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Near BUSSEBOOM, GOED, LINDE	1917.		Weather-Dull, Wind light from W.	
	NOVR.		2 Other Ranks evacuated sick. 4 " " at schools.	
	1ST.		1 mule killed in action.	
			Notification in Orders respecting the exchange of underwear and socks at th Divisional Baths, YPRES.	
			40 pairs of gumboots issued pro rata to H.Q. and Sections.	
			1 other rank evacuated to hospital whilst on leave.	
			1 " " " " " "	
			1 G.S. Wagon on fatigue; 4 detached; and 4 on loan.	
			HOWE DUMP-Issues from 1 p.m. 31/10/17- 200A, 312AX, 1044BX-Total 1556 rds.	
			Ammunition supplied per pack to 5TH.F.A.B.-13th. Battery-8 packs, 128 rounds. 14th " 8 " 128 " 15th " 5 " 78 " 105th " 12 " 98 Total 432	
	2ND.	Weather-Dull, threatening rain. Wind light westerly. 3 Other ranks evacuated to hospital. 4 " " at schools. Head Quarters completed moving to new covered standings. 500 Charges. 1 Other rank taken on strength from 49th. Battery, 5th. AUST. DIV. 5 Mules evacuated for vet. reasons. 3 " killed in action, and 2 wounded. These casualties occurred whilst drivers were on the way to deliver ammunition to Batteries. Ammunition supplied per pack to 5th.F.A.B.-13th. Battery -8 packs, 128 rds. 14th. " 8 " 128 " 15th. " 5 " 100 " 105th. " 11 " 92 2		

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LINDE GOND, Near BUSSEBOOM.	1917.		Weather-Continuing dull, with occasional cloud breaks. Wind light from S.W.	
	NOVR.		1 Other rank evacuated to hospital. 3 " " became battle casualties (gassed):- 7198 Dvr. MAYNARD, W.J. - remng on duty. 9321 " MINSTER, C.E. " " " 33906 " MCGOLDRICK, A.H. evtd to hospital.	
	3RD.		1 horse evacuated for vet. reasons; also 1 mule. 1 mule wounded whilst carrying ammunition forward. 1 mule destroyed. 8 elephant cupolas, and 20 duckboards collected at KRUISSTRAAT DUMP and delivered to 15th. Battery position.	
			1 G.S. Wagon on fatigue. 4 Other ranks proceeded to GRANVILLE DUMP. 4 N.C.Os. returned from Divl Gas School, BUSSEBOOM. 2 " " transferred to 12th. Bty.	
			Ammunition supplied per pack to 5th. F.A.B. - 13th. Battery - 8 packs, 128 rds. 14th. " 8 " 125 " 15th. " 5 " 78 " 105th. " 12 " 900 Chges. Total 331 rounds, 900 charge	
			HOWE DUMP - Issues - 560A, 400AX, 1004BX., 100 9-45 T.M., 902 Charges.	
			HOWE DUMP - ISSUES - 544A, 224AX, 854BX - Total - 1622 rds.	
	4TH.		Weather - Foggy morning, clear later. Wind light to moderate from East. 2 Other ranks wounded whilst conveying ammunition to Batteries:- 1897 Dvr. MARRIOTT, evctd to hosp. 5325 " CONYNGHAM, " " "	
			5 mules evacuated for vet. reasons. 8 " killed and wounded whilst packing ammunition to Batteries. 2 Other ranks transferred to 5th. A.F.A.B. Amtn supplied per pack to 5th. BDE. 2 " " " " " 4th: A.F.A.B. 452 Rounds.	
			R.M.Os. Health Report - Health of troops good. Water supply and carts satis- -factory. Latrines flyproof; urine absorption pits satisfactory. Cooking arrangements satis- -factory. No. of rfts received in course of week 31.	

