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Title: 13th Infantry Battalion

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
1-5-17	RIBEMONT	Training - Parade Hours 9.30am - noon 1.30 pm to 4 pm	See APPENDIX B48
2-5-17	do	do.	
3-5-17	do	do.	
4-5-17	do	do.	
5-5-17	do 10am	Church Parade - Presentation of Congratulatory Cards by G.O.C. Division. - Major-Gen. W. Holmes.	
6-5-17	do	Training continued	See APPENDIX B49
7-5-17	do 10am	Inspection of Pde. 1st Line Transport by Divl. Commander for Transport Cape - won by 16th Pde.	
do	do	Training continued.	

WAR DIARY LIEUT-COL. J. M. A. DURRANT, D.S.O. VOL III, 63.

Date	Place and Time	Cmdg. 13th BN. A.I.F.	Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
8/5/17	RIBEMONT 9am	Divisional Rifle Meeting - Location of Range D.21.a.9.1. Sheet 62 D.	See APPENDIX B50.
9/5/17	do	Training continued	
10/5/17	do	do.	
11/5/17	do	do.	
12/5/17	do 10am	Divisional Parade - Presentation of medals and medal ribbons to recipients as per attached APPENDIX B51.	
13/5/17	do do	Voluntary Church Parades.	
14/5/17	do	Training continued	See APPENDIX B52
15/5/17	do 2pm	Move of Pms. - One Company entrained at <u>EDGEHILL</u> for <u>BAILLEUL</u> .	See APPENDIX B53
do	do 6pm	Remainder of Pms. entrained	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
16/5/17	<u>BAILLEUL</u> 3.30pm	"A" Coy. detrained at BAILLEUL and	
do	do 6am	detailed as Brigade Unloading party	
		Remainder of Pns. detrained at	
		BAILLEUL and marched to billets near	
		DOULIEU.	
17/5/17	<u>DOULIEU</u> -	Training continued	
18/5/17	do	do	
19/5/17	do 10.30am	2nd ANZAC Corps Commander Sir A.J. GODLEY	
		visited the Bde. to see men at their	
		training.	
20/5/17.	do 10.30am	Bathurst Church Parade.	
21/5/17	do	Training continued - Colonel Heritage	
		visited Pns. at training	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
22/5/17	DOULIEV 9am do 2 pm	Training continued all C.O.'s met 2nd Army Commander (Gen. Sir H.C.O. Plumer) at Bde. H'qrs.	
23/5/17	do	14th Bde inspected by Army Commander. Training continued - C.O. visited New Zealand Divisional Headquarters and front line trenches near Hyde Park Corner.	
24/5/17	do	Training continued	
25/5/17	do	do	
26/5/17	do	11am Brigade inspected by 2nd ANZAC Corps Commander Sir A.T. Godley - March Past - Training continued in the afternoon	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
27/5/17.	<u>DOULIEU</u> 10.30am	Church Parade	
28/5/17	do.	Afternoon - Holiday.	
29/5/17	do.	Training continued	
30/5/17	do.	do.	
31/5/17.	do 10am	Battalion (less 8 offrs. + 111 O.R.'s) moved to VAUXHALL CAMP (shut	} See APPENDIX <u>B54</u>
do	do 10.30am	8 offrs. + 111 O.R.'s under Major E. Twynem moved to MORBECQUE -	
		These figures include officers N.C.O.'s and specialists being left at the line in accordance with S.S. 135 - "Instructions for Training of Division for Offensive Action"	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
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		Strength of unit - evacuation etc. 31/5/17.	See APPENDIX B.55.
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13th BATTALION, A.I.F.

TRAINING PROGRAMME & 30th April to 5th May, 1917.

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APPENDIX BY 8,

9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.

1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

6/4/17	"A", "B", "C", & "D" Coys.- Musketry	Aiming & Firing - 25 min. Skirmishing - 25 min. Rapid Loading - 15 " Platoon Drill - 25 " Muscle Exercises, Snap aiming and rapid working of bolt with butt on shoulder - 25 min.
6/17	C.O.'s parade - 25 min. Skirmishing - 25 min. Bayonet Fighting - 25 min. Rapid Loading - 15 min. Platoon Drill - 25 min.	Bayonet Fighting - 25 min. Rapid Loading - 15 min. Muscle Exercises etc. - 25 min. Skirmishing - 25 min. Judging Distance - 25 min.
6/17	"A", "B", "C", & "D" Coys.- Musketry.	Standard Tests - 25 min. Bayonet Fighting - 25 min. Rapid Loading - 15 min. Observation March, messages and reports - 45 min.
5/17.	C.O.'s parade - 25 min. Fire Orders &) Fire Control) - 25 min. Lecture on Attack) Formations) - 25 min. Rapid Loading - 15 min. Gas Helmet Drill - 25 min.	Platoon in Attack open warfare - 1 1/2 hours Rapid Loading - 15 min. Rapid Fire & muscle ex. 15 min. Ceremonial March Past the Company Commander - 15 min.
6/17	C.O.'s parade - 25 min. Bayonet Fighting - 25 min. Lecture on Outposts 25 min. Rapid Loading - 15 min. Platoon bomb throwing 25 min.	Platoon on Outpost - 1 hour. Rapid Firing, muscle ex. 20 min. Platoon bomb throwing 25 min. Rapid Loading - 15 min.
6/17	C.O.'s parade - 25 min. Lecture on Advanced) Guards) 25 min. Bayonet Fighting - 25 min. Wiring - 25 min. Platoon bomb throwing 25 min.	Platoon in Attack, trench to trench - 1 hour. Platoon bomb throwing 25 min. Rapid Loading - 15 min. Kit Inspection - 25 min.

NOTES: -

1. This week bomb throwing has been introduced, also fire control, rapid wiring and instruction in observing and reporting.
2. Recapitulation of last week's work is to be carried out at least once a day for at least five minutes.
3. During spells, unit commanders will ask questions on all branches of the past work; lists of questions will be prepared by Officers and shown to C.O. at evening parade.
4. All Officers will meet C.O. at 7 p.m. daily for conference on next day's work.
5. Specialists will continue same as last week - instructors to have syllabus prepared for C.O.'s approval by 12 noon on 28-4-17.
6. Smartening up drill to be carried out by all parades, including specialists, for at least five minutes daily.

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- NOTES. (Contd) 7. During spells, Officers will give short lectures on badges of rank, history of the unit, conduct when on leave, in villages, on the march etc., Saluting, manner of making a complaint, reporting sick, care of uniform, arms and equipment, good name of Battalion, Brigade and Australian Imperial Force.
8. During drill, units will be frequently given a simple tactical situation, a formation adopted to meet it, and fire opened with suitable short fire orders.

J. Davis

Capt.
Adjutant, 13th Battalion, A.I.F.

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| Copy No. 1 | War Diary |
| 2 | G.C. "A" Company |
| 3 | "B" " |
| 4 | "C" " |
| 5 | "D" " |
| 6 | Sig. Officer |
| 7 | Q.M. & Transport |
| 8 | R.S.M. & Band |
| 9 | 4th A. I. Bde. |
| 10 | C.O. & File. |

TRAINING PROGRAMME

7th to 18th May, 1917.

	7.30 a.m. to 8. a.m.	9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.	1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Remarks
7th	Running Drill and Physical Training	"A" Company:- Rifle Range. Remainder:- Rapid Loading - 15 min. Bayonet Fighting - 25 min. Fire Orders &) Fire Control) - 25 min. Close Order Drill, smartening up - 15 min. Judging Distance - 25 min. Lecturette, Hints on marching, boots, socks, clean feet, blisters, drinking on the march - - 20 min.	Football, Challenge Cup Competition:- Rugby - 15th Bn. v. Others 1.45 p.m. Australian - 14th Bn v. 16th Bn. - 3.30 p.m.	1. The Divisional Commander wishes at least half an hours running drill and physical training to be carried out before breakfast. 2. Transport Competition for Cup at 9.45 a.m. on Football Ground.
8th	Running Drill and Physical Training	"A" Company: Divisional Rifle Meeting. Remainder:- Rapid Loading - 15 min. Bayonet Fighting - 25 min. Platoon in Attack (open warfare) - 50 min. Lecturette, Observation and the use of ears and eyes by day and night - 20 min.	"A" Company: Divisional Rifle Meeting. Remainder:- Washing of men's clothes in River Ancre. This will be postponed if the day is a dull one.	1. Washing clothes is a parade. 2. Bayonet Fighting on the Bayonet Course under the Army Instructor.
9th	Running Drill and Physical Training	"A" Company: Divisional Rifle Meeting. Remainder:- Rapid Loading 15 min. Bayonet Fighting 25 min. Lecturette, Duties on Guard, 20 min. Fire Direction & Control 50 min.	"A" Company: Divisional Rifle Meeting. Remainder: Rapid Loading - 15 min. Lecturette: The use of the rifle in open warfare 20 min. Fire Direction & Control, 50 min. Ceremonial, March Past, 20 min.	1. Bayonet Fighting on the Bayonet Course under the Army Instructor. 2. Fire Control, by squads, on the disappearing miniature target range at D.28.a.92.

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APPENDIX 249

1st to 12th May 1917

TRAINING PROGRAMME

1.50 p.m. to 4 p.m.

7.30 a.m. to 12 noon

7.30 a.m. to 8 a.m.

1. The Divisional Commander wishes at least half an hour morning drill and physical training to be carried out before breakfast.

2. Transport competition for Cup at 9.45 a.m. on Football Ground.

Football Challenge Cup Competition - 1.45 p.m.

Rugby - 1st Div. v. Others - 2.30 p.m.

A Company: Rifle Range.

Remainder: -

Rapid Loading - 15 min.

Bayonet Fighting - 25 min.

