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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
LUMBRES AREA.	1/2/18	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear. Battalion located in billets in LUMBRES Sub Area: Battalion H.Q., "A" and "C" Coys. at SENINGHEM - "B" and "D" Coys. at AFFRINGUES. Billets were found to be in a very bad state of repair. All Coys. and Details started to repair billets and improve accommodation.	
	2/2/18	4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Capt.A.Paine proceeded to 5th.Training Battalion, England.	
	2/2/18	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear. Coys. continued with repairing of billets during the morning and football matches and recreational training in the afternoon.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Capt.E.J.McNabb, M.C. returned from leave to England. - Capt.L.M.Cadle returned from 2nd.Army Infantry School. Lieut.A.G.A.Walters and Lieut.S.J.Murray returned from leave to England.	
	3/2/18	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear.	
		11 a.m.	Church Parades.	
		2 p.m.	First round of inter-Company football competition started.	
	4/2/18	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear. Companies carried on with cleaning and general refitting and training vide Syllabus.(appendice 1/F/18)	1/F/18
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lt.-Col.G.F.Murphy;D.S.O. proceeded on leave to Paris and U.K. Lieut.L.C.Robson and Lieut.L.Sellers proceeded on leave to Paris. Capt.J.L.O'Donnell proceeded to London on return to Australia.	
	5/2/18	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear. Training continued vide appendice 1/F/18. - Meeting of officer representative from each Company and Battalion H.Q. to discuss the proposal re holding of Battalion Sports Meeting, - approximate date 21/2/18. - Sports Committee formed.	1/F/18
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lieut.A.W.Irvine,M.C. and Lieut.A.R.Sheath,M.C. proceeded on leave to U.K.	
	6/2/18	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear. Training continued during the morning. Football matches indulged in during the afternoon.	
		2 p.m.	"C" Company moved from SENINGHEM and took over billets at AFFRINGUES vacated by 5th.Field Ambulance.	
		3 p.m.	Move completed.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Nil.	

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LUMBRES AREA.	7/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and dull. - Training continued.	
		4 p.m.	Meeting of Battalion Sports Committee to further discuss Battalion Sports and football. Changes in Officers: Lieut.R.G.Henderson,M.C.-rejoined unit from Seconded List. 2/Lt. G.Wilkinson proceeded to 2nd.Aust.Div.Signal School.	
	8/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and dull. - Training continued.	
		3 p.m.	Statement re value of material salvaged and returned by units, received from Brigade. Salvage returned by this Battalion from 31/12/17 to 25/1/18 was £ 7797:18; 9.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Nil.	
	9/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Rained heavily throughout the day. Coys. carried on with inspection of arms and ammunition and Lewis Gun training in billets during the morning. Afternoon half holiday.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lieut.R.D.Hunter,M.M. proceeded to 5th.Army Infantry School. - Lieut. J.E.Agnew proceeded to 2nd.Army Infantry School. First round of Brigade football competition started - First match, 18th.Bn.versus 19th.Bn. which resulted in a win for this Battalion by 3 points to nil.	
	10/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and Dull.	
		11 a.m.	Church Parades.	
	11/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Dull with scattered showers during the day. Companies carried on with Training according to syllabus of training as laid down for week ending 16/2/18 (appendice 2/F/18)	2/F/18
		9 am- 3 pm.	Baths at SENINGHEM allotted to Battalion.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lieut.V.J.Frewin proceeded on leave to U.K. - Lieuts.W.F.Jones and C.H.Burt returned from AUSTRALIAN Corps School.	
	12/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and dull. Training continued vide syllabus.	
	13/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and dull. - Training continued during the morning vide Syllabus.	
		2 p.m.	Inspection of A.M.C., Sanitary details and Stretcher bearers by A.D.M.S.2nd.Aust.Div. Second match of Brigade football competition -18th.Bn.versus 5th.A.L.T.M.Bty. -result, Draw.	

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LUMBRES AREA.	14/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and dull. X Range at VAL DE LUMBRES allotted to Battalion - Re-allotted by Battalion to "A" and "B" Coys. to fire musketry. - "C" and "D" Coys. continued with training vide syllabus.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lieuts. W.A. Temple, C.J. Brossois, and H.J. Flockart returned from leave.	
	15/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and dull. Allotment of X Range to Battalion. - "C" and "D" Coys. to fire musketry. - "A" and "B" Coys. continued with training vide syllabus.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lieuts. L.C. Robson and L. Sellers returned from PARIS leave. Capt. L.M. Cadle and Lieut. H.H. Thompson proceeded on leave to PARIS.	
	16/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear.	
		9'30 am.	Brigade Operation Order received re rapid movement of troops forward should the necessity arise. Training continued vide syllabus.	
		3 pm)	
		4 pm) Brigade baths at SENIGNHEM allotted to Battalion for one hour.	
	17/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear.	
		11 a.m.	Church Parades.	
		2 p.m.	Third match in Brigade Football Competition played - 18th.Bn. versus 20th.Bn. resulted in a win for this Battalion - scores 12 points to 3.	
		4 p.m.	Syllabus of training for week ending 23/2/18 issued (appendix 3/F/18) Changes in Officers: 2/Lt. N.V. McLaren, M.M. proceeded to 10th. Corps Gas School,. Lieuts. A.G.A. Walters and S.J. Murray returned from English leave.	3/F/18
	18/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear.	
		9'15am	Battalion Operation Order No. 2. issued (appendix 4/F/18) re a probable rapid movement of troops forward should the necessity arise.	
		1'30pm	Inspection of Battalion and Transport Section by G.O.C. 5th. Brigade on "B" Coys. parade ground AFFRINGUES.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lieuts. G.J.G. Clayton and A.J.B. Mackenzie proceeded on leave to U.K. Lieuts. G.H. Duncan and J. Harris proceeded on leave to PARIS. Meeting of Battalion Sports Committee - decided to hold Battalion Sports on 21st. inst.	4/F/18

