

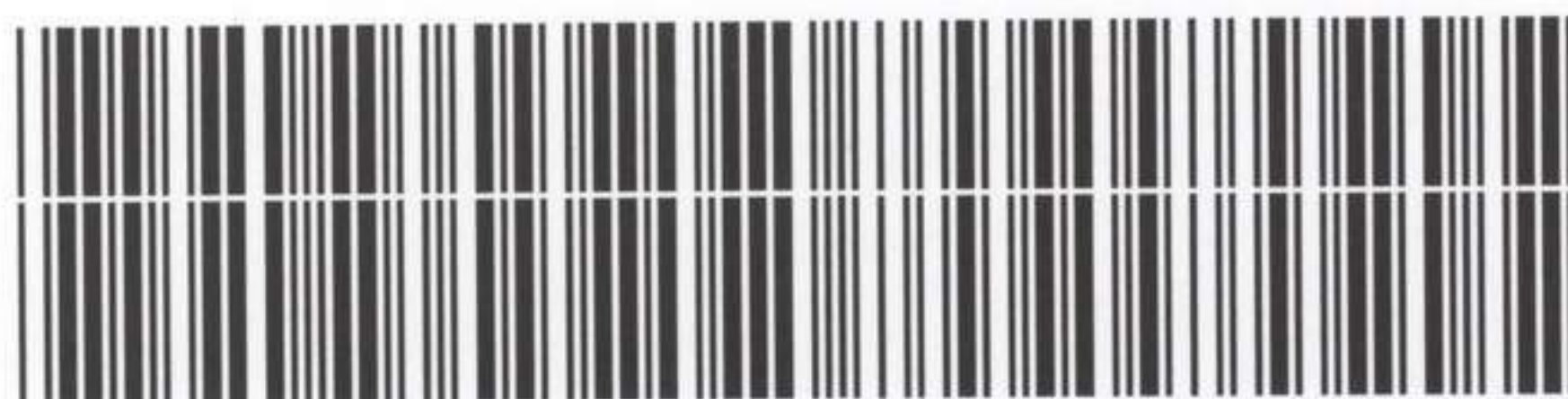
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
LAVIEVILLE	May 1st.		Units training, Musketry, Bayonet Fighting, Physical training, Tactical Schemes. Weather Fine, Sick Evacuations - 7 Other Ranks.	
	May 2nd.		Conference of Commanding Officers at Brigade Headquarters to discuss the interior economy of the Brigade and make final arrangements for the Divisional Rifle Competitions. Units training; Musketry, Bombing, Tactical Schemes, Bayonet Fighting and Physical Training. Weather Fine. Sick Evacuations - 1 Officer 17 Other Ranks.	
	May 3rd.		Units Training; Musketry, Bayonet Fighting, Physical Training, Tactical Exercises. Sick Evacuations - 8 Other Rank. Reinforcements -	
	May 4th.		Units Training; Musketry, Bayonet Fighting, Physical Training, Tactical Exercises. Sick Evacuations - 11 Other Ranks. Reinforcements -	
	May 5th.		Units Training; Musketry, Bayonet Fighting, Physical Training, Tactical Exercises. Sick Evacuations - 11 Other Ranks. Reinforcements -	

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LAVIEVILLE	May 6th.		<p>Church Parade. Lieut.-General BIRDWOOD presented Medals to N.C.Os. of the Brigade for the operations in BULLECOURT.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sick Evacuations - 2 Other Ranks.</p>	
	May 7th.		<p>Units Training.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sick Evacuations - 10 Other Ranks.</p>	
	May 8th.		<p>Divisional Rifle Meeting. Half Holiday.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sick Evacuations - 11 Other Ranks.</p>	<i>Appx. I</i>
	May 9th.		<p>Whole Holiday. Divisional Rifle Meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sick Evacuations - 11 Other Ranks.</p>	
	May 10th.		<p>Units Training. Divisional Boxing Tournament at BRESLE in the evening. Heavy thunderstorm broke over the camp at 6 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sick Evacuations - 9 Other Ranks.</p>	
	May 11th		<p>Units Training. Weather Fine. Brigade and Divisional Rifle Shooting. Divisional Boxing Tournament.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sick Evacuations - 1 Officer 7 Other Ranks.</p>	<i>Appx. II</i>

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LAVIEVILLE	May 12th		<p>Corps Commander reviewed the Division prior to their leaving to join the 2nd. Anzac Corps. Presented Medals. Orders received to entrain at AVELUY. Divisional Boxing Finals in the evening.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 19 Other Ranks.</p>	
	May 13th		<p>Brigade Horse Show - Very successful. Orders issued for entrainment to BAILLEUL WEST from AVELUY.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 15 Other Ranks.</p>	<p><i>App. III</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>IV</i></p>
LAVIEVILLE - AVELUY	May 14th		<p>The Brigade Group moved to AVELUY and concentrated for the entrainment.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 24 Other Ranks.</p>	
AVELUY - DOULIEU.	May 15th		<p>The first train of the Brigade Group left AVELUY at 2.47 p.m. The successive trains every 4 hours afterwards. Weather fine but cold.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 8 Other Ranks.</p>	
DOULIEU	May 16th		<p>Brigade Headquarters, 12th. M. G. Coy., 12th. A.L.T.M. Battery, 45th., 46th., 47th. and 48th. Battalions arrived in the DOULIEU Area during the day and went into Billets. Weather Cold; raining in the evening.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 1 Other Rank.</p>	

