

The issuing and accounting for supplies was undertaken by the Army Service Corps, and the result, compared with previous years, shows a great improvement.

The number of tenders received was not up to the average of previous years. The contracts were well executed and the quality of the supplies was good.

65. CANTEENS.

The dry canteens in the annual Territorial training-camps were arranged regimentally, and it is gratifying to note that no complaints were received.

The canteens, barbers' shops, and restaurant at Featherston, Tauherenikau, and Papawai Camps were, from the 15th November, 1917, taken over by the Department, and are being carried on as a camp canteen controlled by a Camp Canteen Committee. Goods are obtained in conjunction with the Munitions and Supplies Department. Up to the present the results have been most satisfactory.

At Trentham the old method of letting by contract continues, but the question of carrying on the canteen under camp management is being considered.

66. RATIONS AND FORAGE.

The scales of rations now in force in New Zealand are as follows :—

Items.	Reinforcements, Mobilized Troops, First-class Prisoners of War.	Maoris and Islander Reinforcements.	Territorial Camps.
Bread <i>or</i> .. .. .	1½ lb. .. .. .	1½ lb. .. .. .	1½ lb.
Biscuits <i>or</i> .. .. .	1 lb. .. .. .	1 lb. .. .. .	1 lb.
Flour .. .. .	1 lb. .. .. .	1 lb. .. .. .	1 lb.
Fresh meat <i>or</i> .. .. .	1½ lb. .. .. .	1½ lb. .. .. .	1½ lb.
Preserved meat <i>or</i> .. .. .	1 lb. .. .. .	1 lb. .. .. .	1 lb.
Fish .. .. .	.. .. .	2 lb. .. .. .	..
Sausages .. .. .	8 oz.* .. .. .	8 oz.* .. .. .	..
Bacon .. .. .	5 oz.† .. .. .	5 oz.† .. .. .	..
Cheese .. .. .	2 oz. .. .. .	2 oz. .. .. .	2 oz.
Coffee .. .. .	½ oz. .. .. .	½ oz. .. .. .	½ oz.
Jam .. .. .	4 oz. .. .. .	4 oz. .. .. .	4 oz.
Fresh milk <i>or</i> .. .. .	½ pint .. .. .	½ pint .. .. .	½ pint.
Condensed milk .. .. .	⅛ tin .. .. .	⅛ tin .. .. .	⅛ tin.
Flour .. .. .	1½ oz. .. .. .	1½ oz. .. .. .	1 oz.
Baking-powder .. .. .	3 lb. each 100 lb. flour issued	3 lb. each 100 lb. flour issued	3 lb. each 100 lb. flour issued.
Oatmeal .. .. .	1 oz. .. .. .	1 oz. .. .. .	2 oz.
Onions .. .. .	4 oz. .. .. .	4 oz. .. .. .	2 oz.
Fresh vegetables .. .. .	8 oz. .. .. .	8 oz. .. .. .	..
Potatoes .. .. .	¾ lb. (new) .. .. .	1¼ lb. .. .. .	¾ lb. (new).
" .. .. .	1 lb. (old) .. .. .	.. .. .	1 lb. (old).
Salt .. .. .	½ oz. .. .. .	½ oz. .. .. .	½ oz.
Sugar .. .. .	4 oz. .. .. .	5 oz. .. .. .	4 oz.
Tea .. .. .	¾ oz. .. .. .	¾ oz. .. .. .	¾ oz.
Butter .. .. .	4 oz. .. .. .	3 oz. .. .. .	4 oz.
Pepper .. .. .	⅓ oz. .. .. .	⅓ oz. .. .. .	⅓ oz.
Dried fruit† .. .. .	⅔ oz. .. .. .	⅔ oz. .. .. .	..
Rice .. .. .	⅔ oz. .. .. .	⅔ oz. .. .. .	..
Currants .. .. .	⅔ oz. .. .. .	⅔ oz. .. .. .	..
Tapioca .. .. .	⅔ oz. .. .. .	⅔ oz. .. .. .	..
Sago .. .. .	⅔ oz. .. .. .	⅔ oz. .. .. .	..
Curry-powder .. .. .	⅓ oz. .. .. .	⅓ oz. .. .. .	..
Treacle .. .. .	1 oz. weekly, in lieu jam	1 oz. weekly, in lieu jam	..

\* Twice weekly in lieu of equivalent amount of fresh meat.      † Twice weekly: 5 oz. bacon equivalent to 10 oz. fresh meat.

‡ Dried fruit to consist of prunes, peaches, or evaporated apples.

Extras for Men in C1 Camp.

Cocoa .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	½ oz.
Sugar .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	¾ oz.
Fresh milk <i>or</i> .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	½ pint.
Condensed milk .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	⅛ tin.
Biscuits (ration) .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	As required.