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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
HONDEGHEM	1918 May 1		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> - 41 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A.B. 15 wagons carting ammunition to 1st FABrigade. 1 wagon employed carting T.M. Ammunition.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> - 18 Officers, 647 o/Ranks and 718 animals</p> <p><u>PERSONNEL.</u> - 2 o/Ranks transferred to 1st F.A.B. 1 o/r evacuated.</p> <p><u>ANIMALS.</u> - 1 animal destroyed by shell fire.</p> <p><u>OFFICERS.</u> - 2/Lieut F.P. Capper and 2/Lieut R.K. Davis reported from A.G.B.D. and were posted to 1st and 2nd Sections respectively.</p> <p><u>AMMUNITION</u> As per appendix "A".</p>	
	2		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> - 24 wagons carrying ammunition to 1st F.A.B. 1 Wagon carting T.M. Guns to I.O.M. 1 wagon carrying timber for harness racks etc. 1 Wagon carrying T.M. Ammunition to forward area. 1 wagon conveying kit and personnel to Wallon Cappell</p> <p>38 wagons carrying ammunition to 2nd F.A.B.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> - 18 Officers 647 o/Ranks and 718 animals</p> <p><u>PERSONNEL.</u> - 2 Officers and 9 o/ranks detached to Machine Gun School for training purposes.</p> <p><u>AMMUNITION</u> As per appendix "A"</p>	
	3		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> - 5 wagons carrying ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 8 G.S. Wagons carrying T.M. ammunition. 1 G.S. Wagon carrying sandbags to 1st F.A.B. Wagon lines. 1 G.S. Wagon carrying sandbags to 2nd F.A.B. Wagon lines. 14 wagons carrying ammunition to 2nd F.A.B.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> - 18 Officers, 651 o/Ranks and 718 animals.</p> <p><u>PERSONNEL.</u> - 4 o/Ranks marched in from A.G.B.D. and were distributed as follows : - 2 to 1st Section; and 2 to 2nd Section.</p> <p><u>BAND.</u> - 1st Aust. Div. Artillery Band was disbanded and distributed as follows : - 9 to No. 1 Section and 15 to 2nd Section..</p> <p><u>AMMUNITION.</u> - as per Appendix "A".</p>	
	4		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> - 17 wagons employed carting ammunition to 2nd F.A.B. Bty. Wagon Lines. 1 wagon carting T.M. ammunition to forward areas. 15 wagons employed carting ammunition to Bty. Wagon Lines of 1st F.A.B.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> - 18 Officers 650 O/Ranks and 718 animals</p> <p><u>AMMUNITION.</u> - See Appendix "A".</p>	

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HONDEGHEM	5 May		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> - 20 wagons employed carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 4 wagons employed carting ammunition to T.M. Batteries. 1 G.S. Wagon carting Camouflage to 6th Bty. 1 G.S. Wagon - 6 horse team - bringing refugees from W.1 b.5.5, Sheet 27 to Back area.</p> <p><u>OFFICERS.</u> Lieut. R. HANDLEY returned to No. 2 Section from Attached Headquarters, and resumed regimental duties. Lieut. R. McR. PATTIE, taken on strength of Headquarters from SAA Section and took over duties of Adjutant. 2/Lieut. J.H. Hayter transferred from No. 2 Section to SAA Section.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> 18 Officers, 646 o/Ranks and 718 animals. <u>AMMUNITION.</u> See Appendix "A".</p>	Location V.1.c70.0 Sheet 27
	6		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 6 wagons employed carting ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 22 wagons employed carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 2 wagons employed carting ammunition to T.M. Batteries. 1 wagon carting Camouflage to 28th Army Bgde.</p> <p><u>PERSONNEL.</u> 1 o/Rankx marched in from A.G.B.D. 1 o/Rank evacuated, 2 o/Ranks transferred to D.A. Headquarters.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> 17 Officers, 844 o/Ranks and 718 animals. <u>OFFICERS.</u> Captain W. Graham, M.C., No. 2 Section, transferred to 2nd F.A. Brigade. <u>AMMUNITION.</u> See Appendix "A".</p>	
	7		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 5 wagons employed carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 4 wagons employed carting ammunition to Trench Mortars. 30 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A.B. 1 wagon carting ammunition to D.T.M.B.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> 17 Officers, 647 o/Ranks and 716 animals. <u>PERSONNEL.</u> 1 o/rank from 1st F.A. Brigade, 2 o/Ranks from D.A. Headquarters. <u>AMMUNITION.</u> See Appendix "A".</p>	
	8		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 25 wagons engaged in carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 4 G.S. Wagons carting ammunition to Trench Mortars. 6 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A.B. 3 wagons carting ammunition to Trench Mortar Batteries.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH</u> 17 Officers, 642 O/Ranks and 716 animals.</p>	

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HONDEGHEM	May 8		<u>PERSONNEL.</u> - 4 o/ranks evacuated. 1 o/r transferred to 2nd F.A.B. <u>AMMUNITION.</u> - See Appendix "A".	Location V.1 c70. 40. Sheet 27
	9		<u>WORK DONE.</u> - 15 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 4 wagons carting empty ammunition boxes from LA KREULE DUMP to Railway Siding. 2 Wagons carting camouflage and material to 1st F.A.B. Hqs. 5 wagons carting empties from LA KREULE DUMP to Railway Siding. 2 wagons carting metal, etc. for 2nd F.A.B. 1 wagons employed in carting ammunition to T.M. Batteries 24 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade.	
			<u>BAND.</u> 1st Australian Divisional Artillery Band reformed from Sections of 1st DAC. <u>STRENGTH.</u> - 17 Officers; 642 o/Ranks and 716 animals. <u>AMMUNITION.</u> See Appendix "A".	
	10		<u>WORK DONE.</u> - 29 wagons employed carrying ammunition to 1st F.A.B. 8 G.S. Wagons carting sleepers to D.A.C. wagon lines. 8 G.S. Wagons carting empty ammunition cases from DUMP to Railway Siding. 3 wagons carting ammunition to T.M. Batteries. <u>STRENGTH.</u> - 17 Officers, 644 o/Ranks and 710 animals. <u>PERSONNEL.</u> - 1 o/r from A.G.B.D. 1 o/r from D.A. Headquarters. <u>CASUALTIES.</u> - No. 3123, Driver TRACEY, E.A., SAA Section, Gassed. <u>AMMUNITION.</u> See Appendix "A".	
	11		<u>WORK DONE.</u> - 21 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A.B. 11 wagons carting empty cases from LA KREULE DUMP to Railway Siding. 4 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A.B. 1 wagon conveying camouflage to 2nd Battery. 10 wagons carting ammunition to T.M. Battery. <u>STRENGTH.</u> - 17 Officers, 643 o/Ranks and 710 animals. <u>PERSONNEL.</u> - 3 o/r transferred to 2nd F.A.B. 1 o/r marched in from A.G.B.D. and Dys other rank from 2nd F.A. Brigade. <u>CASUALTIES.</u> - No. 28438, Driver Stewart, N.L. SAA Section 1st Aust. D.A.C. Gassed No. 494 " Morris E.W. do do Gassed. <u>AMMUNITION.</u> - See Appendix "A".	
	12		<u>WORK DONE.</u> - 10 wagons employed carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 16 wagons carting timber from CAESTRE to new dump located at U.6 d.95.40. Sheet 27.	

