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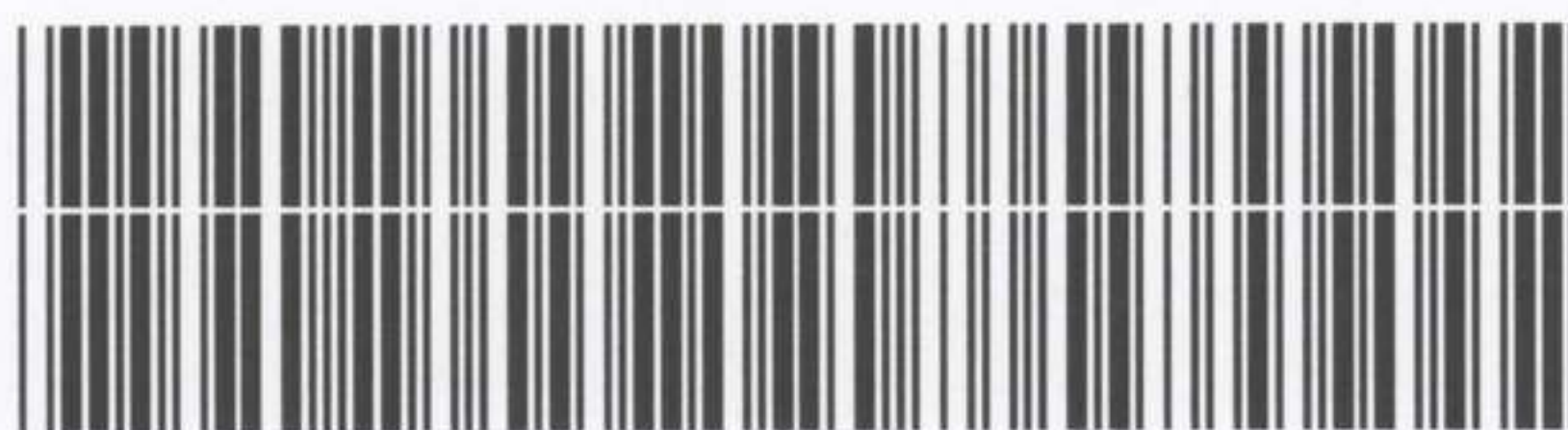
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FLETRE -	1/12/17.		<p>See Appendix No. 1, with reference to shading of headlights of Motor Vehicles, which is self explanatory. (AH/837).</p> <p>S.M.T.O. and Adjutant inspected roads in Corps Area with a view to submitting suggestions and recommendations for and alterations to the existing Traffic Circuits Map a reprint of which is being considered. (AH/782/1).</p> <p>S.M.T.O. and adjutant inspected Cars of 5th. Aust. Div. H/Qrs.</p> <p>Sunbeam Car on charge to these H/Qrs. entered "K" Supply Column W/Shops for general repairs.</p> <p>Weather, unsettled and cold. Rain during Afternoon. <i>not</i></p>	Appendix No. 1.
"	2/12/17.		Nothing of interest to report. Routine as usual. Weather unsettled and cold. <i>not</i>	
"	3/12/17.		<p>On 26th. November 1917, under instructions from D.A.G., A.I.F., the following changes of command took place:-</p> <p>Major G. J. Goddard, D.S.O., O. C. 1st. A.C.T.S.C., to No. 2. A.A.S.P., and to Command.</p> <p>Capt. A. B. Harper, T. O.C. No. 2. A.A.S.P., to 1st. A.C.T.S.C., and to Command.</p> <p>Consequent on the above move, received to-day from the Officers concerned, complete "Handing Over" Certificates and all other documents relative thereto. (AH/1041).</p> <p>Routine as usual. Weather cold and frosty. <i>not</i></p>	
"	4/12/17.		<p>Notification received from D.D.S. & T., Second Army, that 290 EXX A.T. Coy. R.E. is now under orders to proceed at short notice for service in Italy.</p> <p>This Unit is at present attached to 1st. Anzac Corps for duty.</p> <p>S.M.T.O. accompanied by Adjutant inspected Vehicles on Unit's charge to ensure their being in thorough working order and that they are fully equipped with Tools and accessories.</p> <p>One Lorry, Thornycroft, ordered to W/Shop for immediate attention. This Vehicle had not been in W/Shops for several months and several repairs and replacements are necessary to -</p> <p>this Vehicle in First Class Mechanical condition.</p>	