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LUMBRES AREA.	19/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear. Allotted Brigade Range at BAYENGHEM to practice A.R.A.Competition (appendix 3/1/18)	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lieut.F.J.Brown rejoined from AUSTRALIAN Corps School.	
	20/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear. Training continued vide syllabus.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Nil.	
	21/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Dull and showery during the morning. Battalion Sports Meeting postponed owing to rain. Coys. carried on with training in billets, including inspection of Anti-gas appliances, instruction in the working of Lewis Guns and lectures by Platoon Commanders.	
		4'30 pm.	Meeting of Sports Committee to select a further date for the holding of sports and to pick football team to play 5th.Field Ambulance.	
	22/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and dull. Battalion allotted Brigade range at BAYENGHEM to carry on with elimination tests in connection with A.R.A.Competition. The winning platoon of each company to be decided and to fire a further test on 23rd.inst. for the best platoon in the Battalion. The following platoons were selected to represent their respective Coys. in Battalion tests. "A" Coy.: No.2 Platoon - "B" Coy.: No.8 Platoon - "C" Coy.: No.9 Platoon - "D" Coy.No.14 Platoon.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lieut.W.J.S.O'Grady and Lieut.G.B.Woodriff rejoined from AUSTRALIAN Corps Infantry School.	
	23/2/18.	9 a.m.	Weather: Fine and clear. "X" Range at VAL des LUMBRES allotted to Battalion from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. for Battalion elimination test in connection with A.R.A.Competition, the best platoon to represent the Battalion in the Brigade tests. Results:- No.9 Platoon, 1st.(to represent Battalion in Brigade test) -No.8 Platoon, 2nd. - No.14 Platoon, 3rd. and No.2 Platoon, 4th.	
		2 p.m.	Fourth match in Brigade Football Competition played against 5th.Field Ambulance, resulting in a win for this Battalion by 6 points to nil.	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lieut.C.J.Brossois proceeded to 10th.Corps Infantry School. Meeting of Battalion Sports Committee held at which it was decided to hold Battalion Sports on 25th.inst., weather prevailing.	
		7 p.m.	Orders from Brigade re anticipated Staff Ride on 26th.inst. received.	

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LUMBRES AREA.	24/2/18.	9 a.m. Weather: Fine and clear. 11 a.m. Church Parades. 2 p.m. Inter company football matches were played during the afternoon. 4 p.m. Changes in Officers: Lieut.H.G.Wiseman proceeded to 10th.Corps Bombing School.	
	25/2/18.	9 a.m. Weather: Rained heavily during the forenoon; remainder of the day dull and cloudy. Decided to postpone Sports Meeting indefinitely. Coys. carried on with training vide syllabus issued for week ending 2nd.March. (appendix 5/F/1F) 4 p.m. Changes in Officers: Nil.	5/F/1F
	26/2/18.	9 a.m. Weather: Fine and dull. A Staff Ride held for officers; 50% attended morning ride and the remaining 50% during the afternoon. The object of the Ride was to go over the ground over which it was proposed to hold a Brigade scheme on 28th.inst. Battalion carried on with training as laid down in syllabus. 4 p.m. Changes in Officers: Lt.-Col.G.F.Murphy,D.S.O., Lieut.A.W.Irvine,M.C. and Lieut.A.R.Sheath,M.C. returned from leave to U.K. - Capt.L.M.Cadle and Lieut.H.H.Thompson returned from PARIS leave. 2/Lt.N.V.McLaren,M.M. returned from 10th.Corps Gas School. Lieut.F.H.Semple and Lieut.J.A. Holdsworth proceeded to Musketry School, LUMBRES. 6 p.m. Battalion Order No.01 re Brigade scheme to be held on 28th.inst. issued. 7 p.m. Warning Order re anticipated move forward, received from Brigade.	
	27/2/18.	9 a.m. Weather: Fine and clear. Battalion route march via SENINGHEM - COULOMBY - HARLETTES to Div.Gas School at V-22.C. neutral for a demonstration in the uses of different gasses etc., by Div.Gas Officer. 2'30 pm. Fifth match of Brigade football competition played against 5th.A.M.G.Co. resulting in a win for the Battalion by 9 points to nil. 4 p.m. Changes in Officers: Lieut.G.H.Duncan and Lieut.J.Harris returned from leave to PARIS.	

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LUMBRES AREA.	28/2/18.	9 a.m.	<p>Weather: Fine and dull.</p> <p>Battalion route marched to Brigade Training Ground at (V.21 & 27.) for a Brigade tactical exercise vide Battalion Order No.01 (appendice 6/F/18)</p> <p>The scheme was carried out by 17th.and 18th.Battalions.</p> <p>General Idea: The Second Aust.Division is holding the high ground running from D.4.central to V.22.central facing West, and has assumed the offensive. The enemy line extends from D.10.central to WESTBECOURT. He is still in occupation of the western portion of BOIS DE BAYENGHEM and strong points in V.27.b.</p> <p>Special Idea: In the initial attack the "X" Aust.Inf.Bde. has reached the road through BOIS DE BAYENGHEM in V.27.d. but has been unable to proceed owing to the failure of the "Y" Aust.Inf.Bde. on its right to advance farther because of the Machine guns and strong points in V.27.b. Each Battalion will have attached to it one section of Machine guns as forward guns. The strong points in V.27.b. will be masked by a smoke barrage from L.T.M.Bty. from Zero to Zero plus 1½ minutes. A British Brigade on our right is advancing at the same hour and the "X" Aust.Inf.Brigade will push on through the wood.</p> <p>Battalion boundaries were: North boundary: V.28.a.10.80. - V.27.a.70.65. - V.27.a.00.60. Southern boundary: V.28.c.20.70. - V.27.d.00.50. - V.27.e.70.50.</p>	6/F/18
		2'20 p.m.	<p>Zero Hour.</p> <p>There was no artillery preparation for this exercise, it being the first exercise the Brigade has taken part in for some time without artillery preparation.</p> <p>It was noticed that hedges running obliquely to the line of advance had a tendency to change the direction of the advance.</p>	
		4 p.m.	Changes in Officers: Lieut.V.J.Frewin returned from leave to U.K.	
		8'30 p.m.	Brigade Order No. re anticipated move forward on 4th.March received.	