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LINDSE GOED, Near BUSSERBROOM.	1917.		Weather-Cold and showery. Wind light from S.W. 2 OTHER Ranks evacuated to hospital. 4 Other Ranks evacuated to hospital wounded-																																				
	NOVR.		11447 Dvr. BOYD, B.) 10137 " BEATTY, H.) 8986 " O'BRIEN, J.) 30237 " ARGRET, J.H.)	Casualties occurred whilst delivering ammunition to gun-pits.																																			
	6TH. (ctd.)		2 Mules evacuated for vet. reasons. 21 Mules killed and wounded whilst engaged in delivering ammunition to Batteries. 1 G.S.Wagon destroyed by shell fire (enemy). 2 Other ranks taken on strength from hospital. Ammunition salvaged and placed at GRANVILLE DUMP-62A.																																				
	7TH.		Weather-Showery and cold. Wind moderate from N.W. 2 mules evacuated for vet. reasons. 6 mules wounded whilst conveying ammunition to gun-pits. 1 horse wounded while with Party in the Forward Area. 2 G.S.Wagons with 4th. BDE; 5 on fatigue; 4 on loan to Batteries. Ammunition supplied per pack to 5th. F.A. BDE: From 11th. Bty postn to 13th. Bty position-25 packs-400 rounds.																																				
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	<u>1917.</u>		Weather-Dull, cold. Wind light from S.E. 7 other ranks evacuated to hospital. 1 " " at School.	
	NOVR.		2 G.S.Wagons on fatigue; 4 detached; 4 on loan to batteries. 2 Mules evacuated for vet. reasons. 1 " killed in action whilst conveying ammunition to battery postn.	
	5TH.		4 Other ranks taken on strength from Base. These men were previously on strength of Unit, and rejoined after evacuation to hospital. Lieut. VERON, 2 sgts, 2 farriers, 2 cpls, and 69 drivers proceeded to No. 5 BASE REMOUNT DEPOT to take delivery of 143 remounts. Lieut. ABERNETHY and Party returned from BOULOGNE with 64 remounts.	
			1 Other rank killed in action-11456 Corporal COLLINS, W.A. This casualty occurred whilst ammunition was being conveyed to battery postn.	
			9 Mules killed by enemy shellfire at Forward Position at LILLE GATE. HOWE DUMP-ISSUES: 806A, 1026AX, 300BX.-Total-2132 rounds.	
			Ammunition supplied per pack to 5TH.F.A.B.-13th. Battery-8pks, 128 rds. 14th. " 8 " 128 " Total <u>256</u> rounds.	
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			Weather -Dull and cold. Wind light from S.W. <i>partly</i> Lieut. McDONALD, Lieut. HEATH, and all the Forward returned from the Forward Area.	
	6TH.		6 G.S.Wagons with 4th. Bde; 2 on fatigue; and 4 on loan to batteries. HOWE DUMP-ISSUES: 1056A, 1056BX-Total-2112 rds. GRANVILLE DUMP-Return of empty ammatn boxes -4.5 how.-7000; 18 pdr. 3400; 18 pdr. with cartridge cases 1600, 18 pdr. cases in bags 1800. Ammunition dumped on the night of 2/3 November-900 rds A., and 94 rds. AX.	
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	1917.		2/Lieut. C.L. VERON, 2nd. Sec. transferred to 1st. Sec. Lieut. W.B. McDONALD, 1st. Sec., transferred to 2nd. Sec. Lieut. W.B. McDONALD appointed to temporarily command 2nd. Section vice Lieut. A.C. SHERRINGTON transferred to A.I.F.H.Q., LONDON. Lieut. A.C. SHERRINGTON taken off strength on his being transferred to A.I.F.H.Q., LONDON.	
	NOVR.		1 G.S. Wagon on fatigue. 10 Braziers from Base distributed pro rata amongst h.Q. and Sections 30 Other ranks transferred to 4TH. A.F.A. BDE. HOWE DUMP-ISSUES: 942A, 942AX. Total 1884 rds.	
	7TH. (ctd.)		Weather-Variable, rainy. Wind fresh and gusty from N.W. 3 Other ranks evacuated to hospital. 1 horse and 4 mules evacuated for vet. reasons. 2 Other ranks exchanged from 1st. and 2nd. Sections respectively. 2 " " transferred from 1st. Sec. to H.Q.	
	8TH.		Capt. Chaplain, the Rev. A.W. TONGE (C.E.) attached to 2ND. AUST. D.A.C. PROMOTIONS:- 47 A/sgt. PRATT, A.H.G. to be Temp. Sgt. vice MICHELL promoted ^{B.C.M.S.} B.S.M. 12453 Cpl. BEST, R.S. " " " " McDERMOTT wounded. 1080A/Cpl. HINDGE, W.J. " " Corporal " PRATT promoted. 879 A/Bdr. MAXWELL, W. 2 " BOMBARDIER " HINDGE " 10202 Gnr. PERRY, W.S. 2 "A/Bombardier. HOWE DUMP-ISSUES: 745A, 402AX, 648BX, Total 1795 rounds. 3 Other ranks evacuated to Hospital. 20 Other ranks taken on strength from Base. All rejoining Unit. 30 pairs of pack-mules detailed for 11th. Battery. 2 G.S. Wagons with 11th. Bty; 1 with 104th. Bty, 2 with 105th. Bty. 30 " " carting bricks from YPRES to 4th. and 5th. BRIGADE W.L. Lieut. A.C. SHERRINGTON proceeded to A.I.F.H.Q., LONDON. Lieut. VERON and Party returned from CALAIS at 8 p.m. with 107 l.d. horses, and 36 mules. All animals in good condition. 24 G.S. Wagons carting bricks for horse standings; 1 carting empties A6945 Wt. W11422 M1160 650 21 C1-1/00 D.D. & J. Forms/C/2118/14.	

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LINDE GOED, Near BUSSEBOOM.	1917.		Weather-Wet. Wind light from N. 30 G.S. Wagons carting bricks for horse standings from YPRES to 4th, and 5th. Brigade Wagon Lines.	
	NOVR.		I G.S. Wagon carting bricks for I1th. Bty.	
	9TH.		Ammunition-740A and AX delivered to I1th Bty. 24 G.S. Wagons carting bricks for road making. I " " on fatigue. HOWE DUMP-ISSUES: 560A; 560 AX; 600BX; 400 Charges.	
			Weather- Dull, cold, occasional showers. Wind moderate from N.W.	
	10TH.		Lieut. HEATH and S.A. Party, comprised as under, proceeded to relieve S.A.A. Section, 5TH. AUST. DIV. ARTY at BRIDGEHOUSE DUMP: 1st. Sec. of G.S. limbered wagons. 2nd. " " " " "B" Ech. 6 G.S. wagons.	
			2/ Lieut. ABERNETHY, 2 N.C.Os., and 18 other ranks proceeded to take delivery of 36 mules from I1th. Bty wagon lines.	
			Lieut. HEATH, and 20 other ranks proceeded to clear up lines recently vacated by the Forward Party.	
			2/ Lieut. ABERNETHY transferred to 5th. A.F.A. BDE. 2/ Lieut. VERON " " 4th. A.F.A. BDE.	
			30 pack mules supplied to 104th Battery. 36 " " " " 105th. Battery. I G.S. Wagon with Remount Party to I1th. Battery; i on fatigue; I conveying comforts to 4th. BDE; I on similar duty to 5th. BDE. HOWE DUMP-Issues: 500A, 40I AX-Total 90I rds.	

