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WAR DIARY.

HEADQUARTERS, A. I. F. DEPOTS IN UNITED KINGDOM.

A A G's DEPARTMENT.

APRIL 1919.

THE STRENGTH ON 30.4.19 WAS:-

OFFICERS.....	2178.
OTHER RANKS.....	44959.

MARRIAGES APPROVED DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL:-.....148.

*J. B. Knox*

LIEUT. COLONEL,  
A. A. G.,  
A. I. F. DEPOTS IN U. K.

C O N T I N U E D.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL:-

RETURN ON FAMILY SHIP.....	881.
APPLICATIONS FOR N.M.E.....	600.
APPLICATIONS FOR DISCHARGE IN U.K.....	126.
APPLICATIONS FOR EARLY REPAT.....	99.
APPLICATIONS FOR EXTENDED LEAVE.....	53.
MISCELLANEOUS.....	44.
APPLICATIONS FOR SHIPS STAFF.....	6.
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TOTAL RECEIVED	1809.
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TOTAL EMBARKATIONS FOR MONTH OF APRIL 1919.

OFFICERS.....	659.
NURSES.....	53.
W/O's AND SERGEANTS.....	1674.
OTHER RANKS.....	12720.
TOTAL A.I.F.	<hr/> 15106 <hr/>
DEPENDANTS.....	454.

ROUTINE ORDER 134 of 1.4.19. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE.

- ✓ Applications to be accompanied by a form (S.T. 523) Supply available at Ordnance, Tidworth. See APPENDIX 1.

ROUTINE ORDER 138 of 2.4.19. CORRESPONDENCE FOR DIVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

✓ All communications for 1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th Australian Divisions will be addressed to Headquarters, Australian Corps, France, naming Division by whom action is required. See APPENDIX 2.

ROUTINE ORDER 139 of 2.4.19. TELEGRAMS-ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF

- ✓ Attention is directed to the necessity for the prompt acknowledgement of all telegrams and letters. See APPENDIX 2a.

NOTICE. of 2.4.19.

Communications formerly addressed to Australian General Base Depot & Aust. Infantry Base Depot will in future, be forwarded as under:-  
Headquarters, Australian Base Depots,  
HAVRE, FRANCE.

ROUTINE ORDER 154 of 3.4.19. PARIS LEAVE.

✓ A.I.F. personnel proceeding to Paris on & after the 31st inst. will be instructed to report as follows:-

OFFICERS AT 9 Rue Louis Le Grand.

OTHER RANKS " A.I.F. Report Centre, 40 Rue de LONDES.

Auth: HEADQUARTERS A.I.F. CIRC. MEMO.D.A.G. A.I.F. 0/9/38 of 28.3.19.

STANDING ORDER of 3.4.19. OUTSTANDING APPLICATIONS UNDER REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILIZATION.

✓ Returns to be submitted of applications which have been outstanding for 28 days and over. See APPENDIX 3.

ROUTINE ORDER 159 of 4.4.19. A.I.F. EDUCATION SERVICE.

✓ Every assistance will be given to further the works of the A.I.F. Education Service in Depots.

No personnel enrolled and attending classes will be put on any duties unless absolutely necessary.

NOTICE. of 4.4.19. EMBARKATION STAFF.

✓ It is notified for general information that the A.I.F. Embarkation Office at Weymouth, has been closed as from 31st March 1919. The Staff has been transferred to Southampton.

(2CD.7045/1/22 of 1.4.19. & CR.AIF.42379/A/1.)

ROUTINE ORDER 167 of 5.4.19. REORGANISATION: NO 5 GROUP. APPENDIX 4a.ROUTINE ORDER 168 of 5.4.19. ENTRAINMENTS AND EMBARKATIONS. APPEN. 4b.ROUTINE ORDER 172 of 5.4.19. TELEPHONE MECHANICS.

✓ The services of undermentioned tradesmen are urgently required at these headquarters: See APPENDIX 5.

ROUTINE ORDER 175 of 5.4.19. GRANTING OF LEAVE TO OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE JEWISH FAITH TO ATTEND THE FESTIVAL OF PASSOVER. APPENDIX 6.ROUTINE ORDER 185 of 8.4.19. POST WAR EMPLOYMENT IN AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

✓ Applications are invited from Members of the Permanent Forces now in the A.I.F. with Engineering or Technical qualifications: APPENDIX 7.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM 310 of 8.4.19. Applications for ATTACHMENT TO Y.M.C.A. INTERNATIONAL HOSPITALITY LEAGUE, LONDON. See APPENDIX 8.ROUTINE ORDER 190 of 9.4.19. REORGANISATION: NO 3 GROUP.

✓ Attention is directed to Special Demobilization Order No 292 of even date. See APPENDIX 9.

ROUTINE ORDER 202 of 11.4.19. PAYBOOKS OF MEN REPORTING TO LONDON FOR N.M.E.. See APPENDIX 10.ROUTINE ORDER 203 of 11.4.19. MOTOR CYCLES AND BICYCLES. APPENDIX 10a

- ✓ NOTICE of 11.4.19. MOVE OF A.A.S.C. DETACHMENT HURDCOTT.  
It is notified for information that on and after the 10th inst. the A.A.S.C. Detachment, Hurdcoft will be located at No 5 Camp instead of No 12 - telephone FOVANT 14.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 221 of 14.4.19. REORGANISATION: NO 4 GROUP HURDCOTT.  
Attention is directed to Demobilization Order No 295 of 12.4.19. regarding above. See Appendix 11.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 222 of 14.4.19. GROUPING OF DIVISIONS.  
Attention is directed to Demobilization Order No 296 of 12.4.19. regarding above. See Appendix 11a.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 223 of 14.4.19. REORGANISATION.  
i No 4 Group (4th DIVISION) HURDCOTT.  
ii No 5 Group (5th DIVISION) WEYMOUTH.  
Attention is directed to Demobilization Order No 302 of 13.4.19. See Appendix 12.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 224 of 14.4.19. FAMILY SHIPS.  
Attention is directed to Demobilization Order No 303 of 13.4.19. See Appendix 13.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 225 of 14.4.19. DEPOTS DISBANDED.  
It is notified for information that the following Depots were disbanded as from dates shown:  
AUST. L.H. Training Depot, Candahar Bks., Tidworth. 16.4.19.  
AUST. M.G. " " PARKHOUSE, 12.4.19.  
AUST. Railway Depot, Longmoor Camp. 12.4.19.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 226 of 14.4.19. PAY ADMINISTRATION SUTTON VENY AREA.  
Lieut. D.C. Johnston A.A.P.C. Paymaster A.I.F. Sutton Veny Area located Headquarters No 2 Group Sutton Veny will control the Pay Administration of Group 1, 2, and 3. See Appendix 14.
- ✓ NOTICES OF 14.4.19. COMMAND.  
The following Special Order by Major General J.J. Gelliband CB, DSO. commanding 3rd Aust. Div. is published for information. See Appendix 15.
- ✓ ANZAC BALL.  
Arrangements have been made for an Anzac Ball to be held in the New Grand Ball Room, Piccadilly Hotel London on Thursday, 24th April 1919. See Appendix 15a.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 233 of 15.4.19. DRESS. See Appendix 16.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 234 of 15.4.19. RESTRICTION ON INLAND TELEGRAMS SENT.  
The volume of free inland telegrams sent O.E.M.S. hampers ordinary public facilities. A reduction to be made. See Appendix 16a.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 236 of 15.4.19. LEAVE.  
From 1st of May to Officers Warrant and Non Commissioned Officers and Men employed in a clerical position on Camp or Group Headquarters Staffs at the rate of 4 days per month. See Appendix 17.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 246 of 16.4.19. COMMAND.  
During the absence of Lieut. Col. J.S. Knox the duties of A.A.G. will be performed by Lieut. Col. L.J. Morshead DSO, 33 Bn A.I.F. ~~XXX~~
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 247 of 16.4.19. AGRICULTURAL TOURS.  
The Director of Education has approved under Auth. of Director General's ruling of 8th Feb. 1919 of a tour to embrace the following; Appendix 18.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 250 of 17.4.19. EASTER HOLIDAYS.  
As far as possible the Easter holidays from the 18th until the 21st inst. will be observed by these Headquarters and by all Groups. Appendix 19.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 251 of 17.4.19. STAFF OFFICERS.

