

(b) Signal & Wireless

The following signal and wireless equipment was received from suppliers:-

Telephone sets D, Mk. V	9	(Contract completed)
Wireless remote control units A	64	
Fullerphones Mk. IV	12	
Wireless sets No. 11	37	

(c) Mortars

The first five Canadian made 2" M.L. Mortars have been delivered to the Inspection Board for test.

The first contract for 409 3" M.L. Mortars has been completed. The first eleven off a new contract have been delivered to the Inspection Board for test.

23. GENERAL STORES

(Figures refer to week ending 30th August)

- (a) Clothing and Necessaries - Provision position satisfactory.
- (b) Web Equipment Pattern 1937 - Provision position satisfactory and stocks adequate.
- (c) Helmets, Steel - 12,000 helmets were received and distribution is now being made to Districts.
- (d) Anti-Gas Clothing - Receipts of assorted garments totalled 7,095 and issues 2,840. Situation satisfactory.
In addition, 2,500 pairs of Gloves, Rubber, Anti-Gas, No. 1, were received and are being distributed.
- (e) Respirators, Anti-Gas - Provision position satisfactory. 3,040 were received and 717 issued.
- (f) Barrack Stores - Deliveries are slow.
- (g) Tools and Workshop Equipment - 118 Chests were filled and distributed during the week.

24. TECHNICAL RESEARCH

- (a) Small Arms & Tank Armament
 - (i) Spare parts and accessories schedules for the 6-pdr. tank gun have been submitted.
 - (ii) Spare parts and accessories lists for Browning Machine Guns 1919A4 to be carried in the Mark III Infantry Tank and in the M3 Modified Cruiser Tank have been completed.
 - (iii) Changes in the design of the Browning M.G. adaptors for the Besa mounting in the Armoured Car have been completed and drawings despatched to the manufacturer.
 - (iv) Equipment lists for the M3 Modified Cruiser Tank are being prepared.
 - (v) The complaints from a Training Centre that Bren Gun bipod sleeves were "seizing" on the gas cylinder after the guns had fired a few rounds, were investigated. It was found that careless handling, resulting in the burning of the two lugs on the gas cylinder, together with improper cleaning of the guns, were the factors responsible for the stoppages.