

2. A statement to the effect that a cross has been erected will be entered on the form to be supplied by the Prisoners of War Information Bureau.

3. It is to be understood that the crosses are intended as temporary memorials only, and the cost of manufacture, inscription, and erection must not exceed 5s. in each case. Whenever these are erected by Officers in Charge of Hospitals or other individual officers this sum may be charged against the Imprest Account. The charge must be supported by the receipted bill. In military cemeteries, where any such marking is found necessary, the Division Officer, Royal Engineers, will carry out the arrangements. It is desirable that all crosses thus erected in any one cemetery should as far as possible be of uniform dimensions and pattern, and a drawing giving particulars of the cross proposed is therefore annexed for guidance [not printed].

4. The cost of marking graves in commands in the British Empire overseas should correspond as nearly as possible, in view of local conditions, to that above laid down.

5. In cases where it is known that the deceased prisoner of war was of the Jewish faith, the emblem of the "sign of David" will be substituted for the cross. In the case of non-Christians a plain board suitably inscribed will be erected.

6. A.C.Is. 458 and 614 of 1917 are hereby cancelled in so far as the instructions refer to prisoners of war.

WOODEN CROSS FOR TEMPORARY MARKING OF GRAVES.

Estimated Cost.

Cross painted white with tarred end, 2s. 6d.; lettering, 2s. 6d.: total, 5s.

Specification.

To be constructed of 3 in. by 2 in. clean yellow deal or elm, free from large knots and shakes, wrought all round and with arrises slightly chamfered, and fair chamfered ends. To be neatly notched together and securely screwed, end pointed and tarred for driving into ground. To be painted three coats white-lead in oil and neatly lettered.

By Command of the Army Council,
R. L. MEADE.

No. 54.

New Zealand, Dominions No. 598.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 14th September, 1917.

With reference to my predecessor's despatch, No. 727, of the 21st December, 1915, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your Ministers, copies of an extract from the *London Gazette* of the 7th September, containing a notice by the Board of Trade, dated the 5th September, amending the license issued by the Board on the 7th December, 1915, relating to payments in connection with patents, designs, and trade-marks.

I have, &c.,

WALTER H. LONG.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,
P.C., G.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

Enclosure.

WHEREAS a license was granted by the Board of Trade on the 7th December, 1915, permitting, in certain circumstances, the payment of fees and agents' charges and expenses in respect of patents, trade-marks, and designs, payable in an enemy country or on behalf of an enemy:

And whereas it has been deemed desirable to amend the terms of the said license:

Now, therefore, the Board, acting on behalf of His Majesty, and in pursuance of all powers thereunto them enabling, do hereby amend the said license, dated the 7th December, 1915, as follows, that is to say,—

The said license shall have effect subject to the following amendments:—

(a.) The words "person" or "persons" respectively wherever they occur in clauses 1 and 2 thereof shall mean a person or persons being of British, Allied, or Neutral nationality:

(b.) In clauses 1 (b) and 2 (b) of the said license there shall be added, immediately after the words "His Majesty's Dominions," wherever they occur, the words "or of Allied territory not in hostile occupation."

The following provisos shall be added, viz.:—

"Provided always that as regards payments on behalf of an enemy under clause 2 of the said license as amended hereby, the same may only be made by the person making the same out of moneys (a) remitted by or on behalf of such enemy, or (b) held for or on account of such enemy; and, subject to the provisions of the next paragraph hereof, nothing in the said license or herein shall permit any payments to be made on behalf of an enemy by way of gift or by way of advancement or loan to or on account of such enemy: