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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION,

Headquarters,
7th October, 1918.

PRELIMINARY MOVE INSTRUCTIONS.

1. The Division (less Artillery) will move into the forward area by train and bus commencing on the 8th instant.
2. The entraining stations will be SALEUX, AILLY-SUR-SOMME and HANGEST, and the first trains will leave these stations at 09.35, 10.47, and 11.27 hours on the 8th respectively.
3. Marches from the various stations will be at four hour intervals.
4. For the purpose of this move Groups will be composed as follows : -

(a) Brigade Groups,

* A¹ Bde. Group,

Commander, Brig.-Gen. S. H. HERRING, D.S.O.

13th A.I.Bde.

13th A.M.G. Coy.

13th A.Bld. Coy.

13th A.Fld. Ambulance.

27th A.S.C. Company.

* B² Bde. Group,

Commander, Brig.-Gen. R. L. LEAUE, C.H.G., D.S.O., M.C.

12th A.I.Bde.

12th A.M.G. Coy.

12th A.Fld. Coy.

12th A.Fld. Ambulance.

26th A.S.C. Company.

P.T.O.

4th Aust. Div. Inf. Bde.
4th Aust. Div. Art. Bde.
4th Aust. Div. Eng. Bde.
4th Aust. Div. Pioneers
4th Aust. Div. Sig. Coy.
4th Aust. Div. Train.
S. S. O.

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"O" Bde. Group.

Commander. Brig.-Gen. E. DRAKE-BROCKMAN, C.M.G., D.S.O.

4th A.I. Bde.

4th A.I.G. Coy. MALLARUA MELBOURNE

4th A.Fld. Coy.

4th A.Fld. Ambulance.

7th A.S.C. Company.

(b) Divisional Troops Group.

4th Divisional Headquarters.

H.Q. 4th M.G. Battalion.

H.Q. 4th Aust. Div'l. Engineers.

H.Q. 4th Aust. Div'l. Train.

34th A.I.M.G. Coy. TENDMAH

4th Aust. Pioneer Bn. TENDMAH

4th Aust. Mob. Vet. Section.

4th Aust. Div. Sanitary Sec.

4th Aust. Div. Salvage Coy.

5. Each Group will entrain simultaneously at the three entraining stations in order as far as possible to synchronize its arrival complete at detraining stations.

The entrainment and detrainment, and embussing and debussing, of Brigade Groups will be superintended by Brigade Group Commanders. That of troops of the Divisional Troops Group will be superintended by the senior officer travelling in the respective trains.

Troops will arrive at the station 3 hours before the time laid down for entrainment.

6. Detraining stations will be at TINOOURT, ROISEL, and EPERY. Movements of dismounted personnel forward of these points will probably be by bus, transport moving by road.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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1/6/18. *W. J. Kavarack*
Lieut-Colonel,
General Staff.
4th Australian Division.



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4th Aust. Div. Artillery.

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4th Aust. Pioneer Bn.

4th Aust. Div. Sig. Coy.

4th Aust. Div. Train.

S. S. O.

A. D. M. S.

4th Aust. H. T. Coy.

4th Aust. Mob. Vet Sec.

4th Aust. Div. Salvage Coy.

4th Aust. Div. Reinforcement Wing.

D. A. D. O. S.

D. A. P. M.

D. A. D. V. S.

R. T. O. - ALLY-sur-SOMME.

Australian Corps.

'Q',
Camp Commandant.

(5).



Fourth Army No. G.S. 2/23.

Australian Corps.

Since the Australian Corps joined the Fourth Army on the 8th April, 1918, they have passed through a period of hard and uniformly successful fighting of which all ranks have every right to feel proud.

Now that it has been possible to give the Australian Corps a well-earned period of rest I wish to express to them my gratitude for all that they have done. I have watched with the greatest interest and admiration the various stages through which they have passed from the hard times of FLERS and POZIERES to their culminating victories at MONT ST. QUENTIN and the great Hindenburg System at BONY, BELLIQUORT Tunnel and MONTBREHAIN.

During the Summer of 1918 the safety of AMIENS has been principally due to their determination, tenacity and valour.

The story of what they have accomplished as a fighting Army Corps, of the diligence, gallantry and skill which they have exhibited, and of the scientific methods which they have so thoroughly learned and so successfully applied, has gained for all Australians a place of honour amongst nations and amongst the English speaking races in particular.

It has been my privilege to lead the Australian Corps in the Fourth Army during the decisive battles since August 8th which bid fair to bring the war to a successful conclusion at no distant date.

No one realises more than I do the very prominent part that they have played, for I have watched from day to day every detail of their fighting, and learned to value beyond measure the prowess and determination of all ranks.

In once more congratulating the Corps on a series of successes unsurpassed in this great war I feel that no mere words of mine can adequately express the renown that they have won for themselves and the position they have established for the Australian nation not only in France but throughout the world.

I wish every officer, N.C.O., and man all possible good fortune in the future and a speedy and safe return to their beloved Australia.

(Signed) H. S. RAWLINSON,

General,
Commanding Fourth Army.

H.Q. Fourth Army,
14th October 1918.