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DOULIEU	May 17th.		<p>Weather Wet. Brigade Commander visited the billets of Units. 45th. Battalion ordered to move to NEUVE EGLISE and DOU DOU Farm to work on loading Heavy Artillery Ammunition. Moved off at 4 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 2 Other Ranks.</p>	
DOULIEU	May 18th.		<p>Units training as far as circumstances will allow. Most of the country being under cultivation the training is limited to instruction indoors, route marching and physical training; very difficult for tactical exercises to be carried out. Operation Memo No. issued.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 6 Other Ranks.</p>	
DOULIEU	May 19th		<p>Weather fine. The Army Commander visited the Brigade. A conference of Brigade Commanders was held at Division.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 8 Other Ranks.</p>	
DOULIEU	May 20th		<p>Church Parade after which 47th. Battalion was inspected by Brigade Commander. 48th Battalion moved to DOU DOU FARM. Employed on fatigue unloading ammunition. Major RADFORD reported for duty with 12th. M. G. Company and took over Command.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 7 Other Ranks.</p>	

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DOULIEU	May 21st		<p>Weather hot and sultry. 46th. and 47th. Battalions carried out usual training. Brigade Commander visited 45th. and 48th. Battalion.</p> <p>Sick Evacuations - 4 Other Ranks.</p>	
DOULIEU	May 22nd		<p>Weather cloudy and showery. Brigade was visited by Army Commander.</p> <p>Sick Evacuations - 4 Other Ranks.</p>	
DOULIEU	May 23rd.		<p>Weather warm and fine. Usual training by ry 46th. and 47th. Battalions. New type of planes seen for first time in this Area.</p> <p>Sick Evacuations - NIL.</p>	
DOULIEU	May 24th		<p>Usual training. Commander-in-Chief met Brigade Commanders at Division.</p> <p>Sick Evacuations - 6 Other Ranks.</p>	<p>Appsc. <u>V</u></p>
DOULIEU	May 25th.		<p>Weather fine. Units training.</p> <p>Sick Evacuations - 10 Other Ranks.</p>	<p>Appsc. <u>VI</u></p>
DOULIEU	May 26th		<p>Weather fine - fairly hot. Army Corps Commander inspected and addressed the Brigade near DOULIEU.</p> <p>Sick Evacuations - 5 Other Ranks.</p>	<p>Appsc. <u>VII</u></p>

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DOULIEU	May 27th		<p>Weather fine. Church Parade. Conference of Brigade Commanders at Division. Enemy planes active over DOULIEU at 8 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 5 Other Ranks.</p>	<p><i>Appx. VIII</i></p>
DOULIEU	May 28th		<p>Weather fine. Units carried out usual training. 12th. M. G. Company moved up and became attached to New Zealand Division. French Civilians were noticed moving back probably from NEUVE EGLIS. Reinforcements numbering 29 Other Ranks arrived via STEENWERCK.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 4 Other Ranks Casualties - 1 Other Rank.</p>	
DOULIEU	May 29th		<p>Weather fine. Usual training carried out by 46th. and 47th. Battalions. General BIRDWOOD visited Officers of the Division outside DOULIEU Church. Orders received for Brigade to move to Forward Area. Brigade Order 143 issued.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 1 Officer. 16 Other Ranks.</p>	<p><i>Appx. IX</i> <i>Appx. X</i></p>
DOULIEU	May 30th		<p>Weather fine. Brigade moved to Forward Area.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sick Evacuations - 8 Other Ranks. Casualties - 3 Other Ranks Killed. - 16 Other Ranks Wounded.</p>	<p><i>Appx. XI</i></p>

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T. 27 .a. 8.5.	May 31st		<p>Brigade Headquarters and 45th Battalion moved to positions as Disposition Report. 2 Sections M. G. Company reported back. About 9.15 p.m. enemy plane destroyed one of our Kite Balloons by fire. About 10 p.m. a large fire apparently a dump was seen the other side of MESSINES. The enemy exploded one of our Dumps near Brigade at about 11 p.m.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Sick Evacuations - 8 Other Ranks.</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">Reinforcements arrived during the month - 8 Officers. 603 Other Ranks.</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;"> <p><i>Walter Cash</i> <i>Brigadier-General</i> <i>qu</i></p> <p>Brigadier-General. Commanding 12th. Australian Infantry Brigade.</p> </div>	

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL RIFLE MEETING.

PLATOON MATCH

Order of Firing - Commencing 9.30 A.M. 9th May 1917.

