

**AWM4**

**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,  
1914-18 War**

Supplies & Transport

**Item number: 25/38/18**

**Title: 1st Australian Field Bakery**

March 1919



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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ansd. Field	2/16/19		Capt E Isaacson Reported for duty on return from 75 days leave in United Kingdom	
	2/17/19		From today issues of bread bank will be made on three days per week on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays. This in order to relieve clerical work at Detail issue stores	
Bakeries North Bakeries Rouen	2/18/19		At 11 am inspect the German POW Baker who are detailed for Bakery work at Rouen. Work is to be started at Bakeries South on Sunday 9th. Quarts to be supplied from Infantry details attached Bakeries.	
	2/19/19		The light week course in Bakery Instruction Educational completed today. 4 Educational details, less 27 O.R. returned to units this afternoon. The 27 O.R. are remaining to continue their instruction in hand Bakery at South Camp.	
	10/13/19		The German POWs turned out. Their first bread 5 day with satisfactory results. The method of employing them is.	JPR



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Aust	9/3/19		<p>Total 1 Sgt. 5 Corp. 150 men. Divided into 5 working parties of 130 strong under 1 NCO. Each party to have separate Hob for mixing &amp;c 24 x 1 sack dough troughs to Perkin field ovens &amp; all necessary equipment. The Sgt will carry out the duties of assistant master Baker. All ranks are trained Bakers. Australian methods of working will be carried out. Today some difficulty has been experienced with the heating of the oven. Mixing of the dough &amp;c many of the Germans have learned only German methods of Baking &amp; cannot do our kind of moulding &amp;c, but I do not anticipate any great difficulty in this direction. Generally speaking today's results have been good.</p>	
Bakeries Boven		3pm	<p>The last Batch of Bread has been baked at Bakeries. Now the Bakery has been closed &amp; already the R.E. are busy at work dismantling the Bakery machinery which will be sent to Cologne</p>	JR



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*Just*

*Australian  
Bakeries  
Bakeries  
Bakeries*

Place Date Hour

*11/3/19*

The last bread issue from Bakeries North has been made today & from tomorrow German made bread will be supplied to local issue Bakers & Pans from Bakeries South.

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Australian Bakeries Under Capt E Isaachsen plus the balance of 1st Aust Bakery personnel (disbanded) & attached to Depot reinforcements, will hold down the work at Bakeries South. The Bakery Section at St

German Am Mont d'Or will still continue to carry on, but later on the personnel will be relieved & replaced with 1917-18 personnel from disbanded Bakeries (1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Aust Bakeries)

*12/3/19  
14/3/19*

37 O.R. quota 15 marched out of Camp for Havre at 0900 hrs one Divider & mounded set machinery dispatched to

Cologne this morning

*15/3/19*

17 O.R. Infantry details marched out for Havre at 1430 hrs to 2 Compound Camp handed over to G.P.M. & C.P.E. at 1000 hrs



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Bakeries Barracks	20/3/19	09.00	55 OR Infantry details attached Bakery marched out of Camp for Infantry Base Depot Havre.	
		15.00	Camp & Hangars. Bakers work handed over to G.P.M. & R.F. only maintenance party Australian to remain at Bakery North until the final removal of P. & fittings.	
	21/3/19		Capt. E. Isaacson assumes command of Aust. Field Bakeries, however; vice Major J. Prior, who proceeded on leave this day.	
	24/3/19		Three other ranks, Educational Details, marched out to repair units on completion of course. Four German Bakers placed under arrest for stealing flour.	
	31/3/19		Total quantity of bread baked during month. 1301654 lbs. Total " " " " Issued " " " " 1298710 lbs.	
			Average daily strength of units { 4 Bakeries 35.7 5 Depot kitchens 13 148.3	



