

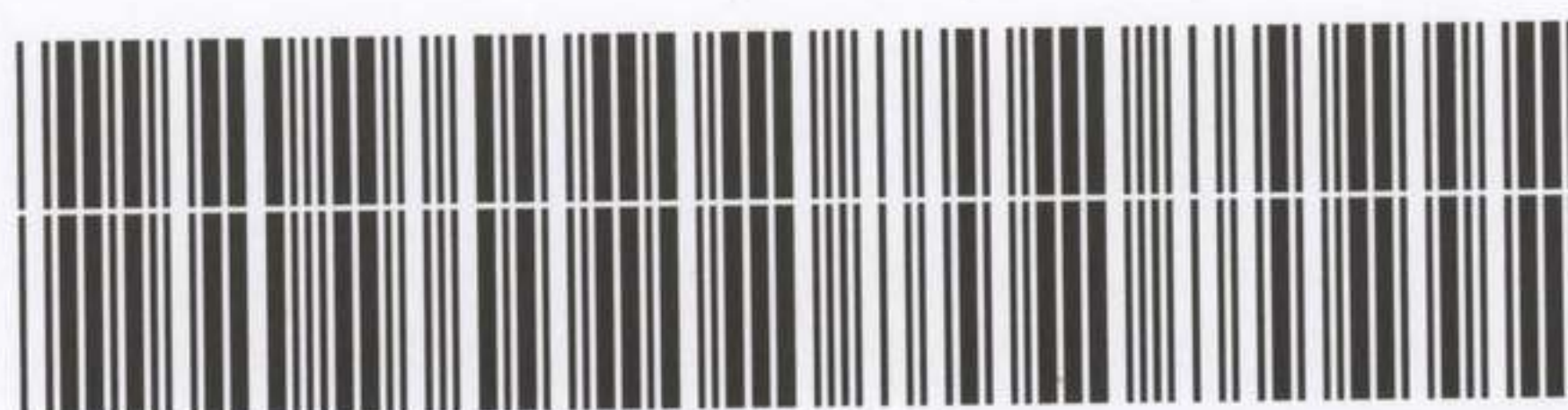
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Infantry

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July 1917



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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Confidential - Original	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ref maps 140, 28, 36a, 36				13 TH AUS: INF: BDE: —	JULY — AUGUST — — 1917 —
Canteen Corner				Bde at Canteen corner location of units vide attached appendix marked I. Weekly fighting strength return marked II. GOC returned from leave and went to Div with Div Comd to meet Premier of N.S.W. Mr. Holman.	I II
"	2 nd			Major-General Holmes KIA whilst shelling Messines area.	
"	3			Funeral of Gen Holmes near Menenwike, attended by rep of all units - firing party and band supplied by this Bde.	
"	4			Brig Gen and one staff officer presented to H.M. King George V in Baillieu square. The King afterwards drove through the area occupied by the troops who lined the roads and informally gave him a reception.	
"	5			Informal visit by Gen Godley - Mangai Corps Comd.	
"	7			Syllabus of training of units as per attached marked III	III
"				Weekly fighting strength, Officers' Journal & some attached	IV
"	9			GOC and Hon to leave - from Messines to the Douvre.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Canteen Corner	10.		Presentation of medals won in Messines fighting by Corps commander	
	11		Go to line - GSO1 called to say we would take our line from 4 th Aus Inf Bde on 14 th next	
	11		Order N°76 an adm. int issued for move to front line - copies attached marked <u>V</u> . Weekly F strength attached	<u>V</u> <u>VII</u>
Front line	13/14		Relief of 4 th Bde completed. Training syllabus for week ending 14 th attached marked <u>VII</u> .	<u>VII</u>
	13-19		No major offensive action ^{was} taken during this period in the line. The 11 th Aus Bde were on the left the 4 th N. 2. Inf Bde on the right the 12 th Aus Bde in reserve in Ploeghestraat wood. Summary of intelligence for the period is attached marked <u>VIII</u> . An enemy post located about U11 664 was occupied an appendix	<u>VIII</u> <u>IX</u>
			The Bde was relieved in accordance with instructions contained in Bde Order N°77 attached	<u>X</u> Bum

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information <i>page 3</i>	Remarks and references to Appendices
<i>Int line</i>	19		Report on work done on the ^{line} attached marker <u>XI</u>	<u>XI</u>
			Casualty return from 14 to 20 sent attached marker <u>XII</u>	<u>XII</u>
			also weekly effective strength return marker <u>XIII</u>	<u>XIII</u>
<i>Canleen Corner</i>	19/20		Bde relieved by the 1st NZ Inf Bde and moves back to Canleen corner	
	21		50 + 52 Pns Bathing at NIEPPE. Visit by Gen Macpherson	
			Dn Comd. - orders for move to Berquin area issued	<u>XIV</u>
<i>Douluin</i>	22		Bde moves to Berquin area as above. disposition of units attached marker <u>XV</u>	<u>XV</u>
"	23		Training syllabus for week ending 28 th attached marker	<u>XVI</u>
			Conference at Dn HQ to discuss training etc	
	24		Inspection on march of 50 + 52 Pns by Dn Comd	
	25		Inspection on march of 51 + 49 Pns by Dn Comd	
	27		Inspection by the Army Comd. Gen Plummer and afterwards a talk to officers on the matter of Discipline and particular Desertion	

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Douleur	28 th		Visit to troops of Gen Birdwood for 1st Anzac Corps. weekly fighting strength return attached marks <u>XVII</u>	<u>XVII</u>
	31		Cow to HAZEBROUCK weather very wet. Cow men of I am receiving	
			J. W. Hargrave Brigadier General C. O. C. 13th Infantry Brigade	

J. W. H.

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13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE GROUP.

DISPOSITION OF UNITS.

June 30th, 1917.

Unit.	Map Location.	Ref. Sheet	Scale.
13th. Bde. H.Q.	B.2.a.7.7.	Sheet 36.	1/40,000
49th. Battalion.	B.2.a.6.6.	do	do
50th. Battalion.	B.2.a.7.5.	do	do
51st. Battalion.	T.20.c.4.1.	Sheet 28	do
52nd. Battalion.	B.1.a.7.2.	Sheet 36.	do
13th. M.G. Coy.	B.2.a.7.2.	do	do
13th. T.M.B.	B.2.c.8.9.	do	do
13th. Fld. Amb.	B.8.b.3.4.	do	do

W. Russell Major,
Brigade Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

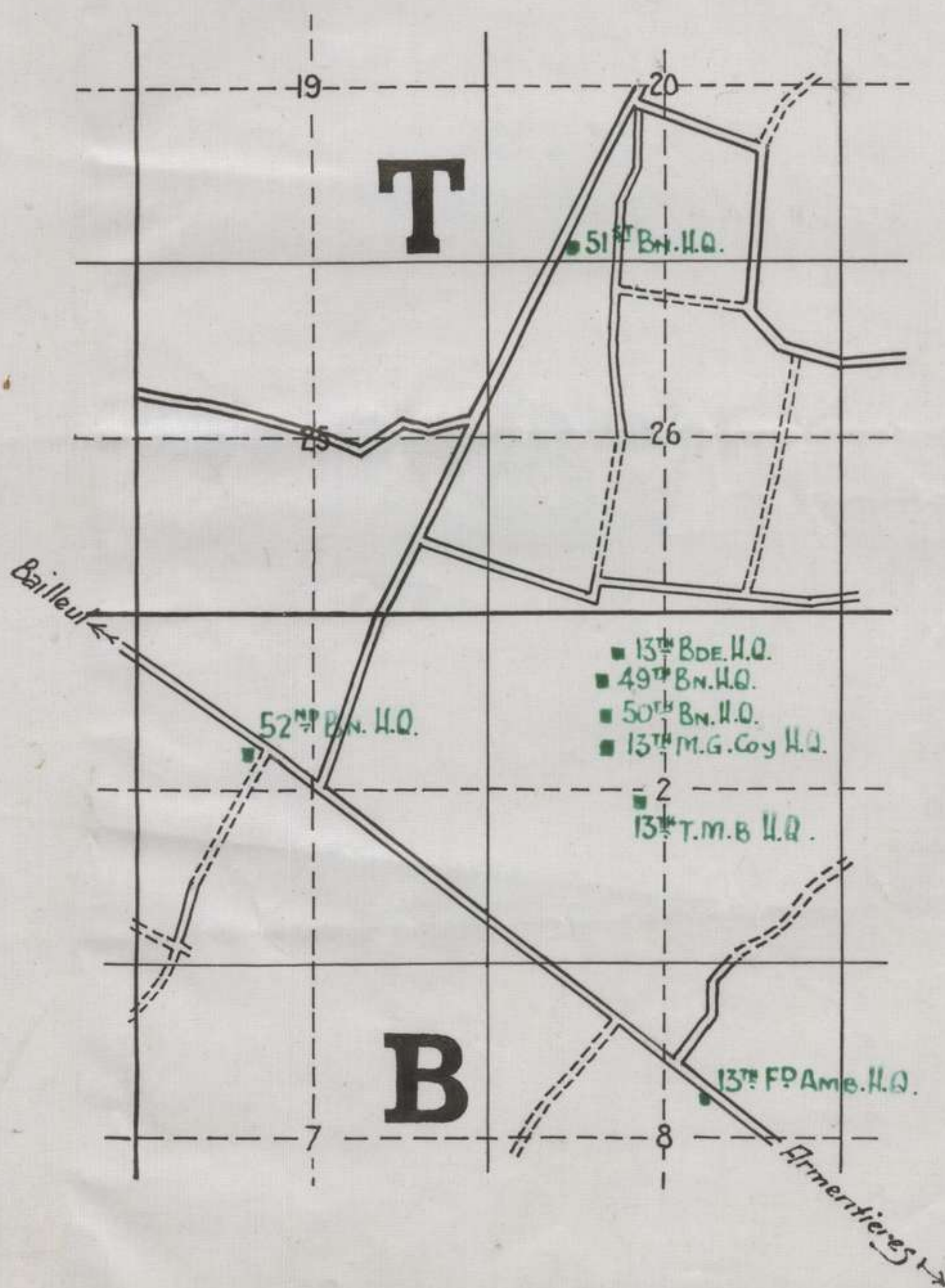
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— 13TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE GROUP. —

— Disposition of Units —

— Scale 1:20,000 —

— REF. SHEETS 28 & 36 —



13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BR IGAD E.

Weekly Fighting Strength 30th. June. 1917.

Unit:	Strength as per previous week.		Increase during the week.		Totals from (i) and (ii).		Decrease during the week.		A Fighting Strength		Details included in "A"		Dfts untrnd. & p. trnd. included in A.
	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	
49th. Bn.	33	714	-	15	33	729	-	33	33	696	11	74	-
50th. "	29	647	-	11	29	658	-	27	29	631	14	112	-
51st. "	37	802	-	8	37	810	-	-	37	810	9	101	-
52nd. "	39	657	1	19	40	676	2	1526	38	650	15	76	-
M.G.Coy.	10	179	-	15	10	194	-	2	10	192	5	15	-
L.T.M.Batty.	Vide A. I. F. Order 630.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	68	-	4	-
Totals:-	148	2999	1	68	149	3067	2	88	147	3047	54	382	

INCREASES.

49th. Bn. 15 O.Rs. From Hospital, Wnds. etc.

50th. Bn. 11 " " Reinforcements.

51st. Bn. 8 " " "

52nd. Bn. 1 Officer) 17 " Details.
Reifts.) 2 " Transfer.

M.G.Coy. 15 " " Reinfcmnts.

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DECREASES.

15 O.Rs. Evacuated out of Div. Area.
18 " To L.T.M.B.

18 " " do. 1 O.R. Transferred. and
8 " Evacuated out of Div. Area.

3 " To Training Bn.
12 " Evacuated out of Div. Area.
11 " To L.T.M.B.

2 Offs. - Taken on str. in error last week. Should have read "8 Offs. erroneously struck off"

2 " Evacuated out of Div. Area.

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Captain

Staff Captain, for G.O.C., 13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

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49th. Bn.
Off. O.Rs.

8	8	Hospital.
1	8	Rest Camp.
2	16	Leave.
	3	A.W.L.
	2	A.S.C.
	2	Lt.Rlys.
	10	Baths.
	2	Div.Sch.Staff.
	2	Canteen.
	1	Div. Groom.
	1	Intgce. Corps.
	1	Detention.
	2	Div. Sanitary.
	1	Batman, detachd.
	8	Sch. Instron.
	7	B.H.Q.
11	74.	

50th. Bn.
Off. O.Rs.

3	20	Leave.
5	27	Hospital.
3	8	B.H.Q.
3	16	Sch. Instron.
	1	4th. B.H.Q.
	2	Bde. Canteen.
	1	Salvage.
	2	Y.M.C.A.
	8	Detention.
	1	Pigeon Svce.
	1	Lt.Rly.
	6	A.W.L.
	1	Traff. Control.
	3	A.S.C.
	1	D.A.D.O.S.
	4	D.H.Q.
	8	Rest C amp.
	1	F.G.C.M.case.
14	112	

51st. Bn.
Off. O.Rs.

1	6	B.H.Q.
2	4	Schools. Instrctrs and Batmen.
2	19	Leave.
4	32	Hospital.
	3	A.S.C.
	3	D.H.Q.
	1	Sig. Coy. (Cook).
	3	Corps L/Rly.
	3	A.P.M. 4th. Div.
	12	Schools.
	1	Base.
	1	Comforts Fund.
	1	ANZAC Engrs.
	1	1st. " Sch. (Cook).
	1	Corps Bomb. Sch. Cook.
	2	Div. Salvage Coy.
	8	Rest C amp.
9	101	

52nd. Bn.
Off. O.Rs.

8	16	Hospital.
2	13	Leave.
3	8	Schools.
1	2	Senr Off. Sch. ENG.
1	2	Tng. Bn.
	1	D.A.D.O.S.
	1	Y.M.C.A.
	2	A.W.L.
	3	A.S.C.
	8	D.H.Q.
	3	B.H.Q.
	1	Base.
	8	Rest Camp.
	1	ETAPLES Instr.
	8	STEENWERCK Baths.
	3	Bomb. Sch. Range.
15	76	

M.G. Coy.
Off. O.Rs.

3	1	Hospital.
2	6	Schools.
	3	Rest C amp.
	5	Leave.
5	15	

L.T.M.B.

	<u>O.Rs.</u>	
	3	Leave.
	1	Hospital.
	4	

war diary

No. B2/105 -

Headquarters,

13th. Aust. Infantry Brigade.

1st. July, 1917.

Headquarters,

4th. Australian Division.

Herewith Syllabus of Training for Week ending

7th. July, 1917.

J.W.S.

Brigadier-General,

G.O.C. 13th. Aust. Infantry Brigade.

