

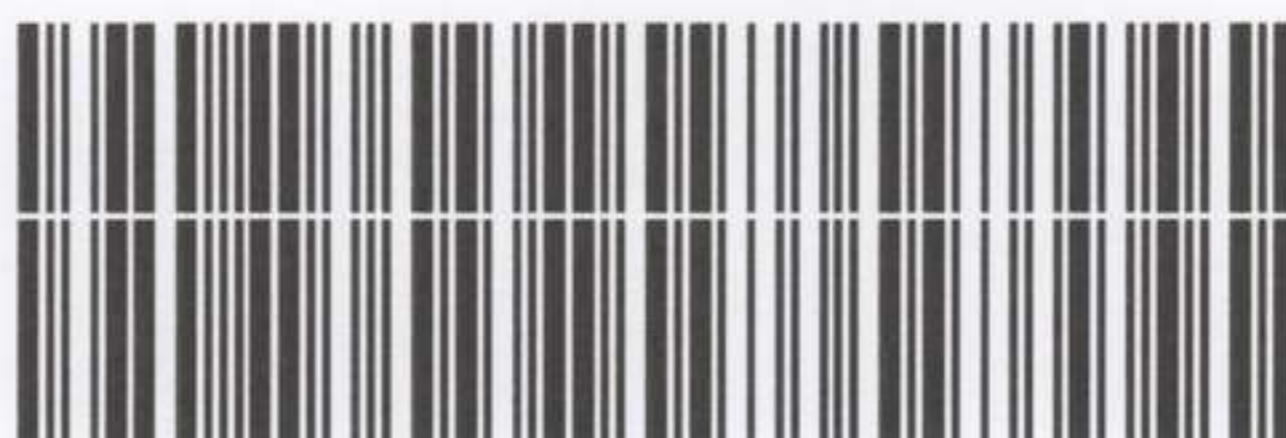
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WAR DIARY

OF
4TH AUST D.C.O.

FOR

SEPTEMBER 1918

Signature of Officer compiling

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Dep
4th Aust D.C.O.

Signature of Officer Commanding

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Lieut. Colonel
Division

WAR DIARY

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date 1918	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BUSSY.	Sep. 1.		D.C.O. Routine.	
	2.		D.C.O. Routine. Visited & inspected Claims in villages of FRANVILLERS & LAHOUSOYE & RAINEVILLE	
	3.		D.C.O. Routine G.R.O. para 4847 re damages to Crops republished for information in 4th Army orders para 2443. Visiting & inspecting Claims in Canon Area.	
	4.		D.C.O. Routine. Visiting ALLONVILLE AREA.	
	5.		D.C.O. Routine, Inspecting Claims in DAOURS AREA.	
	6.		D.C.O. Routine. Visiting & inspecting Claims in ALLONVILLE, BUSSY & VEQUEMON ^T areas.	
	7.		D.C.O. Routine. President of Board of Enquiry re Fire at POULAINVILLE on 1st inst. Inspecting Claims in POULAINVILLE & ALLONVILLE.	
HEBECOURT ^T	8.		D.C.O. Routine. D.H.Q. moved to this area. D.C.O. remains at BUSSY to settle all outstanding Claims in that area for Corps in general & 4th Austn. Divn in particular.	
	9.		D.C.O. Routine.	
CA ^T TELET.	10.		D.C.O. Routine.	
	11.		D.C.O. Routine. D.H.Q. moved to this area. Move order attached.	1.
	12.		D.C.O. Routine.	
	13.		D.C.O. Routine.	
	14.		D.C.O. Routine.	
	15.	D	D.C.O. Routine.	
	16.		D.C.O. Routine.	
	17.		D.C.O. Routine. D.C.O. rejoined D.H.Q. from BUSSY area.	
	18.		D.C.O. Routine. Very successful advance by British & Australian Troops, 4000 prisoners & many guns captured; all objectives gained & held.	
	19.		D.C.O. Routine.	
CAVILLE ON.	20.		D.C.O. Routine.	
	21.		D.C.O. Routine.	
	22.		D.C.O. Routine.	
	23.		D.C.O. Routine.	
	24.		D.H.Q. moved to this area.	
	25.		D.C.O. Routine. AA & Q.M.G. instructions to draw up para re Claim generally in this area for D.R.O's.	
	26.		D.C.O. Routine. D.R.O. para 2266 publishing above. Visiting area occupied of REINCOURT ^T & PISSY occupied by 4th Aust M.G. Btn.	2.
	27.		D.C.O. Routine. Visiting SEUX Area.	
	28.		D.C.O. Routine.	

