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REF SHEET
FRANCE
HAZEBROUCK
BATTALION
BILLETED
IN
SERCUS
AREA

Date

Hour

WEATHER - HEAVY RAIN

6am

Reveille: Training, a route march of six miles was arranged as training for this morning; but owing to heavy rain falling it was cancelled. Gas Respirator Drill was carried out independently by companies in their own billets. For locality sketch and map reference of companies see

No 1
Locality
Sketch

APPENDIX No 1.

9:30p

Received 15th A.I Bde order re Brigade route march to be carried out tomorrow. (APPENDIX No 2)

No 2
Brigade
Order

Rain continued to fall steadily throughout the day.

Strength of Battalion

Arrivals 46 other Ranks

(24 of these were reinforcements)

	Officers	Other Ranks
Actually With Unit.	34	648
In Field Amb.	1	31
Detached	7	100
Total Strength.	42	779

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SERCUS AREA	2/8/17	8:40 AM	<p>WEATHER-SHOWERY.</p> <p>Battalion passed starting point, road junction 1.3.6.7.8 on way to starting point of Brigade column (see APPENDIX No 2)</p> <p>Distance of route from Bn starting point and return was sixteen (16) miles. Complete marching order was worn. Several showers fell at different periods of the march, but they were not sufficient to wet the men's clothes. This is the longest route march which this Brigade has engaged in since coming out of the line.</p> <p>Eighteen men fell out of the Bn with permission during the march. Bad and blistered feet being the trouble.</p> <p>2 pm Bn arrived in billets. Men's feet were inspected.</p> <p>6:45 pm Received "General and Special Idea" together with 1st Phase and set of tasks for Brigade "Advanced Guard Scheme" (without troops). A list of six questions were set for Battalions to answer.</p> <p>8 pm All officers concerned in tomorrow's operations were called together and the work for tomorrow discussed.</p>	

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			<i>WEATHER - SHOWERY.</i>	
<i>SERCUS AREA</i>	<i>3/8/14</i>	<i>9am</i>	<i>Battalion passed starting point on a six mile route march. Dress. Complete marching order. Owing to there being no suitable ground available for training purposes, most of the training while this unit is in this area, will be confined to route marching and tactical exercises, carried out along the roads.</i>	<i>403 General Idea 4 Special Idea 5 First Phase 6 Br. Advanced Guard Orders 7 8 9 10 11 12</i>
		<i>9pm</i>	<i>Brigade Staff, Bn's Staffs and all company commanders assembled at C.10. a. 8.8 (Ref 36") for purpose of "Advanced Guard Scheme". Details of this scheme are set out in APPENDICES Nos 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12</i>	<i>Phases of the scheme and Br Orders.</i>

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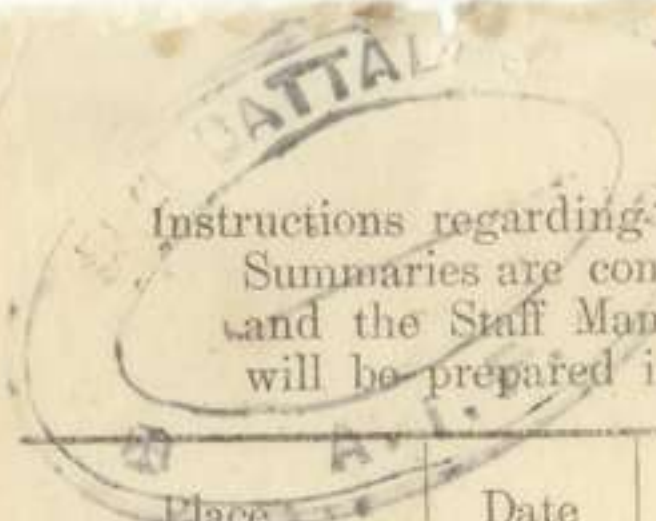
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SERCUS AREA	4/8/14	8:47am	<p>WEATHER - SHOWERY.</p> <p>Battalion passed starting point I.3.8.4.8 and joined in the Brigade column at cross roads LA. BELLE HOTESSE at 9.15 am. Route lay through BLARINGHEM - LYNDE and return via starting point. Distance covered by Bn being 10 ³/₄ miles. Dress-Marching order. Every man completed the march. Pt. Line transport accompanied the column.</p>	
		3pm	<p>Commanding Officers of Bns were called to meet a representative of Div STAFF at BLARINGHEM. to discuss the supplies and demands of ordance stores.</p> <p>Numbers of men who have had no furlough leave, or who have been in France for 12 months or more, are now being granted furlough.</p>	<p>JLB</p>



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SERCUS AREA	5/8/14		WEATHER - FINE	
			The sound of heavy artillery fire could be heard during the night and early mornings.	
		10:30 Am	C. of C and C. P. O church service was held at a joint near cross roads at LA-BELLE HOTESSE	
		11:30 Am	R. C service was held in Parish Church STEENBECQUE.	
		9 Am	Lieut JOHNSTON Courts Martial Officer from 1 st Angas Corps H. Qrs attended at 58 th Bn H. Qrs to take summary of evidence in case of CAPT EDGE O.C. of FIELD PUNISHMENT COMPOUND who was placed under close arrest by Lt-Col Chas A. DENEHY. C.O. 58 th Bn.	
		2:15 pm	Six cases came up to Orderly Rooms and were dealt with by C.O.	No 13 Programme of Work
		4 pm	C.O's of Battalions were called to a conference at Bde H. Qrs and the training for the week was outlined.	
		8 pm	Received "Programme of Work" for week ending 11 th August. (APPENDIX 18)	
			Arrivals Capt A. L. H CODFREY M.C. from British Formation. Capt C. F DAWSON M.C. from Paris leave. Lieut F. J. WEIR from 15 th T. Bn Lieut W. FLINTOFT (ex hospital)	

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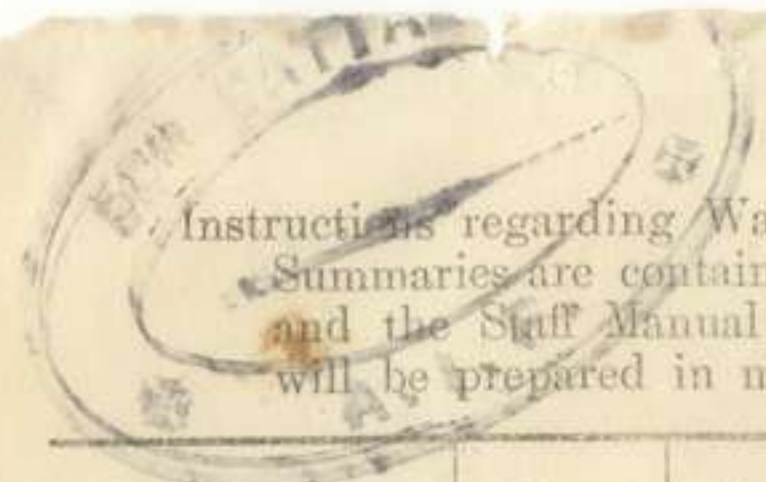
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			<u>WEATHER - FINE.</u>	
SERCUS AREA.	6/8/17	8:47 Am.	58 th Battalion passed starting point i. 3. 6. 7. 8 and joined in Brigade column at 9:11 am at LA BELLE HOTESSE. (See APPENDIX No 13) The marching was very satisfactory. Four men fell out of 58 th Bn.	
		9 am	F. B. C. M assembled at 57 th Bn H. Qrs. Three A.W.L cases of this Bn came up for trial. Accused were present returned to custody pending the decision of the Court.	
		9 am	F. B. C. M assembled at 58 th Bn H. Qrs. Lt Col CHAS. A. DENEHY D.S.O was President.	
		5:30 pm.	Eleven Officers and five Gas U.C.O's attended a lecture on Gas which was delivered by the Chemical Adviser Second Army at school house BLARINHEM. Particular attention is being paid by this unit to Gas equipment and Box respirator drill. Respirator drill is being carried out for 15 minutes daily. Lectures are delivered thrice weekly.	
			Departures:- Capt A.L.H. CODFREY / to 15 th A.I Bde HQ as assistant Staff Capt.	
			Lieut F.J. WEIR	

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SERCUS AREA.	4/8/17	8.15 Am to 12.15 pm.	<p>WEATHER - FINE</p> <p>Companies under their Orderly Officer carried out a programme of "Setting up" drill.</p>	
		9 am	<p>Battalion Staff, all Officers (bes one per company) and Senior N.C.Os assembled at Road junction 2 mile N.E of SERCUS. Advanced Guard Exercise was carried out (without troops) This was the same scheme which was held on the 3rd inst, but working down to Platoon and Section detail (for explanation of exercise see (APPENDICES No 3 to 12))</p> <p>4.45 pm Battalion completed exercise and returned to billets.</p> <p>4 pm Battalion held Muster Parade, when a check of the Battalion Nominal Roll was called. This parade was held under orders from Brigade H. Qrs. Two men were found to be A.W.L.</p>	
				<p>6/6</p>

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			WEATHER - SHOWERY	
SERCUS AREA	8/18/14	8:47am	58 th Battalion passed starting point, i. s. b 7.8 and joined in the Brigade Column which passed LA-BELLE-HOTESSE at 9am Route lay through LYNDE-BLARINGHEM and return via LA BELLE HOTESSE	
			During the march no one fell out of this Battalion.	
		10am	F.B.C.M. continued to sit at 58 th Bn H.Q.s. All cases were disposed of by noon	
		5pm	Several heavy showers of rain fell.	
			Arrivals Lieut R.H. HOOPER } From 1 st Angac EC.H. CROCKFORD } Corps School twelve (2) ORs, 1 ex-hospital & School of Instruction	

