd Australian Division

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 - D. A. G., O. P.
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These Notes are to be shown to the G.O.C. Formation.

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FOURTH ARMY A & Q NOTES.
14-5-18.

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343. SUMMARY OF SICKNESS DURING PERIOD 4-5-18 to 11-5-18.

FORMATION.	Sick percent- age all ranks admitted to Field Ambu- lances.	Sick percent- age of all ranks evac- uated to the Base.	Number of casos of principal cause of sick admission.	Number of cases of Trench Foot admitted to Field Ambu- lances.
Corps and Army Troops	.56	.52	-	-
<u>III Corps</u>				
*3 Cav. Div.	-	-	P.U.O. 26	
18th Div.	.90	.90	P.U.O. 17	
47th Div.	.94	.85	P.U.O. 41	
58th Div.	2.08	1.18	P.U.O. 99	
<u>Austn. Corps.</u>				
2 Aus. Div.	2.63	2.09	P.U.O. 182	
3 Aus. Div.	2.42	1.45	Scabies 95	
4 Aus. Div.	1.06	1.03	P.U.O. 46	
5 Aus. Div.	1.22	1.07	P.U.O. 63	
Total	1.06	.88	-	5

* Joined during week.

Sick Percentage in all Armies for Week Ending 4-5-18.

Army	Admitted to Field Ambulances.	Evacuated to the Base.
First	*	*
Second	1.00	.75
Third	1.47	1.06
Fourth	.85	.58

* Figures not yet received.

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344. WASTAGE IN HORSES DURING WEEK ENDING 9-5-18.

FORMATION	Number of Animals on Strength.	W A S T A G E.				Preventable Cases and Principal Diseases.					
		Killed and Destroyed.	Died.	Evacuated.	T O T A L.	Debility.	Colic.	Mange.	Cracked Hoofs.	Flicked up nail.	Kicks.
<u>ARMY TROOPS.</u>	1431	1	2	34	37	4	2	2	2	4	5
<u>AUST. CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops and Artillery	11914	16	5	138	159	46	25	1	-	30	18
2nd Aus. Divn.	2857	3	2	17	22	6	2	2	-	13	13
3rd " "	2970	2	-	7	9	3	-	1	3	-	-
4th " "	2604	5	1	11	17	8	4	4	-	16	2
5th " "	2486	4	5	23	32	3	6	*	-	4	3
<u>III CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops and Artillery.	4359	4	2	157	163	46	13	4	1	10	10
12th Divn.	2790	2	-	33	35	23	-	2	-	5	2
47th " "	1599	-	-	3	3	1	-	-	-	4	-
less Artillery	2461	1	2	55	58	53	4	5	-	2	-
58th Divn.											
TOTAL	35471	38	19	478	535	193	53	17	6	88	53

Battle casualties amounting to 98, of which 17 were killed and 17 destroyed, are included in the wastage shown above.

Percentage of Wastage in all Armies for Week Ending 2/5/18.

First Army	-	•93
Second "	-	1•86
Third "	-	•80
Fourth "	-	1•54
Cav. Corps	-	•80

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345. WASTAGE IN MULES DURING WEEK ENDING 9-5-18.

FORMATION	Number of Animals on Strength.	W A S T A G E				Preventable Cases and Principal Diseases.					
		Killed and Destroyed.	Died.	Evacuated.	TOTAL.	Debility.	Colic.	Mange.	Cracked heels.	Picked up nail.	Kicks.
<u>ARMY TROOPS.</u>	487	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>AUSTRALIAN CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops and Artillery.	3126	4	1	14	19	11	1	-	-	1	3
2nd Aus. Divn.	1053	1	-	7	8	1	-	-	-	2	1
3rd " "	1026	3	-	2	5	1	-	-	-	-	1
4th " "	1274	1	-	6	7	5	-	-	-	-	3
5th " "	1324	1	1	5	7	-	-	-	-	-	2
<u>III CORPS.</u>											
Corps Troops and Artillery.	821	2	-	5	7	2	4	-	-	-	1
18th Divn.	1247	2	-	7	9	5	-	-	-	-	-
47th " "											
Less Arty.	411	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
58th Divn.	1175	1	-	6	7	4	-	-	-	-	-
T O T A L	11944	15	2	53	70	29	5	-	-	3	8

Battle casualties amounting to 24, of which 10 died and 2 were destroyed, are included in the wastage shown above.