Fire Order &)

Fire Control) - 25 min.

Close Order Drill, emptying up - 15 min.

Judging Distance - 25 min.

Lectures, Hints on marching, boots, socks, clean feet, plasters, drinking on the march - 20 min.

Running Drill and Physical Training

1. Washing clothes in a parade.

2. Bayonet fighting on the Bayonet Course under the Army Instructor.

A Company: Divisional Rifle Meeting.

Remainder: -

Washing of men's clothes in River house. This will be postponed if the day is a dull one.

A Company: Divisional Rifle Meeting.

Remainder: -

Rapid Loading - 15 min.

Bayonet Fighting - 25 min.

Platoon in Attack (open warfare) - 50 min.

Lectures, Observation and the use of ears and eyes by day and night - 20 min.

Running Drill and Physical Training

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1st to 2.30 p.m.

7.30 N.C.O

A Company: Divisional Rifle Meeting.

Remainder: -

Rapid Loading - 15 min.

Lectures: The use of the rifle in open warfare 20 min.

Fire Direction & Control, 20 min.

Ceremonial, March Past, 20 min.

A Company: Divisional Rifle Meeting.

Remainder: -

Rapid Loading 15 min.

Bayonet Fighting 25 min.

Lectures, Hints on Guard, 20 min.

Fire Direction & Control 20 min.

Running Drill and Physical Training

Bayonet fighting on the Bayonet Course under the Army Instructor.

Fire Control, by squads, on the disappearing miniature target range at 7.30 a.m.

	7.30 a.m. to 8 a.m.	9.30 a.m. to 12 noon	1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Remarks.
10th		Battalion parade, march to MERICOURT Rifle Range, Musketry.	Football Challenge Cup Competition. Australian, 14th Bn. v 15th Bn. 1.45 p.m. Rugby, 13th Bn. v Others, 3.30 p.m.	1. The whole Battalion will parade, including cooks, transport, etc. 2. Starting point, RIBEMONT Church, will be passed at 9 a.m. Battalion will return to RIBEMONT by 3p.m. Dress, fighting order, mid-day meal to be carried.
11th	Running Drill and Physical Training	Battalion Parade - 25 min. Company Drill - 25 min. Bayonet Fighting - 25 min. Fire Control and Fire Discipline - 25 min. Lecturette, Co-operation, Comradeship, disregard of self, and their importance in war, 15 min.	Fire Control and Fire Discipline, 25 min. Platoon in open warfare, advancing by rushes, correct method, 25 min. Lecturette, Scouting, 20 min. Muscle exercises - 15 min. Judging Distance - 25 min.	
12th	Running Drill and Physical Training.	Battalion Parade - 25 min. Bayonet Fighting - 25 min. Lecturette: Sanitation and hygiene - 20 min. Platoon exercise, open warfare, action of a platoon in support, 30 min.	Football Challenge Cup Competition. Australian - 14th Bn. v Others, 1.45 p.m. Australian - 15th Bn. v 16th Bn. 3.30 p.m.	1. Bayonet Fighting on Bayonet Course under Army Instructor. 2. Lecture in morning by R.M.O.

- NOTES:
1. Officers will confer with C.O. daily at 7.30 p.m. on next day's work, and be prepared to explain their plans for carrying out of same.
 2. Revision must take place daily.
 3. Scouts, Lewis Gunners and Bombers will parade as ordered from day to day; but as a general rule they will work with their units in the forenoon and under their special instructors in the afternoon.
 4. Company Commanders will have a conference with their N.C.O's for 15 minutes daily.

W. Davis
Capt.

Appendix No 649

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

DIVISIONAL RIFLE MEETING

To be held on the Range near the ALBERT Road in D.21.b., commencing about Monday, May 7th 1917

The following Competitions will be decided

1. Company Match

Selected Company from each Infantry or Pioneer Battalion.

Team - 1 Officer with 1 Sergeant and 12 other ranks from each Platoon. Total 53. (The Officer and 4 Sergeants will not fire)

Dress - Full Marching Order (with Steel Helmets)

Conditions - Teams will march 5 miles in 1½ hours over a course to be notified later. On arrival on the range they will fire the following practices -

(a) Rapid Fire at 300 yards - targets exposed for 1 minute.

(b) There will be 30 seconds after the targets disappear in which the teams will advance to 200 yards, where there will be 8 exposures of 3 seconds each (head and shoulder targets).

(c) There will be 30 seconds after the 8th exposure in which teams will advance to 100 yards, where there will be 5 exposures of 3 seconds each (head targets).

Ammunition unlimited.

Scoring - Each hit counts 1 point.
NOTE: All advances will be carried out under orders from the Officer and all bolts must be closed and safety catches back before the men advance. Teams will be inspected at beginning and end of march, and any men improperly equipped will be disqualified from taking part.

