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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
1/3/17	RIBEMONT SUR L'ANCRE	Training as per syllabus attached marked appendix 1	Appendix 1
2/3/17		Fine sunny day - frost. Congratulatory letter from A.P.M. attached, appendix 3	Appendix 3
3/3/17		Fine sunny day - frost Daily state attached marked appendix 2	Appendix 2
4/3/17		Fine sunny day - frost Training as per syllabus inspection & route march	Appendix 5
5/3/17		6 inches of snow Attack practice order attached	Appendix 4

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6/3/17		Five day - snow shaves Route march by brigade. no man fell out.	
9/3/17		Conference of Brigades and CO'S <del>at</del>	Appendix 6
		Agenda paper attached Syllabus of training for week attached appendix	Appendix 7
		Suggested formations as issued by General BRAND attached appendix 8	Appendix 8

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10/3/17	RIBEMONT SUR L'ANCRE	Result of experiment in shooting from hill attached appendix 9	appendix 9
		Daily state attached marked appendix 10	appendix 10
		Church parade at BRESLE names of recipients of honours shown - appendix 11	Appendix 11
11/3/17		Training as per syllabus	
12/3/17		Training as per syllabus	
13/3/17		Bugade exercise as per attached orders - appendix 12	appendix 12

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14/3/17		Drugs <del>for</del> practice for open warfare	appendix 13
15/3/17		Specimen of mental training entertainments inaugurated by Capt - Chaplain ROLAND. F.W.	Appendix 14
16/3/17		Syllabus of training for week attached - appendix 15	appendix 15
15/3/17		Battalion sports - appendix 16	appendix 16
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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
18/3/17		Bugare practice attack See appendix 18	Appendix 18
19/3/17		Drumming as per syllabus	
20/3/17	RIBEMONT SUR L'ANCRE	Ret inspection	
22/3/17	MAMETZ CAMP X 23 d 60:30 near MAMETZ WOOD	The battalion marched from RIBEMONT SUR L'ANCRE to "MAMETZ" CAMP Map location: Ref. 1/40,000 ALBERT COMBINED sheet X 23 d 60:30 .. Five medical cases fell out.	Appendix 19
24/3/17	do	Divisional exercise. See notes attached Appendix 20	Appendix 20

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
23/3/17	X 23 d 6 <sup>30</sup> MIAMETZ	Kpt and foot inspection - lecture of "Enemy Ruses and booby traps" - poisoned water etc., lecture on Outposts and Advanced Guards	
24/3/17		Conference of CO's at Bde HQ. pg move to forward area - fine day - cold wind	
25/3/17		Bagnard and Pltn. Commanders reconnoitered areas at BIEFVILLERS les BAPAUME	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
25/3/17		Maps attached marked appendix 21	Appendix 21
26/3/17	BAZENTIN-LE-PETIT	The battalion marched from MAMETZ CAMP to BAZENTIN-LE-PETIT, distance 2 miles - order attached marked appendix	Appendix 22
27/3/17	BEUGNÂTRE	The battalion marched to BEUGNÂTRE distance 9 miles leaving at 8:15 am and arriving at 1: pm. The band played through BAPAUME and into BEUGNÂTRE see appendix 23	Appendix 23

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
28/3/1917	BEUGNATRE	14 <sup>th</sup> Batta took up position in front line of defence see operation order attached marked appendix 24	Appendix 24
29/3/17		a cellar occupied by Battalion HQ. was blown up presumably by a mine actuated by clock work device Lt G.W. MCQUEEN and 3 others ranks killed - 3 other ranks severely shocked and buried. Lt CRAVEN Sig. officer buried and	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
30/3/1917	H 186 50:00 750 <sup>x</sup> E 4 BEUGNATRE	Slightly wounded Battn HQ moved to H 18 @ 50:00 Intermittent showers and sunshine HQ settled in new quarters	
31/8/17	do	Line re-adjusted see order attached marked appendix 25 Daily state attached marked appendix 26 J. A. Peck CO 14 <sup>th</sup> Bn	Appendix 25 Appendix 26

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TRAINING. *Appendix 1*

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14th. Battalion. A.I.F.

1. The time available for training has been notified to Company Commanders, and other officers confidentially.
2. Training will proceed on progressive lines; the whole time available being divided into periods allotted as follows:-
  - (a) First Period- Platoon and Section, and Specialists training.
  - (b) Second Period- Company training.
  - (c) Third Period- Battalion training.
  - (d) Fourth Period- Brigade training.

The duration of the periods has been notified to officers confidentially. They are liable to alteration.

3. The object of the training is to prepare the Battalion for offensive action, and attaining this all officers will be guided by *Training of...*  
*...Directives for Offensive Operations!*  
All ranks will co-operate in reviving the efficiency of the Battalion both individually and collectively.

4. The work for the period will be as follows:-

- A. First period, .....days.
- (a) Organization in accordance with (pamphlet on organization)
  - (b) Completing equipment.
  - (c) Regaining the disciplinary and physical standard by means of:-
    - (1) Physical training games.
    - (2) Close supervision of men by officers and N.C.O's.
    - (3) Improvement of personal appearance (hair cutting, cleaning clothes etc.)
    - (4) Ceremonial, and smart squad, section, and platoon drill.
  - (d) Regaining technical efficiency in:-
    - (1) Musketry.
    - (2) Bayonet fighting.
    - (3) Bombing.
    - (4) Lewis Machine Gun work.
    - (5) Rifle grenade work.
  - (e) Training of Coy Specialists, such as runners, observers.
  - (f) Training Coy Officers and N.C.O's in fighting and administrative duties.
  - (g) Training the platoon for attack.
  - (h) Training Battalion specialists.

- B. Second period. ....days.
- (a) Organization of the Coy in accordance with "Organization of Infantry Battalion".
  - (b) Drill, both authorized and improvised.
  - (c) Routemarching and practice of march discipline.
  - (d) Training of the Company for:-
    - (1) attack.
    - (2) protective duties.

- C. Third period. ....days.
- (a) Organization of the Battalion in accordance with:- "Organization of Infantry Battalion".
  - (b) Drill both authorized and improvised.
  - (c) Training of the Battalion for:-
    - (1) attack.
    - (2) protective duties.

- D. Fourth period. ....days.
- Reserved for Brigade Training.



5. Company and specialist Commanders will submit syllabuses for the weeks training by 6 p.m. on each preceding Sunday. They will reserve either Friday or Saturday afternoon or forenoon for Battalion Commanders inspection dependent upon whether they are for duty on those days or not.

Harold Tancred?  
May 14 A.I.F.



Appendix 3  
CO; 14 Batta

L/C and 6 ples are  
returning to you as their  
tour of duty has concluded.  
I am very pleased with  
their general appearance,  
turn-out, and attention  
to duty

W. Hensett

CAPT.,  
R.P.M., 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

2/3/17.



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ESTABLISHMENT.

ATTACHED.

OFFICERS.	C/RANKS.	TOTAL.	HORSES.	OFFICERS.	C/RANKS.	TOTAL.
26	970	996	54	2	5	7

ATTACHED.

BY CORPS.

T O T A L.	
OFFICERS.	O/RANKS.

Clerks.....1.  
Cook.....1.

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VISION L.

Cook.....1.  
Groom.....1.  
Carpenters.....2.  
Operator.....1.  
Railway men.....5.  
Batmen.....2.  
Salvage.....3.  
Traffic Control.....4.  
Sawyer.....1.

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REGADE.

Transport.....2.  
Headquarters.....6.  
Runners.....3.  
Gas H.C.O.....1.  
Cook.....1.  
Batmen.....3.  
Duties.....34.  
Asst. Bde Major.....1. off.  
Sanitary.....1.  
At Reinfts Camp.....1.

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GENERAL.

A.S.C. 7th.....2.  
L.T.M.Bty.....13  
Res. R.G.Sect.....1.  
Leave to U.K.....Off. 3. O/R.  
R.F.C.....2.  
A.V.C.....1.  
Detention.....2.  
4th.F.Battn.....2. Off. 2. O/R.

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SCHOOLS.

Various.....6. Off. 62. O/R.  
Instructors.....5.  
Barber.....1.  
Cook.....1.  
Fatigue.....1.  
Bugler.....1.

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Home Hosp. 4. O/R

TOTAL.	9	171
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*J. White*

.....Lieut-Colonel.  
Commanding 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



Ref Map AMIENS 1/100,000.

*Appendix 5 Practice*

1. INSPECTION. The G.O.C. will inspect 14th. Battalion fully turned out, full marching order, Cookers, Transport vehicles loaded "en route" on Tuesday 6th March 1917. Steel hats will not be worn. Officers will wear caps; service tunics and full marching order. Stretchers will be carried by stretcher bearers and not placed in Maltese Cart.
2. ROUTE. HEILLY - BONNAY-cross roads  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile South of FRANVILLERS-cross roads  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile south of BRESLE - RIBEMONT.
3. ORDER OF MARCH. H.Qrs, "A", "B", "C", "D" Coys, Transport, Cookers to follow Companies
4. HOUR OF STARTING. Head of column will pass starting point CROSS Roads  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile N.W. of RIBEMONT at 9.35 a.m. Ready in front of billets at 9.20 a.m.
5. HALTS. There will be a halt on the ALBERT- AMIENS ROAD for midday meal.
6. MOVEMENT (a) All troops will move in fours.  
(b) Normal intervals will be maintained.  
(There will be 200 yards between Battalions)
7. Reports to Head of the Column.
8. Parade states to be handed to Battalion Orderly Room by 7.30 a.m, on 6th inst

NOTE.

- (a) The Divisional Order re not smoking between halts is to be observed. G.S. 34.
- (b) Officers commanding Companies and platoons will march in rear of their commands. G.S. 34.
- (c) The 2nd in command will report every clock hour to the G.O.C. Units that the 1st Line Transport is marching in good order and has no men, rifles, or equipment, other than the drivers on it. G.S. 34.  
Special attention is to be paid to march discipline, correct covering, dressing of fours etc.

Copy No. 1 War Diary.  
2 C.O.  
3 Brigade.  
4 O.C. "A" Coy.  
5 O.C. "B" "  
6 O.C. "C" "  
7 O.C. "D" "  
8 T.O.  
9 Adjutant.

*Howard W. Sanders*  
.....Lieut.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



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SUPPLEMENT TO 14th. Battalion Order No 36.

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1. Zero time will be 10.30 a.m.
2. The Companies will be extended in depth instead of breadth i.e., the first wave will contain 1 platoon of each Company in the order "A", "B", "C", "D" from the right, as laid down in "The Normal formation for the attack".
3. Care must be taken to have connecting files to hold communication on the flanks.
4. Communication with Battalion H.Q., will be as far as possible by Visual Signalling/
5. Battalion H.Q. will, at commencement be 50 yards behind centre of Battalion front. After third wave leaves jumping off trench they will move to dugout in centre of jumping off trench.
6. R.A.P. will be near site of first Battalion H.Q.
7. Bengal lights will be used by third wave tomorrow

*Harold Warner*  
 .....Lieut.  
 Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



Ref. Map. ALBERT (Combined sheet)  
1/40,000.

*Practice*

5/3/1917.