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BUSSEBROOM, Near GOED, LINDE	1917.		Weather-Unsettled and cold. Wind light Northerly.	
	NOVR.		HOWE DUMP was handed over to 66TH DIV. ARTY at 10 A.M.	
	IITH.		Lieut. HEARNE, and 50 other ranks took over TAYLOR'S DUMP at 2 p.m.	
			GRANVILLE DUMP was handed over to the 66TH DIV. ARTY at 10 A.M.	
			1 Sgt., and 9 other ranks took over HORNBY DUMP at 2 p.m.	
			1 Sgt., and 9 other ranks of 2nd. Sec. took over CORDOVA DUMP at 2 p.m.	
			26 G.S. Wagons carting bricks for the wagon lines of 4TH., and 5TH. BDES.	
			6 " " detached.	
			1 Other rank transferred from "B" Ech. to H.Q.	
			LIEUT. A.B.C. LAING taken on strength from Seconded List, and posted to 1st. Sec.	
		1 Other rank evacuated to Hospital wounded-10888 Dvr. MANSFIELD? E.V.		
		Casualty occurred whilst on the road to deliver ammunition to gun-pit.		
		1 Other rank transferred to 5th. F.A.B.		
		18 cases of Comforts from the AUSTRALIAN COMFORTS FUND received and distributed pro rata amongst Headquarters and Sections.		
		<u>TAYLOR'S DUMP.</u>		
		Ammunition taken over at TAYLOR'S DUMP by 2nd AUST. D.A.C.,		
		11/11/17.		
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		1186 10346 5062 -- 420 420 3532 1165		
	12TH Nov. 17		Weather. Dull and cold. Wind from N.	
			24 Other ranks taken on strength from Base.	
			3 OTHER ranks evacuated to Hospital.	
			20 G.S. Wagons carting bricks from YPRES to Battery Wagon Lines.	
			6 " " detached.	
			HORNBY DUMP- AMMUN on hand-2135AX; 5405A ; 1337B X; IOPX Chges; 359N;	
			500BX; T.M.B. 120; Mills' 173.	

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LIND E GOED, Near BUSSEBROOM.	NOVR. 1917.		WEATHER- Fine and clear. Wind very light from N. 5 Other ranks evacuated to Hospital.																																						
	13TH.		<u>CORDOVA DUMP.</u> Check of Ammunition on taking over-13/11/17.																																						
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	14TH.		Weather. Unsettled and cold. Wind from N.W. General PLUMER, G.O.C., 2ND. ARMY sent congratulatory messages to DIV. ARTY and other Units concerned on success of work achieved in face of very great difficulties throughout Summer and Autumn operations. (See Appendix No.2) A similar message from G.O.C.R.A., 2ND. ARMY, to G.O.C.R.A., 1st. ANZAC CORPS also received. (See APPENDIX No.2) 6 G.S. Wagons on fatigue.																																						
	15TH.		Weather. Dull. Wind light from S.W. 20 G.S. Wagons carting bricks from YPRES to Battery Wagon Lines. 2 " " detached. 2 Other ranks taken off strength on evacuation to Hospital. 9 Other ranks rejoined Unit through Base.																																						

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	NOVR.		II395 Sgt. SHORT, C.F. promoted to the rank of T/B.S.M. (W.O.2) vice RAY transferred to A.F.C.-dated 13/11/17. This N.C.O. was transferred to 2ND.SEC.	
	16TH.		2 other ranks evacuated to Hospital. 1 N.C.O. transferred to 5TH.A.F.A.B.	
			Weather. Dull and cold. Wind light Northerly.	
			2 Other ranks evacuated to Hospital. Corps Commander awarded the MILITARY MEDAL to the other ranks shown hereunder, who also received his congratulations.	
		17TH.	12453 Cpl. B EST, R.S. } 11485 Dvr. HOLT H. } 10220 " SHANKS, E.A. } 11541 " SANDERSON, A. } See APPENDIX No.6. 10462 " ROBINSON, J.W. } 11885 " LEESON, H.J. }	
			20 G.S.Wagons carting bricks from YPRES to Battery Wagon Lines in Forward Area. 2 others detached.	
			A notification appeared in Orders directing that steel helmets must be worn in the Town of YPRES.	
			2 Other ranks evacuated to Hospital. TAYLOR'S DUMP-ISSUES: 100 rounds AX to 11th. Battery.	