Some misunderstanding appears to exist as to the position of a Staff Officer when the staff to which he belongs is dispersed in the process of Demobilization, or he himself is withdrawn for Repatriation.  
See Appendix 19a.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 252 of 17.4.19. APPLICATIONS FOR ATTACHMENT TO AUSTRALIAN Y.M.C.A.

The Y.M.C.A. requires the services of 6 men for hut leadership on Salisbury Plain. The conditions are as follows: See Appendix 19b.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 270 of 22.4.19. HEADQUARTERS AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

Headquarters Aust. Corps ~~range~~ ceases to exist as from 27th inst.  
See Appendix 20.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 271 of 22.4.19. REORGANISATION: NO 5 GROUP.

Attention is directed to Demobilization Order No 327 of 21.4.19.  
See Appendix 21.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 272 of 22.4.19. EDUCATION SERVICE.

Attendances at classes and special ~~classes~~ courses of instruction will be regarded as parades. Men attending these parades will not be detailed for other duties. See Appendix 20a.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 273 of 22.4.19. FAREWELL MESSAGE.

The following message from General Sir W.R. Robinson GCB, KCVO, ETC., is published for the information of all ranks: See Appendix 20b.

✓ NOTICE OF 22.4.19. PUBLIC SCHOOL DINNER.

An Old Melburnian Victory Dinner will be held in London at the Trocadero at 1930 on April 25th.  
Any Old Melburnian wishing to attend should communicate with Major W.S. Kent Hughes, 32 Grosvenor Place S.W.11

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 278 of 23.4.19. COMMAND.

Col. D.M. McWHAR ~~CMG, CBE, AAMC~~, relinquishes appointment of A.D.M.S.  
See Appendix 22.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 283 of 23.4.19. AUST. IMP. FORCE SALVAGE DEPOTS LONDON.

It is notified for the information of all Units that an Australian Imperial Force Salvage Depot has been opened ~~at~~ in London. Appendix 23.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 284 of 23.4.19. ANZAC DAY. A

As far as possible Anzac Day the 25th inst will be observed as a holiday by these Headquarters and all Group Headquarters. Appendix 24.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 285 of 23.4.19. ANZAC SPORTS MEETING.

Approval has been given for an Anzac Sports Meeting to be held on 1st May next for the A.I.F. troops at Tidworth, Parkhouse and Bulford.  
See Appendix 24a.

✓ OFFICE CIRCULAR 142 of 23.4.19. STAFF CONFERENCE. See Appendix 25.✓ NOTICE OF 24.4.19. CHURCH PARADE ANZAC DAY.

A combined Church Parade will be held on the lawn in front of Headquarters at 1000 on Friday 25th April 1919.  
Branches will arrange for every possible rank to attend.  
The parade will assemble at 0930 in rear of Camp Orderly Room.  
Camp Commandant will make all necessary arrangements in regard to the ~~parade~~ parade. Belts or Bandoliers and felt hats will be worn.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER 292 of 26.4.19. HOSPITAL DISBANDED.

It is notified for information that No 1 Group Clearing Hospital, Sutton Veny was closed and disbanded as from 31.3.19.

✓ ROUTINE ORDER of 26.4.19. TRADESMEN REQUIRED FOR A.A.S.C.

The services of the following Tradesmen are required at A.A.S.C. Depots in U.K. to ~~relieve~~ relieve 1914 and 1915 personnel for ~~return~~ return to Austral  
See Appendix 26.

- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 299 of 26.4.19. TRADESMEN REQUIRED FOR A.M.T.S.  
The services of the following Tradesmen are required at A.M.T.S. Depots in U.K. to relieve 1914 and 1915 personnel for return to Australia.  
See Appendix 26a.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 301 of 28.4.19. STAFF REQUIRED AT ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS A.I.F. LONDON.  
A number of Clerks are urgently required for special work in the Central Registry at Administrative Headquarters A.I.F. LONDON.  
See Appendix 27.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 302 of 28.4.19. LECTURE ON REPATRIATION XXX IN AUSTRALIA.  
Major H.B. Ryan who is the representative of the Department of Repat. in Australia is to lecture on Repat. in Australia at the War Chest Club at 1500 on Wednesday, 30th inst.  
See Appendix 27a.
- ✓ REORGANISATION: TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESSES ROUTINE ORDER 309 of 29.4.19.  
Attention is directed to Demob Order No. 352 of 29.4.19. in respect to above. See Appendix 28.
- ✓ CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM 313 of 28.4.19.  
Attention is directed to Circular Memorandum 313 of 28.4.19. published yesterday. See Appendix 29.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER of 29.4.19. RATION ALLOWANCE ON LEAVE.  
Approval has been given for the payment of a ration allowance of 1/9d per diem as from 17.4.19. to all members of the A.I.F. proceeding on leave of absence, which does not involve the relinquishment of pay.  
See Appendix 30.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 312 of 29.4.19. SKILLED BOILER ATTENDANTS REQUIRED.  
See Appendix 30a.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 313 of 29.4.19. REGIMENTAL FUNDS.  
All regimental funds excepting those mentioned below will close as from the 30.4.19. See Appendix 30b.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 315 of 30.4.19. INSPECTORS OF ORDNANCE MACHINERY IN THE AUSTRALIAN PERMANENT MILITARY FORCES.  
Applications are invited from members of the A.I.F. with engineering and technical qualifications with a view to possible appointment in the Aust. Permanent Military Forces on return to Aust. Appendix 31.
- ✓ ROUTINE ORDER 321 of 30.4.19. COMMAND.  
Lieut. Col. J.S. Knox having returned from leave resumes duties as A.A.G. A.I.F. Depots in U.K. as from to-day 30.4.19.
- ✓ NOTICES of 30.4.19. DESPATCH OF PRIVATE CABLES ON BEHALF OF MEMBERS OF THE A.I.F.  
On and from 1st of May 1919 A.I.F. Headquarters London will cease to ~~send~~ despatch private cables on behalf of members of the A.I.F.  
See Appendix 32.
- ✓ TELEGRAPH ADDRESS.  
See Appendix 32a.

INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING LEAVE.

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1. If you are applying for leave, particulars required should be filled in and this form handed in to the Camp Orderly Room or on first parade within 24 hours after marching in to Camp.

2. If it be desired to proceed to more than one place whilst on leave, ALL the places you wish to travel to by train should be shown, and also the order in which you wish to visit same, for example, first London, thence Birmingham, thence Glasgow.

3. You will be booked out to the first station you mention by the recognised most direct route. For instance, if you desire to spend your leave in Liverpool, but wish to go to Liverpool via London, you must include LONDON as your first station, otherwise you will be booked direct to Liverpool and your ticket will not be available for travelling to London.

4. When a extra journey is involved, an extra Concession Voucher (Army Form W.3950). should be supplied.

5. Army Form W.3950. (Railway Concession Voucher) must be exchanged for a ticket, otherwise you are responsible for the full cost of the journey made, (viz.50% above concession rate).

In connection with my application for.....days leave,  
I desire to proceed from.....  
direct to.....  
thence to.....

(Signature)..... (Reg. No.)..... (Rank).....

(Field Unit)..... (Quota No.).....

Place.....

Date.....



CORRESPONDENCE FOR DIVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

138 All communications for 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Australian Divisions will, on and after this date, be addressed to Headquarters, Australian Corps, France, naming the Division by whom action is required.

The former Headquarters will ensure that the Divisional Headquarters receives the necessary instructions.

Communications to 3rd Australian Division will be continued as heretofore. (Authority: Demob. Circular No. 20 of 20.3.1919.) (Hqs. A.I.F. Order No. 783 of 23rd March 1919.)

TELEGRAMS - ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF.

139 Attention is directed to the necessity for the prompt acknowledgment of all telegrams and letters for which an acknowledgment is asked.

Omission to do this at once has recently necessitated the use of the telephone in many cases, which especially in the case of trunk calls, is much to be deprecated apart from the trouble involved.

Any such correspondence received between, or after, office hours is to be acknowledged by the Officer on duty.

(Authority: G.H.Q., G.B. No. 6644/A.1., dated 25th March 1919.

C.R., S.C. No. 225352 (A.1/4.))

(Southern Command Order No. 348 of 31st March 1919.)

CIRCULAR MEMORANDA Nos. 308 and 309.

