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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION



Office A.P.M.

WAR DIARY - NOVEMBER 1917.

From 1st. to 12th. of November the Office of the A.P.M. was located at Lille Gate, Ypres. 10 M.M.P. and their horses were left at Reninghelst on detached duty, the remainder carrying out traffic and patrol duties on the roads in the Forward Area (Ypres).

The Traffic Control Personnel attached to the A.P.M., carried out traffic control duties at :- Westhoek, Menin Road - Hooze, Birr Cross Road, Warrington Road, and Shrapnel Corner.

Casualties. Trooper J.K. Molony was killed by a shell burst whilst on duty at Westhoek Ridge. This man had won a Military Medal the last time the Unit was in the Forward Area. Pte HM Massingham, Traffic Control, was wounded and evacuated to Hospital. At Reninghelst Trooper A. Bradley, whilst remonstrating with some apparently drunken soldiers, was set upon, and received severe injuries, necessitating his removal to Hospital.

Location of Office. On 12th. Nov. the Office moved from Ypres, and opened at Eecke the same day. Remaining at Eecke until the 18th.

M.M.P. & Traffic Control. The usual patrol and traffic control duties were carried out in the area.

Movement. On the 18th. Nov. a move was made to Ravelsberg Camp, opening up there the same day. The M.M.P. were quartered at Bow St. Camp, about 2 miles from Ravelsberg.

M.M.P. & Traffic Control. The M.M.P. actively patrolled Nieppe, Dranoutre, Neuve Eglise, Locre and Bailleul, whilst the Traffic Control Personnel carried out the usual traffic control duties in the Area.

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A. P. M. 2nd. Aust. Div.

Office A.P.M.
3rd November 1917

Weekly Report - Week ending 3/11/17.

1. RETURN OF EVENTS.

Comparison with last week.

Last week. This week.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----|-----|
| Absentees. (Total) | 81 | 82 |
| Absentees (Fresh) | 9 | 16. |
| Absentees (Rejoined or traced) | 12 | 15. |
| Courts Martial | 71 | 24. |
| Stragglers (Battle) | - | - |
| Stragglers (Ordinary) | - | - |
| Prisoners of War captured | - | - |
| Court Martial Prisoners to Base | 13 | 2 |
| Estaminets placed out of bounds | 1 | - |
| Venereal cases | - | - |
| Cases reported by Div.M.M.P. | 6 | - |
| Alleged thefts etc. from inhabitants | 1 | - |
| Police casualties | - | 1 |

2. GENERAL DISCIPLINE AS SHOWN BY POLICE REPORTS.

3. DISCIPLINE OF M.M.P. AND TRAFFIC CONTROL PERSONNEL

4. TRAFFIC

5. INHABITANTS.

| | | |
|-----|---------------------------------|------|
| (1) | Estaminets placed out of bounds | Nil. |
| (2) | Procés Verbal issued | Nil. |
| (3) | Perquisitions | Nil. |
| (4) | Venereal | |
| | (a) Contracted ad | |
| | (b) Cases reported | |
| | (c) Cases investigated | |
| | (d) Women evacuated | |

6. Miscellaneous.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.Office A.P.M.
10th. October 1917.WEEKLY REPORT - WEEK ENDING 10/11/17.

| 1. | <u>RETURN OF EVENTS.</u> | <u>Last week This week</u> | |
|----|--|----------------------------|------|
| | | | |
| | Comparison with last week. | | |
| | Absentees (Total) | 83 | 93 |
| | Absentees (Fresh) | 16 | 23. |
| | Absentees (Rejoined or traced) | 15 | 18. |
| | Courts Martial. | 24 | 9 |
| | Stragglers (Battle) | - | - |
| | Stragglers (Ordinary) | - | - |
| | Prisoners of War captured. | - | - |
| | Court Martial Prisoners to Base | 2 | 18 |
| | Estaminets placed out of bounds. | - | - |
| | Venereal Cases | - | - |
| | Cases reported by Div. M.M.P. | - | - |
| | Alleged thefts etc. from inhabitants | - | - |
| | Police casualties | 1 | 1. |
| 2. | <u>GENERAL DISCIPLINE AS SHOWN BY POLICE REPORTS.</u> | | |
| 3. | <u>DISCIPLINE OF M.M.P. AND TRAFFIC CONTROL PERSONNEL.</u> | | |
| 4. | <u>TRAFFIC</u> | | |
| 5. | <u>INHABITANTS.</u> | | |
| | (1) Estaminets placed out of bounds | | Nil. |
| | (2) Procés Verbaux issued | | Nil. |
| | (3) Perquisitions | | Nil. |
| | (4) Venereal | | Nil. |
| 6. | <u>Miscellaneous.</u> | | |

Office A.P.M.
17th. November 1917.