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BUSSÉBOOM.	1917.		Weather. Dull and cold. Wind light from N.W.	
	NOVR.		LIEUT. J. DALY taken on strength from 2ND. DIVN T.M., and posted to 2ND. SEC. 1 OTHER rank evacuated to Hospital.	
	18TH.		I.W.O., 5 N.C.Os, and 45 other ranks reported to TAYLOR'S DUMP at 3 p.m. This Party together with 40 men already there were placed at the disposal of C.C. "B" group who daily detailed them for a period of five days to assist in the removal of guns and howitzers from Battery positions to roads where they could be picked up by limbers. The Party collected duckboards and other material from the BIRR CROSS ROADS DUMP for the purpose of making tracks to facilitate the work of extricating the guns from their positions, the approaches to, and the surroundings of which had been churned by hostile shelling into a miniature sea of mud. TAYLOR'S DUMP-ISSUES: 342 A, and 42 AX to IIth. Battery.	
Near BUSSÉBOOM.	19TH.		1 Other rank taken on strength from Hospital. 3 " " evacuated to Hospital. TAYLOR'S DUMP-ISSUES: 100A? and 100AX to IIth. Battery.	
	20TH.		20 Other ranks taken on strength from Base. All rejoining Unit. 4 " " evacuated to Hospital wounded: 10391 Sgt. BOLLEN? A. 10163 Dvr. GUINEY. V. J. 33907 " KRONE, L. A. 1244 " JOHNSON, L. R. These casualties occurred whilst ammunition was being carried to Batteries. TAYLOR'S DUMP-ISSUES: 288A to IIth. Battery.	
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LINDE GOED. Near BUSSEBOOM.	1917.		<p>Weather. Dull, occasional light showers.</p> <p>A Movement Order coupled with Administrative instructions were received from 2ND.AUST.DIV.ARTY, and were duly issued. The destination was fixed within the STEENWERCK area, where wagon lines vacated by the 5TH.AUST.DIV. were to be occupied. The Column to march with empty echelons, and its head to pass a fixed point at 10 a.m.</p> <p>TAYLOR'S DUMP-Dump stores and ammunition handed over to the 113th.BRIGADE by Lieut. HEARNE.</p> <p>Lieut. A.B. CHLAING proceeded to 2ND.ARM.Y T.M. School.</p> <p>TAYLOR'S DUMP-ISSUES: 312A, 160ax-Total 472 rds.</p> <p>TAYLOR'S DUMP ammunition Return ending 1 p.m. 12/11/17 to 21/11/17.</p> <table border="1" style="margin: 10px auto; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="border: none;">A.</th> <th style="border: none;">AX</th> <th style="border: none;">BX</th> <th style="border: none;">BX Chges.</th> <th style="border: none;"></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="border: none;">6000</td> <td style="border: none;">2300</td> <td style="border: none;">3060</td> <td style="border: none;">500</td> <td style="border: none;">on hand.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;">1700</td> <td style="border: none;">2005</td> <td style="border: none;">1056</td> <td style="border: none;">440</td> <td style="border: none;">Issued.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;">4300</td> <td style="border: none;">705</td> <td style="border: none;">2004</td> <td style="border: none;">60</td> <td style="border: none;">On hand.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	A.	AX	BX	BX Chges.		6000	2300	3060	500	on hand.	1700	2005	1056	440	Issued.	4300	705	2004	60	On hand.	
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LA CRECHE.	22ND.		<p>Weather with occasional breaks. Wind light from W.S.W.</p> <p>In accordance with Movement Order and instructions of previous day the 2ND. AUST.D.A.C. moved from wagon lines at LINDE GOED near BUSSEBOOM, en route to wagon lines vacated by the 5th.AUST.DIV. within the STEENWERCK area. The head of the Column passed a given point at 10 a.m., and marched with empty echelons. The route taken passed through OUDERDOM, ZEYECOTEN, LOCRE, and DRANOUTRE. Strict march discipline was observed.</p> <p>Prior to leaving all lines were thoroughly cleaned, and all trench shelters, and Area stores were handed over to the relieving Column.</p> <p>The Movement was completed at 3 p.m.</p> <p style="font-size: small;">A6945 Wt. W11422/M1160 350,000 12/16 D. D. & L. Forms/C./2118/14.</p> <p>The Party sent forward on the 18th inst. to assist in withdrawing guns returned after accomplishing their difficult tasks.</p>																					

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	1917.		Weather. Cloudy with occasional breaks. Wind light from S.W. Lieut. W.B. McDONALD proceeded on leave to ENGLAND. Lieut. E.T. HEARNE, "B" echelon, appointed to temporarily command 2ND. SEC.	
	NOVR.		during the absence on leave of Lt. McDONALD.	
	23RD.		daily leave to BAILLEUL was ordered to be granted to 50% of actual strength of Unit. 2/Lt. C.G.L. INGATE taken on strength from Base, and posted to "B" Ech. for duty. 1 Other rank struck off strength, having been awarded detention in ENGLAND. 7 Other ranks rejoined Unit through Base. 3 " " " " from Hospital. 1 " " transferred to Unit H.Q. 2 mounted orderlies detailed to report from Sections to H.Q. daily. The re-organisation of the 2ND. AUST. D.A.C. entered upon on the basis of the new War Establishment, dated August 4th., 1917. (See APPENDIX No. 5) Surplus personnel to be transferred to 4th. and 5th. BDES.	
LA CRECHE.	24TH.		Weather. Clear. Wind squally, varying from moderate to gale force from N.W. 2 N.C.Os. transferred from "B" Ech. to 1st. SEC. 20 Other ranks taken on strength from Base - All rejoining Unit. 3 " " transferred from 1st. SEC. to H.Q. 11500 Bdr. LINDEMANN, C., 1st. SEC., proceeded to St. JOHN'S WOOD cadet School.	
	25TH.		Weather. Dull and windy with light showers. Wind strong and squally from W.SW Communication received from 2ND. ARMY on further reasons for economy in horse-fleash, and calling for greater care of animals. 1 N.C.O. transferred from "B" Ech. to 2nd. SEC. 2/Lt. C.G.L. INGATE posted to 4th. A.F.A. Bde. Lieut. A.B.C. LAING posted for duty with 2ND. AUST. DIV. T.M. Batteries. 2/Lt. F.C. POSTLE. " J.W. FENTON } " G.M. MUIRHEAD } taken on strength of 2ND. AUST. D.A.C. 24/11/17 Received from AUSTRALIAN COMFORTS FUND 7 cases of milk, & cocoa, 1 meat, 1 milk, 3 oxo soup, and 4 pcls of books. A6945 Wt. W11422/M1160 350,000 12/16 D. D. & L. Forms/C. 2118/14. The goods were distributed pro rata amongst H.Q. and Sections.	