1. The Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade will assume the offensive on 7th inst  
First Objective D 22.d.4.9.-C.5.7 - C 1.8.  
Second Objective D 22.b.2.1 - a.9.2 - a 1.3.
2. The 14th. Battalion will occupy a frontage of about 300 yards and will attack  
in 4 waves.  
13th. Battalion will be on right flank.  
15th. Battalion " " " left "  
16th. Battalion " " Brigade reserve at SUCRERIE.
3. Zero time will be 11 a.m. Twenty minutes before Zero time 4 (four) Lewis  
guns from "A" Coy preceded by Scouts and escorted by 2 bombers per gun will  
move into NO MAN'S LAND.  
Fifteen minutes before zero time first wave "A" Coy will move into NO MAN'S  
LAND and establish itself half way across.  
Ten minutes before zero time second wave "B" Coy moppers up will follow  
1st wave and lie down 30 yards behind it.  
Five minutes before zero time third wave "C" Coy will follow 2nd wave.  
At zero time the intense artillery bombardment will commence on 1st objective  
Two minutes after zero time barrage will lift to second objective and will  
remain there for five minutes and then will lift 200 yards beyond it.  
Waves will gradually gain ground during barrage up to within about 50 yards  
thereof.
4. When first objective is dealt with -  
(a) 1st wave will consolidate.  
(b) L.M. Gunners, Bombers and scouts will pass over and establish themselves  
between the two objectives.  
(c) Second wave will act as moppers up in first objective.  
(d) Third wave will follow these M. Gunners.  
(e) Fourth wave "D" Coy will open up communication with first objective.
5. Once the second objective is obtained the third wave will consolidate and  
second wave will open up communication between 1st and 2nd objectives on  
completion of mopping up first objective.
6. Bombers will bomb down enemy's lines of retreat, and bomb dumps will be  
established in jumping off trenches and made known to all ranks.  
Organised Coy carrying parties will be told off.
7. A contact aeroplane will sound Klaxton horn as signal for lights to be lit  
in bundles at 50 yards intervals.
8. Each company will arrange for 3 casualties. Every man will carry 2 stones  
to represent bombs and theoretically 2 sandbags.  
Each officer and Sgt in third wave will carry 1 Bengall light actually.
9. Battn H.Q. will be established in deep dugout near centre of jumping off  
trench and will follow behind centre of third wave till finally located  
in dugout near centre of first objective.

Copies to:-

1. War Diary.
2. C.O.
3. Brigade.
4. O.C. "A" Coy.
5. O.C. "B" Coy.
6. O.C. "C" Coy.
7. O.C. "D" Coy.
8. H.Q.
9. Q.M.
10. T.O.

*Sgt H. Wankles*  
.....Lieut.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



## Appendix 6



Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
8th March, 1917.

C. O.,  
13th, 14th and 15th Battalions.

There will be a conference of Commanding Officers  
at Brigade Headquarters Mess at 3.p.m. to-morrow.

The following points will be discussed :-

- ✓ (a) Pamphlet O.B. 1919 and O.B. 1919 T.
- ✓ (b) ✓ Divisional exercise Monday ~~12/3/1917~~ *Thurs or Fri 15/16*
- ✓ (c) ✓ Absence without leave.
- (d) ✓ What to be carried on transport.
- (e) ✓ What infantry man should carry in mobile warfare.
- ✓ (f) ✓ Arm brassards.
- ✓ (g) Officers and N.C.O's. nominated for New Division.
- ✓ (h) Regimental dumps in France.
- ✓ (i) Musketry instruction.
- ✓ (j) Excess Boots, number of, and how carried.
- ✓ (k) 4th Training Battalion - Officers and N.C.O's.
- ✓ (l) Expenditure of Canteen profits.
- ✓ (m) Divisional parade for presentation of medals and medal ribbons by Corps Commander on 11-3-1917.

*Chapman*  
Major.  
Brigade-Major.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.



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14th. Battalion. A.I.F.

9/3/17.

4th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

Herewith training syllabus for week ending Saturday 17th. March. 1917.

	<u>9 a.m. to 12 noon</u>	<u>- 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.</u>
Monday 12th. March.	Company tactical exercise	Organised games
Tuesday 13th. March.	<u>M U S K E T R Y</u>	
Wednesday 14th. March	<u>B R I G A D E E X E R C I S E</u>	
Thursday 15th. March.	<u>P R O T E C T I O N W H I L E O N T H E M A R C H</u>	
Friday 16th. MARCH	<u>D I V I S I O N A L E X E R C I S E</u>	
Saturday 17th. March.	Battalion drill and tactical exercise	Half Holiday.

.....Lieut. Colonel  
Commanding 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



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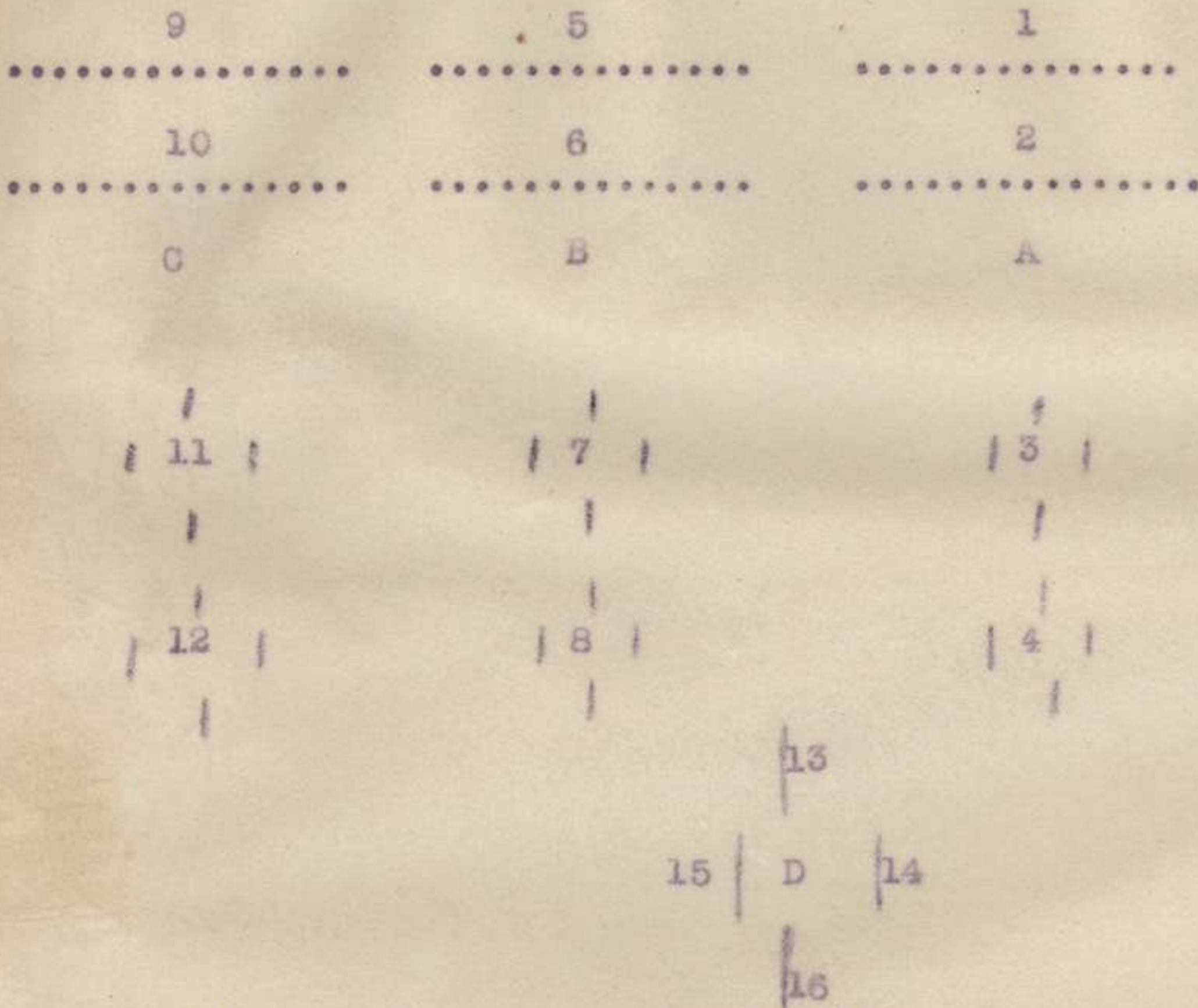
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NOTES FOR COMMANDING OFFICERS' CONFERENCE. 9/3/17.

On Wednesday 14th. instant, assuming open warfare begins, the Brigade will jump off from the positions gained on 13th. instant, and attack the enemy. Reconnaissance shows he has retired 2 to 3 miles. Frontage for each Battalion about 600 yards. In this exercise situations will be arranged for, whereby the advanced guard of each Battalion is "hung up" temporarily - a minor exercise for a Company Commander. Situations will also be created in order to enable the Battalion Commanders to use the Battalion Reserve.



These formations are only a guide and vary according to the ground. The platoon Commander on the spot is the best judge.

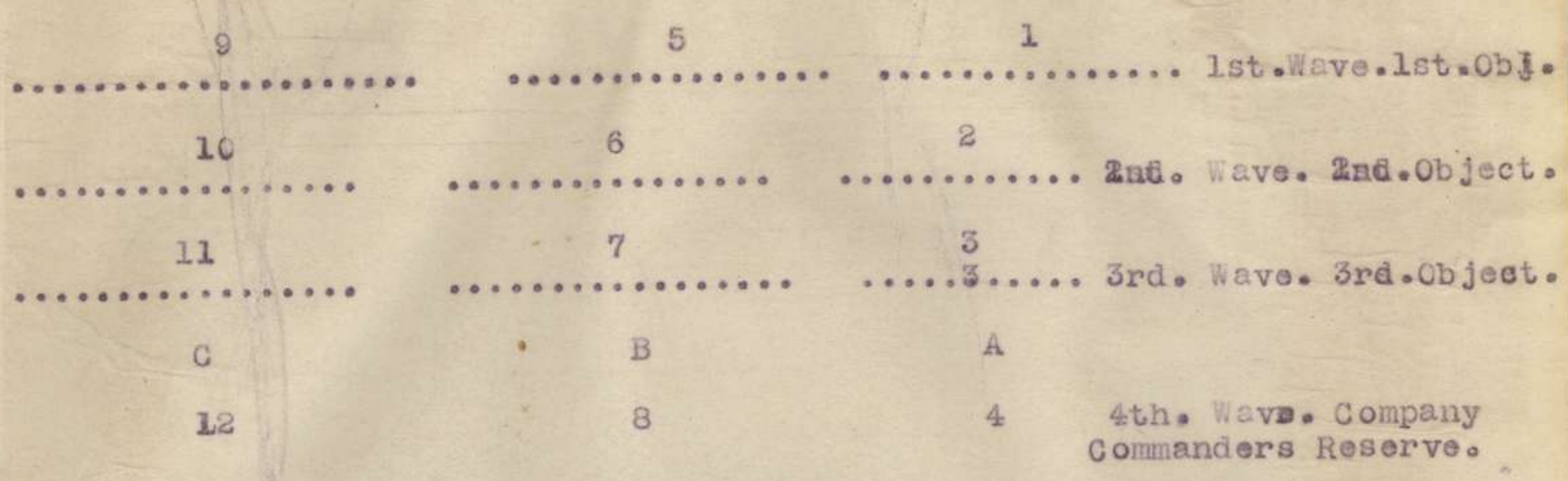
On either Thursday or Friday 15th. or 16th. instant the Brigade will take part in a Divisional exercise - "Open Warfare".