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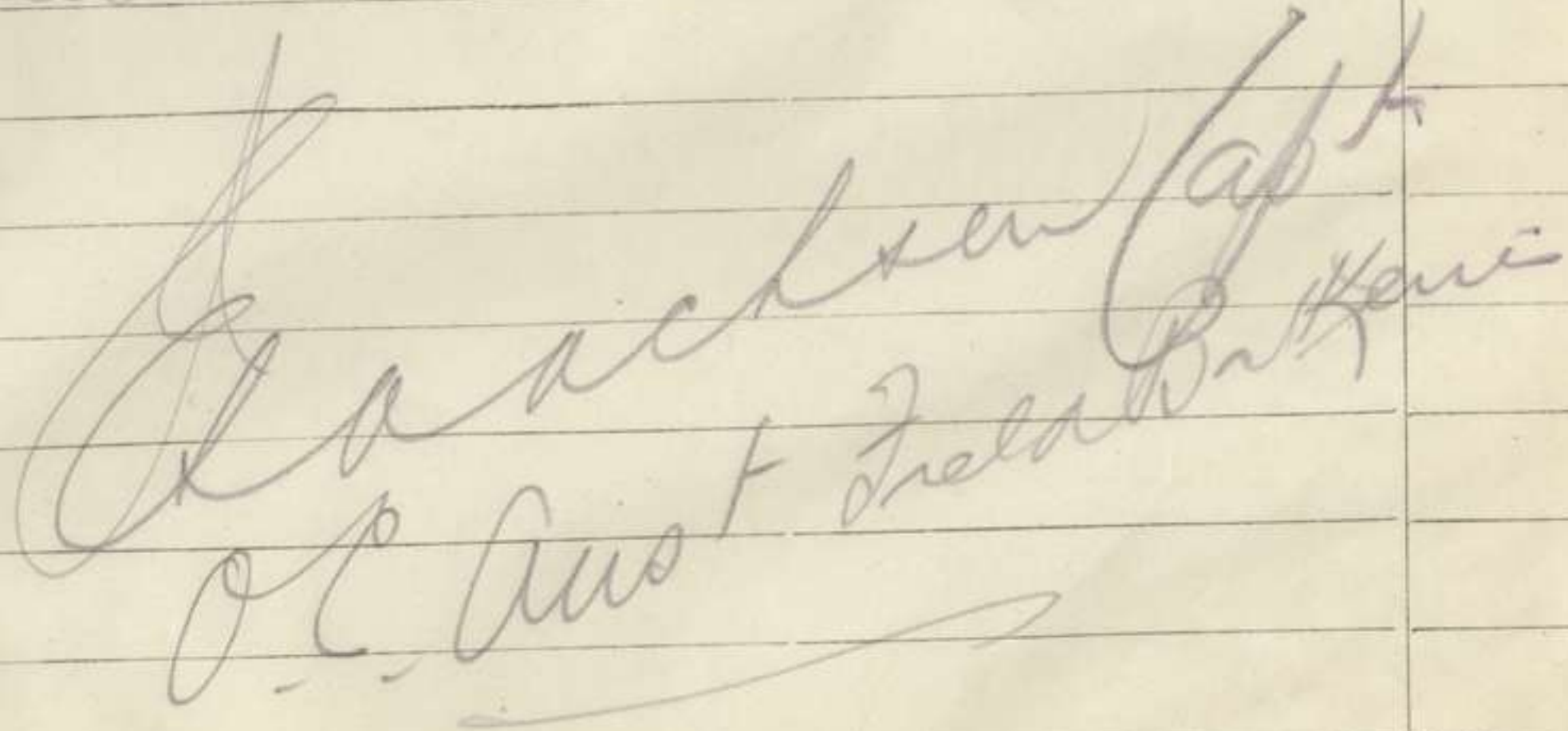
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Australian Bakeries Tacen	31	3.19	<p>Summary (Cont<sup>d</sup>)</p> <p>Great difficulty was experienced in the training of the German Bakers into Australian methods and field work.</p> <p>It was found necessary to search the prisoners on leaving the camp on completion of duty owing to a large number of them stealing and concealing bread on their person.</p> <p>The education course was continued with good results.</p>	
			<p style="text-align: right;">                       J. P. Andersen Capt                      O.C. Aust Field Bkery                 </p>	



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## WAR DIARY

OF

*Aust Bakeries Rouen*

FOR

*March**1919.*

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*A**Monthly Summary of  
Strength.**Arrivals & departure**Hospital**Offences &c**Monthly outputs of bread  
Average daily Issue -**B.**Rough plan of  
Field Bakeries, South Rouen.**Copy*



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AUSTRALIAN FIELD BAKERIES (NORTH).  
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SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY 1919.

UNIT.	Average Daily Strength of Unit.	Cases of sickness during month.	To Hospital.	Excused duty	Light duty.	Med. and duty.	Offences during Month.	Admonitions.	Reprimands.	Deprivations of pay	Awarded F.P.	ARRIVALS FROM HOSPITAL	" Leave	" Reinforcements	" F.P.	DEPARTURES TO HOSPITAL.	To Leave	Transferred.	Demobilization TO AUSTRALIAN	REMARKS.
1st A.F.Bky.	50.5	10	3	4	1	2	1	-	-	#	-	-	4	1	-	3	3	1	29	Demobilised 28/2/19
5th A.F.Bky.	32.2	15	1	7	-	4	2	-	-	2	2	1	7	1	-	1	1	-	53	
4th A.F. Bky	51	14	5	8	2	5	2	-	-	2	1	1	3	1	1	5	2	-	31	
Ed Details.	90.1	58	7	26	4	27	7	-	-	7	-	-	1	-	-	7	3	14	-	
Depot Reinfo.	181.2	103	15	30	14	35	5	-	-	5	2	19	-	-	1	15	-	39	7	
2nd A.D.U.S.	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	Demobilised 28/2/19
22nd A.D.U.S.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	Demobilised. 28/2/19
TOTALS	409	200	31	75	21	73	17	-	-	17	5	21	15	3	2	31	9	53	137*	Marched out for inclusion Quota 9 to Australia, 5/2/19.