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	1917.		2 N.C.Os. transferred to 4th.F.A.B.	
			1 " " " 5th.F.A.B.	
	NOVR.		15 men directed to attend a Signalling School(vide 2ND.AUST.DIV.ARTY Training Instructions)	
	25TH.		2 Othe ranks eveacuated to Hospital.	
	(ctd.)		1 " " returned to duty from IST.ANZAC Cookery School.	
			1 N.C.O. taken on strength from Hospital.	
			55 Other ranks taken on strength from Base. These men compared well with previous reinforc ement drafts.	
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	26TH.		Weather. Dull and threatening. Steady rain fell throughout night,also a few snow flakes at intervals. Wind gale force from W.S.W.	
			Advice respecting the holding of a Referendum Poll in Australia on the question of compulsory military service, received.	
			2/Lt. G.M.MUIRHEAD posted for duty with Ist.SECTION.	
			" F.C.L.POSTLE " " " " 2nd. "	
			2 J.W.FENTON " " " " S.A.A.SECTION.	
			Capt.S.C.LEWIS proceeded on leave to ENGLAND.	
			Lieut.J.DALY appointed too the temporary command of Ist.SEC. during the absence of Capt.LEWIS on leave.	
			2/Lt.J.R.MARRIOTT taken on strength from 12TH,ARMY BRIGADE,A.F.A.	
			1 Other rank taken on strength from Hospital.	
			14 " " rejoining Unit through Base.	
			1 " " evacuated to Hospital.	
			4 N.C.Os.proceeded to DIVL.GAS SCHOOL for course of instruction.	
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L A C R E C H E.	1917.		Weather. Fine, with moderate to strong wind from S.W. to W.	
			All men who, in the course of the previous nine months had not been inoculated with T.A.B. were treated by the R.M.O.	
	NOVR.		Notice of award of MILITARY MEDAL to 1897, Dvr. MARRIOTT, F., 2ND. AUST. D.A.C. was received. The congratulations of the Corps, and Divl Commanders, and those of the C.R.A. were conveyed to the recipient. (APPENDIX No. 6)	
	27TH.		Dripping returns were received showing that the 2ND. AUST. DIVN had sent 9511 lbs to railhead in the course of the previous month.	
			54 drivers, 33 gunners, and 2 fitters transferred to 5TH. F.A.B.	
			50 " 34 " transferred to 4TH. F.A.B.	
			2 N.C.Os per Section were detailed to attend a course of instruction by the Reconnaissance Officer on elementary map reading, compass, and director work, at the 12th. Battery lines.	
			1 Other rank evacuated to Hospital.	
			Instructions issued respecting the clipping of Section mules.	
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	28TH.		Weather. Fine.	
			6 N.C.Os. instructed to proceed to day school at 12th Battery wagon lines for tuition in elementary map reading, compass, and director work by Reconnaissance Officer.	
			Column Canteen established near H.Q. wagon lines. Branch canteens also established at 2nd. SEC., and S.A.A. Section lines.	
			2/Lt. J. ARTHUR taken on strength and posted to 2nd. Sec.	
			" C.F. EKENSTEEN " " " " " 1st. Sec.	
			" A.D. PATTISON " " " " " 2nd. Sec.	
			1 Other rank taken on strength from Base.	
			1 " " " " " " Hospital.	
			1 " " evacuated to hospital.	
			10 " " selected for Divisional Band, and temporarily attached to 2nd. DIVL T.M.	
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C R E C H E.	1917.		Weather. Cloudy and cold. Wind moderate from W.N.W. 18 troopers taken on strength from the 13th.L.H.REGT. All appointed gunners. Their work and bearing favorably reported on by O/C.S.A.A.Section.	
	29TH. NOVR.		14 Gunners proceeded to a course of instruction in Signalling at 2ND.AUST. DIV.H.Q. 2 N.C.Os.transferred to 4th A.F.A.Bde. 2 " " and 2 S/S transferred to 5th.A.F.A.Bde. 1 Other rank taken on strength from Hospital. Facilities granted to personnel to visit BAILLEUL to view and hear a play illustrating the spy danger in Army Areas. Full facilities granted,and every encouragement given to the holding of /Inter-Unit football matches,and other sporting fixtures,in the course of the rest period.	
L A	30TH.		Weather. Dull,with occasional light sprinkles of rain. Cold. Wind fresh from the W. 1 A/N.C.O. temporarily attached to 2ND.DIVL RPT.DEPOT as cyclist guide. 45 Other ranks taken on strength from Base- Nearly all rejoining Unit. 2 " " " " " " " Hospital.	
			HEALTH OF UNIT- The health of the Unit is reported as generally good. Only three cases of Trench Feet developed in the course of the period of active operations-17/7/17-21/11/18- This comparative immunity is attributed to preventive treatment, chiropodist's care,and attention of A.A.M.C.personnel attached to the Staff. STRENGTH- On 31/10/17 the strength of the Unit was as Follows: OFFICERS II O/RANKS 685 Animals-RIDERS 72 MULES 776 Transport-Carts, Maltese 2 " water 3 Wagons, G.S. 70 " " lbd 48 " " " 15 Cycles II	

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	1917			
	NOVR.		<p>STRENGTH. The strength of the Unit on 30/11/17-</p> <p>PERSONNEL- OFFICERS 17. ANIMALS- RIDERS 76 O/RANKS 686. Mules 750</p>	
	30TH.		<p>The transport same as previous month-end with the exception of one G.S.wagon destroyed by shell-fire.</p>	
			<p>CASUALTIES- The casualties for the month of NOVEMBER were:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Killed in action 1 Wounded 14 Evacuated sick 36</p>	
			<p>In the course of the month 7 Officers, and 214 Other Ranks were taken on strength from Base, Hospital, and Reinforcements.</p>	
			<p>CASUALTIES amongst ANIMALS were:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Killed in action 44 Wounded 10 Evactd vet. reasons 21 +44+</p>	
			<hr style="border-top: 3px double #000;"/>	
			<p><i>M. J. Anderson</i> Lieut. Col. <i>Chal</i> Comd. 2nd Aust. D. A. C.</p>	
			<p><i>W. J. ...</i></p>	

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APPENDIX No. I

NOVEMBER, 1917.