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FLETRE-	4/12/17.		<p>It was also found that Unit was deficient of one Motor Cycle Side-car Combination and arrangements have been made for immediate replacement. (AH/1026).</p> <p>Weather Fine. Cold and Frosty. <i>WLT</i></p>	
"	5/12/17.		<p>S.M.T.O. and Adjutant inspected Rolls Royce Car of General Birdwood with a view to the fitting of Heating Apparatus.</p> <p>On 25/11/17 a fatal accident occurred in which a Belgian civilian of the name of M. Leopold Cneudt, resident of Steenwerck, was killed through collision with Peerless Lorry No. 11732 on charge to No. 1. A.A.S.P., driven by No. 7076, Corporal Fraser, J. M. A Court of Enquiry was assembled by S.M.T.O., 1st. Anzac, to enquire into the circumstances surrounding the accident, under the Presidency of Major A. W. Harvey, O. C. No. 5. A.A.S.P., with Lieut. C.W.J. Isles, Demands Officer "K" Ammunition Park, and Lieut. O. T. Robertson of No. 5. A.D.S.C. Proceedings of this Court received and forwarded to 1st. Anzac "A" to-day. The finding of the Court in precis' is <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> "No blame is attached to any Member of the British Forces". etc. etc. </div> in which S.M.T.O. concurs. Widow of the deceased claims damages for 15000 Francs. (£550). The Court is not in a position to determine whether this claim is fair and reasonable, but if damages are allowed the Claims Commission can assess them from Declaration of the Widow of the deceased. (AH/1030).</p> <p>Weather Cold and Frosty but Fine. <i>WLT</i></p>	
"	6/12/17.		<p>Nothing to report.</p> <p>Weather Fair. Showery at night. <i>WLT</i></p>	
"	7/12/17.		<p>S.M.T.O. and Adjutant visited "K" Supply Column with reference to Cars under repair in that Units Workshop. Also visited No. 2. A.D.S.C. and inspected Camp and Workshop Sites.</p>	

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FLETRE.	7/12/17.		S.M.T.O. and Adjutant visited No. 3. A.D.S.C. with reference to the non completion of Heating of Ambulances Cars of 3rd. Aust. Division. (AH/147). Otherwise Routine as usual. Weather Cold and Frosty. <i>mw.</i>	
"	8/12/17.		No. AM. 1825, Corporal A.E. Burton on clerical staff of S.M.T.O. 1st. Anzac, promoted Sergeant as from 1/12/17. 3rd. Army Brigade A.F.A. Park Section marched into 1st. Anzac Corps on 8/12/17 from II Anzac Corps and took up their location with No. 2. A.A.S.P., at Sheet 28.- S.28.b.9.4. on the Bailleul-Armentieres Road. Weather Dull and Showery. <i>mw.</i>	
"	9/12/17.		Routine as usual. Weather Fine. <i>mw.</i>	
"	10/12/17.		Capt. H. M. Tatham, Adjutant to S.M.T.O., 1st. Anzac, admitted to 2nd. Aust. C.C.S. suffering from adenoids in the throat and nose. Routine as usual. Weather Fine. <i>mw.</i>	
"	11/12/17.		S.M.T.O. attended a conference at Corps H.Q.s. on the subject of revision of Traffic and Roads in the Corps area. 29 Members of the Staff of S.M.T.O., D.M.T.S. and A.I.F. Printing Section voted today on the Referendum re Compulsory Service for Australia. Weather Fine. <i>mw.</i>	
"	12/12/17.		As from to-day the daily detail of Lorries used on extraneous services in the Corps, which of late has been under the supervision of Corps "Q" passed to S.M.T.O. to be dealt with in future. Divisions and Units of the Corps notified direct from Corps "Q" to this effect.	