No.	2	Platoon	15th.	Battalion
10	"		48th.	"
	"		16th.	"
1	"		52nd.	"
11	"		51st.	"
15	"		14th.	"
3	"		46th.	"
14	"		47th.	"
5	"		45th.	"
4	"		13th.	"
13	"		49th.	"
11	"		50th.	"

Teams will assemble on ground W. of BRESLE - RIBEMONT
Road (at about D.21.a.2.S.) at 9.15 A.M.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL RIFLE MEETING

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BATTALION TEAM MATCH

2.15 P.M., May 9th 1917. (The top team in each heat will shoot at the right set of tiles)

<u>1st Round</u>				<u>2nd Round</u>	<u>3rd Round</u>	<u>Semi-final</u>	<u>Final</u>
No.1	Team -	14th	Batt.	}	}	}	}
2	"	46th	"				
2	"	49th	"				
1	"	49th	"				
1	"	50th	"				
2	"	13th	"				
2	"	47th	"				
2	"	15th	"				
2	"	50th	"				
2	"	48th	"				
1	"	51st	"				
1	"	45th	"				
1	"	52nd	"				
2	"	14th	"				
1	"	15th	"				
1	"	13th	"				
No.1 Team 16th Batt)				}	}	}	}
2	"	51st	"				
1	"	48th	"				
1	"	46th	"				
2	"	45th	"				
2	"	52nd	"				
2	"	16th	"				
1	"	47th	"				

Appendix No 1

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12th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 140.

11th May, 1917

Reference Map 1:40000.

1. The 12th. Australian Infantry Brigade and 12th. Aus. Field Company will move on 14th. instant in accordance with Table overleaf.
2. Advanced billeting parties will report to the Staff Captain at the Town Majors Office at BOUZINCOURT at 3 P.M. tomorrow 12th. instant.
3. Transport will accompany Units.
4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Elphinstone
 Captain.
 Brigade Major.
 12th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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 - 7 - 48th. "
 - 8 - 12th. M. G. Coy.
 - 9 - 12th. A.L.T.M. Btty.
 - 10 - 12th. Fld. Coy.
 - 11 - Bde. Signal Section
 - 12 - "B" Section 13th. Fld. Ambulance
 - 13 - 4th. Aust. Division
 - 14 - A.D.M.S. 4th. Aus. Division.
 - 15 - 12th. Field Ambulance
 - 16 - Staff Captain

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Date	UNIT	From	To	Starting Point	Time	Route
May 14th.	12th. A.I. Bde. Hqrs.	LAVIEVILLE	Camp in W.10.	Cross Roads at V.29.d.0.6.	10-0 A.M.	MILLEN COURT - BOUZINCOURT.
	47th. Battalion	"	"	"	10-0 A.M.	" "
	48th. Battalion	HENENCOURT WOOD	"	"	10-20 A.M.	" "
	45th. Battalion	BRESLE	"	"	10-40 A.M.	BRESLE - LAVIEVILLE - MILLEN COURT - BOUZINCOURT.
	46th. Battalion	BRESLE	"	"	11 A.M.	" "
	12th. M.G. Coy.	BRESLE	"	"	11-15 A.M.	" "
	12th. A.L.T.M. By.	BRESLE	"	"	11-15 A.M.	" "
	12th. Aus. Fld. Coy.	BAIZIEUX	"	"	11-30 A.M.	HENENCOURT - MILLEN COURT - BOUZINCOURT.

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12th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONSIssued in conjunction with Brigade Order No. 140.

11th May 1917.

1. CAMPS. Units will occupy Camps as under :-

45th. Battalion	- DOGS LEG HUTS	W.9.d.6.3.
46th. Battalion	- BRUCES HUTS	W.16.a.3.2.
47th. Battalion	- MIDLAND HUTS	W.10.c.3.8.
48th. Battalion	- BRUCES HUTS	W.16.a.3.2.
12th. M.G. Coy.	- VITTORIA HUTS	W.10.d.8.5.
12th. A.L.T.M.By.	- VITTORIA HUTS	W.10.d.8.5.
12th. Fld. Amb.	- SALMANAC HUTS	W.10.b.3.4.
12th. Fld. Coy.	- TOULOUSE HUTS	W.10.d.3.9.

2. TRANSPORT.

Each Battalion will send guide to Supply Dump at 8.30 A.M. tomorrow, 12th. instant, to conduct 2 G.S. Wagons from Divisional Train for purpose of returning Blankets etc., to D.A.D.O.S. These wagons will also be utilised for taking surplus baggage and equipment to the Camps to be occupied by Units as shown in para. 1. No additional transport will be available for the move on the 14th. instant, Units must therefore move as much as possible tomorrow and Sunday 13th. instant.

All Mobile Reserve of Ammunition, Picks and Shovels and Lewis Guns, etc., should be moved.

A guard will be posted over all baggage taken on to new camp.

Leard
 Captain.
 A/Staff Captain.
 12th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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 10 - 12th. Fld. Ambulance
 11 - 12th. Field Coy.

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12th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 141.

13th May 1917.

The 12th. Australian Infantry Brigade Group will entrain at AVELUY Station on 15th. and 16th. instant, in accordance with Table "A" attached.