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SERCUS AREA.	9/8/17	8.15am to 12.15pm	<p>WEATHER: FINE</p> <p>Companies carried out the following programme of training— Company and Platoon Organization. Close order drill. 15 minutes "Gas drill". Outpost scheme in miniature. 2 hour bayonet exercises. Signaller's, observers, scouts, Lewis gunners, rifle grenadiers and bombers received instructions under the direction of Specialist Officers.</p>	
			<p>General Court Martial was held at SERCUS in case of LIEUT C. BLANDFORD of 59th Bn. LT. COL CHAS A. DENEHY D.S.O and CAPT R. B. FORSYTH attended from this Bn.</p>	No 14 General and Special Idea.
		2pm	<p>C.O held orderly room, when one case was dealt with. During afternoon, Bn Staff and Company Commanders made a reconnaissance of the country over which it is proposed to carry out a Brigade Outpost-Scheme (without troops) see APPENDICES NO 14 and 15)</p>	No 15 First Phase.
		7.30pm	<p>Conference of officers was held and the training programme for tomorrow was discussed. Orderly Rooms was held when three cases of absence without leave was dealt with by the Commanding Officer.</p>	J.B.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			WEATHER - FINE.	
SERCUS AREA	10.8.17	2.20am	Hostile aeroplanes visited the districts of MORBECQUE - STEENBECQUE - AIRE - and ISBERGUES. Numerous bombs were dropped on these localities. It is not known what damage was done.	No. 16
		8.15am - 12.30pm	Platoon training.	Outpost
		9am	C.O.s, 2 nd in command, Adjutants and Company Commanders assembled at the crossroads 1/2 mile N.E. of SERCUS, where they were met by the Brigadier and Staff. Bn. Commanders outlined their plan of the "Bugade" Outpost Scheme". (SEE APPENDIX NO. 16.)	Order and Operation Instruction.
			After the scheme was discussed, Bns. proceeded to make a reconnaissance of the sectors allotted to each Bn. by the Brigadier. The exercise will be carried further tomorrow, when all officers and senior N.C.O.s will go over the ground.	
			Arrivals. Lieut. G. Lanig (ex hospital).	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			WEATHER - RAIN	
SERCUS AREA	11/18/14	8:15 am to 12:15 pm	Companies doing Platoon training on training ground on i. 4. b. 4. 4. Officers and Senior N.C.O.s of the Brigade took part in an Outpost exercise without troops. Party assembled at 9 am at cross-roads 1/2 mile N.E. of SERCUS. Brigade Commander gave a outline of the scheme and conveyed to the Officers his criticisms of on the different "Outpost Orders" which were handed in by Battalion and Company Commanders. Afterwards each Battalion party proceeded to their allotted areas and posted the "groups".	
		2 pm	Battalion party returned to billets	
			PROMOTIONS of N.C.O.s Eighteen promotions were approved of by the C.O	
			Arrivals Capt. J. LOUGHMAN	
			Fifteen (15) Other Ranks.	

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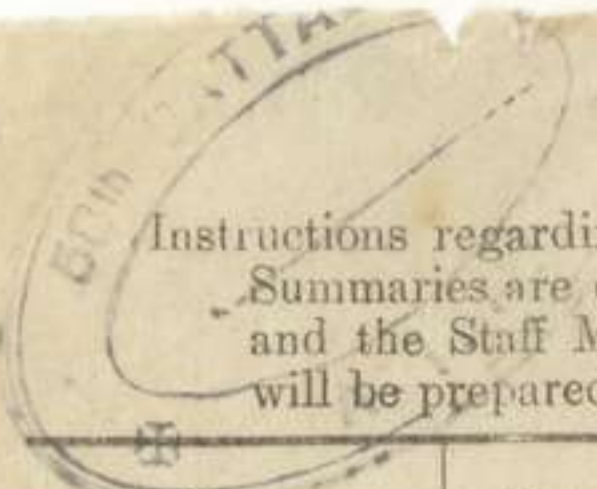
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			WEATHER - RAIN.																
SERCUS AREA	12/18/14	8am	First party of 60 men proceeded to the baths at C.10.a. 7.4. Similar parties proceeded at regular intervals until the whole of the men were bathed. A change of new under clothing was procured.	No 17 Programme of Work 12 th to 18 th inst															
		9.30am	C of E and C.P.D church service was held at LA BELLE HOTESSE																
			<p>Departures: Two O.R and two pack mules proceeded to 1st Angas Pack Transport School.</p> <p>Twelve (12) O.R on furlough</p> <p>Lieut. H.O. HARVEY to 15th T.B England</p> <p>" R. KIDD } to 2nd Army School</p> <p>1st Class W.O STUBBS } of Instruction WISQUES</p>																
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			WEATHER - FINE	
SERCUS AREA	13/18/14	8:30am	All Battalions engaged in Outpost scheme. Companies proceeded direct to take up the positions in the outpost line as previously allotted. This is the 3 rd day that this scheme has been carried out. On 10 th inst Bn Staffs and Company Commanders made a preliminary reconnaissance of the ground and drew up orders for the scheme. On 11 th inst Bn Staffs, all Officers and Senior N.C.Os proceeded to the allotted sectors and occupied a line of outposts. Today the scheme was proceeded further and the troops actually were placed in position. The Brigade Commander commenced a tour of inspection of the groups, starting from the left of the "Outpost line WALLON CAPPEL at 12 noon.	
		5:30pm	58 th Battalion returned to billets.	
			Departures:- Five (5) O.Rs proceeded to Summer Rest Camp AMBLETUESE Five (5) O.Rs on English leave	
			Arrivals:- Nine (9) O.Rs from English leave	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			WEATHER - FINE	
SERCUS AREA	14/11/17	8.30 am to 12.30 pm	Training: - From 8.30 am to 10 am, Companies doing Company Drills and extended order work. The rest of the morning was devoted to the training of Specialists.	
		11 am	C.O attended at Lecture on "Exercise without troops" at B. 12. C. 7. 2	
		2 pm to 4 pm	One Officer and Sergeant Cook attended a "Cooking" Demonstration at 2nd Army School of Cookery.	
		3.30 pm	Assistant Adjutant and Intelligence Officer attended a Lecture on "Aeroplane Photographs".	No 18 General
		4.30 pm	Commanding Officers, 2nd in Command, Adjutants and Company Commanders attended at Brigade H.Q. for purpose of discussing "tactical exercises".	and Special Idea.
		5.30 pm	Three Officers and two Gas Y.C.O's attended lecture on "Gas Shells" which was given by Chemical Adviser 2nd Army in Schoolhouse	
			BLARINHEM	
		9 pm	Received General and Special Idea for tomorrow's scheme (APPENDIX No 18.)	

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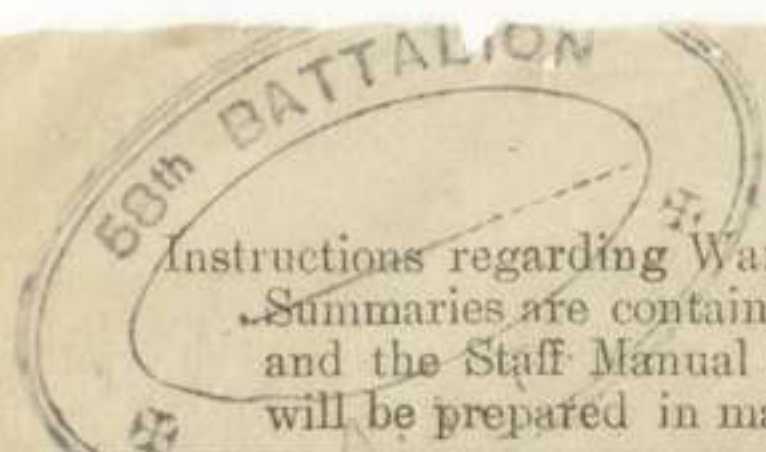
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SERCUS AREA	15/8/14	WEATHER-FINE	<p>8:30 AM to 12:30 PM Training - The following programme was carried out -</p> <p>8:30 AM to 9 AM Rifle Exercises. 9 AM - 10 AM, Company Drill. 10 AM to 12 noon, Specialists training under specialist officers. 10 AM - 10:30 AM Yukon Pack Drill (Packs are to be loaded and practice given in the correct method of adjusting, loading, carrying, etc.</p> <p>10:50 AM to 11:30 AM - Teams' Competition for Specialists.</p> <p>11:30 AM to 12 noon - Bayonet Fighting. 12 noon to 12:15 PM, Lecture Sentry and Sentry Groups, Correct Challenge, etc. 12:15 PM to 12:30 PM Box Respirator Drill. The practice with the Yukon Packs proved useful and the opinion was formed, that this method of carrying bandoliers of S.A.A or small bags of bombs would be most helpful when in the trenches.</p> <p>During the day, Bu Staff made a reconnaissance of area of country on West side of a line drawn from STEENBECQUE to HAZEBROUCK in connection with proposed "Outpost" scheme and "Night Attack".</p> <p>10 AM F.C.M. assembled at Y.M.C.A SERCUS. Ptes GITSHAM and WITHERS of this Bu came up for trial.</p>	<p>BB</p>



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
SERCUS AREA	16/8/17		<p>WEATHER - FINE</p> <p>9:30am 58th Battalion passed starting point on route march, via BLARINGHEM (for details see APPENDIX Y017.) Distance traversed was 8 1/4 miles.</p> <p>3:15pm C.O's of Battalions were called to a Conference at B de H. Qrs to discuss the training for tomorrow.</p> <p>5pm Court of Enquiry was held at 58th Bn H. Q to enquire into the loss of a bicycle which was believed to be stolen on the night of 30th July. Owing to it being lay-day for the troops, a piquet of 1 M.C.O and 2 men per company were sent into STEENBECQUE for patrol duty. There was no trouble whatever. Officers of this Battalion have opened an Officers Club in STEENBECQUE.</p>	

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			WEATHER - FINE	
SERCUS AREA	17/8	8:30 Am 12:30 pm	Companies carried out a programme of work which was set for the training of Specialists.	
	17/8	8:30 am	All officers (less one per coy) proceeded to make a reconnaissance of the roads leading to the assembly point and the sector of ground over which the night-march and night-attack would take place (see APPENDICES Yo's 19 and 20)	Yo 19 Bde March Order and Night Attack Yo 20 Bn Order
		12 noon.	Officers of the various Bns assembled at C. 29. a. 9. 3. Brigade Commander went carefully through all the phases of the night attack with the officers of the different Battalions.	
			Ym Conference concluded	