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FLETRE-12/12/17.			<p>1st. and 2nd. Aust. Divisions accompanied by No. 5. A.A.S.P. and No. 5. A.D.S.C. move to back area for period of rest. A.A.S.P. and A.D.S.C. placed at the disposal of the Division for transport purposes as from Midnight 12/13th inst.</p> <p>Four Members of the Staff and attached Personnel voted toaday on the Aust. Conscription Referendum. This completes Polling. 33 men voted. 50 Forms were received, 33 being used, the remaining 17 unused Forms returned to Com. Returning Officer as per instructions received.</p> <p>Capt. H. M. Tatham returned to duty from 2nd. Aust. C.C.S.</p> <p>Weather Fine. <i>NWT</i></p>	
"	13/12/17.		<p>Received from D.D.S. & T. and distributed to Units of the Corps, D of T's Circular Memorandum No. 232 with reference to Improvements to Douglas Side-cars. (AH/862).</p> <p>Also received and distributed D of T's Circular Memo. No. 233. reference Care and Maintenance of M.T. Vehicles. D of T draws attention to all concerned of the necessity for systematic inspections to M.T. Vehicles, also that they are economically maintained in a proper state of Mechanical efficiency. (AH/310).</p> <p>Also received and distributed D of T's Circular Memo. No. 234. reference the points to be observed during the inspection of M.T. Vehicles. (AH/1053).</p> <p>Capt. H.M.Tatham visited 1st. Anzac "Q" and placed before General Carruthers the position of M.T. in the Corps on extraneous services. It is desired to limit the use of M.T. as far as possible during Winter months.</p> <p>Weather Fine. <i>NWT</i></p>	
"	14/12/17.		<p>Adjutant visited C.E., A.O.M.G. and C.R.O. 1st. Anzac, with a view to the checking of Demands for M.T. for extraneous services, an appreciable reduction in the use of same, being desired.</p> <p><small>D. D. & L., London, E.C.</small> <small>(A8004) Wt. W1771/M2031 750,000 5/17 Sch. 52 Forms C2.6/14</small></p> <p>Drew 1105 Francs and paid Staff.</p> <p>Weather Fine and Cold. <i>NWT</i></p>	

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FLETRE.	15/12/17.		Routine as usual. Weather Fine and Cold. <i>MUT.</i>	
"	16/12/17.		S.M.T.O. and Adjutant visited No. 3. A.D.S.C. with reference to an invention by No. Corporal Scott of that Unit. The invention is called the Telecator, and is an instrument used on M.T. Vehicles to detect mechanical defects of Engines. The inventor claims this device capable of accurately locating Engine defects within Three Minutes. The inventor wishes to place his device at the disposal of the British Government for use with M.T. Units in France. With this in view S.M.T.O. visited No. 3. A.D.S.C. to obtain particulars. (AH/1044).	
"	17/12/17.		Otherwise Routine as usual. Weather Fine and Cold. <i>MUT.</i> Nothing to report. See Appendices No. 2 to 5, sufficient copies of which have been circulated to M.T. Units of 1st. Anzac Corps, to permit of each M.T. Driver being in possession of a copy.	Appendices No. 2, 3, 4, 5.
"	18/12/17.		Weather Frosty. <i>MUT.</i> 2/Lieut. Pritchard recently commissioned from "Y" Ammunition Park, reported S.M.T.O., 1st. Anzac, for duty, and to be held supernumerary to establishment of A.A.S.C. M.T. in France. No. AM1507. Sergt. C. A. Alison proceeded to A.I.F. Administrative Headquarters, London, for instructions re reporting to qualify for commission as Pilot in A.F.C. Authority D.A.G. A.I.F. No. dated . (AH/282).	
"	19/12/17.		Weather Fine. Very Cold Frost. <i>MUT.</i> 2/Lieut. Downe recently commissioned from No. 5 A.D.S.C., reported S.M.T.O. 1st. Anzac for duty and to be held supernumerary to establishment of A.A.S.C. M.T. in France.	

