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| PRADELLES XXLLES | JULY | | | |
| | 1st | | <p>Weather is still good and the Hun almost apathetic.</p> <p>Divisional Comander and A.D.C., visited B.H.Q. and inspected our lines.</p> <p>Lieut. A C ELLIOTT M.C. marched in from Court of Enquiry, POULAINVILLE.</p> | |
| | 2nd | | <p>There was desultory shelling today.</p> <p>C.O. inspected all lines and had scheme for storage of munitions and water completed throughout.</p> <p>Weather is good and men very cheery.</p> <p>The Canteen is in going order. Beer is sent nightly to Coys. (an innovation while in Supports) and C.O. has arranged regular Picture House in a ruined Estaminet for 50 men each day.</p> <p>We are salving potatoes with great eclat and sending to Rear Headquarters for the inevitable "Rainy Day".</p> <p>The Staff Captain made a detailed inspection of our trenches and gave a highly satisfactory report on our sanitation.</p> <p>Working Parties supplied to 3rd Engineers - 3 Officers and 215 Pther Ranks.</p> <p>Captain G G CAMPBELL left for England.</p> | |
| | 3rd | | <p>Weather is still fine.</p> <p>Major A H DARNELL D.S.O. reported from Nucleus Bn. preparatory to taking over the Battalion tomorrow when the C.O. leaves for five days leave to BOULOGNE.</p> <p>The enemy through over some gas and strafed B.H.Q. somewhat venomously - the good cellar has proved immune however (touch wood).</p> | |
| | 4th | | <p>The Commanding Officer, Lieut-Colonel J NEWMAN D.S.O., left today for leave.</p> <p>Weather is fickle but generally good.</p> <p>The enemy has been more active throughout the day culminating his efforts in a very severe gas and H.E. barrage over the whole sector. This he followed up with an attack on 10th Bn, Front but took a lot of punishment and failed completely. During the barrage our lines were cut and No. 5134 Pte, R L RAMSAY, Battalion Runner, carried an urgent despatch to STRAZEELE Garrison in record time through heavy gas and H.E. shell fire, Though gassed, he returned to B.H.Q. with acknowledgement. We had two casualties two casualties from shell wounds and several men slightly gassed who remained at their job.</p> <p>Today we were greatly cheered to hear of the AUSTRALIAN victory at HAMEL.</p> | |

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| PRADELLES. | JULY. 5th. 1st. | | <p>Weather is still very good. All storage water and reserve rations were changed today and duly dated.</p> <p>Over two tons of sheet copper was salvaged from the ruined Brasserie, Pradelles and sent to rear, its value being £210 per ton.</p> <p>The enemy was again quiet except for aerial work.</p> <p>8 officers and 215 men supplied to R.Es.</p> | |
| | 6th | | <p>Tonight the 2nd Btn. relieved us and we moved back to LA KREULE for 3 days rest. The relief passed off very well without incident.</p> <p>Coys. were all in their bivouacs by 1 a.m.</p> <p>Lieut. George M.M. and three N.C.O. instructors, Cpls. Whitesides and Brennan and Sgt. Brown were sent to the 40th Divn. as instructors in trench warfare, musketry, bayonet fighting and bombing.</p> | |
| LAKREULE | 7th | | <p>Sunday.</p> <p>Today the G.O.C. A.I.F. Gen. Sir Wm. Birdwood held a special ceremonial parade of the Brigade at 10th Btn. grounds. The parade passed off excellently. The Divl. Commander and staff accompanied Gen. Birdwood who, after a short church service, presented medals and ribbons to members of the Brigade. The 10th Btn more than held their own. The G.O.C. decorated C.S. M. Fowles D.C.M. M.M. with his D.C.M. won so gallantly at Bullecourt. He also presented the M.M. to Cpl. Smith M.M. for his gallantry.</p> <p>The following received ribbons;-- D.S.O. Major A. H. Darnell</p> <p>Military Cross;-- Lieuts. Elliott and Aitken;</p> <p>D. C. Ms., No 6553 Pte O'Loughlin.</p> <p>Bar to M.M. 3731 L/Cpl. A.G.C. Gleadhill</p> <p>Military Medal 1960 Pte. J.A. Hubble</p> <p>3795 N. Giles</p> <p>5675 C.H. Carrington</p> <p>6088 5011 Cpl. T.M. Nicholls</p> <p>2310 T/Cpl A. Allen</p> <p>5223 Pte. A.J. Winn</p> <p>3245 Cpl. W.L. Armstrong</p> <p>597 L/Cpl A.J. Smith</p> | <p>M.M. to Cpl. Smith</p> <p><i>J. Morrison</i> <i>Lieut.-Colonel</i> <i>10th Btn., A.I.F.</i></p> |

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| LA KREULE | 1913 1918 July 7th (Contd.) | | <p>Military Medals No. 7345 Pte. Crockenberg (Contd.) No. 6000 Sgt. Waters 4045 S.M. Harvey 213a Pte. Sinclair, S.C. 964 L/Cpl. Emery I/Sgt. R. Wearmouth</p> | |
| | | | <p>The Battalion was represented by a composite Company consisting of 50 men from each Coy. General Birdwood addressed the parade and gave a very graphic description of the work done by the Anzacs, in conjunction with Americans and tank corps in their recent victorious operations at HAMEL. In the afternoon Gen. Birdwood, accompanied by the Divl. Commander, visited the camp and chatted with the officers and men. Lts. C.C. Porter and L.J. Whitford marched in from hospital and Lieut. W.A.W. Gudgeon M.C. marched in from 2nd Army School. Lieut. H. Colvon evacuated to hospital.</p> | |
| | | 8th | <p>The weather is fickle. We have made great strides in improving the camp. Bivouacs have been properly laid out and revetting of tents commenced. Grease traps, decent meat safes, incinerators and field ovens have been completed and are well under way. Training has been earnestly resumed and the men, considering their long spin in the line, are in very good fettle-- largely due to the efficiency of our "Q" department and especially the excellent food and cable cooking. Sport is forging ahead. A quantity of sports material has been bought for the men and cricket under Capt. J.S.D. Walker M.C. has its enthusiastic devotees. Quoit tennis is going strong while baseball, introduced by recent American detachments, is being enthusiastically taken up. The Battalion Officers Mess has been got on to a good footing and we are a very happy crowd. Lieut. H.L. Evans to XV Corps School, and Lieut. G.P. McKenna from XV Corps Gas School. Adjutant gave a lecture to the officers on "Tanks and Infantry Co-Operation".</p> | |
| | | 9th | <p>Today almost the whole Battalion are suffering recovery from inoculation. The G.O.C. visited the camp with the B.M. this morning and commended Major Darnell on its appearance. The men are busy painting their tin hats. The Divl. Commander visited us this morning and arranged for Lieut. Norrie a/Adjutant to go to Division as his A.D.C. temporarily. Major Phillips gave a lecture to the Mess on "Discipline".</p> | |
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| LA KREULE | 1913 July 10th | | <p>The G.O.C. inspected the Transport today with the D.A.Q.M.G. and Vet. Officer, 1st Aust Divn. The transport made a very fine show indeed and Lt. Harthill was commended for its smartness.</p> <p>The C. O. returned today. Lieut. Beckwith took over duties of Lt. Norrie X X (1st Div.) Lts. F.W. McKean and C. Lockyer marched in from hospital and 2/Lt J. Moss from reinforcements.</p> <p>Lieut. H.A. Holley lectured on "The rifle in modern warfare".</p> | |
| | 11th | | <p>The Colonel inspected the Battalion this morning and gave a short address to the men on their recent work. He congratulated the recent recipients of honours and thanked the men for their staunch service.</p> <p>There was a cricket match this afternoon with the 9th Battalion-- a most enjoyable game in spite of the weather which didnt quite play the game with us. Warning Order was received to take over the Right Btn. of the Left Bde. sector from the 6th Batt. The Adjutant and intelligence Officer went forward and inspected the new area and gained all available information.</p> | |
| | 12th | | <p>The weather is bolsterous.</p> <p>The Battalion band was lent to Colonel Brennan, 1st Field Ambice. for a baseball match against an American team.</p> <p>In the evening there was a Guest night in the Officers Mess among others the following officers being present--The G.O.C. (Brig-Gen G. Bennett C.B. C.M.G.) the Staff Captain, Lt-Col J. Brennan D.S.O., the officers of the Special Coy of R,Es., The G.S.O.1, Lt-Col Ross D.S.O. and Capt Louch (A.D.C.) called in during the evening and the affair passed off very well.</p> | |
| | 12th | | <p>The weather is very bolsterous. Training this morning consisted of Battalion Drill, Lewis Gunnery on the Range and general smartening up drill.</p> <p>An advance party of one officer per Coy., one N.C.O. per platoon, one runner per Coy. and the No 1s of each Lewis Gun team went forward to the new sector. We move up tomorrow.</p> <p>The C.O. attended a dinner at brigade this evening given by the Brigadier to the new Divl. Commander.</p> <p>* Capt J.P. O'Neill marched in from rest camp.</p> | |
| | 13th | | <p>The weather has fortunately fined up. This morning was devoted to training and the afternoon</p> | |

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| MAX LA KREULE | July 13th | | <p>to preparing to go up the line. The usual quota of Officers, N.C.Os. and men marched out to Nucleus. Major A.H. Darnell D.S.O. is appointed to command the Nucleus Bn. Lt Elliott M.C. marched out on leave and Lt Sharpe reported from hospital. The relief passed off without incident. There is every indication of a strenuous time before us salving, and getting the line in order -- our usual fate.</p> <p>The Battalion is disposed as under;--</p> <p>BHQ. and HQ. details .. the Brickfield, STRAZEELE-ROUGE CROIX Road.</p> <p>Line Right "C" Coy. " Left "B" Coy. Support "D" Coy. Reserve "A" Coy.</p> | |
| STRAZEELE | 14th | | <p>Our patrols have been active both by night and day. The sector is moderately quiet, except for sniping and machine gun fire. Shelling below normal. The weather unfortunately is threatening. Tonight we readjusted our line to conform to the extended front allotted the Brigade. The 9th Bn. took over our left post while "D" Coy was moved up on the right of B "C", taking over from the 2nd Batt. "C" Coy. also took over 2nd Battalion's Support Coy. position. To meet the difficulty of carrying the C.D., has decided to send up all rations to line Coys. on mules. This will save the labour of 80 men. It is the first time the Battalion has tried this stunt.</p> <p>The enemy has been shelling "D" Coy very severely and also BHQ.</p> <p>The feeding is excellent at present and the mules went O.K. though one was "knocked" by shell-fire and the Transport Corporal got a nice little "Blighty".</p> <p>No casualties today.</p> | |
| | 15th | | <p>The weather is fair.</p> <p>Enemy activity is about normal and his shelling more vicious. He "stoned" BHQ. today but Allah was good and they were all "overs". There were no casualties.</p> <p>Tonight we readjusted the line xxxxxx on a two-company basis, "C" Coy. being withdrawn to Supports.</p> <p>The G.O.C. inspected the trenches today.</p> <p>The weather broke today and the trenches are consequently the reverse of a home from home. However we were still smiling and energetically improving things. Salvage is proceeding apace and work also-- chiefly cutting xxxx, wiring, draining trenches and putting in shelters.</p> | |
| | 16th | | <p>Four men were wounded today, all light wounds.</p> | |