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HONDEGHEM		May 12	<u>WORK DONE.</u> (Continued). - 1 wagon employed carting Trench Mortar ammunition. 9 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A.B.	<u>LOCATION</u> V.1 c 70.40 Sheet 27
			<u>STRENGTH.</u> 17 Officers, 646 o/Ranks and 710 animals.	
			<u>PERSONNEL.</u> 3 o/ranks from A.G.B.D.	
			<u>NEW DUMP.</u> See Appendix. "X" B	
			<u>AMMUNITION</u> See Appendix "A".	
		13	<u>WORK DONE.</u> - 26 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 18 wagons employed carting ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 16 wagons carting timber for new dump. 8 wagons carting ammunition to Trench Mortars.	
			<u>STRENGTH.</u> 17 Officers, 644 o/Ranks and 710 animals.	
			<u>PERSONNEL.</u> 2 other ranks evacuated.	
			<u>AMMUNITION</u> See Appendix "A".	
			<u>INSPECTION.</u> The A.D.V.S. XV CORPS, accompanied by the D.A.D.V.S., 1st Australian Division inspected all lines of 1st. Aust. D.A.C.	
		14	<u>WORK DONE.</u> 8 wagons employed carting empty cases from LA KREULE DUMP to Railhead. 5 wagons carting timber from CAESTRE to NEW DUMP. 5 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 4 wagons carting ammunition to Trench Mortars.	
			<u>STRENGTH.</u> 17 Officers, 643 other ranks and 710 animals.	
			<u>PERSONNEL</u> 1 Other rank evacuated.	
			<u>AMMUNITION</u> See Appendix "A".	
		15	<u>MOVE.</u> S.A.A. SECTION moved from V.20 d.20.70 to U.6 d.95.35 (Sheet 27).	
			<u>WORK DONE.</u> - 6 wagons employed carting ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 1. wagon carting timber to T.M. Batteries. 1 wagon carting stores for Y.M.C.A. 17 wagons carting gravel for D.A.C. Horse lines. 7 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A.B.	
			<u>STRENGTH</u> 17 Officers, 643 other ranks and 710 animals.	
			<u>AMMUNITION</u> See Appendix "A".	
		16	<u>WORK DONE.</u> 21 wagons employed carting ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 19 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 12 wagons employed carting gravel from BORRE to D.A.C. Wagon lines.	

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HONDEGHEM	May 16		<p><u>NEW DUMP.</u> - This, located at U.6dd0.50 Sheet 27, was completed, and dump party transferred.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> - 18 Officers, 653 o/Ranks and 709 animals.</p> <p><u>OFFICERS.</u> - 2/Lieut. A. R. Ayrton marched in from R. A. Force.</p> <p><u>PERSONNEL.</u> - 10 o/r marched in from AG.B.D.</p> <p><u>AMMUNITION.</u> See Appendix "A"</p>	Location V.l.c.70. 40. Sheet 27
	17		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 2 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd FAB. 1 wagon working for Y.M.C.A. 2 wagons carting empties from LA KREULE DUMP to Railhead. 1 wagon conveying personnel to Cuneweale Dump. 4 wagons moving material from LA KREULE DUMP to NEW DUMP</p> <p>6 wagons carting gravel from BORRE to DAC. Wagon lines. 2 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A.B.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> 18 Officers, 653 o/Ranks and 704 animals.</p> <p><u>REMOUNT PARTY.</u> -1 Officer and 30 o/Ranks proceeded, to CALAIS for Remounts. Two wagons conveyed their kits to EBBLINGHEM.</p>	
	18		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 4 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A.B. 2 wagons carting gravel from BORRE to DAC Wagon lines. 1 wagon carting rations to Cuneweale Dump. 5 wagons carting ammunition to T.M. Batteries. 8 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A.B.</p> <p><u>OFFICERS.</u> - 2/Lieut R. R. MURRAY and 2/Lieut. J. H. HAYTER transferred to 1st F.A. Brigade</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> 16 Officers, 655 o/Ranks and 704 animals.</p> <p><u>PERSONNEL.</u> 4 other ranks marched in from AGED. 2 other ranks evacuated.</p>	
	19		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 6 wagons carting ammunition to 1st FAB. 9 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd FAB. 1 L.G.S. Wagon to CUNEWALE DUMP with rations. 6 wagons carting gravel from BORRE to DAC Wagon lines. 1 wagon carting Camouflage and Cupolas to 1st FAB.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> 16 Officers, 655 o/Ranks and 704 animals.</p>	
	20		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 1 L.G.S. Wagon to CUNEWALE DUMP with rations. 11 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A.B.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH.</u> 16 Officers, 660 other ranks and 723 animals.</p> <p><u>PERSONNEL.</u> 5 other ranks from A.G.B.D.</p> <p><u>ANIMALS.</u> 22 mules from Remount Depot CALAIS, 3 mules evacuated to L. of C.</p>	

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HONDEGHEM	21		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> - 9 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A.B. 1 Wagon carting ammunition to T.M. batteries. 1 wagon carting empty shell cases from 1st. Battery to Railway siding. 16 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 1 wagon carting R.E. material to 2nd F.A. Brigade.</p> <p><u>INSPECTION.</u> The G.O.C. 1st. Australian Division inspected lines of 1st Aust. D.A.C., and expressed himself highly satisfied with all sections.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH PERSONNEL.</u> 16 Officers, 659 other ranks and 720 animals. 1 other rank evacuated.</p> <p><u>AMMUNITION</u> See Appendix "A".</p>	
	22		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> - 36 wagons carting ammunition to 1st FA. Brigade. 6 wagons carting R.E. material to 1st F.A.B. 8 wagons carting empty shell cases from dump to refilling point. 17 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 2 wagons carting R.E. material to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 1 wagon carting camouflage material to 2nd F.A. Brigade.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH PERSONNEL.</u> - 16 Officers, 665 other ranks and 719 animals. 5 other ranks from A.G.B.D. and 1 other rank from D.T.M.B.</p>	
	23		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 12 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd 2nd F.A.B. 4 wagons carting ammunition to T.M. Batteries. 1 wagon carting Trench Bridges to 6th Battery. 19 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A.B. 3 wagons carting gravel from BORRE to DAC Wagon Lines. 3 wagons carting green feed from BORRE to wagon lines.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH PERSONNEL</u> 16 Officers, 663 other ranks and 717 animals. 1 other rank transferred to 2nd FAB. 1 other rank evacuated.</p>	
	24		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 23 wagons employed carting ammunition to 2nd FA Brigade. 8 wagons employed in carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 1 wagon employed carting ammunition to Trench Mortars.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH PERSONNEL.</u> 16 Officers, 662 other ranks and 710 animals. 1 other rank transferred to T.M. Batteries.</p>	
	25		<p><u>WAGONS.</u> - 8 wagons carting empty cases from Dump to Railway Siding. 27 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 3 wagons carting green fodder from BORRE to DAC Wagon lines. 2 wagons carting R.E. material to 1st F.A.B. Wagon Lines. 4 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 4 wagons carting ammn. to T. Mortars.</p>	