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NOTES FOR COMMANDING OFFICERS' CONFERENCE. 9/3/17.

On Tuesday the 13th. instant the Brigade will carry out an exercise three objectives from 1st. to 2nd. 200 yards, 2nd. to 3rd. 50 yards. Frontage each Battalion 300 yards. Formations to be in modification of Plate D. see Q.B./1919/T thus:



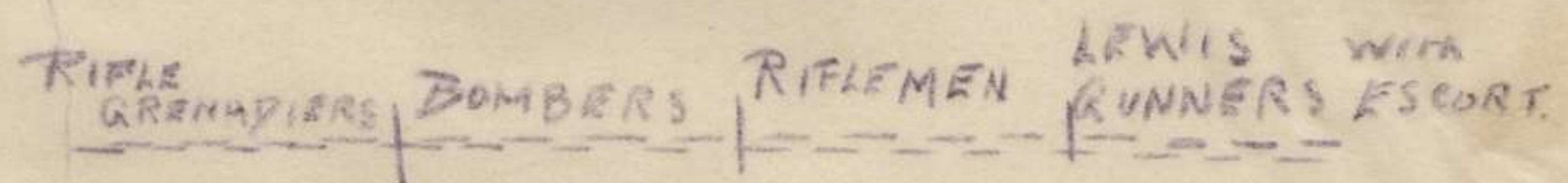
Battn. Commanders Reserve.

D

See page 20 of Pamphlet.

In front of each Company about 300 yards beyond the 3rd. objective a sunken road, small wood, cross road or old trench will be assimilated. Patrols supported by Lewis Guns and escort also a signaller will be detailed to seize these features as soon as the final barrage lifts i.e. about 20 minutes or so after 3rd. objective is taken.

SCOUTS IN FRONT



8 MOPPERS UP PER PLATOON

SPECIMEN PLATOON.



14th. Battalion. A. I. F.

10/3/17.

C.O.

14th. Battalion.

Herewith report on "Firing while on the move".

This practice was carried out with one Platoon. Impromptu targets of head and shoulder nature were placed a yard apart against a rise. The targets used were hardly considered as fit to register the degree of accuracy to the best effect. The Platoon was extended to two paces, they then adopted the new position and advanced, firing on the targets. The majority of the shots were high. They were then given another trial and this time the result was much better. The actual hits were few but the position fired on was completely enveloped. The moral effect of extended formations, firing from the hip while on the move, must be very great indeed if our trials this morning can be taken as an example.

Position of the rifle

The tendency is to place the back of the hand underneath the fore-end instead of on top. The former is a more comfortable position at first, but the result is not nearly as good. An experiment was then tried to test the rate of fire. With the hand underneath the fore-end, it was found that five shots per man averaged 30 seconds. With the hand above the fore-end, and a different system of manipulating the bolt i.e. holding the bolt head with the thumb and fore-finger and pressing the trigger with the third finger, it was found that the average time for 5 shots per man could be diminished to 15 seconds.

.....Lieut.  
14th. Battalion. A. I. F.

Headquarters.

4th. Aust. Inf. Brigade.

I am not in favour of the system.

.....Lieut. Colonel  
Commanding 14th. Battalion. A. I. F.







1. 14th. Battalion will attend the Divisional Church Parade at BRESLE at 10.a.m. on Sunday 11th. inst., after which the Corps Commander will present medals and medal ribbons.
2. The Battalion will be ready to move in front of billets at 8.45.a.m. Prior to leaving. C.O. will inspect mens' hair and dress.
3. The band will report to Orderly Officer at 8.45.a.m. in Church Square Also the following recipients of medals and ribbons:  
No. 1593. Pte. Markham. S.A.      No. 1578. L/Cpl. Clark. C. J.  
No. 1692. " Hume. G. P.      No. 1995. Cpl. Postlewhite. C. B.  
No. 3424. Cpl. Muir. E. T.  
These men will march at head of column.
4. Members of R.C. denomination will report to Lieut. Wilson under a N.C.O. from each Company at 8.50.a.m. in Church Square, and after the service will march to BRESLE on the south end of which Village, a Brigade Staff Officer will meet them and guide them to the medal parade.
5. Company Commanders are not to be mounted.
6. Dress: Drill Order without rifles. Hats to be worn. Overcoats, unless sunny, with equipment outside.
7. At the conclusion of Parade the Brigade will march past the Corps Commander.
8. Every available man to attend. Parade States are to be handed to Orderly Officer at 8.45.a.m.

(Sgd) H. B. Wanliss. Lieut.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A. I. F.

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1. War Diary.
2. C.O.
3. 4th. A. I. Bde.
4. Senior Major
5. O.C. "A" Company.
6. O.C. "B" "
7. O.C. "C" "
8. O.C. "D" "
9. Headquarters.
10. Q.M.



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In anticipation of Brigade Scheme.

BRIGADE EXERCISE FOR THURSDAY 15th March 1917.

*Appendix 12*

ALBERT Sheet  
1/40,000. *sketch*  
1/10000.

GENERAL IDEA.

1. SOUTHLAND is at war with NORTHLAND.
2. SOUTHLAND has gained the initiative and is to attack NORTHLAND; the operation being the opening phase of the final and decisive push.
3. NORTHLAND holds the general line AMIENS- ALBERT Road, their front line system of defence consisting of three trenches shown in BLUE on attached sketch.
4. SOUTHLAND'S position is indicated in RED.

SPECIAL IDEA. (SOUTHLAND)

1. The 16th Division is allotted the front as indicated in RED on the attached with 12th Infantry Brigade on the right, 4th Infantry Brigade in the centre and 13th Infantry Brigade on the left.
2. The Division is to capture the enemy's first system of defence.
3. For the attack the 4th Infantry Brigade will be disposed as follows:-

Right 14th Battalion.  
 Centre 13th Battalion.  
 Left 15th Battalion.  
 Bde Reserve 16th Battalion.

NOTE.

1. The first objective is the enemy's front line trench assumed to be on the northern side of the AMIENS- ALBERT Road.
2. The second and third objective will be marked with flags.
3. The formations to be adopted by units are indicated in a circular issued separately.



Ref Map. ALBERT (Combined Sheet)

1/40,000 and sketch of 1/10,000

1. The 14th Battalion will undertake the offensive on 13th March.  
First Objective D 20.c.3.6 - D.20 b. 8. 3.  
Second " D 20.a 2.0.- D 20 b. 6. 6.  
Third " D 20.a.2.2.- D 20.b. 4. 9.
2. The 14th Battalion will be on the right flank of 4th A.I.Bde front.  
The 13th Battalion will be on the left, next 15th Battalion.  
The 16th Battalion will act as Brigade reserve. Centre of 13th Battalion will direct. Attack will be by day. Zero hour to be notified later
3. 14th Battalion will have 3 Coys in front line - A,B,C in that order from right flank. D coy will be Battalion reserve. Coys will be in formation laid down as per circular issued. "D" Coy in broken echelon formation 100 yards in rear of first line.
4. First objective will receive 2 minutes intense bombardment. The barrage will then creep forward at rate of 70 yards per minute to about 300 yards beyond third objective.  
At 20 minutes past Zero the barrage will slacken.
5. 4th Aust M.G. Coy will co-operate by overhead fire on FARM St LAURENT on road leading SOUTH from BRESLE.  
Assistance will also be lent by 4th A.L.T.M.Bty.
6. Watches will be synchronised at 9 a.m. on 13th inst.
7. Battalion H.Q. will be situated 50 yards behind centre of "B" Coy and will move forward to dugout in centre of first objective at 7.20 a.m.  
R.A.P. will be established 50 yards to the right of Battn H.Q. in both instances.
8. Coy H.Q. will keep in touch with Battn H.Q. by visual communication and runners.
9. Mopping up parties will wear white arm bands (left)
10. Coy Commanders will make arrangements for placing of L.M.Gs and sending out Battle patrols to seize any tactical point in immediate front, and reconnoitring patrols for information.
11. 8 casualties per company to be practised.

## Copies to:-

1. Brigade.
2. File.
3. C.O.
4. O.C. "A" Coy.
5. O.C. "B" "
6. O.C. "C" "
7. O.C. "D" "
8. S.M.
9. Q.M.
10. H.Qrs.

.....  
Lieut.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



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Appendix 13 Appendix N<sup>o</sup> 13  
14th. Battalion. A.I.F. Order No 39.

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Ref Map ALBERT 1/40,000.  
AMIENS 1/100,000.

12/3/1917.

1. The enemy has retired to a line EAST and WEST through BAIZIEUX. BRESLE had been evacuated. A general offensive will take place on 14th inst. The objective allotted to 14th. Battalion is EAST end of BRESLE WOOD - D 8.5 8.8 to D 8 b. 3.8. 13th Battalion will be on left flank.
2. "D" Coy will be on 14th Battalion right flank. "A" Coy in reserve. Formation as laid down previously, artillery formation at first, opening to lines of skirmishers, when under effective rifle fire, in file with flanks protected in wood.
3. Right flank will direct, marching on a bearing of 360° mag.
4. The 4th Machine Gun Coy will lend 2 guns to 14th Battalion.
5. Reports to Battalion H.Q. ~~by~~ visual signalling to be used as much as possible.
6. At NOON units will stand fast, and if position satisfactory, orders to fall in on cookers at S.E. end of wood will be issued.
7. Cookers will be brigaded and be ready to pass starting point RIBEMONT CHURCH at 11 a.m.  
Men will carry dry ration.  
Band will accompany cookers

*Harold Sanders*  
.....Lieut.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.

- Copies to:-
1. Brigade.
  2. C.O.
  3. File.
  4. S.M.
  5. O.C. "A" Coy.
  6. O.C. "B" Coy.
  7. O.C. "C" Coy.
  8. O.C. "D" Coy.
  9. Q.M.
  10. H.Qrs.



NOTES FOR EXERCISE ON TUESDAY 13th MARCH 1917.  
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1. To make the exercise instructive and interesting, all details should be explained to all ranks.
  2. As the exercise is a daylight one and the artillery barrage will have lifted off the 3rd objective at about 8 minutes after zero (two minutes for first barrage then 70 yards creep per minute) it is essential that the second and third waves lose no time in "leap frogging" over first wave at the first objective, similarly the third wave over second wave at the third objective. Follow the artillery barrage at a slow pace (half normal walking pace).
  3. The Centre Battalion (the 13th Battalion) will direct.
  4. Battalion Headquarters will keep in touch with Brigade Headquarters by 'phone. A system of runners carrying imaginary but useful messages will be established with each Company.
  5. Mopping up parties will wear the distinguishing arm badge (white).
  6. After the third objective is taken an outpost line of Lewis Gunners etc. must be established in advance of the captured trench. At the same time one or two "battle" patrols of 1 H.C.O. and 4 Men per Battalion with a flag wagger are to be pushed out and seize any tactical points. These patrols must be told off before zero time. When the patrols have reported all clear small parties which should include a Lewis Gun should be pushed forward and consolidate these points.
  7. Reconnoitring patrols are to be sent forward in advance of these tactical features to locate the enemy's new position and to obtain information as to the ground between that position and our most advanced posts.
  8. It is of great importance that Units should be able to advance at short notice, therefore whilst the process of consolidation is under way Platoon Commanders will re-organize. If time permits the initial stages of an advance under open warfare conditions will be practised.
  9. Battalion Commanders may use their Reserve to meet any situations which may arise.
  10. Casualties to be practised. 6 per Battalion.
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EVENING PROGRAMME 6.30 p.m. to 7.15 p.m.