WEEKLY REPORT-- WEEK ENDING 17/11/17.

| 1. | RETURN OF EVENTS. | Last week | This week |
|----|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | Comparison with last week. | | |
| | Absentees (Total) | 93 | 88. |
| | Absentees (Fresh) | 23 | 13. |
| | Absentees (Rejoined or traced) | 12 | 18. |
| | Courts Martial | 7 | 6. |
| | Stragglers (Battle) | - | - |
| | Stragglers (Ordinary) | - | - |
| | Prisoners of War captured | 1 | Nil. |
| | Court Martial prisoners to Base | 18 | 33 |
| | Estaminets placed out of bounds | Nil | Nil. |
| | Venereal cases | Nil | 2 |
| | Cases reported by M.M.P. | - | 1. |
| | Alleged thefts etc. from inhabitants | - | - |
| | Police casualties | 1 | - |

2. GENERAL DISCIPLINE AS SHOWN BY POLICE REPORTS

One case of Drunkenness was reported by M.M.P. of this Division during the week under review.

3. DISCIPLINE OF M.M.P. AND TRAFFIC CONTROL PERSONNEL Good.

4. TRAFFIC

5. Inhabitants.

| | | |
|----|---------------------------------|------|
| 1. | Estaminets placed out of bounds | Nil. |
| 2. | Procés Verbaux issued | Nil. |
| 3. | Perquisitions | Nil. |
| 4. | Venereal | |
| | (a) Cases reported | 2 |
| | (b) Contracted at- Unknown | 1 |
| | Relapse | 1. |

6. Miscellaneous.

Dogs. Nil.

Office A.P.M.
24th. Nov. 1917.

WEEKLY REPORT - WEEK ENDING 24/11/17.

RETURN OF EVENTS

Comparison with last week.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----|----|
| Absentees (Total) | 88 | 82 |
| Absentees (Fresh) | 13 | 14 |
| Absentees (Rejoined or traced) | 18 | 20 |
| Courts Martial | 6 | 5 |
| Stragglers (Battle) | - | - |
| Stragglers (Ordinary) | - | - |
| Prisoners of War captured | - | - |
| Court Martial Prisoners to Base | 33 | 8 |
| Estaminets placed out of Bounds | - | 4 |
| Venereal Cases | 2 | 10 |
| Cases reported by Div M.M.P. | 1 | 1 |
| Alleged thefts etc. from inhabitants | - | 1 |
| Police casualties | - | - |

Last Week This week.

2. GENERAL DISCIPLINE AS SHEWN BY POLICE REPORTS.

3. DISCIPLINE OF M.M.P. and Traffic Control Personnel. Good.

4. TRAFFIC.

5. INHABITANTS.

1. Estaminets placed out of bounds 4

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|-----|----------------------|----|-----------|---|---------------------|----|---------------------|
| (1) | M. Vandevoorde | - | Dranoutre | - | Using dirty Glasses | - | 22/11/17 to 6/12/17 |
| (2) | Mme. Vanuxan | do | do | do | do | do | do |
| (3) | Mme. Deshildre | do | do | do | do | do | do |
| (4) | Mme. Vandendrissetre | do | do | Selling beer in excess of statutory price | do | do | do |

2. Proces Verbal issued Nil.

3. Perquisitions Nil.

4. Venereal

(a) Cases reported 10

(b) Contracted at, London 2

Bailleul 1

Havre 1

St. Omer 1

Poperinghe 1

(c) Cases investigated Relapse 4

(c) Cases investigated Nil.

6. MISCELLANEOUS.

Dogs Nil.