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| STRAZEELE. | 1913 - JULY 17th | | <p>Lt. R. W. Blair left the Battalion today to join the A.F.C. . He has had a very fine record of service with the Battalion, having never missed a day's service since he has been in France. He handed over the duties of Signal Officer to Lieut. F.S. Goundry.</p> <p>Enemy shelling has been livelier today. Cpl. Gordon, C. of "D" Coy. was wounded.</p> <p>So far the employment of mules on ration carrying has worked very well indeed and undoubtedly it has saved us a number of casualties as the enemy seems to get very "jumpy" at night-time and shells the forward tracks, especially on "B" Coy's sector.. patrol work is active. The O.C. "D" Coy., Capt Tulloch, this morning did some very useful daylight patrol work on the outskirts of MERRIS and discovered a couple of enemy posts which he occupied at night only. He attempted to get into MERRIS but was observed by the enemy and driven back by m.g. fire after gaining quite a lot of very useful information and locating three enemy machine guns which had been giving us which had been giving us trouble.</p> | |
| | 18th | | <p>The weather is again excellent.</p> <p>Work and salvage are progressing ahead. BHQ. has been generally improved and a dug-out for a Battle HQ. is now well under way.</p> <p>Tonight at dusk we readjusted our line. "A" Coy. went forward and relieved "B" Coy. handing over one of their left posts to the 9th Bn. and extending the right flank a little. "C" Coy relieved "D" Coy. and in addition took over a Coy. frontage on the right from the 1st Border Regt. "B" and "D" Coys. took over the Support Line. We now have a very big sector to hold--quite the largest any Battalion in the Brigade has held since LOUVERVAL. Three other ranks were wounded today, the left Coy. being severely "strafed" by "whizz bangs" and 5.9s.</p> | |
| | 19th | | <p>this morning the 9th Division on our left captured METEREN, the 9th Btn. co-operating. The 11th Batt. advanced their left flank to conform to conform to the right flank of the 9th Bn. on our left. The enemy was very alert and we took a fair amount of punishment. Lieut. M.A. McGuire an original member of the Battalion, was killed. Poor old "Mac" will be sadly missed. Captain J. S. D. Walker M.C. reported from Nucleus, relieving Capt. G.F.S. Combs, who has been sent to Nucleus for a rest. A platoon of "D" Coy. under 2/Lt J. Moss has been sent forward from support as a local support for "A" Coy., as intercepted wireless messages point to a counter attack on our left flank.</p> <p>Enemy shelling has been active tonight especially on the left flank. 2/Lt. J. Moss, with with three other ranks were killed by shell fire. We have taken a fair amount of punishment, the Battalion losing 6 killed and 13 other ranks wounded.</p> | <p><i>[Signature]</i> Lieut. Colonel 11th Bata. A.I.F.</p> |

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| STRAZEELE | JULY 20th | | <p>The weather is still good. Enemy shelling was brisker but so far no counter-attack has eventuated.</p> <p>The Divl. Commander visited the Battalion this morning and had a conference with the C.O.</p> | |
| | 21st | | <p>The weather is good. This afternoon we advanced our line to conform to that of the 9th Batt.</p> <p>Capt. C.J.S.D. Walker M.C. was killed in action. at about 7 p.m, just prior to ZERO. Lieut L.G. Richards took command of the Company and the following work was carried out:--</p> <p>At 7 p.m, supported by artillery and Trench Mortars, the Left Coy. of the 11th Battalion advanced and captured GERBEDEOM FARM and crossroads at F.l.a. 85.25 (Sheet Strazeele). Three of the enemy were captured at F.2.a. 84 and 4 others were killed. RFD Two Minenwerfers were captured. Artillery shelling and heavy machine gun fire were encountered during the operations. Our outpost line was generally advanced. The work of Lieut. W.A.W. Gudgeon M.C. was specially admired commendable.</p> <p>Lieut. F.W. McKean was evacuated to hospital and the following officers reported to Nucleus Btn. #-- Capt W.R. Hallahan M.C., Lieuts H. Colvin, F. Dale and A.W. Warrington.</p> <p>We were relieved tonight by the 10th Battalion and moved back to the Support Battalion lines with Battalion Hqs. in the Small Chateau, PRADELLES. The Battalion is disposed as under:--</p> <p>"D" Coy. NORD STREET and COURTE CROIX.</p> <p>"B" Coy. STRAZEELE defences.</p> <p>BA" Coy. STRAZEELE AVENUE.</p> <p>"C" Coy. Reserve line, PRADELLES.</p> <p>The relief was completed without incident.</p> | |
| PRADELLES | 22nd | | <p>The weather is good.</p> <p>The men were able to clean up after their trip into the line. A clean change was issued to all ranks and a canteen has been opened in PRADELLES, a case of beer being sent up to each Company nightly. The rations are very good.</p> <p>We supplied about 30 men tonight on working parties for the Engineers, improving the forward area and constructing shelters in the line of resistance. Two other ranks in "D" Coy. were wounded by shell fire.</p> <p>The enemy shelled "D" Coy severely during the day and dropped a few around BHO. without result. The weather broke again tonight and fairly heavy rain fell.</p> | |

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| PRADELLES. | JULY 23rd | | <p>It has been raining since last night.</p> <p>Capt. J&S&D Walker M.C. was buried to-day in the BORRE cemetery. Padre McBain, a friend of the Walker family officiated at the graveside. The Colonel, Major May M.C., Capt. O'Neill M.C., Lieut. Gudgeon M.C. and several N.C.Os. and men were present.</p> <p>The following officers reported to Nucleus to-day:-- Capt F, J. Griffin, and Capt. L.L. Le Nay. Lieut. E. O'Mahony reported to duty with the Battalion from hospital.</p> | |
| | 24th | | <p>The weather is still dull and patchy, with occasional hard showers.</p> <p>Enemy severely strafed "D" Coy. again this morning, killing T/Sgt. Buchanan and Pte Lindsay. Sgt. Mitchell and Corpl. F. Allwood were wounded, both rather severely. The Colonel attended a conference of C.Os. at Bde. H qrs. this afternoon.</p> <p>A couple of Message Rockets were sent over from Brigade Hqbs. to-day. Both landed here but the demonstration was not a very inspiring one, as one rocket landed in the moat and the message of the other one was burnt.</p> <p>Six officers and xxx 180 other ranks were detailed for working parties to-night.</p> | |
| | 25th | | <p>The weather has somewhat improved.</p> <p>Enemy again shelled "D" Coy's position throughout the day as the result of which this Coy. is pretty war-worn as it has had a somewhat rough spin. It is to be relieved to-night by "B" Coy. and will take over the STRAZEELE Defences which these days is a comparatively restful spot. The relief of "D" Coy by "B" Coy. was completed without xxxx incident.</p> <p>Five officers and 100 other ranks were employed on works to-night.</p> | |
| | 26th | | <p>The weather is still fickle.</p> <p>Every effort is being made to get the sector in order. The sanitation has been greatly improved while the storage of bombs, water and ammunition is well in hand. BHQ. have also been improved and made fairly rain-proof.</p> <p>We employed to-night 10 officers and 250 other ranks for work in constructing new line of resistance. The excellent news from the French front, promulgated to all ranks to-day had quite a bracing effect and we are greatly indebted to Mr Brown, of the Y.M.C.A. for a daily supply of illustrated and daily papers for the companies.</p> | <p><i>[Signature]</i> Lieut.-Colonel, c/o. 11th Batn., A.I.F.</p> |

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| PRADELLES. | 1913. | | | |
| | JULY 27th | | <p>There was a noticeable improvement in the weather conditions to-day. Enemy shelling was brisker, special attention being paid to "C" Coy's Hqrs.-- total casualties, one cat.</p> <p>2/Lieut. G. F. Charles, now promoted to Lieutenant, marched out to XV Corps Gas School in the afternoon. 2/Lieut. Ross (wounded) was also promoted Lieutenant.</p> <p>Lieut. Lockyer and three other ranks marched out on U.K. leave, and two other ranks on Paris leave.</p> | |
| | 28th | | <p>The weather is showery and the trenches somewhat adhesive. Life in Hqrs. has been somewhat brightened (?) by the advent of a Gramophone which already has its enthusiastic devotees. The S.O. suggests that it is our duty to hand it over to one of the Companies!</p> <p>The M.O. has "salved" about 300 rounds of revolver ammunition and he and several cronies practise assiduously in the vicinity of the moat. The Staff-Capt., 3rd A.I. Bde., came around to lunch with the C.O.</p> <p>To-night we supplied 215 men in working parties, with 100 men carrying for the 10th Battn. We had two casualties to-day.</p> <p>A "Fritz" plane was over to-night and hovered about for some time, blandly indifferent to the "Archies" (as well he might be). The 9th Division transport, however, were even less disconcerted than the airman and they continued on their way evidently fancying they were immune to observation.</p> | |
| | 29th | | <p>Weather is fine with poor visibility, owing to ground mist. Advance party from 6th Battalion arrived and went forward to the trenches.</p> <p>A party of one man from each Company and one from Hqrs. details marched out to Army Rest Camp, and two N.C.Os. to 2nd Army Musketry School.</p> <p>Escort parties were supplied to 10th Battalion to assist them in getting back prisoners captured in their taking of MERRIS. "C" Coy. (Capt. J.P. O'Neill M.C.) moved forward to support position in readiness to assist 10th Battalion in case of a counter-attack.</p> <p>The enemy shelled vicinity of BHQ. with 5.9s for about half an hour this evening but without success.</p> <p>Enemy aeroplane again visited us about 9 p.m., hovering over our lines very daringly. The anti-aircraft shooting was less pitiful than last night and he beat a hasty retreat.</p> | |