Date	Hour.	Nature of Work	Remarks.
July 2nd.	8.00 to 11.00	Bathing Parade.	Gas Drill ($\frac{1}{2}$ hour) Tuesday 3rd. and Friday 6th. in the evening.
3rd.	do.	Battalion Route March.	
4th.	8.00 to 9.00 9.00 to 10.00 10.00 to 11.00	Bayonet Fighting. Musketry Exercises. Gas Drill.	
5th.	8.00 to 9.00 9.00 to 10.00 10.00 to 11.00	Platoon Drill. Bayonet Fighting. Guards and Sentries.	
6th.	8.00 to 11.00	Battalion Route March.	
7th.	8.00 to 9.00 9.00 to 10.00 10.00 to 11.00	Bayonet Fighting. Gas Drill. Musketry Exercises.	
Daily:-	2.00 to 3.00	Training of Specialists.	
"	2.00 to 4.00	N.C.Os. Class.	

Date	Hour.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
July 2nd.	8.00 to 11.00	All Specialists under Specialist Officers. Musketry. Bayonet Fighting. For whole platoon - Gas Helmet and Box Respirator Inspection. Gas Drill. Exercises wearing respirator.	
3rd.	do.	Physical Training, then Specialists as for 2nd. Whole Platoon on Lewis Gun. Close order drill and rifle exercises. Musketry. Lecture to whole Coy. 'Outposts'.	
4th.	do.	Battalion Route March.	
5th.	do.	Physical Training. Lecture on system of 'holding a defensive line & patrolling' to whole Coy. Specialists as for 2nd. Kit inspection by Coy. & Specialists Officers. Marching order parade, all Lewis Gunners, Signallers and Bombers gear to be carried. Rapid wiring for Rifle sections.	
6th.	do.	Bayonet Fighting and close order drill. Lewis Gunners and Signallers to Specialist Officers - remainder of Coy. to practice throwing and firing grenades, trenches to be taped. Rapid wiring for Rifle section.	
7th.	do.	Battalion Route March.	

Date.	Hour.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
July 2nd.	8.00 to 8.25	Battalion Parade.	<u>Training of N.C.Os.</u> One hour's instruction to be given to N.C.Os. each afternoon in Map Reading, Use of Prismatic Compass, Organisation of a Platoon and handling of same. Guards & Sentries.
	8.25 to 8.50	Musketry Instruction.	
	9.25 to 9.50	Platoon in Attack. Pt.1, Para. VII.	
	10.00 to 10.25	Bayonet Fighting.	
3rd.	8.00 to 11.00	Battalion Route March.	<u>Lectures for Officers</u> will be held on 2nd. 4th. and 7th. at 11.30 a.m. Subjects - Message Writing, Practical Map Reading and Field Sketching.
4th.	8.00 to 8.25	Battalion Parade.	
	8.25 to 8.50	Musketry Instruction.	
	9.00 to 9.50	Outpost Scheme App.VII. 2.	
	10.00 to 10.25	Bayonet Fighting.	
5th.	8.00 to 8.25	Battalion Parade.	
	8.25 to 8.50	Musketry Instruction.	
	9.00 to 9.50	"Overcoming a strong point".	
	10.00 to 10.25	Gas Drill.	
6th.	8.00 to 11.00	Battalion Route March.	
7th.	8.00 to 8.25	Battalion Parade.	
	8.25 to 8.50	Musketry Instruction.	
	9.00 to 9.25	Platoon Drill.	
	9.25 to 9.50	Gas Drill.	
	10.00 to 10.25	Bayonet Fighting.	
Daily:-	10.25 to 10.50	Training of every man as a Lewis Gunner, Signaller, Scout, Bomber, Wirer or Runner.	

Date	Hour	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
July 2nd.	8.00 to 11.00	Close order drill. Bayonet Fighting. Gas Drill. Rapid extensions, fire direction and control. Specialist Training. Telling off & instructing of Patrols.	
	2.00 to 3.00	Lecture by O.C. Coy. to Officers and N.C.Os. on "Patrols, their training and employment."	
3rd.	8.00 to 11.00	Battalion Route March.	
	2.00 to 3.00	Lecture by Signalling Officer on "Intercommunication during an action" to Officers and N.C.Os.	
4th.	8.00 to 11.00	Specialist Training. Rapid wiring. Rapid Extensions from Artillery formations. Company in attack.	
	2.00 to 3.00	Lecture by O.C. Coy. on "Company in Attack" to all ranks.	
5th.	8.00 to 11.00	Battalion Scheme for practice of Intercommunication during an action. All signallers, scouts and runners to participate. A situation will be given, and actual reports and messages will be written. Remainder of Battalion as for 2nd. July.	
	2.00 to 3.00	Lecture by Bn. Commander "battalion in the Attack" for Officers and N.C.Os.	
6th.	8.00 to 11.00	Coys in attack. Specialist Training. Rapid wiring. Close order drill. Fire orders.	
	2.00 to 3.00	Lecture by O.C. Coy. on "Method of advancing under Fire", reasons which dictate the change from one formation to another during an advance. All ranks to be present.	
7th.	8.00 to 11.00 Afternoon.	Route March. Half-holiday.	
Daily.	11.00 to 11.15	Gas Drill.	

Date.	Hour.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
July 2nd.	Morning. Afternoon.	Bathing Parade. Lecture to N.C.Os. on 'Indirect Fire'.	A team from each section is being trained in Visual Signalling.
3rd.	Morning. Afternoon.	Short Route March. Gas Drill. Gun Drill. N.C.Os. Class "Guards and Duties".	
4th.	Morning. Afternoon.	Mechanism and Stoppages. Overhaul of Ammunition Belts and Boxes. Lecture to N.C.Os. "Writing and sending messgges".	Special class in Musketry for men who are not efficient Gunnery.
5th.	Morning. Afternoon.	Close order drill. Gun Drill with Gas Helmets on. Lecture to N.C.Os. "Map Reading".	Lectures to and training of N.C.Os. each afternoon.
6th.	Morning. Afternoon.	Route March. Lecture to N.C.Os. "Indirect Fire".	
7th.	Morning. Afternoon.	Inspection of Guns and Equipment. Cricket Match.	

Date	Hour	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
July 2nd.	8.00 to 9.00	Physical Exercises.	
	9.00 " 11.00	Gun Drill.	
	1.00 " 2.00	Gas Helmet Drill.	
" 3rd.	8.00 " 11.00	Route March.	
	1.00 " 2.00	Work for N.C.Os.	
" 4th.	8.00 " 9.00	Physical Exercises.	
	9.00 " 10.00	Bayonet Fighting.	
	10.00 " 11.00	Close order drill.	
	1.00 " 2.00	Lecture on Intercommunications.	
" 5th.	8.00 " 10.00	Gun Drill.	
	10.00 " 11.00	Signalling.	
	1.00 " 2.00	Musketry.	
" 6th.	8.00 " 12.00	Route March.	
	1.00 " 2.00	Special work for N.C.Os.	
" 7th.	8.00 " 9.00	Bayonet Fighting.	
	9.00 " 11.00	Gun drill.	
	Afternoon.	Cricket Match.	

13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

WEEKLY FIGHTING STRENGTH

... 7th. July, 1917.

U.N.I.T.	Strength as		Increase during		Totals from		Decrease during		"A"	"B"	Dfts untnd &	
	per previous		the week		(i) and (ii).		the week.		Fighting	Details inc	ptly. trained	
	week.								Strength	clude in A	included in A.	
	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.
49th. Bn.	33	696	3	137	36	833	1	11	35	822	12	73 = 23 - 749
50th. "	29	631	4	114	33	745	-	3	33	742	13	143 = 20 - 599
51st. "	37	810	2	86	39	896	-	6	39	890	11	122 = 28 - 788
52nd. "	38	650	2	77	40	727	-	10	40	717	15	75 = 28 - 642
13th. M.G.	10	192	-	4	10	196	-	-	10	196	5	11 = 5 - 185
13th. L.T.M.B.	4	68	-	-	4	68	-	-	4	68	1	3 = 3 - 65
Totals:-	151	3047	11	418	152	3465	1	30	161	3435	57	412 -

INCREASES.

49th. Bn.	1 Officer from Supy. List.	125 O.Rs From Refts.	1 Off. transfrd.
	2 Officer from Seconded "	12 " " Hospital.	
50th. Bn.	1 Off. from Tng. Bn.	114 " # Reinfmts.	
	3 Off. from Reinforcements.		
51st. Bn.	2 Off. from "	86 " " "	
52nd. Bn.	1 Off. " A.I.F.H. Qrs.	77 " " "	
	1 Off. " Reinforcements.		
M.G. Coy.		4 " " Details.	

11 Officers.

418 O.Rs.

1 Officer.

30 O.Rs.

DECREASES.

1 O.R. Transferred.
1 " to Prison.
9 " Evac. out of Div. Area.
3 " Transferred.
1 O.R. to Prison. 1 O.R. to O.T.C.
1 O.R. Transferred. 3 O.R. to Tng. Bn.
10 O.Rs. Evacuated out of Div. Area.

Appendix No. IV

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Staff Captain for G.O.C. 13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

Captain,

DETAILS.

49th. Bn. Off. O.Rs.

8	5	Hospital.
1	4	Schools.
3	19	Leave.
	1	A.W.L.
	2	A.S.C.
	2	A. Lt. Rly.
	10	Baths.
	2	Canteen.
	2	Div. H.Qrs.
	1	Intgce. Corps
	4	Rest Camp.
	2	Div Sanitary.
	7	Bde. H.Qrs.
	2	Tfc. Control.
	1	D.A.D.O.S.
	6	L.Gnrs. with 45 Bty.
	6	L.Gnrs. " 42 Bty.
	2	Div. Schl.

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50th. Bn.

Off. O.Rs.

3	21	Leave.
5	32	Hospital.
2	7	Bde. H.Q.
2	13	Schools.
1	4	Rest Camp.
	1	4th. Bde. H.Q.
	2	Canteen.
	1	Salvage.
	2	Y.M.C.A.
	8	Detention.
	1	Pigeon Service.
	3	A.W.L.
	1	Traffic Control.
	3	A.S.C.
	1	D.A.D.O.S.
	5	4th. Div. duties.
	25	D.A.C. H.Qrs.
	12	Div. Guard.
	1	Instructor. LE HAV. RE.

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51st. Bn.

Off. O.Rs.

1	4	Bde. H.Q.
2	4	Schools.
2	26	Leave.
1	4	Schools.
5	37	Hospital.
	3	A.A.S.C.
	5	4th. Div. H.Q.
	3	& Sig. Coy.
	3	Corps L.Rly.
	3	Traffic Control.
	2	Base.
	1	Comforts Fund.
	1	1st ANZAC Sch (Mess)
	1	Corps Bomb Sch. Cook.
	2	Salvage.
	5	Rest Camp.
	1	Armourer. School.

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52nd. Bn. Off. O.Rs.

10	15	Hospital.
1	-	Trng. Bn.
2	7	Schools.
2	12	Leave.
	1	D.A.D.O.S.
	1	Y.M.C.A.
	2	A.W.L.
	3	A.A.S.C.
	9	4th. Div. H.Qrs.
	4	Bde. H.Qrs.
	1	Base Records.
	4	Rest Camp.
	1	Instructor Base.
	8	Baths.
	3	Bomb. Sch. Range.
	4	Traffic Control.

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M. G. Coy.

Off. O.Rs.

3	1	Hospital.
1	4	Leave.
1	4	School.
	2	Rest Camp.

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L.T.M.B.

Off. O.R.

1	2	Leave.
	1	Hospital.

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Appendix No. IV

Officers who have JOINED during the week.

Unit.	Rank and Name.	Date of Joining.	Remarks.
49th. Bn.	Lieut. J. MCKENZIE, Major C. F. ORTESCUE, D.S.O.M.C 2/Lieut J.A. MENZIES, Lieut R. TAMBLING,	30-6-17 1-7-17 do. do.	From Seconded List From Rest Camp. From Seconded List From Supy. List.
50th. Bn.	Lieut. C.P. GREENE, 2/" W.R. WILLS, " K. WILKINSON, " R.H. LACKMAN, " H.B. CARR,	5-7-17 do. 4-7-17 1-7-17 1-7-17	From Tng. Bn. " Rfts. Date of 1st Appt. 1st. May, 1916 From Rfts. Date of 1st Appt. 27th July, /1916 From Rfts. Date of 1st Appt. 3rd. March, 1916. From School.
51st. Bn.	2/Lieut A.G. BAKER, " W. BRITT, " B.J. STUBBS,	30-6-17 5-7-17 3-7-17	From O.T.C. From School. From Rfts. Date of 1st. Appt. 8th August, 1916
52nd. Bn.	Lieut- J.L. WHITHAM, C.M.G. Colonel Lieut. W.A. CRAIES, (Hon Major) Captain E.C. FRANCISCO,	3-7-17 Date of 1st. Appt. 26-8-14. 4-7-17 1st. Appt. 1-12-16. 30-6-17	From A.I.F.H. Qrs. Date of 1st. Appt. 26-8-14. From Rfts. Date of 1st. Appt. 1-12-16. From Sen. Off. School
M.G. Coy.	Lieut. E.C.B. CAMMERON,	30-6-17	From Sch. of Instrn.

Return No. 7.

Officers who have "GONE" during the week.

49th. Bn.	2/Lieut Major Capt.	J.M. DOUGALL, J.H. WILLENBROCK,	5-7-17 30-7-17	Transfd. 9th. Bn. To School
50th. Bn.	Capt.	H.W.H. SEAGER, M.C.	2-7-17	To Army Rest Camp.
51st. Bn.	Major.	R. CHRISTIE,	5-7-17	To School, England.
52nd. Bn.	2/Lt.	A.O. BILSON,	5-7-17	To Hospital.
M.G. Coy.	-	-	-	-

Return No. 8.

Officers "STRUCK OFF" during the week.

NIL.

Return No. 9.

Officers Relinquished Temp. Rank during the week.

NIL.

Staff Captain for G.O.C. 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Captain.

13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

Weekly Effective Strength - 6th. July. 1917.

UNIT :	Actually with unit.		Sick		On command temp. detached Schools etc.		Total Strength		War Estab-lishment.		Required to complete.		Remarks.
	Off	O.Rs.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	
Bde.H.Q'rs.	3	22	-	-	-	3	3	25	3	25	-	-	Includes A.A.M.C. attached.
49th. Bn.	24	747	8	5	4	73	36	825	38	967	2	148	
50th. "	22	607	5	32	8	111	35	750	38	967	4	222	"
51st. "	30	799	5	37	6	65	41	901	38	967	-	72	"
52nd. "	26	650	9	15	6	60	41	725	38	967	-	247	"
L.T.M.B.	3	64	-	1	1	3	4	68	4	46	-	-	"
M.G. Coy.	5	188	3	1	2	10	10	199	10	177	-	-	"
Totals:-	113	3077	30	91	27	325	170	3493	169	4116	6	689	

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Captain,

Staff Captain for G.O.C. 13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

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13th. AUS. INF. BDE. ORDER No. 76.

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Headquarters

11th. July. 1917.

Reference Map 1/20,000.
1/40,000. (Sheet 2 3 & 36).