AT THE SCHOOL HOUSE.

- Tuesday 13th. Battalion Concert.
- Wednesday 14th. Lecture on War Subject by Lieut-Col. Durrant, D.S.O.  
Chairman Lieut-Col. J.H. Peck.
- Thursday 15th. Discussion- Australian Problems 1. The rainless area.  
Introduced by Capt. Rolland. Chairman Lieut. Jacka V.C., M.C.  
Musical items by Brigade Machine Gun Company.
- Friday 16th. Teams debate between 13th and 14th Battalions- Was Australia  
justified in refusing Conscription?
- Saturday 17th. Lecture by Lieut. H.B. Wanliss, D.S.O. on Napoleon's Campaigns.  
Chairman Major O.C.W. Fuhrman.
- Sunday 18th. Evening Service 6.30 p.m.  
Communion Service 7 p.m.

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14th. Battalion. A.I.F.

16/3/1917.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 24th MARCH 1917.

	<u>MORNING.</u> <u>9 a.m. to 12 noon.</u>	<u>AFTERNOON.</u> <u>2 p.m. to 4 p.m.</u>
Monday 19th. March.	Brigade Exercise. Coy tactical training.	Organised games.
Tuesday 20th "	<u>B R I G A D E</u>	<u>E X E R C I S E</u>
Wednesday 21st "	Battalion close order drill and tests.	Half Holiday.
Thursday 22nd "	<u>B A T T A L I O N</u>	<u>N I G H T</u>
Friday 23rd "	<u>B R I G A D E</u>	<u>N I G H T</u>
Saturday 24th "	Battalion exercise. PROTECTION.	Half Holiday.

.....Lieut-Colonel.  
Commanding 14th. Battalion. A. I. F.



RESULT OF SPORTS. *appendix B.*

100 yards Flat Race.

1st. 3080 Pte. Patterson. W.C.  
2nd. 3712 L/C. McKenzie. S.A.

440 yards Flat Race.

1st. 3080 Pte. Patterson. W.C.  
2nd. 124 L/C. Sergeant. A.  
3rd. 4812 Pte. Garrett. R.C.

120 yards Hurdles.

1st. 5664 Pte. Burns. H.  
2nd. 5650 L/C. Carver.  
3rd. 5343 Pte. Bowman. A.J.

Sack Race.

1st. 5427 Pte. Funton. H.A.  
2nd. 5335 " Beales. W.  
3rd. 3802 " Knowles. B.

Barrel Race.

1st. 5413 Pte. Marks.  
2nd. " Lineham.

Tug-of-war.

1st. "A" Company Team.  
2nd. "B" Company "

220 yards Flat Race.

1st. 3080 Pte. Patterson. W.C.  
2nd. 3712 L/C. McKenzie. S.A.  
3rd. 5650 " Carver.

1 Mile Flat Race.

1st. 5650 L/C. McKenzie. S.A.  
2nd. 124 L/C. Sergeant. A.  
3rd. 5343 Pte. Bowman. A.J.

Mule Race.

1st. 6100 Pte. Shelley. J. No 5 Mule.  
2nd. 6330 " O'Dowd. No 1 Mule.

Siamese Race.

1st. Ptes. Funton and Spearing.  
2nd. " Wood " Morrison.  
3rd. L/C. Carver " Knowles.

Kicking Football.

1st. Pte. Evers. W.  
2nd. L/C. Coward.

Fancy Dress Competition.

1st. 2457 Pte. Snuggs. J.  
2nd. 1447 " Andrews. J.

Bandsmen Race.

1st. Pte. Manders. F.  
2nd. " Lee.

(Sgd) A. Jacka. Lieut.  
R.E. Hayes. 2/Lieut.  
For Sports Committee.



## J U D G E S.

Fancy Dress, Tug-of-War, Mule Race.  
Lieut-Col. Peck & Lieut. N. Wilson.

Championship Events.  
Capts. Williamson, Stanton, & Macdermid.

Barrell, Sack, Potato, Siamese Races,  
Kicking football, Bandsman Race.  
Lieuts. Jacka, V.C., M.C., Mitchell & Lyons.

Starter:-  
Lieut. R.E. Hayes.

## E N T R I E S.

100 yards Flat race.	220 yds. Flat race.	440 yards Flat race.
6650 L/C. Carver.	6405 Pte. Keating.	6405 Pte Keating. T.J.
6328 L/C. Black.	4812 " Garratt.	- " Ellis. H.G.
4182 Pte. Edmondstone.	- Cpl. Moir.	- " Durham. C.
- Cpl. Moir.	6080 Pte. Patterson. W.G.	6080 " Patterson. W.G.
- Cpl. Burge.	5712 " McKenzie. S.A.	4541 " Lucas. C.F.
6080 Pte. Patterson. W.G.		2560 CSM McKenzie. N.
777 " Powell. L.J.		5343 Pte. Bowman. A.J.
12 " McKenzie. S.A.	120 yards Hurdles.	124 L/C. Sergeant. A.
	5650 L/C Carver.	5712 Pte. McKenzie. S.A.
	330 Pte. Hollowood. J.B.	6074 " Neville. L.F.
Mile Flat race.	6396 " McPherson. G.	
405 Pte. Keating. T.J.	- " Gardiner.	Mule race.
507 " Hanson. S.H.	5777 " Powell. L.J.	392 Cpl Thompson. C.
936 " Ferguson. W.C.	6360 " Treadwell. R.E.	3545 Pte McArthur. G.
- " Constantine.	5360 " Cust. A.C.	6073 " Neighbor. J.
2560 CSM McKenzie. N.	5343 " Bowman. A.J.	4151 " Bridson. S.
527 Pte Whitelaw. C.P.	6084 " Russell. W.	5174 " McGrice. S.W.
643 " Bowman. A.J.	1872 " Dunn. J.H.	6031 " Hinds. G.
328 " McKay. J.A.	5664 " Burns. H.	6458 " Appleby. N.
480 " Blackman. A.J.	5369 " Feehan. T.	- " Snelling.
124 L/C. Sergeant. A.	6111 " Toogood. A.J.	- " Vanderburgh.
369 Pte Feehan. G.		- " McColl.
572 " Jennings. A.H.	Sack Race.	- " Sheridan.
797 L/C Bell. F.L.	324 Pte. Green. S.R.	- " Dolison.
393 Pte Hardy. R.E.	2061 " Hodson. S.A.	- " Brown. C.
127 " Abernethy. G.	8458 " Appleby. H.	- " Dorrington. G.R.
350 " Carson. N.	3423 " Morrison. N.H.	- " Allwood. W.
- " Ellis. H.G.	1129 " Atkinson. G.	- " Robinson. W.
	2245 " Gleeson. D.	- " Doddrell. P.C.
Kicking Football.	5413 " Marks. N.	- " O'Keefe. T.
173 Pte Dorrington	3571 " Sherlock. A.	- " Ryan. P.F.
205 " Gross. J.	3802 " Knowles. S.	- " Sommerville. H.J.
338 " Golding. A.E.	5427 " Punton. H.A.	- " Donnelly.
263 " Jeffreys. J.A.	- " Bourdon. C.C.	- Cpl Murphy.
6063 " Johnson. P.V.	- " Beales. W.	- Pte Higgs.
8084 " Russell. W.	- " Thorpe. C.E.	- " Mayne.
612 " Spearing. R.	- " Spencer. A.	- " Broad.
8080 " Patterson. W.G.	- " Asper. A.	- " Drewery.
417 L/C Norman. W.	- " Mayne.	- " Rowe.
060 Pte McLennan. M.J.	- " Muller.	- " Lineham.
493 " Morton. T.	- " Barnes.	- " Gardiner.
598 " Johnson. F.	- L/C. Le Brun.	4193 " Gunther. C.
5996 " Challis. S.G.	- Pte. Rebaux.	6636 " Galvin. B.
548 Cpl. Duxberry. J.C.	- " Rowe.	2063 " Johnson. P.V.
219 L/C Young. W.T.	- " Lineham.	4230 " Gerrard. G.E.
845 " <del>McKenzie. S.A.</del>	- Cpl. Murphy.	6652 " Johnston. G. J. J.
255 " Beaton. A.J.	6214 " Andrews. A.A.	5343 " Bowman. A.J.
156 L/C Coward. L.	5029 " Abraham. A.T.	4317 " Blake. E.
918 Pte Young. F.G.H.	3493 " Summers. W.	1677a " Brooker. A.
571 " Sherlock. A.	1044 " Ryan. R.	6312 " More. A.H.
Cpl Mpir.	1768 L/C Riley. E.P.	5710 " McGowan. W.
L/C Hunt. L.	5696 Pte Lewis. J.H.	6060 " McLennan. M.J.
Pte Asper. A.	6268 " Gilbie. E.T.	5767 " Holland. C.H.
" Muller.		384 " Stewart. J.
" Armstrong.		6217 " Addison. H.
" Jones.		6003 " Clifford. C.W.
" Ferguson.		6330 " O'Dowd. W.
		5029 " Abraham. A.T.



## Mule race (Cont)

6301 Pte Lambert.W.R.  
 4344 " Heron.G.A.  
 6052 " Lovekin.G.K.  
 528 L/Sgt Scanlon.R.  
 3092 Pte.Richardson.A.F.  
 6080 " Patterson.W.G.  
 6316 " Nelson.  
 4563 " McGinty.  
 1718 " Gillott.

## Kicking football. (Cont).

No Pte Rebaux.  
 " Denman.  
 " Broad.  
 " Baines.  
 " Lineham.  
 " Murphy.  
 " Higgs.  
 4179 " Evers.W.  
 5343 " Bowerman.A.J.  
 3976 " Burns.C.  
 4137 " Blake.E.

## Barrell Race.

No 324 Pte Green.S.R.  
 2064 " Hodson.S.A.  
 5832 " Wythe.G.  
 3255 " Beaton.A.  
 5413 " Marks.N.  
 6099 " Skjellerup/  
 " Beales.  
 " Thorpe.C.E/  
 " Foster.S.A.  
 " Broad.  
 " Ribeaux.  
 " Lineham.  
 " Gardiner.  
 5214 " Andrews.A.A  
 5029 " Abraham.  
 4866 " Mitchinson.  
 3493 " Summers?W.  
 1044 " Ryan.R.  
 5343 " Bowman.A.J.  
 " Gray.P.C.

## Potato Race.

6031 Pte Hinds.G.  
 6458 " Appleby.N.  
 4276 " Owen.P.J.  
 5691 " Francis.J.  
 4788 " Watts.H.E.  
 3845 " Mc Arthur.G.  
 6376 " Woolrich.J.R.  
 " Ellis.H.G.  
 " Beales.W.  
 " Higgs.  
 " Miller.M.  
 Cpl Murphy.  
 Pte Mayne.  
 " Rowe.  
 " Baines.  
 " Lineham.  
 3527 " Whitelaw.A.P.  
 6217 " Anderson.H.  
 " McCarthy.  
 1797 L/C Bell.  
 6527 Pte Jennings.