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OF

18th. Battalion, A.I.F.

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6/F/18.	Battalion Order No.01.
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18th. Battalion, A.I.F.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.

Period from 4/2/18 to 9/2/18.

APPENDIX

PARADE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
9 - 9'30 a.m.:	PHYSICAL TRAINING and BAYONET FIGHTING					
9'30-10'15 a.m.:	Platoon drill: Musketry (aiming : Rifle Exercise: and bolt manipulation)	Gas drill	Company drill	Gas drill	Rifle Bombing	
10'30-11'30 am:	Demonstration: by model : platoons.	Organised Bombing:	Specialist training: Rapid wiring	Lewis gun Instruction.	Battalion Parade	
1'30 - 2 p.m.:	DEMONSTRATION: BY MODEL			Hand bombing	Close order drill : and rifle exercises:	
2 - 2'45 p.m.:	PLATOON.	ROUTE	HALF	Musketry (aiming: and trigger pressing.	Organised bombing.	HALF
2'45-3'30 p.m.:	Musketry, (fire positions: and bolt manipulation:	MARCH	HOLIDAY.	Map reading, (Instruction by : Platoon Commander)	Musketry (Muscle : exercises and bolt manipulation)	HOLIDAY.

REMARKS:-

- (1) Class of Instruction for junior N.C.O's and senior soldiers.
- (2) After 5/2/18 two platoons per day will devote two hours each to Tactical work.
- (3) Lecturettes during 'Smoko' on subjects to be selected during the nightly talks on the following day's work.
- (4) No provision made for practical musketry as no complete information about it is to hand.
- (5) Signallers and Observers under separate syllabus.

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1. Class of instruction for Junior C.O.s and senior soldiers.
2. After 5 p.m. the platoons per day will have the tactical work.
3. Lectures during the night on the following subjects:
(a) No provision made for practical work as no equipment is to hand.
(b) Signalling and observation under adverse conditions.
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18th. BATTALION, A.I.F.

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Date	9-9-30	9-30-10-15	10-15-11-30	11-30-12-15	12-15-1-30	1-30-2-15	2-15-3-30	3-30-4-15	4-15-5-30	Place	Remarks
1/2/18.	Company drill	Rapid wiring	Map reading.	Musketry (Rapid ldg: drill.	Gas						
12/2/18	Musketry - Rapid loading, Judg. distance	Bombing, throwing.		ROUT MARCH							
13/2/18	Specialist training	Lewis Gun Instruction		HALF HOLIDAY (Inter Company football)							
14/2/18	Musketry - Rapid loading, Muscle Exers.	Gas drill.	Specialist training.	Rifle Bombing.	Organised Bombing						
15/2/18	Lewis Gun Instruction	Organised Bombing.	Map Reading	Company drill	Rapid wiring						
16/2/18	Battalion parade.	Equipment inspection		HALF HOLIDAY (Inter company football)							



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Unit.

Signature of Commandant.

Remarks: -

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promotions or appointments within the unit.

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Remarks :—

Signature of Commander.

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Formation to which attached.

—Date of Despatch.

18th.BATTALION, A.I.F.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 23rd.FEBRUARY 1918.

3/F/18

APPENDIX

Date	9-9'30	9'30 -10'15	10'30-11'30	1'30 - 2	2 - 2'45	3 - 4	Place	Remarks.
18/2/18		Musketry	Company drill	INSPECTION BY G.O.C.			Battalion Parade and Bombing grounds, situated at SENNINGHEM and AFFRINGUES.	(1) Class of instruction for junior N.C.O.'s and senior soldiers now being carried on. (2) Two platoons per day devote 2 hours each to Tactical work. (3) Lectures on Map reading, Enemy bombs, Defence against aeroplanes, Gas, and subjects to be selected by Company Commanders during "smoko". (4) Indifferent shots undergoing course of musketry at LUMBERES. (5) Signallers and Observers under separate syllabus. (6) Instruction for officers in use of Lewis gun.
19/2/18		Musketry. Rapid loading: Judg.distance:	Bomb throwing	Map Reading	Gas drill. 2 Rapid wiring.	Instruction in L.Gun:		
20/2/18		Musketry	Organised Bombing	H A L F - H O L I D A Y (Inter company football)				
21/2/18		Gas drill 2	Company drill	R O U T E M A R C H				
22/2/18		Gas drill. 2	Organised Bombing	Map Reading.	Company drill	Rapid wiring		
23/2/18		Battalion Parade	Equipment Inspection.	H A L F - H O L I D A Y (Inter company football)				

* $\frac{3}{4}$ hour will be spent in general instruction on Tuesday afternoon.
The remaining two hours on Thursday and Friday will be spent in accordance with instructions in 2nd.Aust.Div. scheme for Anti-gas Training, forwarded to Coys. on 6th.inst.

Appendix 3.

H/F/IF
Battalion Headquarters
18th. February 1918.

OPERATION MEMO. No. 2.