Percentage of wastage in all Armies for week ending 2/5/18.

First Army	-	•50
Second Army	-	1.41
Third Army	-	•43
Fourth Army	-	1.04
Cav. Corps	-	•27

REMOUNT SITUATION 11-5-18.

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FORMATION.	Demands Outstanding.			Due from Base or to be drawn F.R.S.				Balance.		
	Rdg.	L.D.	H.D.	Rdg.	L.D.	M.	H.D.	Rdg.	L.D.	H.D.
Army Troops Units.	2	-	10	-	-	-	-	2	-	10
<u>III CORPS.</u>										
Corps Troops	286	23	8	-	-	-	-	286	23	8
A.F.A. Bdes.	4	120	4	-	-	-	-	4	120	4
Heavy Arty.	16	33	42	-	-	-	-	16	33	42
18th Divn.	7	-	6	-	-	-	-	7	-	6
18th D.A.	3	30	-	-	-	-	-	3	30	-
47th Divn.	37	24	8	-	24	-	8	37	-	-
58th "	9	-	18	-	-	-	18	9	-	-
58th D.A.	20	143	-	20	143	-	-	-	-	-
<u>AUSE. CORPS.</u>										
Corps Troops.	15	1	18	-	-	-	-	15	1	18
Aust. Corps	-	-	-	10	120	-	-	71	39	-
A.F.A. Bdo.	81	159	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	22
Heavy Arty.	18	-	22	-	-	-	-	5	24	5
2nd Aust. Div.	5	24	5	-	-	-	-	1	18	-
2nd Aust. D.A.	1	18	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-
3rd Aust. Div.	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-
3rd Aust. D.A.	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
4th Aust. Div.	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4th Aust. D.A.	-	56	-	-	56	-	-	-	-	-
5th Aust. Div.	3	-	2	-	-	-	-	3	-	2
5th Aust. D.A.	-	11	-	-	11	-	-	-	-	-
Total for Fourth Army	519	642	153	30	354	-	26	489	288	127

During the week 1,304 Remounts have been issued to Units in the Army.

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BROAD GAUGE RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

Week Ending 12-5-18.

Line.	Estimated Track Mileage.	Track laid to date.	Percentage of work completed.
VILLE-le-MARCLET	.8	.8	100
" "	.8	-	12
PERNOIS NEW SIDINGS	1.055	.88	95
ST. LEGER Additional Sidings	.398	.2	60
PONT REMY Sidings	2.25	.9	57
VIGNACOURT Sidings Nos. 1 & 3.	.66	.55	80
SALEUX New Sidings	.39	.003	25
CROUY Sidings	2.0	2.0	85
HANGEST Sidings	.6	.6	75
LONGPRE "Y" Doubling & Siding	.5	.5	98
BETTENCOURT Riviere Siding.	.4	.4	98
AIRAINES to ALLERY Double Tracking	2.0	-	10
AIRAINES to LONGPRE Double Tracking	3.4	.5	65
ALLERY to WIRY Double Tracking	1.9	1	65
WIRY to FORCEVILLE Double Tracking	1.9	-	40
FORCEVILLE to OISEMONT Double Tracking.	1.2	-	50
AIRAINES Yard.	.3	.1	45
ALLERY Yard.	.6	.3	65
WIRY-au-MONT Yard.	.4	.4	98
FORCEVILLE Sidings.	.4	.4	98

348.

TRAFFIC IN THE LONGPRE AREA.

Week Ending 9-5-18.

	Actual number of trucks for each class, as under:		
	Traffic received into the Area.	Traffic loaded and off-loaded within the Area.	Traffic despatched from the Area.
Supplies	1406	-	39
Ammunition	760	-	-
Stone	714	17	-
R.E. Stores	324	1	46
Coal	25	-	-
Light Railway Material	52	-	-
Broad Gauge Material	155	-	-
Sand, Chalk, etc.	496	2	132
Ambulance trains despatched	-	-	8

349. RETURN OF PERSONNEL MOVED BY RAIL IN THE LONGPRE TRAFFIC AREA.

	Officers	Other Rks
Strategical moves (outwards)	542	13,519
" " (inwards)	-	-
Reinforcements arriving in the Area	161	4,979
All personnel despatched, not included in above headings	294	7,142
Prisoners-of-War despatched to Base	-	194
Miscellaneous units arriving in the Area	4	130

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350. WORK ON ROADS FOR WEEK ENDING 11-5-1918.