WAR DIARY
 OF
 4TH AUSTR. D.C.O.
 FOR
 SEPTEMBER 1918

LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.
<u>1</u>	4 th Austr. Division Grove Order no 74. of 11 th Sept 1918
2.	D.R.O. of 25.9.18 para 2266 Re Claims
<u>3</u>	Return of Claims for Sept 1918

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS MOVE ORDER No.74.

- MOVE. 4th. Aust. Divisional Headquarters will move to CATELET on the 11th. instant.
- TRANSPORT. 'G' Office, 'A', 'Q')
A.D.M.S., C.C.,) 2 Lorries.
D.A.D.V.S. & D.C.O.)
- All Messes, F.P.O.,)
French Mission, Pay) 2 Lorries.
Office, Div.Gas.Off.)
- Officers' Gear - 1 Lorry.
- Transport Lines,)
Q.M.S. Store.) 3 G.S. Wagons.
- HORSE TRANSPORT. Will load on evening of 10th. and move off at 7 am. on 11th. inst.
- OFFICE GEAR. Will be loaded by 9.30 am.
- MESSES. Will be loaded by 9.30 am.
- OFFICERS' GEAR. To be stacked outside billets by 9 a.m.
- RATIONS. Breakfast 7.30 am. to 8 am. Men will carry unexpended portion of day's ration.
- INSPECTION. Camp Commandant will inspect all billets upon completion of loading.
- DISTRIBUTION OF BILLETS. Billets will be allotted upon arrival at CATELET.

Headquarters,
10th Sept., 1918.

Issued at 12 noon.

C. Baugh
Capt.,
Camp Commandant,
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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ROUTINE ORDERS
by Brig-General R.L. LEANE, C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C.,
Commanding 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

25th September, 1918.

2262 **COMMAND.** During the temporary absence on duty of Major-General E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN, C.B., D.S.O., the command of the Division will be assumed from the 25th instant by Brigadier-General R.L. LEANE, C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C.

2263 **HONOURS AND AWARDS.** Under authority granted by His Majesty the King, the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief has awarded the Military Cross to the following officers :-

Lieut. P.A. LITTLE,	45th Battalion
Lieut. C. McI. POTTS,	45th "
Lieut. A. S. DICKINSON	46th "
Lieut. A. P. P. KEIF	46th "
Capt. D. A. TWING, Li.	48th "
Lieut. T. T. MORLEY	48th "
Lieut. (T/Capt.) A. F. TAYLOR,	4th A.I.G. Btn.
Lieut. G. MARTIN	4th "
Lieut. L. O. WATERFORD	4th A.L.T.M. Battery
Capt. S. I. O'RIORDAN,	A.A.I.C., att. 13/Battalion.
Capt. L. J. HUNTER	A.A.I.C., att. 15th "
Capt. F. E. T. TRUE	A.A.I.C., att. 48th "

The Army, the Corps and the Divisional Commanders desire to convey their congratulations to the recipients, whose names will be published in the London Gazette in due course.

2264 **SCHOOL RESULTS.** The Divisional Commander desires to congratulate the undermentioned personnel, who attended the following schools, on having obtained very satisfactory reports :-

Aust. Corps School, 23rd Lewis Gun Course.
Lieut. A. R. LYON, 49th Battalion.