## Siamese Race.

6564 Pte Newham.D.  
 330 " Hollowood.J.B.  
 ((327 " Holloway.R.B.  
 (5413 " Marks.N.  
 6095 " Smith.J.  
 6221 " Ballas.G.  
 3539 " Wood.J.R.  
 3423 " Morrison.E.N.  
 3295 Cpl.Calway.F.G.  
 4182 Pte Edmondstone.  
 3802 " Knowles.S.  
 6250 " Davey.T.A.  
 " Hammam.L.E.  
 " Durham.C.  
 " Ross.W.W.  
 " Johnson.J.  
 4162 " Spearing.R.  
 2417 " Norman.W.  
 3493 " Summers.W.  
 950 " Bliss.S.C.  
 6285 " Johnston.R.G.  
 6004 " Casey.J.  
 5338 " Blackwell.W.  
 5343 " Bowman.A.J.  
 3170 " Edwards.A.V.  
 5408 " Morris.J.D?  
 6368 " Gilbie.A.T.  
 6111 " Toogood,A.J.

## Fancy dress parade.

2457 Pte Snugas.J.  
 2918 " Young.F.G.  
 2342 " Butson.T.  
 " Foster.S.A.  
 1447 " Andrews.J.  
 6563 " Erickson.  
 3489 " Smith.H.J.  
 1304 L/C Huse.G.J.  
 110 Pte Rhillips.J.

## Tug-of-War.

"C" & "A". "B" & "D" Coys.



SPORTS PROGRAM.

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14th. Battalion SPORTS.  
TO BE HELD ON MARCH 9th 1917.

100 Yards Flat Race.	First Prize	30 francs,	2nd	10 francs,	3rd	5 francs.
220 " " " "	"	30 "	"	10 "	"	5 "
440 " " " "	"	30 "	"	10 "	"	5 "
$\frac{1}{2}$ Mile	"	30 "	"	10 "	"	5 "
120 yards Hurdle Race	"	30 "	"	10 "	"	5 "
Mule Race- Bareback	"	10 "	-----			
Sack Race	"	10 "	-----			
Barrell Race	"	10 "	-----			
Potato	"	10 "	-----			
Siamese	"	20 "	-----			
Bandsmen	(Bandsmen to run 50 yards playing instrument.					1st 10 francs.
Kicking Football	First Prize	10 francs.				
Company Tug-of-War	"	50 "				
Best Fancy dress Costume in Procession,	Costume to be judged on the					
ground.	First prize	20 francs.	2nd	10 francs.		

All prizes to be orders on the 4th Brigade Canteen.  
No entrance fee.

Entries close on Monday 4th March.  
Championship Football Prize 100 francs.

(Sgd) F.W.Appleton. 2/Lieut.  
For Sports Committee.

27/2/1917.



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14th. Battalion. A.I.F.

15/3/1917.

Sports Secretary.

The C.O. desires to express his appreciation of the manner in which the Sports were carried out this afternoon. It reflects great credit on the Secretary and Committee.

The Brigadier was also very pleased at the management and general swing of the affair.

*K. Beck*

.....Captain.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



ESTABLISHMENT.

ATTACHED.

OFFICERS. O/RANKS. TOTAL. HORSES. OFFICERS. O/RANKS. TOTAL.

25 1061 1086 54 2 7 9

ATTACHED.

ARMY CORPS.

Clerk.....1.  
Cooks.....2.

FUNCTIONAL.

Cook.....1.  
Groom.....1.  
Carpenters.....1.  
Operator.....1.  
Anzac Railways.....6.  
Batman.....1.  
Traffic Control.....4.

TRADE.

Transport.....1.  
Headquarters.....6.  
Runners.....2.  
Gas M.C.O.....1.  
Cooks.....2.  
Sanitary (Pioneer).....1.  
At Reinfts Camp.....1.  
Carpenter.....1.  
Baths.....2.

GENERAL.

A.S.C. 7th.....2.  
L.T.M. Bty.....14.  
Reg M.G. Section.....1.  
Leave to U.K. 1 Off.....O/R.  
R.F.C.....2.  
A.V.C.....1.  
Detention.....4  
Absentees.....4

SCHOOLS.

Various.....8 Off.....28 O/R.  
Instructors.....4.  
Barber.....1.  
Cook.....1.  
Fatigue.....1.  
Bugler.....1.

TOTAL.  
OFFICERS. O/RANKS.

3

15

17

28

36

TOTAL.

9 99

20 Hosp 1 O/R.

From " 1 O/R.

*M. Beck*

.....Lieut. Colonel.  
Commanding 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



Ref Map FRANCE 6 2D 1/40,000.

1. The Corps will assume the offensive on the 17th inst. 4th Aust. Infantry Brigade is allotted 2 objectives:-
  - 1st. C 30 d 9.1 - D 25 c 5.5 - D 25 d 2.9 - D 26 a 5.5.
  - 2nd. C 30 d 6.7 - D 25 c 2.9 - D 25 a 8.1 - D 28 a 1.9.

12th Aust. Infantry Brigade on right and 2nd Aust. Infantry Brigade on left will assist.  
13th, 14th, 15th and 16th Battalions will attack in that order from RIGHT on frontage of about 350 yards each.  
"A" and "B" Coys will be in front line, "C" Support and "D" Reserve.
2. Zero time will be 10 a.m.
3. There will be 2 minutes intense barrage on first objective, then it will creep forward at rate of 70 yards per minute and remain on AMIENS-ALBERT Road till ordered to slacken.
4. 4th. Machine Gun Coy will direct over head fire on the FARM St LAURENT and tracks leading to AMIENS- ALBERT Road in square C 24 D 19 and also track from St LAURENT to C 24 central.
5. 1 L.T.M. ~~Company~~ will be allotted to 14th. Battalion.
6. Watches will be synchronised at 9 a.m. on 17th inst.
7. This exercise will be carried out without troops. Battalion and Coy Commanders, Seconds in Command and Sig Officer will attend with H.Q. and Company Signallers and Runners.
8. The above named will rendez-vous at Church at 8.45 a.m.
9. Horses to be at X roads NORTH of C 12 central at 3 p.m. Midday meal to be carried.
10. Battalion H.Qrs will move by bounds behind centre of "C" Support Coy.

NOTE. Map enlargement and further details to follow.

Copies to:-

1. Brigade.
2. C.O.
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6. O.C. "B" Coy.
7. O.C. "C" Coy.
8. O.C. "D" Coy.
9. C.M.
10. H.Qrs.

*Harold Warlick*  
.....Captain.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



Ref Map FRANCE 6 2 D 1/40,000.

1. The enemy has retired to a line running EAST and WEST through BAIZIEUX. A general offensive will be undertaken at once.  
4th. Aust. Inf. Brigade will seize BAIZIEUX C 6 and C 12.  
13th " " " is assisting on RIGHT and 12th Aust. Inf. Brigade on LEFT.
2. 13th, 14th, 15th, and 16th Battalions will advance from captured trenches at NOON today and establish themselves NORTH of BAIZIEUX.  
14th. Battalion C 6 a 9.0 - C 6 a. 2.1.  
"A" and "B" Coys in front line, "D" Supports and "C" Reserve.
3. The left of the 14th Battalion will direct marching on CHURCH SPIRE BAIZIEUX.
4. There will be artillery co-operation.
5. The 4th Machine Gun Company will allot 2 guns to each Battalion.  
The 4th A.L.T.M. Battery will allot 1 gun per battalion.
6. Brigade H.Q. at J 1. d 8.2.  
After BAIZIEUX is taken at C 18 a 1.2.  
Battalion H.Q. will follow 50 yards behind centre of 3rd wave.
7. A contact plane will co-operate. Flares will be lit on final object and on any advanced posts when Klaxon horn signals.
8. Units will advance at 10 a.m. There is to be no movement before this hour.
9. Intelligence Officer and scouts (30 men) will act as HUNS and will report to MAJOR BLACK wearing white hat bands.
10. Midday meal to be carried. Cookers rendez-vous in C.12.6.

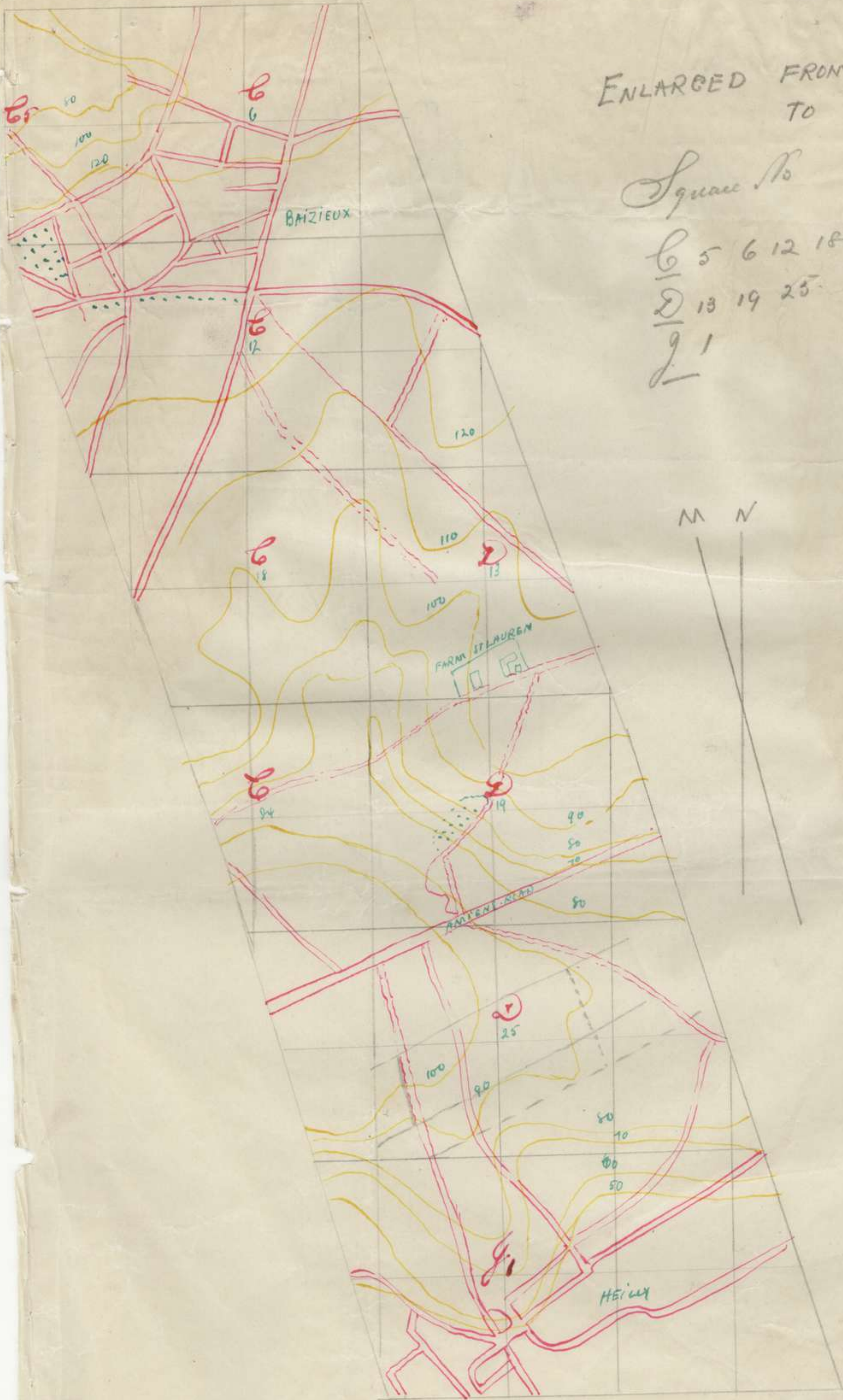
NOTE. Blue flags indicate that infantry are under effective rifle fire.  
Blue flag waved under M.G. fire.  
Red flag further advance impossible.  
White flag " " possible.

