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June 1-6
In addition to Ordinary Routine the issue of Special Stores required for active operations was completed. These included 13 Cent. Water tanks and necessary harness. 300 sets Packhorses. 5,000 Breathers were. 3,000 Canteens were. 1,400 Stoves. Trenching, 3,420 Grenade Carriers. Emergency pattern Ammunition. Carreirs for 18 hrs. 4-5 days. 8 170 how. gun perfectly to all Batteries. Tarps. and carriers for Lewis M. F. Magazines.

In reference to the making of Vicker packs in the Division it is observed that much economy would have resulted had these been made under one command and completed in numbers to suit the supply of raw material as it became available. These remarks apply also to the making of extra carriers for C.M.G. Magazines undertaken by Battalions.
During offensive operations salvage work was carried out under directions of Ordnance, and very large quantities of personal & technical equipment were brought in without delay. Ammunition, tents, collected. Close on 300 serviceable rifles alone were cleaned, oil ed & tied into bundles, despatched to Base. Lewis flickers, guns, magazines, 3 inch heats, enemy machine guns & mortars were salvaged also.

21 Lewis machine guns and 7 Vickers machine guns were replaced by new guns and at all times well within 24 hours from time of advice being received here of Ordinance or certificate loss from shell fire. In this connection the working of the Army Gun Park was found most expedient.

21 18 Pdr. guns and 10 carriages, 1.45 inch howitzers & Carriage, 1 3 inch Stokes & 2 howitzer trench howitzers were also demanded for various reasons in replacement of others, t in one case only was of these items - an
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<td>18/12 Carriage demanded without a certificate of condemnation by an I.O.M. This was reported completely destroyed by hostile shell fire. Confirmation not being received within two days messages to confirm were answered to the effect that carriage in question had been found to be serviceable after being dug out. This again emphasizes the fact of the necessity of I.O.M. reports in cases of this kind.</td>
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On the 22nd June the 34th, 93rd & 2nd Bns. of Army Field Artillery were moved to this formation for Ordnance Services, making in all five Army F.A. Bns. & one odd Battery in addition to our own two Bns., to administer. It is very much to be noted that all Army F.A. Bns. are very extravagant in their demands on Ordnance, & the appointment of an Ordnance Representative attached to each Brigade would undoubtedly result in great economy.
The following enemy stores were handed in to Q.M. here by units of this division as a result of offensive operations and delivered to H.Q. of II Corps on 19th June:

- 3 Field guns (77 mm)
- 23 Machine guns and 8 trench mountings
- 6 so-called new light patterns
- 1 80 mm gun (French)
- 10 Trench mortars of various calibre
- 3 Rocket mortars
- 3 Mannlufters

To the Base was despatched 3 boxes armour piercing rifle ammunition, 1 box of iron cased, 5 boxes of ordinary, 2 cases mortar shells and approx. 40 boxes belt ammunition with belts.