2. The 47th Battalion will detail an Officer not below the rank of Captain as Entraining Officer to the Brigade Group. He will report to the R.T.O. AVELUY on the afternoon of 14th. instant. He will remain on duty until the entraining of the Brigade Group is complete and follow on in the last train. The 45th. Battalion will detail an Officer to act as detraining Officer to the Brigade Group. He will proceed by the first train and will report to the R.T.O. detraining Station on arrival. He will remain on duty until the detraining of the Brigade Group is complete.

3. Working parties will be detailed as follows :-

(A) By O.C. 47th. Battalion -
2 Officers, 100 Other Ranks, to report to R.T.O. AVELUY at 1 P.M. 15th. instant. They will work in shifts of 1 Officer and 50 Other Ranks and will continue working until entraining is complete, and will then proceed by the last train. The Officer i/c party will report to R.T.O. AVELUY tomorrow 14th. instant at 3-0 P.M. for instructions.

(B) By O.C. 45th. Battalion (To be included in the Company proceeding by the first train).

2 Officers and 100 Other Ranks for unloading at the detraining Station. These will proceed by the first train of the Group, and will report to R.T.O. immediately on arrival at the detraining Station.

4. Rations and forage will be carried as follows :-

- 1 Iron Ration on the man.
- 1 Days ration on the man or in the Cookers.
- 1 Days ration in Supply Section of Divisional Train.
- 1 Days forage with animals.
- 1 Days forage with Supply Section of Divisional Train.

5. All ranks will entrain with waterbottles filled. Horses will be watered at as late an hour as possible before entraining.

6. Baggage and Supply Wagons will entrain with respective Units and rejoin the Divisional Train as soon as possible after detraining.

7. All Units will march out with Mobile Echelon of Ammunition complete.

8. On arrival at AVELUY Area tomorrow 14th. instant, Units will establish small dumps in the vicinity of the entraining Station in order to save transport on day of entraining. Units must ascertain from R.T.O. location for such dumps before dumping any stores. A guard must be posted on all such Dumps.

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9. Attention of O.S. Units is drawn to previous orders issued on entrainment and detrainment and orders for the journey by train.

10. Marching Out States, as follows, will be handed to Entraining Officer.

UNIT	Off.	O.R.	Horses	Mules	Vehicles		Bicycles	Other Vehicles
					2 Wh.	4 Wh.		

Note :- Limbered G.S. wagons to be shown as 2 2-wheeled vehicles.

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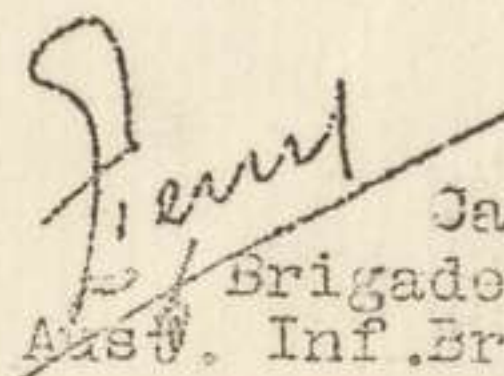
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 Brigade Major.
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 11 - 4th. Aus. Division
 12 - 12th. Field Ambulance
 13 - 12th. Field Coy.
 14 - 26th. A.A.S.C.
 15 - Bde. Supply Officer
 16 - O.C. 4th. Div. Train
 17 - A.D.M.S. 4th. Aus. Div.
 18 - "B" Section 13th Fld. Amb.
 19 - Staff Captain

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TABLE "A"

DATE	Train Number	Entraining Station.	UNIT	Transport to arrive at Entraining Station.	Unit to arrive at Entraining Station.	Train Departs	REMARKS
May 15th	3	AVELUY	Bde. Hqs. " Signals M. G. Company T. L. Battery 1 Coy. 45th Bn 1 Cooker & Team of 45th Bn	1 P.M.	2-30 P.M.	4 P.M.	No Troops to enter Station yard until R.T.Os. are ready for entraining.
May 15th	6	Do.	45th Bn. less 1 Coy. & 1 Cooker and Team.	5 P.M.	6-30 P.M.	8 P.M.	Entrainment of Units must be completed half an hour before scheduled time of departure.
May 15th	9	Do.	46th Bn. less 1 Coy. & 1 Cooker and Team.	9 P.M.	10-30 P.M.	Midnight 15/16	
May 16th	12	Do.	47th Bn. less 1 Coy. & 1 Cooker and Team.	1 A.M.	2-30 A.M.	4-0 A.M.	
May 16th	15	Do.	48th Bn. less 1 Coy. & 1 Cooker and Team.	5 A.M.	6-30 A.M.	8-0 A.M.	Lashing ropes for vehicles will be provided by R.T.O.
May 16th	18	Do.	4th. Div. Salvage Section.	9 A.M.	10-30 A.M.	12 NOON	
May 16th	21	Do.	1 Coy. 1 Cooker and Team of 46th Bn. 12th. Fld. Coy.	1 P.M.	2-30 P.M.	4-0 P.M.	
May 16	24	Do.	1 Coy. & 1 Cooker & Team 47th Bn. Do. 48th Bn. 12th. Fld. Arb.	5-0 P.M.	6-30 P.M.	8-0 P.M.	