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| PRADELLES | 1913 JULY 30th | | <p>The weather is hot and visibility low. Capt. E. Tulloch and batman marched out to 2nd Army Rest Camp this morning. 11th Battalion advance party moved forward to our new position in Support Line, 2nd Zone which we take over from the 2nd 7th Battalion to-night after the 6th Battalion have relieved us.</p> <p>The relief of the Battalion was completed early. Unfortunately "D" Coy. had 27 casualties (two killed, eight wounded) the result of a stray EXXYS 5.9 shell falling among 18 platoon while they were moving along between STRAZELLE and PRADELLES. This unlucky incident closed a tour of duty in the line in which the Battalion has taken a great deal of punishment and suffered the loss of some very valuable officers and men.</p> <p>We took over tonight the Support Line of the 2nd Zone, a series of trenches running between and ROUGE CROIX with Battalion HQs. at W. 10.35.</p> | |
| BORRE SIDING. | 31st | | <p>The weather is fine and the trenches are all in very good order. The men rested all morning cleaned up their trenches and equipment in the afternoon. The C.P. inspected the Coys. and the Lines, which during the month have been greatly improved. During our tour in the line the HQs. have all been revetted as a precaution against bombing which has been severe in this area. The painting of the Transport has been completed and all stables have been drained and ashes and cinders put on the ground.</p> <p>The personnel of the Nucleus Battalion reported back to the Battalion this morning and were ordered into the Coys. Capt. W.R. Hallahan M.C. M.M. has taken over command of "A" Coy., and Capt. D'Amat of "B" Coy. (temporarily during absence of Major Phillips on Paris leave). Capt. J. B'Neil takes command of "C" Coy., with Capt. F.J. Griffin as second in command, and Capt. A.G. Burgess of "D" Coy.</p> <p>We supplied a party of one officer and 20 other ranks to Canadian Tunneling Coy. and 2 N. to Forward Bde. Bde. for working parties.</p> <p>Lieut. C.C. Porter and 2 N.C.Os. reported to 40th Divn. this afternoon as advisers to Cheshire Regt. who are going into the line for the first time.</p> <p>GENERAL: The month has been a very strenuous one embodying a tour of duty in the line in which the Battalion had some very solid work which bore very good results and was helpful to the work on our line and to the 10th Bn. for their taking of MERRI work was done under most trying circumstances by "A" Coy. under Lt. W. J. ...</p> | <p><i>L. G. Riches</i> Lieut.-Colonel C's 7th Bde. 11/F.</p> |

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Lieut L.G. Riches, and Lieut W.W. Gordon

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Battalion Headquarters
13th July 1918.

Reference Sheet - 27 S.E. 1/29,000

- (1) a - INFORMATION - The Third Aus. Inf. Brigade will relieve the Second Aus. Inf. Brigade in the Left Sub-Sector of the Divisional Front on 13th and night 13/14th July 1918.
b - The Third Brigade Nucleus Bn. will be reformed on 13th inst. Major H. JAMES M.C., 9th Bn. is appointed to Command.
c - Distribution - Line, Right Bn, 11th Bn. Line, Left Bn. 9th Bn
Support 10th Bn. Reserve 12th Bn
- (2) INTENTION - The Eleventh Bn. will relieve the Sixth Bn. on the Right Bn. Front, Left Sub-Sector, on night 13/14th.
- (3) Eleventh Bn. will relieve Sixth Bn. Company for Company.
- (4) DISTRIBUTION - 'A' Co. - Reserve 'B' Co. - Line Left
'C' Co. (plus 1 Platoon 'D' Co.) - Line Right.
'D' Co. - Support (Less 1 Platoon detailed as Support to 'C' Co.)
- (5) LOCATIONS - Bn. & Co. Hqrs. - Bn. Hq. W.22.d.9.9.
'A' Co. W.23.e.8.3. 'B' Co. X.25.d.2.8.
'C' Co. W.30.d.9.1. 'D' Co. W.30.a.2.2.
Regtl. Aid Post - W.34.d.0.6. (Erin Cottage).
- (6) Coys. will move off from Co. Parade Grounds at five minutes intervals commencing at 9 p.m. in following order - Hq., A, D, B & C.
- (7) ROUTE - Road through V.17.d., V.18.e. & d., W.13.c. & d., W.14.d., W.20.a. & b., W.21.a. & b. to Cross Roads (W.16.d.00.45) along CAETRE - STRAZELLE Road to BRICK WORKS (B.Hq.) where Guides will be met to lead Coys. in.
- (8) DRESS - Fighting Order, greatcoat wrapped in groundsheet and carried on back of waistbelt, waterbottles filled and unexpired portion of days ration and Emergency Ration carried.
- (9) Details of relief not herein provided will be arranged mutually between Company Commanders concerned.
- (10) All Maps, Aerial Photos, and Defence Schemes will be taken over and receipts given. Copies of all receipts will be sent to B.O.R. by 6 a.m. on 14th inst.
- (11) Coy.Cmdrs. will render certificate by 6 a.m., 14th inst. that Defence Schemes have been taken over. troops posted to Defences, and Scheme promulgated to all concerned.
- (12) Coy.Cmdrs. will forward detailed Original Sketch of their Coy's Dispositions by 6 a.m. on 14th inst.
- 13) Administrative Instructions are being issued separately.
- (14) Completion of Relief will be notified to B.O.R. by Code Word "HOOJAH".
- (15) ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. A. McMichael
Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

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| 13/15 War Diary. | | | | | | | |

Battalion Headquarters.
13th July 1918

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONSIn connection with Battalion Order No. 28

Reference Sheet - 27 S.E. 1/30,000

- TRENCH STORES. (1) List of all trench stores taken over will be forwarded to B.O.R. by 6 a.m. on 14th inst. Coy. Cmdrs. will ascertain date of last "turning over, of trench stores.
- BLANKETS. (2) Blankets will be rolled in bundles of 10 plainly marked with Coy. & Section designation and stacked in front of Canteen by 3 p.m. 13th inst.
- VALISES. (3) Officers' Valises will be stacked in front of Adjutant's tent by 6 p.m. 13th inst.
- TRANSPORT OF GEAR (4) R.Q.M. will arrange for half limber for each of the following to report at 8 p.m. 13th inst.:- (a) R.M.O., (b) Signal Officer, (c) O.C.Hq.Dtls. Officers' Mess Cart will report to Lt. McGUIRE at same time.
- LEWIS GUN MAGAZINES (5) L.G. Magazines (except three per Co.) will be carried in limbers to W.16.d.00.45. where they will be distributed under supervision of B.L.C.O. R.Q.M. will make necessary Transport arrangements.
- PACKS. (6) Packs will be dumped as per special order, except personnel of Nucleus and Band who will retain their packs.
- WAGON LINES (7) Will remain in present location.
- BRIGADE (8) Will remain at present location - V.17.d.3.7.
- SUPPLY DUMP. (9) Will be at W.24.d.0.6.
- BRIGADE Ammo. DUMP. (10) R.A.P. will be at W.24.d.0.6. Bearer Relay Post at RAY DUMP - W.23.d.85.05. Bgde. Bearer Relay Post at W.24.a.4.7. Ambulance Post - W.22.b.5.4. A.D.S. - Brasserie, BORRE. M.D.S. - V.9.b.1.5.
- COOKERS. (11) R.Q.M. will arrange for Cookers and Hq.Dtls. Mess Gear to be sent to Wagon Lines. C.Q.M.S.'s will remain with Cookers.
- MEALS. (12) Hot Meals will be sent up at 10.30 p.m. and 1 a.m. Dry Rations at 10.30 p.m. Limbers will dump B Co's meals, etc at OAKLEY DUMP, W.24.d.0.5. and C & D Co's at RAY DUMP at W.23.d.85.05.
- CARRYING PARTIES. (13) 'A' Co. will provide necessary Ration Parties for B & D Coys. (3 Platoons). D Co. will carry forward to C Co. Parties as follows:-

| Time | Coy. Supplying | Rendezvous | Destination | Strength of Party |
|----------|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|
| 10.30pm | A Co. | OAKLEY DUMP | B Co. | 1 nco 15 o.rs |
| 1 a.m. | A Co. | " " | B Co. | 1 nco 15 o.rs |
| 10.30 pm | D Co. | Ray Dump | C Co. (3Plt) | 1 nco 20 o.rs |
| 1 a.m. | D Co. | " " | " " | 1 nco 20 o.rs |
| 10.30 pm | A Co. | " " | D Co. (3Plt) | 1 nco 10 o.rs |
| 1 a.m. | A Co. | " " | " " | 1 nco 10 o.rs. |

Administrative Instructions (contd) Page 3.

- CARRYING PARTIES. (13) -contd- 'A' Coy's meals will be delivered by limbers to Co.Hq. O.C.'A' Co. will arrange distribution.
- OFFICERS' HACKS. (14) Mounted Officers' Hacks will be sent to Camp by 8.45 p.m. 13th inst. T.O. will arrange for grooms to collect same at Cross Roads, W.18.d.00.45.
- SALVAGE (15) Every effort will be made to collect salvage which will be sent to rear in returning ration limbers.
- WATER (16) Q.M. will arrange to send water from rear.

J. H. ...
 Lieutenant,
 Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A. I. F.

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APPENDIX
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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION ORDER NO. 222

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Battalion Headquarters.
14th July 1918.