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS.

THE 2ND. AUST. DIVL. AMMTN. COLUMN pulled into DICKEBUSCH, on the YPRES front from the SOMME area on Tuesday, July 17th., 1917, and immediately entered upon its regular work. Duties, besides supplying batteries with ammunition, included the establishment and working of dumps, rear and forward; the carriage of T.M. and S.A. ammunition; delivery of R.E. material at gunpits and Infantry positions; improvement of horse-standings in Brigade and Section wagon lines; and the performance of the many arduous, and often very difficult tasks now included in the regular routine of the Formation.

Parties were sent forward to excavate advanced gun-pits and dugouts, and construct roads. In addition to keeping these parties supplied with rations and material, much salvage work in the Forward Area was effected.

Ammunition was conveyed to battery positions under great difficulties of weather, roads, and enemy shellfire- the latter ranging from desultory action to barrage intensity. Never once was there a failure in these services. When stress of conditions became too severe for wagon delivery pack mule trains were employed.

In the course of the more active operations the 2nd. AUST. D.A.C. supplied drivers and teams for drawing guns up to more advanced positions, and sent personnel to assist in man-handling guns to places where they could be more readily picked up by battery limbers.

On 10/9/17 the Column moved from DICKEBUSCH to wagon lines near BUSSEBOOM within the same Area.

For greater convenience in packing ammunition to batteries a party of 237 other ranks under the command of Capt. LEWIS and Lieut. SHERRINGTON, together with 426 mules and horses went forward and established advanced lines at LILLE GATE on 19/10/17. The command of this party was later handed over to Lt. W.B. McDONALD.

The obstacles in the way of timely delivery of ammunition were always many and often formidable, but were invariably overcome. To the good judgment, resource, initiative, discretion, and general intelligence of personnel is attributed the comparatively short casualty list. ~~Special mention is made of the Column, under the newer conditions of warfare, has not become, practically, a combat unit.~~

Anything in the nature of a drivers' "parade" at the gunpits was discountenanced, and the carriage of ammunition forward was effected by single units or small numbers, the return being made independently, and, where the nature of country and roads allowed, by various routes.

The good work of the D.A.C. personnel in the forward area, generally, throughout the whole period of sustained strain was noted and commented upon by authorities of other Formations.

In the course of the operations very briefly summarised, the 2ND. AUST. D.A.C. sustained casualties as follows:

Killed 6
Wounded, (inc. gassed & injured) 40
Evactd Sick 141.

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APPENDIX No. 2

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COMMUNICATION FROM GENERAL PLUMER, G.O.C., 2ND.
 ARMY TO G.O.C.R.A. 2ND. ARMY, 14/11/17.

" I should be glad if you would express to all Brigades, Groups, and Batteries of Artillery who have served in the 2ND. ARMY throughout the offensive operations of this Summer and Autumn my appreciation of the splendid work they have done. I fully realise how arduous this work has been. I know they have suffered heavy losses, and have had to remain in action under the most trying circumstances for very long periods. They have never flinched or abated their efforts for a moment; but have steadily continued to overcome all difficulties, and, as a result, they have contributed very materially to the success achieved. "

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COMMUNICATION FROM G.O.C.R.A., 1ST.
 ANZAC CORPS, published 14/11/17.

" It affords the G.O.C.R.A. the greatest satisfaction to communicate to the Royal Artillery, who have served in the 2ND. ARMY during the Summer and Autumn operations, the Army Commander's appreciation of the splendid work they have performed. The G.O.C.R.A. is very proud of being associated with the gunners who have so worthily upheld the traditions of the Royal Regiment.

Please send a copy of the ARMY Commander's memo to every Brigade, Group, and Battery which has taken part in the operations, and is now serving in your Corps."

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APPENDIX No. 3

COPIES OF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN G.O.C.R.A.
CANADIAN CORPS AND THE G.O.C.R.A. IST. ANZAC CORPS RELATIVE
-ATIVE TO CO-OPERATION OF CORPS ON THE PASSCHENDALE SECTOR

(1)

My dear General,

On leaving PASSCHENDALE front, allow me to thank you and your Gunners for the splendid assistance you afforded the CANADIAN Corps Artillery during the operations against the Passchendale Ridge. I desire to particularly express our appreciation of the valuable help afforded by your Counter Battery people in dealing with the enemy batteries which from time to time brought flanking fire to bear on our Area.

It is not the first time that we have enjoyed the co-operation of our comrades from overseas, and we have always found you most obliging and dependable neighbours in the fighting line.

With best wishes,
Yours Sincerely,
(SGD.) E.W.B. MORRISON, Brig-Gen.
G.O.C.R.A. Canadian Corps.

(2)

20th. Nov. 1917.

Dear General,

So very many thanks for your kind letter expressing your appreciation of the work done by the IST. ANZAC Artillery in support of the operations carried out against the PASSCHENDALE RIDGE by your gallant fellows.

I am the expression of your gratitude to the Divisional Artillery under my command, and also to those Heavy Artillery batteries which I am sorry to have had to leave behind in the old Sector.

I trust that in future we may again find ourselves neighbours in the fighting line when we will be able to renew the good feeling of comradeship that existed between our two Corps during our short but successful co-operation under the PASSCHENDALE RIDGE.

