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BUS les ARTOIS J27 shut 57	May 1918		<p>During the month the following Guns, Howitzers, Carriages field, Trench Mortars &amp; Machine Guns were demanded for various reasons:-</p> <p><u>Ord Q F 18 pdrs - 3</u> To replace 3 condemned by I.O. No. for scoring.</p> <p><u>Ord Q F 4.5" Howrs 1</u> To replace 1 condemned by I.O. No. for wear</p> <p><u>Carriages field 18 pdr. 4.</u> To replace 4 condemned by I.O. No. for wear</p> <p><u>Carriages field 4.5" Howr. 1</u> To replace 1 destroyed by Hostile fire</p> <p><u>6" Newton Trench Mortar 1.</u> To replace 1 destroyed by Hostile fire</p> <p><u>3" Stokes Trench Mortar 6</u> To replace 2 destroyed by Hostile fire and four condemned for wear</p> <p><u>Vickers Machine Guns 303" 8</u> Two were to replace Hostile fire &amp; 6 condemned by Armourers as past repairs.</p>	



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	May 1918		<p><u>Guns Lewis 303" 50.</u> Forty-eight were issued as a first supply to bring Battns up to 24 per Battery, exclusive of guns on charge for anti aircraft defence.</p> <p>The N 7 Entrenching Group were moved from Ordnance 22nd Corps Troops to this formation for administration in Ordnance services on 17th May, but were 3 days later moved to O O IV Corps Troops under instructions from 4th Corps.</p> <p>On 22nd May the 2nd N 7 Army Field Artillery Bde were moved from Ordnance IV Corps Troops to be Ordnanced by this Dept, but on 25th May 3rd Army ordered them to be moved back as the movement was contrary to GPO 3783.</p> <p>Our months work as a whole was of a routine nature. Some difficulty was experienced in keeping the tanks going once or twice owing to the water supply.</p>	



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	Nov 1918		<p>giving out when the pumping plant broke down. Water carts were borrowed from neighbouring units and the water was carted &amp; the bathing kept going in this fashion.</p> <p>We were much hampered for clean underclothing due to the irregularity of the railways. Trucks were often as long as 6-7 days on rail coming the short distance from Abbeville.</p> <p>A small sock washing depot was established with 16 men. This was found essential so that the soldier in the front line could get a clean change daily. Socks torn or found with holes were returned to the Laundry as the darning could not be coped with. In fine weather the drying was done outside but when wet the socks were hung on wires from the ceiling of a room and dried by means of coke braziers. The men did excellent work and coped with 4 to 5 thousand p's daily and kept up an adequate supply.</p>	



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	May 1918		<p>Ordinance stores arriving from Base were often very much behind time-table &amp; two or three bulk demands would arrive together. The irregularity was evidently on account of shortage in railway rolling stock.</p> <p>There was not anything particular to note in the work carried out by Salvage Coy except the recovery of 2000 lbs of solder from bulleye beef tins.</p> <p>The Divisional Armourer's shop repaired and overhauled 14 Guns Vickers, 7 Guns Lewis, 1 Gun Hotchkiss and 335 rifles in addition to general repairs to bicycles etc.</p> <p>45,425 men passed through Du Baths during the month.</p>	

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