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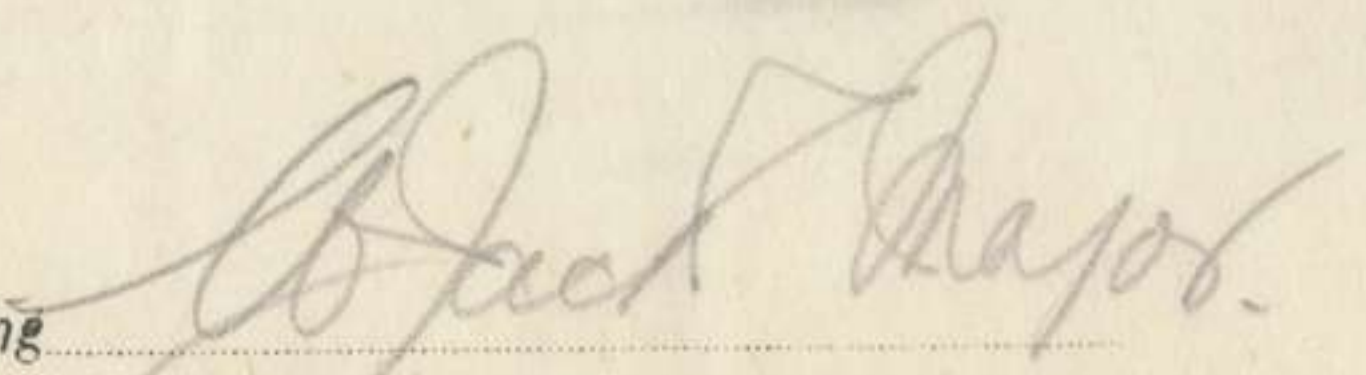
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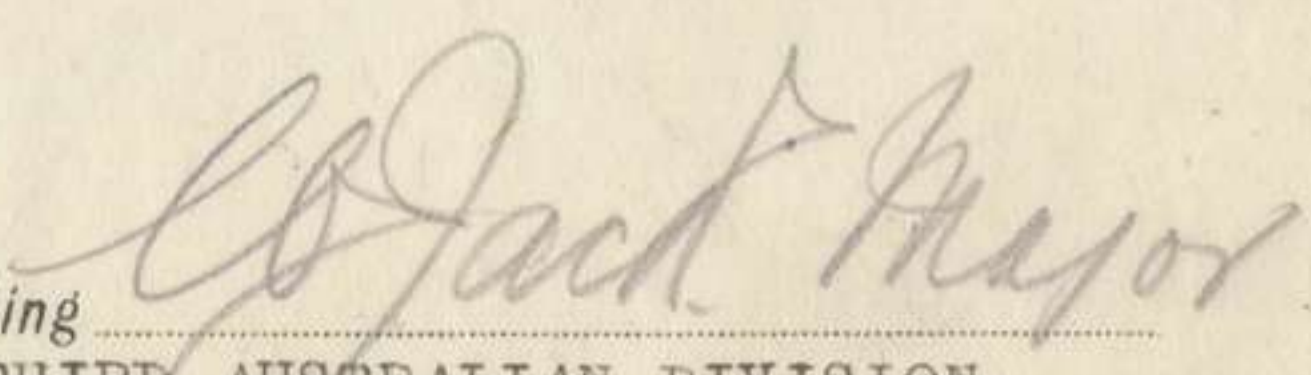
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<u>OISEMONT</u>	1919.			
	<u>FEBRUARY</u>			
	1st.		<u>SATURDAY:</u> Two lorries busy distributing blankets to Units for issue of "third" blanket per man. No other stores available at Railhead. Private Marke J.B. 3rd Pioneer Battalion, attached to this Unit, was returned to his Unit for Demobilization. Arm/S/Sgts. Cosgriff and Melloy returned from leave to Paris (10 days).	
	2nd		<u>SUNDAY:</u> Advice received by wire of 8 tons of general stores, including 94 boxes of horse shoes and 600 pairs of boots, despatched from Base. Units collected stores available.	
	3rd		<u>MONDAY:</u> Conductor Falconer L.F. proceeded to United Kingdom on leave (14 days) Armourer Hogg. A. 33rd Battalion -attached D.A.S.- returned to Unit for the purpose of proceeding to United Kingdom on Industrial Employment.	
	4th		<u>TUESDAY:</u> Advice received from Base that One truck of Braziers despatched, consigned to us. Units collected stores available.	
	5th		<u>WEDNESDAY:</u> Arm/S/Sgt Cosgriff evacuated to 10th Brigade Hospital. Advice received by wire of 4 tons general stores including 9 wheels, despatched from Base. No stores at Railhead.	
	6th		<u>THURSDAY:</u> 8 tons of stores including horse shoes and boots advised on 2nd inst. arrived at Railhead. Arm/S/Sgt Oliver. J. evacuated to Hospital. Advice received from Headquarters "Q" Branch that entries for Arts and Crafts Exhibition will be closed on 8th February.	
	7th		<u>FRIDAY:</u> Stores cleared from Railhead and distributed to Groups for collection by Units. Weekly Returns completed and despatched. Advice received from Base of 4 tons general stores consigned to us.	
	8th		<u>SATURDAY:</u> One truck containing 300 braziers arrived at Railhead and was cleared. These were distributed to the various Units. Exhibits for Arts and Crafts Exhibition sent in.	
	9th		<u>SUNDAY:</u> Warrant Officer Cobb. A. reported back for duty from leave to United Kingdom. One lorry was sent to workshop for minor repairs. Units collected stores from Groups.	
	10th		<u>MONDAY:</u> First day of Arts and Crafts Exhibition. Several prizes were awarded for work executed by A.A.O.C. Personnel, also attached men. The articles designed were very fine indeed and the makers were given great praise for their work. One lorry was sent out with a party during the day to see the display.	
11th		<u>TUESDAY:</u> Corporal Thiele W.C., A.A.O.C. and Private Houston O. 1st K.O.S.B. attached this Unit proceeded to Paris on 10 days indulgence leave. Privates Fitzgerald and White A.A.O.C. proceeded on 14 days leave to United Kingdom. One lorry went with a party to the Arts and Crafts Exhibition.		
12th		<u>WEDNESDAY:</u> 500 sacks also needles and twine arrived at Railhead for distribution to Units. These are to be used for packing Mob. Stores. Units collected stores available at Groups.		