Reference Map : HAZEBROUCK 5A 1/100,000

1. In the event of the necessity arising for a rapid move of troops Forward, the 5th. Brigade may be called upon to embus at short notice.
2. The warning message "Stand by to embus" (followed by zero hour) Will be sent from Battalion H.Q.. Half an hour before zero hour, all arrangements outlined hereunder will be completed and the Battalion will be disposed as defined in para. 8.
3. Embusment will probably take place on the BAYENGHEM-COULOMBY Road with the head of the column at BAYENGHEM.
4. Capt. W.J. Graham, M.C. will be Battalion Embussing Officer and will hold himself in readiness to report when required, to the Brigade Embussing Officer.
5. Ammunition in pouches and L.G. magazines will be maintained and will not be touched for training purposes.
6. The following will be held in readiness by the Q.M. for distribution:-

50 rounds S.A.A. per man) from Mobile Echelon.
64 boxes Mills Grenades	

24 hours rations.

A party of 2 Officers and 60 men from "A" Coy. will be held in readiness one hour before zero, to be used for the loading and distribution of the above.
7. Men will move in marching order and will carry one blanket. The remaining blankets will be rolled, and, with the officers gear, will be stacked at each Company H.Q.
8. The battalion will be drawn up for embusment (vide para. 2) as follows:-

(a) "A" Coy. and Battn. H.Q. on the road leading S.W. from the church at SENINGHEM (Sheet 36D. N.E. - D.7.c.5.8.)
(b) "B", "C", "D" Coys. on the SENINGHEM-AFFRINGUES Road.

The head of each column will be 50 yards S.W. and S.E. from the cross roads at (Sheet 36D. N.E.) D.7.c.5.8.

Half an hour before zero, the two columns will be divided under the command of Capt. J.B. Lane and Major W.R.C. Robertson, M.C. respectively into parties of 1 Officer (or senior N.C.O.) and 23 O.R. - Upon completion of this division and not later than a quarter of an hour before zero, the above officers will report to Battalion H.Q. that the two columns are ready to move.
9. Further instructions will be issued later.
10. A C K N O W L E D G E.

Distribution.

File.	Sig. Officer.
"A" Coy.	Transport Officer.
"B" Coy.	War Diary
"C" Coy.	"
"D" Coy.	"
O.M.	

L. S. Robson
Lieut.
Adjutant 18th. Battalion, A.I.F.

AMENDED SYLLABUS

5/F/18 APPENDIX 5

18th.BATTALION, A.I.F.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 2nd.MARCH 1918.

Date	9-9'30	9'30 -10'15	10'30 -11'30	1'30 - 2	2 - 2'45	3 - 4	Place	Remarks.
25/2/18		Specialist training.	Gas drill		Company and Platoon Training			
26/2/18		Musketry Rapid loading Judg.distance. Staff Ride for 50% officers	Company training.		Company and Platoon Training Staff Ride for 50% of officers			
27/2/18		Musketry Bolt manipulation and Judg. distance.	Gas drill	HALF - HOLIDAY				
28/2/18		Organised Bombing	Gas drill	ROUTE - MARCH (SENINGHEM - Cross roads at (C.17.e.70.50. - Cross roads at (C.25.d.70.40. - LART - AFFRINGUES				
1/3/18		F I E L D - T R A I N I N G						
2/3/18		Battalion Parade	Rapid Wiring	HALF - HOLIDAY				

PHYSICAL TRAINING
and
BAYONET FIGHTING.

Battalion Parade Grounds
at
AFFRINGUES and SENINGHEM.

(1) Class of Instruction for junior N.C.O's and senior soldiers now being carried on.

(2) Two platoons per day devote two hours each to Tactical work.

(3) Lecturettes on Map Reading, Enemy bombs, Defence against aeroplanes, Gas, and subjects to be selected by Coy. Commanders during "smoko".

(4) Signallers and Observers under separate syllabus.

(5) Instruction for Officers in use of Lewis Gun.

(6) Coys. will submit schemes for Monday and Tuesday afternoons, to Battalion H.Q. by 6 p.m. on Sunday 24th.Feb'y.1918.

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One hour will be spent in general instruction on Monday morning.
The remaining two hours on Wednesday and Thursday will be spent in accordance with instructions in Second Aust.Div. Scheme for Anti-Gas training, forwarded to Coys. on 6/2/18.

Appendix 5

EIGHTEENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION ORDER No. 01.