 Captain.
 Brigade Major.
 12th Aust. Inf. Brigade

Appendix No. 3

12th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE HORSE SHOW.

***** Appendix No 4

To be held on the High Ground

N.W. of BRESLE WOOD on SUNDAY May 13th. 1917.

JUDGES :- Brig.General W.C. GLASGOW, C.M.G., D.S.O., 13th. Aus. Inf. Brigade. Lt.-Colonel D.K. BERNARD, D.S.O., 4th. Aus. Division. Lt.-Colonel R. DOWSE, 4th. Aus. Division.

1. 10-30 A.M. BEST TURNED OUT 1st LINE TRANSPORT.

- 45th. Battalion
46th. Battalion
47th. Battalion
48th. Battalion
12th. M. G. Company.

2. 1-0 P.M. BEST TURNED OUT LIMBERED WAGON WITH HORSES.

- 45th. Battalion 1 Limber.
46th. Battalion 1 "
47th. Battalion 1 "
48th. Battalion 1 "
12th. M. G. Company 1 "
"B" Section 13th. Fld. Ambulance 1 Limber
12th. Field Ambulance - 1 Limber.

3. 1-30 P.M. BEST TURNED OUT LIMBERED WAGON WITH MULES.

- 12th. A.I.Bde. Headquarters
45th. Battalion
46th. Battalion
47th. Battalion
48th. Battalion
12th. M. G. Company
12th. A.L.T.M. Battery

4. 2-0 P.M. BEST TURNED OUT COOKER WITH TEAM.

- 45th. Battalion
46th. Battalion
47th. Battalion
48th. Battalion

4a. 2-30 P.M. BEST TURNED OUT G.S. WAGON AND TEAM.

- 12th. Aus. Inf. Bde. Headquarters
"B" Section 13th. Field Ambulance
12th. Field Ambulance.

5. 2-45 P.M. BEST TURNED OUT PACK ANIMAL.

- 45th. Battalion
46th. Battalion
47th. Battalion
48th. Battalion
12th. M. G. Company

6. 2-45 P.M. TRANSPORT SERGEANTS CHARGER.

- 45th. Battalion
46th. Battalion
47th. Battalion
48th. Battalion
12th. M. G. Company.

- 7. 3-0 P.M. COMPANY OFFICERS CHARGER.
(Open only to Company Officers in the Brigade).

Sweepstake entry 5 Francs.
- 8. 3-10 P.M. FIELD OFFICERS CHARGER.
(Open only to Field Officers in the Brigade).

Sweepstake 10 Francs.
- 8a. 3-20 P.M. BEST OFFICERS CHARGER.
(Open to all Commanding Officers, Brigade and Divisional Staff Officers throughout the Division).

Sweepstake entry 10 Francs.

- 9. 3-30 P.M. DRIVING COMPETITION.

45th. Battalion	No. 1	Team
	No. 2	"
46th. Battalion	No. 1	"
	No. 2	"
47th. Battalion	No. 1	"
	No. 2	"
48th. Battalion	No. 1	"
	No. 2	"
12th. M. G. Company	No. 1	"
	No. 2	"
12th. Fld. Ambulance	No. 1	Team

- ¹10. 4-15 P.M. ALARM RACE.

45th. Battalion
46th. Battalion
47th. Battalion
48th. Battalion
12th. M. G. Company

- 11. 4-15 P.M. MOUNTED TUG O'WAR.

45th. Battalion
46th. Battalion
47th. Battalion
48th. Battalion
12th. M. G. Company.

- 12. 4-30 P.M. OPEN HACK RACE.

W. H. H. H.
Captain.
Secretary,

12th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Head quarters,
24th. May 1917.

12th. M. G. COMPANY.

1. The 12th. M. G. Company will be held in readiness to move to the Forward Area and will be attached to the N. Z. Division.
2. The actual date of the move will be communicated later on receipt of orders from the Division concerned.
3. The O.C. 12th. M. G. Company will report at once to the N. Z. Division and make all necessary arrangements regarding accomodation etc.
4. When the Company moves forward the 25 per cent reinforcements will be left behind and will move to the reinforcement camp at MORBECQUE with the remainder of the Divisional reinforcements.
5. A party of 32 other ranks will be attached to you for duty during the operations from 47th. Battalion. Details as to when and where these are to report will be arranged between Commanders concerned.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Captain.
Brigade Major.
12th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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12th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No.142.

25th May 1917.

Reference Map 1:40000.
Sheet 56.