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FLETRE.	19/12/17.		Correspondence and details of an invention and design of an I.C. Engine by Corpl. B.B. Young received from No. 2. A.A.S.P. S.M.T.O. granted interview to Corpl. B.B. Young who is desirous of proceeding to England and of obtaining the use of a Workshop where he can carry out practical Tests and complete his design. (AH/1055).	
			Weather Fine, Heavy Frost. <i>MUT.</i>	
"	20/12/17.		Lieut. Colonel W. H. Tunbridge, C.B., V.D., S.M.T.O. 1st. Anzac, proceeded on Leave of Absence to England.	
			Weather Fine and Cold. <i>MUT.</i>	
"	21/12/17.		Nothing to report. Weather Fine. <i>MUT.</i>	
"	22/12/17.		Nothing to report.	
			Nos. AM1557 Driver Walker, C.S., and AM9353 Cotterell, Dvr. T. R., proceeded on 8 days Leave of absence to Paris.	
			Weather Fine. <i>MUT.</i>	
"	23/12/17.		Nothing to report. Weather Fine. <i>MUT.</i>	
"	24/12/17.		Adjutant visited "K" Ammunition Park with reference to 12th. A.B. A.F.A. drawing supplies etc. by H.T. in lieu of M.T., owing to change of Railhead. Question taken up by D.A.Q.M.G. of Corps.	
			Adjutant visited "K" Supply Column and No. 3. A.D.S.C. with reference to Steam Disinfector which is under repair.	
			Owing to a re-organization of M.T. of S.B.A.C's no Lorries available to-day for detail on extraneous services from "K" Siege Park. (AH/1056).	
			Weather Fine and Fine. <i>MUT.</i>	

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FLEETRE.	25/12/17.		<p>Christmas Dinner for Staff provided from a Christmas Dinner Fund drawn from Regimental Funds. Excellent arrangements and Dinner, much appreciated by all concerned.</p> <p>Otherwise Routine as usual. Weather Fine. Fall of snow during Afternoon. <i>NYU</i></p>	
"	26/12/17.		<p>Adjutant visited "K" Ammunition Park and "K" Supply Column with reference to the proposed changes of Location of several M.T. Units of the Corps.</p> <p>Routine as usual. Weather Fine and Frosty. <i>NYU</i></p>	
"	27/12/17.		<p>With reference to entry of yesterday, see appendix No. showing in detail the various moves of Units. (AH/1060).</p> <p>Adjutant attended a F.G.C.M., with reference to trial for Drunkenness of No. AM. 2nd. Corporal E. N. Copeland of the A.I.F. Printing Section, as prosecutor on behalf of D.M.T.S. who is on Leave of Absence in U. K.</p> <p>S.M.T.O. XV. Corps visited this Office with reference to 57th. Division (Imperial) which is to join 1st. Anzac on or about 2nd. January 1918.</p> <p>Received and distributed to M.T. Units of the Corps D. of T's. Circular Memorandum No. 235. re Lubrication of 8 h.p. Douglas Electric Lighting Sets. It has been found from experience in the past that the Lubricating System at present on these Engines is defective, and D. of T. instructs re an alteration which is to be made early. (AH/683).</p> <p>Weather Fine and Frosty. <i>NYU</i></p>	Appendix No. 6.
"	28/12/17.		<p>Drew 1025 Francs and paid Staff of S.M.T.O., 1st. Anzac, D.M.T.S. A.I.F. and A.I.F. Printing Section.</p> <p>Routine as usual. Weather Fine and Frosty. <i>NYU</i></p>	

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FLETRE.	29/12/17.		Adjutant visited D.D.S.& T. Fourth Army with reference to rendering of Units Weekly Field Returns etc. Adjutant visited Second Army Siege Park located at Meteren with reference to Lorry Standings for No. 3. A.A.S.P. Weather Frosty and Cold. <i>HWI.</i>	
"	30/12/17.		Adjutant visited D.D.S.& T. Fourth Army and checked Units returns with D.A.D.T. Also visited Fourth Army "Q" with reference to Locations of A.A.S.P. in Meteren. Otherwise Routine as usual. Weather Fine and Frosty. <i>HWI.</i>	
"	31/12/17.		No. 3. A.A.S.P. and Ammunition Section of 12 A.B., A.F.A., P.S. now located Sheet 27-X.15.d.6.5. Weather Frosty and Fine.	
"			Statement showing Battle Casualties for Month of December 1917 attached. See Appendix Nos. 8.9.10.11. showing Situations of M.T. in 1st. Anzac Corps for Weeks Ending: 7th. Decr. 1917. 14th. " " 21st. " " 28th. " "	Appendix No. 7. 8.9.10.11.
			<i>HWI. Turnbull Colond. Sik 20 am Corp</i>	

D.D.S.&T.,
SECOND ARMY.