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			WEATHER - FINE	
SERCUS AREA	18/8	9:30pm	Head of Brigade column passed starting point on a route march via BLARINGHEM. 58 th Battalion lead the column.	1/021
	18/8	5pm	Received Brigade Programme of Work for coming week (APPENDIX No 21)	Programme of Work for week ending
	18/8	2:30pm	C.O held orderly room. Three cases came up for disposal. Two were summarily disposed of by C.O. The third case was remanded for F.G.C.M.	
			The following Y.C.O's of this Battalion have been promoted to 2 nd Lieut's August 25 th	
			2138 C.Q.M.S SHIELDS W.E	
			519 Sgt BAENSCH H.E	
			<u>Arrivals</u> : - LIEUT A.F. BEST	
			8 O.R's from English leave.	
			2 " " From School of Instruction	
			7 " " Rejoined from 5 th A.D.B.D	

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			WEATHER - FINE.	
SERCUS AREA	19.8.17	9am	Church Parade for C. of C. and O.P.D. members of this battalion was held at a point near LA BELLE HOTESSE.	
		11-30am	R. C. parade was held in Parish Church, STEENBECQUE.	
		9-30pm	Received Bde. order cancelling "Night March" of 20/21 st inst and substituting a Route March and "March Past" (APPENDIX No. 22)	No. 22 No. 23
		10-30pm	Issued Bn. training memo. No. 28 re route march. (APPENDIX No. 24)	No. 24
			Arrivals	Departures
			10 ORs from detached duty	Lieut. J. E. Keating } leave to " J. W. Collins } England
				4 ORs do.
				2 ORs to Field Ambulance.
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SERCUS AREA	20-8-17	9-47 ^{am}	WEATHER - FINE	REF. 36A FRANCE	
			58 th Bn. passed starting point (I 3B.5.7) at head of Bde. column which comprised 58 th Bn., 59 th Bn., 15 th M.G. Coy., 15 th L.T.M.B. Route - I 3B.5.7 - road junction I.1.C.3.6 - BLARINGHEM - B.12.C.6.2 - road junction C.13.B.0.6.		
		11-6 ^{am}	The Corps Commander received the salute at Chateau gates, BLARINGHEM.		
		12-15 ^{pm}	Bn. returned to billets.		
		4 ^{pm}	An Anti Gas Door demonstration was given by 15 th Field Coy. A.E. at C. 8B.5-7. All officers attended.	REF. 36A. FRANCE	
		10 ^{pm}	Enemy aeroplanes were over this locality and dropped four bombs - one of which failed to explode. No damage was done.		
			<p style="text-align: center;">Arrivals</p> <p>1 O.R. returned from leave</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Departures</p> <p>6 O.Rs detached</p> <p>2 " evacuated outside Div. area and struck off strength</p>	J.R.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			WEATHER- FINE	
SERCUS AREA	21-8-17	8-30am to 12-30pm	Platoon training, which included a lecture on Night Marches and S. B. R. drill.	
		9-30pm	Received Bde. order re route march tomorrow for 57 th , 58 th , 60 th Bns and 15 th M. G. Coy. (APPENDIX. NO. 25)	No. 25
		3pm	A football match was played between "B" and "D" boys. This was the first match of a series to decide football premiership of the battalion	
			Arrivals 10 O.R.s rejoined	
			Departures 3 O.R.s on furlough 1 O.R. to Field Ambulance	

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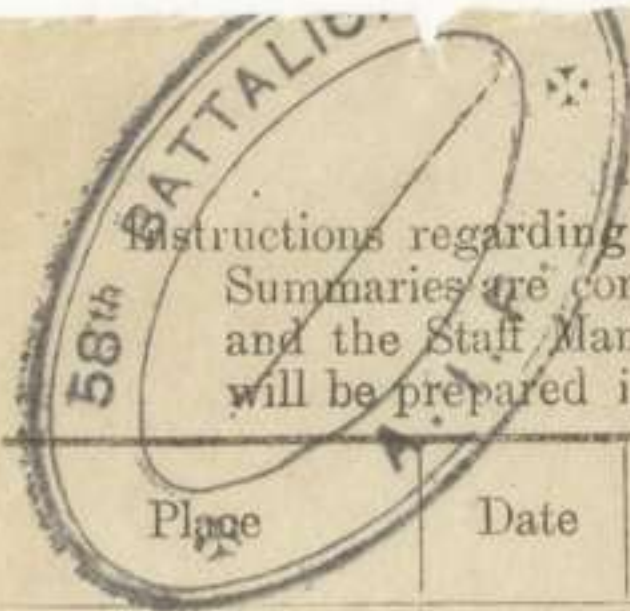
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Place	Date	Hour	WEATHER - FINE	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
SERCUS AREA	22.8.17	9-42am		<p>58th Bn. passed starting point (road junction C10a 7-8 REF. 36A) and joined in Bde. column. Route:- Crossroads C5d 2-8 - crossroads C12c 9-0 - crossroads C17d 8-0 - road junction C24a 3-7 - crossroads C23b 0-2 via LA BELLE HOTESSE. Distance 7 miles.</p> <p>Order of march:- 60th Bn. - 58th Bn. - 57th Bn. - 15th L.T.M.B.</p>	
		11-45am		Bn. returned to billets.	
		10am		<p>G.O. proceeded to Dw. Hqs., BLARINGHEM, to meet G.O.C. 2nd Anzac Corps. F.G.C.M. assembled at Y.M.C.A., SERCUS. Major H. A. Kuring 59th Bn. President. The case of No. 2462 Pte. LORDING J.V. 58th Bn. was dealt with.</p>	
			Arrivals	Departures.	
			3 O.R.'s from detached duty	2 O.R.'s to Field Ambulance	

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Place

Date

Hour

WEATHER - SHOWERY.

Summary of Events and Information

Remarks and references to Appendices

SERCUS 23.8.17

7:30 am.

Muster parade and Bn. drill on battalion parade ground.

AREA

10am - 11am. Specialist training under specialist officers.

11am - 11:15am. Box respirator drill.

6-30pm. Received message from Bde. cancelling "Night March" and substituting bathing parades for this Bn.

Arrivals

Departures

1 O.R. from leave

3 O.Rs to Field Ambulance

1 " " hospital

1 O.R. on leave

J.P.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices						
			WEATHER - FINE.							
SERCUS AREA	24.8.17	8am.	Bathing parade was held at 5 th Div. Baths. All men received a change of underclothing.							
		7pm	The 5 th Div. Concert Party gave a concert in the School Hall, STEENBECQUE. A large number of men from this Bn. marched into STEENBECQUE to attend the concert which was much appreciated.	REF. 36 ^A FRANCE						
		2-30pm	Signal Officer attended a Signal Scheme, which was carried out near LYNDE.							
		8pm	Issued programme of work for week ending 1 st Sept. (APPENDIX No. 26)	No. 26						
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices																
			WEATHER - FINE																	
SEARCUS AREA	25-8-17	8-30 am	Platoons training in specialist work.																	
		10-30 am	Levors Gun Competitions. Teams of 1 N.C.O. and 8 men. Competitions comprised "Stripping", "Blindfolded Stripping and Assembling" and "Stripping with Bosc respirator on". Good results were obtained, and keen interest was taken in the events.																	
		10am	C.O., Transport Co. and Sgt. attended a pack transport demonstration at D8C 6.4 (REF. 36 ^A FRANCE).																	
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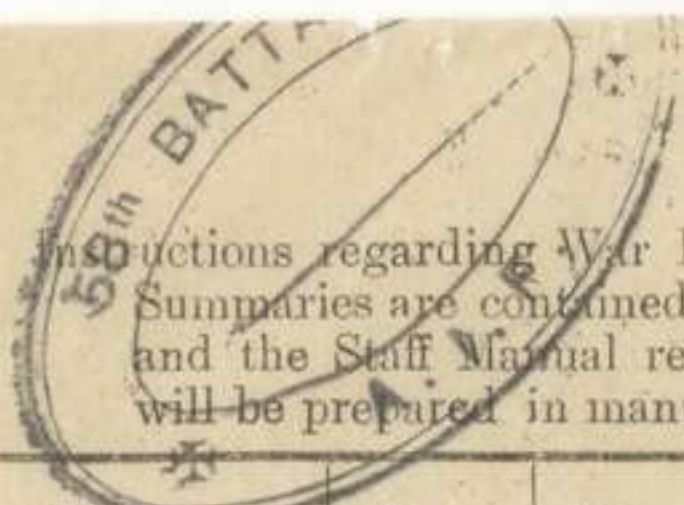
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<i>WEATHER-FINE</i>	
<i>SERCUS AREA.</i>	<i>26-8-17</i>	<i>9-30am</i>	<i>C. of E. and O.P.D. church parade was held at C 21 D 8-8 (REF. 36A.)</i>	
		<i>11-30am</i>	<i>R. Co. parade was held at Parish Church, STEENBECQUE.</i>	
		<i>3pm</i>	<i>C. O's. Bns. held a conference with G. O. C. at Bde. H.Q.s.</i>	
			<i>A football match was played between teams representing Bn. H.Q.s and 'C' Coy, which was won by Headquarters.</i>	
			<i>Arrivals</i>	<i>Departures</i>
			<i>Lieut. Slaughter J. G. from Cadet Bn.</i>	<i>Lieut Scott G.W. Paris leave</i>
			<i>" Webb S. A do.</i>	<i>Lieut Trenchgrove R. do.</i>
			<i>10 O.R's reinforcements</i>	<i>1 O.R. to Pack Transport School.</i>

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			WEATHER - SHOWERY.	
SERCUS AREA	27.8.17	9-30 ^{am}	58 th Bn. passed starting point, - road junction I 3 B 5.7 (REF. 36 ^A) at head of Bde. column. Order of march - 58 th Bn. - 57 th Bn. - 59 th Bn. - 60 th Bn. - 15 th M.G. Coy - 15 th L.T.M.B. - Bde H.Hs.	
			Route - road junction I 3 B 5.7. via LES CISEAUX - road junction I. C. 3.5 - BLARINGHEM crossroads at B 23 A. 7.9 - crossroads B 12 C. 6.2 - C 13 B 0.6.	REF. 36 ^A .
		12-15 ^{pm}	Bn. returned to billets.	
		3 ^{pm}	C.O., O.C. A Coy., and L.G. officer attended a lecture at HAZEBROUCK, on Machine Gun Tactics and Barrage Fire.	
			Arrivals	
			5 O.Rs. from Rest camp.	
			1 O.R. " leave	
			Lieut. A.V. Morey from 15 th T. Bn. (seconded list)	
			Departures	
			Lieut. L.S. Davis } leave to " C.R. Cole } England.	
			3 O.Rs	
			8 O.Rs to Rest camp.	
				<i>J.H.</i>