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7. O.C. "C" Coy.
8. O.C. "D" Coy.
9. Q.M.
10. H.Qrs.

*Lance W. Daniels*  
.....Captain.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.





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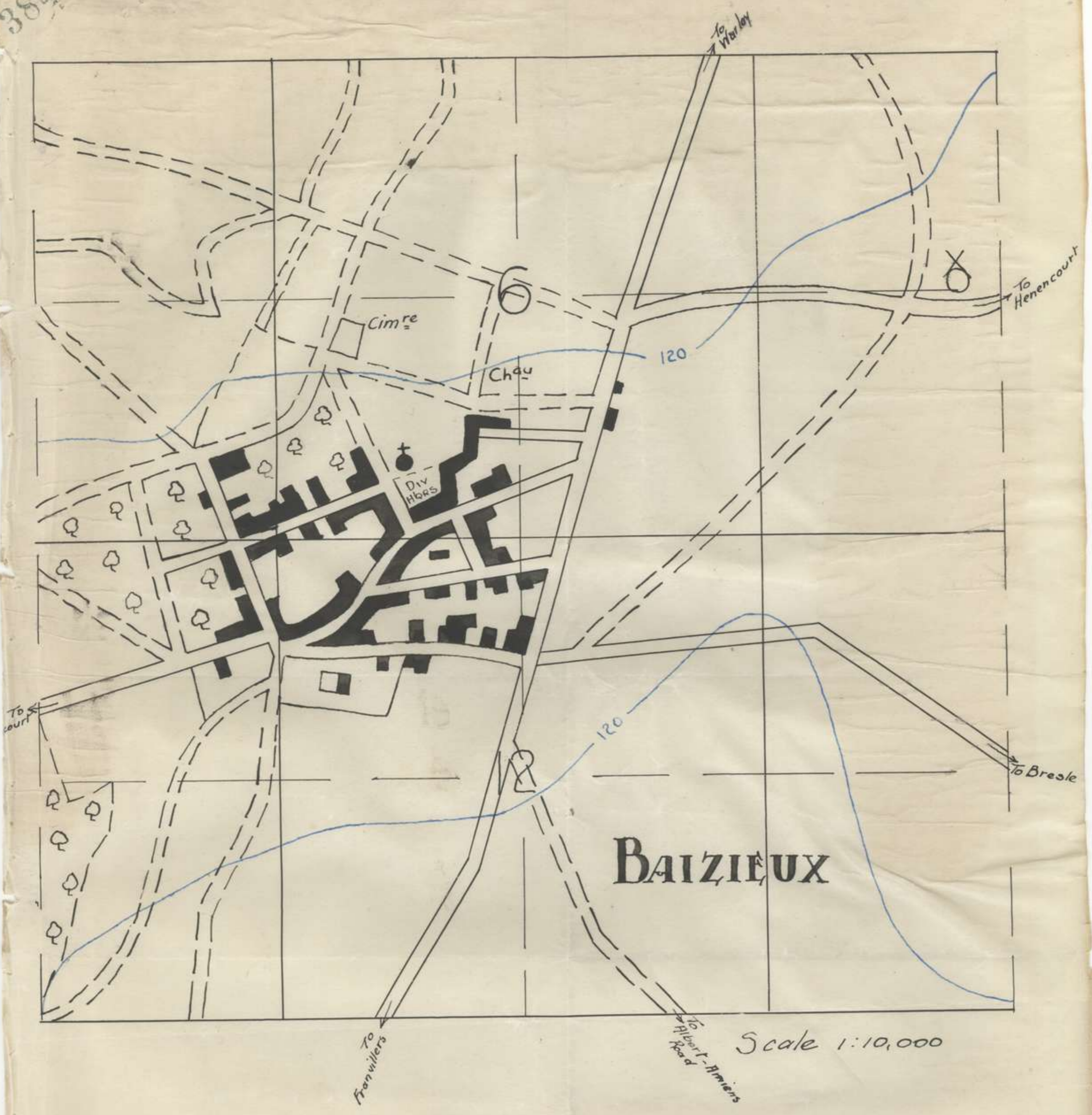
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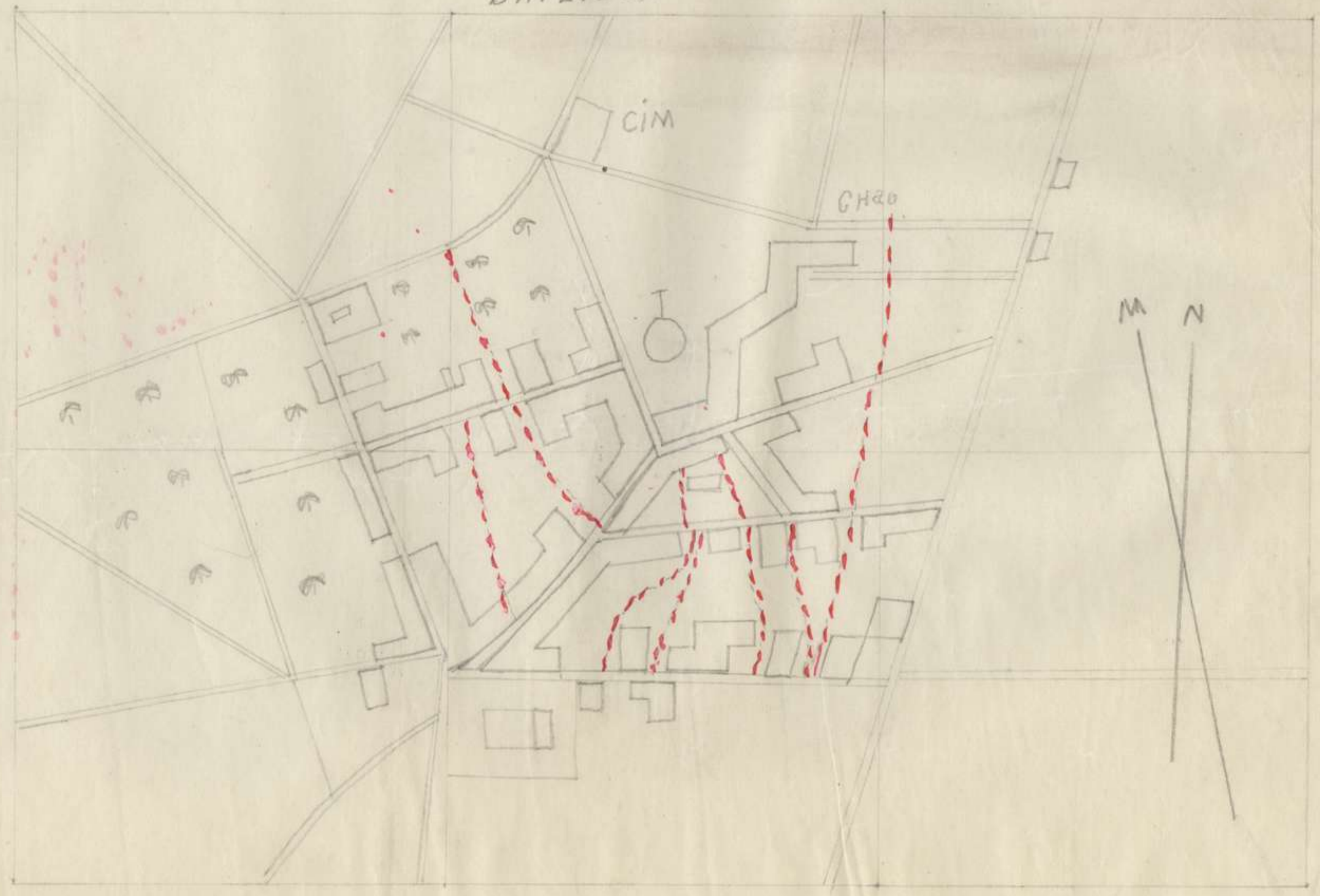
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SECRET.

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## FOURTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 72.

Reference ALBERT Combined Sheet 1/40,000

20/3/1917.

1. The Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade Group will move to "J" Area on the 22nd instant, via BUIRE-DERNANCOURT-MEAULTE-FRICOURT; not entering MEAULTE before 11.30.a.m.
2. Units will pass the starting point, CROSS ROADS D.27. Central at 9.a.m. in the following order :-

<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Destination.</u>
Brigade Headquarters	CRUCIFIX CAMP X.28.a.
14th Battalion	X.23.d.6.3.
13th Battalion	CRUCIFIX CAMP X.28.a.
15th Battalion	CRUCIFIX CAMP X.28.a.
16th Battalion	CRUCIFIX CAMP X.28.a.
4th A.M.G. Company	CRUCIFIX CAMP X.28.a.
4th A.L.T.M. Battery	CRUCIFIX CAMP X.28.a.

The 4th Field Company Engineers will move independently via ALBERT to CRUCIFIX CAMP.  
Instructions regarding move of 4th Field Ambulance will be issued later.

3. An interval of 200 yards between Battalions, 200 yards between transport and other units, and 100 yards between Companies will be maintained.
4. A halt will be made for lunch at VIVIER MILL but the 1st Line Transport will move straight on to Camps, and will be followed by Cockers after the meal.
5. No dumps will be formed at RIBEMONT.
6. Billeting parties will report to the Staff Captain at 10.30.a.m. on 22nd instant at CROSS ROADS F.9.a.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*Chy Ouster*  
Major.  
Brigade-Major.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

Copy No. 1 War Diary.  
2 4th Aust. Division.  
3 13th Battalion.  
4 14th Battalion.  
5 15th Battalion.  
6 16th Battalion.  
7 4th A.M.G. Company.  
8 4th A.L.T.M. Battery.  
9 4th Field Coy. A.E.  
10 4th Field Ambulance.  
11 7th A.A.S.C.  
12 A.D.M.S., 4th Aust. Division.  
13 1st Aust. Division.  
14 File.



*War Diary*

*Appendix 19*

21/3/1917.

reference ALBERT Combined sheet 1/40,000

1. The 14th Battalion will move to "J" area on the 22 nd instant, via BUIRE-DERNACOURT- MEAULTE -FRICOURT.
2. Units will pass the starting point RIBEMONT CHURCH 8.55 a.m. in the following order:-  
(1) Band, (2) Signallers and H.Q. details, (3) "D" Coy, (4) "C" Coy, (5) "B" Coy, (6) "A" Coy.  
DESTINATION. Camp at X 23 d. 60. 30.
3. An interval of 200 yards between Battalions, 200 yards between transport and other units, and 100 yards between companies will be maintained.
4. A halt will be made for lunch at VIVIER MILL, but the first line transport will move straight on to the camp and will be followed by cookers after the meal.
5. No dumps are to be formed at RIBEMONT. A limited number of G.S. wagons for baggage will be allotted by Brigade H.Q.
6. Billetting parties will report to 2/Lieut. Mitchell at a time to be fixed by this officer. He will report with the parties to the Staff Captain at 10.30 a.m. on 22nd inst at CROSS ROADS F 9.a.
7. The usual billeting certificates and mess certificates will be handed to second in Command at 8.45 a.m. by which time all billets will be vacated and cleaned. The second in Command will remain behind for 3 hours in accordance with 5th Army Billeting Orders with which he will make himself acquainted.