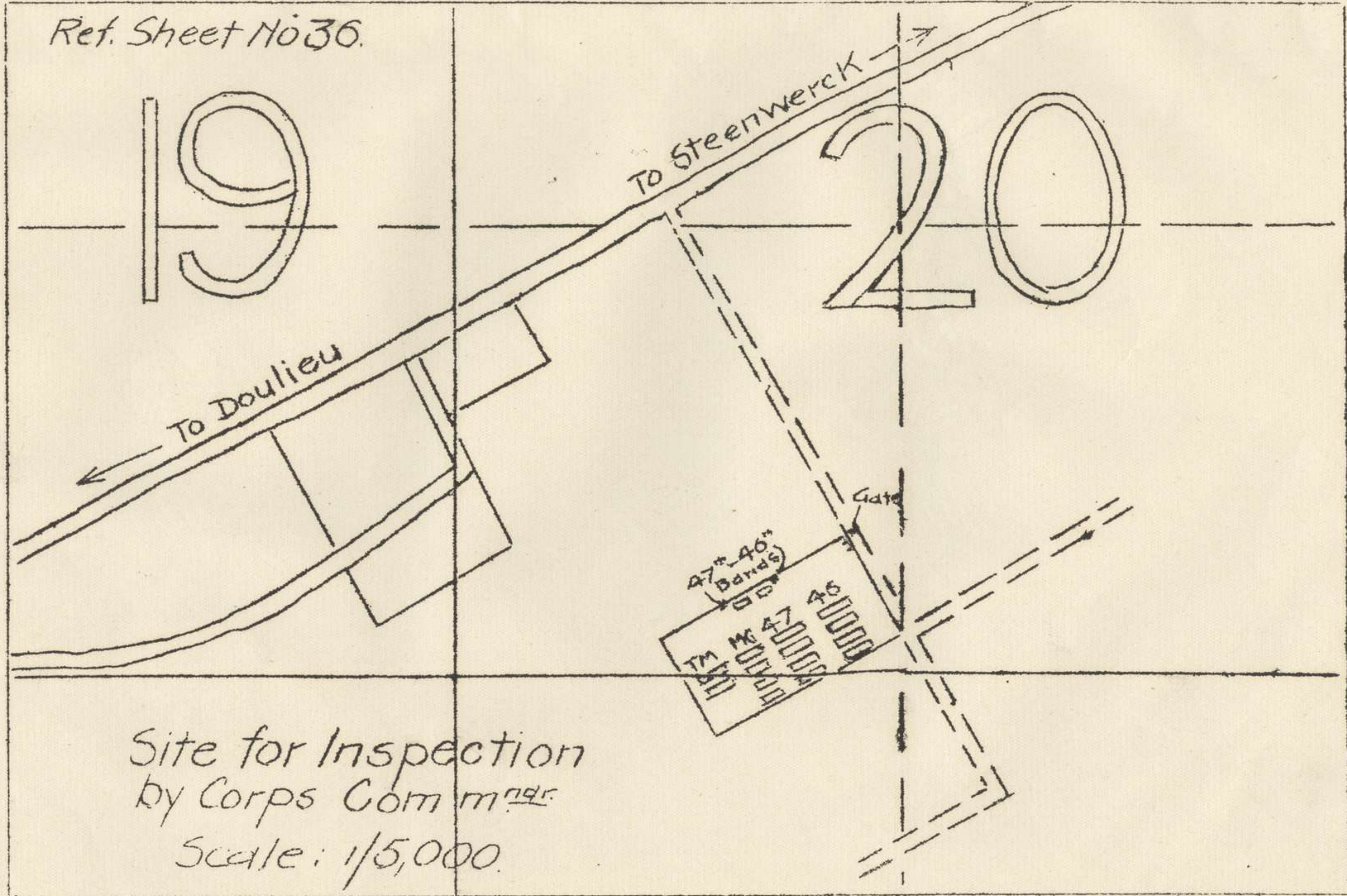
1. The Corps Commander will inspect the Brigade less 45th. and 46th. Battalions at 12 noon tomorrow.
2. Troops will be drawn up in the Field about A.E.O.S.1 at 11.30 a.m. facing N.E. in accordance with attached Appendix I.
3. Dress - Drill Order; Hats will be worn with the left side up (for this parade only).
Mounted Officers will take chargers but will be dismounted for inspection, and will be mounted for march past.
4. 47th. Battalion will detail guides to each 46th. Battalion, 12th. M. G. Company and 12th. A.L.T.M. Battery at 10 a.m. to conduct Units to place of parade.
5. On arrival, the Corps Commander will be received with a General Salute, which the 46th. Battalion Band will play.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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 Captain.
 Brigade Major.
 12th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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Site for Inspection
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SUPPLIES.

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AREA COMMAND-
ANT.

which is situated at A. .C.3.5. Sheet 36.

5. Lieut-Colonel J. GRANT SMITH has been appointed Area Commandant "A" and "B" Sub Areas. Location of his office will be at T.14.3.4.7. Sheet 28. Notification will be made by units to the Area Commandant of any movement or change within the Area, and no tentage, shelter or camp equipment will be moved without his sanction. Immediately on arrival in new Area, Units will arrange for Notice Boards to be placed at all Camps, Hutments or groups of bivouac shelters where not already existing, showing :-

1. No of Officers and O/Ranks accommodated.
2. Source of Water Supply.
3. No of horses that can be accommodated.
4. Horse watering place.