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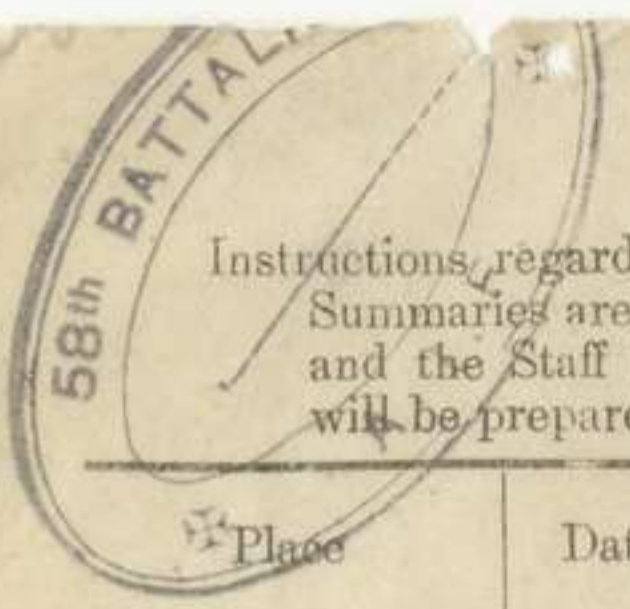
Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			WEATHER - RAIN	
SERCUS AREA	28.8.17	8:30 ^{am}	Platoon training until 11am when companies were compelled to return to their billets owing to heavy rain falling. Lecture on "Company in Attack".	
			<p style="text-align: center;">Arrivals</p> <p>8 OR's rejoined</p> <p>2 OR's from leave</p> <p>1 OR " Paris leave</p>	
			<p style="text-align: center;">Departures</p> <p>Lieut. L. F. Reynolds } to Hq. Signal</p> <p>" J. Syder } School.</p> <p>1 OR.</p> <p>2 OR's Field Ambulance</p>	

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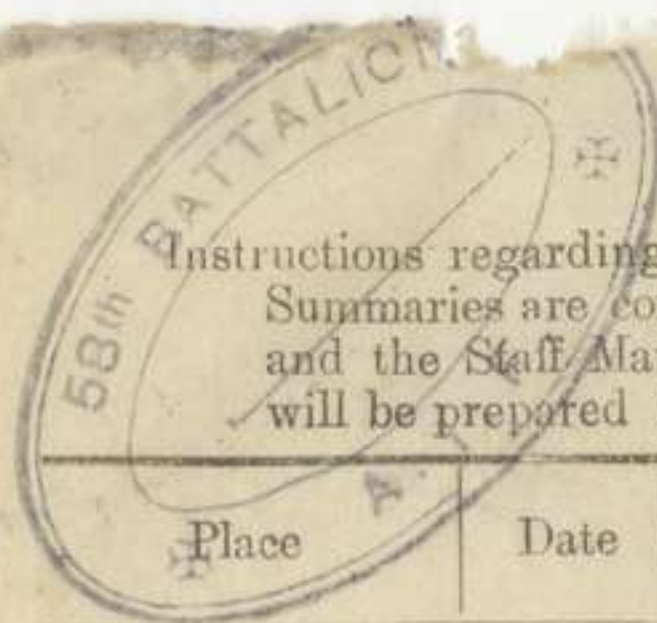
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices				
			WEATHER - SHOWERY.					
SERCUS AREA	29.8.17	8-30 am - 12-30 pm	Platoon training - bayonet fighting, specialist training and S.B.R. drill was carried out.					
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			WEATHER- RAIN.	
SERCUS AREA.	31.8.17	8-30 am - 11-15 am	Training on battalion parade ground. Work - Musketry instruction, smartening up drill and saluting.	
		11-15 am	Companies dismissed to billets to prepare for Bde. Night March.	
		4-30 pm	Bde. Night March cancelled owing to heavy rain.	
			Arrivals	
			11 O.Rs rejoined	
			Lieut. J.E. Keating from leave	
			J.W. Collins do.	
			Departures	
			Lieut. W. Flintoft	temp. detached whilst attending Bde. N.C.O. School of Instruction
			25 O.Rs	
			Strength	
			Officers	O.Rs
			Detached duties 14	102
			Field Ambulance 1	6
			With unit 33	756
			<u>Total Strength</u>	<u>48 Off. 864 O.Rs</u>

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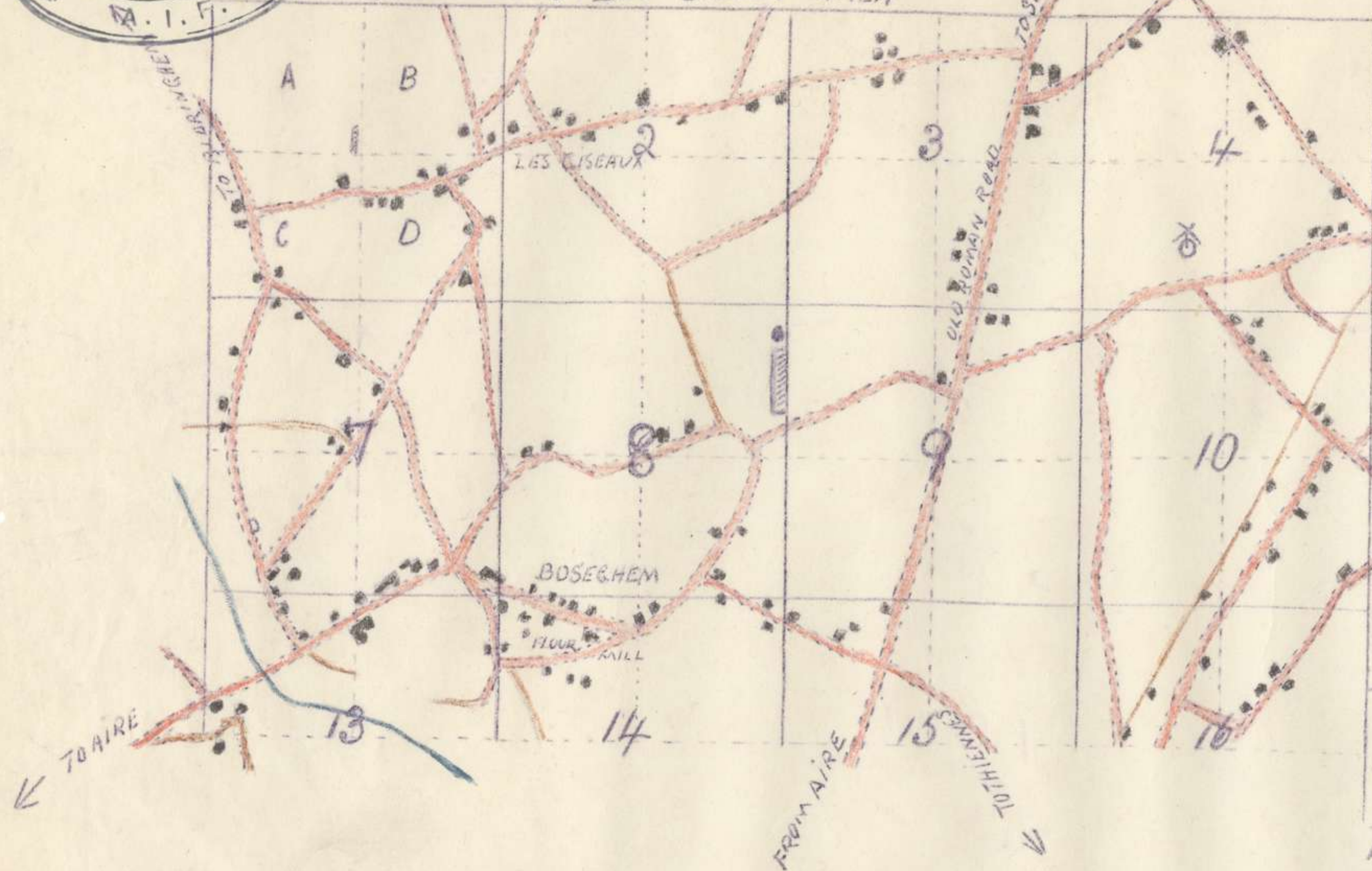
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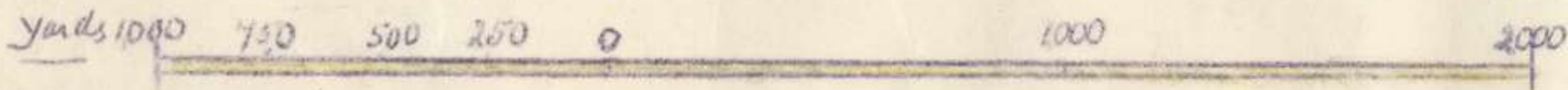
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HQ Billets - 1.3.6
A Coy - 1.3.d
B Coy - 1.4.b
C Coy - 1.2.b
D Coy - 1.4.A
TRANSPORT - 1.3.c

Billets consist of farm houses.
Roads are second class and very narrow.

No vacant land is available for training purposes.

Water is obtainable from wells.
Country is level.

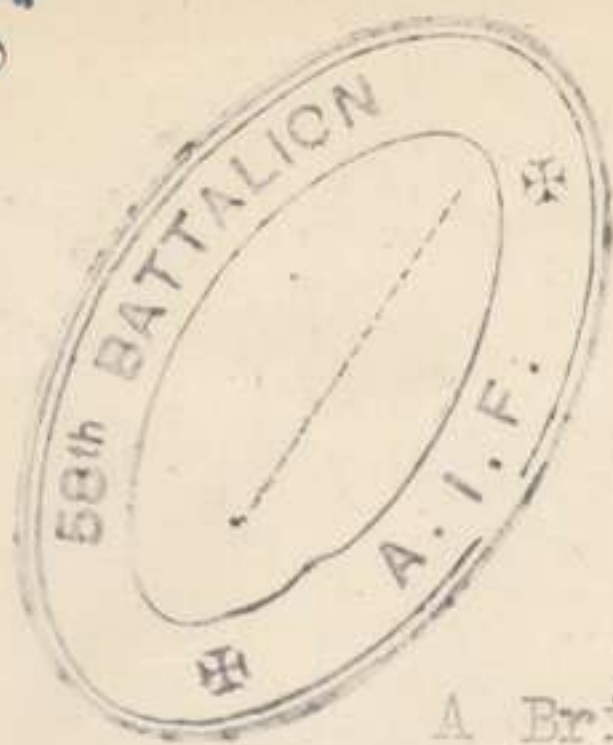


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APPENDIX No. 2.15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

A Brigade Route March will be carried out to-morrow 2nd inst.