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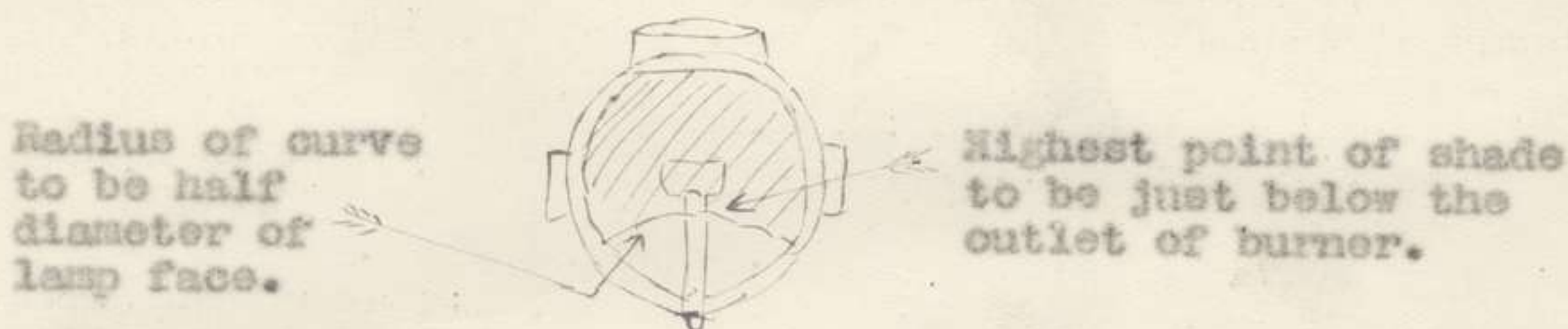
SHADING OF CAR AND LORRY LIGHTS.

I have experimented with various methods and find the only effective system is to slightly tilt the lamps and set them a little inwards so as to throw the beam on the road, a metal shade to be fixed to the lamps in the manner here shown.

If the shade is fitted to come just below the flame and the lamp is properly tilted the shadow will cut the road at 15 yards for lorries and 25 yards for cars, which will give plenty of driving light for any area and will not throw upwards at all and will not illuminate houses on the sides of the road.

I would suggest the following order :-

1. All Head Lights to be shaded with metal shade as per sketch -



2. All headlights to be set downwards and inwards so that the shadow cast by the metal shade will cut the road at 15 yards for lorries, Ambulances and Box Cars and at 25 yards for all cars.
3. All oil side lamps to have top third of glass shaded.
4. All other side lamps to be shaded and set as to headlights.
5. Tail Lamps to be ^{always} ~~allowed~~ lit after dark.
6. These instructions to apply to all motor vehicles including staff cars and to be rigidly enforced.

If the instructions as to shading of lamps does not apply to all vehicles, not only is the desired object lost, but accidents will occur owing to drivers being dazzled.

I can quote several instances of ditched and damaged lorries which have occurred owing entirely to this cause and I have myself several times had to stop and allow cars to pass that had very bright lights which, as my lights were shaded to comply with orders, completely blinded anyone in my Car.

I shall be glad to arrange for Car, fitted as above to report for inspection as you desire.

1/12/17.

W. Vanbrugh
Lieut-Colonel,
S.M.T.O., 1st. Anzac Corps.

Appendix 2.

Appendix No. 2.

Lorry or 'Bus No.

WHAT A LORRY OR 'BUS DRIVER SHOULD DO.

1. Study your traffic map.
2. See that your traffic map is fixed conveniently for ready reference.
3. See that you have a duty order if not in convoy.
4. Keep to the traffic arrows.
5. Keep to the right.
6. Overtake on the left.
7. When halted pull well into the side, and keep at least 50 yards clear of cross roads.
8. Go slow through villages, over bad roads, and when passing troops (6 miles per hour or less).
9. Give the right of way to loaded vehicles.
10. When approaching a control post always signal the direction in which you want to go.
11. When you are about to halt, hold out your hand to warn vehicles that may be approaching behind.
12. Carry tail and side lights at night, except where they are forbidden.
13. When halted or broken down show a rear light and side light.
14. See that your headlights are screened a full half-way down the glass.
15. Put out your headlights during air raids.
16. Stop your engine when halted.
17. See that the look-out man rides at the rear of your lorry.
18. See that the communication between yourself and the look-out man is in working order.
19. In frosty weather take all the precautions detailed in your C.O.'s orders to prevent your radiator freezing.
20. Obey all orders given to you by traffic control posts.