Map Reference - STRAZERLE Sheet. 1/25,000

1. INFORMATION - (a) The Divisional Front is being adjusted.
1 Brigade of 20th Division, under the orders of G.O.C. 1st Aus. Div. is taking over portion of the Right Sub-Sector from 1st Aus. Inf. Brigade. The Third Aus. Inf. Bde. Front is being extended to the South.
(b) Boundaries after new adjustment will be as follows:-
Between Brigades (i.e. 11th Bn. Right Boundary) V.22.b.3.6. - ILLALEY FARM (inclusive to Right Brigade) BASRA FARM (inclusive to Right Brigade) - W.22.a.4.0. - STRAZERLE AVENUE and MERRIS STREET (traffic rights only to Right Brigade) - E.6.a.0.0. - E.6.b.3.0. - F.7.b.0.0.
Inter-Battalion Boundary (i.e. 11th Bn.) Left Boundary :- X.23.b.0.4. - X.25.a.60.65. - X.25.d.6.0. - X.26.e.0.5.
2. INTENTION - (a) The 11th Bn. Sector will be readjusted as soon as visibility will permit on night 14/15th as follows: 3 Coys. in Outpost Line (each with 3 platoons in Front Line and 1 in Support) and 1 Co. in Support.
B Co. will remain Left Line Co. C Co. - Centre Line Co.
D Co. Right Line Co. A Co. - will be in Support.
(b) 9th Bn. will relieve B Co's Left Platoon and half the garrison of post at X.25.d.2.5. on night 14/15th.
(c) B Co. will take over C Co's Left Post at X.25.d.0.2.
(d) G.O.C.'s Co. will withdraw this Platoon to support, relieving 1 Platoon of D Co. at present attached to C Co.
(e) B Co. will relieve Left Line Co. of 2nd Bn. with 3 Posts each of 1 Platoon in Front Line and 1 in Support. Co.Hqrs. - E.6.b.45.25.
(f) Liaison Posts will be established at the points where boundaries cross each line of defence.
(g) Boundaries - B Co. - Left Bn. Boundary (see supra) Right, Line from X.25.a.0.0. to X.25.d.2.0.
C Co. - Centre Coy.
D Co. - Left Boundary F.1.a.0.6. along road to F.1.a.60.
30. (inclusive to C Co.) Right Boundary - Inter-Bde. Boundary (see supra)
(h) A Co. (Support Co.) will take over Support Co., 2nd Bn., located in trenches W.22.d. and E.5.a. & b. on night 14/15th.
(i) Details of Relief not herein provided will be arranged mutually this afternoon between Coy. Cmdrs.
(j) All aerial photos, maps and Defence Schemes will be taken and handed over.
(k) Coy. Cmdrs. will forward by 6 a.m., 15th inst., Sketch showing their new dispositions. This sketch must also show strength of each post and distribution of Lewis Guns.
(l) Administrative Instructions are being issued separately.
(m) Runner Relay Post (Battalion Forward Report Centre) will be established at 10 p.m. 14th inst. at RAY DUMP.
(n) Completion of Relief will be notified to B.O.R. at earliest by Code Word "POORAH".
ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. P. Chubb
Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

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| 3 | 2nd Bn. | 11 | R.Q.M. & T.O. |
| 4 | File | 12 | R.S.M. |
| 5 | I.O. | 13/15 | War Diary |
| 6 | A Co. | | |
| 7 | B Co. | | |
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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

Copy No. 13

Battalion Headquarters.
14th July 1918.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

(In connexion with Battalion Order No.29)

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- TRENCH STORES. (1) All Trench Stores will be handed and taken over in situ. Coy.Cmdrs. will obtain receipts for all stores handed over in triplicate and forward same to B.O.R. by 6 a.m., 15th inst. Copies of receipts given will also be submitted.
- RATIONS. (2) Rations for B, C & D Coys. will be carried up in limbers as at present to RAY DUMP. From there they will be carried forward on pack mules.
Os.C. B, C & D Coys. will each detail two competent guides to report to R.Q.M., RAY DUMP, daily at 10.30 pm & 1 a.m. Rations for Support Co. (A Co.) will be delivered to Co.Hq. in limber; O.C. arranging distribution.
Rations for Hqrs. Details. will be delivered to Bn.H.Q. in limbers.
Rations for attached A.A.M.C. Details will be sent to RAY DUMP. R.M.O. will arrange distribution.
B & C Co. Rations will be carried on mules to Co.Hq. and D Co's to E.C.b.1.5. Co.Cmdrs. will arrange to distribute same. Ration Parties being drawn from Support Platoons.

Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION ORDER NO. 30

Battalion Headquarters
15th July 1918.

Reference Sheet - STRAZEELE 1/20,000

- (1) INFORMATION - The Frontage of Right Battalion, Left Brigade, held at present by 11th Bn. will be readjusted tonight (15/16th) on a two Company basis.
- (2) INTENTION - (a) The present Front Line now held by B, C & D Co's will be held by B & D Co's.
 (b) C Co. will be withdrawn to old Support Line in W.30.a., W.24.c. & d. Coy.Hq. at W.30.a.2.2.
 (c) The Battalion's Right & Left Boundaries will not be altered.
 (d) The inter-Co. Boundary will be line running X.25.c.00.45. to F.l.b.00.60.
 (e) D Co's Support Platoon will take over Right Line Post of C Co.
 (f) B Co's Support Platoon will take over Left Line Post of C Co.
 (g) C Co's Centre Post will be manned by 1 Section of D Co. and 1 Section of B Co.
 (h) Post at present held by C Co's Support Platoon will not be manned
 (1) Relief will not commence till after the first ^{not} meal tonight has been consumed.
- (3) Maps, Defence Schemes, etc., will be taken and handed over and receipts obtained and forwarded to B.O.R. by 6 a.m., 16th inst.
- (4) Details of Relief not herein provided will be arranged mutually this afternoon by Coy.Cmdrs. concerned.
- (5) Administrative Instructions are being issued separately.
- (6) Co.Cmdrs. will forward to B.O.R. by 6 a.m., 16th inst. map shewing dispositions of their Co's after readjustment, distribution of Lewis Guns and strength of posts must be shewn.
- (7) Completion of re-adjustment will be notified to B.O.R. at earliest by Code Word "BINT".

ACKNOWLEDGE.


 Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.
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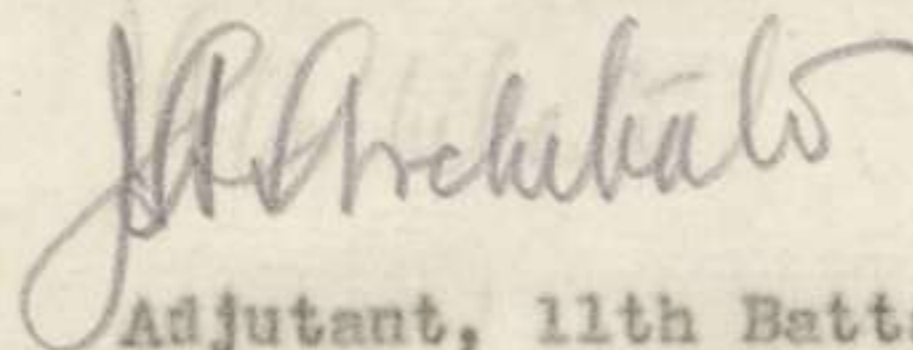
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Battalion Headquarters.
17th July 1918.

Reference Map - STRAZERLE 1/20,000

- (1) INFORMATION - The 11th A.I. Bn. will effect an inter-Coy. relief on the night 17/18th July.
- (2) INTENTION - A Co. 11th Bn, will relieve B Co. 11th Bn. in the Left Line Coy. Sector on night 17/18th.
B Coy. will be withdrawn to Support Line Right at present held by A Co.
- (3) TIME - Relief will commence immediately after the first meal tonight has been consumed.
- (4) STORES, ETC. - All Maps, Defence Schemes, and Aerial Photos will be taken over and receipts forwarded to B.O.R. by 6 a.m. on 18th inst.
- (5) Administrative Instructions - Will be issued separately.
- (6) Completion of Relief will be notified to B.H.Q. by Code Word "PATOKI".

ACKNOWLEDGE.


Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.Distribution

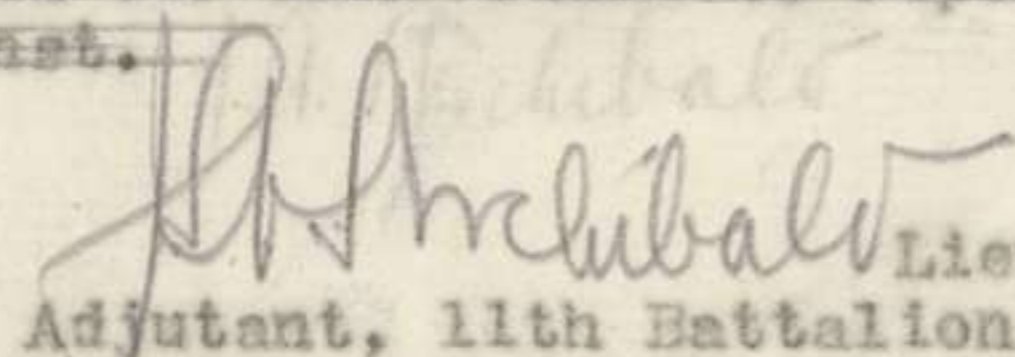
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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

Battalion Headquarters
17th July 1918.ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

(In connexion with Battalion Order No. 31).

- TRENCH STORES. (1) All Trench and Area Stores will be taken over and handed over in situ and receipts forwarded to B.O.R. by 6 a.m. 18th.
- MEALS. (2) First Meal will be sent up as usual tonight. After first meal rations and meals will be sent up to A Co.'s Hq. on pack mules and to B Co.'s Hqrs. on Limber. O's C. arranging distribution.
- WORKING PARTIES. (3) All Guards and Parties/supplied by A Co. at present, will be relieved by C Co. today:-
as follows,
(a) 1 N.C.O. & 15 men for carrying ka D Co's Rations forward to report to B.O.R. at 1 a.m. & 10.30 p.m. daily, commencing 1 a.m. 18th inst.
(b) ~~5 N.C.O.'s and 6 men for Mine Guard to report to B.O.R. at 6.30 p.m. 17th inst.~~


Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

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Battalion Headquarters
17th July 1918.

Reference - STRAZELLE Sheet 1/20,000.