2280 L/Cpl.	WALKER	T.D.	49th Battalion.
3735 Cpl.	PANTON	W.R.	51st "
3663 L/Cpl.	HARVEY	R.C.	49th "
1951 Sgt.	PEARSON	A.H.	50th "
2524 Cpl.	BRUCE	C.	50th "

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School Results (continued)

Aust. Corps School, 18th Stokes Mortar Course.
1758 Cpl. MARTIN J.H. 12th A.L.T.M.B.
1900 Cpl. DAVE H.A.S. 12th "
Lieut. WALLACE A.H. 46th Battalion.
2918 L/Cpl. HORDER W.E.L. 46th Battalion.

Fourth Army Musketry School.
2/Lieut. DAVIES G.F. (MC) 14th Battalion.
Lieut. HORNE J.R. 4th Aust. Pioneer Bn.
Lieut. McCABE M.J. 4th Battalion.
Lieut. ROWE A. 50th "
Lieut. MILES E.S. 4th "

3476 Cpl. MURRAY A.H.G. 13th Aust. Fld. Coy.
676 Cpl. ANDERSON H.A. 14th Battalion.
165 Sgt. McLEISH J. 48th "
1485 Sgt. EASTMENT W. 15th "
5128 L/Cpl. MORGAN W.J. 4th "
1957 Sgt. HOLLAND C. 13th A.I. Bde.
4145 Cpl. BOOTHEY A.A. 50th Battalion.

N.C.Os' School, Signal Depot, R.E.
1696 L/Cpl. CLEMENTS R., 4th Aust. Div. Signal Coy.

2265 REFILLING POINTS. Refilling Points tomorrow and onwards :-

4th A.I. Brigade - BREILLY.
12th A.I. Brigade } AILLY-SUR-SOMME.
13th A.I. Brigade }

2266 CLAIMS. (1) Grazing. G.R.O. 1028 must be strictly complied with. It is possible for arrangements to be made with the Mairie for the use of "The Common" without charge.
(2) Games. Special arrangements to be made with the Mairie for the use of fields. These can be paid for from Canteen Funds.
(3) Manoeuvre and Training Grounds. These may be obtained by notifying the local Mairie, the sub-area Commandant and D.C.O.
(4) Trees. G.R.O. 1090 must be strictly complied with. The French Mission are available to give every assistance in the above matters.

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~~Orders~~ (continued) - Damages generally.

(5) G.R.O. 1036 and 4th Army Div. memo No. 63 of 20/7/17 will be enforced strictly.

Special attention is drawn to Potato, Crops, Fruit trees and Wood damages.

2267 TYPEWRITERS. Typewriter mechanic will attend these Headquarters this week. All machines requiring repairs should be held in readiness to be forwarded to Headquarters at short notice.

2268 TOWN MAJORS. C.O.s. Units will appoint officers as Town Majors in all villages occupied by them in their sub-areas, except where sub-area Commandants are located. Names of officers appointed will be reported to Area Commandant, CAVILLON and Administrative Commandant, 4th Army Areas.

2269 LEAVE TRAINS. All ranks proceeding on English leave or courses in France will report to R.T.O., AILLY-SUR-SOMME at 9.30 a.m. daily.

Those for leave in France, for PARIS and beyond, may proceed by train from AILLY-SUR-SOMME at 12 noon or by other means, and on arrival in AMIENS will report to the R.T.O., GARE du NORE at 6 p.m.

2270 ORDERS. Special attention is drawn to the following Army Routine Orders -

2515 - Railway Concession Vouchers.

2520 - Winter Clothing.

2521 - Consignments of Beer.

2518 - Forage Ration.

2271 A.F.B. 213. Only one copy of A.F.B. 213 need be forwarded to these Headquarters instead of two, as heretofore. R.T.O.

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~~2272 BATHS~~ Baths are established as under:-
 ALLY-SUR-SOULE, by arrangement with Sgt. BOURKE.
 PLOUIGNY - Rue de Moulin - 60 per hour.
 HANEST - 50 per hour.
 BOVELLES - 50 per hour.
 PISSY - 60 per hour.