STARTING POINT. (Ref. HAZEBROUCK 5A) - LA BELLE HOTESSE.
I/100000

TIME OF PASSING. 9.0 a.m.

ORDER OF MARCH.
58th Battalion.
59th Battalion.
60th Battalion.
15th M.G. Coy.
15th A.L.T.M.B.
15th Brigade H.Q.

ROUTE. X Roads I mile EASR of M in BLARINGHEM - BLARINGHEM
Road Junction I/2 mile W.E. of first F in NEUF - FOSSE -
LYNDE - EBBLINGHEM Station - WALLON CAPPEL X Roads.

TRANSPORT. First line Transport will accompany Units.

DRESS. Full Marching Order with Steel Helmets.

HALTS. Ten minute halts at ten minutes to the clock hour
will be observed throughout the march.

DISTANCES. The following distances will be observed on the march -

Between Companies	100 Yards.
Between Battalions	200 Yards.
Between Battalions and their First Line Transport	100 Yards.

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(Sgd.) S. A. STREET Captain.
Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade, A.I.F.

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APPENDIX NO. 3.

GENERAL IDEA.

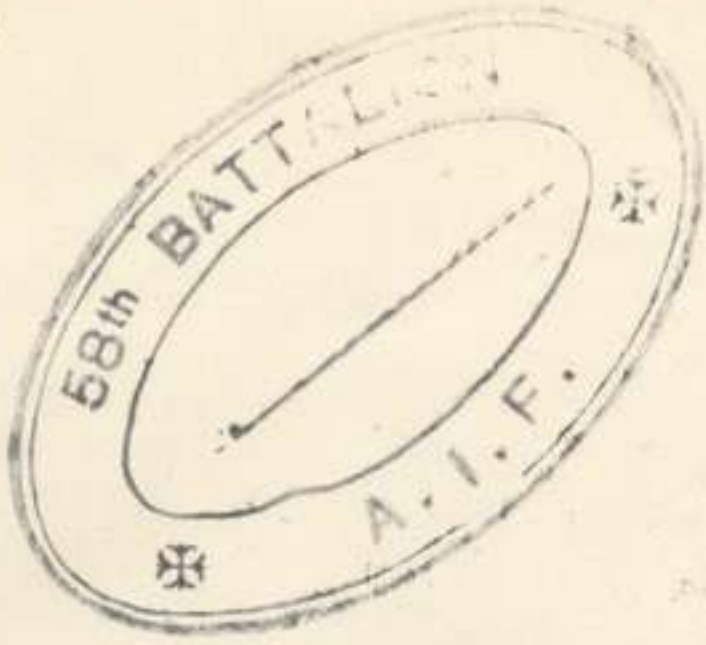
As a result of recent operations the German line along the line STEENFORDE - HAZEBROUCK - SERCUS - AIRE has been pierced and our troops are now occupying this line with outposts on the line HAZEBROUCK - LA BELLE HOTESSE - BOESEGHEM.

The enemy is reported by aerial reconnaissance as having fallen back but his patrols were observed late last night (2/3 August) in the vicinity of STEENBECQUE and MORBECQUE. It is believed that the enemy contemplates a considerable retirement.

An immediate and vigorous pursuit has been ordered.

No large German reserves are at hand.

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APPENDIX NO. 4.SPECIAL IDEA.

The 5th Australian Division, which has been in reserve, has been brought up and bivouaced for the night of 2/3 August in the vicinity of EBBLINGHEM and is to continue to advance on 3rd August via SERCUS - STEENBECQUE on to ST. VENANT.

The 1st Australian Division is moving on to MERVILLE by the main HAZEBROUCK - MERVILLE Road.

The 2nd Australian Division is moving on to BUSNES via ISBERGUES - GUARBECQUE.

The 5th Australian Divisional Order provides that the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade with I Squadron 15th Light Horse, 14th Field Artillery Brigade (less I Battery of 18 Pounders) and I bearer sub-division of the 15th Field Ambulance will form the Advanced Guard of the Division during to-day's advance.

Units are distributed as under :-

Brigade H.Q.	WALLON CAPPEL.
57th Battalion.	WALLON CAPPEL.
58th - 59th Bns. - 15th M.G. Coy.	LYNDE.
60th Bn.	LE NOIR TROU.
15th L.T.M.B.	ST. LEGER.
14th F.A. Bty. and 13th A.L.H.	STAPLE.
15th Field Ambulance.	EBBLINGHEM.
29th A.A.S.C.	With Units.

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MARCH TABLE.

A.I. This Table to be attached to Advance Guard Order No. X, 3rd Inst.

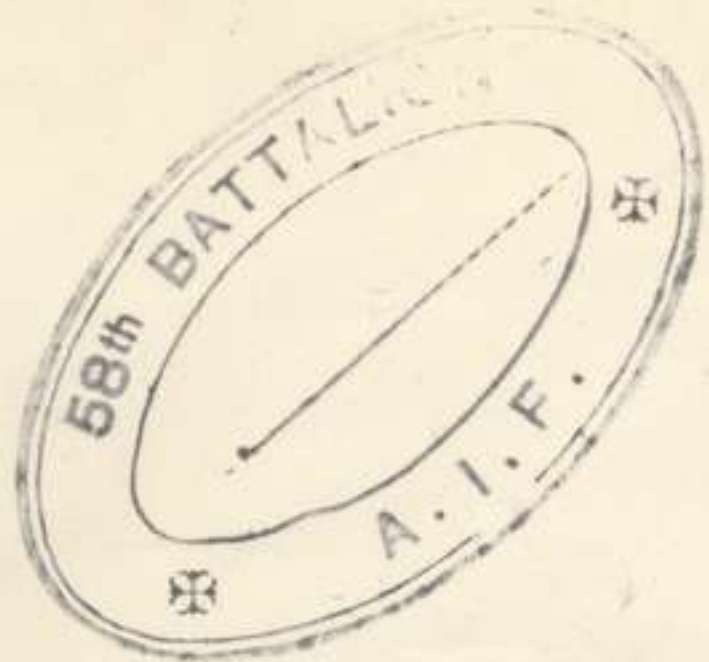
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UNIT.	FROM	Starting Point TIME OF PASSING.	STARTING POINT	ROUTE.
57th Battalion (with I Squadron Light Horse I Sect. M.G. Coy)	WALLON CAPPEL	7.0 a.m.	Road Junction 1/2 mile N.E. of SERCUS	OLD ROMAN ROAD.
15th A.I. Bde. H.Q. 6	Ditto.	8.0 a.m.	Ditto.	Ditto.
15th A.L.T.M.B.	ST. LEGER	8.3 a.m.	Ditto.	Ditto.
58th Battalion	LYNDE.	8.5 a.m.	Ditto.	Ditto.
15th M.G. Coy. (less I Section)	LYNDE.	8.13 a.m.	Ditto.	Ditto.
I Battery Fld. Artillery.	STAPLE.	8.18 a.m.	Ditto.	Ditto.
59th Battalion.	LYNDE.	8.23 a.m.	Ditto.	Ditto.
14th F.A. Bde. (less 2 Batteries)	STAPLE.	8.31 a.m.	Ditto.	Ditto.
60th Battalion.	LE NOIR THOU	8.40 a.m.	Ditto.	Ditto.
I Bearer Sub-Sept. Fld. Ambulance.	EBBLINGHEM	8.50 a.m.	Ditto.	via Wallon Cappel.

Appendix 4

(Sgd) J. E. KEATING Lieut. & Adj.
58th Battalion A.I.F.

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APPENDIX NO. 5.FIRST PHASE.No. 6 Bn. Orders.TASKS.

1. (a) Write orders for the advanced guard with march table showing time.
Each unit should pass the starting point (Road junction half a mile N.E. of SERCUS). The head of the main guard will pass at 8 a.m.
 - (b) As O.C. Advanced Guard, what verbal or other instructions would you give to the L.H. Commander on reporting to you.
 2. What is the length of the Brigade Column (less vanguard which will consist of 1 Battalion and 1 Squadron L.H.) and 1 Section 15th M.G. Coy.
 3. As a Battalion Commander what measures (in the absence of specific instructions) would you adopt at each halt.
 4. How will the Brigade Group be fed in moving warfare.
 5. As a Battalion Commander you are ordered to detach a platoon as escort to a battery. Your platoon commander is inexperienced - what orders would you give in regarding his duties.
 6. What is the maximum range of an 18-pdr gun and a 4.5" how.
- N.B. (a) Each Battalion Group (i.e. O.C., 2nd i/c, Adjutant and Company Commanders) will work as a syndicate and hand in one set of tasks.
- (b) The above tasks are to be handed in at the first conference which will be held at Road junction half mile N.E. of SERCUS at 9 a.m.
- (c) The time taken to answer each question will be shown on the papers.

Officers should bring lunch and horse-holders.

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No. 8 Battalion Order.

Reference 36 a.

You are O.C. Vanguard (1 Battalion, 1 Section 15th M.G. Coy and 1 Squadron Light Horse). On arrival at LA BELLE HOTESSE your Light Horse Commander reports that his left patrol about C.23.d.8-1 was fired at and held up by a small party of the ~~enemy~~ enemy near the house at C.29.d.9-3 and his centre patrol was held up by machine gun fire from C.29.d.1-1. Other small parties of the enemy were seen at houses in C.23.d.

TASKS

1. Draw a sketch showing dispositions of vanguard at this time.
2. State fully your action upon receipt of the above message.

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 APPENDIX NO. 8

58th BATTALION
 SECOND PHASE OF ADVANCE GUARD SCHEME BY LIEUT-COL/ CHAS. A. DENNEY, DSO
 Commanding
 58th Battalion.