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HONDEGHEM	May 25		(Contd) <u>STRENGTH</u> 16 Officers, 665 other ranks and 714 animals. <u>PERSONNEL</u> - 4 other ranks marched in from A.G.B.D. 1 other rank evacuated.	<u>Location</u> V.I.c70.40 Sheet 27
	26		<u>WORK DONE</u> 5 G.S. Wagons carting green fodder to DAC Wagon lines. 21 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A.B. 50 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A.B. <u>STRENGTH</u> - 16 Officers, 664 other ranks and 714 animals. 6 G.S. Wagons doing duty with 1st Pioneer Battn. <u>PERSONNEL</u> 1 o/rank transferred to D.T.M.B.	
	27		<u>WORK DONE</u> - 6 G.S. Wagons doing duty with 1st Pioneer Battn. 12 wagons carting ammunition to 1st FAB. 10 wagons salvaging ammunition. 3 wagons carting green fodder from BORNE to DAC Wagon lines. 24 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A.B. 5 wagons carting ammunition to T.M. Batteries. 1 G.S. Wagon carting Petrol Tins. <u>STRENGTH</u> - 17 Officers, 667 other ranks and 714 animals. <u>OFFICERS</u> Captain L.C. Gavan-Duffy reported from A.G.B.D. and was posted to command No. 2 Section. <u>PERSONNEL</u> 5 other ranks reported from A.G.B.D. 1 other rank evacuated sick, 1 other rank transferred to 3rd Field Coy. Australian Engineers.	
	28		<u>WORK DONE</u> - 6 Wagons doing duty with 1st Pioneer Battalion. 3 wagons carting R.E. material to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 1 wagon carting petrol tins to 2nd F.A.B. 1 G.S. Wagon carting coal from BORNE to Wagon Lines. 4 G.S. Wagons carting R.E. material to 1st FAB. 3 G.S. Wagons carting empty shell cases to Railhead. 10 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 1 Wagon carting ammunition to Trench Mortar Batteries. <u>STRENGTH</u> 17 Officers, 668 other ranks and 721 animals. <u>PERSONNEL</u> 1 other rank from D.A.D.O.S. <u>ANIMALS</u> See Appendix "C".	
	29		<u>WORK DONE</u> 8 G.S. Wagons conveying empty ammunition boxes to Railhead. 20 wagons carting ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 8 wagons carting ammunition to Trench Mortar Btys 4 wagons carting Green Fodder to DAC. Wagon Lines. 12 wagons carting ammunition to 1st F.A.B. <u>STRENGTH</u> - 18 Officers, 664 other ranks and 721 animals. <u>OFFICERS</u> Lieut. C.M. Shenton marched in from xx@xx@ D.T.M.B. <u>PERSONNEL</u> 3 other ranks evacuated 1 o/r transferred to Aust. Corps Hqrs.	

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HONDREGHEN	30		<p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 9 Wagons carting Ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 5 Wagons carting Ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 1 G.S. Wagon employed in carting green fodder from BORRE to Wagon Lines. 6 G.S. Wagons doing duty for 1st Pioneer Battalion.</p> <p>13 L.G.S. Wagons and 2 G.S. Wagons employed in carting Gas projectors from Forward Area. Tour of duty 14 hours.</p>	LOCATION V.l.c.7.4
			<p><u>STRENGTH</u> 18 Officers 664 O/Ranks and 721 Animals.</p>	
do			<p><u>CASUALTIES.</u> No.1405 Corporal Hayward E.P. SAA Section, wounded in head.</p>	
do	31		<p><u>AMMUNITION</u> As per Appendix A.</p> <p><u>WORK DONE.</u> 6 G.S. Wagons doing duty with 1st Pioneer Battalion. 18 Wagons carting Ammunition to 2nd F.A. Brigade. 23 Wagons carting Ammunition to 1st F.A. Brigade. 3 G.S. Wagons carting Green Fodder from BORRE to Wagon Lines.</p> <p><u>STRENGTH</u> 18 Officers 664 O/Ranks and 719 Animals.</p> <p><u>AMMUNITION.</u> AS per Appendix A.</p> <p><u>REMOUNTS</u> See Appendix B.c</p> <p><u>SALVAGE</u> See Appendix B.d</p>	

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APPENDIX "A".

DETAILS OF AMMUNITION CARRIED BY COLUMN

1918. May.		1st A. F. A. Brigade.							2nd A. F. A. Brigade.						
		A.	A.X.	B.X.	B.X. Charges	BNC.	BCBR. 15pdr	AT.	A.	AX.	B.X.	BX. Charges	BNC.	BCBR. 15 Pdr.	AT.
1st	ISSUED.	1813		288	288	-	-		1444	532	1052	1052	-	-	
2nd	"	392	546	1152	1152	-	-		1376	528			-	-	
3rd	"	228	380						912	-	182	182	-	-	
4th	"	456	-	576	576	-	-		722	190	118	118			
5th	"	575	437												
6th	May	1415	513	600	600					456					334
7th	"	304	152	144	144				760	228	600	600			166
8th	"	1087	152						76	380	384	384			
9th	"	684		288	288				1292	76	400	400			
10th	"	1144	380	288	288	500									
11th	"	696	312												
11th	"	240						76	456	912	200	200			
12th	"	760									300	300			250
13th	"	1064	228	384	384				1368						
14th	"	152	228								400	400			
15th	"	152	228						228	228	100	100			
16th	"	836	152	288	288	760	200	174	304	114	500	500	240	400 BCBR.	
17th	"	152									180			200 15pdr.	
18th	"	304							380	328					
19th	"								456		450	710			
20th	"			600	600										
21st	"	76	76	288	288				532	456	700	700			
22nd	"	228	76	288	288				600	312	200	200			
23rd	"	2102	228	288	288				1154	190	734	734			
24th	"	1000	200	360	360				380	228	266	266			
25th	"	456	152						456		1000	1000			
26th	"	876	200	180	260				2342	1292	300	300			
27th	"	684	608	432	432				1292	388	500	500			
28th	"	532	152	288	288				456	228	172	172			
29th	"	760		576	576	144			760		650	650	500		
30th	"	540							456		300	300			
31st	"	608	76	288	288						250	250			
Total		19620	5164	7596	7676	1404	200 250		18202	7066	9938	10018	740	400 BCBR.	750
														200 15pdr.	

Appendix

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WAR DIARY MAY 1918 APPENDIX "A". FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN
 Details of ammunition drawn from Dump by F.A. Brigades other than Australian.