2. Platoon Match

A selected Platoon from each Infantry or Pioneer Battalion

Strength - 1 Officer in command

1 Lewis Gun Section (1 Sergeant and 3 other ranks) and 3 Sections of Riflemen (1 Sergeant and 7 other ranks each).

The Officer and the Sergeants in charge of Sections of Riflemen will not fire.

Conditions - The Platoon will advance and open fire under orders of the Officer as the targets appear. The Lewis Gun Section will have a special target (a machine gun appearing from behind rock).

3. Battalion Team Match.

2 teams of 10 of any rank from each Infantry or Pioneer Battalion.

Conditions - This will be decided in heats. Both teams from up at 300 yards, and on a signal advance to 200 yards and open fire at 10 white tiles. As each tile is hit the corresponding number of the opposing team is made to cease fire. The team which knocks out all its opponents, or at the end of 1 minute has most men left firing, will be the winner.

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4. Brigade Team Match

To be held on the Range near the ALBERT Road in D.S.I.S. commencing about Monday. Each team to consist of 2 of any rank from each Battalion; one from Machine Gun Company and one from Light Trench Mortar Battery.

Conditions

- (a) Snapshooting at 100 yards, 5 exposures of 1/2 seconds each. Each hit 4 points.
 - (b) Rapid at 200 yards for 1 minute. Each hit 3 points. Ammunition unlimited.
 - (c) Deliberate at 300 yards at second class Figure target. 5 shots. 20 seconds allowed for each shot. Scoring - 4, 3, 2, 1.
- In the event of a tie, the highest snapshooting score, and then the highest rapid score wins.

5. Individual Competition - Divisional Championship.

- The following entries will be allowed -
- 2 per Infantry or Pioneer Battalion
 - 1 " Divisional Headquarters
 - 1 " Brigade Headquarters
 - 2 " Signal Company
 - 2 " Field Company
 - 1 " Battery

Conditions

6. Officers' Revolver Competition

- 1 team of 4 Officers - from each Brigade of Artillery, Infantry Battalion, Pioneer Battalion, Divisional or Brigade Headquarters, Signal Company, Field Company, Div. Train.
 - Range - 20 yards
 - Target - 6 tiles per Officer
 - Time 25 seconds
 - Ammunition - 6 rounds
- Service Revolvers only.

General 1. In Matches 1 and 2 a certificate signed by the O.C. Battalion will be rendered, stating that no man has been transferred to this Company or Platoon from another Company or Platoon since April 21st. Reinforcements joined since that date may compete.

2. In all Competitions except Drill Order will be worn.

3. A date previous to May 7th, by which all eliminating Competitions will have been completed, and entries submitted to Divisional Headquarters, will be notified.

4. Further details regarding Competitions, etc., will, if necessary, be issued prior to Competitions.

5. All enquiries will be submitted to the Brigade Representative selected by each Brigade, or to Captain Craig, attached 4th Aus. Divisional Headquarters.

Prizes A silver medal will be presented to each member of the winning team in Matches 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6, and to the 1st and 2nd in Match 5.

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List of Officers W.C.O's and Men to be presented with Medals and Medal Ribbons by Army Corps Commander on 12-5-17:-

MEDALS.

No. 15	L/Cpl.	BROWN	H.B.	-	M.M.
1321	C.S.M.	BROWN	C.E.	-	M.S.M.
4/2350	Pte	DAVIS	A.H.	-	M.M.
1739	Sgr.	DAWE	J.	-	M.M.
955	Cpl.	FALKNER	G.F.	-	M.M.
30/1726	L/Cpl.	FORBES	F.	-	M.M.
4191	Pte	GOLDSMITH	G.	-	M.M.
1432	"	GREGORY	G.K.	-	M.M.
3070	L/Cpl.	JAMES	C.W.	-	M.M.
1025	Sgt	MARLIN	B.C.	-	D.C.M.
895	Pte	O'SHEA	W.H.	-	M.M.
1042	L/Cpl.	HAWKIN	J.C.	-	M.M.
(now Lieut.) - 917	Sig. Sgt.	PERRAY	A.W.	-	M.M.
" " - 214	Sgt.	ROSE	B.C.J.	-	D.C.M.
3917	Pte	SELIG	O.M.	-	M.M.
5914	L/Cpl.	TRICK	C.	-	M.M.
" " 1466	Sgt	TURBULL	A.D.	-	M.M.
3/4085	Pte	WISSOR	A.	-	M.M.
2790	"	BICE	V.J.	-	M.M.
" " 1147	RQMS	PLUCKETT	E.E.	-	Servian Cross of Karageorge (with swords) 1st Class.
1241	Pte	WRIGHT	A.	-	Servian Gold Medal

MEDAL RIBBONS.

Major	H.W. MURRAY	-	V.C.	
Lieut	W. PARSONAGE	-	M.C.	
"	B.C.J. ROSE	-	M.C.	
2131	Sgt.	T.R. GILDAY	-	D.C.M.
5194	"	C. TRICK	-	D.C.M.
4/933	"	A. OSWALD	-	A.