Road.	Location.	Work.
POULAINVILLE cour.	62D/G.1.b.	Timber cour - 65% completed.
AMIENS avoiding road.	-	North end fit for all lorry traffic.
VILLERS BOCAGE - MOLLIENS - BEAUCOURT road.	-	This road is being strengthened and repaired in view of the large amount of traffic passing over it.
AMIENS diversion road.- (a) Timber track portion (b) New road portion.	62E/R.20.d. 62E/R.20.c.	Completed. Foundation complete. 10% re-surfaced.
*(c) Portion from R.22.c.) 7.4. to BOUTILLERIE village.	-	(Foundation work - 60% completed. (Resurfacing - 30% completed.
* All macadam necessary for resurfacing (c) is now on road-side.		
PONT REMY stone siding.	57E/M.22.b.	60% completed.
" " Art'y Park.	57E/M.22.a.	" "
road diversion.	57E/M.22.a.	Complete except for rolling.
PONT REMY - AIRAINES road.	-	Resurfacing being carried out where necessary.

351. ROAD METAL.

Corps.	Nature.	Tons.
<u>North of SOMME.</u>		
Aust.	Macadam	1490
	Soling	37
		<u>1527</u>
<u>South of SOMME.</u>		
Aust.	Macadam	<u>3543</u>
<u>Back Area.</u>		
	Gravel	<u>547</u>
		<u>Grand Total 5617.</u>

SUMMARY OF ECONOMY UNDERDRAWALS AT RAILHEAD.

Week ending 4-5-18.

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FORMATIONS.	Strength over period.	Value of Underdrawals.			D e t a i l.							
		£	s.	d.	Biscuit. lbs.	Pres.Meat. tins.	Rice. lbs.	Jam. lbs.	Cheese. lbs.	Atta. lbs.	Complete. rations.	Hay. lbs.
8th Divn.	99,554	-	-	-								
18th "	78,207	5	10	4	125	48						
47th "	98,064	-	-	-								
50th "	88,501	19	4	11	150	240					37	
2nd Aust.Div.	143,522	21	13	5	50		970					2232
3rd " "	147,681	14	10	10			173		223			
4th " "	144,388	8	2	2			595					
5th " "	135,098	21	0	11	820							
III Corps Tps.	53,202	52	18	4	625	750						
Aust. Corps Tps. M.T. Coy "A"	279,328	50	1	10		761				1125		
Aust. Corps Tps. M.T. Coy "B"	172,505	48	2	8		600						6000
Fourth Army Troops	108,478	126	9	4	1047	1363	804					
TOTAL	1,548,528	£ 367	14	7	3717	3762	2542	20	223	1125	37	8232

MECHANICAL TRANSPORT.

352. The table below shows the M.T. Situation in the Fourth Army on 11-5-18.

The following abbreviations are used:-

- L. 3-ton & 30-cwt. lorries.
- F. Four-wheel drive lorries.
- M. Motor Cars.
- C. Caterpillars.
- A. Ambulances.

FORMATION.	Type of Vehicle.	Establishment.	Number off road owing to accidents, shell fire & minor causes.	Number off road owing to over-haul.	Number off road awaiting spare parts.	Evacuated, & awaiting replacement.	Total number not available for duty.	Average number of lorries used daily.
Fourth Army Troops.	L.	915	64	45	7	4	120	569
	F.	86	4	9	1	3	17	-
	C.	40	1	1	-	1	3	-
	A.	200	16	6	6	-	28	-
	M.	226	12	11	2	13	38	-
Australian Corps.	L.	1419	150	55	16	7	228	1113
	F.	124	1	2	-	2	5	-
	C.	70	-	1	1	-	2	-
	A.	84	7	4	-	-	11	-
	M.	169	8	8	1	7	24	-
III Corps.	L.	611	65	22	18	3	108	474
	F.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	C.	26	-	-	-	-	-	-
	A.	63	1	6	2	-	9	-
	M.	78	7	4	-	3	14	-
Total for Fourth Army.	L.	2945	279	122	41	14	456	2156
	F.	210	5	11	1	5	22	-
	C.	136	1	2	1	1	5	-
	A.	547	24	16	8	-	48	-
	M.	473	27	23	3	23	76	-

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354.