Date	A.	A.X.	B.X.	B.X. Charges	A.T.	B.N.C.	B.C.B.R.	15-pdr
May 1	1964	682						
2	1888	X	688	688				
3	2456	728	288	288				
4	456		1288	1288	152			
5	228	228	648	648	1048			
6	2328	240	1278	1278		450		
7	2078	300	300	528	200			
8	656		1154	1154	100			
9	456	96	388	388	500			
10	1282	532	288	288				
11	319							
12		456	96	199				
13	921	539	488	488				
14	1018	274						
15		276	352	352				
16	392	64					600	
17			288	288				
18								
19	564	120						200
20	364							
21	732		639	640				
22	656	456	130	130				
23	768	306	306	306			288	200
24	1087	448	276	78				
25	3009	1480	700	700		300	200	
26	978	128						
26	1980	372	1076	1076				
27	808	910				200	12	
28	1292	208	1118	1118				
29	914	682	846	846		96		
30	1378	566	554	554				
31	Nil.							
Total.	30744	9785.	13189	13323	2000	1046	1000	400

The D.A.C. Dump also handled and carried the following Ammunition during May for The D.T.M. Batteries,-
 4529 T.M.G. 4262 T.M.G. Charges, and 4173 Component Parts.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN
 WAR DIARY MAY 1918, APPENDIX "A". Detail of ammunition issued by SAA. Section.

STOKES		VERY LIGHTS		GRD. FLARES		PISTOL		PRIMER		RRR
P.H. 3"	A.F. 3"	Green Ctgs	R. Chgs white	Red	White	White	Webley	SOS	C. Killing	SOS
	4250	9444	8800	2550.	900	7538	16,960.	158.	100	4

S. A. A.				GRENADES						
SAA Practice	SAA	M.G.	A.P.	Tracer	No. 23 Rifle	No. 36 Rifle	No. 27 Rifle.	No. 34 Hand.	"P" Bombs	German SAA.
145,000	2,263,000.	1,250,466.	31,576	34,307	13,296	23,820	1,428	3,664	432	2000

All the above Ammunition was carted by S.A.A. Section 1st Australian Divisional Ammunition Column to 1st Australian Division Infantry Brigades.

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APPENDIX "B" TO WAR DIARY FOR MONTH OF MAY? 1918.

NEW AMMUNITION DUMP.

In order to curtail motor lorry mileage, and also to obviate double cartage by wagons to Batteries, a new dump was decided upon at U.6 d.10.50 Sheet 27, and in order that main traffic should not be interfered with, it was decided by the C.O. to build a corduroy plank road on to the Field.

On the 10th May, the C.O. laid out the track and issued necessary instructions as to beds for roadway and cross overs, and by the 16th inst. a siding ~~xxxxxxx~~ of 150 yards long and 10 feet wide was completed by personnel of 1st Aust. D.A.C. - rain delaying the work for 36 hours.

The whole of the timber necessary for this work was salvaged from in. and / around

CAESTRE.

Provision was made by traverses to adequately sort ammunition into various classes as to weight etc. for each 18 pdr-gun and 4.5 How, and at same time, to admit storage of both S.A.A. and 6" Newton Mortars.

.....
J. E. Sullivan
 Capt.



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 WAR DIARY MAY 1918 - APPENDIX "C".

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REMCUNTS

May 22nd - 22 mules were received from Base Remount Depot Calais.

" 28th - 9 Riding horses were received from Remount Depot Calais.

The mules received were above ordinary size, and for the most part in excellent condition and were tractable and on trial went well in draught.

The riding horses were not up to standard. Several were aged and low in condition; others would have been better suited as light draught for Field Artillery.

Three of these animals were inveterate kickers, and one horse had to be evacuated as result of injuries received from kicks.

All animals were quiet rides, but needed a fair amount of handling.

J. C. Selme ^{ward}
 COS RDA



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WAR DIARY MAY 1918 APPENDIX "D".

SALVAGE

The following stores were salvaged during month of May 1918.

157 lorry loads of empty shell cases and boxes, ~~and 31 truck loads~~

31 Truck loads " " " "

866 lbs of Fat returned to railhead

Approximately 350 lbs. of waste paper and cardboard returned to railhead.

*J. S. ...
Corporal*



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

Calvary Routine Order No. 15

By Major J. C. Selous D.S.O. Commanding.

2nd May 1918.

- 560 REVERSION. No. 37504 T/Sgt McCaskill R.J. Headquarters reverts to permanent Grade, owing to 1st Aust. Div. Artillery Band being disbanded. To date from 2nd May 1918.
- 561 RUM RATION. In future the Rum Ration will not be issued, unless ordered by the Commanding Officer.
- 562 MUSTERING. No. 29305 Gunner List R.O. Headquarters, is mustered Driver under A.I.F., Order 789. To date from 2-5-18.
- 563 PUNISHMENT -- No. 38732, Driver Gibson, A.C. No. 2 Section, was this day brought up on the following charge: -
"Disobedience of orders in that he left camp without permission",
and was awarded 2 days F.P. No. 1.

R. Hanaly Lieut.
A. Adj., 1st Aust. Div. Amm. Column.



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Column Routine Order No. 26
by Major J.C. Selms, D.S.O. Commanding.

3rd May, 1918.

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RETURN OF DRIPPING ETC. - The Return showing amount credited to various Units for March evinces the fact that Sections are not doing all that is possible in this matter..

O'sC. Sections will at once take steps to rectify this matter in future, and a return will be rendered to this office monthly on the 30th of each month showing : -

Total weight of Fat returned.
" " " Paper "

565.-

MUSTERINGS. - The following Gunners of No. 1 Section, 1st Aust DAC, are mustered Drivers, to complete establishment, to date from 3-5-1918. : - (under A.I.F. order 785)

No. 1951,	Gunner	Spriggs, C.
1788	"	Smith, A.E.
57436	"	Moir, J.L.
2003	"	Bird A.E.
3616	"	Diver H.A.

566.-

Affandley
Lieut.,
Adj. 1st Aust.Div.Amm.Column.

NOTICE

CHURCH PARADE - R.C. MASS will be celebrated at 9 a.m. on Sunday 5th instant at 1st D.A.C. Headquarter.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

Column Routine Order No. 27
by Major J.C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding.

5th May, 1918.