15th BATTALION, A.I.F.

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TRAINING PROGRAMME

14th May, 1917.

7.30 a.m. to 8 a.m.	9.30 a.m. to 12 noon	1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Remarks
Running Drill and Physical Training	C.O.'s parade 25 Min. Bayonet Fighting 25 min. Platoon bomb throwing 25 min Company Drill 25 min. Rapid Loading 20 min.	Fire Control and Fire Discipline 25 min. Platoon in open warfare, advancing by rushes, correct method, 25 min. Lecturette, Scouting, 20 min Muscle exercises 15 min Judging Distance 25 min.	-

Headquarters,
15th Battalion,
11-5-1917.

(Sgd) A.W. DAVIS, Capt.
Adjutant, 15th Battalion, A.I.F.

Issued at 3.30 p.m.

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13/5/1917

1. ENTRAINMENT. The 13th Battalion will entrain on 15th instant at EDGERHILL as under:-

<u>Train No.</u>	<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Time due to leave</u>
1.	"A" Coy., 13th Bn. with Cooker and team. Billeting Party (4 Sigs)	2 p.m.
2.	13th Bn., less 1 Company, - 1 Cooker and team	6 p.m.

Entraining Officer - - - 2/Lieut. C. Macnaghten.
The transport is to arrive at Entraining Station 3 hours and the remainder of Battalion 1½ hours prior to departure of trains. No troops to enter Station Yard until R.T.O. is ready for entraining. The entrainment is to be completed half an hour before scheduled time of departure.

2. WORKING PARTY. "A" Company are detailed for unloading at Detraining Station BAILLEUL, and will proceed by first train as above. They will remain on duty until move of the Brigade Group is complete.

Arrangements for meals - to carry 48 hours rations. O.C. Company to make provision for hot tea etc, for this party.
*Major H.W. Murray V.C., D.S.O. is detailed as Brigade Detraining Staff Officer and will report to R.W.O. at BAILLEUL.

*This Company will leave Ribemont at 11 am 15-5-17

3. The Battalion (less "A" Company, 1 Cooker and team and remainder of Transport) will move from RIBEMONT, passing Starting Point (Battalion Orderly Room) at 3 p.m. 15-5-17, in following order:-

- Band
- Signallers
- "B" Company
- "C" "
- "D" "
- S. B's. & Pioneers.
- A.M.C.

4. TRANSPORT. The Transport (less 1 Cooker and team) will move from RIBEMONT at 1 p.m. 15-5-17 under the Quartermaster and is to arrive at EDGERHILL by 3 p.m. Water Carts and Cookers to be filled. Breast ropes for Horse trucks to be provided; Lashing ropes for vehicles will be provided by R.T.O.

5. BLANKETS ETC. All blankets rolled in bundles of 20 and distinctly labelled, together with Officers' and Company gear, are to be stacked near Church RIBEMONT by 9.30 a.m., under arrangements made by Q.M.
O.C. "D" Company will detail a party of 1 N.C.O. and 12 men to report to Q.M. at 9 a.m. as loading party. This party will march out with "D" Company.

6. SUPPLIES. Rations and forage as follows will be carried:-
1 Iron ration on the man
1 Day's ration on the man or in Cookers.
1 Day's rations in Supply Section of Divisional Train.
1 days forage with animals.
1 Day's forage with Supply Section of Divisional Train.

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7. AMMUNITION. Q.M. will ensure that complete Mobile Echelon of Ammunition etc., is carried.
8. BAGGAGE WAGONS. Baggage and Supply Wagons of Divisional Train will accompany the Battalion, rejoining Divisional Train as soon as possible after detrainment.
9. BILLETING ARRANGEMENTS. Advance Billeting party (with bicycles) 1 Officer & 1 Other Rank report to R.T.O. AVELUY at 8.30 a.m. on 13-5-17 and entrain for HAZEBROUCK reporting on arrival to Town Major for instructions.
Signalling Officer will detail four O.R's to leave with "A" Company. This party will report to Lieut. G. Mills M.C., 13th Bn. on arrival at destination.
10. AREA STORES. All Area Stores to be handed over by Q.M. to Town Major and full receipt obtained.
11. Marching Out States to be rendered to Battalion Orderly Room by 10.30 a.m. 15-5-1917.
12. DRESS. Marching Order, without blankets.
13. DISCIPLINE. During both entraining and detraining operations strict discipline and quietness will be maintained, and during the journey company officers will ensure that order is maintained.
O.C. "D" Company will detail a guard of 1 N.C.O. and 4 men for the fore and rear part of the train, to prevent men leaving the trains at wayside stations.
Os. C. Companies will arrange that N.C.O's are evenly distributed throughout the train.
14. ACKNOWLEDGE.

(Sgd) A.W. DAVIS, Capt.
Adjutant, 13th Battalion, A.I.F.

Issued at 9.45 p.m.