(CR.AIF.25643/66/6 MS.)

(London)

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STANDING ORDER 3.4.1919.

OUTSTANDING APPLICATIONS UNDER REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILIZATION.

A return showing all applications under Repatriation and Demobilization, which have been outstanding for 28 days and over, will be furnished to these Headquarters by 1600 on Wednesdays of each week. The return will be in the form of a nominal roll showing Reg.No., Rank, Name and Initials, Date and Nature of application made. Nil returns to be rendered where applicable.

*Gerald C. Carr*  
Capt  
Lieut-Colonel.  
for A. A. G.

Issued at 1115.

A.I.F. Depots in the United Kingdom.

ORDERS

by

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR CHARLES ROSENTHAL, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.S.C.,  
GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE DEPOTS  
IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

Headquarters,  
Bhurtpore Barracks,  
TIDWORTH. 5.4.1919.

*Appendix 4*  
ADMINISTRATION.

REORGANIZATION: No. 2 GROUP.

- 167 (a) In conformity with Special Order No. 202 of 23rd ultimo; on (and inclusive of) Monday next, 7th instant, 1st Training Brigade Depot, and No. 1 Command Depot will merge into, and be thereafter designated as, "No. 2 Group".
- xw* (b) Pending the arrival of Brigadier-General Robertson, C.M.G., D.S.O., Lieut-Colonel W.E.J. James, D.S.O. will command No. 2 Group.
- (c) Correspondence will be addressed to "Headquarters, No. 2 Group, Sutton Veny". Local Post Offices to be informed by Headquarters of Group concerned.
- (d) Until further Orders, telegrams for Headquarters, No. 2 Group will be addressed "Oneconast, Sutton Veny".

ENTRAINMENTS AND EMBARKATIONS.

168 In connection with the embarkation of troops for Australia instances have occurred where considerable confusion has been caused owing to some Depots, responsible for the dispatch of personnel, neglecting to carry out the entrainment of troops with due regard to proper order of precedence.

*xh.* As the final Boat-rolls are prepared in order of precedence of Units, and troops must be embarked in accordance with same, it is imperative that they should be so entrained. In future the following orders must be rigidly observed :-

The R.T.O. at Station of entrainment will select a suitable place of assembly for the troops in close proximity to the station, and on no account must troops be allowed to enter the station building or occupy any platform used by the public until orders are received from the R.T.O. The Depot Entraining Officers should report to the R.T.O. for instructions 15 minutes before the arrival of troops at the Railway Station

The troops must arrive at the Railway Station 30 minutes before the scheduled time of departure of the train and all entrainments must be completed at least five minutes before the time set down for the departure of the train.

The R.T.O. will superintend and give all instructions regarding entrainment, which must be carried out in a quiet and orderly manner.

Units are to be entrained in order of precedence commencing at, and filling the compartments from the front, or rear, of the train as directed by the R.T.O. Infantry will be entrained in order of sequence of Battalion numbers and, as far as possible, all men of a Battalion must travel on the same train.

Troops are not to travel in compartments other than those allotted to them; should a detrainment be ordered for refreshments, &c., en route to the port of embarkation, troops must re-occupy the compartments originally allotted to them at the original station of entrainment.

On arrival at destination the Conducting Officer, or Officers, must immediately report to the Embarkation Staff Officer for instructions and, under no circumstances must troops detrain until ordered to do so.

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ENTRAINMENTS AND EMBARKATIONS (Continued)

On detrainment at destination, or port of embarkation,  
168 troops will fall in, in exactly the same order as that in which  
Contd. they were entrained viz:- in order of precedence by Units.

At the port of embarkation the conducting Officer, or  
Officers, will stand by their troops until such time as the  
embarkation has been completed.

The G.O.C. directs that Headquarters of Groups will concert  
special measures to ensure that the foregoing orders are strictly  
complied with.

TELEPHONE MECHANICS.

The services of the undermentioned Tradesmen are urgently  
172 required at these Headquarters :-

- 2 Traffic Officers
- 6 Telephonists
- 6 Fitters (Telephone).

Appendix 5  
Commanding Officers of Units will do their utmost to obtain these men and forward applications not later than the 10th instant. Nil returns to be rendered where applicable.

If possible, applications should be obtained from men who are willing to remain in England until such time as demobilization is completed. (CR.AIF.7836.Q.)

COURTS OF ENQUIRY.

Appendix b.

ROUTINE ORDERS FOR 5.4.1919.

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GRANTING OF LEAVE TO OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE JEWISH FAITH TO ATTEND THE FESTIVAL OF PASEOVER.

- 175 1. Leave to be granted to Officers and men of the Jewish Faith provided the exigencies of the service permit, from the 14th April to the 23rd April 1919.
2. Leave should be granted so that all Officers and men will be enabled to reach their destination before 4 p.m. on 14th April and to rejoin their Depots on the 23rd April.
3. All Officers and men proceeding on leave to London shall report on their arrival in London, to Lieut. Harold Boas, the accredited representative of the Jewish Chaplin of the A.I.F. who will be stationed at the Jewish Soldiers Bureau, East Strand, London.
4. Applications for leave shall be made in the usual form through Officers Commanding Depots, to reach these Headquarters not later than Friday, April the 11th.
5. The usual concession warrants to be granted in all cases.

which have been issued to all Units Etc of this Command.

POST-WAR EMPLOYMENT IN AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

*Appendix 7*

185 Applications are invited from Members of the permanent Forces, now in the A.I.F., with Engineering or Technical qualifications, with a view to their being trained for post-war employment in connection with the repair and adjustment of range-finders, telescopic sights and other optical instruments.

On appointment the rank will be that of Warrant Officer with pay at the rate of from £220 per annum upwards.

Applicants must be prepared to undergo the necessary course of training in England prior to being repatriated.

The following particulars are required :-

- Regimental Number
- Rank
- Name in full
- Unit
- Married or Single
- Qualifications
- Recommendation of Commanding Officer.

Applications to be forwarded to reach this Headquarters not later than 20th April 1919.

Nil returns to be rendered where applicable.  
(Authority: A.I.F. Orders of 4th April 1919.)

COURTS MARTIAL

LJM/ab.

*Appendix A*

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 310.

Headquarters,  
A.I.F. Depots in U.K.  
~~Bhurtpore Barracks~~  
TIDWORTH.

To All Units  
A.I.F. Depots in U.K.  
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8th April, 1919.

APPLICATIONS FOR ATTACHMENT TO Y.M.C.A. INTERNATIONAL  
HOSPITALITY LEAGUE, LONDON.  
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The Y.M.C.A. require the services of ten (10) men for work in London, and applications are asked for. The conditions are as follows:

1. Pay - £3 a week and living expenses. Extended leave without pay will be granted.
2. Duration of service is at least four (4) months, but applicants must be prepared to serve on until the end of the year.
3. Preference will be given to men between the ages of 22 and 25.
4. Applicants must have had at least one year's service in France.
5. Those selected will be attached to the Australian Y.M.C.A. quota on the staff of the Y.M.C.A. International Hospitality League, and will be attached to the Social and Enquiry Bureaus, in London.

The work is to meet the needs of Overseas and American soldiers on leave in London.

Hours: 5 p.m. till midnight. When possible one night a week off is given.

Applications, together with recommendations from C.O's. will be submitted to Group Headquarters before 10.00 Friday April 11th. No man who is on a boat roll can apply.

Y.M.C.A. Representatives will interview the applicants on Friday and Saturday April 11th & 12th at a time to be arranged by them with Group Headquarters.

*R. S. Mackinnon*

Lieut.-Colonel.  
for Brig.-General.  
D.A. & C.M.G.

A.I.F. DEPOTS IN UNITED KINGDOM.

Issued at 1500



COMMENT.

REORGANIZATION : No. 2 GROUP.  
292.

*Appendix 9.*

Vide Routine Order No. 167 (para. b.) of  
5.4.19 and special mobilisation Order No. 259 of 5.4.19,

Brigadier J. C. ROBERTSON, C.M.G., D.S.O.,  
(6th Infantry Brigade) reported for duty and assumed Command of No.  
2 Group on 6.4.19.

*R. H. Beardsmore*

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ORDERS

by

~~MAJOR GENERAL SIR CHARLES ROSENTHAL, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.~~  
~~GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE DEPOTS~~  
IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

Headquarters,  
Bhurtore Barracks,  
TIDWORTH. 11.4.1919.