1. Light Horse patrol has been fired on from following places, C.24.b.93
 & C.29.d.1-1, and enemy patrols have been seen at houses in C.28a.
 There is an Machine Gun in C.29.d.1-1.
2. Our Light Horse Patrol on the left has reached about C.23.d.8-1.
 The exact location of centre and right patrols are not reported with exactness.
3. Captain X will take forward "A" Coy. with 1 Vickers Gun along the road running S.E. through C.25.b.1 towards STEENBECQUE. He will not employ more than two platoons at the outset. The other two platoons will be kept well in rear and only used if necessary. He will reconnoitre the vicinity of the houses where enemy is sheltering and endeavour to surround the position.
4. Captain V. with one trench mortar which will be requisitioned from main guard and sent forward as soon as possible will move forward with half company, "B" Coy., against the machine gun position at C.29.d.1-1. Only one platoon to be used in the initial attempt. Move via road C.29.b. - C.29.a.
5. Lieut. Z. with remainder of "B" Coy. and one Vickers machine gun attached will move via road C.22.d. and C.23.a and b and d against the enemy position C.29.b.9-3.
6. All movements with decision and no more than necessary exposed to fire.
7. Reports to C.C., Vanguard at roads, C.22.c.9-2.

O.C. Vanguard.

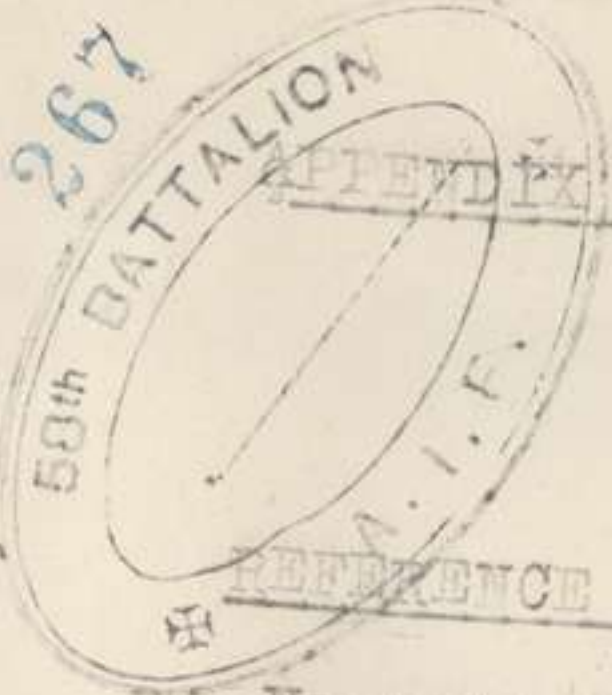
Lieut-Col.

Issued at 10.25 a.m.

Copies to all units advanced guard.

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APPENDIX NO. 9

THIRD PHASE

No 10 Battalion
Orders

REFERENCE 36a .

Narrative

As O.C. advanced guard you arrive at LA BELLE HOTESSE.

The two companies of the vanguard have made good the line N in STEEN-
BECQUE to house at C.29.b.8-3, the enemy having fallen back. The van-
guard are held up by a force of the enemy estimated at two companies
of Infantry and about six machine guns distributed from about I.5.c.cent
I.5.a.9-5 to C.29.d.9-5. They appear to be entrenched with some
barbed wire.

The left patrol of L.H. has gained the line of the STEENBECQUE -
MORBECQUE road at C.30.d.1-5 and reported no sign of enemy towards
MORBECQUE.

TASK

Issue any orders you consider necessary.

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APPENDIX NO. 10

THIRD PHASE OF ADVANCED GUARD BY LIEUT-COL CHAS. A. DENEHY, D.S.O.
 Commanding 58th Battalion A.I.F.

Reference 36 a.

1. Our vanguard is held up on a line N. of in STEENBECQUE, to C.29.b.8.
2. The enemy has entrenched and put up wire at intervals along a line I.5.0. central to I.5.a.9-5 - C.29.d.9-5. He has two companies of Infantry and about 6 machine guns distributed along this line.
3. The 55th Battery will move S. along ROMAN ROAD and occupy a suitable position in I.3. and enfilade the enemy position.
4. The 58th Battalion, less 2 companies will reinforce the Battalion which is now held up. The remaining 2 companies of 58th Battalion ~~will~~ will move under cover of the ridge LE HEAUT from which they will launch a flank attack.
5. One Section of Trench mortar will accompany 58th Battalion and be attached to Battalion Headquarters.
 One Stokes Mortar gun will proceed with the 2 companies making the flank attack.
6. The enemy position will be assaulted and the village of STEENBECQUE captured.
7. Reports to LA BELLE HOTESSE.

C.C. Advanced Guard.

Lieut-Col.

Issued at 11.45 a.m.
 Copies to all units of advanced Guard.

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APPENDIX NO. 11

No. 12 Battalion Order

FOURTH PHASE

You are O.C. advanced Guard and are at STEENBECQUE CHURCH.

The enemy have fallen back across the railways and retreated in the direction of THIENNES.

The 57th Battalion ~~have~~ ^{has} occupied STEENBECQUE and put scouts beyond to the railway.

58th Battalion has occupied the high ground in C.30. and I.6. Much ammunition has been expended by these Battalions.

The squadron of the 13th A.L.H. are at STEENBECQUE station.

The 59th and 60th Battalions are in reserve.

TASK

Issue orders for a resumption of the march.

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APPENDIX NO. 12.



FOURTH PHASE OF ADVANCED GUARD BY LIEUT-COL. CHAS. A. DENEHY, D.S.O.
 Commanding
 58th Battalion.

Reference 36a.

1. 57th Battalion has occupied STEENBECQUE and their scouts hold Railway Line. 58th Battalion has occupied ground in C.30. and 1-6. The squadron of L.H. are at STEENBECQUE station. The 59th and 60th Battalion are deployed artillery formation in vicinity of cross roads LA BELLE HOTESSE.
2. The enemy have fallen back across the railway line and gone back in the direction of THIENNES.
3. The pursuit of the enemy will be resumed.
4. Transports of 57th and 58th Battalions will at once be utilised to make an ammunition dump near the cross roads I.C.a.2-0.
5. Collecting Station has been established at C.22.c.5-4.
6. At 2 p.m. the 59th Battalion under Lieut-Col. E.F. will pass through the outpost line and take up the work of vanguard. Battalion will move in two columns crossing the railway at LE BAS 1-6,d. and at I.11.d.8-4.
7. Two troops of 13th L.H. will protect left flank of the advance and reconnoitre for a distance of 1,500 yards on either side of the road STEENBECQUE RAILWAY STATION - ST.VENANT. The remaining two troops will proceed in direct north THIENNES and reconnoitre the S.W. corner of BOIS DE AMON and the open country beyond in the direction of CANAL DE LA LYS.
8. The 60th Battalion will advance by the road leading from main STEENBECQUE - MORBECQUE road crossing the railway line the same as for 59th Battalion. Two companies will proceed by ~~xx~~ each road. They will move in artillery formation.
9. The main guard will move in two columns as under:

Right Column.	Left column.
60th Battalion (less 2 companies)	Two companies 60th Battalion
A.L.T.M.B.	1 Section 15th M.G. Coy.
15th M.G. Coy; (less 2 sections)	58th Battalion
57th Battalion (less one company)	
14th F.A. Brigade (less one battery)	
1 Company 57th Battalion	
1 Company Bearer sub-section	
15th Field Ambulance	
15th Brigade Headquarters will march at head of right column.	
The left column will be in command of Lieut-Col. J.	

Lieut-Col. X
 O.C. Advanced Guard

Issued at 1 P.M.
 Copies to all units advanced guard.

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58th BATTALION. A.I.F.

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

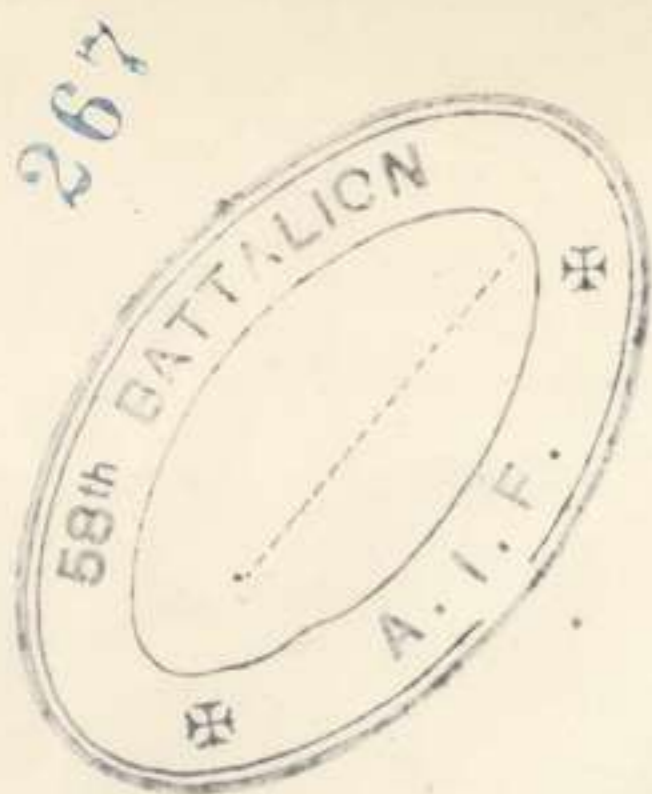
Programme of Work for Week ending 11/8/17.

Date.	Time.	Locality.	Work.	Remarks.
1917. August 6th.	S.P. X Roads 200 yards S.E. of first I in LA BELLE HOTESSE at 9.0 a.m.	Via LYNDE - Road Junction I 1/2 miles South of Second B in EBBLINGHEM - BLARINGHEM - Road Junction 200 yards N. of second E in LE CROQUET.	Brigade Route March. Full Marching Order with Steel Helmets. Order of March 57th 58th - 59th - 60th Bns. - 15th M.G. Coy. 15th ALTMB - Bde. HQ.	Pass D.H.Q. BLARINGHEM about 11.0 a.m.
7th.	9.0 a.m. to 2.p.m. approximately.	Rendezvous Road Junction 1/2 mile N.E. of SERCUS at 9.0 a.m.	Exercise without troops for all Officers and Senior N.C.O's. (Troops doing setting up drill).	Same scheme as held on 3rd inst. but working down to Platoon and Section drill.
8th.	As for 6th inst.	As for 6th inst.	As for 6th inst.	Pass D.H.Q. BLARINGHEM about 11.0 a.m.
9th.	9.0 a.m. to 2.p.m. approximately.	Later.	Exercise without troops for C.O's., Seconds in Command, Adjutants and Coy. Commanders.	Details later. Troops doing Platoon training under Battalion arrangements.
10th.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Exercise without troops for C.O's., all Officers and N.C.O's.	Details later. Troops doing setting up drill.
11th.		Move to W.2 Area.		