1. INFORMATION - (a) The 119th Brigade (49th Div.) is relieving the 87th Brigade (29th Div.) in the Right Brigade Sub-Sector between 18th and 19th instant.
- (b) The 3rd Australian Infy. Brigade Front is being extended to the South.
- (c) Consequent on above the 3rd Aus. Inf. Brigade Sub-Sector will be readjusted on night 18/19th inst.
- (d) -i- The inter-Brigade Boundary (11th Battalion Right Boundary) will be as present as far Eastward as E.5.a.2.5. (MERRIS STREET) thence a line drawn through E.6.d.0.0.
- ii- The inter-Battalion Boundary (11th Battalion Left Boundary) will be the present Boundary as far Eastward as W.24.d.0.6. thence line through X.25.d.6.0.
2. INTENTION - On night 18/19th July 1918 :
- (a) The 11th Battalion, AIF, will relieve the Left Coy., 1st Border Regiment (Left Sub-Sector, Left Bn. Right Brigade).
- (b) The 9th Bn. A.I.F. will take over the Left Posts of A Co., 11th ~~Battalion~~ Battalion, AIF., (X.25.d.4.2. to X.25.d.75.55.)
- (c) The 11th Bn., AIF., inter-Company Boundary will be line running through W.30.Central to F.1.a.00.60. to F.1.a.45.00.
- (d) The 11th Bn. AIF., Sector on readjustment, will be held by two Coys. - A Coy. Line Left and C Coy. Line Right.
- (e) A Coy. 11th Bn. A.I.F., will take over posts X, X 3, 4 & 5 at present held by D Coy. 11th Bn.
- (f) C Co., 11th Bn. AIF, will relieve D Co., 11th Bn., posts 1 & 2 and, in addition,
- (g) C Co., 11th Bn. AIF, will relieve C Co., 1st Border Regiment, in the following posts (Right to Left):
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| i | E.6.d.3.0. | ii | E.6.d.45.30 |
| iii | E.6.d.45.40 | iv | E.6.d.75.55. |
- (h) Hdqrs. of A Co., 11th Bn. will be at W.30.d.85.30.
- (i) C Co., 11th Bn., will take over the present Hdqrs. of D Co. 11th Bn. E.6.b.45.35.
- (j) When relieved, D Co. will occupy Support Line Left (C Coy's present position).
- (k) Liaison Posts will be re-established on the new boundaries.
- (l) C's C. 'A' & 'C' Coys. will forward to B.H.Q. by 6 a.m. a sketch map shewing their new dispositions giving strength of each post and dispositions of Lewis Guns.
- (m) All Maps and Defence Schemes will be taken over and handed over in situ and receipts forwarded to B.O.R. by 6 a.m. on 19th inst.
- (n) Coy. Cmdrs. will make a thorough reconnaissance of their new Sectors tonight (17th inst.) and will arrange any details not herein provided.
- (o) O.C. 'C' Co. will send an Advance Party of 2 Off. & 2 NCOs to 'C' Co., 1st Border Regt. tonight.
- (p) Relief will not commence till the first meal has been consumed (approx. 11 p.m.)
- (q) Completion of readjustment will be notified to B.H.Q. by Code Word "BLIGHTY".
- (r) Administrative Instructions are being issued separately.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

A. Schubert
Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A. I. F.

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Battalion Headquarters. 21
17th July 1918ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS
(In connexion with Battalion Order No. 32).

- TRENCH STORES. (1) All Trench and Area Stores will be taken over and handed over in situ and receipts (in triplicate) forwarded to B.H.Q. by 6 a.m. on 19th inst. Date when stores were last turned over will be stated.
- RATIONS. (2) Will be delivered to Front Line Coys. by pack mule and to Support Coys. in limbers as at present.
- WORKING PARTIES. (3) O.C. 'B' Coy. will detail the following permanent Ration Parties:-
(i) 1 NCO & 6 men to report to B.O.R. at 10 p.m. and 12.30 a.m. daily to load mules.
(ii) 1 N.C.O. & 15 men to report to C.Q.M.S. 'C' Coy. at Ration Dump at E.C.b.l.S. at 10.30 p.m. and 1 a.m. daily commencing 19th inst. to carry forward C Coy's Ration
10.30 pm 18th
- XXX A, C & D Coy's rations will be delivered to their Co.Hq. O's CO Coys. arranging distribution.
- SALVAGE. (4) A vigorous Salvage Policy will be maintained.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION ORDER NO. 34

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Battalion Headquarters.
31st July 1918.

Reference Sheet - STRAZELLE 1/20,000

1. INFORMATION - The 3rd Aus. Inf. Brigade will carry out an inter-Battalion Relief on the night 31/30 July 1918.
2. INTENTION - (a) 10th Battalion, (Support ~~Line~~ Right) will relieve 11th Battalion as under:-
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| A Coy., 10th Bn. | will relieve | C Coy. | 11th Bn. |
| B Coy., " " | " " | A Coy. | " " |
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- (b) On completion of Relief 11th Battalion will take over the ~~Support Line~~ Support ~~Line~~ Right and will be disposed as under (see attached map):-
- | | | | |
|--------|------------------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| A Coy. | STRAZELLE AVENUE | B Coy. | STRAZELLE Defences. |
| C Coy. | Reserve Line | D Coy. | NORD STREET & ROUGE CROIX SWITCH. |
- (c) Locations of Headquarters:-
- | | | | |
|----------|---------------------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| Bn. H.Q. | - Brasserie, FRADELLES, W.21.c.15.30. | | |
| A Coy. | - W.23.a.75.40 | B Coy. | - W.23.b.25.25. |
| C Coy. | - W.21.d.10.25. | D Coy. | - W.23.c.75.40. |
- (d) Advance Parties of 10th Battalion will report to Coys. of 11th Bn. on night 30/31st July. Coy.Cadrs. will ensure that every possible assistance is given to the party.
- (e) Advance Parties, 11th Battalion. O's C, B & D Coys. will each detail 1 Officer to proceed at noon today to take over the dispositions of 10th Bn. whose positions they are going to occupy. They will arrange their own guides. Lieut. G P McKERRA, and 6 men detailed by I.O., will act as advance party for the remainder of the Battalion. Guides will meet C Coy. at Y.M.C.A. W.27.b.20.45.
- (f) All Maps, Defence Schemes, Aerial Photos, etc., will be taken over and handed over in situ. Triplicate receipts of stores handed over and list of those taken over will be forwarded to B.H.Q. by 6 a.m. on 22nd inst.
- (g) Coy.Cadrs. will forward certificate to B.O.R. by 6 a.m., 22nd inst. that (i) Defence Schemes have been taken over, (ii) Troops duly posted to Defences in accordance with same, (iii) That Scheme has been promulgated to all concerned.
- (h) Completion of Relief by 10th Bn. will be notified to B.H.Q. by code. When in position in Support System Coy.Cadrs. will notify B.H.Q. by code word "PRICELESS".
- (i) Administrative Instructions are being issued separately.

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H. Archibald
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8 A Coy.
9 B Coy.
10 C Coy.
11 D Coy.
12 Hq. Dtls.
13 Right Bn.
14/17 War Diary.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

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Battalion Headquarters
31st July 1918.ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS(In connection with Battalion Order No. 34.)TRENCH
STORES.

- (1) All trench and area stores will be taken over and handed over in situ. Copies of receipts given, and triplicate receipt for stores handed over to 10th Bn., will be forwarded to B.H.Q. by 6 a.m., 31st inst.

Lieut. G P McKENNA will take over the trench stores from 10th Bn. in STRAZHELS AVENUE, Reserve Co., and 10th Bn.H.Q.

RATIONS.

- (2) (a) R.Q.M. will take over existing ration system of 10th Bn
(b) R.Q.M. will have Field Kitchens in place with hot meal prepared for Coys. prior to their arrival (approx 11 p.m.) Coy.Cmdrs. will arrange distribution. ~~All rations will be sent to~~

(c) Dry rations for 31/22 inst. will be sent to Cookers.

(d) R.Q.M. will arrange to send ½ limber for R.M.O's gear to R.A.P. at 10.30 p.m., ½ limber to B.H.Q. for Signal Gear at 10.30 p.m., ½ limber to B.H.Q. for Hq.Dtls. Mess Gear at 10.30 p.m. Mess Cart will be sent to B.H.Q. at 10.30 p.m.

(e) Mounted groom with G.O's. Adjutant's and R.M.O's hacks will be sent to B.H.Q. by 11 p.m.

(f) R.Q.M. will arrange adequate supply of water for Batta.

(g) R.Q.M. will arrange for Canteen Officer to have Canteen established at PRADLLES for Battalion on arrival. 1 case of beer per Coy. will be sent to Co.Hq. Coy.Cmdrs. will arrange necessary distribution, etc.

(h) Coys. Cmdrs. will ensure that their trenches and environs are left in a clean and sanitary condition. Certificates of cleanliness will be obtained from 10th Bn. on 31st inst. and forwarded to B.H.Q. by 6 a.m. on 22nd inst.

(i) Coy.Cmdrs. will ensure that no Battalion equipment is handed over as trench stores.

Medical (3) R.A.P. will be at W.28.6.2.2.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION ORDER NO. 35.

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Battalion Headquarters.
25th July, 1918.

Reference Sheet Strazeele 1/20,000.

- (1) INFORMATION- The 11th Battalion will carry out an Inter-Coy. relief on the night of 25-26 inst.
- (2) INTENTION- (a) "B" Coy. 11th Bn. will relieve "D" Coy. 11th Bn. in Nord Street system on the night of 25-26th inst. On completion of relief "D" Coy, 11th Bn, will take over the STRAZEELE defences at present held by "B" Coy.
(b) Each company will take over the duties at present supplied by the opposite Company.
(c) All Maps, Aerial Photos and Defence Schemes will be handed over and taken over in situ and receipts forwarded to B.O.R. by 6a.m. on 26th inst.
(d) Details of relief not hereina provided for will be mutually arranged between O's C. of "B" and "D" Coys.
- (3) TIME- The relief will commence as soon as the light allows.
- (4) Completion of Relief- will be notified to BHQ. by Code Word "Wassah".
- (5) Administrative Instructions are being issued separately.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

R. Schubert
Lieutenant.
Adjutant 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

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| 10 "B" Coy. | 11 "C" Coy. | 12 "D" Coy. |
| 13/15 War Diary. | | |

ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION.

Battalion Headquarters.
25th July, 1918.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS.

(In connection with Battalion Order No. 35.)

- TRENCH STORES. (1) All Trench and Area Stores will be handed over and taken over in situ and receipts forwarded to B.O.R. by 6 a.m, on 26th inst.
- FIELD KITCHENS (2) R.Q.M. will arrange to have Field Kitchens shifted as soon as light will allow it tonight.
- RATIONS. (3) Rations for 25-26th inst. will be sent for "D" Coy. to "B" Coy's present Headquarters, and for "B" Coy to "D" Coy's present Headquarters.

Acknowledge.