WHAT A LORRY OR 'BUS DRIVER SHOULD NOT DO.

1. DON'T double-bank.
2. DON'T overtake unless you are sure of getting through.
3. DON'T exceed the speed limit (8 M.P.H.)
4. DON'T give lifts to civilians.
5. DON'T stop on a bridge.
6. DON'T halt outside an estaminet.
7. DON'T stop within less than 50 yards of cross roads.
8. DON'T stop in the main streets of a town or village.
9. DON'T stop opposite another vehicle.
10. DON'T get nearer than 25 yards to a vehicle carrying a red disc.
11. DON'T get nearer than 50 yards to a vehicle carrying two red discs.
12. DON'T leave your lorry unattended.
13. DON'T overload your vehicle.
14. DON'T cross a railway unless you are sure that no train is passing.
15. DON'T get on the rails unless the far gate is open.

Signature of 1st driver.....Date.....

Signature of 2nd driver....."

Signatures of subse-
quent drivers - -)....."

Appendix I.

Appendix No. 3

Car No.....

WHAT A CAR DRIVER SHOULD DO.

- 1. Keep to the right.
- 2. Overtake on the left.
- 3. When halted pull well into the side, and keep at least 50 yards clear of cross-roads.
- 4. Go slow through villages, over bad roads, and when passing troops (10 miles per hour or less).
- 5. Give the right of way to loaded vehicles.
- 6. When approaching a control post, always signal the direction in which you want to go.
- 7. When you are about to halt, hold out your hand to warn vehicles that may be approaching behind.
- 8. Carry tail and side lights at night, except where they are forbidden.
- 9. When halted or broken down, show a rear light and side light.
- 10. See that your headlights are screened a full half-way down the glass.
- 11. Put out your headlights during air raids.
- 12. Stop your engine when halted.
- 13. In frosty weather take all the precautions detailed in your C.O.'s orders to prevent your radiator freezing.
- 14. Obey all orders given to you by traffic control posts.

WHAT A CAR DRIVER SHOULD NOT DO.

- 1. DON'T overtake unless you are sure of getting through.
- 2. DON'T exceed the speed limit (20 M.P.H.).
- 3. DON'T give lifts to civilians.
- 4. DON'T stop on a bridge.
- 5. DON'T halt outside an estaminet.
- 6. DON'T stop within less than 50 yards of cross-roads.
- 7. DON'T stop in the main streets of a town or village.
- 8. DON'T stop opposite another vehicle.
- 9. DON'T leave your car unattended.
- 10. DON'T cross a railway unless you are sure that no train is passing.
- 11. DON'T get on the rails unless the far gate is open.

Signature of driver.....Date.....

Signatures of subsequent drivers { "
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Motor Ambulance No.....

WHAT A MOTOR AMBULANCE DRIVER SHOULD DO.

1. Study your traffic map.
2. See that your traffic map is fixed conveniently for ready reference.
3. See that you have a duty order if not in convoy.
4. Keep to the traffic arrows, unless you have special orders to the contrary.
5. Keep to the right.
6. Overtake on the left.
7. When halted, pull well into the side, and keep at least 50 yards clear of cross-roads.
8. Modify your speed so as to ensure the comfort of the patients.
9. Go slow through villages, over bad roads, and when passing troops (10 miles per hour or less).
10. When approaching a control post, always signal the direction in which you want to go.
11. When you are about to halt, hold out you hand to warn vehicles that may be approaching behind.
12. Carry tail and side lights at night, except where they are forbidden.
13. When halted or broken down, show a rear light and side light.
14. See that your headlights are screened a full half-way down the glass.
15. Put out your headlights during air raids.
16. Stop your engine when halted.
17. In frosty weather take all the precautions detailed in your C.O.'s orders to prevent your radiator freezing.
18. Obey all orders given to you by traffic control posts.

WHAT A MOTOR AMBULANCE DRIVER SHOULD NOT DO.