1. The 13th. AUST. INFANTRY BRIGADE will relieve the 4th. AUST. INFANTRY BRIGADE in the front line between the VARNAVI and the DOUVE on the 13th. and night 13/14th. instant.
2. Reliefs will take place as per attached table.
3. Two Lewis Guns of the 4th. Aust. Pioneer Battalion at present with each of the front line Battalions of the 4th. AUS. T. INF. BDE. will be taken over by relieving Battalions.
4. The 13th. and 16th. Battalions and 4th. Aust. Machine Gun Company will relieve the Lewis and Vickers Guns at present furnished by the 49th. & 50th. battalions and 13th. Aust. Machine Gun Company at Battery positions and Artillery Waggon Lines.
5. Details of relief will be arranged between Commanding Officers concerned.
6. All maps, documents etc., relating to Sector will be taken over from Units relieved.
7. Administrative instructions will be issued later.
8. Completion of relief to be wired to Brigade Headquarters and details of distribution of Units will be forwarded without delay.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. H. Wilson
Captain.

For Bde. Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Issued at 11.30 p.m.

Extra Copies to :-

- 12 - 13th. Field Ambce.
- 13 - 13th. Field Coy.
- 14 - A.D.M.S.
- 15 - 27th. A.A. S. C.
- 16 - 4th. A.I. Bde.
- 17 - 12th. A.I. Bde.
- 18 - 10th. A.I. Bde.
- 19 - 3rd. Aus. Division.
- 20 - 4th/ N.Z. Bde.

13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

TABLE OF RELIEFS.

UNIT.	FROM	TO	RELIEVES.	Time of RELIEF.	REMARKS.
Bde. H.Q. & Signal Sect.	B.2.a.7.7.	U.20.a.7.7.	4th. A.I. Bde. H.Q. & Sig. Sec.	Night 13/14th. July.	
4th. Bn.	B.2.a.6.6.	Right Sub. Sector Front Line.	13th. Bn.	do.	Route via ROMARIN - T.30.a.55.50.- U.25.a.6.3. - STRAND AVENUE. To pass U.25.a.6.3. at 7.10 p.m. 13th. inst.
50th. Bn.	B.2.a.7.5.	Right Sub. Sector Support.	16th. Bn.	To be completed by noon, 13th inst	Route Via ROMARIN - T.30.a.55.50 - U.25.a.6.3. - STRAND AVENUE. To pass U.25.a.6.3. at 10.10 a.m. 13th inst
51st. Bn.	T.20.c.4.1. (Sheet 28).	Left Sub. Sector Front Line.	14th. Bn.	Night 13/14th July.	Route via ROMARIN - T.30.a.55.50 - U.25.a.6.3. - Tram line from T.12.b.5.1. to U.21.a.2.3. To be passed U.25.a.6.3. by 7 p.m. 13th inst.
52nd. Bn.	B.1.a.7.2.	Left Sub. Sector Support.	15th. Bn.	To be completed by noon 13th. inst.	Route via ROMARIN - T.30.a.55.50 - U.25.a.6.3. - Tram line from T.12.b.5.1. To be passed U.25.a.6.3. by 10 a.m. 13th. inst.
13th. A.M.G. Company.	B.4.c.6.6.	In Line	4th. Aus. M.G. Company.	Night 13/14th. inst.	
13th. A.L.T.M. Battery.	B.4.c.4.8.	In Line.	4th. Aus. L.T.M. Battery.	do.	

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13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED IN CONJUNCTIONWITH BRIGADE ORDER NO. 76.

- (1) The 4th. AUST. INF. BDE. will take over the Camps at present occupied by this Brigade.
- (2) Transport Lines at ENGLISH FARM T.21.b.4.0. will be taken over as follows :-
- | | | |
|---------------------|------|-----------------------|
| Bde. Headquarters) | from | 4th. A.I?Bde. H. Qrs. |
| & Signal Section.) | | & Signal Section. |
| 49th. Battalion. | " | 13th. Battalion. |
| 50th. " | " | 16th. " |
| 51st. " | " | 14th. " |
| 52nd. " | " | 15th. " |
| M.G. Company. | " | 4th. A.M.G. Company. |
- (3) Rations. Rations are delivered by A.S.C. to ENGLISH FARM. Quartermasters will get in touch with their opposite number regarding method of delivery to the forward area.
- (4) Reserve Rations. 1000 Rations are held at PROUSE POINT DUMP and 1000 at LANCASHIRE FARM DUMP.
- (5) Water. Petrol tins, filled, are situated at Brigade Dumps PROUSE POINT U.14.d.9.9., LANCASHIRE FARM U.27.b.2.1., DEAD HORSE CORNER U.20.b.central. Units can draw on these by returning an equivalent number of empties. Wells and water points are situated as follows :-
- | | |
|---|--------------|
| Regent Street (U.19.c.8.0.) | U.15.b.9.4. |
| Ploegsteert Pump (U.25.c.9.3.) | U.15.b.8.9. |
| Dressing Station (U.19.d.1.5.) | U.15.b.3.2. |
| Touquet Berthe. (U.26.a.2.1.) | U. 9.d.5.0. |
| U.9.a.4.3. Not tested. Plenty of water. | U. 9.d.5.4. |
| U.22.c.6.0. " " | U. 9.d.5.6. |
| U.22.c.7.9. " " | U. 9.d.8.9. |
| U.22.b.3.8. " " | U.10.d.7.0. |
| U.16.b.8.1. Support Line. | U.10.b.0.2. |
| U. 9.c.3.8. Avenue Farm. French Well. | U.9.a.5.3. @ |
| U.9.a.5.1. @ | U.9.a.5.0. @ |
| U.22.a.7.1. | |
- @ These are being developed for a good supply.
- (6) BRIGADE AMMUNITION & ENGINEERING DUMPS are situated at PROUSE POINT U.14.d.9.9., LANCASHIRE FARM U.27.b.2.1., and DEAD HORSE CORNER U.20.b.central. Indents will be submitted direct to the N.C.O. in charge at each place.
- (7) DRY SOX. These can be obtained at PONT NIEPPE BATHS in exchange for wet.
- (8) GUM BOOTS. A limited number of gum boots can be obtained on application to Brigade Headquarters.
- (9) SALVAGE. Personnel of the SALVAGE CORPS are situated at PROUSE POINT and LANCASHIRE FARM.
- (10) BRIGADE POST OFFICE. This will be situated at ENGLISH FARM T.21.b.4.0.

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(11) BRIGADE CANTEN. A branch of the Brigade Canteen will be established at U.14.c.4.1.

(12) GUARDS. The following guards will be furnished :-

UNIT.	Composition.	Duty at -	To whom & when to report.
50th.Bn.	1 N.C.O. & 3 men.	LANCASHIRE FARM DUMP.U.27.b.2.1.	STAFF CAPTAIN at Bde. H.Qrs. U.20.a.7.7.
	1 N.C.O. & 3 men.	PROUSE POINT DUMP U.14.d.9.9.	5 P.M. 13/7/17. do.
	1 N.C.O. & 3 men.	DEAD HORSE DUMP U.20.b.central.	do.
52nd.Bn.	1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. & 9 men.	BDE. H. QRS. U.20.a.7.7.	do.

(13) AREA STORES. All Area Stores will be handed over to the relieving units and receipts obtained.

(14) TRENCH STORES. Petrol Tins, S.O.S. Signals etc., will be taken over from Unit relieved.

Copies of all receipts for Trench & Area Stores will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters by noon 14th. instant.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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[Signature]
Captain.
Staff Captain, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Issued at 2.0 p.m.

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- 17 - 12th. A.I.Bde.
- 18 - A.D.V.S.
- 19 - 12th. Field Coy.
- 20 - 4th. Field Coy.

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Unit. : Strength as per previous week. : Increase during the week. : Totals from (i) and (ii). : Decreases during the week. : "A" : "B" : Dfts. transferred & partially transferred included in "A".

	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.
49th. Bn.	35	822	2	42	37	864	7	8	30	856	8	93
50th. "	33	742	1	56	34	798	1	34	33	764	16	105
51st. "	39	890	-	32	39	922	2	32	37	890	17	84
52nd. "	40	717	-	10	40	727	1	11	39	716	18	85
L.T.M. Coy.	10	196	-	1	10	197	-	-	10	197	4	8
	4	67	-	-	4	67	-	-	4	67	1	7
Totals:-	161	3434	3	141	164	3575	11	85	153	3490	64	332

49th. Bn.	1 Off. from Seconded List.	37 O.R. Refts.	7 Off. Seconded.	4 O.R. to Trng. Bn. E.S.
	1 " " O.C.B.	5 " Hospl.		1 " " Intl. Corps.
50th. Bn.	1 Off. from Refts.	56 " Refts.	1 Off. 13th. Trng. Bn.	2 " Evac. out of Div. Area.
				1 " to Prison.
51st. Bn.		32 O.R. Refts.	2 Off. 13th. Trng. Bn.	4 O.R. to Trng. Bn.
				1 " Wounded. S.O.S.
52nd. Bn.		10 O.R. Details.	1 Off. Transferred.	29 " Evac. out of Div. Area.
				28 O.R. Evac. out of Div. Area.
M.G. Coy.		1 O.R. Details.		4 " to 13th. Trng. Bn.
	3 Offs.	141 O.R.	11 Offs.	2 O.R. Killed.
				5 " Wounded. S.O.S.
				4 " to 13th. Trng. Bn.
				-
				85 O.Rs.

B.M.

Wm. Fowler

Captain.

Staff Captain for G.O.C. 13th. Aus. Inf. Bde.

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13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Weekly Effective Strength - 12th. July. 1917.

U N I T	: Actually with : : Unit. :		: Sick :		: On command : : temp.de- : : tached : : Schools etc :		: Total : : Strength. :		: War Establish: : : -ment. :		: Required to : : Complete. :		R e m a r k s.
	: Off. O.R. :		: Off. O.R. :		: Offs. O.R. :		: Off. O.Rs. :		: Off. O.Rs. :		: Off. O.Rs. :		
	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Offs.	O.R.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	Off.	O.Rs.	
Bde. H. Qrs.	3	22	-	-	-	3	3	25	3	25	-	-	
49th. Bn.	23	766	3	16	5	77	31	859	39	967	8	113 408	Includes A.A.M.C. attached.
50th. Bn.	19	667	5	3	11	102	35	772	39	967	4	200	"
51st. Bn.	22	817	6	15	11	71	39	903	39	967	-	64	"
52nd. Bn.	23	639	8	22	10	63	41	724	39	967	-	248	"
M.G. Coy.	6	192	3	2	1	6	10	200	10	177	-	-	"
L.T.M.B.	3	60	-	-	1	7	4	67	4	46	-	-	
TOTALS: -	99	3163	25	58	39	329	163	3550	173	4116	12	625	

B.M.

Wm Fowler

Captain.

for Staff Captain for G.O.C. 13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

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13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Officers who have "JOINED" during the week. 13th. July, 1917.
Return No. 6.

Unit.	Rank and Name.	Date of Joining.	Remarks.
49th. Bn.	2/Lieut. A.W. COOKE.	12/7/17.	From Seconded List.
	Lieut. M. JONES,	9/7/17.	" Hospital.
	Capt. J.H. WILLENBROCK.	8/7/17.	" School.
	2/Lieut. E.G. SEDGWICK.	7/7/17.	" O.C.B. Date of 1st. Appt. 2nd. June, 1917.
50th. Bn.	2/Lieut. H.E. MINERDS.	12/7/17.	From Refts. Date of 1st. Appt. 1st. March, 1917.
52nd. Bn.	Capt. Chap. D.B. BLACKWOOD.	12/7/17.	From 2nd. A.G. Hosp.
	2/Lieut. A.O. BILSON,	9/7/17.	" Hospital.
M.G. Coy.	Lieut. D. BARNES.	9/7/17.	" School.

Return No. 7.

Officers who have "GONE" during the week.

49th. Bn.	Lieut. C.K. SHEARD.	11/7/17.	To Hospital.
	2/" W.M. DEVINE,	do.	To do.
	" B. HART, M.C.	12/7/17.	To School.
	" F.P. BERRIMAN. M.C.	do.	To do.
	Lieut. A.G. ROWELL.	do.	To Trng. Bn.
50th. Bn.	Lieut. T. SMITH.	8/7/17.	To School.
	2/" W.R. WILLS,	12/7/17.	To do.
	" J.R. LYNCH.	do.	To do.
51st. Bn.	2/Lt. A.C. TOWNSEND.	8/7/17.	To School.
	Capt. N.P. OWEN. M.C.	do.	To Trng. Bn.
	" B.E. BARDWELL,	9/7/17.	To Hospital.
	" T.S. LOUCH, M.C.	do.	To School, England.
	Lieut. J.J. McDERMOTT.	12/7/17.	To Trng. Bn.
	2/Lt. F.R. JAMES,	do.	To School.
	" W. HAMILTON-FISHER.	do.	To do.
52nd. Bn.	Lieut. N.K. BIRKS.	7/7/17.	To Trng. Bn.
	2/" F. HERBERT,	12/7/17.	To do. do.
	" W.J. HALL,	do.	To School.

Return No. 8.

Officers "STRUCK OFF" during the week.

52nd. Bn.	Major. H.A. MacPHERSON.	8/7/17.	Transferred 12th. Bn.
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Return No. 9.

Officers Relinquished Temp. Rank during the week.

NIL.

B.M.

Wm Fowler

Captain.

for Staff Captain for G.O.C. 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

No. B. 2/105.

Headquarters,

13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

7th. July, 1917.

Headquarters,

4th. AUST. DIVISION.

W. B. Brain

Herewith Syllabus of Training for week
ending 14th. July, 1917.

J. W. G.

Brigadier-General.

G.O.C. 13th. Aust. Infantry Brigade.

Date /	Hour.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
9th. July, 1917.	8.00 - 9.00	Bayonet Fighting.	x The following personnel will be drawn from each Platoon to take part in Scheme:- Lewis Gunners..... 3 Grenadiers 3 Rifle Grenadiers 3 Riflemen 3 Men will March three miles with full packs and will then report to Lieut. Perkins on Battalion Miniature Rifle Range, under whose orders they will then work.
	9.00 - 10.00	Description of Targets.	
	10.00 - 11.00	Rapid Wiring.	
	-	Platoon Scheme.x	
10th. July, "	8.00 - 9.00	Gas Drill.	Men will March three miles with full packs and will then report to Lieut. Perkins on Battalion Miniature Rifle Range, under whose orders they will then work.
	9.00 - 10.00	Platoon Scheme.	
	10.00 - 11.00	Guards & Sentries.	
11th. " "	8.00 - 11.00	Route March.	
12th. " "	8.00 - 9.00	Platoon Drill.	X All N.C.O's will report to C.S.M. HEAFIELD for Bayonet Fighting Instruction.
	9.00 - 10.00	Rapid Loading & Firing.	
	10.00 - 11.00	Gas Drill.	
13th. " "	8.00 - 11.00	Route March.	
14th. " "	9.00 - 10.00	Bayonet Fighting.	X All N.C.O's will report to C.S.M. HEAFIELD for Bayonet Fighting Instruction.
	8.00 - 9.00	Musketry Exercises.	
	10.00 - 11.00	Company Drill.	
Daily.	2.00 - 3.00	Training of Specialists.	
"	2.00 - 4.00	N.C.O's Class. X.	