*Appendix 70.*

ADMINISTRATION.

PAYBOOKS OF MEN REPORTING TO LONDON FOR NON-MILITARY EMPLOYMENT.

202 In all cases of men reporting to LONDON for Non-Military Employment, they must be in possession of their Paybooks, or if the Paybooks have been sent to the Pay Branch in LONDON, or are held at Depots, the men are to be given a note to this effect to produce to Branch 5.D, <sup>Head Office</sup> so that action can be taken by that Branch to obtain the Paybooks and make necessary financial arrangements (Authority: I.D.15212 of 9.4.19. and CR.AIF.42379/A4/9.)

MOTOR CYCLES AND BICYCLES.

203 There is an erroneous impression amongst Officers and other Ranks returning to Australia that the A.I.F. will permit Motor Cycles and Bicycles to be embarked on Transports and conveyed to Australia.

(ca) It is pointed out that Officers and other Ranks are NOT permitted to embark Motor Cycles or Bicycles on A.I.F. Transports and anyone desirous of returning such articles to Australia must make their own arrangements with a Shipping Company.

(Authority: 2.D.72051 of 8.4.19., and CR.AIF.61799(A).)

If on leave, these  
immediately and this Headquarters no  
have reported.

REORGANIZATION .: No. 4 Group.

*Approved II*

295. Vide Special Demobilisation Order No. 202;  
dated 23.3.19. ; Brigadier-General R. L. LEANE, C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C.,  
reported and assumed Command of No. 4 Group on 6.4.19.

GROUPING OF DIVISIONS.

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*Ha* Headquarters Department of Repatriation and  
Demobilisation, Circular Memoranda Nos. 20 and 22, having reference  
to grouping of Divisions, are re-published for general information  
and guidance:-

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 20, dated 20th MARCH, 1919.

1. In the immediate future the 1st and 4th Australian Divisions will be merged under one Divisional Headquarters, and will hereafter be designated as "A" Division. The two groups of same representing the 1st and 4th Divisions will be respectively known as "A1" and "A4".
2. In a similar manner the 2nd Australian Division will merge with the 5th Australian Division under the 2nd Div. Headquarters, and its groups will be known as "B2" and "B5".
3. Quotas will continue to be furnished by the groups of their own Divisions, this being arranged by the Headquarters of "A" Division and "B" Division respectively.

12.4.1919.

GROUPING OF DIVISIONS.

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CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 20, dated 20th MARCH, 1919.  
(Continued).

4. All communications intended for any of the above four Divisions will from and after March 28th be addressed to Australian Corps, naming the Division (according to its old designation) by whom action is required. Australian Corps will ensure that the Divisional Headquarters concerned receives the necessary instructions. This procedure is adopted in order to prevent any confusion in the Signal Service.
5. All communications from and to the 3rd Australian Division will proceed as heretofore, direct to the Division whenever necessary.
6. In all communications from any of the above Grouped Divisions to this Department, the Headquarters concerned will in every case clearly indicate the Division in respect of which action is being taken.

(Signed) JOHN MONASH  
Lieut-General.  
Director-General.

SPECIAL ORDERS

MAJOR GENERAL SIR CHARLES DOWLING, M.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.,  
GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE DEPOTS

THE UNITED KINGDOM.

DEMOBILISATION : GRAIF 42379/Ad.

Headquarters,  
Bhurtpore Barracks,  
TIDWORTH, 13.4.19.

*Appendix 12*

REORGANISATION.

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1. No. 4 GROUP (4th DIVISION).

(a) Brigadier-General R. J. LEANE, C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C. (12th Infantry Brigade) having assumed command of No. 4 Group on 6th April, the 5th Training Brigade Depot and No. 4 Command Depot will forthwith merge into, and be hereafter known as, "No. 4 Group".

(b) Correspondence will be addressed "Headquarters No. 4 Group Hurdcott". Local Post Offices to be informed by Headquarters of Group concerned.

(c) Until further Orders, telegrams for Headquarters No. 4 Group will be addressed :-

"FORCOMAUST HURDCOTT".

2. No. 5 GROUP (5th DIVISION).

(a) In conformity with special Order No. 202 of 23rd ultimo; from, and inclusive of, 15th instant No. 2 Command Depot Weymouth, will merge into, and be hereafter designated as "No. 5 Group".

(b) Pending the arrival of Brigadier-General J. C. STEWART, C.M.G., D.S.O., (14th Brigade) Colonel H. B. COLLETT, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., will command No. 5 Group.

(c) Correspondence will be addressed to "Headquarters No. 5 Group, Westham Camp, Weymouth. Local Post Offices to be informed by Headquarters of Group concerned.

(d) Until further orders, telegrams for Headquarters No. 5 Group will be addressed to :-

"TWOCCMAUST WEYMOUTH".

13.4.19.

*Appendix 13*

FAMILY SHIPS : SPECIAL LEAVE.

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(1) Owing to the shortage of Family Ships and the consequent delay in the embarkation of approved personnel, the G. O. C. has approved of applicants who have been waiting embarkation for a period longer than four weeks, and whose wives reside in the United Kingdom, being allowed leave of absence should they so desire, subject to the following conditions :-

(a) Application to clearly show name and address of wife

(b) No subsistence allowance, or allowance of any nature whatsoever in respect of leave granted, will be payable to applicant or his dependants.

(c) Railway fares from applicant's Depot to his home and return to Depot to be paid by applicant. Concession vouchers, however, will be available for this purpose.

(d) Leave will be granted subject to recall at short notice for embarkation or other purpose. Should an applicant, to whom leave has been granted, fail to return promptly on recall, he will be liable to miss his turn for embarkation and be debarred from further leave.

(e) Should an applicant, to whom leave has been granted, change his address he will at once notify his Commanding Officer by REGISTERED letter; failure to do so will render personnel concerned liable to miss their turn for embarkation and be debarred from further leave.

(2) G.Os.C. Groups are empowered to grant leave in accordance with the foregoing conditions, and will cause the addresses of all men granted leave to be registered at their respective Headquarters.

(3) Any change of address notified by personnel on leave, in addition to being recorded at Headquarters of Depots concerned, is to be immediately forwarded to Headquarters Tidworth for information.

(4) All personnel to whom leave is granted in accordance with above will subscribe their names to a copy of this Order.

*R. W. Beardsmore*

Issued at 1300

Lieut-Colonel.  
Staff Officer, Demobilisation Section  
A. I. F. DEPOTS IN UNITED KINGDOM.

Wing for Camp  
10.1.19.  
PAY ADMINISTRATION - SUTTON VENY AREA.      *Appendix 14.*

226 Lieut. D.C. Johnston, A.A.P.C. Paymaster, A.I.F., Sutton Veny  
Area located at Headquarters, No. 2 Group, Sutton Veny, will  
control the Pay Administration of Groups 1, 2 and 3. His  
representatives located at Headquarters, Groups 1 and 3 will be  
known as Paymaster No. 1 Group and Paymaster No. 3 Group respectively.  
10/2221/16      of 12th April 19.)

NOTICES.

*Appendix 75.*

COMMAND.

The following Special Order by Major-General J.GELLIBRAND, CB., DSO, Commanding, Third Australian Division, is published for information:-

" On handing over command of the Division to Brigadier-General J.H.CANNAN, CB., CMG., I desire to express to all ranks my sincere appreciation of their work in the field during the last SOMME Campaign. They have fully maintained the traditions of the Australian Imperial Force - gallantry in action, endurance to the last, and determination to do their work thoroughly.

Of the five months which have elapsed since Armistice Day, I can well say that the Division has stood the trials of peace in an exemplary manner. Much was expected of the Division, and our record shows that the confidence was not misplaced.

I wish every member of the Division a hearty farewell, and all success in the future.

(Signed) J.GELLIBRAND, Major-General.  
Commanding, Third Australian Division.

10.4.1919.

ANZAC BALL.

Arrangements have been made for an "Anzac Ball" to be held at the new Grand Ball Room, Piccadilly Hotel, LONDON on Thursday, 24th April 1919. Dancing from 8.00. to 2.30.