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	13th		THURSDAY: S/Sgt Clydesdale D.K. 43rd Battalion - attached this Unit- reported back for duty from leave to United Kingdom. Divisional Headquarters moved to Blangy. Necessary arrangements made for Post and Telephone services. Advice was received from Base of despatch of 3 tons of general stores consigned to us. Arm/S/Sgt Cosgriff reported back for duty from 10th Brigade Hospital.	
	14th		FRIDAY: A wire was received from 39th Battalion inquiring if any boots or leather available Reply that "Small supply of boots but no leather obtainable. Weekly returns made up and despatched. Units collected stores available.	
	15th		SATURDAY: Advice was received from Base that One truck of general stores despatched(4 tons) One truck of stores arrived at Railhead tonight.	
	16th		SUNDAY: Stores were cleared from Railhead and distributed to Groups for collection by Units including these were 7 cases of boots and 81 boxes of horseshoes. One lorry went to Blangy with stores for Q.M. Camp Commandant also 500 blankets for Concentration Camp.	
	17th		MONDAY: Three tons of stores arrived at Railhead; these were cleared and distributed to Groups. Advice received that no lorries allowed on roads on account of Thaw Precautions.	
	18th		TUESDAY: D.A.D.O.S. proceeded to Corps to attend a conference regarding Demobilization. 3 tons general stores arrived at Railhead. Units collected stores available at Groups.	
	19th		WEDNESDAY: Stores cleared from Railhead this morning including 42 Lewis Gun chests. One lorry went to Blangy under Special Permit.	
	20th		THURSDAY: Captain Anderson - attached D.A.D.O.S. - proceeded to Italy on Special Leave. Conductor Falconer L.F. returned from 14 days leave to United Kingdom.. E Corporal Thiele W.C. reported back from leave to Paris. Sub/C'tor Kelly J.P. proceeded to Base for early repatriation to Australia.	
	21st		FRIDAY: Units collected stores from Groups. Various returns for the week were made up and despatched.	
	22nd		SATURDAY: One truck containing 17 boxes of horseshoes arrived at Railhead and was cleared. Units collected stores available.	
	23rd		SUNDAY: Arrangements made with C.R.E. for erection of huts for accommodation of Mob Stores from Units; also one hut for D.A.D.O.S. Office. No stores arrived at Railhead.	
	24th		MONDAY. Arrangements made to convey working party for huts to be erected from 44th Battalion. Nissen Hut for DADOS office erected.	
	25th		TUESDAY: D.A.D.O.S. returned from Corps to day. Units collected stores available. Adjutant C.R.E. inspected work on Nissen Hut and reported same ready for occupation.	

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OISEMONT	1919. FEBRUARY 26th		<p>WEDNESDAY: D.A.D.O.S. went to Divisional Headquarters to make arrangements for parking of vehicles when same were returned from Units. Advice received of 4 tons of general stores despatched from Base.</p>	
	27th		<p>THURSDAY: Brig. General. Cannan called to see D.A.D.O.S. about the parking of vehicles, which was suitably arranged in proximity to the Railhead. Indents were submitted for rope to be used in loading vehicles on trucks. D.A.D.O.S. office shifted to Nissen Hut which was found to be much more comfortable than previous building. The latter is now being used as a store for Technical Mob. Stores.</p>	
	28th		<p>FRIDAY: Sapper Vincent A.A.O.C. proceeded on leave to Paris (10 days). Various monthly and weekly returns were made up and despatched. Units collected stores available.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-----e-----</p>	

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