Date.	Hour.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
9th. July.	8.00 - 11.00	Range practices, Bayonet Fighting. Physical Training, Musketry Instruction Gas Drill.	Range will be available for Coys. from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, and for Lewis Gunners from 2 p.m. A llotment will be made daily.
	2.00 - 3.00	Backward Specialists under Specialist Officers. Rapid Wiring for Rifle Sections. Coy. Classes for N.C.Os.	
10th. "	8.00 - 11.00	Range Practices. Bayonet Fighting. Physical Training. Musketry Instruction. Close Order Drill.	All Specialists except Bombers and Rifle Grenadiers under Specialist Officers.
	2.00 - 3.00	As for 9th. July, 1917.	
11th. "	8.00 - 11.00	Route March.	Bomb Officer will gradually work round Coys., instructing Bombers & Rifle Grenadiers on Coy. Parades.
	2.00 - 3.00	As for 9th. July, 1917.	
12th. "	8.00 - 11.00	Range Practices. Bayonet Fighting. Physical Training. Musketry Instruction. Signals and Extensions.	
	2.00 - 3.00	Muster Parade. Gas Drill & Kit Inspection. All specialists & attached to be with Coys.	
13th. "	8.00 - 11.00	Range Practices. Bayonet Fighting. Physical Training. Musketry Instruction. Trench Tactics.	
	2.00 - 3.00	Coy. Drill - All specialists to be with Coys.	
14th. "	8.00 - 11.00	Route March.	

Date	Hour.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
9th. July.	8.00 - 8.25	Battalion Parade.	Training of platoons to be carried out in accordance with S.S. 143 "Instructions for the Training of Platoons for Offensive Action."
	8.25 - 8.50	Fire Direction & Control.	
	9.00 - 9.50	Outpost Scheme. App. VII, 2.	
	10.00 - 10.25	Bayonet Fighting.	
	9.00 - 10.00 p.m.	Gas Drill with masks. A Coy. & H.Qrs.	
10th. "	8.00 - 10.25	Battalion Route March.	
11th. "	8.00 - 8.25	Battalion Drill.	Lectures to Officers :- 11.30 a.m. (9th July, 11th, July, and 13th. July. Instruction to N.C.Os. from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. daily.
	8.25 - 8.50	Fire direction & Control.	
	9.00 - 9.50	Overcoming a Strong Point. App.X.	
	10.00 - 10.25	Gas Drill.	
	9.00 - 10.00 p.m.	Gas Drill with Masks "B" Coy.	
12th. "	8.00 - 8.25	Battalion Parade.	
	8.25 - 8.50	Fire direction & control.	
	9.00 - 9.25	Platoon - (Part I, para. 7) -	
	9.00 - 9.50	Platoon in Attack. Part I, para. 7.	
	10.00 - 10.25	Bayonet Fighting.	
	9.00 - 10.00 p.m.	Gas Drill with Masks "C" Coy.	
13th. "	8.00 - 8.25	Battalion Drill.	
	8.25 - 8.50	Gas Drill.	
	9.00 - 9.50	Deployment and Passage of obstacles.	
	10.00 - 10.25	Bayonet Fighting.	
	9.00 - 10.00 p.m.	Gas Drill with Masks "D" Coy.	
14th. "	8.00 - 10.25	Battalion Route March.	
Daily.	10.25 - 10.50	Training of every men as a Bomber, Lewis Gunner, Scouts, Runners, Wirer or Signaller. Instruction in first aid.	

Date	Hour	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
9th. July, 1917.	8.00 - 11.00	Close Order Drill. Bayonet Fighting. Gas Drill. Rapid extensions, fire direction & control. Specialists Training. Telling off & instructing of Patrols.	
	2.00 - 3.00	Lecture by O.C. Company to Officers and N.C.O's.	
10th. "	8.00 - 11.00	Specialist Training. Rapid Wiring. Rapid extensions from Artillery formations. Coy in attack as far as ground permits.	
	2.00 - 3.00	Lecture by O.C. Company to all ranks.	
11th. "	8.00 - 11.00	Battalion Route March (about 10 Kilo's) Cookers will be taken.	
	2.00 - 3.00	Lecture by Signalling Officer and Os. C. Companies to all ranks,	
12th. "	8.00 - 11.00	Battalion scheme for practice of inter- communication during an action. All Signallers Scouts, and Runners to participate. A situation will be given, and actual reports and messages will be written. Remainder of Battalion as for 9th. July.	
	2.00 - 3.00	Lecture by Battalion Commander to Officers and N.C.O's.	
13th. "	8.00 - 11.00	As for 9th. July, 1917.	
14th. "	8.00 - 11.00	Battalion Route March. . Half Holiday.	

Date.	Hour.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
9th. July.	Morning.	Short Route March. Mechanism and stoppages.	<u>Signalling.</u> A Team from each Section in course of Training.
	Afternoon.	Lecture to N.C.O's. Map Reading.	
10th. "	Morning.	Gas Drill. Gun Drill. Inspection by Section Officers equipment.	<u>Musketry.</u> Special class for men who have not had a Musketry Course.
	Afternoon.	N.C.Os Class. Ceremonial. Guards & Duties.	
11th. "	Morning.	Section and Company Drill. Rifle Exercises.	<u>Vickers Gun.</u> Classes for Reinforcements and men backward in knowledge of present methods of warfare.
	Afternoon.	Lecture to N.C.Os Indirect Fire.	
12th. "	Morning.	Route March. Tactics, and methods of concealment of Guns in open warfare.	
	Afternoon.	Lecture. Writing and sending Messages. Communication with Headquarters while advancing in open Warfare.	
13th. "	Morning.	Gun Drill. Mechanism and Stoppages.	
	Afternoon.	Cleaning Guns and Gear. N.C.Os. Class Co-ordination and Map Reading.	
14th. "	Morning.	Overhauling Guns, Gear, Belt boxes, and equipment.	
	Afternoon.	Cricket Match.	

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13th. Aust. L.T.M.B.

Syllabus of Training.

Week ending 14th. July, 1917.

Date	Hour.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
9th. July.	8.00 - 11.00 1.00 - 2.00	Practical Emplacements. Signalling for N.C.Os.	
10th. "	8.00 - 11.00 1.00 - 2.00	Route March. Lecture on "Allways" fuze.	
11th. "	8.00 - 10.00 10.00 - 11.00 1.00 - 2.00	Gun Drill. Musketry. Communications.	
12th. "	8.00 - 9.00 9.00 - 10.00 10.00 - 11.00 1.00 - 2.00	Close Order Drill. Bayonet Fighting. Signalling. Gas Helmet Drill.	
13th. "	8.00 - 11.00 1.00 - 2.00	Route March. Lecture on Gun Laying to N.C.Os.	
14th. "	8.00 - 9.00 9.00 - 11.00 Afternoon	Close Order Drill. Firing from Emplacements (Dud). Cricket.	

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Appendix No. VIII

SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 p.m 13th July to 6 a.m 14th July, 1917.

OPERATIONS.

The relief of the 4th. Australian Infantry Brigade by the 13th. Australian Infantry Brigade in the LA DOUVE - LA WARNAVE Sector was successfully completed by 1 a.m on the 14th. inst.

Artillery activity. Very little activity was shown by our artillery.

Aircraft. Our aircraft was very active during the day, and was engaged by enemy A.A Guns and planes, but with no apparent result.

Patrols. The Right Line Battalion supplied 3 patrols, and the whole of the ground as far as the River LYS was covered. One patrol examined the CUSTOM HOUSE in PONT ROUGE and found all clear. Enemy transport and working parties could be distinctly heard about U.29.d.8.9.

A Trench Mortar was observed to be firing from the SUGAR REFINERY, also one from U.17.b.8.5.

Wire parties were heard at work near building at U.17.b.6.4.

ENEMY'S ACTIVITY.

Raid. Under cover of a barrage of Shrapnel and Trench Mortars, a party estimated at about 25 of the enemy attempted a raid at No. 3 Post (U.1 1.c.9.1), passing to the Right of N.4. Post (U.11.c.8.8), who opened fire on them with Lewis Guns. They got close enough to No.3. Post to throw a few bombs into it. They were driven off with Lewis Guns, but returned and were again driven off. No enemy casualties visible. The enemy apparently carried wounded away, for afterwards 2 rifles and 1 helmet (steel) were found. The barrage was on the whole of our Sector.

Artillery activity. From 10 p.m till 4 a.m enemy artillery was very active, especially on the Left Sector, where the front and support lines and communication trenches were constantly shelled. The southern end of PLOEG STEERT WOOD received constant attention with 5.9 and 4.2 H.E's.

PATROLS. No enemy patrols were observed on our Sector.

Aircraft. Aircraft was very active all day. At 3 p.m 2 planes flew low over our front line system.

Machine Guns. Machine Guns were as active as usual, and carried out indirect fire on our front line.

FLARES. Flares were observed to be fired from DOLL'S HOUSE.

G. O. C.
Brigadier-General,
G. O. C, 13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m 14th July to 6 a.m 15th. July 1917.

OPERATIONS.

Artillery. Our artillery has been more active than usual during the past 24 hours. Wire cutting was done at about U.12.c.3.5, and the back areas in the vicinity of DEULEMONT and WARNETON were constantly shelled.

Aircraft. Our aircraft was very active during the day, and were persistently shelled by enemy A.A Guns.

Patrols. The whole of our front was thoroughly patrolled and the following reports were received:-

Shell-fire in PONT ROUGE was very persistent, and patrol was not able to move nearer than UNCOMFORTABLE CRESCENT.

Light transport could be heard east of the River LYS from U.23.b.7.6.

Shrapnel was constantly bursting round the SUGAR REFINERY.

A Machine Gun was observed firing from about U.11.d.4.1.

This Gun is apparently pushed forward at night...

Movement of the enemy was observed at about U.11.b.2.6.

A patrol reconnoitred dug-outs at U.11.b.6.4 (three), and at U.11.b.4.4 (two), and found that they were occupied by the enemy.

ENEMY'S ACTIVITY.

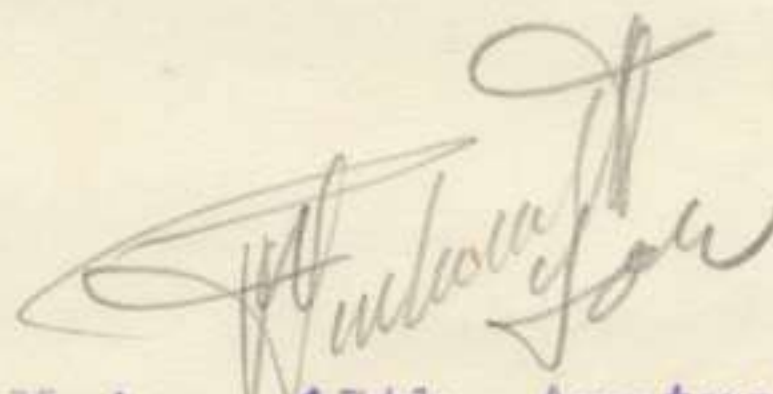
Artillery. Enemy artillery was very quiet during the day, until about 9 p.m, when he put down a barrage along our front. This was repeated again at 11.10 p.m. The barrage in each case lasted for about 20 minutes, and was mostly confined to the Right Sub-sector.

Support lines and communication trenches were shelled at various intervals during the night. STRAFFER'S NEST, MUD CORNER and the Southern end of PLOEGSTEERT WOOD were persistently shelled during the night.

Machine Guns. The usual activity was displayed during the night. Indirect fire was used against our Support Line in Left Sub-sector.

Miscellaneous. A big explosion occurred at 8.55 p.m near U.17.d central.

A party of 3 of the enemy were seen moving on road at U.24.a.7.6. Just previous to enemy barrage at 9 p.m he sent up a captive balloon from behind the DOLL'S HOUSE.



Major,

Brigade Major, 13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

No. 3.

SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m 15th. July to 6 a.m 16th. July, 1917.

OPERATIONS.

Artillery. Our artillery was active during the day shelling PONT ROUGE, DEULEMONT, LA BASSE VILLE. Several direct hits were recorded on several buildings in these places. Wire-cutting from about U.12.c.3.6 as far south as LA BASSE VILLE was continued throughout the day.

Aircraft. Our aircraft was active during the day, but received less attention from enemy A.A Guns than usual.

Patrols. A detailed patrol report is attached.

ENEMY'S ACTIVITY.

Artillery. Enemy activity was below normal for the 24 hours, and only a few shells were scattered over the area. Most of these were confined to the Left Sub-sector support line and the Southern end of PLONGSHEART WOOD.

Machine Guns. Enemy guns were active during the night with indirect fire on our back trenches. Most of the fire came from about U.24.a central and V.29.d.

Balloons. There were no enemy balloons up yesterday, but there were 6 up shortly after daylight this morning.

Miscellaneous. Two explosions occurred in GRANDE HAIE FARM (U.23.a.9.7) at 1.45 a.m. Cause unknown. Yesterday about 12 men were seen to approach singly to point in trench at U.18.c.6.5, and shortly afterwards return. This is probably a Headquarters, more so as the place has the appearance of a top of a dug-out. The 2 guns located at V.14.c.25.05 on the 7th. inst were observed again yesterday.

Munell. Major,
Brigade Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

PATROL REPORTS.

Right Sub-sector.

No. 1. A very thorough and successful patrol of 1 Sgt. and 6 O/R's worked on our Right flank from 9.30 p.m. to 1.45 a.m. Patrol was accompanied by 2 men from the Unit on our Right. Patrol was instructed to reconnoitre ground between our present outpost sentry group (U.29.a) and UNCOMFORTABLE CRESCENT with a view to establishing a better sentry group. A very good position for a sentry group about 100 yards east of railway at about U.29.e.74.80 was discovered. A sandbagged roomy crescent outpost position was found here, and the adjacent ground makes it very suitable. The disadvantage of our present post is shown by the fact that the patrol worked behind the alert sentry group unchallenged. The patrol moved to Sentry Group of Right Unit, thence east to River at U.29.a.7.80. Here a sheltered place was found resembling an old gun position, and patrol used same as a Listening Post. From here in a direction E.S.E. an enemy working party could be heard digging with picks in hard ground. A M.G. of ours seemed to get on to this party at one time. The patrol then moved to the CUSTOM HOUSE, and working party could still be heard. Every ruin in PONT ROUGE was afterwards examined. Whilst patrol was here very strong gas from enemy shells was met with. Helmets were adjusted, and the gas blew back towards the enemy lines. The patrol re-entered our lines at the same position at 1.45 a.m.