- 566.- USE OF WHIP.- The C.O. has noticed an unnecessary use of the whip by all drivers in units. Os'C. Sections will at once take necessary steps to check this practice, which amounts to illtreatment of the animals.
Special short lectures on driving and use of whip must be given to all N.C.O's and men. Any unnecessary use of the whip will be treated as a crime, and men dealt with accordingly.
- 567.- APPOINTMENT.- Lieut. R. McR. Pattie, SAA Section, is appointed Acting Adjutant, vice Lieut. R. Handley resumed regimental duties. To date from 5-5-1918.
- 568.- POSTINGS.- Lieut. R. McR. Pattie, SAA Section, is posted to Headquarters as from 5-5-1918.
2/Lieut. J.H. Hayter, No. 2 Section, is posted to SAA Section, as from 5-5-1918.
- 569.- SCALE OF BATMEN.- The following scale of Batmen has been approved for all Units of the A.I.F. : -
1 Batmen per two Officers below the rank of Lieut-Colonel
1 " " Officer of rank of Lieut-Colonel or higher.
1 " " Officer with one horse.
2 " " Officer with two horses.
Os'C. Sections will advise this office of compliance with this order by 9 a.m. to-morrow.
- 570.- HORSES, PREVENTION OF GAS. Owing to the enemy using a considerable quantity of gas shells in this area, great care must be taken to prevent horses becoming gassed.
- 571.- RETURN OF COTTON BANDOLIERS, 50 ROUNDS.- Attention is called to the necessity of salvaging and returning to Base all cotton bandoliers that are fit for use again. Unless a large proportion of these bandoliers are returned, the output of charger and bandolier packed S.A.A. will be seriously affected. It is recognized that in mobile, and semi-mobile warfare, the proportion of cotton bandoliers that can be returned will be small, but under trench warfare conditions, it should be possible to return at least 75% of the numbers issued, and every endeavor must be made to do so.

R. Handley Lieut.,
A/Adj. 1st Aust. Div. Ammn. Column.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

Routine Order No.28

by Major J.C. Selmer D.S.O., Commanding.

6th May 1918

572.- POSTING.- 2/Lieut. B.K. Davis, No. 2 Section, is posted to SAA Section, as from 5-5-1918.

573.- COURT OF INQUIRY.- A Court of Inquiry will assemble at 10 a.m. 7-5-18 at the lines of No. 1 Section, 1st Aust.D.A.C., to inquire into and report upon the loss of stores on charge to No. 1 Section, 1st Aust.D.A.C.

RESIDENT

Captain W. Graham, M.C.

MEMBERS

Lieut. S.J. Marsden.

Lieut. L. Augustin.

On completion, proceedings in triplicate will be forwarded to these Headquarters.

574.- ORDERS.- Attention is drawn to D.R.O. No. 573 of 4-5-18, copies of which have been circulated: -

EVACUATIONS OF SICK HORSES.

The receipts mentioned in this order will be attached to the Weekly Return of Horses and Mules, and must be obtained from all Units other than the 1st Australian Mobile Veterinary Section.

R. M. Stalki Lieut.
A/Adj., 1st Aust. Div. Amm. Column.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

Column Routine Order No. 29
by Major J.C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding

6th May, 1918.

- 575.- TRANSFER. - Capt. W. Graham, M.C., No. 2 Section is transferred to 2nd P.A. Brigade as from 6-5-1918.
- 576.- COMMAND. - Lieut. P. Handley will command/No. 2 Section, vice Capt. W. Graham, M.C., transferred, as from 6-5-1918. temporarily
- 577.- POSTING. - 2/Lieut. F.P. Capper, No. 1 Section, is posted to No. 2 Section as from 7-5-1918.
- 578.- PUNISHMENTS. - No. 28734, Driver Gibson, P.O.
No. 6174 Driver Burn, G.E.
No. 10324, Driver Banks, B.R.
of No. 2 Section were this day brought up on the following charges : -
(1) Being on evacuated premises.
(2) Being in the town which is out of bounds to British Troops, contrary to C.R.O. 1249.
and were awarded 28 days F.P. No. 2.
- 579.- CORRECTIVES. - Reference Column R.O. No. 28, para 573 Court of Inquiry. - Delete, "President - Captain W. Graham M.C." and substitute, Captain W.H.G. Segrave, M.C.
- 580.- STRENGTH. - The following personnel of Sections as under, who compose First Aust. Div. Arty Band, will be transferred to Headquarters, 1st Aust. D.A.C., as from 6-5-1918. Personnel will be retained by Sections for duty and rations: -

No. 1 Section		No. 2 Section	
No. 37586	Gunner Aley, T.C.	No. 37567	Gnr. Barklamb W.R.
37587	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	32292	" Cooper G.H.
39149	" Bailey, W.J.	37598	" Delaney J.
37591	" Carse, J.	32354	" Gage, F.W.
37606	" Draper, F.A.	37664	" Hale, J.S.
37600	" Hulle C.C.	37666	" Irminger O.C.
37604	" McCaskill, R.J.	37602	" Lawler, J.F.
37673	" Pearson A.C.	38015	" Madill, A.J.
30767	" Scott, S.	4562	" Pope, H.J.
33909	" Wood, H.	38176	" Runnalls R.O.
		37695	" Simmons, F.W.
		32553	" Yule, O.W.
		37597	" Guthridge, A.W.
		19777	" Banfield T.

- 581.- OFFICERS' LIST. - Sections will submit by noon to-morrow to this office a list showing the last arrival in FRANCE of all Officers on their strength.

P. Pattie Lieut.,
A/Adj. 1st Aust. Div. Amm. Col.



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Column Routine Order No. 30
by Major J.C. Selma, D.S.O. Commanding.

7th May, 1918.

582.- APPOINTMENTS. - No. 37791, Gunner Claremont, L.F. and No. 37791, Gunner Goode, V.B., Headquarters, (att) are appointed Acting Bombardiers as from 7-5-1918.

585.- GUARDS AND PICKETS. - On and after the 6th instant, Guards and Pickets will mount at D.A.C. Headquarters, at 6 p.m. where they will be inspected by the Column Orderly Officer.
The Column Orderly Officer will furnish Orderly Officer's report when tour of duty is completed to Headquarters.
O's C. Sections will see that all Guards are acquainted with their duties, also that the S.C.O's in charge are supplied with Guard Reports.
All Section Guard tents must be furnished with Order Board

584.- CLEANLINESS OF TENTS. - During the C.O's inspection this morning, it was noticed that men's tents and bivouacs were in a filthy condition; food, papers and equipment being scattered everywhere and practically no attempt had been made to roll up kits. This must be remedied.
The C.O. directs also that a system of tucker boxes be instituted at once.

586.- PROTECTION AGAINST BOMBING. - O's.C. Sections will ensure that 1st Aust. Div. Arty. memo 82/27 "Protection against Bombing", which has been circulated, is complied with immediately, and a return rendered to this office when the work has been completed.

587.- ORDERS FOR MACHINE GUNS ON ANTI-AIRCRAFT DUTY. - O's C. Sections will render a certificate to this office by noon 8th instant, that all Machine Gunners of their Section are conversant with, and in possession of a copy of 1st Aust. Div. Arty Orders for Machine Guns on Anti-Aircraft duty, dated 25-4-1918.

588.- TRUMPETERS. - Section Trumpeters will parade with Guards and Pickets to mount at Headquarters 6 p.m. each night.

Calls will be sounded at the following hours : -

Quarter for Guard & Picket	5.45 p.m.
Five Minutes "	5.55 "
Fall in	6 "
Retreat	6.30 "
Eighteenth Tattoo	9.00 "
Lights Out	9.30 "

These calls will be sounded at D.A.C. Headquarters.

R. Selma

Lieut.
A/Sgt. 1st Aust. Div. Amm. Column.