Out-put of bread during month == 1,283,833.lbs.

Average daily issues == 45,323 "

ROUEN.

13/3/19

Major. A.A.S.C.

O.C. BAKERIES.



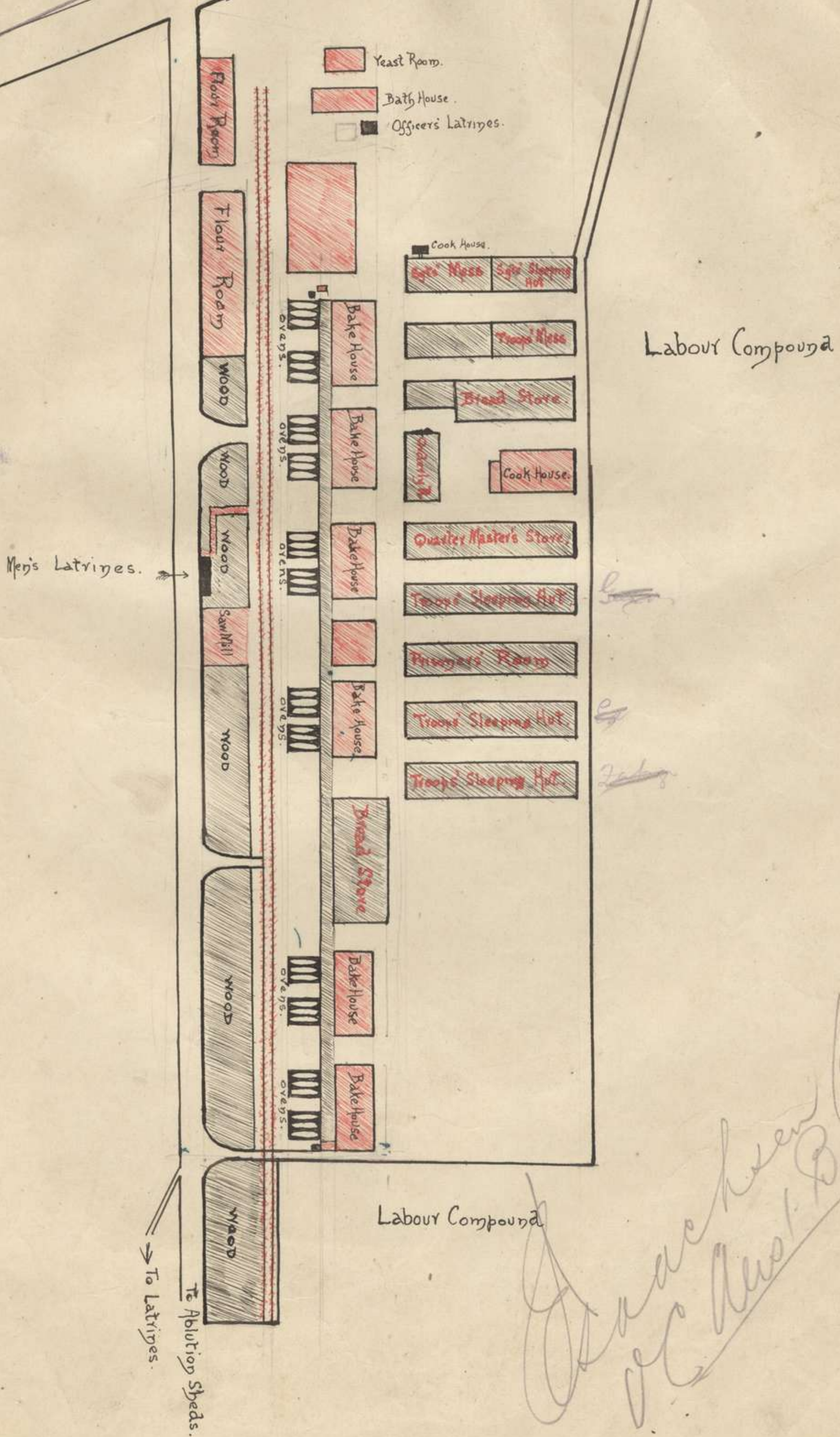
# Rough Plan of Field Bakeries South

Not drawn to scale.

Rover

-10-3-19-

B.



*Each mess tent  
OC Aust. Bakery*