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**Item number:** 22/28/3

**Title:** Signal Section, Australian Engineer  
Training Depot

October 1916



AWM4-22/28/3

A U S T R A L I A N I M P E R I A L F O R C E S .

A.I.F. G2.(Special).

W E E K L Y R E T U R N O F O F F I C E R S A N D O T H E R R A N K S I N T R A I N I N G .

A.I.F. Engineer Training Depot (Signal Section).

3rd October, 1916.

DIV. SIG. COY. to which men are allotted.	Stages.	Officers.	Inst. Reprs.	Off. Telegs.	Perm. I'men.	Airlinemen.	Cablemen.	Drivers.	Wheeler.	Saddlers.	Blacksmiths.	Shoingmiths.	General Duty Pioneers.	Brigade Sect. Pioneers.	Motorcyclists.	M.C. Artificers.	Miscellaneous.	No. fired Musketry Course.	No. on Staff Duty.	If ready for Draft.	If warned for Draft.	REMARKS.
1st.	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W. This number includes 1 Off. 7 O.R. at Hqs Hitchin. 3 in Hospital, 1 Detention. 1 A.W.L. and 24 at Tidworth in Signal Service.
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2nd.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1 Off.	-	-	X. Indicates fully trained. Z. These men marched in from Devils Coy. 20/9/16, and will be distributed to Training Depots in due course.
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TOTALS.	(219)	1	3	8	11	11	11	20	-	-	-	-	51	29	18	3	16	170	37W	-	-	-

SIGNAL DEPOT.  
HITCHIN.

*[Signature]*  
MAJOR,  
S.B. ENGINEER TRAINING DEPOT. (SIGNAL SECTION)





	6-30 am to 7-0 am.	8-40 am to 12-15 pm.	2-0 pm to 4-30 pm.
<u>MONDAY.</u>	Physical Drill. Squad Drill.	Incline Marching. Squad Drill with Arms. Knotting & Lashing. Tool Drill.	Squad Drill without Arms. Guards & Sentries. Spar Work. Field Geometry. Revision.
<u>TUESDAY.</u>	"	Rifle Exercises. Semaphore. Splicing Rope. Trestles.	Route March. ) Half Bathing Parade. ) Strength.
<u>WEDNESDAY.</u>	"	Tool Drill. Trestle Building. Musketry Instruction.	Extending on Work. Ceremonial. Field Geometry & Spar Work. Revision.
<u>THURSDAY.</u>	"	Squad Drill with Arms. Musketry. Semaphore.	Route March. ) Half Bathing Parade. ) Strength.
<u>FRIDAY.</u>	"	Rifle Exercises. Guard Mounting. Field Geometry. Revision.	Knots & Lashings. Trestles. Section Drill. Revision.
<u>SATURDAY.</u>	Kit Inspection.	Rifle Exercises. Fitting & Adjusting Equipment. Revision & Inspection.	NO PARADE.

*Edwards*  
Capt.  
Adt.

A U S T R A L I A N I M P E R I A L F O R C E S .

A.I.F. G 2 Special.

WEEKLY RETURN OF OFFICERS AND OTHER RANKS IN TRAINING.

17th October 1916.

A.I.F. Engineer Training Depot. ( Signal Section ).

Div. Sig.  
Coy. to  
which men  
are allot  
ted.

	Stages	Officers	Inst. Repr.	Off. Tel.	Perm. L'men	Airline	Cablemen	Drivers	Wheelers	Saddlers	Blacksmiths	Shoemakers	Smiths	Pioneers	Sec	Pioneers	Motor	Cyclists	M.C.	Artificers	Miscellaneous	No. Fired	Musk Crse.	No. on Staff duty	Cookery Course	If ready for draft	If warned for draft.	REMARKS
1st Coy.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"W" This number includes 2 Officers 6 other Ranks at Hitchin; 3 in hospital, 1 detention, and 11 Signal Service, Tidworth. "X" Indicates fully trained. "Z" These men are waiting distribution to the various depots.
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	T X	-	-	-	-	1	4	-	5	-	-	-	-	15	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2nd Coy.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	)))	
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	T X	-	-	-	-	1	5	2	6	-	-	-	-	11	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-		
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5th Coy.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.R.	-	-	4	
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	27	1	4	9	11	11	11	20	-	-	-	-	59	37	17	3	61	233	23	4	-	-	-	4	-	14		

SIGNAL DEPOT HITCHIN.

*H. Rossiter*  
C.O. ENGINEER TRAINING DEPOT (SIGNAL SECTION) A.I.F.

ENGINEERS TRAINING DEPOT A.I.F.

CHRISTCHURCH.  
Week ending October 21st, 1916.