No. 2. 1 Sgt. and 5 men left our lines at U.23.c.1.7 at 9.45 p.m. and travelled east to U.23.d.1.7. Patrol then went north to rear of PETITE HAIE FARM, then to a point about U.23.d.9.9, when an enemy patrol of about 12 was encountered. Our patrol knelt down and challenged - the enemy fell down. Our patrol immediately bombed them, when the enemy broke and took cover behind a hedge. Our patrol waited for 15 minutes and then moved back. After patrol had moved away 2 shots were fired from the direction of the enemy patrol. Patrol re-entered our lines and reported at 12 midnight. It was 11.15 when the enemy were encountered. Patrol went out again at 12.20, and worked over the same ground but did not see any of the enemy.

No. 3. 1 N.C.O. and 3 men left our lines at U.17.c.5.3 at 9.15 p.m. and worked along old German trench running east from U.17.d.1.3, and then struck across towards SUGAR REFINERY, where they laid down, and listened for about an hour. Patrol then worked round towards the 51st. Battalion, and reported to their sentry group at 2.30 a.m. Patrol re-entered our line at 2.50 a.m., and reported everything quiet.

Left Sub-sector.

'A' Company. Orders for patrols. No. 1 patrol. No. 1. patrol to leave No. 1 Post U.17.a.60.20 at 12.30 a.m. and patrol directly in front and get into touch with the enemy.

No. 2 Patrol. Leave No. 2 Post U.17.a.75.55 at 1 a.m. with same orders as above.

No. 3 Patrol. Visiting Patrol from U.17.a.75.55 to U.17.a.60.20. to leave at 12.45 a.m.

No. 4 Patrol. Visiting patrol from U.17.a.60.20 to U.17.c.55.30. to leave at 1.15 a.m.

Personnel No. 1.....1 Sgt and 4 O/R's.
2.....1 " " 6 "
3.....1 Cpl " 2 "
4.....1 " " 2 "

Information gained. No. 1. Patrol reports no enemy. They went to about U.17.b.30.20.

No. 2 Patrol reports enemy working about U.17.b.5.4 wiring and driving in stakes.

No. 3 Patrol connected up with No. 1 Post. Nothing to report.

No. 4 connected with left post of 49th. B n. Nothing to report

PATROL REPORTS.

(continued).

Left Sub-sector.'B' CompanyOrders for Patrol.

To reconnoitre front of

No. 3 Post with a view of pushing it out further.

Personel. 1 Officer and 3 O/R's.Time and Place patrol left. 12.30 a.m.Extrema left of No.3 Post. (U.11.c.95.30)

Information gained. No enemy encountered. Enemy M.G very active at U.17.b.20.85, firing towards No.2 Post. Enemy flares being fired from about ~~U.11.d.35.25.~~ U.11.d.35.25.
Returned at 2.a.m U.11.c.00.50

'D' Company. Orders for patrol. To reconnoitre 5 German dug-outs situated as follows :-

2 at U.11.b.4.4.

3 at U.11.b.6.4

with a view to attacking and

occupying them.

Personnel. 1 Officer and 2 O/R's.Time and place left 12.10 a.m from U.11.b.2.6.

Route taken. A long River bed for 75 yards, and returned the same way.

Information gained. 1 Reinforced concrete dug-out with entrance on far side appeared to be inhabited day and night. 1 enemy M.G located at U.11.b.37.45. Owing to timber and position it fires on the 3rd. Aust. Div. front. Owing to timber and nature of country, also distance from the front line patrol leader does not consider it practicable to hold same.

Time and place patrol returned. 2.15 a.m at U.11.b.2.6.

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SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m 16th. July to 6 a.m 17th. July 1917.

OPERATIONS.

At 2.45 a.m suspected enemy post at U.11.b.6.4 was bombarded by Trench Mortars and rifle grenades, after which we occupied the ground, and established 2 new posts at U.11.b.7.4 and U.11.b.4.0.

Artillery. Our artillery was quiet during the morning. In the afternoon the usual wirecutting was carried out from U.12.c.3.7 to WARNETON.

UNCUT trench received attention during the afternoon.

Aircraft. The usual activity of our aircraft was continued today.

Patrols. Detailed patrol reports attached.

ENEMY'S ACTIVITY.

Artillery. Considerable activity of the enemy artillery on the front, support and Subsidiary Lines during the night. At 10.45 p.m enemy put a heavy barrage between the front and support line, which lasted for about 15 minutes. During the day HYDE PARK CORNER, KANPAK DUMP, and the southern end of PLOEGSTEER T WOOD were persistently shelled.

Aircraft. Enemy aircraft were very little in evidence yesterday. About 6 p.m 6 enemy planes flew high over our lines.

Miscellaneous. Fresh earthwork, apparently a new trench, was observed at U.12.b.1.7.

Occasional enemy movement continues at U.18.c.6.5, similar to that reported yesterday.

At 7.30 p.m horse and motor transport were observed on the road at V.16.d.

Russell Major,

Brigade Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

PATROL REPORTS.Right Sector.

No. 1 Patrol. ----- 1 Officer, 2 Sgts. 8 men and 2 New Zealanders.

Route taken. From our sentry group U.29.a.5.8, through New Zealander advanced post, thence east to rear River bank, passing CUSTOM HOUSE and cutting road through PONT ROUGE to about U.30.a.4.6, then skirting south of unnamed moated farm at U.23.d.7.2, then to UNCOMFORTABLE CRESCENT at U.23.d.1.1 to our Sentry Group.

Information gained. Patrol thoroughly searched the whole of this route and saw no signs of the enemy, although small parties of the enemy could be heard working on the eastern side of the canal. The patrol left our lines at 10.30 p.m. and returned at 2 a.m.

No. 2 Patrol.----- 1 Officer, 2 N.C.O's and 10 O/R's.

Route taken. Left platoon Headquarters at U.17.c.45.20 and moved to Battalion O.P at U.23.a.9.9, then to GRANDE HAIE FARM to River Bank, following river bank close to the SUGAR REFINERY. Patrol returned to the Starting Point at 1.45 a.m.

Information gained. Patrol left starting point at 10.30 a.m., and thoroughly patrolled route stated, but saw no sign of the enemy.

No. 3 Patrol.----- 1 Officer, 1 Lewis Gun, and 11 men.

Route taken. Left detached post in U.22.d at 10.15 p.m. and proceeded to PETITE HAIE FARM, and then moved towards river opposite DOLLS HOUSE, then moved to where enemy patrol was encountered previous evening, and waited till 12.40 a.m., but enemy did not make an appearance. Patrol returned to starting point at 1 a.m. and reported all quiet, then went out again and patrolled the same route with no further result.

Left Sector.'A' Company.

No. 1 Patrol. A patrol of 1 Sgt. and 2 men left our No. 2 Post at U.17.a.16.20 at 1.45 a.m., and searched ground for 300 yards in front. Nothing seen of the enemy, and they returned by No. 2 Post (U.17.a.75.55) at 2.45 a.m.

No. 2 Patrol. 1 Sgt. and 5 O/R's left our lines at U.17.a.75.55 at 10.45 p.m. with orders to get in touch with houses in LA BASSE VILLE if possible, but owing to enemy barrage they were forced to return at 11.30 p.m.

'E' Company.

A patrol of 1 N.C.O and 6 men left No. 3 Post (U.11.c.9.2) at 11.30 p.m., and patrolled the front for a distance of about 300 yards. No enemy were seen or heard, and they returned by the same route at 12.30 a.m.

SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE.

Appendix No VIII

From 6 a.m 17th. July to 6 a.m 18th July. 1917.OPERATIONS.

Artillery. Our artillery was quiet throughout the day. Occasional bursts of fire were directed on the following Areas:-
DEULEMONT, WARNETON, UNC UT TRENCH and UNCOVERED TRENCH.

Aircraft. Aeroplanes were very active yesterday, especially in the evening, when large numbers of our machines could be seen well in rear of the enemy's lines.

Machine Guns. Our A.A Guns fired on enemy planes at 5.15 p.m.

Patrols. Reports attached.

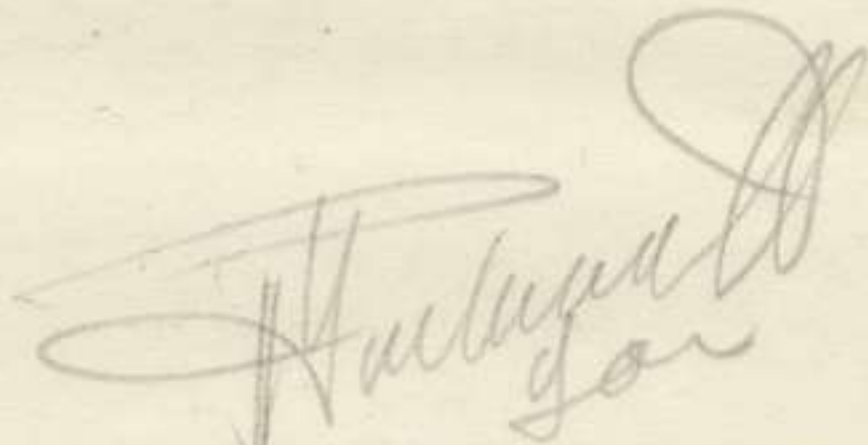
ENEMY'S ACTIVITY.

Artillery. Enemy artillery was exceptionally quiet during the period, except for a heavy bombardment of the northern end of PLOEGSTEERT WOOD and HYDE PARK CORNER with lachrymatory shells.

Machine Guns. Enemy guns were very active on our left flank between outposts and the front line.

Aircraft. Enemy planes were very quiet. One plane flew very low over our lines at 5.15 p.m and was fired on by our Machine guns without result.

Miscellaneous. Transport waggons, 2 Guns and limbers and several small bodies of troops were seen moving along road at U.24.a.6.3 at 7.20 p.m.



Major,

Brigade Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Right Sub-sector.

No. 1 Patrol. 1 Officer and 12 Other Ranks left our lines at 10 p.m. from U.17.c.5.2, and moved to O.P. in U.23.a.9.9. From there they moved to U.17.d.5.4. The SUGAR REFINERY and houses at U.17.d.4.8 were thoroughly examined, but no sign of the enemy was seen. Patrol moved back over the railway and re-entered our lines at 1 a.m.

No. 2 Patrol. 1 Officer and 11 Other Ranks with a Lewis Gun went out from detached post, U.23.c.4.7, at 10.30 p.m., and moved east to U.23.d.4.7, turned half left, and went to point U.22.a.8.1, within 50 yards of the River bank. Patrol then worked south to U.23.d.6.7, from there to GANGIER'S COT, U.23.c.6.4, and then into our lines at 12.45 a.m. Patrol saw no sign of the enemy on the western side of the river, but could distinctly hear working parties on the eastern side. This patrol again left our lines at 1.15 a.m. and traversed the same ground with the same result, and returned to our lines at 2.45 a.m.

No. 3 Patrol. 1 Officer and 11 Other Ranks accompanied by 2 New Zealanders left our lines at U.29.a.7.9 and moved to the New Zealand sentry group at U.29.a.5.5, then along old trench tramway to U.29.a.6.4 to bank of river at U.29.a.8.1, then to U.29.a.9.5 then along old trench U.29.b.2.2, then to U.29.b.3.5 then along river bank to U.30.a.7.6, then back to moat in U.29.b, then to U.23.d.1.4, then back to our sentry group. No sign of the enemy on this side of the river was noticed, and the ground is very much cut up by artillery fire. In PONT ROUGE and UNCOMFORTABLE CRESCENT the ground is also much cut up by artillery. The trees along the road from U.11.a.55.05 to U.29.b.0.6 were almost all cut down. A Battery of enemy guns were firing from the ruined building U.30.c.0.8. An enemy M.G. was firing from corner of ditches at apparently U.29.c.8.2. An enemy working party working with timber was heard at about U.25.d.5.7.

Left Sub-sector.

No. 1 Patrol. A patrol of 1 Sgt. and 6 O/R's left No. 1 Post at U.17.a.65.15 at 12 midnight, and proceeded in the direction of U.17.d.1.9 where they found a new enemy trench which has firesteps and duckboards. This trench is running in the direction of WARETON. The patrol then proceeded to U.17.b.85.75, from there back to No. 2 Post at U.17.a.65.55 at 2 a.m.

No. 2 Patrol. A patrol of 1 N.C.O. and 6 men left No. 6A Post at U.11.b.65.35 at 11.45 p.m. to search ground in front. They proceeded 250 yards to the front, and report a Strong Bombing Post at U.11.b.92.96 and a M.G. at U.11.b.9.9. The patrol returned by No. 6 Post at 1 a.m.

3 small patrols were sent out during the night to connect with the 49th. Battalion, and patrol the ground in front of Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Posts. They report no enemy seen or heard.

CONFIDENTIAL.13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

No. 6.

SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE.From 6 a.m 18th. July to 6 a.m 19th July. 1917.OPERATIONS.

Artillery. Our artillery was firing consistently throughout the past 24 hours. Wire cutting continues in U.12.a. and b. Harassing fire was maintained on UNCUT TRENCH.

Aircraft. Aerial activity was very limited owing to the weather conditions.

Patrols. Reports attached.

ENEMY'S ACTIVITY.

Raid. After withdrawel of night garrison, the day post of 6 men and 2 Lewis Guns at U.11.c.9.3 was driven in this morning at 3.30 a.m. It was, however, immediately retaken, but the enemy captured the 2 Lewis Guns.

Artillery. Fairly active yesterday, but very scattered. Areas U.19.b and U.14.d received most attention.

Machine Guns. M.G fire was below normal. Indirect fire from DOLLS HOUSE was directed on our Right Sector.

Aircraft. On account of the misty condition of the weather there was very little aerial activity. At 4.10 a.m an enemy plane flew very low over our trenches. Machine Gun fire was directed against it, but without effect.

Signals. The enemy, during the night, sent up yellow and red (two star) flares.

Enemy movement. A party of 70 men and 2 transports were again observed on road in V.16.a.



Major,

Brigade Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

-----PATROL REPORTS.-----

No. 1 Patrol. 1 Officer and 8 O/R's left our lines at 10.30 p.m. from U.17.c.5.2 and moved along road to GRANDE FARM, then to U.17.d.5.2. At this point the patrol laid down. The night was very dull and cloudy with a stiff breeze blowing from S.S.W. along the River, accompanied by occasional showers of rain, making hearing very difficult. Occasionally a small working party could be heard in the direction of WICHART FARM, over which our Guns were bursting shrapnel. An enemy Machine Gun fired a few bursts from a point approx. U.24.a.5.7. Patrol reported to our lines at 1.25 a.m.

No. 2 Patrol. 1 N.C.O and 3 men left our lines at U.17.c.6.6. at 10.30 p.m. and moved out to old buildings U.17.d.4.8. These and the SUGAR REFINERY were thoroughly reconnoitred, but no signs of the enemy were found. Night was very rough, and not good for patrolling. Patrol moved down towards position of No. 1. patrol, but could not get touch with them. Patrol reported back to our lines at 1.30 a.m.