- Copy No
1. War Diary.
  2. 4th Aust. Inf. Bde.
  3. Office Copy.
  4. "A" Coy.
  5. "B" Coy.
  6. "C" Coy.
  7. "D" Coy.
  8. Transport.
  9. H. Qrs.
  10. 2/Lt. Mitchell.
  11. Second-in-Command.

*for* ..... Captain.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



Ref Map FRANCE 6 2 D 1/40,000

Appendix 20

1. 4th. Australian Division assisted by Divisions on RIGHT and LEFT will attack enemy's position between AMIENS-ALBERT and BRESLE-BAZIEUX Roads on 19th inst.
2. 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th Battalions each on a frontage of 250 yards in that order from RIGHT will take 3 objectives.  
 1st Objective C 12 c 9.1 - C 18 d 7.6.  
 2nd Objective C 12 d 6.4 - D 13 c 6.9.  
 3rd Objective D 7 central - D 13 b 9.5.
3. "C" and "D" Coys will be in front line, "A" Supports and "B" Reserve.
4. After securing the first objective 4th Aust. Inf. Brigade will push on and secure the high ground NORTH of BRESLE.  
 13th. Aust. Inf. Brigade will co-operate on our RIGHT.
5. All troops are to be in position at 10.30 a.m. on 19th inst.  
 Battalion and Coy Commanders, Signallers and Runners will rendez-vous at Church at 9 a.m.
6. Advanced Brigade H.Qrs will be at C 17 c 9.1.  
 Battalion H.Qrs will be 50 yards in rear of third wave.
7. Lunch to be carried. Horses to be at BRESLE Wood at 2 p.m.

*Harold Warner*  
 .....Captain.  
 Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.

- Copy No
1. Brigade.
  2. C.O.
  3. S.M.
  4. File.
  5. O.C. "A" Coy.
  6. O.C. "B" "
  7. O.C. "C" "
  8. O.C. "D" "
  9. Q.M.
  10. H.Qrs.



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  - 2nd " C 12 d 6.4 - D 13 c 6.9.
  - 3rd " C 7 central - D 13 b 9.5.
3. "B", "C" and "D" Coys will form front line and "A" in reserve.
4. Zero time will be 11 a.m. Barrage on first objective will last 3 minutes and then lifts by leaps of 100 yards every 3 minutes for attack on second objective and by leaps of 100 yards every 4 minutes for attack on third objective. The barrage will rest on objectives 1 and 2 for 3 minutes and on 3 for 5 minutes to enable infantry to form for assault. The time taken for barrage to move from second objective to clear the third objective will be twenty nine minutes. — leaps of 100 yards every four minutes and 5 minutes on objective.
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- 1. Brigade.
- 2. C.O.
- 3. S.M.
- 4. File.
- 5. O.C. "A" Coy.
- 6. O.C. "B" "
- 7. O.C. "C" "
- 8. O.C. "D" "
- 9. Q.M.
- 10. H.Qrs.

*Harold Saulis*  
..... Captain.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



ESTABLISHMENT.				ATTACHED.		
OFFICERS.	O/RANKS.	TOTAL.	HORSES.	OFFICERS.	O/RANKS.	TOTAL.
30	105 <sup>#</sup>	108 <sup>#</sup>	54.	2.	5	8

DETACHED.  
ARMY CORPS.

Clerk.....1.  
Cooks.....2.

DIVISIONAL.

Cook.....1.  
Room.....1.  
Carpenters.....1.  
Operator.....1.  
Anzac Railways.....6.  
Batmen.....1.  
Traffic Control.....4.

BRIGADE.

Transport.....1.  
Headquarters.....6.  
Runners.....2.  
Gas N.C.O.....1.  
Cooks.....2.  
Sanitary(pioneer).....1.  
At Reinfts Camp.....1.  
Carpenter.....1.  
Signallers.....2.

GENERAL.

A.S.C. 7th.....2.  
L.T.M.Bty.....14.  
Res M.G. Sect.....1.  
Leave to U.K.....Off.....3.....O/R.  
R.F.C.....1.  
A.V.C.....1.  
Detention.....2.  
Absentees.....2.  
Y.M.C.A.....1.

SCHOOLS.

Various.....5.....Off.....26.....O/R.  
Instructors.....4.  
Barber.....1.  
Cook.....1.  
Fatigue.....1.  
Bugler.....1.

To School. Lieut. H.R. McKinley

To Hosp. 6 O/R.

From Hosp. 1 O/R.

To U.K. leave. 2 O/R.

Absentees Returned 1 O/R.

TOTAL.

TOTAL OFFICERS. O/RANKS.

3.

15.

17.

27.

5

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5

96.

*J. Hub*

.....Lieut-Colonel.  
Commanding 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



SECRET.

Copy No. 4

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 73.

Reference ALBERT Combined Sheet 1/40,000

34/3/1917.

1. The 4th Australian Infantry Brigade will move to GREVILLERS and BAPAUME in relief of 5th Australian Infantry Brigade as under -
- 25th instant to BAZENTIN CAMPS via CONTALMAISON, passing the starting point, Cross Roads X.27.b., in the following order at 10.a.m.

Brigade Cookers.  
 Brigade Headquarters.  
 13th Battalion.  
 4th Machine Gun Company.  
 16th Battalion.  
 15th Battalion.  
 4th A.L.T.M. Battery.  
 14th Battalion will move independently leaving X.23.d.6.3. at 10.a.m.

Billeting parties to report to Staff Captain at Cross Roads S.8.c. at 10.a.m.

26th instant to GREVILLERS and BAPAUME moving at 8.a.m. via DUCKWALKS. Transport via MARTINPUICH and M.25.d. Central, Head to pass M.25.d. Central at 10.a.m.  
 4th Field Ambulance from X.28.c. via LA BOISSELLE - POZIERES joining main road at LA BOISSELLE at 10.a.m.

2. All troops on roads will march in file - 200 yards between Battalions, 200 yards between Transport and troops, and 100 yards between Companies.
3. Surplus baggage will be dumped at BAZENTIN.
4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Issued at 12 Noon.

*Chifolusta*  
 Major.  
 Brigade Major.  
 4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

- Copy No. 1. War Diary.  
 2. 4th Aust. Division.  
 3. 13th Battalion.  
 4. 14th Battalion.  
 5. 15th Battalion.  
 6. 16th Battalion.  
 7. 4th M.G. Company.  
 8. 4th A.L.T.M. Battery.  
 9. 4th Field Ambulance.  
 10. 7th A.A.S.C.  
 11. A.D.M.S., 4th Aust Division.  
 12. 1st Australian Division.  
 13. G.O.C. 5th Aust. Inf. Brigade.  
 14. File.



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SECRET.



Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
 HEADQUARTERS.  
 25/3/1917.

G.O.  
 ALL UNITS.

Reference Brigade Order No. 73.

For the 27th instant the following will be the order of march for both Troops and Transport.

Brigade Headquarters  
 16th Battalion.  
 14th Battalion.  
 13th Battalion.  
 15th Battalion.  
 4th M.G. Company.  
 4th A.L.T.M. Battery.

BAPAUME.  
 OUTPOST LINE.  
 BIEFVILLERS.  
 BAPAUME.  
 GREVILLERS  
 GREVILLERS.  
 GREVILLERS.

Head of Transport will pass starting point S.S.a.S.S. at 9.a.m. and move via MARTINPUICH, M.32.a.7.1. - M.25.d. Central as stated in above order.

Issued at 9.p.m.

*Clayton* Major.  
 Brigade Major.  
 4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.



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SECRET. 24/3/1917. 14th. Battalion. A.I.F. Order No 40.

Copy No.....

Ref ALBERT Combined sheet 1/40,000.

1. The 4th Australian Infantry Brigade will move to GREVILLERS and BAPAUME to relieve 5th Aust. Inf. Brigade. On 25th inst 14th. Battalion A.I.F. will be ready to move at 9.45 a.m. to proceed to BAZENTINE CAMP. Full marching order, 1 blanket to be carried.
2. Billetting party under 2/Lieut. CRAVEN will report to Staff Captain at X roads S. 8.c. at 10 a.m.
3. All troops on roads will march in file leaving camp in following order:-  
H.Qrs, "A", "B", "C", "D" and Transport.  
Intervals of 100 yards must be kept between Companies and 200 yards between final company and transport.
4. Spare blankets in bundles of 10, labelled, and other gear to be dumped on MAIN Road at junction with CORDUROY at 8 a.m.  
Mess boxes will be taken till 8.45 a.m. at Q.M.'s store.

Copies to:-

1. FILE.
2. C.O.
3. Brigade.
4. S.M.
5. O.C. "A" Coy.
6. O.C. "B" "
7. O.C. "C" "
8. O.C. "D" "
9. Q.M.
10. H.Q. Details.

*Harold Banks*  
 .....Captain.  
 Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.

Appendix No 22



SECRET.

*Appendix*  
14th. Battalion A.I.F. Order No 41.

Copy No. *1*.....

Ref Map ALBERT Combined Sheet 1/40,000

1. 14th. Battalion will move to BIEFVILLERS via DUCKWALKS following 16th Battalion A.I.F.
2. Units will be ready to move at 8 a.m. Packs, no blankets.
3. All blankets rolled in bundles of ten with W.P. Sheet outside and other gear will be dumped at Q.M.'s Store at 7 a.m.
4. Transport will proceed via MARTINPUICH in order Bde H.Q., 16th Battalion, 14th Battalion etc, moving out at 9 a.m. from starting point S.8.a.6.8.
5. Troops will march in file. 200 yards between Battalions, 100 yards between Coys. Lunch will be consumed at end of march.

- Copies to:-
1. File.
  2. C.O.
  3. Brigade.
  4. S.M.
  5. O.C. "A" Coy.
  6. O.C. "B" Coy.
  7. O.C. "C" Coy.
  8. O.C. "D" Coy.
  9. Q.M.
  10. H.Q. Details.

*Stan Wain*  
.....Captain.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.

Appendix No 22



SECRET.

*Appendix 23*  
14th. Battalion A.I.F. Order No 41.

Copy No. <sup>2</sup>.....

Ref Map ALBERT Combimed Sheet 1/40,000

1. 14th. Battalion will move to ~~BLANVILLE~~ <sup>BEUGNATRE</sup> via DUCKWALKS following 16th Battalion A.I.F.
2. Units will be ready to move at 8<sup>10</sup> a.m. Packs, no blankets.
3. All blankets rolled in bundles of ten with W.P. Sheet outside and other gear will be dumped at Q.M.'s Store at 7 a.m.
4. Transport will proceed via MARTINPUICH in order Bde H.Q., 16th Battalion, 14th Battalion etc, moving out at 9 a.m. from starting point S.8.a.6.8.
5. Troops will march in file. 200 yards between Battalions, 100 yards between Coys. Lunch will be consumed at end of march.

Copies to:-

1. File.
2. C.O.
3. Brigade.
4. S.M.
5. O.C. "A" Coy.
6. O.C. "B" Coy.
7. O.C. "C" Coy.
8. O.C. "D" Coy.
9. Q.M.
10. H.Q. Details.

*Harold Wainwright*  
.....Captain.  
Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.