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Column Routine Order No. 31
by Major, J.C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding

8th May, 1918.

- 589.- BOUNDS. - Attention is again drawn to Column Routine Order No. 10 Para 516, dated 14-4-1918. It is essential that this order be strictly complied with by all ranks and disciplinary action taken when men are absent from camp without permission.
- 590.- DRESS. - It has been noticed that instructions regarding dress, as laid down in 1st Aust. D.A.C. Administrative Memorandum No. 1, dated 15-4-1918 are not being complied with. This practice must cease forthwith, and strict attention paid to the dress of all ranks.
- 591.- TRUMPETERS. - Para 588, Column Routine Order No. 30, dated 7-5-18 is cancelled, and the following substituted : -
Section Trumpeters will parade at Guard and Picquet mounting at 6 p.m. each night, and sound the following calls from Headquarters :-
- | | | |
|--------------------------------|------|------|
| Quarterx for Guard and Picquet | 5.45 | p.m. |
| Five minutes | 5.55 | p.m. |
| Fall In | 6 | p.m. |
| Retreat | 6.30 | p.m. |
| Officers Dress | 6.45 | p.m. |
| Officers Mess | 7 | p.m. |
| First Post | 8.45 | p.m. |
| Tattoo | 9 | p.m. |
| Last Post | 9.15 | p.m. |
| Lights Out | 9.30 | p.m. |

R. Selmes Lieut.
A/Adj. 1st Aust.Div.Ammn.Column.



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Column Routine Order No. 32
by Major J.C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding

9th May 1918.

No.2 Section

592.- REVERSION. - No. 883, Driver Brooke, A.E. reverts to the rank of
Gunner for , to date from 9-5-1918.

593.- LIGHTS. - Protection against Bombs. - The following Aust. Corps
R.O. No. 128 is republished for information and compliance : -
"A number of lights shown in the Army Area are likely
to serve as guides to hostile aircraft.

For the safety of the troops and civilian inhabitants and
of factories, railways etc. engaged on work for the armies, it
is essential that such lights shall cease to be shown.

All lights will, therefore, be extinguished or completely
shaded one hour after sunset.

This order is to be repeated in the orders of all for-
mations down to units, and all ranks will assist the police and
gendarmes both by complying with the order themselves and by
bringing to notice any infringement of the order. OsC. Units
will ensure that this order is carried out by periodical in-
spections of billets occupied by troops under their command."

594.- LOOTING. - The following XV Corps R.O. No. 1289 is republished for
information and disciplinary action : -

"Instances have been reported of cases where houses and
farms evacuated by inhabitants have been plundered by
British soldiers.

The Army Commander directs that this disgraceful state
of affairs will cease. Formation Commanders will take
immediate steps to provide picquets under officers in areas
and guards in localities, where it is anticipated
plundering may take place.

In areas outside Divisional areas, Area Commandants will
call upon units quartered in their areas for such picquets
and guards as they require. Officers commanding Units will be
held responsible that these requirements are complied with.

Any individual caught in the act of plundering will be
placed in arrest and a court martial charge preferred against
him".

595.- DAILY INSPECTION. - The Medical Officer accompanied by the
Column Orderly Officer and N.C.O. will make an inspection of
precincts of camp at 10. a.m. daily.

A. Pattie
Lieut.
A/Adj. 1st Aust. Div. Ammn. Column



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN.

Column Routine Order No. 33
by Major J.C. Selnes, D.S.O. Commanding.

10th May, 1918.

- 596.- APPOINTMENT. - No. 37604, Gunner McCaskill R.J., Headquarters, is appointed T/ Sergeant, whilst performing the duties of Bandmaster to 1st Aust. Div. Arty Band., and to be held supernumary to establishment. To date from 10-5-1918.
- 597.- RAND. - All bandmen attached to Sections, vide list, Column Routine Order No. 29, para 580, will be returned to Headquarters at 9 a.m. to-morrow, 11th inst. 24 hours rations will be supplied.
- 598.- PROTECTION OF TREES. - O's C. Sections will make every endeavor to prevent animals barking trees. Proper picquets will be posted when animals are grazing.
- 599.- TRANSFERS. - The following N.C.O's are transferred to 2nd F.A.B. as from 10-5-1918 : -

No. 269	Sgt. Baldwin, J.H.	No. 1 Section
1304	" Reid T.R.	No. 2 "
2905	" Talmage J.S.	No. 2 "
- 600.- STRENGTH. - No. 192, Cpl. Fairay, E.W. is taken on strength of 1st Aust. D.A.C. from 1st F.A. Brigade, and posted to Headquarters dated 7-5-1918.
No. 19074, B.S.M. Fulker, T.W. is taken on strength of 1st Aust. D.A.C. from 2nd F.A.B. and posted to No.1 Section, as from 10-5-18.
- 601.- GUARDS. - There is considerable room for improvement in the manner in which Guards perform their duties.
Slackness is shown particularly in saluting Officers, and turning out to armed parties etc.
O's C. will make every effort to see that N.C.O's and men are instructed in their duties before mounting Guard.
- 602.- CHURCH PARADE. - C. of E. Service will be held in Headquarters lines at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday the 12th inst. One marker per Section will report to the R.S.M. at Headquarters at 10.15 a.m.

R. Selnes Lieut.,
A/Adj. 1st Aust. Div. Ammn. Col



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Column Routine Order No. 35

By Major J.C. Selmes, D.S.O., Commanding.

12th May 1918.

- 611.- PUNISHMENT. - No. 2949 Gunner MC. CLEMENT W., SAA Section, was yesterday brought up on the following charge : -
- (1) Whilst on active service absent without leave from 9 p.m. Tattoo Roll Call to 10.45 p.m. 8-5-1918
 - (2) Leaving Billet without pass contrary to 1st Aust. Div. Arty Order of 16-4-1918.
- and was awarded 7 days F.P. No. 2.
- 612.- TRANSFER. - No. 26070, Driver Head, F.M. Headquarters, is transferred to No. 1 Section, as from 12-5-1918.
- 613.- POSTING. - No. 1146, R.S.M. Thompson, H.M., No. 1 Section, is posted to Headquarters, vice Phillips transferred, dated 11-5-1918.
- 614.- DRESS. - It is noticed that some men are wearing slacks. This practice must cease forthwith, and uniform dress adhered to.

R. Phillips Lieut.,
A/Adj. 1st Aust. Div. Ammn. Col.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

Column Routine Order No. 36
by Major J. C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding

13th May, 1918.

- 615.- REVERSION.- No. 6207, T/Bombardier De La Mothe, C.G. SAA Section, reverts to rank of A/Bombardier, vice McDermald rejoined, to date from 7-5-1918.
- 616.- PUNISHMENT.- No. 173, Driver Winterbottom, J., attached 1st Aust D.A.C., ex A.C.P.D. was this day brought upon the following charge :-
"When on active service, disobedience of Orders",
and was awarded 7 days F.P. No. 2.
- 617.- GRAZING.- The grazing of animals must cease forthwith.