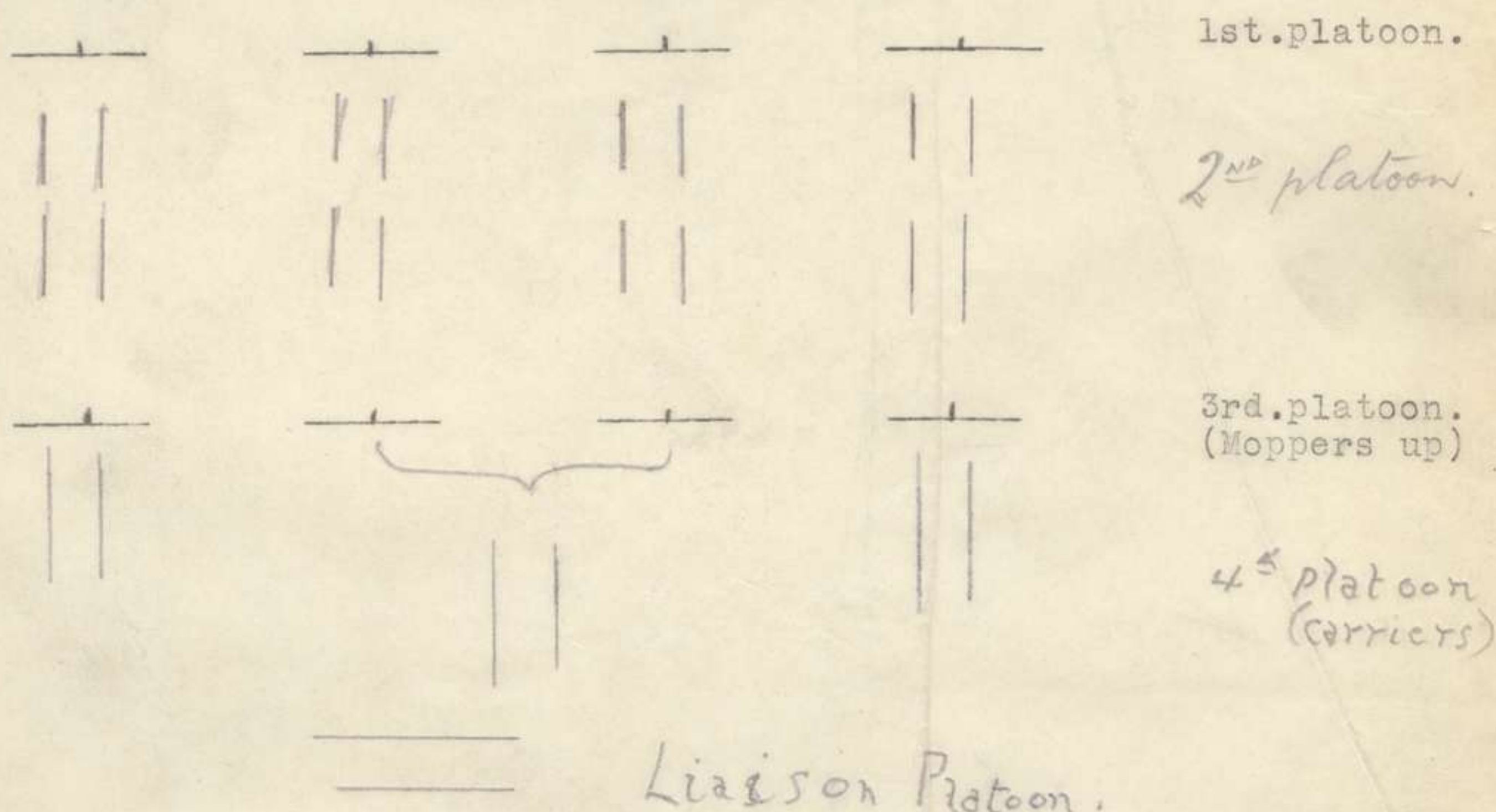
Battalion Headquarters,
26th. February 1918.

Reference Sheet 27a S.E.

36d N.E.

1/10,000 Map (distributed with Brigade Training Memo).

1. The enemy is holding the line extending from D.10. central to WESTBECOURT. He is still in occupation of the western portion of BOIS DE BAYENGHEM and strong points in V.27.b.
2. The 5th.A.I. Brigade will attack on a two Coy. front on "X" day, in conjunction with "Z" Brigade on the N. and "X" A.I. Brigade on the S. 18th. ("A") Battalion will be the left battalion.
"B" Battalion will be on the right.
The objective will be the capture and consolidation of the line V.27.c.70.50. - V.20.d.50.30.
3. There will be no artillery preparation.
4. A tape line will be laid by Engineers on the approximate line V.28.c.60.80. - V.22.c.20.50., marking the jumping off line. Tapes will be laid along Coy. boundaries & will be produced 50^x forward of front j/o line.
5. The Battalion will move to a point of assembly at V.28.a.7.3. and will be formed up there in formation as in para.7, by zero - 30.
6. The 5th.A.L.T.M.Bty. will put up a smoke barrage to mask the Strong Points in V.27.b. from Zero to Zero plus 1½ minutes. - Fifty rounds will be fired.
7. Action of infantry -
 - (a) The attack will be made on a four Coy. front. Coys. will be disposed from right to left in the following order:- "A", "B", "C", "D".
 - (b) The Battalion will be drawn up at assembly point in the following formation:-



- (c) At zero - 30 the Battalion will move forward to the jumping off line and will be in position by zero - 15.
- (d) At zero the advance will begin from the jumping off line.

/(e) The 4th.

(e) The 4th. platoon of "C" Company will be detailed to maintain contact with "X" Brigade on the left. They will meet a party from "X" Bde at V.28.e.10.80. Their action will be to at once to fill any gaps which may occur on the left flank. During the advance they will move in rear of "C" Company and if not otherwise disposed, they will, on the capture of the final objective, be at the disposal of O.C. "C" Coy.

8. Battalion boundaries will be -

North Boundary - V.28.a.10.80. - V.27.a.70.65. - V.27.a.00.60.

Southern Boundary - V.28.e.20.70. - V.27.d.00.50. - V.27.e.70.50.

Inter company boundaries are marked on attached sketch.

9. Machine Guns - One machine gun will accompany each Company as forward guns and will take up positions as follows:-

		<u>Move with</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Task.</u>
1 Gun	No.1 Coy.	in rear of 2nd. platoon -	Vicinity V.27.a.2.5.	Cover right flank.
1 Gun	No.2 Coy.	" " " " " -	Vicinity V.27.a.5.1.	Fire along northern edge of BOIS de BAYENGHEM.
1 Gun	No.3 Coy.	" " " " " -	Vicinity V.27.a.5.1.	-do-
1 Gun	No.4 Coy.	" " " " " -	Vicinity V.27.d.3.8.	Cover left flank.

10. Dress - Battle Order. W.P. Sheets rolled on back.

11. Communication will be by runner and as soon as practicable by visual. Sig. Officer will arrange and will detail 8 O.R. to accompany each Company.