R. Schubert
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Adjutant 11th Battalion A.I.F.

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Battalion Headquarters,
29th July, 1913.

Reference Sheet 27/40,000.

- (1) INFORMATION. (a) The 3rd Aust. Inf. Bde. is being relieved by the 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde. in the left sub-sector of the Divisional Front on the 30th and night 30/31st July 1913,
(b) On relief the 3rd A.I. Bde. will take over the duties of Divisional Reserve Brigade. (c) The 3rd Brigade Nucleus Battalion on relief will disperse, personnel reporting to their respective Units.
- (2) INTENTION - (a) The 6th Battalion, A.I.F., will relieve the 11th Battalion, A.I.F., in the Right Support Battalion System, Company for Company on the night of 30/31st July 1913.
(b) On relief the 11th Battalion, A.I.F., will take over the Second Line Support Zone (& present held by 7th Bn.) from CONGO CORNER at W.13.d.00.35, to WXX W.3.a.9.5. In addition 1 Coy ("C" Coy) "B" line from W.8.d.45.10 to W.9.c.5.0
(c) Battalion will be disposed as under (from Right to Left):-
B Coy., D Coy., A Coy., C Coy.,
Locations - B.H.Q. W.3.c.10&35. A Coy. W.3.c.1.5.
B Coy. W.13.c.40.55 C Coy. W.9.c.5.0
D Coy. W.3.c.3.1.
(d) All maps, aerial photos, and defence schemes will be handed over in situ to advanced officers of 6th Bn. and receipts in triplicate forwarded to B.O.R. by 6 a.m. on 30th inst.
(e) Each Coy. of the 11th Bn., except D Coy., will supply an advance party of 1 officer and 5 other ranks to report to B.H.Q. at 1 a.m. on 30th inst. D Coy's party will consist of 4 other ranks. Lieut. G MCKENNA (B.H.Q.) will act as D Coy's advanced officer. Lieut. L G RICHES will act as advanced officer for Hqs. Details.
(f) GUIDES - Guides for incoming unit will be arranged by advanced officers of 6th Bn. Guides for 11th Bn. will meet their Guides at Road Junction W.20.a.35.35. "Coy will meet their guides at PRADELLES CHURCH.
(g) Coy. Cmdrs. will forward to B.O.R. by 6 a.m. on 31st inst. Certificate that all defence schemes have been taken over and that troops have been posted in accordance with said scheme, and scheme has been promulgated to all concerned.
(h) Lewis Guns - Each platoon will carry its complement of Lewis Guns; only one filled panner per gun, however, will be carried, the remainder will be dumped as follows, R.Q.M. arranging for transport:- A, C & D Coys. at their Coy. Hqs., B Coy. at BRICKFIELDS (W.22.d.9.3.)
- (3) Completion of Relief will be notified to B.H.Q. by code.
- (4) Administrative instructions are being issued separately.

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Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A. I. F.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDERS

APPENDIX 2

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by
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Tempy. Commanding 11th Battalion. A.I.F.
LA KRKULE 6/7/18

PART I

DUTIES

(606) Battalion Duty Company 6/7/7/18 'A' Company
Next for Duty 'B' Company.
Battalion Orderly Officer do Lieut. G.A. LAMBERTON MC
Next for Duty Lieut. F.S. GOUNDRY

ROUTINE.

(607) Reveille 7 a.m. Sick Parade 7.15 a.m.
Breakfast 7.30 a.m.

CHURCH PARADES.

(608) A representative Church Parade will be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow, 7th inst., at (Sheet 27) V.15.b.8.4. (10th Bn. Camp). 1 Coy. from each Bn. will be present on this Parade. This will be followed by a Medal Presentation by the G.O.C., A.I.F., and a March Past. Previous Instructions issued today concerning this Parade are amended as follows.

The Parade will be under the command of the G.O. Each Coy. will select 1 Officer and 50 Other Ranks. All Officers N:C:O's and Men due to receive ribbons and G.S.M. FOWLES D.C.M., M.M., due to receive Distinguished Conduct Medal, will be paraded separately. These will not be included in the 1 Off. & 50 O.Rs. to be supplied by each Coy.

Lieut. J.M. AITKEN MC will be in charge of Parade of all ranks due to receive Ribbons.

DRESS - Belt and Side Arms, Felt Hats will be worn turned up at left side.

Coy. Cmdrs. will ensure that (1) all men are very smartly turned out, (2) all ranks due to receive Ribbons will not wear same on this occasion.

Lieut. J.M. AITKEN MC will report to Adjutant at 7.15 pm tonight for full instructions.

Parade will assemble on Camp Square at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

Roman Catholic Mass will be celebrated for the 9th and 11th Bns. on 11th Bn. Parade Ground at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

DRESS - Belt and side arms.

Lieut. J.L. BARRY will be in charge of this Parade.

BATHS.

(609) The Divisional Baths located at (Sheet 27) V.11.c.3.5. are allotted to this Bn. tomorrow, 7th inst. Clean clothing is available at the Baths. Allotment is as follows:-

| <u>Morning</u> | <u>Afternoon</u> |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| 8 - 9 A Co. | 1 - 2 Hq. Details |
| 9 - 10 B Co | 3 - 3 A & B Co's Church Parade |
| 10 - 11 C Co | 3 - 4 C & D Co's " |
| 11 - 12 D Co. | 4 - 5 Transport |

Attention is drawn to Standing Orders re Baths.

HONORS & AWARDS.

(610) The Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief has, under Authority granted by His Majesty the King, awarded the following Decorations. The Corps, Divisional and Brigade Commanders wish to convey their congratulations to the recipients.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER

Major A. H. DARNELL

MILITARY CROSS

Lieut. A. C. HELLIOTT

Lieut. J.M. AITKEN

BAR to DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL

1855 C.S.M. R J FOWLES DCM, MM.

DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL

6563 Pte. J. O'LOUGHLIN.

(610) Under authority granted by His Majesty the King, the Corps Commander has awarded the following decorations:-

BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL

3791 L/c A G G GLEDHILL M.M.

MILITARY MEDAL

864 L/c D J EMERY
3582 Sgt O B RUSTAND
3245 Cpl W L G ARMSTRONG
1960 Pte J A HUBBLE
597 L/c A J SMITH
3795 Pte N GILES
7345 Pte H CROCKENBERG
5675 Pte C H CARRINGTON
606 Sgt W WATERS
6088 Cpl T M NICHOLLS
4945 Sgt S M HARVEY
2340 Cpl H A ALLEN
213a Pte S C SINCLAIR
5228 Pte A J WINN

The Corps, Divisional and Brigade Commanders wish to convey their congratulations to the recipients.

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL to the undermentioned Warrant Officer and Non-Commissioned-Officer, in recognition of valuable services rendered with the Forces in France during the present War:-

899 S.S.M. H S PENNY
127 Cpl H HARN.

In publishing the above the Commanding Officer wishes to congratulate the recipients.

LOOTING

(611) Div. Memo dated 1/7/18.

"LOOTING - with reference to C.R.O. 1329 - LOOTING; it is to be noted that MORBECQUE and HAZEBROUCK are specially excluded from the Area in which furniture and household utensils may be removed from damaged houses."

XV Corps Routine Order 1428.

"LOOTING - C.R.O. 1329 is repeated for information:-

'As difficulty is experienced in interpreting the orders with regard to looting in the forward area the following instructions will be strictly enforced:-

(a) Furniture and household utensils may be removed from damaged houses East of the MORBECQUE - HAZEBROUCK - STERNVOORDE Road, but exclusive of MORBECQUE and HAZEBROUCK, when required for the use of the troops, if authorised by the C.O. of a Unit.

(b) In each case the man or men sent to collect the articles will be provided with a written order giving in details the articles required and specifying the house from which they are to be taken. This order will bear the name of the Unit for which they articles are required, and the names of the men authorised to collect them, and will be signed by the Commanding Officer. A copy of each order will be sent to the Headquarters of the Division concerned or, in the case of 2d Corps Units, to Corps "Q".

(c) Any man (or men) removing articles from a house or found carrying civilian property who is not in possession of a written order as above, or who is found removing property from a house other than that specified in the order he carries will be treated as a looter and dealt with in accordance with A.R.O. 2014".

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DAMAGE TO TREES

(612) D.R.O. 629

"The attention of all concerned is drawn to G.R.O. 1090. Claims are being continually received owing to trees having been barked by horses tied to them. Camps in XV Corps Area are frequently inspected by specially selected Officers, and any case which is reported of this order having been disobeyed will be dealt with by holding the C.O. Unit financially responsible for any claim that may be received from the owner of the trees."

LIGHT RAILWAY CROSSINGS

(613) Aust. C.R.O. No.183 30/6/18.

"Horses or transport will not cross the Light Railways in the Corps Area except at points where crossings have been made for this purpose".

SICK EVACUATIONS

(614) Aust. C.R.O. No.182 30/6/18.

"All sick not likely to be able to rejoin the ranks within 48 hours must be evacuated to a Field Ambulance. They must not be kept in Unit Lines."

Alfred Kubacki
Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

NOTICES

The Y.M.C.A. are holding performances nightly in the 9th Bn. Camp. These performances are as under and are free of charge.
Concert by members of 3rd Brigade Concert Party at 6 p.m.
Einema Show at 7.45 p.m.

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BATTALION ROUTINE ORDERS

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by
Major A.H. DARNELL D.S.O.
Tempy. Commanding 11th Battalion, A.I.F.
LA KREULE 7/7/18

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PART I.