J. Selmes Lieut.
A/Adj. 1st Aust.Div.Ammn.Column.



*Survey
and return*

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN
Special Column Routine Order No. 37

by Major J.C. Selms, D. S. O. Commanding.

14th May, 1918.

618.- MOVE. - The S.A.A. Section, 1st Aust. D.A.C. will move to new location, Sheet 27, U.6 4.95.55 on 15th May, 1918.

Route. - Direct road from V. 20 Central to V.1 d.02,20 to U.6 4.95.55.

Move to be completed by 7 p.m. 15th inst.

O.C. SAA Section will arrange starting hour accordingly.

R.V. Parker Lieut.,
A/Adj. 1st Aust. Div. Amm. Col.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

Column Routine Order No. 39

By Major J. C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding

15th May, 1918.

- 620.- GUARDS AND PICQUETS. - In future all Guards and Picquets will be mounted at D.A.C. Headquarters at 6.30 p.m.
- 621.- APPLICATIONS FOR TRANSFERS. - A number of these have been made for transfers to Batteries, and forwarded to D.A.C. Headquarters. It is notified for information of all concerned that these are out of order, and must not be made or submitted until such time as names are called for by D.A.C. Headquarters, of men for transfer to Batteries.
- 622.- HORSES AND MULES - STRAY. - Several instances have occurred lately of horses and mules which do not belong to Units being retained on Unit Transport Lines, instead of being immediately forwarded to First Australian Mobile Vet. Section, for disposal, as directed by D.R.O. 402 of 18th October, 1917.
- In future all such horses or mules will be sent to the Mobile Veterinary Section within three hours of being placed on Unit Transport Lines. The Officer in charge of the Transport Lines will be held responsible for compliance with this order, any contravention of which will be dealt with by Court Martial.
- This Order is to be read out on three successive parades.

R. W. Selmes Lieut.,
A/Adj. 1st Aust. Div. Ammn. Col.



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Column Routine Order No. 39
by Major J. C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding.

17th May, 1918.

- 623.- SALVAGE OF WASTE PAPER. - With reference to Corps Routine Order No. 1302, all waste paper, except Secret and Confidential matter, will be salvaged by Units and taken to the Salvage Dump at V.23 c.4.4. The Divisional Salvage Officer will arrange to return this waste paper to the Baling Press at ARQUES Railway Station and will credit units with the amount handed in. Every effort will be made by Units to return as much waste paper as possible.
- 624.- F.P. COMPOUND. - Divisional Field Punishment Compound will be established on 16th inst. at V. 22 b.15.50 on HAZEBROUCK - ST. SYLVESTRE CAPPEL Road. 2/Lieut. R.D. Hadfield will be in charge of the Compound. Men for safe custody and men awaiting confirmation etc. and F.P. No. 2 men will be accepted. They should carry 48 hours rations and be delivered at the Compound before 4 p.m. daily.
- 625.- SCALE OF BATMEN. - Column Routine Order No.27 para 569 is amended to read as under:-
- | | | |
|---|------------|--|
| 1 | Batman per | two Officers below the rank of Field Officer |
| 1 | " | " Field Officer |
| 1 | " | " Officer with one horse |
| 2 | " | " " two horses. |
- 626.- TRANSFERS. - No. 26380, Driver List, R.O. and No. 10576, Driver Short, F., Headquarters, are transferred to S.A.A. Section as from 17-5-1918.

R. Selmes
Lieut.,
A/Adj. 1st Aust. Div. Ammn. Col.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIV. AMMUNITION COLUMN

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V Column Routine Order No. 40
by Major J.C. Selmas, D.S.O. Commanding 18-5-1918

627.- PUNISHMENTS. - No. 3829, Gunner DAVIDSON, R.R. was on the
17th instant, brought up on the following charge : -
When on active service without reasonable excuse
allowing to escape a person committed to his charge
whom it was his duty to guard, in that he allowed
No. 3569, Gunner Reddan H.E. to escape,
and was awarded 7 days F.P. No. 2.

R. P. Selmas Lieut.,
A/Adj. 1st Aust. Div. Ammn. Col.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

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Column Routine Order No. 40
by Major J.C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding

19th May, 1918.

628.- REVERSION. - No. 9969 Temp. Bdr. Smith, H.R. No. 2 Section, is reverted to the rank of Acting Bombardier, vice Dent transferred from S.A.A. Section, to date from 19-5-1918.

629.- SANITATION. - (a) In the absence of an agreement to the contrary, towns and villages occupied by civilians are responsible for their own sanitation to the extent of their ability to provide labour for the purpose. The names of towns and villages which do not do their duty in this respect will be reported to Corps H.Q. by the Division in whose area they are situated.

(b) Each Unit is responsible for the cleanliness of ditches, streams etc. near its billets and wagon lines. Tins and rubbish will not be thrown into them and no dam is to be built to hold up the flow of water. Ditches already blocked by tins etc. will be dug out at once. Grass and weeds will be cut away and a systematic inspection carried out especially of junctions of streams and ditches and all places where they pass beneath the roadway, so that drainage may be established and maintained.

(c) The mud from ditches, roads and billets will be put either on the fields, by arrangement with the owners of the fields, or outside the fields alongside road ditches on the far side from the roadway.

R. Parke
Lieut.,
A/Aaj. 1st Aust. Div. Ammn. Col



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

Column Routine Order No. 41.
By Major J.C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding.

21st May, 1918.

(T/Sgt)

- 630.- PROMOTION.- No. 601, Corporal/Atkinson, F.J. SAA Section is promoted Sergeant, vice. Potter transferred from Attached strength DAC Headquarters to 2nd Section, to date from 10-5-1918.
- 631.- APPOINTMENT.- No. 3615, Driver McLachlin, H.D.p Headquarters, is appointed A/Bdr. to complete establishment, as from 21-5-1918.
- 632.- SAFETY CAP NO. 106 FUZE, SALVAGE OF.- Attention is drawn to G.R.O. No. 4048, dated 17-5-1918, copy of which has been circulated.

R. P. Selmes Lieut.
A/Adj. 1st Aust. D.A.C.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARMY COLUMN

Column Routine Order No. 42
by Major J.C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding

22nd May 1918.