Copy No.1	War Diary
2	O.C. "A" Company
3	"B" "
4	"C" "
5	"D" "
6	Bde Headquarters
7	R.M.O. & Grenade Officer
8	Q.M. & I.O.
9	Signalling Officer
10	R.S.M. & H.Q. Details
11	C.O. & File
12	2/Lieut. C. Macnaghten.

15th BATTALION ORDER No. 28.

Reference Map 1/40,000

30-5-17

1. The Battalion (less Bn. details who are being left out of the line) will move on 31-5-17 to VAUXHALL CAMP S.18.c.5.2, passing starting point "D" Company's billets at 10 a.m. in following order:-
 - Band
 - Signallers and Runners
 - "D" Company
 - "C" "
 - "B" "
 - "A" "
 - Stretcher Bearers & A.M.C.
2. Route via STEENWERCK, Steenwerck Railway Station and to be clear of BAILLEUL - VIEPPE Road by 1 p.m.
3. At least 500 yards will be maintained between Battalions on the march.
4. The undermentioned transport will accompany the Battalion. The remainder of horses and vehicles, under Cpl. Keeler, will proceed to transport Area at A.17.b.2.8. -
 - 2 Water Carts
 - 4 Cookers
 - 1 Limber
 - Mess Cart
 - Maltese Cart.
5. Advanced Party of 1 Officer (2/Lieut MacNaghten), 12 Pioneers, 4 Sanitary men and 4 Signallers will proceed to VAUXHILL Camp on 30-5-17 leaving at 7.30 a.m., and will report at Area Commandant's Office HILLSIDE CAMP (Sheet 28.S.W. T.14.c.9.7) at 1 p.m.
6. BAGGAGE. A limber will call at respective Company billets for Officers' valises and mess gear at 8.30 a.m. on 31-5-17. Officers gear is to be cut down to the minimum. All surplus gear is to be dumped at DOULIEU, and is to be ready for this purpose at Company Headquarters billets at 12 noon on 30-5-17.
7. Officers, W.C.O's and men who are being left out of the line as per nominal rolls furnished, will parade at Battalion Orderly Room at 9.30 a.m. on 31-5-17. - Dress, full marching order, blanket to be carried on the man. Officers' gear will be picked up by limber at billets at 9 a.m. 31-5-17.
8. The above details will proceed under Major E. Twynam to MERRIS Area, where they will be billeted for the night. Next day the party will move to MORBECQUE.
9. Lieut. A. Perray is detailed as Billeting Officer for this party, and will report to Area Commandant Merris at STRAZELLE on the 30-5-17.
10. Three limbers are allotted to above details and will convey gear as far as MERRIS Area. For the move thence to MORBECQUE one motor lorry has been allotted for the Brigade. The three limbers will report back to our Transport Area at A.17.b.2.8. on June 1st.
11. Major E. Twynam will be in command of the details of the 4th A.I. Bde. He is also responsible for carrying out the instructions contained in Secret Memorandum handed to him.
12. Q.M. will arrange for the details moving to MORBECQUE to be rationed up to and for 1-6-17, after which they will be rationed by 2nd Army Troops Supply Column under instructions from O.C. 2nd ANZAC Corps

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See APPENDIX B55.

Appendix to War Diary month of May, 1917

Strength as at 1st May, 1917	Officers	O.R.	Total
Ration Strength	26	494	520
Attached	2	6	8
Strength including detached	28	589	617

Date	Joined				Gone			
	Rein.	Rej.	Rej. from Hos.	On Trans-fer.	Prison	To Hos	Transfer	Acc. Injd.
1	18	13	3					
2				1	2nd Lt. Macmilville			
3	1-2	30				2		
4	2nd Lt. Blythman		3				1	
5		1-18	3			1		
6.		Lt. G.W. Adams						1 Off. 2/Lieut
7.			2					1 D'Arcy-Irvine
8.	103	8	3	1		1		
11 ^{1/2}			3					
12			2					
13						3		
14	11	17				3		
16						4		
17						1		
18	1-7	8				1		
19	2/Lt. Player					1	13	
20			4		1	3		
21			1					
22			1			2		
23			2	1		1		
24						1		
25	3	15						
26	29		2					
27			1					
28								
29		1						
30				1	Lt. Gowing	1-9		1
31				1		Lt. Swinbourne		

Strength as at 31st May 1917	Officers	O.R.	Total
Ration Strength	21	649	670
Attached	2	5	7
Strength including detached	30	811	841

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12. (Contd)

School, MORBECQUE.

13. Camp equipment such as kettles and washing tubs have been provided in Camp at MORBECQUE.
14. Marching Out States as under are to be furnished to Battalion Orderly Room by 8 p.m. 30-5-17:-
 (a) No. of Officers and O.Ranks marching out to VAUXHALL Camp.
 (b) No. of Officers and O.Ranks marching out to MORBECQUE.
15. Usual billeting certificates by Platoon Commanders are to be handed in on arrival at new camp, also the usual marching in certificate as to the number of men who fell out on the march, etc.
16. Sick Parade on 31-5-17 :-
 "B", "C", "D" Coys. & H.Q. - 8 a.m.
 "A" Company - 8.30 a.m.
17. ACKNOWLEDGE.