12. Each Company will send an officer to report to the Adjutant at Assembly Point at Zero - 45 to synchronise watches.

13. R.A.P. will be at V.28.a.2.3.

14. Headquarters - Battalion H.Q. will be at V.28.a.3.2. (brushwood Copse) until the capture of the final objective. H.Q. will move to vicinity of corner of hedge at V.27.b.70.50. on the capture of the final objective.

15. Reports to Battalion Headquarters.

16. A C K N O W L E D G E.

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.....Lieut
Adjutant 18th. Battalion, A.I.F.

Issued at 11 a.m. 27/2/18.

Distribution.

- Copy No. 1. File.
✓ 2. "A" Company.
3. "B" Company.
4. "C" Company.
5. "D" Company.
6. Sig. Officer.
7/8. War Diary.

TRAINING MEMO.

Reference 18th.Battalion Order No.01, and
5th.Brigade Training Memo.15/469.

On the morning of 28th.inst. the 18th.Battalion will act as enemy counter attacking troops.

In the afternoon, 18th.Battalion will act as "A" Battalion (attacked)

Coys. will pass the starting point at D.9.e.1.9. in following order - H.Q., "A", "B", "C", "D" Coys., the head of the column passing at 8'15 a.m.

Midday meal will be taken at the ground. Q.M.will arrange to send sufficient dixies by limber.

Transport Officer will detail necessary transport.
Cookers will not be taken.

All pouch S.A.A. will be left behind under Company arrangements. - Coys. will forward a certificate to Battalion Headquarters on the ground, that no live S.A.A. is carried.

by 9.30am.
Transport Officer will arrange transport for Lewis Guns and will pick up Lewis guns of "B", "C" and "D" Coys. at 7'45 a.m. at AFFRINGUES. Guns will be collected by Coys. on the ground.

The following officers will act as Umpires for 19th.and 20th. Battalions on 2nd.March 1918.

Major W.R.C.Robertson, M.C.
Capt. J.B.Lane,
Capt. G.F.Lowther.

Distribution.

File. ✓
"A" Company. ✓
"B" Company. ✓
"C" Company. ✓
"D" Company. ✓
Transport Officer. ✓
Q. M. ✓
Sig.Officer. ✓

Le Robson
.....Lieut.
Adjutant 18th.Battalion, A.I.F.

EIGHTEENTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION APPENDIX 7.

NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS, N.C.O's, and MEN WHO SERVED ON GALLIPOLI.

OFFICERS.

Lt.-Col.	G.F.Murphy, D.S.O.	Original 20th.Battalion.
Major	R.M.Sadler, M.C.	Original 18th.Battalion.
Capt.	J.L.O'Donnell,	Original 18th.Battalion.
Capt.	G.F.Lowther,	3rd.Rein.20th.Battalion.
Capt.	A.Paine,	Original 20th.Battalion.
Capt.	S.Beddie, M.C.	Original 20th.Battalion.
Lieut.	W.J.Graham,	Original 18th.Battalion.
Lieut.	A.G.A.Walters,	2nd.Rein.18th.Battalion.
Lieut.	L.Sellers,	Original 18th.Battalion.
Lieut.	J.E.Agnew,	1st.Rein.18th.Battalion.
Lieut.	R.D.Hunter,	3rd.Rein.19th.Battalion.
2/Lt.	H.H.Thompson,	3rd.Rein.18th.Battalion.
2/Lt.	S.J.Murray,	Original 18th.Battalion.
2/Lt.	C.G.Butler,	Original 18th.Battalion.
2/Lt.	J.Maxwell,	Original 18th.Battalion.
2/Lt.	G.B.Woodriff,	Original 18th.Battalion.
2/Lt.	R.H.Gascoigne-Roy,	Original 18th.Battalion.
2/Lt.	S.M.Clark,	3rd.Rein.20th.Battalion.
2/Lt.	W.J.S.O'Grady,	
Lieut.	G.J.G.Clayton,	2nd.Rein.18th.Battalion.
<i>bapt</i>	J.N. DOYLE.	<i>Original 18th Bu</i>
"	J.B. LANE.	" " "
<i>2/Lt.</i>	N.V. McLAREN	" " "
"	G WILKINSON.	" " "

OTHER RANKS.

"A" Coy.	645. CSM. Stickley,	L.A.	Original 18th.Battalion.
	184. Cpl. Coulson,	W.	" " "
	310. Pte. Rose,	A.M.	" " "
	236. " Henderson,	J.	" " "
	77. " Hollis,	W.	" " "
	336. " Williamson,	H.B.	" " "
	270. " Mulholland,	P.B.	" " "
	351. " Bray,	J.N.	" " "
	297. L/Cp. Prothero,	W.A.	" " "
	232. Pte. Hagen,	J.J.	" " "
	1570. Pte. Newcombe,	P.	1st.Rein. 18th.Battalion.
	1657. Cpl. Blanning,	S.	2nd.Rein. 18th.Battalion.
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	1661. Pte. Bakewell,	R.	" " "
	6764. " Bray,	A.V.	" " "
	1899. Sgt. Cameron,	A.	3rd.Rein. 18th.Battalion.
	1904. Pte. Clark,	R.N.	" " "
	1891. " Bigland,	H.	" " "
	1893. " Brain,	G.	" " "
	1894. " Brisbane,	W.H.	" " "
	1878. " Angle,	R.	" " "
	1884. Cpl. Blackett,	G.O.C.	3rd.Rein. 20th.Battalion.
	2054. " Parnell,	C.L.	" " "
	2012. Pte. Viles,	G.	" " "
	1902. " Fagan,	J.	" " "
	1887. " Bearham,	S.	" " "

APPENDIX 7.17

NOMINAL ROLL OF OTHER RANKS WHO SERVED ON GALLIPOLI. (cont.)