1. DON'T double-bank.
2. DON'T overtake unless you are sure of getting through.
3. DON'T exceed the speed limit (15 miles per hour).
4. DON'T give lifts to civilians.
5. DON'T stop on a bridge.
6. DON'T halt outside an estaminet.
7. DON'T stop within less than 50 yards of cross-roads.
8. DON'T stop in the main streets of a town or village.
9. DON'T stop opposite another vehicle.
10. DON'T leave your ambulance unattended.
11. DON'T cross a railway unless you are sure that no train is passing.
12. DON'T get on the rails unless the far gate is open.

Signature of driver.....Date.....

Signatures of subse-
quent drivers. { "
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Appendix 5.

Box Car No.....

Light Tender No.....

WHAT A BOX CAR OR LIGHT
TENDER DRIVER SHOULD DO.

- 1. Study your traffic map.
- 2. See that your traffic map is fixed conveniently for ready reference.
- 3. See that you have a duty order.
- 4. Keep to the traffic arrows, unless your tender is carrying officers on Artillery duty.
- 5. Keep to the right.
- 6. Overtake on the left.
- 7. When halted, pull well into the side, and keep at least 50 yards clear of cross-roads.
- 8. Go slow through villages, over bad roads, and when passing troops (10 miles per hour, or less).
- 9. When approaching a control post, always signal the direction in which you want to go.
- 10. When you are about to halt, hold out your hand to warn vehicles that may be approaching behind.
- 11. Carry tail and side lights at night, except where they are forbidden.
- 12. When halted or broken down, show a rear light and side light.
- 13. See that your headlights are screened a full half-way down the glass.
- 14. Put out your headlights during air raids.
- 15. Stop your engine when halted.
- 16. In frosty weather take all the precautions detailed in your C.O.'s orders to prevent your radiator freezing.
- 17. Obey all orders given to you by traffic control posts.

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TENDER DRIVER SHOULD NOT DO.

- 1. DON'T double-bank.
- 2. DON'T overtake unless you are sure of getting through.
- 3. DON'T exceed the speed limit (15 miles per hour).
- 4. DON'T give lifts to civilians.
- 5. DON'T stop on a bridge.
- 6. DON'T halt outside an estaminet.
- 7. DON'T stop within less than 50 yards of cross-roads.
- 8. DON'T stop in the main streets of a town or village.
- 9. DON'T stop opposite another vehicle.
- 10. DON'T leave your vehicle unattended.
- 11. DON'T cross a railway unless you are sure that no train is passing.
- 12. DON'T get on the rails unless the far gate is open.

Signature of driver..... Date.....

Signatures of subse- { "
quent drivers { "

Appendix 6.

SECRET

The following moves of M.T. Units will take place as under :-

Officer Commanding "K" Ammunition Park and "K" Supply Column will issue necessary instructions to Units concerned and all moves must be completed by midnight 2/3rd. January, 1918.

Special attention is drawn to O.R.O. No. 588 dated 22/9/17.

No. 3 Aust. Ammunition Sub Park will move from present location to METERN - Officer Commanding will report to Town Major, METERN, for Billets, etc.

The Camp now occupied by No. 3 Aust. A.S.P. will be handed over complete to O.C., No. 3 Aust. D.S.C.

No. 3 Aust. D.S.C. will move from STEENWERCK to site now occupied by No. 3 Aust. A.S.P. at S.29.a.7.2., Sheet 28.

Permanent structures at STEENWERCK will be handed over to Town Major and receipt obtained.

1st. Anzac Corps Troops Supply Column will move from STEENWERCK to a camp to be erected at S.8.a.4.9. - Sheet 36. Permanent structures occupied by this Unit in STEENWERCK will be handed over to Town Major and receipt obtained.

Supply Lorries of 12th. A.B. A.F.A. P.S. will be attached to No. 1 Aust. D.S.C. for rations etc.

Supply Lorries of 6th. A.B. A.F.A. P.S. will be attached to No. 3 Aust. D.S.C. for rations etc.

O.C., "K" Ammunition Park will instruct Officers i/c 6th. and 12th. A.B. A.F.A. P.Ss. to arrange with O.C., "K" Supply Column re moves of Supply Lorries.

Ammunition Lorries of 12th. A.B. A.F.A. P.S. will move with, and be attached to, No. 3 Aust. A.S.P. in METERN.

Ammunition Lorries of 6th. A.B. A.F.A. P.S. will be attached to No. 1 Aust. A.S.P.

