

Headress - Blue Berets.

With reference to R.M. Circulars No. 5159/41.Q. of 21.7.41 and 28.7.41, the Blue Beret which is shortly to be introduced into the Corps is to be worn as follows:-

(a) By all Officers, in khaki service dress except that Officers of the rank of Colonel and above may continue to wear the Forage Cap.

(b) By all Officers and Other Ranks in Blue or Khaki Battle-dress.

2. Officers will wear cap badges as follows:-

Colonels and above. Royal Crest sewn centrally on the scarlet patch.

Other Officers. Corps cap badge (Officers) on the scarlet patch, superimposed by Lion and Crown, the bottom of the Crown being a quarter of an inch above top of Globes.

3. Issues will be made ^{the following} in order of priority, as soon as supplies become available from manufacture:-

- (a) R.M. Division
- (b) R.M. Establishments and H.M. Ships
- (c) R.M. Group, M.W.B.D.O(I)
- (d) R.M. Group, M.W.B.D.O(II)
- (e) R.M. Engineers
- (f) Miscellaneous Units not included above.

4. The issuing price is 3s.8d. each, to which the appropriate amount of purchase tax (i.e. 1/3rd) is to be added in the case of purchases by Officers serving on shore (including those in R.M. Units).

5. The following action is to be taken in regard to redundant blue and khaki field service caps:-

(a) Caps F.S. Khaki.

(i) New caps in store are to be returned to local Army Ordnance Depots.

(ii) Part worn and unserviceable caps returned by individuals, and part worn caps in store, are to be brought forward for survey on Form R.247 and disposed of in the usual manner in suitable quantities, spread over a period.

(b) Caps F.S. Blue.

(i) Unserviceable caps returned by individuals to be disposed of in the usual manner.

(ii) New and part worn caps returned by individuals or held in reserve, are to be returned to Chatham Division.

The Commandant, Chatham Division is requested to