Tickets may be obtained on application to the Camp Commandant, Headquarters, TIDWORTH; also from Captain Bowden or Major Browning, A.I.F. Headquarters, LONDON, and the Secretary of the Ball Committee at 54, Victoria Street, LONDON.

The G.O.C. approves of such leave being granted as will permit purchasers of tickets attending the Ball, provided embarkation arrangements or duties generally, are not interfered with.

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O R D E R S

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MAJOR-GENERAL SIR CHARLES ROSENTHAL, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.,  
GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE DEPOTS  
IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

*Appendix 16*  
A D M I N I S T R A T I O N.

Headquarters,  
Bhurstpore Barracks,  
TIDWORTH. 15.4.1919.

DRESS.

233 With reference to King's Regulations, paragraph 1707, prohibiting the wearing of regulation uniform by Officers at Fancy Dress Balls, and Army Order 163 of 1917, which restricts the wearing of plain clothes by Officers, the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, The Forces in Great Britain, directs that until further orders, King's Regulations, paragraph 1707, will be considered as being in abeyance. (8971/A3.) (General Routine Order No. 261 of 11th April 1919.)

RESTRICTION OF INLAND TELEGRAMS SENT O.H.M.S.

- 234 1. The volume of free inland telegrams sent as O.H.M.S. is so great as to hamper very seriously the ordinary public facilities. A substantial reduction must therefore be made, and the following instructions must be rigorously observed :-
2. In future no Officer under the rank of Captain in any Unit which has an Officer of that rank or above on its establishment may frank any telegram sent as O.H.M.S.
3. No Officer with status lower than that of a general Staff Officer, first grade, or O.C. a Unit, may frank any "Clear the line" or "Priority" telegram, except that Officers of any rank specially detailed for emergency duty, such as night duty, &c., may frank any telegrams necessarily arising out of such duty.
4. Officers of lower status than that of a general Staff Officer first grade, or O.C. may not frank "Clear the line" or "Priority" telegrams "for" their superiors.
5. The text of all messages must be abbreviated as much as possible consistently with lucidity. It is the duty of every Officer franking a telegram personally to examine it with a view to eliminating all superfluous words.
6. In many cases now urgency is not so great as it was. Recourse should, therefore, not be had to the telegraph service when the ordinary postal service will suffice. It is again the business of every Officer franking a telegram personally to satisfy himself that postal communication will not meet the circumstances of the case.
7. The General Post Office have been requested to notify the War Office of any telegrams which conflicts with these instructions. (26/Telegraphs/575(C.2.) (Army Council Instruction No. 249 of 1919.)

BARBERS AND TAILORS.

235 Two Barbers and two Tailors are urgently required for duty with Australian Provost Corps Details, Warwick Square, LONDON. Applications, stating length of experience, will be called for from men desiring such employment and forwarded so as to reach this Headquarters by 1200 on Monday, the 21st instant. Nil returns to be rendered where applicable.

Appendix 17.

ROUTINE ORDERS for 15.4.1919.

L E A V E.

236 (1) As from 1st May 1919 leave may be granted to Officers, Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers and men employed in a clerical capacity on Group and Headquarters Staffs at the rate of 4 days per month, subject always to being withheld or cancelled where the exigencies of the Service demand it, and at the discretion of Commanding Officers.

This leave can NOT be accumulative.

(2) Reference Routine Order No. 1912 of 2.9.1917.

Good conduct leave may be granted to Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and men as heretofore - namely at the rate of two days per month -.

This leave is only to be granted every other month and may not be accumulative beyond 6 days and then only in cases where personnel cannot be spared when normally due for leave.

(3) The leave referred to in para.(2) is not applicable to personnel entitled to same under para (1).

COURTS MARTIAL.

Coast Battalion, A.I.F.

AGRICULTURAL TOURS.

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247 1. The Director of Education has approved, (under Authority of Director-General's ruling of 8.2.19) of a tour to embrace the following :-

Ayrshire, Black Angus, Shorthorn and Clydesdale Stud properties in Scotland, from April the 24th to May the 9th.

Duty Railway Warrants and subsistence (in arrears) will be granted.

2. Party will be restricted to 24 (all ranks).

3. Units will forward to the A.D. of E., these Headquarters, a Nominal Roll in triplicate of applicants for this tour showing each man's Unit, quota, Depot and previous experience entitling applicant to the tour, by 2000 on the 20th instant.

The A.D.E. will make the selection and inform all Depots.

4. Advance Officer will report to the Director of Education by noon April the 21st for instructions.

5. Party will arrive in London on the evening of April the 22nd and proceed to Edinburgh by the train leaving Kings Cross Station at 1000 on the 23rd and report to the R.T.O. Edinburgh for instructions.

6. Each man selected will be issued with :-

A. Issue of Ration Coupons.

B. Pay in advance.

C. Issue of necessary (Duty) Railway Warrants which should be for the following journals :-

Depot	-	London
London	-	Edinburgh
Edinburgh-	-	Aberdeen via Perth.
Aberdeen	-	Elgin
Elgin	-	Ayr
Ayr	-	Depot.

D. Duty passes from April the 22nd to May the 9th.

7. Personnel will report back to Depot on May the 9th.

(Authority: LD2/132980 of April 14th.1919.)-(CR.AIF.42379/A9.)-

and(TE.6/15 -16.4.19.)

ORDERS

by

~~MAJOR-GENERAL SIR CHARLES ROSENTHAL, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.,~~  
~~GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL-FORCE DEPOTS~~  
~~IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.~~

Headquarters,  
Bhurtpore Barracks,  
TIDWORTH. 17.4.1919

ADMINISTRATION.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.

- 250 As far as possible the Easter Holidays from the 18th till the 21st instant will be observed by these Headquarters and by all Group Headquarters. There will be only one inwards and outwards despatch daily, namely, the first despatch.
- The Staffs will be reduced to the minimum at the discretion of Group Commanders and Heads of Departments, but there must be an Officer on duty at each Headquarters.
- Routine Orders will not be published during the holidays. Sunday privileges granted to other ranks regarding bounds will apply during the Easter period.
- Men whose applications for discharge in England have been approved will be retained at Groups until the 22nd instant.

STAFF OFFICERS.

- 251 1. (i) Some misunderstanding appears to exist as to the position of a Staff Officer when the Staff to which he belongs is dispersed in the process of demobilization, or he himself is withdrawn for repatriation.
- (ii) In either of the above circumstances any Officer who has been appointed to a definite vacancy in an authorised Staff Establishment, other than temporarily, will retain his appointment until demobilization in Australia. This will not affect the right of the Director-General, Repatriation and Demobilization to detail such Officers for regimental or other duty prior to or during the voyage to Australia.
- (iii) Where Officers, who have been definitely appointed to fill vacancies in an authorised Staff Establishment and prior to 11/11/18 have been granted temporary rank while holding such appointments, such temporary rank shall be retained until demobilization in Australia, i.e. the appointment will not be vacated until demobilization.
2. Officers appointed temporarily to the Staff and Officers detailed to "officiate" in Staff appointments will, upon the dispersal of Staffs for demobilization, or upon withdrawal for return to Australia, either return to regimental duty or be detailed to Staff duty on shipboard as may be determined by the Director-General, Repatriation and Demobilization.  
(A.M.S. Circular No. 4 of 3.4.1919, & CR.AIF.42379(A).)

APPLICATIONS FOR ATTACHMENT TO AUSTRALIAN Y.M.C.A.

- 252 The Y.M.C.A. requires the services of six (6) men for hut leadership on Salisbury Plain. The conditions are as follows:-
19. (1) Salary - £3 a week and living expenses, with separation allowance to wife in cases of married men.
- (2) Duration of service is at least four (4) months, but applicants must be prepared to serve on until the end of the year, if required.
- (3) Duties - the organisation of religious, social, recreational and other duties in connection with the huts.
- (4) Applicants should be Communicant Church members.
- (5) Leave - two days a month, with four extra days every fourth month.
- Applications from men desiring such employment together with recommendations from C.Os. will be submitted to these Headquarters (to H/Capt. E.C. Bradley, Senior Representative, Bhurtpore, Tidworth.) before 1000 April 23rd 1919. No man who is on a Boat-roll can apply.
- The Y.M.C.A. also require the services of a man willing to undertake duties as Book-keeper and Stores Supervisor.

copies of which have been issued to all Units Etc. of this Command.

HEADQUARTERS, AUSTRALIAN CORPS. *Appendix 50*

270 Headquarters, Australian Corps, France, ceases to exist as from 27th instant, therefore no correspondence is to be despatched to arrive there after 26th. Thereafter and until further notice mail for AAG, AIF., ADOS, AUST. CORPS and DMS, AIF. is to be addressed care Headquarters, 2nd Australian Division.

REORGANISATION : No. 5 GROUP.

271 Attention is directed to Demobilization Order No. 327 of 21.4.1919 regarding above.

EDUCATION SERVICE.

272 Attendances at classes and special courses of instruction will be regarded as parades. Men attending these parades will not be detailed for other duties.

*Appen.*  
Education Officers will inform the Units concerned of any absentees from classes.

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Group Headquarters will provide suitable accommodation and furniture for these classes and will supply the necessary fatigues to ensure the cleanliness and tidiness of the accommodation provided.

Any men marched into a Depot to attend a course of instruction will on the completion of the course be marched out to the Depot from which they reported.

Application for attendance at any special course of instruction will be accepted from members of Quotas.

The Assistant Director of Education, will have the power to decide whether time permits of these men attending any course.

These men will not be struck off strength of their Quota, nor omitted from the boat-roll of their Quota.

When the Quota but one before the Quota to which any man attending a course belongs, is posted to a transport the Assistant Director of Education will be responsible for returning this man to his Unit. (TE 10/100 of 16.4.1919.)

FAREWELL MESSAGE.

273 The following message from General Sir. W.R. ROBERTSON, G.C.B., K.C.V.O., D.S.O., A.D.C., is published for the information of all ranks:

*App. 20b*  
" I hand over the Command of His Majesty's Forces in Great Britain to Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig. It is an honour to have held this Command and I desire to express to all Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and men of all branches my appreciation of the loyal and soldierly manner in which they have performed their duties. In bidding them farewell I wish one and all every success."

(Authority: Admon for Wire A.359, dated 14th April 1919. CR.36.No. )  
(Southern Command Order No.413 of 16.4.19.) ( 294502(A 1/4)

REORGANIZATION : NO. 5 GROUP.

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327.

Vide Demobilisation Order No. 202 of 23.3.19, and 302 of 13th instant para. 2 (C), Brigadier General J.C. STEWART, C.M.G., D.S.O., reported for duty on 14th instant and assumed Command of No. 5 Group on 16th instant.

HAVRE CHART.

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in respect of  
Commanding Units will ensure that the order is properly complied with. This order applies to quotas and Drafts from France as well as ordinary Depot personnel.

COMMAND.

- 278 (a) Colonel D. M. McWhae CMG, CBE, AAMC. relinquished appointment of A.D.M.S., A.I.F. Depots in U.K., on 6.4.1919.
- (b) Colonel S.R. Burston, DSO, AAMC. took over duties of A.D.M.S., A.I.F. Depots in U.K. on 7.4.1919, vice Colonel McWhae.
- (c) Captain W.H. Christophers, 50th Battalion officiated as D.A.A.G., A.I.F. Depots in U.K. vice Lieut. (T/Capt) R.L. Mayman, MBE, PSL. as from 22.3.1919.

(Authority: A.I.F. List No. 467 of 15.4.1919.)

COURTS MARTIAL.

then 1730  
Nil returns to be rendered where applicable.  
*Appendix 23.* (CR.AIF.7836.Q.)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE SALVAGE DEPOT, LONDON.

283 It is notified for the information of all Units, that an Australian Imperial Force Salvage Depot has been opened in London

The following instructions to Units in connection therewith are published for guidance.

Training stores and equipment (including stores purchased out of Regimental and By-product Funds) and Unserviceable clothing, the property of the A.I.F. will in future be returned to :-

Ordnance Officer, Australian Salvage Depot,  
Cnr. King & Jubilee Roads, Chelsea, LONDON.

and all correspondence and vouchers will be despatched direct to that address.

A Representative of the Australian Salvage Depot will visit each Unit and furnish full information regarding the procedure to be adopted.  
(CR.AIF.42379/S/Q1.)

*Appendix 34.*

ROUTINE ORDERS for 23.4.1919.

ANZAC DAY.

284 As far as possible "Anzac Day" the 25th instant will be observed as a holiday by these Headquarters and all Group Headquarters. There will be only one inwards and outwards despatch, namely the first despatch.

The Staffs will be reduced to the minimum at the discretion of Group Commanders and Heads of Departments but there must be an Officer on duty at each Headquarters.

Routine Orders will not be published on the 25th instant. Sunday priveleges granted to other ranks regarding bounds will apply on the day in question.

ANZAC SPORTS MEETING.

285 Approval has been given for an Anzac Sports Meeting to be held on 1st May next, for A.I.F. Troops at TIDWORTH, PARKHOUSE, and BULFORD.

Full particulars re programmes, prizes Etc, are obtainable from the following, :with whom entries close on April the 25th :-

- TIDWORTH - Sgt. R.W. Cooper, Bhurtpore Regtl. Institute.
  - PARKHOUSE.- Capt. W.I. Rogers, A.A.S.C. T.D.
  - BULFORD - S/Sgt. W. Painter, 1st A.D.H.
- (CR. AIF. 53508 (ST). )



AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

OFFICE CIRCULAR No. 142.

To:-  
Heads of Departments.

Headquarters,  
Bhurtore Barracks,  
TIDWORTH.  
23rd April 1919.

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STAFF CONFERENCE.

The G.O.C. will hold a conference with the Heads of all Departments in his Office on Saturday the 26th instant, at 1400.

The chief object of this Conference is to discuss matters which Departments wish to be dealt with at the Group Commanders Conference.

The question of Staffs and of promotion will be dealt with.

The G.O.C. requests that Heads of Departments will come fully prepared and that they will bring forward any difficulties and suggestions.

The Group Commanders conference will be held on the morning and afternoon of Sunday the 27th instant, commencing at 1000.

*W. A. Carr*

Captain.  
D. A. A. G.

A.I.F. DEPOTS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

NOTICE.

R.C. CHURCH PARADE - "Anzac Day".

A Memorial Mass will be held in the R.C. Church, TIDWORTH on Friday next, 25th instant, at 1030.

The Camp Commandant will detail a Bugler to attend.

*Appendix 2b*

ROUTINE ORDERS for 26.4.1919.  
TRADESMEN REQUIRED FOR A.A.S.C.

298 The services of the following Tradesman are required at A.A.S.C. Depots in U.K. to relieve 1914 and 1915 personnel for return to Australia.

Drivers, Farriers, Wheelers, Supply men, and Bootmakers.

Units will submit particulars of personnel who are prepared to remain in U.K. and are desirous of applying for such employment.

Nominal rolls to reach this Headquarters not later than 1800 on Friday the 2nd May 1919.

Nil returns to be rendered where applicable.

(CR.AIF. 50273 (ST).)

*Appendix 2b a.*

TRADESMEN REQUIRED FOR A.M.T.S.

299 The services of the following Tradesmen are required at A.M.T.S. Depots in U.K. to relieve 1914 and 1915 personnel for return to Australia.

Motor Drivers, Ford Drivers, Lorry Drivers,  
Side-Car Drivers, Despatch riders, Fitters and Turners,  
Blacksmiths, Wheelers, Tinsmiths, Coach Painters,  
Electricians, Upholsterers, Vulcanizers, Storemen.

Units will submit particulars of personnel stating qualifications, who are prepared to remain in U.K. until services are no longer required and are desirous of applying for such employment.

Nominal rolls to reach this Headquarters not later than 1800 on Friday the 2nd May 1919.

Nil returns to be rendered where applicable.

(CR.AIF.50706 (ST).)

*Chancellor*

copies of which have been issued to all Units Etc of this Command.  
**STAFF REQUIRED AT ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS, A.I.F., LONDON.**

3001 A number of Clerks are urgently required for special work in the Central Registry at Administrative Headquarters, A.I.F., LONDON.

Applications, stating qualifications, are invited from men desiring such employment and who have had considerable clerical experience either in private life or in some military capacity during the war.

Men applying for such employment should not be above the rank of Corporal and must be prepared to remain in the positions to which they are allotted until such time as their services can be dispensed with.

Applications are to be submitted in duplicate and forwarded so as to reach these Headquarters not later than 1200 on Monday, 5th May 1919. Nil returns to be rendered where applicable.