RETURN OF GUNS, HOWITZERS, AND CARRIAGES, ISSUED FROM
ORDNANCE GUN PARK, from 21-3-18 to 30-4-18, inclusive

Nature.	Guns or Howitzers.	Carriages.
3" 20-cwt A.A.	2	-
13-pdr 9-cwt A.A.	4	1 mounting M.L.
13-pdr R.H.A. Gun	1	2
18-pdr Guns.	587	364
4.5" Howitzers.	90	95
60-pdrs.	47	45
6" 26-cwt Howitzers.	70	71
6" Mk.VII Guns.	3	-
6" Mk.XIX Guns.	5	4
8" Howitzers.	13	13
9.2" Howitzers.	2	3
TOTAL	594	597 1 Mounting M.L.

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ISSUES OF GUNS, CARRIAGES, MACHINE GUNS and TRENCH MORTARS from 1st to 11th May, 1918.
GUNS, HOWITZERS AND CARRIAGES.

NATURE.	Australian Corps.			III Corps.			Artillery Rest Area.		
	Guns.	Carriages.	Complete equipments.	Guns.	Carriages.	Complete equipments.	Guns.	Carriages.	Complete equipments.
13-pdr. 9 cwt.A.A.	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
18-pounders.	3	3	4	-	2	4	1	-	-
4.5" Howitzers.	4	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
6" Mk VII Guns.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
60-pounders.	2	1	3	-	-	1	-	-	-
6" 26-cwt. Howitzer	1	3	5	-	-	2	-	1	4
8" Howitzers.	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
9.2" Howitzers.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6
TOTAL	8	7	16	2	2	8	2	2	11

MACHINE GUNS.

	Aust. Corps.	III Corps.	Arty. Rest Area.
Guns Lewis .303"	66	95	4
Guns Hotchkiss .303"	-	-	-
Guns Vickers .303"	3	3	-
TOTAL	69	98	4

TRENCH MORTARS.

	Aust. Corps.	III Corps.
3" Trench Mortar (Stokes)	-	9
6" do. (Newton)	8	8
TOTAL	8	17

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DISTRIBUTION OF LABOUR BY COMPANIES (EXCLUDING AREA EMPLOYMENT COMPANIES) ON 11-5-18 & AVERAGE WORKING STRENGTH DURING THE WEEK.

Corps.	No. of Coys.	TRANSPORTATION.						CORPS.			
		ROADS.		B.G. RLYS.		L. RLYS.		C.E.		ORD. SUPPLIES, ARM. SALVAGE, &c.	
		Brit. Coys.	Col'd. Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd. Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd. Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd. Coys.	Brit. Coys.	Col'd. Coys.
III	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
AUST.	29	5	-	1/2	-	-	-	20 1/2	-	3 1/2	-
ARMY AREA.	16 1/2	2	5	1/2	3 1/2	-	-	1 1/2	1	3	-
TOTAL	48 1/2	8	5	1/2	3 1/2	-	-	24	1	6 1/2	-
Total working strength.											
III	445	178	-	-	-	-	-	267	-	-	-
AUST.	8408	1803	-	68	-	-	-	5778	-	761	-
ARMY AREA.	4599	513	1714	186	692	-	-	491	332	671	-
TOTAL	13,452	2,494	1,714	252	692	-	-	6,536	332	1,432	-

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AREA EMPLOYMENT COMPANIES RETURN.

For Week Ending 11-5-18.

CORPS.	No. of Coys.	Effective Strength.	Non-effective Strength.	Working.
III	-	-	-	-
AUST.	2 & det.	675	125	550
ARMY AREA.	5	1233 *	149	908
TOTAL	7 & det.	1,908 *	274	1,456

* One Company worked on one day only.

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P.M.'s REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 11-5-18.