If possible notices should be constructed to allow of being illuminated at night.

CAMP EQUIP-
MENT.

6. Camp equipment, i.e. brooms, hessian, washing tubs and latrine buckets will be drawn from D.A.D.O.S. This Camp equipment must be handed over to Area Commandant on vacating Area.

TENTAGE.

7. Extra shelters will be provided to augment present accommodation. A limited number of tents are allowed in the area on condition that they are well camouflaged before being pitched, and are pitched under trees. Tents will be issued to supplement accommodation in the Transport Area. These also must be camouflaged before being erected.

SURPLUS
BAGGAGE.

8. All surplus baggage should be got ready to be dumped at short notice. Position of dump in BAILLEUL will be notified later.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Henry
for
Captain.
Brigade Major.
12th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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10 - Bdo. Signal Section
11 - 12th. Field Amb.
12 - 12th. Field Coy.
1 - Staff Captain.

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12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.ADMINISTRATIVE CIRCULAR No 13

26/5/17.

Reference Sheets 28.S.W. & 36.
1:20000.

BILLETING. 1. On instructions being received to move to "D" Area the Brigade Group will be billeted in "A" Sub Area as follows :-

Bgde Hqrs		T.27.B.5.9.
45th Battn.	Camp to be pitched at	T.26.a.5.8.
46th Battn.	BELMONT LINES)	T.26.a.5.7.
	KORTEPYP ")	T.26.b.8.5.
47th Battn.	BULLFORD CAMP.	T.26.a.5.8.
48th Battn.	WELLINGTON LINES.)	T.26.B.4.3.
	CRUMBLIN. ")	T.27.a.2.4.
M.G. Coy.	PENZANCE. "	T.20 Central.
L.T.M.Bty.	House 50 men.	T.25.d.8.5.
	" 20 men.	T.25.d.8.5.
12th Fld Coy.	ANTRIM LINES:	T.27.d.8.8.
12th Fld Amb,	WILFRED LINES.	T.27.c.5.5.
Balance of 12th		
R.E. and 12th		
F.A. in	CARLISLE LINES.	T.27.c.55.10.

TRANSPORT. 2. The following transport ONLY will be held in "D" Area. No additional transport to that laid down is to be held in "D" Area, without special permission from Brigade Headquarters.

Brigade Headquarters	1 L.G.S. Wagon.
Each Battalion.	1 L.G.S. Wagon.
	4 Cookers.
	2 Water Carts.
	1 Officers Mess Cart.

Field Company and *Field*
Ambulance.

Only those vehicles
necessary for their work.

The remainder of the transport will be situated at A.4.d.5.7. Sheet 36. Captain D.B. PAYNE, 46th Battalion will be in charge of the Brigade Group Transport in this Area.

TRANSPORT
PASSES.

3. The drivers of all transports using the roads must be in possession of a pass signed by the Divisional A.P.M.

SUPPLIES.

4. Supplies will be drawn by Divisional Train Wagons and delivered to Units in "D" Area. Supplies for units in transport area will be drawn by 1st Line Transport for Refilling Point.

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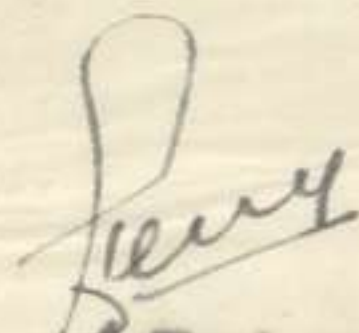
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12th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Headquarters,
27th. May 1917.

Reference Map Sheets 36 N.W. & 28 S.W.
1:40,000.

1. The 12th. Aust. Machine Gun Company will be attached to New Zealand Division from 28th. instant.
2. The Company will move at 10 a.m. tomorrow 28th. instant and will be camped at Area DE SEULE 9571 at T.25.d.7.4.
3. A party under an Officer should move in advance and draw 8 Tents and 12 Shelters from Ordnance B.1.d.2.8.
4. Rations up to and including 29th instant will be taken.
5. 1st. Line Transport will report to O.C., Train at H.1.b.3.5. on arrival at new Area.
6. Completion of move to be reported to Headquarters New Zealand Division.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE.


 Captain.
 Brigade Major.
 12th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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12th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 143.

20th May 1917.

Reference Map 1:40000.
Shoots 36 and 28.

The 12th. Australian Infantry Brigade (less 2 Battalions and M. G. Company) will move into "D" Area on 30th. instant and be located according to this Office G.14/39 of 22nd. May.

2. Units will move in the following order :-

Unit	Moves at	Route	Destination.
46th. Battn.	8.30 a.m.	Via BAILLEUL - ARMENTIERES Main Road - DESEULE.	T.26.b.3.5.
47th. Battn.	9.30 a.m.	Via STEENWERCK - DE SEULE.	T.26.a.5.8. DULFORD CAMP.
T.M. Battery	10 a.m.	Via STEENWERCK - DE SEULE.	T.25.d.8.5.
12th. A.I. Bde. Hqrs.	AS CONVENIENT		ENGLISH FARM T.27.b.5.9.