<u>"B" Coy.</u>	510. Sgt. De Saxe,	R.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	431. " Fergus,	J.	" " "
	534. " Grant,	E.D.	" " "
	603. " Light,	H.R.	" " "
	612. " McGregor,	J.H.	" " "
	524. Cpl. Favelle,	V.L.	" " "
	716. " Mooney,	A.	" " "
	706. " Collins,	C.M.	" " "
	525. L/Cpl. Franklin,	A.W.	" " "
	134. Pte. Bellwood,	J.	" " "
	485. " Boden,	G.E.	" " "
	98. " Duck,	G.W.	" " "
	101. " Elmer,	H.	" " "
	102. " Farmer,	W.	" " "
	539. " Gibbons,	G.D.	" " "
	577. " Jeppeson,	C.	" " "
	591. " King,	J.E.	" " "
	721. " Rush,	R.E.	" " "
	990. " Simpson,	W.G.	" " "
	743. " Whelan,	J.P.	" " "
	45. " Yeo,	W.	" " "

1609. Pte. Tate,	W.M.	1st. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
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1797. Sgt. Sheriff,	P.D.	2nd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
1751. Pte. Robertson,	J.H.	" " "
1670. " Clarke,	N.	" " "
1623. " Abbey,	J.	" " "

1980. Sgt. Mackenzie,	R.	3rd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
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1978. Sgt. Nolan,	G.	3rd. Rein. 19th. Battalion.
1882. " Springhall,	R.R.	" " "
1944. CQMS. Holyoak,	E.	" " "
1919. Cpl. Doherty,	J.J.	" " "

1902. Pte. Clibborn,	E.J.	3rd. Rein. 20th. Battalion.
1993. " Ross,	S.	" " "
1893. " Brownlow,	R.G.	" " "

<u>"C" Coy.</u>	697. CSM. Clarke,	A.T.C.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	1225. CQMS. McMahon,	F.W.	" " "
	981. Sgt. Rochester,	L.J.	" " "
	888. " Harrison,	A.	" " "
	912. " Mitchell,	F.	" " "
	805. L/Sgt. Arnold,	R.F.	" " "
	1044. " Mahoney,	S.	" " "
	478. Pte. Arnold,	W.E.	" " "
	849. " Digby,	H.	" " "
	991. " Stafford,	W.J.	" " "
	663. " Thompson,	G.	" " "
	116. " Howell,	V.J.	" " "
	949. " O'Brien,	I.J.	" " "
	836. " Clarke,	J.R.	" " "
	1049. " Hookway,	E.R.	" " "
	886. " Hickson,	C.J.	" " "
	141. " Telford,	J.	" " "
	956. " Ostling,	R.	" " "
	1053. " Matchett,	S.	" " "

NOMINAL ROLL OF OTHER RANKS WHO SERVED ON GALLIPOLI. (cont.)

<u>"C" Coy.</u>	1532.	Pte. Ellis,	A.B.	1st.Rein. 18th.Battalion.
	1677.	Pte. Duncan,	A.H.G.	2nd.Rein. 18th.Battalion.
	1704.	" Harrison,	A.	" " "
	1969.	Sgt. Mewkill,	J.	3rd.Rein. 18th.Battalion.
	2011.	L/Cpl. Sharpe,	A.H.	" " "
	1918.	Pte. Dutton,	F.K.	" " "
	1947.	" Jones,	C.H.G.	" " "
	1952.	" Kelly,	H.D.C.	" " "
	2057.	" King,	J.J.H.	" " "
	2031.	" Wilmott,	H.W.	" " "
	2004.	" Rose,	D.	" " "
	1975.	" Mulligan,	D.	" " "
	1998.	" Redmond,	J.	" " "
	1966.	Pte. Martin,	W.H.	3rd.Rein. 19th.Battalion.
	2055.	Sgt. Ebbrell,	C.J.	3rd.Rein. 20th.Battalion.
	1970.	" Morrison,	P.C.	" " "
	1896.	" Buchanan,	D.G.	" " "
	1919.	" Ellis,	H.	" " "
	1891.	Cpl. Brown,	P.R.E.	" " "
	1922.	" Faulks,	T.	" " "
<u>"D" Coy.</u>	1966.	Pte. Miles,	A.E.	" " "
	2053.	" Roberts,	R.	" " "
	1935.	" Hambly,	T.	" " "
	1968.	" Montgomery,	J.J.	" " "
	1993.	" Ross,	D.	" " "
	2000.	" Sinclair,	J.	" " "
	624.	CSM. Philpott,	W.	Original 18th.Battalion.
	1178.	Sgt. Greenwood,	W.E.	" " "
	1259.	" Senior,	E.W.	" " "
	1293.	" Thornley,	H.W.	" " "
	1138.	" Babb,	C.R.	" " "
	708.	Cpl. Edwards,	J.J.	" " "
	1313.	" White,	J.	" " "
	1187.	L/Cpl. Harrison,	R.	" " "
	1160.	Pte. Doyle,	T.	" " "
	1236.	" Preston,	T.	" " "
	1346.	" Cox,	N.S.	" " "
	1165.	" Dimond,	J.	" " "
	1156.	" Collis,	A.C.	" " "
	1603.	Cpl. Coombes,	G.R.	1st.Rein. 18th.Battalion.
	1514.	L/Cpl. Breedon,	H.	" " "
	1802.	Pte. Merrett,	C.	2nd.Rein. 18th.Battalion.
	1807.	" Smith,	C.	" " "
	2040.	Cpl. Leaman,	E.S.	3rd.Rein. 18th.Battalion.
	2024.	L/Cpl. Treweek,	S.J.	" " "
	2034.	Pte. Colless,	C.C.	" " "
	1910.	Pte. Clarke,	G.	3rd.Rein. 19th.Battalion.
	1893.	" Brown,	C.A.	" " "
	2019.	" Smith,	A.E.	" " "
	2001.	" Simonetti,	A.P.	" " "
	1887.	" Wild,	R.V.	" " "

NOMINAL ROLL OF OTHER RANKS WHO SERVED ON GALLIPOLI. (cont.)