	Army Troops.	Towns in Army Area.	III Corps.	Aust. Corps.	Total.
Stragglers (Battle)	-	-	-	-	-
" (Ordinary)	-	1	5	-	6
Absentees	-	-	5	77	82
Courts Martial	-	1	10	51	62
Charged under by Mil. Police:					
Absent without leave	4	7	11	9	31
Drunkenness	2	11	6	8	27
Failing to salute	-	-	1	-	1
Improperly dressed	3	3	1	-	7
In estaminet during prohibited hours	1	4	7	-	12
Looting	-	10	-	-	10
Miscellaneous	3	33	15	47	98
Traffic Offences:					
Trotting on pave	-	-	-	-	-
Riding on loaded vehicles	-	-	-	-	-
Leaving engine running	-	-	-	1	1
Vehicles unattended	-	-	1	3	4
Horses unrugged	-	-	-	-	-
Exceeding speed limit	67	-	9	17	93
Going against circuit	28	-	-	3	31
No Duty Order	-	20	-	-	20
No "look-out" man	4	-	1	3	8
Exercising on main roads	-	-	1	-	1
No traffic maps or arrows	11	20	-	10	41
No bits	-	-	4	6	10
Riding 1 horse & leading 2	-	-	-	-	-
Double banking	4	-	-	-	4
Civilians riding on box car	-	1	2	-	3
Reckless driving	-	-	-	-	-
Using non-lorry routes	-	-	2	-	2
No rear number plate	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	1	-	1
TOTAL	127	109	62	107	405

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Total cases: 42.

<u>France:</u>	PARIS 2, ST.OMER 2, PICQUIGNY 2, LONGPRE 1, CALAIS 2, LONGPRE 1, ABBEVILLE 1, HAVRE 2, ST.OUEN 2, AILLY 1, ROUEN 1, AMIENS 1, SAILLY-sur-SOMME 1, ALLONVILLE 1, BOMBOGNE 1, SALEUX 1, FLIXECOURT 1.	Total	22
<u>U.K.:</u>	..		15
<u>Relapses:</u>	..		3
<u>Unknown:</u>	..		2
		Grand Total	42

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<u>Unknown:</u>	2
Total	42

Cases reported by Divisions, etc.

<u>A.H.Q.</u>	1	<u>III Corps.</u>	1	<u>Aus. Corps.</u>	18
		18th Div.	1	3rd "	5
		58th "	1	4th "	8
				5th "	7
Total	1	Total	3	Total	38

Grand Total 42.

SALVAGE.

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The number of shell cases sent to the Base during the week is 162,410 consisting of 143,705 18-pdr. cases and 18,705 miscellaneous cases.

The number of empty petrol tins salvaged continues to show a decrease, being 1,028 as compared with 1,842 for the previous week.

The 150th Chinese Labour Company have done good salvage work, in addition to their normal daily tasks, including the salvaging of 160 empty petrol tins from roadsides.

The following quantities of salvaged underclothing have been sent to the laundry:-

Shirts,	956	Vests,	1322
Pants,	920	Socks (pairs)	2918.

The repair shop for salvaged rifles has been moved from VIGNACOURT to SALEUX.

CATERING.

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1. During the week a D.A.C., an Area Employment Company, and the 35th Company Canadian Forestry Corps were visited by the Instructor in Catering.

2. The catering in the D.A.C. and Area Employment Company was not satisfactory. The report on them is as follows:-

<u>Cleanliness:</u>	Not up to standard.
<u>Standard of Diet:</u>	Good.
<u>Number of Meals:</u>	Three daily.
<u>Economy:</u>	Room for much improvement.
<u>Stockpot:</u>	Not used.

Dripping: Little saved.

The lack of trained cooks is still apparent. Men who show interest in cooking should be selected and sent to attend the course at the Cookery School.

The book "Cooking in the Field" must be made use of.

The report on the 35th Company Canadian Forestry Corps, commanded by Captain Bell is given below and shows what can be done for the men by good catering.

Cleanliness: Very clean.

Cooks: 5, well trained men.

Standard of Diet: Excellent, much variety.

Meals: 4 daily, Puddings 4 weekly.

Economy: No waste, underdrawal of rations occasionally.

Ovens: One in use.

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"Cooking in the Field" ^D In possession of, and instructions carried out.

Stock-pot: 2 in use.

Dripping: Much saved, average 1 oz. per man daily.

The catering of this Unit is excellent all round, men are exceptionally well fed, and a high standard of efficiency has been attained in their messing arrangements.

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