With very best wishes,
Yours,
(Sgd.) W.A. COXON, Brig-Genl.
G.O.C.R.A., Ist. ANZAC.

Brig-Genl. E.W.B. MORRISON, C.M.G.;, D.S.O.,
G.O.C.R.A. CANADIAN CORPS.

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APPENDIX No. 1

Message from General W.R. BIRDWOOD.

Now that our Corps is being withdrawn from that part of the Front in which we have seen so much hard fighting during the last two months, I wish to convey to all ranks my very heartiest congratulations upon the really good work which has been put in; and officers and men for the magnificent and self sacrifice which have been shown by all. All I think, must realise that the fighting we have been through has been of an entirely satisfactory nature, in that we have been able to attain our objectives in every one of the many attacks which we have put in; and that without a single hitch of any sort. The ARMY Commander has testified to this after each attack made, and we know with what appreciation the Commander-in-Chief wired to Australia regarding the results of the fighting done by her troops.

In a great deal of our previous fighting the brunt has fallen to a large extent on the Infantry. In all these recent attacks the infantry

have again naturally come in for the giants share of the fighting, but they will, I know, be the first to acknowledge how their success has so much depended upon the magnificent ^{work} done by the Artillery. Their comrades in the Artillery, too, have not been able to obtain the same long spell as the Infantry have had, and, I am sure, the whole Infantry will wish to join in unstinted praise and feelings of gratitude for the unflinching and devoted work of all the Artillery day and night without respite. They have been subjected to continuous heavy shelling, while gas-shells were poured over them for hours without cessation. During the whole of this time we have all realised what it has meant to them, and we know that nothing has deterred them from sacrificing themselves for the benefit of the Infantry. Not only to the gunners but to the drivers also we owe our gratitude. With them, too, I would associate the Engineers, Pioneers, Medical Services, and Army Service Corps, who vied with each other in striving to ensure every thing possible being done which would conduce to victory, and the well-being of officers and men throughout the Corps. All alike have taken their share in casualties, but, much as we regret the fallen we realise that they have given their lives to ensure victory.

I am sure that whatever fighting may yet be before us, the A.I.F. will on all occasions fight just as well as it has done in the past. But the successful fighting of the last two months through GLENCORSE and POLYGON WOODS, terminating in the capture of the BROADSEINDE RIDGE will be difficult to beat; and I would again express my most grateful thanks to all who have taken part in it.

(Sgd.) W.R. BIRDWOOD.

W.R. Birdwood
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2nd AUST. DIVL. AMM. COLUMN.

NOTE- The 2ND. AUST. DIVL. AMMTN. COLUMN played a vitally important part in the Artillery and other operations referred to by General BIRDWOOD. Never once did the delivery of ammunition fail, and this against almost insuperable difficulties caused by hostile artillery, enemy aerial activity, and vile weather conditions. The D.A.C. drivers proved equal to every call, and were never once beaten by adversity in any guise.

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APPENDIX NO. 5

DETAILS OF RE-ORGANISATION.

The 2ND.AUST.DIV.AMMTN COLUMN was re-organised on 23/11/17. on the basis of the new War Establishment August 4th., 1917. (W.O. Leaflet no.642, Part VIIA.(S.D.2), 4/8/17.) as follows:-

Detail.	Personnel					Horses		Rmks.			
	Officers.	W. O.A.	Staff Sgts. & Sgts.	Artificers.	Rank and File.	TOTAL.	Riding.	Drayht.	TOTAL DRAYHT	TOTAL CYCLES	
H.Q.(excl'dg att.)	2	1	2		30	35	7	32	39	2	(a) 15 N.C.O
H.Q. (att)	1		3		3	7	4		4	-	& men are tr-
Nos. I & 2 Sec.	8	2	10	22	370	412	42	456	498	6	ained signal
S.A.A. Sec.	4	1	5	9	147	166	20	176	196	3	lers, 3 of whom
Total Col (exc. atthd.)	14	4	17	31	547	613	69	664	735	11	mtd. bdrs., and
Total Col. (inc. attached) (a)	15	4	20	31	550	620	73	664	737	11	1 N.C.O. and 6
											men are train-
											ed in Sanita-
											ry duties.

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APPENDIX No. 6HONOURS AND AWARDS.

Following are particulars of distinctions earned in the Field by members of the 2ND.AUST.DIVL. AMMUNITION COLUMN in the course of the operations of the 2ND.AUST.DIV. ARTILLERY in the months of ^{October} November 1917:

Recommended for Immediate Reward:-

1. 10220 Dvr. SHANKS, A.F.

On 11/10/17 whilst returning from delivering ammunition to batteries near ZONNEBEKE, in the YPRES Forward Area, the party to which Dvr SHANKS was attached was shelled by the enemy, two of his comrades being mortally wounded. SHANKS immediately went to their assistance, and while attending to them, was severely wounded himself.

2. 11485 Dvr. HOLT, H.

On 29/10/17 Dvr. HOLT delivered ammunition to a battery in the vicinity of ZONNEBEKE, in the YPRES FORWARD AREA, under heavy enemy shell fire, and in doing so was severely wounded.

3. 11541 Dvr. SANDERSON, A.

On 11/10/17 while returning from delivering ammunition to the batteries near ZONNEBEKE, in the Ypres Forward Area, his party was shelled by the enemy wounding mortally two of his comrades. In face of a continuance of the heavy shelling SANDERSON returned to assist the wounded men. On three previous occasions he has, at great personal risk, rendered valuable aid to wounded men.

4. 12453 Cpl. BEST, R.S.