(Authority: Admin. letter 5a.4336/32/1 of 23.4.19 & CR. AIF.63606(A).)

**LECTURE ON "REPATRIATION IN AUSTRALIA".**

302 Major M.B. RYAN, who is the representative of the Department of Repatriation in AUSTRALIA is to lecture on "Repatriation in Australia" at the War Chest Club at 1500 on Wednesday, 30th instant.

As this subject is one of great interest to members of the Australian Imperial Force, Groups will send 1 Officer and 2 other ranks from each Quota, from the Group Battalions, and from Group Headquarters to attend the Lecture. Duty Warrants will be issued but no leave granted. (D/19078 of 26.4.1919. & CR. AIF.63810(A).)

BUGLERS.

SPECIAL ORDERS

by  
MAJOR GENERAL SIR CHARLES ROSINHAL, E.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.,  
GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE DEPOTS  
in  
THE UNITED KINGDOM.

DEMOBILISATION : CR. AIF 42379/Ad.

Headquarters,  
Burtree Barracks,  
Tidworth 29.4.19.

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REORGANIZATION :

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESSES.

(a) Vide Special Demobilisation Order No. 202 (Reorganization) of 23.3.19 para 10; approval has been received for the adoption of the following telegraphic "indicator" addressed as from and inclusive of 1st proximo.

General Officers Commanding Groups will be good enough to notify local Post and Telegraph Officials, and all others concerned, accordingly :-

H.O.	No. 1 Group,	LONGBRIDGE DEVERILL	-	"ONEAUST"
H.O.	No. 2 Group,	SUTTON VEY,	-	"TWOAUST"
H.O.	No. 3 Group,	CODFORD,	-	"THREEAUST"
H.O.	No. 4 Group,	HURDCOTT	-	"FOURAUST"
H.O.	No. 5 Group,	WEYMOUTH	-	"FIVEAUST".

(b) The "indicator" for Heytesbury Section of No. 1 Group will remain as at present, viz. "ARTAUST HEYTESBURY."  
(Auth: Adinaust Telegram No. 64209 of 28.4.19.)

TRANSPORT STAFF : "KARAGOLA".

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CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 313.

Headquarters  
A.I.F. Depots in U.K.,  
Bhurstpore Barracks,  
TIDWORTH. 28.4.1919.

To :-  
All Units,  
A.I.F. Depots in U.K.

NOTES ON G.O.C.'s CONFERENCE WITH GROUP COMMANDERS HELD  
AT BHURTPORE BARRACKS, TIDWORTH -27.4.1919.

1. STAFF.

i. The following establishment for all Group Headquarters, excepting No. 5 Group, is authorised :-

Group Commander	(Brigadier-General)
Second-in-Command	(Lieut-Colonel)
Staff Captain	(Captain)
Assistant Staff Captain	(Captain or Subaltern)
Group Quartermaster	(Captain or Subaltern)
Assistant Quartermaster	(Captain or Subaltern)
President of Regimental Institutes	(Captain or Subaltern)
Furlough Officer	(Subaltern)
Asst. Furlough Officer	(Subaltern)
Drafting Officer	(Subaltern)
Sports Officer	(Subaltern)
Courts Martial Officer	(Subaltern)
Camp Commandant for each Camp	(Subaltern)
Paymaster	(Subaltern)
Messing Officer	(Subaltern)

ii. At each Group, all details will be formed into what will be known as the Group Battalion, the establishment of which will be :-

Commanding Officer	(Major or Captain)
Adjutant	(Subaltern)

iii. The G.O.C. of No. 5 Group will submit his recommendation for his establishment of Officers.

The C.Os. of Westham, Littlemoor, Monte Video, Wyke Regis will in each case be a Major.

iv. Group Commanders will submit their recommendations for the establishment of Warrant Officers, Staff Sergeants, Sergeants, Corporals, Second-Corporals and Privates, to reach this Headquarters by mid-day on the 29th instant. The number of second Corporals to be appointed has not yet been definitely fixed but will be governed largely by Group Commanders recommendation. The guiding principal should be that all privates employed permanently on Staffs should be given an increase of pay. When their duties warrant it they should be recommended for promotion to Second-Corporal. Arrangements will be made for payment to those not so promoted from Group and other Funds. Group Commanders will consider carefully the amount of such extra pay to be given to these men and will report their views to this Headquarters by the 29th instant.

v. A recommendation is being made to Headquarters, A.I.F., LONDON, that the Lieut-Colonel, Second-in-Command, will be graded as Brigade-Major so that he may wear Staff Badges. Staff-Captains, when appointed, will also wear Staff Badges. The question of Camp Commandants wearing an armlet or Badge has not yet been decided.

vi. Authority will be asked that all the permanent Staff of Officers be granted the extra 1/6d per day field allowance.

2. REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILIZATION DEPARTMENT.

i. From to-day all applications to Headquarters, Repatriation and Demobilization Department will be submitted direct from Group Headquarters, and a weekly return in duplicate showing the names of Officers and numbers of all other ranks who have made applications, together with nature of the application will be forwarded to reach this Headquarters by first despatch on Wednesday mornings.

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2. REPATRIATION AND DEMOBILIZATION DEPARTMENT (Continued)

- ii. Group Commanders will personally make the recommendation and sign as Divisional Commanders. When the Group Commander is away the Second-in-Command will sign for him A.O.L. or A.O.D.
- iii. All applications should be made prior to going on leave. When a man has not been able to obtain a Guarantee of Employment but intends going so whilst on leave he should so state when submitting his application. He should post this Guarantee of Employment to his Group Headquarters within the first week of his leave, otherwise, unless the circumstances are very special his application should lapse.
- iv. When an application, other than for Discharge in the United Kingdom, is not recommended by the Group Commander the applicant will be placed on his normal Boat-Roll. All applicants for discharge will be taken off Boat-Rolls.

M E S S I N G.

- i. Officers' Messes. Instead of the present arrangement of charging 8d. per meal, a flat rate of 2/- per day will be made; the weekly charge of 2/- for lodging will be maintained.
- ii. Sergeants' Messes. Charges will be: Flat rate of 6d. per day and 6d. per week for lodging.
- iii. All commodities in connection with messing are to be purchased through the N.A.C.B., and the diet sheets are to be adhered to so far as is possible.
- iv. The present <sup>arrangements</sup> for Messing Officers from Tidworth to visit Groups will be continued, but these Officers will not in any way interfere with Group Messing Officers. On the conclusion of their visit they will write their report and hand a copy to Group Headquarters. If it is not possible to write this report they will give the gist of it verbally so that immediate action may be taken.

4. REGIMENTAL FUNDS.

All Regimental Funds Accounts will be closed on the 30th April in order that they may be finalised. A grant of £500 will be made to each Group.

5. ACCOMMODATION.

Sufficient accommodation is to be provided by Groups to enable them to take in two extra Quotas. Tentage will be issued them for this, but Groups will not hold any excess tentage.

6. CORRESPONDENCE.

- i. All correspondence to higher Commands should be signed by the Group Commander and in his absence on Duty or Leave by the Second-in-Command. The Staff Captain must not sign for other than matters of a routine nature such as States.

7. PRISONERS OF WAR.

A Permanent Court of Enquiry, with the G.O.C. as President, and Brigadier-General J. HEANE, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., No. 1 Group and Brigadier-General J. C. ROBERTSON, C.M.G., D.S.O., No. 2 Group as Members, will be established for enquiry into the cases of Officers and N.C.Os. who were Prisoners of War. This Court will generally sit at Sutton Veny. Lieut-Colonel E. E. HERROD, C.M.G., D.S.O., No. 1 Group, and Lieut-Colonel W. E. JAMES, D.S.O., No. 2 Group will be waiting Members.

8. LEAVE.

- i. Group Commanders are authorised to grant up to 28 days leave. When granted without pay the Group Paymaster is to be informed.
- ii. Group Commanders may also grant marriage leave.
- iii. Married men with wives in England may be permitted to go on leave as soon as their Bona Fides are proved. This cancels Order 303 of 13.4.1919.

9. ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE WHEN ON QUOTA.

If the case is a serious one it is to be dealt with by Court Martial, otherwise 28 days F.P.No. 2 should be awarded, and the man placed on the last Quota in the Group at the time of the award, or, if the purpose was to evade embarkation he is to be put on the first Quota.