633.- TAKEN ON STRENGTH.- The following personnel are taken on strength of 1st Aust. D.A.C. as from dates, and posted to Sections set out below :-

No.	Rank	Name	Sec.	Particulars	Date
35027	Gunner	Baker	W. SAA	Hqts. ex A.C.B.D.	15-5-18
35038	"	Ward	T. "	do	"
237	Sgt.	Bucket	J.D. 2	Hospital do	11-5-18
3340	Driver	Gillies	D. 2	do	10-5-18
34837	"	Treweek	W.H. 2	do	15-5-18
32055	"	Abrams	H.E. 2	do	do
28140	"	Bryden	W.H. 2	do	do
30440	"	Suckum	F.V. 1	do	do
26930	"	Mason	C.F. 1	do	do
29066	Bdr.	Dent	W.M. 1	do	do
3521	Driver	Hodkinson	H.B. 1	do	do
34258	"	McKenzie	E.N. 1	do	do
38141	"	Howis	W. SAA	do	do
2228	"	Ulseth	P.H. 1	do	do

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.- The following personnel have been struck off strength during week ending 17-5-1918 :-

2415	A/Bdr	Gnr White	S.O. SAA	Evtd sick	12-5-18
33354	Gunner	Roberts R.	" "	do	"
2971	Driver	O'Sullivan	T. "	do	"
32106	Gunner	Paltridge	F.C. 1	do	9-5-18
5035	"	Fraser	H. 1	do	"
3637	Driver	Garlick	J. 2	do	10-5-18
57600	Gunner	Halle	C.C. HQ	(Band) do	12-5-18
28438	Driver	Stewart	V.L. SAA	Evtd. Gassed	10-5-18
3123	"	Tracey	E.A. "	" "	do
494	"	Morris	E.U. "	" "	do

634.- PROMOTION.- No. 25813, Bdr. (T.Cpl) Butler, J.F. SAA Section to be Corporal vice Atkinson promoted, as from 10-5-18.

J. Selmes
Lieut.
A/Adj. 1st Aust. D.A.C.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

Column Routine Order No. 43
By Major J. C. Selmes, D. S. O. Commanding.

635.- RETURN OF ANIMALS FOR CASTING. - Units will forward to D. A. D. V. S. 24th May, 1918.
by 6 p.m. on 26th inst. a descriptive roll of all animals to be
cast for other than veterinary reasons. Reasons for casting to
be stated.

O's. Sections will render above return to reach these
headquarters by noon to-morrow, 25th instant.


Lieut.
A/Adj. 1st Aust. D. A. C.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIV. AMMUNITION COLUMN

Column Routine Order No. 44
by Major J.C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding

25th May, 1918.

636.- CHURCH PARADE. - R.C. Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m.
to-morrow, Sunday, 26th inst. at 1st D.A.C. Headquarters.

Protestant service will be held at 10.45 am to-morrow
at D.A.C. Headquarters.

O.S.C. Sections will detail one man to act as marker,
to report to R.S.M. at 10.30 a.m.

W. P. Pattie
Lieut.,
A/Adj. 1st Aust. D.A.C.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

Column Routine Order No. 45.
by Major J.C. Selmes, D.S.O. Commanding. 26TH May, 1918

637.- PUNISHMENT. - No. 2772, Gunner Binding, R.J., 1st Section, was this day brought up on the following charge: -

"Absent without leave from 6.30 a.m. 25-5-18 to 10 a.m. 24-5-18",

and was awarded 28 days F.P. No. 2, and forfeited two days pay under R.W.

638.- EGGS, HORSES. - All horse rugs, except the 10% authorized to be retained under G.R.O. 3954, of 7-5-1918, will be returned to D.A.D.C.S. before 31-5-1918.

639.- DRESS. - The Divisional Commander has noticed that a number of men are without colours and distinguishing arm bands. It is of the greatest importance that men should be complete with Unit colours and distinguishing arm bands at all times. Indents should be submitted to D.A.D.C.S. at once, to complete in these particulars.

Attention is again drawn to the fact that men are leaving camp without wearing either Bandolier or Gas Helmet. C.S.C. Sections will see that this order is complied with.

640.- CROPS, DAMAGE OF. - All troops will be warned that it is forbidden to walk over crops in the rear area, and that disciplinary action will be taken should there be any transgression of this order.

 Lieut.
A/Adj. 1st Aust. D.A.C.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN

Column Routine Order No 46, by

Major J. C. Selmes, D. S. O. Commanding.

28th May 1918

641 STRENGTH Captain L. Gavan-Duffy is taken on strength of 1st Aus, D.A.C., ex A.G.B.D. and posted to No.2 Section to Command, dated 27-5-18.

642 TAKEN ON STRENGTH The following personnel are taken on strength of 1st Aust.D.A.C., from dates shown, and posted to , Sections as set out below.

No.	Rank	Name	Sec	Particulars	Date
5035	Gunner	Fraser	M 1	From AGED. x Hosp, sick.	17-5-18
14576	Driver	Bourne	T.C. 1	do do	do
5055	"	Nicholson	E.A. 1	do Wounded.	do
4185	"	Jones	P.V. Hqs	do x Hosp, sick.	do
26632	"	Clarke	S.E. 2	do do	do
37916	Gunner	Searle	E.A. Hqs (Band)	Reprints x AGED.	20-5-18
37931	"	Walters	J.E. "	" "	20-5-18
5900	Driver	Timmins	E. 1	From AGED. x Hosp, sick	20-5-18
4539	"	Hilton	" 1	do do	do
37106	"	Paltridge	T.C. 1	do do	do
6005	S/Smith	Stewart	A. 2	do do	do
3128	Driver	Parker	W. SAA	do do	do
30901	Gunner	Abel	J.B. 2	From T.M. Battery.	22-5-18
1580	Driver	Hunter	E. 2	From AGED x HBAA	do
27279	Gunner	Hatchman	T.T. 1	do x Hosp, sick	do
18995	Driver	Bassett	R.C. 1	From Field Amb., wounded	do
3120	"	Hales	S.E. 2	From AGED. x Hosp, sick	do
29117	"	McDonald	C.H. SAA	do x Hosp.	do
25957	Gunner	Springbett	E.H. "	do x Hosp, sick.	do

643 STRUCK OFF STRENGTH The following personnel have been struck off strength during week ending 24-5-18.

34206	Driver	Deaves	A.C. 2	To 1st F.A. Brigade.	17-5-18
	2/Lieut.	R. H. Murray	1	do	17-5-18
	2/Lieut.	J. H. Hayter	SAA	do	20-5-18
32292	Gunner	Cooper	J.H. Hqs (Band)	To 2nd F.A. Bgde.	20-5-18
18995	Driver	Bassett	R.C. 1	Evacuated, wounded	20-5-18
15106	Gunner	Doddemad	A.R. Hqs	To 1st F.A. Brigade	23-5-18

J. C. Selmes
Lieut.
A/Adj. 1st Aust Div Amm Col.



FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIV. AMMUNITION COLUMN

Column Routine Order No. 47
by Major J.C. Selman, D.S.O. Commanding

29th May, 1918

644.- STRENGTH. - Lieut. C.M. SHENTON, is taken on strength of 1st Aust. D.A.C. from Medium Trench Mortar Batteries, and posted to No. 1 Section, as from 28-5-1918.

645.- PUNISHMENTS. - The following, viz : -

No. 5877, Gunner Kell, D.G.
25669, Fitter Peedie, J.
3270, S/Sth Murie, C.
2553, Driver Stanley, R.,

No. 1 Section, were this day brought up on the following charge-

"When on active service, absent from Camp until apprehended by D.A.C. Patrol at 10.30 p.m. on 28-5-18",
and were awarded three days F.P. No. 2.

R. H. Selman
Lieut
A/Adj. 1st Aust D.A.C.