N.B. S.B. Respirator Drill will be carried out for 15 Minutes daily and Lectures will be held 3 times a week under Battalion arrangements.
 Os.C. Companies will Lecture on "Gas" from 6 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Each Company will forward daily a certificate to Battalion H.Q. on completion of Respirator Drill, certifying that this Drill has been carried out.

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APPENDIX No. 14.

GENERAL IDEA.

As a result of recent operations, the enemy forces are retiring Eastwards through HAZEBROUCK - MORBECQUE - THIENNES and MAMBRES, covered by a considerable rearguard. The enemy is being pursued by British Forces.

SPECIAL IDEA.

The 5th Australian Division, forming part of the pursuing force, has during 10th August, been covering the advance of part of our forces between limits bounded on the North by the ST. OMER - HAZEBROUCK Railway exclusive and on the south by a line drawn from HEURINGHEM to STEENBECQUE inclusive.

The enemy rear parties were encountered several times during the day and retired offering but little resistance until about 3.0 p.m. when our advanced troops were rather roughly handled on approaching the outskirts of HAZEBROUCK - MORBECQUE and STEENBECQUE and are to be withdrawn for reorganization.

The 15th Australian Infantry Brigade are ordered to furnish the outposts for the force on the General Line of the ROMAN ROAD.

The 15th Field Coy. A.E. are attached.

Outpost Headquarters are fixed at SERCUS and outposts are ordered to be in position by 6.0 p.m.

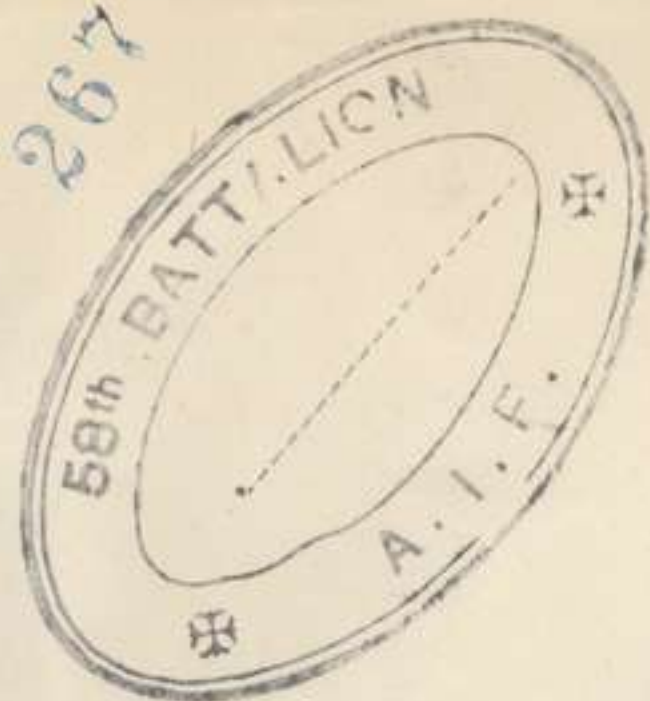
Divisional Headquarters are at BIARINGHEM.

The 7th (British) Division is operating on our Right and it has been arranged that they shall be responsible for the ground South of Road Junction at I.3.B.5.7. exclusive.

The 10th (British) Division is operating on our Left and is responsible for the ground Northwards from the Railway Line inclusive but our advanced troops have not had touch with them for some hours.

Our advanced troops report that the enemy on our immediate front appear to have received reinforcements and shown a disposition for offensive action.

It is therefore thought possible that our advanced troops falling back through our outpost line at night-fall, the enemy may attempt to follow them up.

APPENDIX No. 15.FIRST PHASE.

TASKS. (I & 2 for Battalion Commanders and Seconds in Command.)

1. Make a reconnaissance, as a staff Officer of the Brigade, of the of the General Line of the Outposts and furnish a report as to the minimum number of troops required to hold it under the circumstances.

(N.B. It is important that the enemy should not drive us off this road).

2. Write the Outpost Order founded on the Reconnaissance.

3. Draw up Battalion Orders founded on the Outpost Order issued by the Battalion Commander for the Occupation of the allotted Outpost Position.

4. Draw a sketch showing proposed disposition of your Company in the Outpost Scheme.

5. Give the sequence of the Duties of the Commanders of an Outpost Company.

6. What precautions should be taken by the Outposts at daybreak.

(Nos. 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 for Company Commanders.)

S E C R E T

OUTPOST ORDER NO. I.

Copy No.

REFERENCE : Sheet 27. I.40,000
Sheet 36A I.40,000

15th Infantry Brigade Headquarters
10th August 1917.

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- 58th BATTALION
1. (a). The advanced guard 5th Australian Division found by troops of 8th Brigade, have met with determined resistance along the line HAZEBROUCK - MOREBECQUE - STEENBECQUE, and have suffered heavily. It has been decided to withdraw them for reorganisation. The 15th Infantry Brigade has been ordered to furnish the Outposts for the 5th Australian Division on the general line of the ROMAN ROAD. The 15th Field Company A.E. is attached. Boundaries of our line of advance are :- Northern boundary, Railway Line ST. OMER, HAZEBROUCK exclusive. Southern Boundary, a line HEURINGHEN to STEENBECQUE inclusive. The 7th (British Division) are advancing on our Right. They are responsible for the ground N. of the Railway inclusive. Touch has been lost with their advanced troops for some hours.
- (b). Enemy rear parties were in touch with our advanced troops at 3.0 p.m. on the outskirts of HAZEBROUCK - MORBECQUE - STEENBECQUE. Reports from our advanced troops indicate that the enemy rear parties have been reinforced and it is probable that they may attempt to follow our troops as they withdraw through the Outpost Line.
2. The outpost line will be from :- I.4.A.5.6. through Road Junction C.29.A.3.7., C.25.C.7.8., Cross Roads C.II.A. central to Cross Roads U.24.C.3.8. to Railway Line U.24.A.4.6. First Section from I.4.A.5.6. to C.I7.A.3.2. will be held by the 58th Battalion. Second Section from C.I7.A.3.2. to U.30.A.0.0. will be held by the 57th Battalion. Third Section from U.30.A.0.0. to U.24.A.4.6. will be held by 2 Companies of 59th Battalion. The 59th Battalion less 2 Companies will occupy billets at the Cross Roads C.I0.A.7.9. The 60th Battalion will be billeted in SERCUS. The last two Units mentioned will form the Reserve. Two Vickers Machine Guns are allotted to each of No. 1 & 2 sections and 1 Vickers Machine Gun to No. 3. Section. Lieut.-Col. Stewart, D.S.O., will be in command of the Outpost Line with Headquarters at Cross Road C.I0.A.7.9.
3. Divisional Mounted Troops will send a patrol N. of the Railway to re-establish communication with the Division on our Left. Major X of the 59th Battalion will, pending re-establishment of communication, be responsible for guarding the Railway Line. Mounted troops will also establish Cossack Posts in the BOIS DES HUITRUES and the wood in C.23.24. and remain there until day-break unless the enemy arrives sooner.
4. The Outpost line as set out in para 2. will be approximately the line of Picquets and will be the line of resistance. The ROMAN ROAD must be protected at all costs.
5. Outposts will be in position by 6.0 p.m.. The hour of relief will be notified later.
6. Pass word will be "WHITEWASH".
7. Outpost Headquarters are at SERCUS.

Time of issue:- 4.10 p.m.
by S.D.R.

(Sgd) H. E. ELLIOTT, Brigadier General.
Commanding 15th Infantry Brigade, A.I.F.

Copy No. 1 War Diary	No. 5 58th Battalion.	No. 9 O.C. Ad. Troops
2 do.	6 59th Battalion.	10 " Div.Mtd. "
3 File	7 60th Battalion.	11 Div. H.Q.
4 57th Battalion.	8 15th M.G. Coy.	12 15th F.E. Coy.

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S E C R E T

OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO.

Copy No.

BY

LIEUT.-COLONEL CHAS. A. DENEHY, D.S.O., COMMANDING 58th BATTALION, A.I.F.

REFERENCE :- France.
 Sheets 36A I.40,000
 27. I.40,000

Battalion Headquarters,
 10th August 1917.

- I. (a). Our advanced troops, who are being withdrawn tonight, report that the enemy on our immediate front have received reinforcements and show a disposition for offensive action. It is therefore thought possible that on our advanced troops falling back through the outpost line at night-fall, the enemy may attempt to follow them back.
- (b). The 7th British Division is on our right. The 59th Battalion is on our left.
2. (a). The 58th Battalion has been ordered to furnish outposts along a line from I.3.B.5.7. to and inclusive of the STEENBECQUE at the road crossing at C.23.B.1.3.
 The line of outposts for the 58th Battalion will be along contour 40 in I.4. and C.29 & 30.
- (b). Company frontages:- "A" Company from MILL in I.4.C.8.4. to and inclusive of corner at C.29.C.3.1. "B" Company from C.29.C.3.1. to C.30.C.8.2. "C" Company from C.30.C.8.7. to and inclusive of house at C.24.C.95.40.
 "D" Company will furnish a detached post of 2 Platoons to protect the road junction at I.3.B.5.7. The remainder of "D" Company will be in reserve and will be billeted at Cross Roads at C.28.B.4.8.
- (c). One Vickers Machine Gun will be attached to each Company.
3. The Outpost Line as detailed in para 2 (a) will be the line of resistance and must be held at all costs.
4. Fires may be lighted and cooking done at the following points :- I.4.A.9.8. ("A" Company will also provide for detached post at I.3.B.5.7.), C.29.B.9.3., C.23.D.8.1., and at LA BELLE HOTESSE. There is to be no smoking or lights shown after dark.
5. The Outposts will be relieved at 8.0 a.m.
6. The Outposts will be in position by 7.0 p.m.
7. Battalion Headquarters will be at Cross Roads at C.28.B.4.8.