10. STANDING ORDERS.

Standing Orders must be read to Quotas on the day following their arrival at the Group.

11. WRITING DIRECT TO THE G.O.C.

The practice of writing direct to the G.O.C. must cease. In future all letters will be returned to the Group for action.

12. RETENTION IN ENGLAND.

Group Commanders will deal with all applications for retention in England up to four months provided the applicants can be profitably employed.

13. OFFICERS' PAYBOOKS.

Officers who desire to obtain their paybooks when on leave, in order to make purchases at the A.I.F. Clothing Store, may obtain them on application at the Pay Office, LONDON.

14. DRESS.

Caps, Trench Coats, and British Warms other than Ord name issue, must not be worn by other ranks.

15. SUBJECTS RECEIVING ATTENTION.

The following subjects are receiving attention:-

- i. Entraining and detrainning at Heytesbury.
- ii. Quota Rolls - six copies instead of one to be sent.
- iii. Q1. Form - extra copy to be sent with each Quota.
- iv. Board proceedings - D.M.S. being asked that Board papers accompany men returning from Medical Boards in London.
- v. Leave. Headquarters, A.I.F., LONDON asked to advise whether the men they send to Groups have had their 14 days leave.
- vi. Brigadier-General E.F. MARTIN, C.M.G., D.S.O., Commanding Corps Group, is being written to on the following subjects:-
  - a. The sending over of suitable Officers and other ranks for the permanent Staff of Groups.
  - b. The proportion of N.C.Os. coming over with the Quotas. There is a large number of N.C.Os. at Groups due to go with Quotas, but as Quotas come over fully manned with N.C.Os the N.C.Os. in England are being delayed for repatriation.
  - c. That the advance party from each Quota should consist of one Quartermaster or Officer to act as Quartermaster; one Company Officer, four cooks, one Orderly Room Sergeant or Orderly Room Corporal, and two men per Company.

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Lieut-Colonel.  
A. A. G.

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A.I.F. DEPOSITS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

28.4.1919, published yesterday.

RATION ALLOWANCE ON LEAVE.

311 Approval has been given for the payment of a ration allowance of 1/9d per diem as from 17.4.1919 to all Members of the A.I.F. proceeding on leave of absence, which does not involve relinquishment of pay.

Ration allowance will be payable for periods of leave granted in excess of three days only and will be admissible for the original period of leave granted. An extension of leave will not entitle the member to further payment, except in cases where the extension is due to departmental reasons.

This allowance will be paid by the Staff Paymaster, Tidworth, and Command Depot Paymasters on claim form (specimen attached), on production of a leave pass, and will only be payable at the Depot where such leave is actually granted.

Depots are instructed that the Leave Pass Return, as per specimen attached, and required by the Chief Paymaster, London, must be despatched to London every Monday morning.

Return showing all such leave granted from 17.4.1919 must be furnished immediately, and in addition a return showing personnel to whom leave in excess of three days was granted prior to 17.4.19, where such leave extended over that date.

Special attention is directed to the nature of leave and sick furlough granted in terms of A.I.F. Order No. 1279, which must be clearly indicated. (CR.AIF.63498.Q.)

SKILLED BOILER ATTENDANTS REQUIRED.

312 The services of two skilled Boiler attendants for Delouser plant, are required to Australian Base Depots, HAVRE.

30<sup>a</sup> Applications stating qualifications will be called for and forwarded to reach this Headquarters not later than 2.5.1919.

Nil returns to be rendered where applicable.

(Authority: CR.AIF.63664(ST).)

REGIMENTAL FUNDS.

313 All Regimental Funds, excepting those mentioned below, will close as from the 30th April 1919. Steps will be taken to see that all accounts and outstanding matters are adjusted; all cash balances on hand or in Bank to be refunded to the S.P.M. for transmission to the C.P.M., for credit to the account of the Unit concerned. Final statement, supported by receipted Vouchers and certified correct by the Commanding Officer, together with Bank Pass Book, to be forwarded to the Local Auditor, A.I.F., Salisbury not later than the 15th proximo.

The above instructions do not apply to :-

P.R.I., Bhartpore. All Hospitals A.A.S.C. Trng. Depot  
A.A.M.C. Trng. Depot. Aust. Provost Corps. A.I.F. Detention Bks. Lewes.  
A.A.S.C. Detachments. Conv. T.D. Parkhouse. Aust. Ordnance, Codford.  
"A" Sub-Depot, No. 2 C.D. ditto Tidworth.

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ROUTINE ORDERS for 29.4.1919.

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REGIMENTAL FUNDS (Continued)

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(Contd) Arrangements have been made with C.P.M. for the formation of Regimental Funds for each Group by the transfer of £500 to their credit from the Consolidated Funds of disbanded Units. Groups will accordingly requisition on the S.P.M., TIDWORTH for current advances from this amount.

General Officers Commanding Groups will be responsible that no irregular distributions are made from these funds.

Authority is given for the opening of subsidiary accounts, such as for current expenses, Agricultural accounts, etc., and advances may be made for this purpose to the Officers Commanding the sections of the various Groups. Such Officers will be responsible to the G.O.C. of the Group concerned for the advances in question, rendering to him a Balance Sheet (properly supported by Receipt Vouchers) which will be forwarded by the Group to the Local Auditor at the same time as the Group Monthly Statement is forwarded, and a Schedule of Expenditure in each case transmitted to these Headquarters.

Specimen signatures, in duplicate, of Officers authorised to operate on the Regimental Trust Account of each Group, will be forwarded to the Staff Paymaster, TIDWORTH, by the 1st proximo.

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APPLICATION FOR LEAVE.

134 In future when applying for leave, a form (S.T.523) as per attached (Instructions for leave) will be handed in with the application. In the case of Quotas or Drafts arriving from France who are to be given leave, these forms should be issued to all ranks immediately on arrival in Depot.

Supplies of these forms are now available at Ordnance (Stationery Department) TIDWORTH, and should be indented for immediately in the usual way.

been issued to all Units ETC. of this Command.

INSPECTORS OF ORDNANCE MACHINERY IN THE AUSTRALIAN PERMANENT MILITARY FORCES.

315 Applications are invited from members of the A.I.F. with Engineering and Technical qualifications with a view to possible appointment in the Australian Permanent Military Forces on return to AUstralia as Inspectors of Ordnance Machinery.

31 Applicants must have served full engineering apprenticeship, possess a University Engineering Degree, or equivalent, and have had actual experionce in a post involving mechanical or electrical engineering char ge and management.

Applicants must be prepared to undergo the necessary training at the Ordnance College, Woolwich, prior to being repatriated.

Appointment will be considered on return to Australia, and the rank will be that of Captain, with a salary at the rate of from £400 to £475 per annum.

Applications will contain the following particulars:-

Regimental Number

Rank

Name in full

Unit

Married or single

Particulars of apprenticeship

University degree or equivalent

Particulars of experience.

Applications to be forwarded to reach this Headquarters not later than the 7th. of May, 1919.

Nil returns to be rendered where applicable.

(Authority - Notice in A.I.F. Orders of 25.4.19.)

Issued at 1115.

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A.I.F. DEPOTS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

NOTICES.

DESPATCH OF PRIVATE CABLES ON BEHALF OF MEMBERS OF THE A.I.F.

38. On and from 1st. of May 1919, A.I.F. Headquarters, LONDON will cease to despatch private cables on behalf of members of the A.I.F.

Those desirous of sending private messages should apply at a PUBLIC POSTOFFICE. The rates for messages to Australia are:- Ordinary full rate, 3/- per word; deferred, 1/6 per word.

On the embarkation of members of the A.I.F. for return to Australia; a cablegram is forwarded to the Defence Department, MELBOURNE, giving the name and particulars of each person embarked, and upon receipt of this information the Defence Dept. arranges :-

(i) For the next-of-kin in Australia of each person embarking to be informed.

(ii) For complete lists of Officers and soldiers on each ship to be published in the press throughout Australia.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS. (Auth: Notice in A.I.F. Orders of 25.4.1919.)

32a It is notified for information that the telegraphic address of the Australian Embarkation Office, GLASGOW, is "EMBARKING, GLASGOW".

(2.D.72785 of 20.4.19, and CR.AIF.42379 A/D.)