(Sgd) A.W. DAVIS, Capt.
 Adjutant, 13th Battalion, A.I.F.

Copy No.1 War Diary
 2. 4th A.I. Bde.
 3 "A" Company
 4 "B" Coy. & L.G. Officer
 5 "C" Company
 6 "D" Company
 7 Sig. Officer
 8 R.M.O. & Grenade Officer
 9 Transport
 10 R.S.M. & Band.
 11 C.O. & File.

Headquarters,
13th Battalion,
5th May, 1917.

O.C. All Companies and Rifle Company
H. Q. Units.

PROTESTANT CHURCH PARADE, 6-5-17.

Companies and H.Q. Units will be ready to move to location
(to be formed up on Bn. Parade by 9.30 a.m.)
of Battalion Parade at 9.15 a.m./on account of Church Parade having
to be formed up by 9.45 a.m.

Recipients of ribbons, (names have already been notified)
will report at Bn. Orderly Room at 9.15 a.m. not 9.30 a.m. as pre-
viously advised.

General Birdwood will be present at the parade and present
the medal ribbons.

After the parade Units will march past in column of route.

Saluting Base will be marked by THE UNION JACK. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Two /Smaller flags will be placed near the saluting base and these will
mark respectively the point of giving "Eyes right" and "Eyes left".

Congratulatory cards will not be presented.

DRESS for Officers:- Jackets, S.D., Caps and Sam Brownes.

Other Ranks. - Drill order without rifles.

NOTE AND RETURN.

NOTED;)

"A" Company

"B" do

"C" do

"D" do

Signallers

Band

S.B.'s

A.M.C.

R.M.O.

Grenade Officer

Pioneers

R.S.M.

Capt.

Adjutant, 13th Battalion, A.I.F.

Headquarters,
13th Battalion, A.I.F.,
5th May, 1917

Headquarters,
4th Australian Infantry Brigade.

R.699.

The following is a Nominal Roll of Officers, N.C.O's
and Men who are at present with the Battalion, and have
not yet been presented with medal ribbons from Corps
Commander:-

Capt. H.W. MURRAY - Victoria Cross.

Military Medal.

No.1022	Sgt.	FITZPATRICK,	W.S.	
	(now 2/Lt)			
1413	Sgt.	THOMPSON	H.	
3079	Pte	KNIGHT	C.H.	
784	L/Cpl.	SULLIVAN	R.E.	
7067	Pte	ROSS	P.	
3261	"	BERTRAM	J.	
2949	Cpl.	EAGUE	M.J.	
2103	"	BUTCHER	E.A.	
17/569	L/Cpl.	HICKLING	G.W.	
825	Pte	BENESS	A.	
1431	"	BRENTON	A.	
2403	"	KENT	C.P.	
5699	"	HOLMES	J.J.	
40	Sgt.	JAMES	P.	(A.A.M.C. attached 13th Bn)
6992	Pte	GOODWIN	C.	
2181	L/Cpl.	WHITE	J.W.	

School

*W. Davis
for Capt*

Lieut.-Colonel.
C.O. 13th Battalion, A.I.F.

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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Please order to reach this office by 10pm 15-day complete list of officers N.C.O's men who are at present with Unit and will be on parade to-morrow who have not yet received Medal Ribbons from Corps Commanders

Attached to the roll for sig
 please down to me for sig
 down Corps for me
 to be reported at 9.30 am
 them at 10.00 am

From 4th Aust Inf Bde	Place	Time	
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Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.
HEADQUARTERS.
8th May, 1917.

C. O.,
ALL UNITS.

The undermentioned Officers, N.C.O.'s. and men will be presented with Congratulatory Cards after Church Parade on Sunday 6th instant :-

13th Battalion.

Capt. H.W.MURRAY, V.C., D.S.O.
Capt. A.W.DAVIS.
Lieut. N.J.BROWNE.
" N.WALLACH.
2/Lt. B.C.J.ROSE.
" W.PARSONAGE.

No. 2131 Sgt. GILDAY.T.R. *B*
5194 " TRICK.C. *A*
4/933 " OSWALD.A. *B*
40 " JAMES.P. *amt*
x 3104 Cpl. PATON.W.F. *Wom*
2949 " TAGUE.M.J. *Wom*
2103 " BUTCHER.E.A. *A*
784 L/Cpl. SULLIVAN.R.E. *A*
2131 " WHITE.J.W. *b*
17/569 " HICKLING.G.W. *A*
x 971 Signlr. BOWERS.N.H. *Wom*
x 3437 Pte. PRICE.C.H. *Wom*
825 " BENESS.A. *A*
1431 " BRENTON.A. *A* *St*
2403 " KENT.C.P. *A*
x 3433 " CAMPBELL.J.H. *Wom*
5699 " HOLMES.J.J. *A*
3261 " BERTRAM.J. *A*
3079 " KNIGHT.C.H. *A*
7067 " ROSS.P. *B*
6992 " GOODWIN.C. *b*

14th Battalion.