27/12/17.

Wm. Latham 6th. 1917
Lieut-Colonel,
S.M.T.O., 1st. Anzac Corps.

Copy to :-

"K" Ammunition Park.

"K" Supply Column.

Town Major - METERN.

Town Major - STEENWERCK

} For information.

S.M.T.O.

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Appendix No. 7

RETURN OF BATTLE CASUALTIES FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1917.

PERSONNEL.

OFFICERS.			OTHER RANKS.		
Killed.	Wounded.	Gassed.	Killed.	Wounded.	Gassed.
Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	2.	8.	Nil.

VEHICLES.

Total Loss.	Evacuated.	Repaired in the Field.
Nil.	1.	2.

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Appendix No. 8

MECHANICAL TRANSPORT.

The table below shows the M.T. situation in the Corps for week ending, December 7th 1917.

The following abbreviations are used.

L. 3 Ton & 30 cwt lorries.

F. Four wheel drive "

C. Caterpillars.

A. Ambulances.

Establishment.	No. off roads owing to accidents shell fire and minor causes.	No. off roads owing to overhaul.	No. off roads awaiting spare parts.	Total No. not available for duty.	Average No. off lorries used daily.
627.L	63.L	48.L	20.L	131.L	589.L
84.A	2.A	16.A	2.A	20.A	-
50.F	2.F	-	-	2.F	-
22.C	1.C	-	-	1.C	-
Number of serviceable lorries available and not being used. 97.L			Cars awaiting spare parts.	4.	

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 Lieut- Colonel.,

Appendix 8.

Appendix No. 9

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

The table below shows the M.T. situation in the Corps for week ending, December 14th 1917.

The following abbreviations are used.

L. 3-ton & 30 cwt lorries.

F. Four wheel drive "

C. Caterpillars.

A. Ambulances.

Establishment.	No. off roads owing to accidents shell fire and minor causes.	No. off roads owing to overhaul.	No. off roads awaiting spare parts.	Total NO. not available for duty.	Average No. of lorries used daily.
846.L	76.L	48.L	33.L	137.L	592.L
84.A	14.A	4.A	3.A	21.A	-
50.F	-	-	-	-	-
22.C	-	1.C	-	-	-
Number of serviceable lorries available and not being used			79.L	Cars awaiting spare parts.	5.

W.H.V. Lieut- Colonel,
M.T.O., 1st Anzac Corps.

Appendix 9.

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

The Table below shows the M.T. situation in the Corps for week ending, 21st December, 1917.

The following abbreviations are used:-

"L". 3 Ton and 30 Cwt Lorries.

"F". Four wheel drive -do-

"C". Caterpillars.

"A". Ambulances.

Establishment.	No. off roads owing to accidents, shell fire and minor causes.	Number off roads owing to Overhaul.	Number off roads awaiting spare parts.	Total Number not available for duty.	Average Number of Lorries used daily.
890.L	103.L	47.L	15.L	165.L	651.L
50.F	1.F	-	-	1.F	-
32.C	-	1.C	-	1.C	-
84.A	17.A	7.A	3.A	27.A	-

Number of serviceable lorries available and not being used. ... 74.)) (Cars awaiting spare parts. ... 4.		

Frost Casualties. ...			NIL.		

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Captain & Adjutant,
for A.M.T.O., 1st Anzac Corps.

Appendix 10.

M E C H A N I C A L T R A N S P O R T

The table below shows the M.T. situation in the Corps for week ending, December 28th 1917.

The following abbreviations are used.

L. 3 ton & 30 cwt lorries.

F. Four wheel drive "

C. Caterpillars.

A. Ambulances.

Establishment.	No. off roads owing to accidents shellfire and minor causes.	No. off roads owing to overhaul.	No. off roads awaiting spare parts.	Total No. not available for duty.	Average No. of lorries used daily.
877.L	115.L	37.L	16.L	168.L	609.L
84.A	19.A	9.A	2.A	30.A	-
46.F	1.F	-	-	1.F	-
25.C	3.C	1.C	-	4.C	-

Number of serviceable lorries available and not being used. 67) (Number of cars awaiting spare parts. ... 3.

Casualties owing to frost NIL.

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Captain & Adjutant,
for S.M.T.O., 1st Anzac Corps.