Appendix N:23



"A" Form.  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C.2121  
(in pads of 100).  
No. of Message .....

Prefix .....	Code .....	m.	Words	Charge	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at .....
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			Service.
			At .....	ms		From .....
			To .....			By .....
			By .....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { all Units

Sender's Number. * S.C. 662	Day of Month. 25	In reply to Number.	AAA
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On arrival of Units at  
BAZENTIN La PETIT and when Units are all  
comfortably settled down tomorrow Units will  
send their own Buletting Officers forward  
to arrange buletting for the next day as  
follows:-

- 16<sup>th</sup> Bn - Outposts in front BIEFVILLERS
- 15<sup>th</sup> Bn - In GREVILLERS
- 14<sup>th</sup> Bn - In BIEFVILLERS
- 13<sup>th</sup> Bn - BAPAUME
- M.G. Coy - GREVILLERS
- T.M. B Coy - ditto

Intelligence Officers should be detailed if  
possible and in some places particulars of  
buletting may be got from Units at present in  
occupation but in others where no Units  
are the Buletting Officers will set to and

From make best possible arrangements

Place 4<sup>th</sup> Aves de Bde

Time 10.30 pm

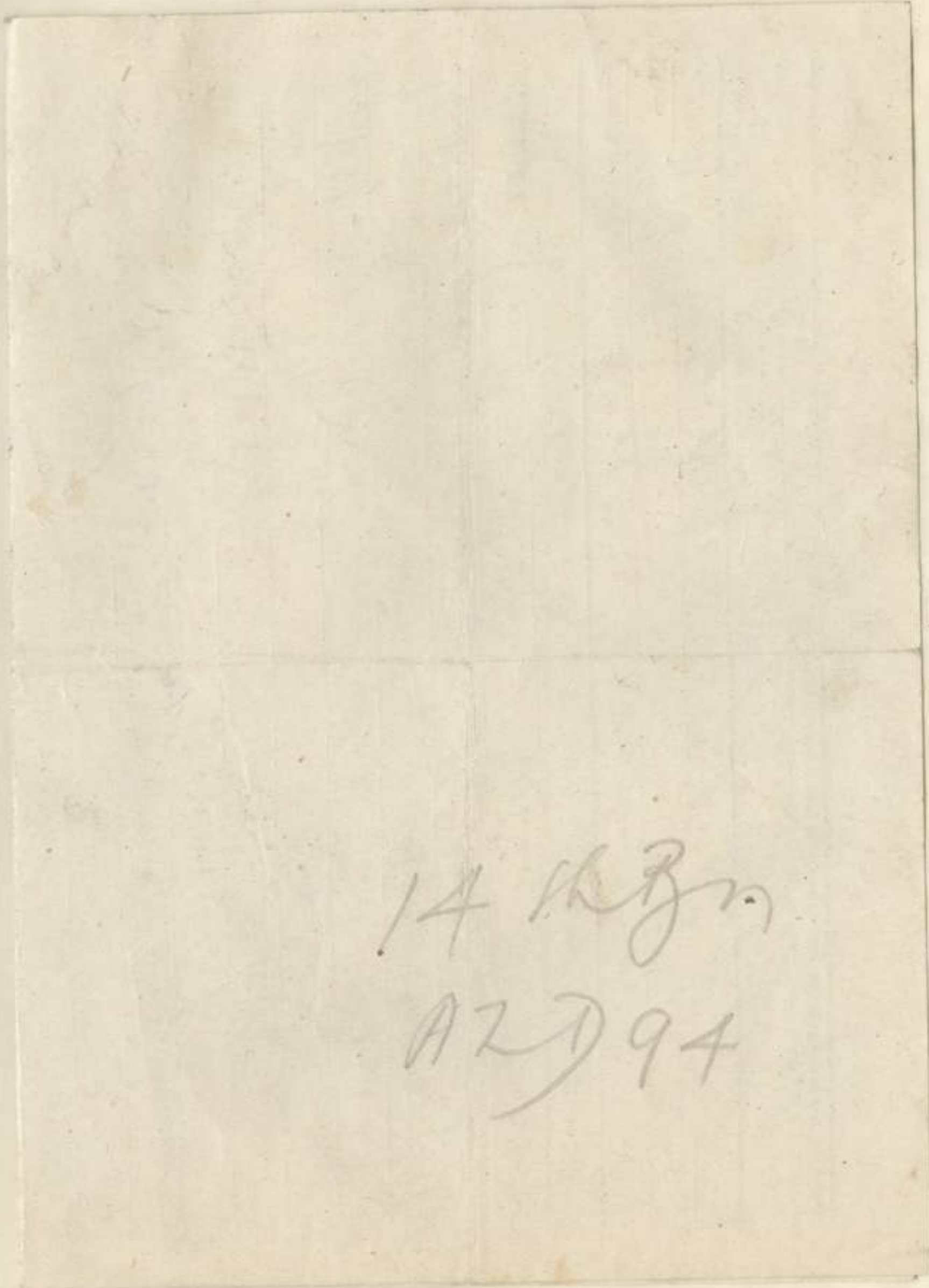
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z) [Signature]

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
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SECRET.



Fourth Australian Infantry Brigade.  
HEADQUARTERS.  
25th March, 1917.

C.O.,  
14th and 16th Battalions.

Until the 4th Australian Division takes over the whole area the 14th and 16th Battalions will move to BIEFVILLERS and the OUTPOST LINE as originally ordered.

*respectively*

*9. 30/17*

*Chiffoleau* Major.  
Brigade-Major.  
4th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

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SECRET.

14th. Battalion Order No 42.

Copy No. 10.....

27/3/1917.

Ref to sheet 57 C S.A.

1. The 14th Battalion will occupy the enemy's captured line from I 14 d 35.35 to H 5 d 35.30.
2. The tasks allotted to the battalion in order of importance are:-
  - (a) Providing shelter for the garrison
  - (b) Reversing parapet of enemy's trenches, and firestepping same.
  - (c) Resting, digging, firestepping and revetting trenches.
  - (d) Siring trenches on enemy's side.
  - (e) Siring villages and approaches.
3. Sectors are allotted as follows:-
  - "A" Coy. I 14 d 35.35 to I. 8 c 70.30
  - "B" Coy. I 8 c 70.30 exclusive to I 7 b 25.15.
  - "C" Coy. I 7 c 90.35 inclusive to cross roads H 12 central inclusive.
  - "D" Coy. H 12 b 45.45 to H 5 d 35.30.
4. Companies will be in positions indicated by S.30 - a. 28/3/1917.
5. The Signal Officer will arrange for telephonic communication between Coy and Battalion H.Q.
6. S.A.S. for rifles and Machine Guns and bombs will be dumped at Coy H.Q. Weather proof shelters will be provided.
7. The Quartermaster will distribute entrenching tools equally between Coys.
8. The Transport Officer will:-
  - (a) Place emptied G.S. Limbered Machine Gun & wagons at disposal of Coy Commanders daily when required.
  - (b) Arrange for supply of water to Coy and Batta H.Q.
9. The Regimental Aid Post is at H 11 d 30.40
10. Battalion H.Q. is at H 11 d 25.50.

Copies to:-

1. File.
2. C.O.
3. Brigade.
4. S.S.
5. C.O. "A" Coy.
6. C.O. "B" "
7. C.O. "C" "
8. C.O. "D" "
9. S.M.
10. H.Q. Details/

*Harold Wauless*  
 ..... Captain.  
 Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.

~~SM~~

M.O. W.M.A.

LM.S.O. CRFC

Sigs *ff.*

Band. (Reveille 6 A.M.)

Pioneers. *1st B. Band*



Ref Map 57 C N.W.

*Appendix 25*

- 1. (a) The first defensive line (O.B. 5 central • I 27 central • I 14 d • H 12 central • H 4 d ) is to be held as follows:-  
 14th Battalion from FREMICOURT - VAULX ROAD to BEUGNATRE - VAULX ROAD inclusive.  
 16th Battalion from BEUGNATRE • VAULX ROAD to H 5 d 75.30  
 15th Battalion from H 5 d 75.30 to FAVEUIL • MORAY ROAD.  
 (b) The 29th Battalion is on the RIGHT of the 14th Battalion.  
 (c) The 49th Battalion is to move out today (31st March 1917).
  - 2. The Battalion will, be disposed as follows:-  
 "A" Coy in RESERVE in the vicinity of I 13 a 20.30. 1 platoon in strong point H 13 a 90.70.  
 "B" Coy from I 7 c 50.50 to H 12 d 90.60 in trenches. 1 platoon in strong point H 12 d 90,25. 1 platoon in strong point H 18 d 50.50  
 "C" Coy. from FREMICOURT • VAULX ROAD inclusive to I 7 C 50.50 in trenches. 1 platoon in strong point I 13 C 90.30. 1 platoon in strong point I 13a 30.50.  
 "D" Coy in trenches from H 12 d 90.60 to BEUGNATRE - VAULX ROAD inclusive. 1 platoon in strong point H 12 d 20.60. 1 platoon in strong point H 18 a 10.50.
  - 3. Disposition will be completed by NOON 2/4/17.
- Each Coy to supply day and night outposts on their own particular fronts, and to maintain liason with units on RIGHT and LEFT.

- Copies to:-
- 1. File.
  - 2. C.O.
  - 3. Brigade.
  - 4. O.C. "A" Coy.
  - 5. O.C. "B" "
  - 6. O.C. "C" "
  - 7. O.C. "D" "
  - 8. Q.M.
  - 9. H.Q. details.

*Harold Warner*  
 .....Captain.  
 Adjutant 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.



ESTABLISHMENT.				ATTACHED.		
OFFICERS.	O/R RANKS.	TOTAL.	HORSES.	OFFICERS.	O/RANKS.	TOTAL.
27	1028	1055	544	2	6	8

ATTACHED BY CORPS.	TOTAL.	
	Officers.	O/Ranks.
Work.....	1	3
Books.....	2	

VISIONAL.	TOTAL.	
	Officers.	O/Ranks.
Book.....	1	
Room.....	1	
Carpenter.....	1	16
Operator.....	1	
Post Office Railways.....	7	
Postmen.....	1	
Traffic Control.....	4	

ATTACHED BY BR.	TOTAL.	
	Officers.	O/Ranks.
Transport.....	1	
Quarters.....	8	
Washers.....	2	
Post H.Q.C.....	1	
Books.....	2	24
Sanitary (Pioneer).....	1	
Reinforce Camp.....	1	
Carpenter.....	1	
Signalliers.....	3	
Brigade Canteen.....	8	

GENERAL.	TOTAL.	
	Officers.	O/Ranks.
S.D. 7th.....	2	
T.M. Bty.....	14	
Post M.G. Sect.....	1	
Leave to U.K. 1 Off.....	5	
F.C.....	1	2
V.C.....	1	35
Detention.....	2	
Absentees.....	1	
Post H.Q.....	1	
Camp Guard.....	4	
8th Aust Div.....	1 Off.	
Post H.Q.....	3	

SPECIAL.	TOTAL.	
	Officers.	O/Ranks.
Various.....	5	9
Instructors.....	4	
Barber.....	1	5
Book.....	1	17
Post H.Q.....	1	
Drum Major.....	1	

To Hospital 57R  
From " 27R

TOTAL. 7 95

.....Lieut-Colonel.  
Commanding 14th. Battalion. A.I.F.