Major W.M.A.FLETCHER.
Capt. H.B.WANLISS, D.S.O.
" D.R.MacDERMID
" Chaplain F.W.ROLLAND.
" A.JACKA, V.C., M.C.
" W.R.WADSWORTH.
Lieut. J.A.MITCHELL.
2/Lt. G.H.C.HYDE.
" R.E.HAYES.
No. 2338 C.S.M.(W.O.Class ii) BOLAND.W.P.
795 " " " TREWHEELA.G.T.
3409 Sgt. MAYER.C.H.
2579 " DALITZ.F.W.
3811 " HORE.A.A.
1363 L/Sgt. CARBERRY.T.
392 Cpl. THOMPSON.C.
3226 L/Cpl. A'COURT.A.J.
1284 " PORTER.W.
1700 Pte. DEACON.T.M.
6052 " LOVEKIN.G.K.
487 " PERRY.B.H.
1589 " MARKHAM.S.
2784 " AMOR.W.
3398 " LAMPRELL.H.J.
2724 " CASSON.J.G.
2005 " ROUSE.W.
3228 " ALEXANDER.C.
1461 " DAVIS.E.J.
6122 " WATSON.W.

15th Battalion.

Capt. S.V.O'REGAN (A.A.M.C.)
" R.B.McINTOSH.
Lieut. W.D.KE NYON.
2/Lt. J.M.RAE
No. 1669 Sgt. SHAW.B.J.
2170 " MCKENZIE.J.
7851 Cpl. BULL.CP.
3258 " CARR.H.
5700 L/Cpl. JONES.W.P.
3470 Sglr. CRONIN.J.M.
5514 Pte. SHANNON.J.
2631 " MARPOLE.R.J.
1655 " LONERGAN.J.
5049 " BAKER.F.S.
4803 " GARTNER.H.
1611 " GRANT.R.J.
1050 " HIRST.P.C.
3080 " RIGLAN.H.T.
1812 " WATSON.W.D.
2364 " GILSON.G.
2424 " MUNDY.L.
2697 " WHIPPS.S.

16th Battalion.

Capt. R. S.SOMERVILLE, M.C.
" E.J.PARKS.
Lieut. H.J.BRADLEY.
" D.S.AARONS.
" W.BURROWS.
" J.S.KERR.
" F.WADGE, M.C.
No. 1984 Sgt. BOULLY.L.
2105 " BRIDGES.R.D.
1130 " BITMEAD.J.
1915 " GARRETT.C.C.
208 " MACE.G.
1794 " CHOULES.H.J.
3545 Cpl. REED.A.A.
1984 L/Cpl. CRISP.D.B.
650 " BALL.G.
3894 " ELLIOTT.J.
2699 Pte. ROGERS.W.R.
3854 " BERGSTROM.P.E.
234 " AFFLECK.W.T.
3427 " CHALMERS.W.F.
5337 " BERCOVITCH.M.
768 " JEFFREY.F.J.
1684 " CALDWELL.T.C.
4960 " WALSH.J.
500 " TURNER.J.R.H.E.
3037 " RZESZKOWSKI.L.I.
5473 " SPRATLEY.W.N.
1383 " TAYLOR.R.
1595 " BUSWELL.E.

4th M.G. Company.

No. 2/Lieut. H.J.HUNT.
No. 1438 Sgt. GARNER.F.
3060 L/Cpl. LYDSTER.T.R.
3450 " HAINES.A.N.
3685 Pte. PARSELL.J.H.
652 " STEPHENS.R.E.
5474 " MADDEN.J.
1927 " CASTLES.W.

Westham
Captain.
Staff-Captain.
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.
16th Battalion.
ENGLAND.E.
LARRATT.P.W.
FOX.P.F.
No. 2389 Pte. " "
5737 " "
3461

Recd 11/1/17

Headquarters,
13th Battalion, A.I.F.,
5th May, 1917

O's C. "A", "B", "C" & "D" Coys.
R.M.O.

The undermentioned will be presented with
Congratulatory Cards at Church Parade to-morrow Sunday,
6/5/1917.

These men will parade at 9.30 a.m. at Battalion
Orderly Room:-

"A" Company.

5194	Sgt.	TRICK,	C.
784	L/Cpl.	SULLIVAN	R.E.
17/569	"	HICKLING	G.W.
825	Pte	BENESS	A.
1431	"	BRENTON	A.
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5699	Pte	KNIGHT	C.H.
5699	Pte	HOLMES	J.J.
3261	"	BERTRAM	J.

A.A.M.C.

40	Sgt.	JAMES.	P.
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Capt.
Adjutant, 13th Battalion, A.I.F.

NOTED:

*Ribbons being presented
in place of cards.*