Whilst acting as N.C.O. in charge of INFERNO DUMP, between the BIRR CROSS ROADS and MENIN GATE, YPRES, on three separate occasions, viz: 5/10/17, 11/10/17, and 16/10/17, when enemy shells fell in the Dump Area, his coolness in assisting to control the men was of the greatest value.


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- 4., 5. I0462 Dvr. ROBINSON, J. and I1865 Dvr. LEESON, H. J.

On 20/10/17 these men delivered ammunition to batteries in the vicinity of ZONNEBEKE under heavy fire from enemy guns.

6. I897 Dvr. MARRIOTT, F.

On 2/11/17 west of ZONNEBEKE, in the YPRES Forward Area, he advanced under heavy shell fire leading two pack mules laden with ammunition. Both MARRIOTT and his mules were wounded, but, despite his suffering and that of the animals, together with additional difficulties of his journey, he went on to the battery and delivered his ammunition before reporting to the Dressing Station where he was evacuated.

All these men, together with their fellow drivers in the 2ND. AUST. D.A.C., did especially meritorious work in delivering ammunition to the batteries in face of the extremely difficult conditions that prevailed during the recent operations on the YPRES FRONT. At no time was there a shortage of ammunition in the gun pits and the D.A.C. drivers vied with one another in getting their ammunition through to the guns in face of every difficulty of enemy shelling, roads, and weather.

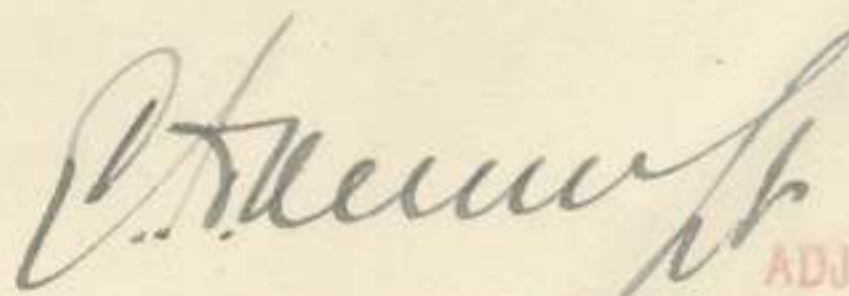
The Corps Commander subsequently awarded the MILITARY MEDAL to the other ranks named as follows:-

(2ND. D.A.C.C.R.O. No. 541 of 17/11/17.)

I2453 Cpl. BEST, R.S.
 I1485 Dvr. HOLT, H.
 I0220 " SHANKS, E.A.
 I1541 " SANDERSON, A.
 I0462 " ROBINSON, J. & W.
 I1865 " LEESON, H. J.

I897 Dvr. MARRIOTT, F. (2ND. D.A.C.C.R.O. No. 549, 27/11/17.)

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 2nd AUST. DIVL. AMM. COLUMN.

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APPENDIX NO. 7TAYLOR'S DUMP.

Ammunition return from 12/II/I7, to 1 p.m. 21/II/I7.

	A	AX	BX	BXchges	BSMOKE	BSCHGES	FZ.C.
ON hand 12/II/I7	11860	10346	5062	3522	420	420	1165
A.R.O. Pacific. 17/II/I7 1st A.A.S.P.				3000			
	11860	10346	5062	8532	420	420	1165
Check shortage-		42	427	-	22	22	-
Extra chgs 16/II/I7				3164			
Total	11860	10304	4635	11696	398	398	1165
Issues	1042	402	-	-	-	-	-
On hand	10818	9902	4635	11696	398	398	1165

(Sgd.) E.T. HEARNE Lt.

O/C Taylor's
Dump.APPENDIX NO.TAYLOR'S FORWARD DUMP.

Ammunition Return ending 1 p.m. 12/II/I7 to 21/II/I7

	A	AX	BX	B _x CHGES
On hand-	6000	2300	3060	500
Issues-	1700	2005	1056	440
ON hand-	4300	205	2004	50

(Sgd.) E.T. HEARNE Lt.

O/C TAYLOR'S
Dump.

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TAYLOR'S FORWARD DUMP.

Ammunition issues ending Ip.m. from 12/11/17 to 21/11/17.

Date	Battery	A.	AX	BX	BX Chges.
(a) 12/11/17	13th.	2000	300	60	-
13/11/17		192	-	-	-
(") 14/11/17			1500		200
(b) 16/11/17			205	996	240
		2192	2005	1056	440
16/11/17 Salvaged-		492			
		1700	2005	1056	440
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(a) Destroyed by shell-fire.
(b) Shortage found when checking.

(SGD) E.T. HEARNE, Lt.
O/C. TAYLOR'S DUMP.

APPENDIX No.

TAYLOR'S FORWARD DUMP.

Statement of ammunition handed over to 113th. Bde. on 21/11/17.

A	AX	BX	BXCGS	BSKE	CHGS	Fuze covers.
15118	10107	6634	11756	398	398	1165

(Sgd.) E.T. HEARNE, Lt.
O/C. Taylor's Dump.

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APPENDIX.

2ND. AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN.

COPY OF PARA 2 OF COLUMN ROUTINE ORDER No. 547

Of 25-II-17.

ANIMALS. 2. The following letter from the SECOND ARMY is published for information and guidance:

1. The majority of horses for the British Army are now purchased in America.
2. It is probable that the source of supply will be closed in the near future, with the result that the replacement of horses will become very difficult indeed.
3. Please take steps to ensure increased care of horses, as economy in horse flesh is now even more necessary than it has been in the past.

(Sgd.) G.H. Nunn, Lieut.

Adj't. 2ND. AUST. D.A.C.