No. 3 Patrol. 2 N.C.O's and 7 men left our lines at 10.30 p.m. from the detached post at U.23.d.5.4, and moved to PETITE HAIE FARM, then moved due east to the river. Patrol stayed near river for 45 minutes, but could see or hear nothing of the enemy. Patrol then moved north along the river and re-entered our lines at 12.45 a.m. Whilst returning patrol was constantly under Machine Gun fire from DOLL'S HOUSE.

No. 4 Patrol. 1 Officer, 1 Sgt. and 5 O/R's, together with 2 O/R's from the unit on our Right moved through our sentry group to UNCOMFORTABLE C RESCUE to near river, then along the bank to PONT ROUGE to where the bridge should be, then through all the ruins of PONT ROUGE, then along river bank to U.29.b.9.5, then by row of trees to moated farm, U.23.d.7.2, then to GANGER'S COT, and re-entered our lines at 1.50 a.m., having seen no sign of the enemy.

Left Sub-sector. Patrol of 1 N.C.O and 6 men left No. 5 Post, working out between U.11.d.35.95 and No. 4A Post U.11.d.35.65, circling round to left about 200 to 300 yards in front of 5A post, and returning between ~~and returning~~ 5A and 6A posts (U.11.b.65.35) to No. 5 post U.11.a.85.20. While in front of No. 5 A post enemy opened fire on them with a few grenades and a Machine Gun from approx. U.11.d.7.4. Patrol reports that this position is evidently a Strong Point. Patrol located enemy M.G. Replacement at approx. U.11.d.92.98. This patrol left No. 5 post at 10.30 p.m. and returned at 12.15 a.m.

A patrol of 1 N.C.O and 6 men were sent to reconnoitre the front of No. 3 Post (U.11.c.9.3) at 12.15 a.m. They left Right of Post and working down to the Right, then circling out to the left about 200 yards came in on left of post. They report a wiring party about 250 yards in front of No. 3 Post. Patrol returned at 2 a.m.

A Patrol of 1 Sgt. and 6 O/R's left U.17.a.65.15 at 11 p.m. with orders to examine the ~~CHURCH~~ FACTORY at U.17.b.70.45. They report having got close to the factory from the north corner of which a M.G. was observed to be firing. Patrol returned at 2 a.m. through U.17.a.65.55.

Constant touch was maintained with units on flanks.

Headquarters,

Appendix No. IX

13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

16th. July, 1917.

O. C.

...51st Battalion.
13th. L.T.M.B.

An enemy post has been located about

U.11.b.6.4.

The O.C. 51st. Battalion will arrange to capture this post tonight and establish ^{a post.} themselves there, arranging direct with O.C. L.T.M. Battery for any co-operation considered necessary.

Close liaison with the right Battalion of Brigade on our left is essential.

The question of giving support to the party making the attack should be considered.

Detail of arrangements, zero hour etc., will be forwarded by O.C. 51st. Battalion to Brigade Headquarters, and other units concerned, with-out delay.

Russell Major.

Bde. Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Copy to :-

LEFT Brigade.
49th. Battalion.
52nd. "
50th. "
4th. Field Coy. Engrs.
12th. " " "
4th. AUST. DIVISION.

13th. AUST. INF. BDE. ORDER No. 77.

Brigade Headquarters,

17th. July, 1917.

Reference Map 1/40,000. Sheets 23 & 36.

1. (a) The 13th. AUST. INF. BDE., will be relieved by the 1st. and 2nd. N.Z. INFANTRY BRIGADES on the 19th. and night of 19/20th. instant.
- (b) Machine Gun Company and L.T.M. Battery will be relieved by portions of the Machine Gun Company and L.T.M. Battery of the N.Z. Brigades concerned.
- (c) Two ^{L.}guns of the 4th. Pioneer Battalion, at present with each of the Front Line Battalions, will on completion of relief rejoin their Battalion.
2. (a) The 2nd. N.Z. Brigade will take over the area at present held by the 49th. and 50th. Battalions.
The 1st. N.Z. Brigade will take over the area at present held by the 51st. and 52nd. Battalions.
- (b) Arrangements regarding details of relief will be made by Commanding Officers direct.
3. (a) On completion of relief, which will be notified to Brigade Headquarters by wire, Units will move to same position in the DE SEULE Area as vacated on the 13th. instant.
- (b) Transport will move to transport lines in DE SEULE Area on the 19th. instant.
4. All maps, Documents, Area Stores etc., will be handed over and receipts obtained. List shewing articles handed over will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters by 3 p.m. 20th. instant.
5. (a) Troops marching to the back area will maintain distances of 400 yards between Battalions and 100 yards between Companies.
- (b) Front Line Battalions will arrange that men on relief are collected and marched into camp by Companies.
6. Brigade Headquarters will open at CANTHEN CORNER, B.2.a.7.7. on completion of relief.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

R. Morell. Major.
Bde. Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

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- 18 - 4th. Fla. Coy. Engrs.
- 19 - 12th. Fla. Coy. Engrs.
- 20 - RIGHT Brigade.
- 21 - LEFT Brigade.
- 22 - 1st. N.Z. Inf. Bde.
- 23 - 2nd. N.Z. Inf. Bde.
- 24 - Lieut. Rudall.

13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

TABLE OF WORKING PARTIES TO BE SUPPLIED DAILY COMMENCING 14th. JULY, 1917.

Party No.	Unit & Strength	When, where & to whom to report.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
1.	52nd. Bn. 3 Officers 150 men.	At Junction of ANTON'S AVENUE and Support Line at 10.15 p.m. To report to Lt. WILKINSON, 4th. Fld. Coy.	Preparing Support Line and living quarters from Junction ANTON'S AVENUE to left flank.	Work from 10.30 p.m. to 3.30 a.m. Each man to carry 1 shovel & every second man 1 pick in addition.
2.	52nd. Bn. 3 Officers 150 Men.	At Junction of ANTON'S AVENUE and Support Line at 10.15 p.m. To report to Lieut. LAURENCE, 4th. Fld. Coy.	Preparing Support Line and living quarters from Junction ANTON'S AVENUE to ULTIMO AVENUE	As for Party No. 1.
3.	52nd. Bn. 3 Officers 150 Men.	Junction of ULTIMO AVENUE and Support Line at 10.15 p.m. To report to Lieut. MINTON, 4th. Fld. Coy.	Preparing Support Line and living quarters from Junction ULTIMO AVENUE to Right Flank.	As for Party No. 1.
4.	51st. Bn. 1 Officer 50 Men	Arrangements to be made between Bae. Works Officer & 51st. Bn.	Wiring Support Line in Left Bn. Sector.	
5.	51st. Bn. 1 Officer 50 Men.	This party will not be under supervision of Engineer Officer. Work will be carried out from 10.15 p.m. to 3.30 a.m.	Revetting & duck-boarding counter trench running from Junction ANTON'S AVENUE & Support Line thence forward to the firing line.	Arrangements for drawing material will be notified.
6.	50th. Bn. 3 Officers 150 Men.	Report Tram Terminus FORT BOYD (U.21 A.98) at 10.15 p.m. To Lieut. FRASER, 12th. Fld. Coy.	Improving Support Line.	Work from 10.30 p.m. to 3.30 a.m. Each man to be provided with shovel.
7.	50th. Bn. 1 Officer 30 Men.	Report at ENGINEER DUMP MAISON 1875 (U.26.c.6.4.) at 3.30 p.m. to Lieut. FRASER, 12th. Fld. Coy.	Loading and unloading stores at CANPAC DUMP.	Work from 3.30 p.m. till finished.
8.	50th. Bn. 3 Officers 150 men.	Report at BEADING TRENCH between BORDER AVENUE & KEEPERS HUT Road (about U.27.b.0.6.) at 10 p.m. to Lieut. BALDWIN, 12th. Fld. Coy.	Improving support line.	Work from 10.30 p.m. to 3.30 a.m. Each man to be provided with shovel.
9.	49th. Bn. 2 Officers 100 Men.	To be arranged between C.O. 49th. Bn. & 12th. Fld. Coy. Engineers.	Work on or carrying party to Support Line.	Work from 10.30 p.m. to 3.30 a.m. Shovel to each man.

P.T.O.

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(Continued)

Party No.	Unit & Strength	When where & to whom to report.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
10.	50th h.Bn. 1 N.C.O. 10 Men.	Where new support meets old British Front Line at U.23.a.2.9. at 3.30 a.m. to Lieut. FRASER, 12th. Field Coy.	Repairs to gaps in existing wire in Support Line.	
11.	50th. Bn. 1 Officer 25 Men.	At Junction of UMBO DRIVE and new Support Line at 3.30 a.m. to Engineer N.C.O. of 12th h. Field Coy. (guide).	Erecting splinter proof shelters in support Line.	Shovel each man.

Sam Fowler

Captain.

for Staff Captain, 13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

13th. July, 1917.

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APPENDIX NO XI

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Headquarters, XI No. ~~Mxxx/00x~~ B.1/203.

13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

14th. July, 1917.

O.C.
4th
12th Field Company

The following reports will be rendered
to Brigade Headquarters :-

- (1) To reach Brigade Headquarters at 8.30 a.m. daily a report showing progress during the night and particulars of work done by each party under your supervision.
- (2) A weekly summary of the progress made and a detailed account of the work done will be forwarded to reach Brigade Headquarters by 11 a.m. on Wednesdays under the following headings :-
 - (a) Fire trenches.
 - (b) Communication Trenches.
 - (c) Wiring.
 - (d) Machine Gun positions.
 - (e) Living quarters.

A sketch will accompany this summary showing position and progress of the work.

Wm Fowler Captain.
for Bde. Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Headquarters,
13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.
14th. July, 1917.

Appendix No. XI

O. C.

All BattalionsINSTRUCTIONS RE WORKING PARTIES.

The following instructions are issued in conjunction with the Table of Working Parties already issued.

1. The hours laid down are to be adhered to unless the light does not permit of the work being carried out.
2. Parties are not to cease work on account of hostile shell-fire unless so ordered by the O.C. Party, he will only give such an order in case of extreme necessity.
3. The Infantry Officers in charge of and working with the parties are to be warned that they are held entirely responsible for the discipline and work of their men and also for the quantity of work done.
The Engineer Officer is present to supervise and give technical advice.
4. There must be absolute cohesion between Engineer and Infantry Officers.
5. All men will carry rifles and 50 rounds of ammunition while on duty with working parties and in the event of an attack the senior officer in each sector will take charge and man the support line.
6. O.C. Party will ensure that no rifles are left on working party sites. Tools will be taken ~~back~~ to the work and brought back to the Battalion Dump on completion of each night's work. All tools and rifles at present in the Support Line will be salvaged by parties as they return to their units.
7. A certificate that the strength of the party was correct and the work satisfactory, signed by the Engineer Officer supervising, will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters daily.

Wm Fowler Captain.
for Brigade Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Copies to :-

4th. Field Coy.
12th. Field Coy.

WORKS REPORT.

July 14th. to July 18th. (inclusive)

1. FIRE TRENCHES.

(a) Front Line. The front line and outposts have been further strengthened by the garrison.

(b) Support Line. (Right Battalion Sector) The parapet has been thickened along the sector for a distance of 1070 yards. 842 yards of duck-boards have been laid in the Support Line of this Sector. Excavations in the travel trench and loops have been dug for a distance of 442 yards and the trenches revetted for 240 yards. 215 hurdles have been fixed in the fire bays and 5 fire-steps erected. There have been 13 shelters completed making accommodation for 86 men and excavations are in progress for the erection of further splinter-proof shelters.

(c) Support Line. (Left Battalion Sector) Fire-bays have been revetted and fire-stepped as under :-
From ANTONS AVENUE to the left 8 have been completed.
Between ANTONS AVENUE and ULTIMO AVENUE 10 have been completed.
From ULTIMO AVENUE to the right 5 have been completed.
In addition to the fire-bays about 300 yards of trench between ULTIMO and UMBO AVENUES has been revetted.
Shelters (see Sketch) in the loop trenches behind the travel trench the following shelters have been erected:-

Loop No. 1 5 completed.

Loop No. 2 10 completed.

(this loop has also been cleaned out and partially duckwalked.)

Loop No. 3 7 completed.

Loop No. 4 12 completed.

Loop No. 5 9 completed.

(this loop has also been cleaned out and partially duckwalked)

Loop No. 6 5 completed.

A canvas water tank has been installed in the Support Trench at about U.16.b.8.3. A foot-bridge has been erected over LA DOUVE RIVER for infantry in file at approximately U.14.d.8.1.

2. COMMUNICATIONS. ULTIMO AVENUE, ANTONS AVENUE & VANCOUVER AVENUE have all been improved and are being maintained by the 4th. Pioneer Battalion. Revetments have been erected in various places and trenches are duckwalked throughout. Sundry repairs have been made to duck-boards in LOUNDES AVENUE and 56 yards of new duckwalk have been laid. Repairs have also been made to READING TRENCH and BORDER AVENUE.

ANTONS CUT has been deepened and widened for about 200 yards and has been duckwalked for about 50 yards. EGERTON C.T. has been deepened and widened throughout. VANCOUVER AVENUE from U.22.b.9.8. to the Front Line at U.23.a.2.7. has been deepened and widened.

3. WIRING RIGHT SECTOR. In front of Support Line 420 yards of old wire has been repaired and thickened from UMPIRE ROW to approximately U.22.b. 00.25.

LEFT SECTOR. In front of Support Line a double apron has been completed and thickened from ULTIMO AVENUE to about U.11.c.05.50. and from about U.11.a.25.20. to about U.11.a.25.50. A single wire runs between ANTONS CUT and EGERTON C.T.

Wm Fowler
Capt.

for Brigadier-General.
G.O.C. 13th. Aust. Infantry Brigade.

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Headquarters,

13th. Australian Infantry Brigade .

19th. July, 1917.

Headquarters,

4th. AUST. DIVISION.

In addition to work done as shewn in weekly report forwarded to you on the 18th. instant, the following was completed on the night of 18/19th. instant.

SUPPORT LINE. (Left Battalion Sector). Trench was generally cleaned up and 28 yards, having been damaged by shell fire, was repaired.

(Right Battalion Sector). Line was generally improved. The parapet widened in front of 12 fire-bays and in addition 40 yards breastwork thickened and duckboards were relayed for 15 yards.

COMMUNICATIONS. (Left Battalion Sector). EGERTON Communication Trench from Support to Front Line was widened and deepened throughout.

ANTONS CUT was completed from Support to Front Line, but not revetted or duck-walked.

(Right Battalion Sector). Communication trench from UNCLES AVENUE U.22.b.9.9. to Front Line at U.23.a.2.7. was deepened and widened.

VANCOUVER and UNCLE AVENUES were repaired in places which had been damaged by shell-fire.

WIRING. -

Left Sector. An additional 220 yards of double apron of wire (thickened) was erected, working left from ANTONS CUT.

In the right sector old wire was repaired and thickened for an additional 100 yards.