- DUTIES. (615) Battalion Duty Company 7/8/7/18 #B# Company.
Next for Duty "C" Company
Battalion Orderly Officer do Lieut. G.S. GEMMELL
Next for Duty 2/Lt. G F CHARLES
- ROUTINE (616) Reveille 6.45 a.m. Sick Parade 7 a.m.
Breakfast 7.30 a.m. C.O's Parade 8.45 a.m.
C.O's Orderly Room 2 p.m. Retreat & Guard Mounting 6.30 pm
1st Post 9 p.m. Last Post 9.30 p.m.
Lights Out 9.45 p.m.
- WORK (617) WORK as per Syllabus to be issued later.
- DRESS. (618) DRESS for C.O's Parade - Fighting Order, felt hats worn
by all ranks, and Box Respirators.
- MUSTER PARADE (619) Coys. will parade at R.A.P. for Scabies and feet
for inspection tomorrow, 8th inst., at undermentioned times:-
MEDICAL Hq.Dtls. 2 p.m. D Co. 2.20 p.m.
INSPECTION C Co. 2.40 p.m., B Co. 3 p.m., A Co. 3.20 p.m.
- COMMAND (620) Lieut. W.C. BELFORD (Bn. I.O.) will act as O.C., Hqrs.
Headqrs. Details and will be specially responsible for their
Details. discipline, pay, and rations.
- CANTEENS (621) Bde. Order 212.
"Under no circumstances whatever will Whisky or Wine be
sold by any Canteen of this Brigade either directly to
Officers or on written orders from Officers."
- BOUNDS (622) Bde. Order 214
#STEENVOORDE is placed out of bounds to all troops except
those on duty.
No one except on duty is permitted to go outside the
billeting area of his Unit except on pass. Passes issued
to N.C.Os or Men, either to leave their billeting areas or
to enter a town, must be signed by the O.C. Unit and are not
to be made available for places outside the area occupied by
the British Armies unless leave has been granted in accordance
with G.R.O. 2786. All passes must contain the soldier's
Regtl No., rank, name, and unit, the hours between which
leave is given, the purpose and the date. The Military
Police are authorised to demand the production of a pass or
papers of identification whenever they consider it necessary.
- ENTERING OF (623) A.R.O. 2101
EVACUATED "British troops are forbidden to enter any premises which
PREMISES. have been evacuated by civilians unless the premises have
been allotted for billeting purposes. Should it be necessary
for such premises to be used as billets, the O.C. of the
unit taking them over will record full particulars and the state
of the premises at the time of occupation. This
record will be passed to the Area Commandant in whose area
the billet is situated".
- HONORS & (624) Bde.R.O.215
AWARDS. "If an officer or other rank is wounded during the operations
in connection with which he is recommended for Immediate
Award the nature of the wound should be stated, e.g. Severe
wound, head, etc."
- CORRESPONDENCE (625) XV Corps R.O. 1425
"Several official letters and documents are received
written on with colored pencil. In time the colored pencil
becomes faint and cannot be deciphered. Correspondence
is to be conducted either in ink or indelible pencil".

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"Complaints regarding non-delivery of or delay to mail items by the Army Postal Service must be rendered officially to the D.A.D.S., A.I.F., Administrative Hq., London, through the C.O. of the soldiers Unit.

Each complaint is made the subject of careful enquiry by the Postal Investigation Section. When complaints of delay in delivery of mails are made, it is essential that all envelopes be returned. The circulation of each item can then be thoroughly investigated, and the cause of such delay, if any, be eliminated."

"Members of the A.I.F. are advised that mails from Australia are placed on board steamers travelling by various routes. It sometimes that mail posted in Australia after the preceding mail has closed and been despatched may arrive in London before such preceding mail.

If two mails arrive simultaneously such letters are "grouped" before delivery, and economy in circulation results. The receipt of letters of varying Australian dates in one covering envelope does not necessarily mean that delay has occurred at the Base Post Office."

INTELLIGENCE TRAINING (627) Each Coy. will detail six smart men to report to I.O. each morning after C.O.'s Parade fir training with the Bn. Intelligence Section. It is essential that the men be capable and willing as the training is short.

PART II

APPOINTMENTS (628) To be Lance Corporals N Dated 5/7/18:-
& PROMOTIONS. 3451 Pte. ROSSITER S. 5194 Pte. SAVELL A.W.

SECONDDINGS (629) Lieut. W.C. BELFORD ceased to be seconded with 1st Tng. Bn. and resumed regimental duty. 9th June 1918
Capt. A.G. BURGESS resumed duty from ~~XXXXXX~~ regimental seconded list. 9th June 1918.

REVERSIONS. (630) 4233 Tem. Cpl. D JOLLY, C Co., reverts to Lce. Cpl. on return to duty of 726 Cpl. THOMPSON R. Dated 16/6/18
1195 Tem. Sgt. A W WHEELER, A Co., reverts to Corpl. on evacuating Sick. Dated 23/6/18
3797 Tem. Cpl. A G C GLEDHILL M.M. reverts to Lce. Cpl. on evacuating sick. 17/6/18.

A. Novis
Lieutenant,
a/Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

NOTICES

PREPHYLACTIC TREATMENT - 'NARGOL' Outfits will be issued at R.A.P. on application.

Amendment to PART II.

TRANSFERS (631) From A Co., to Hq. Details., (Band),
2255a Pte. ROBINSON C.A. 6829 Pte. HARRISON H.
From B Co. to Hq. Details (Regtl. Transport).
6258 Pte. DEWAR A.F.
From A Co. to Hq. Details (Canteen).
7535 Pte. SCOTT E.J.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDERS

by

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Major A. H. DARNELL D.S.O.,
Tempy, Commanding 11th Battalion, A.I.F.
LA KREULE 3/7/13

PART I.

- DUTIES.** (632) Battalion Duty Company, 3/9/7/13 "C" Company,
Next for Duty "D" Company.
Battalion Orderly Officer do 2/Lt. G F CHARLES
Next for Duty 2/Lt. C SIMPSON.
Duty Co. will supply 3 men (in fatigue dress to report to officers
- ROUTINE** (633) as per bn. R.O. 616 (Mess at 1.45 am, daily until further notice.
- WORK** (634) As per Syllabus of Training already issued.
- SALVAGE** (635) No Jam Cartons are being returned to the R.Q.M. As these are of special value at the present time Coys, will ensure that Jam Cartons are returned to R.Q.M. through their C.Q.M.S. each day.
- CROPS.** (636) 1st Aus. Div. Memo. 2/7/13
"Attention is again directed to G.R. & other orders on the Care of Crops by Troops. In the present state of the food supply any damage to crops is calculated to have a very damaging effect on relations between the French inhabitants and ourselves. The utmost care is to be taken that no damage be done by grazing horses or by troops moving through crops. It has been noticed that potato plants have been pulled up and thrown aside as the tubers were not sufficiently large for eating. It is thought that Australians know more about potatoes than to pull up immature plants, but when it occurs in the Australian Area the blame is naturally apportioned to them. It is the duty of every man to immediately report any damage to crops or stealing by troops whether of this Division or a British Formation. All ranks are to be informed that if any such damage done can be sheeted home, the offender will be very severely punished.
- BOUNDS.** (637) G.R.O.3713,
"The hour by which all warrant officers, n.c.o's and men, except those on duty and others with special passes must be in their billets is 9.30 p.m. night, from 1st April 1913, until further orders."
- THEFT OF BICYCLES.** (638) A.R.O.2077.
"The theft of bicycles, both motor and ordinary, is becoming increasingly common. These thefts shacan only be checked if C.O's, in addition to ensuring that all bicycles on the establishment of their Units are properly safeguarded, take action to prevent any bicycle in excess of those authorised by establishments being in possession of any man in their unit. In future the C.O. of a unit will be held personally responsible for the value of a bicycle lost from his unit if proper orders have not been issued and suitable arrangements made for the safe custody of bicycles on the establishment of his unit. A C.O. will further be held responsible if an unauthorised bicycle is found in the possession of any man of his unit".
- RATE OF EXCHANGE.** (639) G.R.O.4335.
"The rate of exchange for the month of July has been fixed at 5 Francs = 3/3d.
- SANITARY APPLIANCES.** (640) C.R.O. 1429
"All Sanitary Appliances are Area Stores and will not be removed by Units without permission from the Area Commandant concerned".

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TRANSFER (641) 605; L/c F HILL from C Co, to sq, Details. (R.O.s's Store).

SUPERNUMARY (642) The following N.C.O's are placed on Supernumary List:-

| | | | | | | |
|---------------|---|------|------|------------|-------------|---------------|
| <u>A Coy.</u> | - | 7319 | Sgt. | RODGERS E | Evac. Sick. | Dated 20/6/13 |
| | | 2195 | " | RENNIE J | " Wnd. | " " |
| | | 2612 | Cpl | HAYDEN W F | " " | " 21/6/13 |
| | | 64 | " | JOHNSTON A | " " | " 13/6/13 |

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|---------------|---|------|--------|---------|-----------------------|---------------|
| <u>B Coy.</u> | - | 4437 | L/Sgt. | COMBES | R C To Eng, BR., U.K. | 23/6/13 |
| | | 404 | Cpl | BREEN J | Evac. Sick. | Dated 30/5/13 |

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|---------------|---|------|------|-----------|------------|----------------|
| <u>D Coy.</u> | - | 1117 | Sgt. | T. DAVIES | Evac. Wnd. | Dated 22/6/13. |
|---------------|---|------|------|-----------|------------|----------------|

STRENGTH. (643) 2054 Sgt. D. PINE, Rq. Signal Section, is struck off on m/o to Army Signal Course, DUNSTABLE. Dated 24/6/13
(Authy. A.G's Letter 3078 (0) 2/3/13 - Bde. Order 1374 9/6/13).

Alford
Lieutenant,
a/Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A. I. F.

NOTICE A Battalion Boxing Tournament will be held - to start Wednesday, 10th Inst. The following are the weights:-

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Featherweight | up to 3 Stone |
| Lightweight | 9.7 |
| Middleweight | 11.7 |
| Light heavyweight | 11.7 to 12.2 |
| Heavyweight | 12.2 to 14 Stone. |

Entries to be handed to Co. Orderly Rooms by 12 noon Tuesday, 9th.
Weights to be stated.