<u>SIGNAL SECTION.</u>	28. Sgt. Tevelein,	S.R.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	14. L/Cpl. Scobie,	W.W.	" " "
	422. " Draper,	E.D.	" " "
	24. Pte. Turley,	P.	" " "
	506. " Dodd,	H.	" " "
	1723. L/Cpl. Matters,	A.L.	2nd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
	1879. Pte. Arnold,	H.C.	3rd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
	1897. " Begg,	C.H.	" " "
	2007. L/Cpl. Spaul,	C.E.	3rd. Rein. 19th. Battalion.
	2004. Pte. Smith,	J.O.	" " "
	1890. L/Cpl. Brown,	J.L.	3rd. Rein. 20th. Battalion.
	1962. Pte. Low,	T.	" " "
<u>BATTALION. RUNNERS.</u>	251. Pte. Jackson,	A.	Original Battalion, 18th.
	726. " Turney,	L.W.	" " "
	1330. " Skelton,	J.B.	" " "
	1991. Pte. Robertson,	A.	3rd. Rein. 19th. Battalion.
<u>PIONEERS.</u>	58. Sgt. Broadbridge,	R.H.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	1901. Pte. Capper,	A.W.	3rd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
	1952. Pte. Kelly,	H.C.	3rd. Rein. 19th. Battalion.
<u>TRANSPORT.</u>	398. Dvr. Stephenson,	E.H.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	671. " Shanlank,	W.G.	" " "
	628. " Pedlow,	F.E.	" " "
	272. " Monahan,	N.O.	" " "
	222. " Feeney,	J.	" " "
	1323. " Fellow,	W.C.	" " "
	65. " Fawcus,	J.	" " "
	662. " Thomlinson,	W.J.	" " "
	732. Far. Lawrence,	F.M.	" " "
	49. Pte. Humphries,	A.	" " "
	180. " Byrnes,	J.J.	" " "
	1669. Dvr. Crowley,	O.J.	2nd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
	1612. Pte. Butterworth,	G.J.	" " "
	1968. Dvr. Medcalf,	A.R.	3rd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
	1966. Dvr. Mackey,	T.O.	3rd. Rein. 19th. Battalion.

<u>POLICE.</u>	623.	L/Cpl. Phillips,	M.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	1889.	Pte. Benbow,	E.	3rd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
	2030.	Pte. Williams,	W.W.	" " "
<u>BAND.</u>	339.	Pte. Wilson,	W.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	181.	" Clarke,	A.J.	" " "
	1240.	" Ratcliffe,	H.E.	" " "
	316.	" Stain,	G.H.	" " "
	1060.	" Knight,	W.	" " "
	1017.	" Wheatley,	R.E.	" " "
	663.	" Thompson,	G.	" " "
	851.	Pte. Doherty,	P.J.	Original 7th. Field Ambulance.
<u>CANTEEN.</u>	850.	Sgt. Dawson,	A.E.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	2029.	Pte. Weine,	H.S.	3rd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
<u>H.Q. BATMEN.</u>	236.	Pte. Hower,	J.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	513.	" Davidson,	T.L.	" " "
	1965.	L/Cpl. Malcolm,	A.S. Mc.	3rd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
<u>Q.M. STORE.</u>	1395.	RQMS. Clunne,	G.J.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	61.	Sgt. Cleary,	E.M.	" " "
	1148.	Pte. Clarke,	J.	" " "
	988.	" Stewart,	N.	" " "
	402.	" Threlkeld,	G.	" " "
	1882.	Sgt. Bell,	G.	3rd. Rein. 20th. Battalion.
	1939.	Cpl. Green,	H.	3rd. Rein. 18th. Battalion.
<u>HEADQUARTERS.</u>	369.	RSM. Smart,	S.M.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	152.	Pte. Arthur,	G.D.	" " "
<u>OBSERVERS.</u>	313.	Pte. Schmidt,	A.F.	Original 18th. Battalion.
<u>A.M.C.</u>	144.	Pte. Donnelly,	F.E.	Original 18th. Battalion.
	1314.	" Warburton,	F.	" " "

TOTAL - 20 Officers, 191 Other ranks.

7/F/18 APPENDIX

Quartermaster's Report for Month of February 1918

Rations: Rations were drawn from A.S.C dump at AFFRINGUES from 1st to 4th February after the latter date the Dump was changed to NIELLES. First line transport was used for drawing on every second day until 15th February after which the 1st line transport was used daily.

Delivery of Rations to B.C. & D. Coy was carried out by transport to AFFRINGUES. A Coy & Headquarters Rations were taken over by fatigue parties.

Ordnance: P.H. Helmets Anti Gas were collected and returned to Ordnance.

Indents were submitted for 2 Lewis Guns to complete establishment to 18 Guns per Battalion. ^{2 Lewis Guns received on 28th February 1918}

Repairs: Tailors were kept very busy with repairs to clothing which had been badly torn by Barbed Wire. 3 men being continuously employed.

3 Bootmakers also did a great deal of repairs during the month.

Armourer Sergeant inspected Lewis Guns Rifles & Revolvers & effected necessary repairs.

S. Beattie Capt
Q.M.