3. The usual intervals between Units will be maintained.

4. Transport will afterwards move direct to the Transport Area A.4.d.5.7. (Shoot 36).

ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. Baker
Captain.
Brigade Major.
12th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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- 9 - 12th. A.L.T.M. Btty.
- 10 - Bde. Signal Section
- 11 - Staff Captain
- 12 - 4th. Aus. Division
- 13 - 12th. Field Ambulance
- 14 - 26th. A.A.S.C.
- 15 - Bde. Supply Officer.

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12th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.ADMINISTRATIVE CIRCULAR No. 14.

29th May 1917.

Move of Details to MORBECQUE Camp.

Reference Map :
HAZEBROUCK 5^A 1:100000.

1. The details for the Reinforcement Camp will march to MORBECQUE on June 1st. 1917. The MERRIS Area will be used as a staging Area.
2. Any Roads South of HAZEBROUCK may be used for the march to MORBECQUE. The whole detail will move under the Orders of Major FORD 47th. Battalion who will take charge of party.
3. Party will leave their present billets at 10 a.m. tomorrow and proceed under Battalion arrangements direct to billets in MERRIS Area which were arranged by Lieut. TCNKIN, 12th. M.G. Coy., today.
4. *Party* 1 Officer and 40 Other Ranks of the 46th. Battalion will remain with the Battalion at present and will be for duty under the A.P.M. 2nd. ANZAC at BAILLEUL when called for.
5. The 1st Line Transport will be used for the move to the MERRIS Area tomorrow. For the move thence to MORBECQUE 5 Motor Lorries will report at the Church MERRIS at 7.30 a.m. on June 1st. 1917. Of these one is allotted to the Brigade. O.C. in charge of Brigade Party will arrange for a guide to be at the Church to meet it. The remaining two are for Officers Kits which cannot be taken on the Brigade Lorry. Major FORD will make arrangements with the Senior Officer of the 4th. Aust. Inf. Brigade Details for picking up kits left behind.
6. Parties will be rationed up to and for June 1st., after which they will be rationed by Second Army Troops Supply Column under instructions from O.C., 2nd ANZAC Corps School, MORBECQUE.
7. Parties on arrival at MORBECQUE will report to O.C. 2nd. ANZAC Corps School D.14.C.S.5. Sheet 36 A. All parties will be accommodated in a camp which has been pitched.
8. Camp Equipment, such as camp kettles and washing tubs, has been provided and need not be taken.
9. Colonel F.W.B. RICHARDSON has been appointed Commandant of the MORBECQUE Reinforcement Camp. Reinforcements from the Base will also proceed to this Camp.

10. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Lenny
Captain.
Staff Captain.
12th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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10 - Staff Captain.
11 - Major FORD 47th BN

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12th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

ADMINISTRATIVE CIRCULAR No. 15.

30th May 1917.

Reference Map - Sheets 28 & 36.
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1. The following moves of Units will take place tomorrow 31st. instant.

(a) Brigade Headquarters moves from BULLFORD Camp T.26.a.5.8. to T.27.a.8.5.

(b) 45th. Battalion from T.20.b.2.8. to KORTEPYP LINES - T.26.b.8.5.

(c) Headquarters and 2 sections of 12th. A. M. G. Company from T.25.d.5.5. to PENZANCE LINES - T.20.Central.

2. The 45th. Battalion will hand over by 10 a.m. 31st May, to the Area Commandant at T.14.c.4.3. all trench shelters in their possession, with the exception of 12 which will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters at T.27.a.8.5.

Receipts will be obtained and forwarded to Brigade Headquarters.

3. On the above moves being completed, the distribution of the Brigade will be -

Brigade Headquarters	T.27.a.8.5.
45th. Battalion - KORTEPYP LINES	T.26.b.8.5.
46th. Battalion - " "	T.26.b.8.5.
47th. Battalion - BULLFORD "	T.26.a.5.8.
48th. Battalion - DOU DOU FARM Sheet 36 - A.5.c.7.7.	T.25.d.8.5.
12th. A.L.T.M.By.-	T.25.d.8.5.
H. Qrs. and 2 Sections	
12th. A.M.G.Coy. - PENZANCE LINES	T.20.c.
2 sections 12th. A.M.G. Coy.	T.25.d.5.5.

4. Completion of moves will be notified to Brigade Headquarters.

5. Brigade Headquarters will close at T.26.a.5.8. at 11 a.m. and reopen at T.27.a.8.5. at same hour.

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Captain.
Staff Captain.
12th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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- 9 - 12th. A.L.T.M.Btty.
- 10 - 4th. Aus. Division.
- 11 - 12th. Field Ambulance
- 12 - A.D.M.S. 4th. Aus. Division
- 13 - 26th. A.A.S.C.
- 14 - Bde. Supply Officer
- 15 - 13th. Field Ambulance.
- 16 - Bde. Signal Officer
- 17 - c. Sect 13th F. Hqs.