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Major A.H. DARNELL D.S.O.,

Tempy. Commanding 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

LA KREULE 9/7/18

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PART I

- DUTIES. (644) Battalion Duty Company 9/10/7/18 "D" Company
Next for Duty "A" Company
Battalion Orderly Officer do 2/Lt. C. SIMPSON
Next for Duty Lieut. A.C. ELLIOTT M.C.
- ROUTINE (645) Meal Hours will be - Breakfast 7.30 a.m.
Dinner 12.30 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m.
Reveille for tomorrow will be 6.30 a.m.
Remainder of Routine as usual.
- FODEN LORRY (646) All Blankets to be rolled in bundles of 10 and stacked at
entrance to Camping Ground by 7.15 a.m. tomorrow morning. 10th
inst., for fumigation.
- CLAIMS (647) D.R.O. 631
"In future if any claims are received for damage to Crops.
appropriation of potatoes, or similar acts, the nearest unit to
the crops will be held liable for the amount of the damage
unless it can be shewn that some other unit is responsible for
such damage".
- SALVAGE (648) Every effort should be made to salvage as much fat as possible
OF FAT as it is urgently needed for the making of Glycerine for
munitions. This Battalion has at present the worst record in
the Division for Salvage of Fat and while it is in no way
intended to deprive the men of the Battalion from getting their
full ration, a great deal more can be done by Coys. to salvage
surplus Fat both from bacon and beef. The co-operation of all
ranks in this matter is essential.
- CAMP (649) The following irregularities were noted in today's inspection
SANITATION. (a) Filth is being deposited along hedges,
(b) Clothing is strewn about hedges and bivouacs.
Coy.Cmdrs. will take steps to have above rectified in the
environs of their Coy. Bivouacs.
- WASTAGE (650) Today, a quantity of good foodstuffs was sent to Incinerator
OF FOOD. This pernicious practice must cease. Any surplus food must
be returned to Cookhouses.
- MOUNTED (651) No Officer in the Battalion will in future send to Horse
GROOMS. Lines for mounted groom without the written authority of
Commanding Officer.
- TYPING. (652) While B.O.R. Staff are desirous of assisting Coys. in every
way possible with their clerical work, it is pointed out that
facilities for typing are very meagre and hardly sufficient to
cope with Battalion Administrative business. The practice of
Coy. Officers handing in work for typing to clerical staff
without the authority of the C.O. or Adjutant must cease.

PART II

- APPOINTMENTS (653) Lieut. R W BLAIR to be Signalling Officer vice Lieut. E H
& ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ SALTER returned to Australia. (D.R.O. 6/7/18)
PROMOTIONS. 3243 Cpl. W L G ARMSTRONG M.M. to be Sergeant vice Sgt. D PINE
'Struck Off'. Dated 24/6/18.
3787 Pte. G.P. FERNIHOUGH (R.A.P.) to be Lce.Cpl. 9/7/18.
- STRENGTH. (654) Major A.H. DARNELL to be Second in Command. 26/6/18
2/Lt. D M ELLIOTT is taken on strength from Rfets.
(Cadet Bn.) Dated 18/6/18
(A.I.F. List 350 of 2/7/18.)

SECONDED LIST

(655) Capt. G F S COMBS resumed duty from regimental seconded list 16/6/18

(A.I.F. List 350 2/7/18)

Lieut. C A LOCKYER is placed on regimental seconded list (wounded) Dated 21/6/18

(A.I.F. List 352 5/7/18).

SUPERNUMARY LIST.

(656) The undermentioned Officers are placed on Supernumary List:-

Lieut. G W MURRAY 21/6/18

Lieut. C C PORTER 7/6/18

(A.I.F. List 352 5/7/18).

J. Archibald

Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

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by
Major A.H. DARNELL, D.S.O.,
Tempy. Commanding 11th Battalion, A.I.F.
LA KREULE 10/7/18.

PART I.

- DUTIES. (657) Battalion Duty Company. 10/11/7/1918 "A" Company.
Next for Duty "B" Company.
Battalion Duty Company do Lieut. A G ELLIOTT MC
Next for Duty Lieut. J L BARRY.
- ROUTINE (658) Reveille 6.45 a.m. Remainder as usual.
- CLEANSING OF DIXIES. (659) Attention is called to Standing Order re daily scrubbing of dixies with hot water and wood ashes. This order is not at present being adhered to. On C.O's inspection tomorrow all mess tins will be carefully examined. Coy.Cmdrs. will ensure that this order is strictly adhered to in future.
- RIFLE INSPECTION. (660) 'A' Coy. will parade by platoons at half hour intervals commencing 2 p.m. tomorrow, 11th inst., for inspection of Rifles by the Armourer Sergeant.
- DRESS. (661) Several other ranks are at present wearing officers' caps. This practice must cease.
- CAPTURED TROPHIES. (662) D.R.O. 637.
"The following is a list of Material captured by Unit shown and held by Ordnance for despatch to Base for week ending 6th July 1918:- (UNIT) 11th Battalion, A.I.F.
- | | | | |
|-----------------------|---|--|---|
| German Rifles | 8 | Cleaning Rod | 1 |
| Steel Helmets | 2 | Intrenching Tool Spades | 2 |
| Ammunition boxes | 2 | Ammunition Belt | 1 |
| Minenwerfer No. 36690 | 1 | Minenwerfer tool chest | 1 |
| Minenwerfer No. 13666 | | Minenwerfer base plate on complete on carriage | 1 |
| | | carriage & trailer No. 36690 | 1 |
- SALVAGE (663) D.R.O. 638
"The following statement shows value of Salvage returned by Units for week ending 4/7/18:-
- | Unit | General Salvage | R.E. Material |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 1st Aus. Inf. Brigade | £ 101 - 8 - 0 | £ 1 - 0 - 0 |
| 2nd Aus. Inf. Brigade | 536 14 4 | - - - |
| 3rd Aus. Inf. Brigade | 2143 15 2 | 21 7 0 |
- REAR DEFENCES. (664) D.R.O. 640
"Cases have occurred of wilful damage having been done to Rear Defence Lines. Trenches have been filled in to make paths across them, notice boards have been mutilated or removed and wire entanglements cut. Units will be warned with a view to preventing any recurrence of damage of this nature.
A.P.M. will instruct Police to apprehend any civilians guilty of causing similar damage".
- "JOS" S.A.A. (665) G.R.O. 4451
"When using S.P.G. Tracer Ammunition it is necessary that the last five rounds at least should consist of ordinary Mark VII Ammunition, and that the barrel should be cleaned out immediately afterwards. Unless this is done a hard cake is formed on the surface of the bore which is liable to lead to bulged barrels".
- LEAVE IN FRANCE. (666) 1st Aus. Div. Memo 104/05.
"The journey to NICE at present takes 4 days, and thus 8 days will be occupied in travelling.
Applicants desiring leave to this place should be informed of this fact and asked if they still desire to spend their leave in this place".

TURNING OVER (667) Bde. Memo 7/504.
OF RATIONS
& AMMUNITION.

"All ammunition, rations and water held in reserve positions will be turned over as follows:-

Ammunition & Rations every 14 days. Water every 7 days.

A record will be kept by units concerned showing dates ammunition, rations and water are turned over.

Units will render a certificate to Brigade Headquarters on completion of each turn over of above."

With reference to above, reading has been given by A.A.G. concerning meaning of term "Turned Over". This means (with the exception of water) a thorough inspection is to be made of all S.A.A. and Bombs and should they be found unserviceable, their replacement.

Coy. Cmdrs. will, during the next tour of duty in the line ascertain (1) when taking over, the date all ammunition, rations and water were last turned over; (2) will carry out careful inspection of all S.A.A., Bombs, stored Water and Rations S.P. in their Sector the day **after** ~~is~~ taking over, and ensure that above Bde. Memo is strictly adhered to.

STANDING ORDER

GUARDS

(668) The R.S.M. will each afternoon instruct the Guard next for duty in Ceremonial for half an hour.

Coy. Cmdrs. will arrange to have Guard paraded at 8 p.m. daily under Coy. Orderly Sgt. to B. O. R.

J. Shchubilo Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

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by
Major A.H. DARNELL D.S.O.,
Tempy. Commanding 11th Battalion, A.I.F.
LA KREULE 11/7/1918.

PART I.

- DUTIES. (668) Battalion Duty Company. 11/18/7/1918 "B" Company.
Next for Duty "C" Company.
Battalion Orderly Officer do Lieut. J.L. BARRY.
Next for Duty Lieut. M.E. CLARKE
- STEEL HELMETS. (670) Coy.Cmdrs. will render a certificate by 5 p.m. tomorrow that all Steel Helmets have been painted, sanded, and repainted over the sand.
- HAIR CUTTING. (671) Attention of Coy.Cmdrs. is called to the large percentage of men in the Battalion who have not yet had the Regtl. Hair Cut. Coy.Cmdrs. will render a certificate by 8.30 p.m. tomorrow that all men in their Coy. have ~~had~~ had their hair cut.
- LECTURE. (672) There will be a lecture by the C.R.A. on Artillery at the Cinema Hall, V.17.c.2.9. at 8 p.m. on Friday. All Officers and N.C.O's, above rank of Corporal, who are available will attend.
- ARMY REST CAMP. (673) A.R.O.2124.
"Officers proceeding to the Second Army Rest Camp will bring their valises and will be accompanied by their batmen".

PART II.

- POSTINGS. (674) The following Officers are posted to Coys. as shown:-
Lieut. F.W. MACKRAN to D Coy.
Lieut. C LOCKYER C E Coy.
Lieut. L.E. WHITFORD D Coy.
Lieut. G G PORTER to A Coy.
2/Lt. J MOSS A Coy.
Lieut. G A P GOSSELLOW to B Coy. from Hqrs.
Lieut. V G BELFORD to Hqrs. and to be Bn.I.O.
Lieut. K.J. BECKWITH to Hqrs. from G Co. and to be actg. Asst. Adjutant vice Lt. MORRIS to General Staff.
- TRANSFERS. (675) 6391 Cpl. HYDE R.J. from B Co. to Hq. Pioneer Section. and to be N.C.O. in charge.
The following are transferred to Hqrs. Stretcher Bearer Seco
165 Pte. GILMOUR W.A. A Co. 4071 Pte TRAVERS S.W. A Co.
165 Pte FOSDICK G A Co. 2129 Pte DeDECKER L B Co.
7439 Pte. ADAMS J. D Co.

M. J. Secombe

9 Lieutenant,
Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

BATTALION ROUTINE ORDERS

by
T/Lieut-Colonel J. NEWMAN D.S.O.,
Commanding 11th Battalion, A.I.F.
LA KREULE 12/7/1918.

PART I.

DUTIES. (676) Battalion Duty Company 12/13/7/1918 "C" Company.
Next for Duty "D" Company
Battalion Orderly Officer do Lieut. M.E. CLARKE.
Next for Duty Lieut. C.C. PORTER

ROUTINE.(677) As usual.

PART II.

TRANSFERS(678) The following are transferred to Hdqrs. Details:-

From "C" Company

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| 5013 L/c | W P | GROSE | 614 Pte. | E J | WOODWARD |
| 1319 Pte | W | ELLIS | 8019 Pte | W | MENZIES. |

J. Newman
Lieutenant,
a/Adjutant, 11th Battalion, A.I.F.

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APPENDIX 2

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