2273 RETURNS. Attention is again drawn to delay in rendering returns. As these returns have to be forwarded to Higher Commands, it is essential that they should reach this Headquarters at times laid down.

2274. AREA STANDING ORDERS. Attention is drawn to OAVILLON Area Standing orders, issued with this order, which are to be strictly observed.

R. Jones

Lieut-Colonel,
 A.A. & Q.M.G.,
 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Notice.

LOST - From 37th Battery Wagon Lines, on 19th instant -
 Bay G2dding - white snip, broad arrow near rump, white star; with saddle complete, nosebag and mess-tin.

From 51st Battery Wagon Lines on 19th instant,
 Bay Mare, L.D., 51 near rump, stumpy tail, with saddle, blanket, bridle, nosebag, and orderly's blankets and greatcoat.

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMMANDANT, 4th ARMY AREAS.

CAVILLON AREA.

STANDING ORDERS.

1. **BILLETTS.** Units requiring billets must report to the Area Commandant. No billets are to be taken without his permission, and any change of billets, or departure from same must be reported. Billetting certificates should be rendered to the Maire and the B.R.O., before departure, and weekly by units stationed in the towns. All units must send in to the Area Commandant, as soon as possible after arrival, a complete list of the billets they occupy, stating messes, offices and stores occupied, and giving the name of owner and the number and street of billet, and number of officers and men in each.
2. **CAMPING AND TRAINING GROUNDS.** Camping or Training Grounds must not be used without permission of the Area Commandant or Maire. Care must be taken to avoid damage to crops and pasture land. Horses must not be picketed within reach of trees.
3. **FIRES.** Particular care must be taken with regard to fires. O.S.C. Units are responsible that proper precautions are taken, and that all ranks are fully acquainted with fire orders as laid down in 4th Army S.O. 77 to 89.
4. **PRECAUTIONS AGAINST ENEMY AEROPLANES.** All lights must be carefully screened. Tents must be outched or camouflaged. Shelter trenches should be made where possible, in the vicinity of billets, for use during air-raids.
5. **DISCIPLINE.** All men must be in billets by 9.30 p.m., unless on duty.
6. **ESTAMINETS.** Estaminets are open to British Troops from 10.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m., and from 5.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Men found inside at other times will be arrested, and the estaminets placed out of bounds by arrangement with the P.M.
7. **SANITARY ARRANGEMENTS.** Units are responsible that their billets and surroundings are kept clean. Refuse and rubbish must be removed daily to dumps and burned. Manure must not be allowed to accumulate in stables or standings, but is to be taken to a dump in the fields outside the village and closely packed. (See 4th Army S.O. No. 949). On departure, Units should leave a party to clean up billets, and obtain a certificate that they have been left clean and in good order.

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- 8. REMOVAL OF MATERIAL. Bricks, wood, straw, or other such articles must not be removed from billets without the permission of the owner or the Area Commandant.
- 9. CLAIMS. Any Claims for damages should be settled before the departure of the unit.
- 10. SALVAGE. All salvage must be collected and taken to the Area Commandant's Salvage Dump.
- 11. AREA STORES. Area Stores must not be removed from the village or camp. Receipts for same must be given and obtained when taking or handing over.
- 12. WATER POINTS, &c. Information regarding Water Points, Latrines, Baths, Fire Appliances, Training Grounds, and the disposal of manure or refuse will be obtained from the Area Commandant or Town Major.



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R E T U R N O F C L A I M S F O R M O N T H O F S E P T E M B E R . 1 9 1 8 .

Under G.R.O. 763.

Total amount Claimed. F129,238.90. (including those sent to the Claims on
(Commission for final settlement.)

" " Awarded. F1234.

" No. of Claims Paid. 26.

" " " Disallowed. 3.

Under G.R.O. 634.

No. of Claims. 6.

Total number of Claims for the Month. 104.

Headquarters.

4th. Australian Division.

28th, September. 1918.

A. W. G. man

Major.
4th. Austn. D.C.O.

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