Wm Fowler
Capt for Brigadier-General.
G.O.C. 13th. Aust. Infantry Brigade.

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13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

CASUALTY RETURN.

UNIT.	Killed		Wounded		Missing		Sick		Total		Officers.
	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	
<u>14/7/17</u>											
49th. Bn.	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	
50th. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
51st. "	-	4	1	6	-	-	-	-	-	10	Capt. P. Lohan.
52nd. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total.	-	4	1	8	-	-	-	1	1	13	
<u>15/7/17</u>											
49th. Bn.	-	4	1	7	-	-	-	2	1	13	Lt. A. Brown.
50th. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
51st. "	-	1	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	8	
52nd. "	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Total.	-	9	2	28	-	-	-	4	2	41	
<u>16/7/17</u>											
49th. Bn.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	
50th. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
51st. "	-	7	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	13	
52nd. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	
Total.	-	16	2	34	-	-	-	9	2	59	
<u>17/7/17</u>											
49th. Bn.	-	1	-	7	-	-	-	1	-	9	
50th. "	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	
51st. "	-	5	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	7	
52nd. "	-	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	
Total.	-	25	2	45	-	-	-	11	2	81	
<u>18/7/17</u>											
49th. Bn.	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2	
50th. "	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	
51st. "	-	3	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	7	
52nd. "	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	
Total.	-	29	2	53	-	-	-	13	2	95	
<u>19/7/17</u>											
49th. Bn.	-	1	-	4	-	-	-	2	-	7	
50th. "	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	3	Capt. R. G. Payne
51st. "	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	
52nd. "	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	1	-	5	
Total.	-	31	3	64	-	-	-	13	3	110	
<u>20/7/17</u>											
49th. Bn.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
50th. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
51st. "	-	1	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	8	
52nd. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
M. G. Coy.	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
Total.	-	33	3	71	-	-	-	13	3	121	

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13th. A U S T. I N F A N T R Y B R I G A D E.

Weekly Effective Strength - 20th. JULY, 1917.

U N I T.	Actually with: U n i t.	Sick	On command : temp. de- tached. Schools etc:	Total Strength.	War Establish- ment.	Required to Complete.	R e m a r k s.						
	Offs. O.Rs.	Off. OR	Offs. O.R.	Off. O.Rs.	Offs. O.Rs.	Offs. O.Rs.							
Bde. H. Qrs	22	-	-	3	3	25	3	25	-	-			
49th. Bn.	23	796	4	23	6	63	33	882	39	967	6	91	Includes A.A.M.C. attached.
50th. "	20	720	6	7	9	89	35	816	39	967	4	151	
51st. "	22	802	6	20	9	94	37	916	39	967	2	51	
52nd. "	25	685	7	11	8	68	40	764	39	967	-	208	Includes A.A.M.C. attached.
M.G. Coy.	5	187	3	2	1	8	9	197	10	177	1	-	" " "
L.T.M.B.	3	63	-	-	1	4	4	67	4	46	-	-	
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TOTALS :-	101	3275	26	63	34	329	161	3667	172	4116	13	501	

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Staff Captain for G.O.C. 13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

Captain.

Appendix No. XIII

13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.
W E E K L Y F I G H T I N G S T R E N G T H.

21st. JULY , 1917.

UNIT	: Strength as :		: Increase :		: Totals from :		: Decrease :		: "A" :		: "B" :		: Drafts untrained	
	: per previous :		: during the :		: (1) and (11) :		: during the :		: Fighting :		: Details included :		: & partially trained	
	: W e e k. :		: W e e k :		: W e e k :		: W e e k :		: Strength. :		: in "A" :		: included in "A".	
	:Off.	O.Rs.	:Off.	O.Rs.	:Offs.	O.Rs.	:Off.	O.Rs.	:Offs.	O.Rs.	:Off.	O.Rs.	: Other Ranks.	
49th. Bn.	30	856	2	48	32	904	-	25	32	879	10	86	-	
50th. Bn.	33	764	2	60	35	824	1	11	34	813	15	96	-	
51st. Bn.	37	890	-	68	37	958	1	49	36	909	15	114	-	
52nd. Bn.	39	716	1	71	40	787	2	31	38	756	15	79	-	
M.G. Coy.	10	197	-	-	10	197	1	3	9	194	4	10	-	
L.T.M.B.	4	67	-	-	4	167	-	1	4	66	1	4	-	
TOTALS :-	153	3490	5	247	158	3737	5	120	153	3617	60	389	-	

I N C R E A S E S.

49th. Bn. 1 Off. from O.C.B. 27 O.R. from Refts.
1 " 1st. Appt. 20 " " Hosp.,
1 " from Det.duty.

50th. Bn. 1 Off. from Refts. 60 O.R. from Refts.
1 " 1st. Appt.

51st. Bn. - 68 O.R. from Refts.

52nd. Bn. 1 Off. from Tng.Bn. 67 O.R. from Refts.
4 " " Details.

M.G. Coy. -

L.T.M.B. -

5 Offs.

247 O.Rs.

D E C R E A S E S.

6 O.R. Killed in Action.
19 " Wounded in Action.

1 Off. to Tng. Bn. 7 O.R. Casualties. S.O.S.
3 " to Tng. Bn.
1 " to 1st. Appt. Com.Rank.

1 Off. Seconded. Hosp. 16 O.R. Killed in Action.
33 " Wounded " "

2 Off. Seconded. 3 " Killed in Action.
14 " Wounded " "
14 " S.O.S. Hospital.

1 Off. Seconded. 1 " Killed in action.
2 " to M.G.Tng. Depot.

1 " S.O.S. Hospital.

120 O.Rs.

5 Offs.

Captain.
Staff Captain for G.O.C. 13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

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D E T A I L S

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49th. Bn.			52nd. Bn.		
Off.	O.R.s.		Off.	O.R.s.	
4	23	Hospital. ✓	8	11	Hospital.
2	9	Schools. ✓	2	-	Trng. Bn.
4	21	Leave. ✓	3	20	Schools.
	2	A.S.C.	1	18	Leave.
	10	Baths. <i>asked to be relieved</i>	1	5	Rest Camp.
	2	A.Lt/Rly. <i>do</i>		1	D.A.D.O.S.
	2	Div. Schl.		1	Y.M.C.A.
	2	Bde. Canteen.		2	A.W.L.
	1	Div. H.Qrs.		3	A.S.C. <i>asked for 1 man</i>
	4	Rest Camp.		9	Div. H.Qrs.
	2	Div. Sanitary.		4	Bde. Duties.
	7	Bde. H.Qrs.		1	Base Records.
	1	D.A.D.O.S.		1	Special Duty. England.
				3	Bombing Range Schl.
10	86.		15	79	

50th. Bn.			M.G. Company.		
Off.	O.R.s.		Off.	O.R.s.	
3	26	Leave.	3	2	Hospital.
6	7	Hospital.	1	3	Leave.
2	7	Bde. H.Q.		3	M.G. Schl.
4	18	Schools.		2	Rest Camp.
	1	4th. Bde. H.Q.	4	10	
	2	Bde. Canteen.			
	1	Salvage.			
	4	Y.M.C.A.			
	8	Detention.			
	1	Pigeon Service.			
	3	A.W.L.			
	4	Rest Camp.			
	1	Traffic Control. <i>asked relief</i>			
	1	D.A.D.O.S.			
	5	4th. Div. Duties.			
	1	Instructor, LE HAVRE.			
	3	A.P.M. 4th. Div. <i>asked to be relieved</i>			
	3	A.S.C. <i>asked for 1 man</i>			
15	96				

51st. Bn.					
Off.	O.R.s.				
6	20	Hospital.			
1	6	Bde. H.Q.			
2	3	Schools.			
1	21	Leave.			
5	14	Schools.			
	4	A.A.S.C. <i>asked for relief</i>			
	5	Div. H.Qrs.			
		& Sig. Coy.			
	3	Corps L/Rly. <i>asked to be relieved</i>			
	3	Traffic Control. <i>do</i>			
	1	Base.			
	1	Comforts Fund.			
	1	Corps Bomb. Schl. (Cook)			
	1	Armourer Schl.			
	1	1st. ANZAC Schl. (Mess)			
	2	Salvage.			
	28	Rest Camp.			
15	114				

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13th. AUST. INF. BDE. ORDER No. 78.

Brigade Headquarters,

21st. July, 1917.

Reference Maps 1/40,000. Sheets 28.36. & 36a.

1. The 13th. AUST. INFANTRY BRIGADE will move to No. I BERQUIN Area tomorrow, 22nd. instant.

Detail of move as under :-

Unit.	Starting Time.	Starting Point	Remarks.
52nd. Bn.	9.00 a.m.	Junction of	Route via
51st. Bn.	9.09 "	Roads at	S.27.a.9.0.
50th. Bn.	9.19 "	B.1.a.7.2.	"
49th. Bn.	9.28 "	"	"
M.G. Coy.	9.38 "	"	"
L.T.M.B.	9.41 "	"	"
Bde. H.Q. &)			
Sidnal Sec.)	9.42 "	"	"

2. MOVEMENT: 200 yards distance between each Unit, 30 yards between Companies and 100 yards between rear Coys., and transports will be maintained.
3. BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS will close at CANTHEN CORNER at 9.30 a.m. and open at DOULLIEU at the same hour.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

Wm Fowler
Capt for Major.

Bde. Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Issued at 2.30 p.m.

Extra Copies to :-

- 12 - 13th. Field Ambce.
- 13 - 13th. Field Coy.
- 14 - A.D.M.S.
- 15 - 27th. A.A.S.C.
- 16 - N.Z. Division.
- 17 - 4th. Field Ambce.

S E C R E T.

13th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

DISPOSITION OF UNITS.

--- 22nd. July. 1917. ---

Unit.	: Location	: Map Reference.	: Scale.
13th. Bde. H.Q's.	: F.29.d.1.3	: Sheet 36A.	: 1/40,000
49th. Battalion.	: A.20.a.4.8.	: Sheet 36.	: do
50th. do	: A.15.d.3.7.	: do	: do
51st. do	: A.2.c.8.7.	: do	: do
52nd. do	: A.21.a.6.5.	: do	: do
13th. M.G.Coy.	: A.20.b.9.9.	: do	: do
13th. T.M.Bty.	: F.30.c.15.32.	: Sheet 36A.	: do

Munell Major,
Brigade Major, 13th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

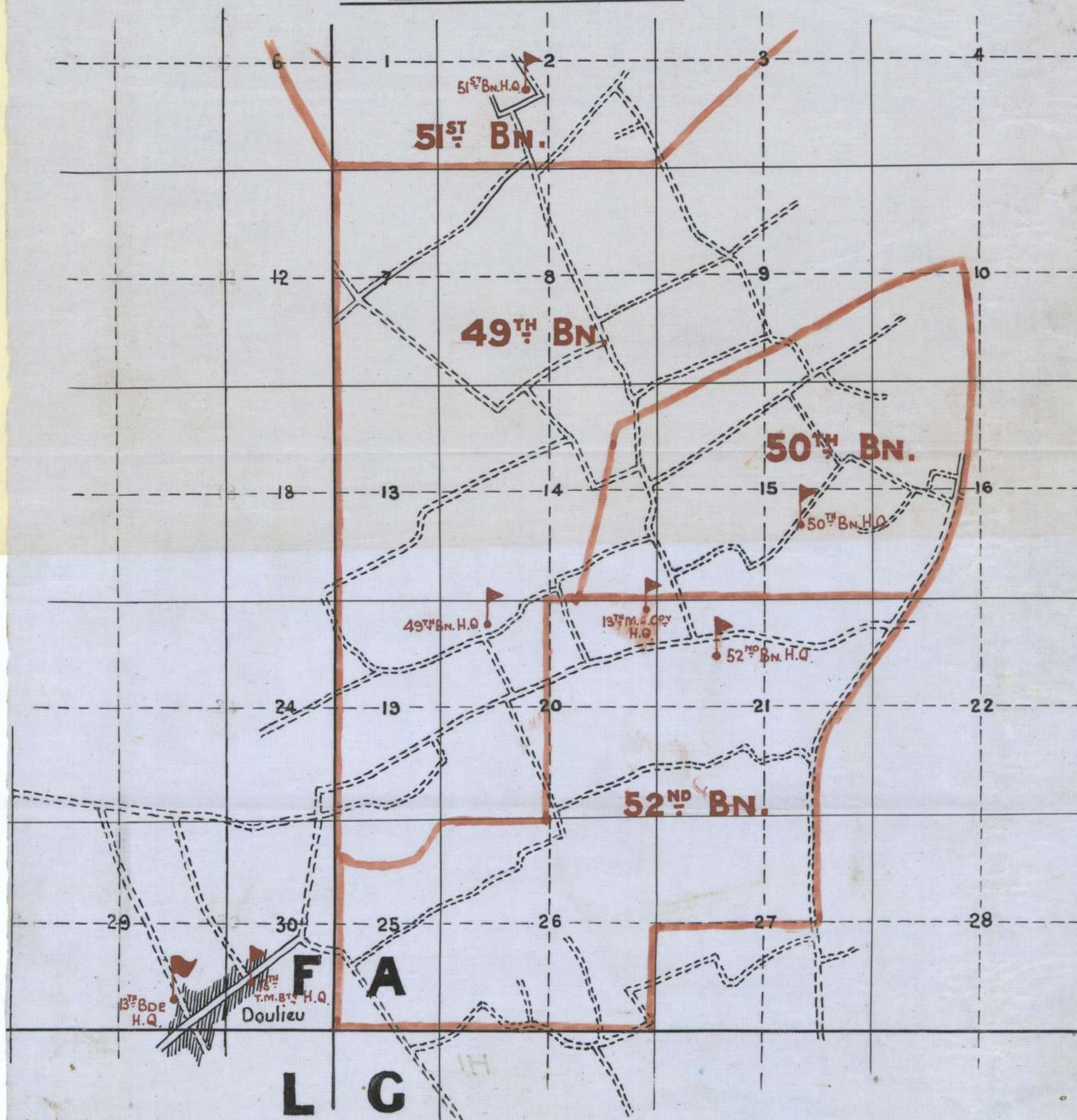
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13TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

Disposition — of — Units

Scale 1 : 20,000

REF. SHEETS 27, 28, 36 & 36A



4TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Headquarters,

19th July 1917.

G.S. Circular No. 57.

TRAINING.

1. The area in which the Division will be billeted offers poor facilities for training. It may be assumed that the only ground available will be a few small fields, but if this ground is taken full advantage of, much valuable elementary instruction can be given.

2. The Divisional Commander wishes special attention to be given to the following :-

Steady Drill.

Musketry Instruction. including fire control and definition of targets (this can be done almost anywhere).

Rapid Loading. Every man should do a few minutes of this daily in conjunction with other parades.

Rifle Grenadier Training. with dummy grenades; small tactical schemes can be carried out even in the smallest fields. *Blank ammunition required.*

The Drill of Outposts. Let every Officer and man see quite clearly, on the ground, how outposts are organized, and the duties that everyone has to carry out.