	6-30 am to 7-0 am.	8-40 am to 12-15 pm.	2-0 pm to 4-30 pm.
<u>MONDAY.</u>	Physical Drill. Squad Drill.	Incline Marching. Squad Drill with Arms. Knotting & Lashing. Tool Drill.	Squad Drill without Arms. Guards & Sentries. Spar Work. Field Geometry. Revision.
<u>TUESDAY.</u>	"	Rifle Exercises. Semaphore. Splicing Rope. Trestles.	Route March. ) Half. Bathing Parade.) Strength.
<u>WEDNESDAY.</u>	"	Tool Drill Trestle Building. Musketry Instruction.	Extending on Work. Ceremonial. Field Geometry & Spar Work. Revision
<u>THURSDAY.</u>	"	Squad Drill with Arms. Musketry. Semaphore.	Route March. ) Half Bathing Parade. ) Strength.
<u>FRIDAY.</u>	"	Rifle Exercises. Guard Mounting. Field Geometry. Revision.	Knots & Lashings. Trestles. Section Drill. Revision.
<u>SATURDAY.</u>	Kit Inspection.	Rifle Exercises. Fitting & Adjusting Equipment. Revision & Inspection.	NO PARADE.

*Barrowcliffe Capt  
adpt*

A U S T R A L I A N I M P E R I A L F O R C E S .

A.I.F. G 2 Special.

WEEKLY RETURN OF OFFICERS AND OTHER RANKS IN TRAINING.

24th October.1916.

A.I.F. ENGINEER TRAINING DEPOT. (SIGNAL SECTION).

Div. Sig. Coy. to which men are allotted.	Stages.	Officers.	Inst. Reps.	Off. Telegs	Permt. Lmen.	Airlinemen	Cablemen	Drivers.	Wheelers.	Saddlers.	CB Smiths.	Shoemsmiths	Genl Duty	Pioneers.	Bde Sect.	Pioneers.	Motor	Cyclists.	M.C.	Artificers.	Miscellaneous	No. Fired	Musketry.	No. on Staff	Duty.	Cookery	Course.	If ready for draft.	If warned for Draft.	REMARKS.
1st.	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 X			1	1	4	2	5				6	13	1	1	2	3				15	75	1	1	1	1	6	"W" This number includes 2 Off. & 6 O.R. at Hitchin 3 Hosp. 1 Detentn. and 11 Signal Service Tidworth. "X" Fully Trained.		
2nd.	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 X	1	1	1	1	5	1	7				4	14	1	1	2	1	1	1		12	71	1	1	1	3	"Z" These men are waiting distribution to the various Depots.			
4th.	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 X			6	1	2	1	3				3	9	1	1	3					10	66	4			6				
5th.	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 X			1	1	2	1	1				7	19	1	1	3					3	58	4	1	1	5				
Totals. (308)	1	5	17	11	11	20	20	-	-	2	-	71	63	17	3	40	270	23	4	-	20	9								

"Z" "W" q

SIGNAL DEPOT. HITCHIN.

*W. J. ...*  
A.I.F. ENGINEER TRAINING DEPOT (SIG. SECT)





A U S T R A L I A N I M P E R I A L F O R C E S .

A.I.F. G2 Special.

WEEKLY RETURN OF OFFICERS AND OTHER RANKS IN TRAINING.

31<sup>st</sup> - October 1916.

A.I.F. Engineer's Training Depot (Signal Section)

Div. Sig. Coy to which men are allotted.	Stages	Officers	Inst. Reprs	Off. Tol.	Per. L'men	Air L'Men	Cablemen	Drivers	Wheelers	Saddlers	B'Smiths	S.Smiths	Gen. Duty Pnr	Bde. Sec Pnr	Motor Cycli sts.	M.O. Artif.	Miscellaneous	No. Fired Musketry	No. on Staff Duty	Cookery	If ready for draft	If warned for draft	REMARKS.
1st	1 2 3 4 T X		1 2	1	4		2						4	20	2			75	1 Off 12 O.R.	1			"W" This number includes 2 Officers and 6 Other Ranks at Hitchin, #3 awaiting Medical Board 1 Detention, 4 Hospital and 11 Signal Service at <del>Hidworth</del> Petal 28.
2nd	1 2 3 4 T X	1	3	1	3		5	1		1		2	6	13	1	1		71	1 Off 3 C.R.			"X" Fully Trained. "Z" Motor Cyclists, 13 are now training at the depots as follows :-	
4th	1 2 3 4 T X			6	2		4	1			1		2	11	1	1		66	6 C.R.			1 Inst. Repr. Course 3 Linesman " 5 Cablemen " 2 Gen. Duty Pnr " 2 Bde. Sec. Pnr "	
5th	1 2 3 4 T X			1	2		2	1					2	19	1			58	4 O.R.	1			
Totals	3	1	9	12	16	11	22	22		2			70	75	17	4		270	29	4			

*Major*  
O.C. Australian Reserve Signal Unit