Gas Drill. This should be done in the dark at least once a week, and men must be practised in putting on their respirators whilst marching forward in the dark fully equipped. Men must be trained in moving about in the dark with respirators on, and in bayonet work.

Rapid Wiring. *S.C. back material. Sewing dummies*

3. Lectures, Conferences and small paper schemes for Officers and N.C.O.'s. should take place daily.

As a result of recent operations these conferences etc., should deal mainly with the following points :-

- (1) Patrolling.
- (2) Intercommunication especially as regards the organization of runners.
- (3) Writing of Reports and Messages.
- (4) Action of Platoon Commanders in various situations, e.g., after capturing a position - if ordered to push forward and capture an enemy strong point, etc. etc.

P.T.O.

4. In order to harden up the men, 3 Battalion route marches, accompanied by transport, will take place each week. These marches must not be of less than 10 miles, and must be carried out with the normal halts in marching order (without blankets).

Adjustment of equipment, packing of packs, and other details require putting right.

5. Training programmes for the following week will be forwarded to Divisional Headquarters every Saturday evening.

D.K. Bernard.
Lieut-Colonel,
G.S., 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Copies to -

4th Aust. Inf. Brigade	(6)
12th " " "	(6)
13th " " "	(6)
4th Aust. Pioneer Bn.	
C.R.A.	
C.R.E.	
Div. Gas Officer.	
Spare	(6)

Date	Hour	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
July 23rd.	8.00 to 9.00	Close order drill	23rd. and 26th. Coy Commanders will lecture N.C.Os. from 5.30 to 6.30.
	9.00 to 10.00	Outposts	
	10.00 to 11.30	Musketry Instruction	
	2.00 to 3.30 (Daily)	Training of Specialists.	
	3.30 to 4.30 "	N.C.Os. Class under Coy. arrangements.	
24th.	8.00 to 9.00	Guards and Sentries.	24th. and 26th. on Small schemes, messages and reports.
	9.00 to 10.00	Platoon Scheme.	
	10.00 to 11.30	Gas Drill and Rapid Loading.	
25th.	8.00 to 11.30	Route March.	24th. Gas Drill at 9 p.m. under Coy. arrangements.
26th.	8.00 to 9.00	Bayonet Fighting.	24th. 4 to 5 pm. Officers - Rapid Wiring.
	9.00 to 10.00	Rapid wiring.	
	10.00 to 11.30	Bayonet Fighting and Gas Drill.	
27th.	8.00 to 11.30	Route March.	25th. 7 to 8 pm. Lecture on reports by Intelligence Officer.
28th.	8.00 to 9.00	Platoon Scheme.	
	9.00 to 10.00	Gas Close order drill and rapid loading.	
	10.00 to 11.30	Gas Drill and Musketry Instruction.	27th. 7 to 8 pm. Lecture on Messages by Signalling Officer.

Date	Hour	Nature of Work	Remarks.
July 23rd.	8.00 to 11.30	Steady Drill (Rifle Exercises and Squad Drill) Physical Training and Bayonet fighting. Rapid loading. Lecture on combined use of rifle, bombs, Rifle Grenades and Lewis Guns). Instruction of whole platoon (less Lewis Gunners) in Rifle Grenade Practice.	Except on Route Marches and 27th all Specialists with the exception of Bombers and Rifle Grenadiers under Specialist Officers.
	2.00 to 3.30	Rapid wiring and Musketry Instruction for Rifle Sections. (Backward Specialists under Specialist Officers): Other Specialists under Specialist N.C.Os). Regimental Class for Junior N.C.Os.	
24th.	8.00 to 12.00	Route March (Marching Order).	From 8 to 8.15 daily - Platoon Commanders will carry out inspection of arms, equipment, clothing etc. and foot inspection later in the day.
	2.00 to 3.00	Gas Drill and Lecture on Outposts (clean fatigue dress).	
25th.	8.00 to 11.30	Physical Training and Bayonet Fighting. Rapid Loading. Musketry Instruction (Fire control & definition of targets). Lecture on March Discipline. Steady Drill (Rifle Exercises and Platoon Drill).	All work to be prepared early previous evening when Coy. Commanders will go into detail with Platoon Commanders, Platoon Commanders in turn taking Section Commanders discussing and explaining work to them.
	2.00 to 3.00	As for afternoon of 23rd.	
	9.00 to 9.30 pm.	Night movements and bayonet fighting wearing box respirators.	
26th.	8.00 to 12.00	Route March.	
	2.00 to 3.00	Lecture on care and salvage of equipment. Arms and stores in active operations. Description and recognition of targets (Clean fatigue dress).	
27th.	8.00 to 11.30	All Specialists and attached with Coys. - Muster parade and kit inspection. Outposts as a drill. Demonstration of attack on a strong point by a platoon of each Coy.	
	2.00 to 3.00	As for afternoon of 23rd.	
28th.	8.00 to 12.00	Route March - Marching order.	
	2.00 to 4.30	Inter-Coy. Cricket Matches.	

Date	Hour	Nature of Work	Remarks.
23rd. July.	8.00 to 11.30	Close Order Drill. Fire direction and control. Outposts as a drill. Gas drill and inspection of helmets. Bayonet Fighting. Coy. Drill.	9.00 to 10.00 pm) Gas drill with masks for H.Q. and "A" Coy. 23/7/17)
	2.00 to 3.30 d a i l y.	Training of every man in scouting, bombing, Lewis Gun, signalling, rapid wiring, first aid, saluting, guards and sentries.	do.) 24/7/17) Do. for "B" Coy.
24th. "	8.00 to 11.30	Close order drill. Fire direction and control. Deployment and passing of obstacles, Musketry exercises, bayonet fighting. Coy. Drill.	do.) 26/7/17) Do. " "C" "
25th. "	8.00 to 11.30	Battalion Route March - Marching order.	do.) 28/7/17) Do. " "D" "
26th. "	8.00 to 11.30	Extended order drill and Signals. Indication and recognition of targets. Overcoming a strong point (App. X). Musketry Exercises. Rapid Loading. Bayonet fighting. Coy. Drill.	LECTURES. ----- To Officers and Senior N.C.Os. 11.30 to 12.30 daily. To N.C.Os. by Coy. Officers 3.30 to 4.30 daily.
27th. "	8.00 to 11.30	Battn. Route March - Marching Order.	
28th. "	8.00 to 11.30	Extended order drill and Signals. Musketry, Rapid loading, Platoon in Attack, Close order drill. Bayonet Fighting. Coy. Drill.	Companies doing gas drill from 9 to 10 pm. will not parade in the afternoon.

Gas drill with masks for
H.Q. and "A" Coy.

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Date.	Hour.	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
July, 23rd.	8.00 to 9.00	Rifle Exercises. Platoon Drill.	Battalion Route Marches will be in Marching Order (without blankets) and accompanied by Transport. The 1st. Hours Parade daily will consist of steady close order drill & rifle exercises.
	9.00 to 10.00	Musketry. Rapid Wiring. Gas Drill.	
	10.00 to 11.00	Outposts by Platoons. (Diagramatic)	
	2.00 to 3.00	Specialists Training.	
24th.	8.00 to 11.00	Bn. Route March. 10 miles.	Musketry Instruction will include Visual Training, Definition of Targets, Fire Control and rapid loading. Rapid wiring will be arranged that each platoon will have at least 1 hours practice weekly, competitions in wiring will be organised.
	2.00 to 3.00	Company Lecture $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. All Officers & N.C.O's.	
25th.	8.00 to 9.00	Rifle Exercises. Platoon Drill.	Outposts will be practiced as a Demonstration so that every officer & man will clearly the organization and understand the duties required of every one. Gas Drill will be thoroughly practiced until every man can adjust his respirator in standard time. Training will include work by night, marching fully equipped, bayonet work. The Conferences and Lectures will include small paper schemes for Officers & N.C.Os. and will deal mainly with the following points :- (1) Patrolling. (2) Inter-communication specially as regards the organization of runners. (3) Writing of reports and messages.
	9.00 to 10.00	Musketry. Rapid Wiring. Gas Drill.	
	10.00 to 11.00	Outposts. (By Platoons.)	
	2.00 to 3.00	Specialist Training.	
26th.	8.00 to 11.00	Bn. Route March. 11 miles.	
	2.00 to 3.00	Company Lecture.	
	After 10 p.m.	Gas Drill.	
27th.	8.00 to 9.00	Platoon Drill. Rifle Exercises.	
	9.00 to 10.00	Platoon Musketry. Rapid Wiring. Gas Drill.	
	10.00 to 11.00	Outposts by Coys.	
	2.00 to 3.30.	Specialist Training.	
		Lecture to all Officers & N.C.Os.	
28th.	8.00 to 11.00	Route March. 10 Miles.	
		Company Lecture or Conference.	

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Date	Hour	Nature of Work.	Remarks.
July 23rd.	Morning. Afternoon.	Gun Drill. Mechanism and Stoppages. Lecture - Guards and Sentries. Range Finding.	<u>Signalling.</u> A team from each Section in course of training.
24th.	Morning. Afternoon.	Combined Gas and Gun Drill. Inspection of Equipment. Lecture 'Indirect fire' Mechanism.	<u>Musketry.</u> Special class for men who have not had a musketry course.
25th.	Morning) Afternoon.)	Route March - 10 miles.	<u>Vickers Guns.</u> Classes for reinforcements and men backward in knowledge of present methods of warfare.
26th.	Morning. Afternoon.	Rifle Exercises. Cleaning Guns and Gear, Stoppages. Lecture 'Construction of Machine Gun Emplacements, Defensive, in the advance. Gun Drill.	
27th.	Morning) Afternoon)	Route March - 10 miles.	
28th.	Morning. Afternoon.	Section and Company Drill, Overhaul of Guns, Gear, Belt Boxes and Equipment. Lecture 'Map Reading and Range Cards'. Cricket Match.	

Date. *July 23rd* Hour.

Nature of Work.

Remarks.

July 23rd.	8.00 to 9.00	Physical Exercises.	
	9.00 to 10.00	Musketry.	
	10.00 to 11.00	Bayonet Fighting.	
	11.00 to 11.30	Gas Helmet Drill.	
	2.00 to 3.30	Special work for N.C.O's.	
24th.	8.00 to 11.30	Route March.	
	2.00 to 3.00	Messages and Reports writing.	
	3.00 to 3.30	Gas Helmet Drill.	
25th.	8.00 to 10.00	Gun Drill.	
	10.00 to 11.00	Setting up Drill.	
	11.00 to 11.30	Gas Helmet Drill.	
	2.00 to 3.30	Special work for N.C.O's.	
26th.	8.00 to 11.30	Route March.	
	2.00 to 3.30	Special Work for N.C.O's.	
27th.	8.00 to 9.00	Bayonet Fighting.	
	9.00 to 10.00	Musketry.	
	10.00 to 11.30	Gun Drill.	
	2.00 to 3.00	Signalling.	
	3.00 to 3.30	Intercommunication Lecture.	
28th.	8.00 to 11.30	Route March.	
	Afternoon.	Cricket Match.	

Remarks.

Nature of Work.

Hours.

July 6th. 50 hrs.

23rd.	Physical Exercises.	8.00 to 9.00	
	Musketry.	9.00 to 10.00	
	Bayonet Fighting.	10.00 to 11.00	
	Gas Helmet Drill.	11.00 to 11.30	
	Special work for N.C.O's.	2.00 to 3.30	
24th.	Route March.	8.00 to 11.30	
	Messengers and Reports writing.	2.00 to 3.00	
	Gas Helmet Drill.	3.00 to 3.30	
25th.	Gun Drill.	8.00 to 10.00	
	Getting up Drill.	10.00 to 11.00	
	Gas Helmet Drill.	11.00 to 11.30	
	Special work for N.C.O's.	2.00 to 3.30	
26th.	Route March.	8.00 to 11.30	
	Special work for N.C.O's.	2.00 to 3.30	
27th.	Bayonet Fighting.	8.00 to 9.00	
	Musketry.	9.00 to 10.00	
	Gun Drill.	10.00 to 11.30	
	Signalling.	2.00 to 3.00	
	Intercommunication Exercise.	3.00 to 3.30	
28th.	Route March.	8.00 to 11.30	
	Cricket Match.	Afternoon.	

Appendix No. XVI

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WEEKLY FIGHTING STRENGTH

13th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

..28th. July.....1917.

UNIT	Strength as per previous week.		Increase during the week.		Totals from (i) & (ii).		Decrease during the week.		" A " Fighting Strength		" B " Details included in " A "		Dets trnd & pt trnd included in " "
	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	
49th. Bn.	32	879	2	47	34	926	-	21	34	905	8	99	
50th. Bn.	34	813	-	36	34	849	2	6	32	843	11	107	
51st. Bn.	36	909	4	35	40	944	2	15	38	929	13	122	
52nd. Bn.	38	756	3	60	41	816	1	16	40	800	13	77	
M.G. Coy.	9	194	-	-	9	194	3	2	6	192	1	5	
L.T.M.B.	4	66	-	-	4	66	-	-	4	66	1	6	
TOTALS :-	153	3617	9	178	162	3795	8	60	154	3735	47	416	

INCREASES.

49th. Bn:	1 Off. from Reifts.	39	10 Rs. Rfts & Details
	1 " 1st. Apptmt.	4	" From Wounds.
50th. Bn:	36 " " Reifts.		
51st. Bn:	2 " do.	1	" Transfer.
	1 " from Seconded.		
	1 " " Reifts.	34	" Reifts.
52nd. Bn:	2 " 1st. Apptmt.	35	" " "
	1 " From Reifts.	25	" Details.
M.G. Coy.	-	-	
L.T.M.B.	-	-	
	9	178	

DECREASES.

2 O.Rs. Wounded	
13 " Evac. o/of Div. Area.	
1 " Comm. Rank.	
4 " Transfd.	
2 " Evac. o/of Div.	
13 " Evac. o/of Div. Area.	
2 " To Commissioned Rank.	
16 " Evac. o/of Div. Area etc.	
3 " " " " "	
2 " " " " "	
8	60

Captain,

Staff Captain for G.O.C. 13th. Aust. Infantry Bde.

Appendix No. XVII

52nd. Bn.
Off. O.Rs.

52nd. Bn.		
Off.	O. Rs.	
8	8	Hospital.
2	10	Schools.
1	-	Tng. Bn.
1	5	Rest Camp.
1	4	B.H.Q.
	26	Leave.
	1	DADOS
	1	YMCA
	3	AWL.
	3	A.S.C.
	9	D.H.Q.
	1	Base.
	1	C.M. Case ENG.
	3	Bomb. Range Sch.
	2	Base Remounts
13	77	

<u>M. G. Coy.</u>	
<u>Off. O. Rs.</u>	
1	3
	2
	Leave.
	Rest Camp.
1	5

<u>L.T.M.B.</u>		
<u>Off. O.Rs.</u>		
1	2	Leave.
	1	Detention.
	3	Schools.
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