(Sgd) CHAS. A. DENEHY, D.S.O., Lieut.-Colonel.
 Commanding 58th Battalion, A.I.F.

Time:- 5 p.m.
 by special Orderly.

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1. War Diary.
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 3. File.
 4. "A" Company.
 5. "B" Company.
 6. "C" Company.
 7. "D" Company.
 8. Brigade Headquarters.

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58th BATTALION. A.I.F.

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Programme of Work for Week ending 18/8/17.

APPENDIX A. No 17
A.I.F.

Date.	Time.	Locality.	Work.	Remarks.
1917. August 12th		Battalion Billeting Areas.	Church Parades.	
13th	Outposts to be in Position by 12 noon.	General Line ROMAN ROAD.	Outpost Scheme with troops.	Scheme held on 10th in without troops to be repeated with troops.
14th	8.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Battalion Billeting Areas.	Platoon Training.	
15th	9 a.m. to 2 p.m. approximately.	Later.	Exercise without troops for C.O's, Seconds in Command, Adjutants & Company Commanders.	Details later. Troops doing Platoon Training.
16th	*S.P. Road Junction at I.3.B.5.7. at 9.30 a.m.	*Via Road Junction I.I.C. 3.6. - BLARINGHEM - roads C.I2.C.6.2. Road Junction C.I3.B.0.6.	Brigade Route March.	Pass D.H.Q. BLARINGHEM about 10.45 a.m.
17th	9 a.m. to 2 p.m. approximately.	Later.	Exercise without troops for all Officers and Senior N.C.O's.	Details later. Troops doing setting up drill.
18th	As for the 16th inst.	As for the 16th inst.	Brigade Route March.	Pass D.H.Q. BLARINGHEM about 10.45 a.m.

*Order of March 58 - 57 - 59 - 60th Bns. - 15th M.G. Coy. - 15th A.L.T.M.B. - Bde. H.Q.

S.B. Respirator Drill will be carried out for 15 minutes daily and Lectures will be held 3 times a week.

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299th INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 125.

Copy No.

15/8/17.

APPENDIX 2019

- (1). The 298th Infantry Brigade is holding a line of Outposts covering the line HAZEBROUCK - MORBECQUE - STEENBECQUE.
- (2). Under cover of these Outposts the 299th Infantry Brigade will march tonight to a position of assembly in accordance with the attached March Table.
- (3). The positions of assembly will be as hereunder.
 "W" Battalion in Field at I.5.C. central.
 "X" Battalion in Field at I.6.A.8.4.
 "Y" Battalion in Field at I.6.B.
 "Z" Battalion in Field at C.25.C.3.2.
 299th M.G. Coy. and 299th L.T.M.B. will assemble at I.6.A.8.4.
- (4). Two Mounted Representatives of Units will report to Brigade H.Q. immediately on receipt of this Order and will proceed with the Brigade Staff Officer to the position of assembly.
- (5). First Echelon of First Line Transport will accompany Units. The Second Echelon will remain at HAZEBROUCK until 2.0 a.m. when it will move to join Brigade. Battalions will send Cyclist Orderlies to HAZEBROUCK to act as guides.
- (6). (a). Troops will wear Full Marching Order, White Arm-bands and will carry 170 rounds S.A.A., 2 bombs per man, and rations for 16th inst. in addition to the iron ration.
 (b). The leading 4 men of each Platoon will carry Bill-hooks.
- (7). The watchword will be NELSON.
- (8). Halts for 15 minutes will be observed at a quarter to every clock hour. Troops must not halt until all lost distances have been made up.
- (9). Rifles are not to be loaded, but magazines will be charged. Absolute silence must be maintained and no smoking or lights will be allowed.
- (10). The Brigade Staff will wear white helmet covers. Reports to the head of the column while on the march and on arrival at the position of assembly to I.6.A.3.3.
- (II). ACKNOWLEDGE.

(Sgd) S. A. STREET Captain.
 Brigade Major.
 299th Infantry Brigade.

Dictated to representatives of Units at 7.45 p.m.

Copies to :-

100th Division	No. 1
298th Infantry Brigade	No. 2
B.G.C., 299th Inf. "	No. 3
War Diaries	No. 4 & 5
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MARCH TABLE TO ACCOMPANY

299th INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 125.

D. 5th BATTALION August 15th	TROOPS IN ORDER OF MARCH.	STARTING POINT.		ROUTE.	REMARKS.
		Place	Time.		
	299th Bde. H.Q.	X Roads at D.3.C.8.4.	9 p.m.	Via MORBECQUE - Road Junction D.19.D.2.0. - Railway Crossing at D.25.D.7.7. - LE BAS.	(a) The Starting point will be marked with a red light. (b) The Brigade Signal Section is providing Cyclist Orderlies to act as guides at all turnings after D.19.D.2.0.
16th	"W" Battalion.	do.	9.1 p.m.	As for B.H.Q. up to LE BAS thence Railway Crossing at I.12.A.7.5. - School at I.5.D.06	
do.	"X" Battalion.	do.	9.8 p.m.	As for B.H.Q.	
do.	"Y" Battalion.	do.	9.15 p.m.	Via MORBECQUE - Road Junction D.19.D.2.0. - Railway Crossing at D.25.D.7.7. X Roads at J.I.A.I.O.	
do.	"Z" Battalion.	do.	9.22 p.m.	Via MORBECQUE - Road Junction D.19.D.2.0. - Railway Crossing at D.25.D.7.7. - X Roads at D.25.D.4.4.	
do.	299th M.G. Coy.	do.	9.29 p.m.	As for "X" Battalion.	
do.	299th I.T.M.B.	do.	9.33 p.m.	As for "X" Battalion.	

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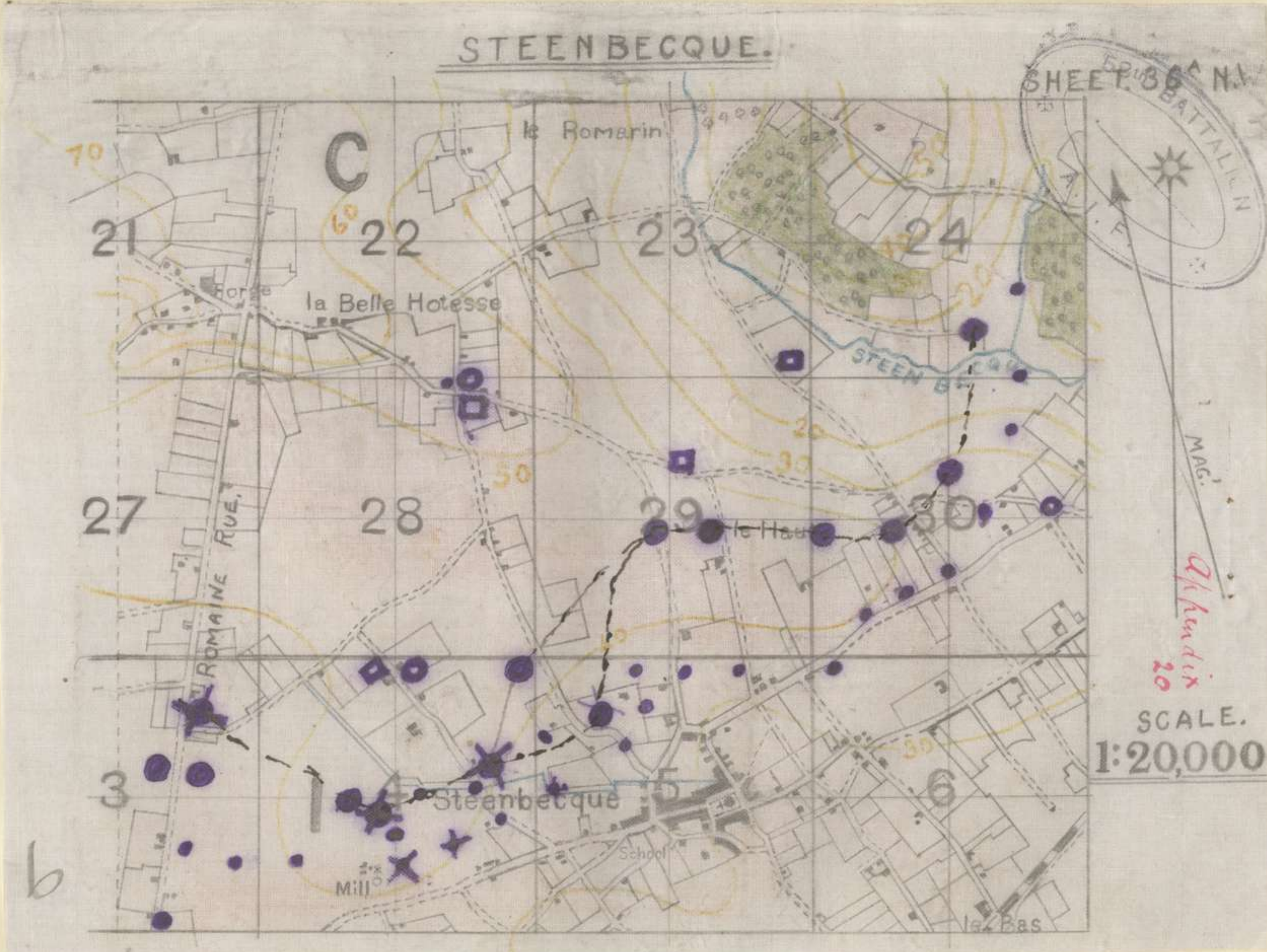
"BINDER" BATTALION ORDER NO. XI.

17th August 1917.

- (1). The enemy is holding an Outpost Line running approximately from C24 Central S.W. along the ridge through C29 and C28.
- (2). "X" Battalion will attack the piquets situated on the two roads running N. and S. through C29.c. & d.
 "W" Battalion is on our left moving against enemy piquet positions and following generally the direction of the road LA BELLE HOTESSE S. through C.28.b. & d. to STEENBECQUE.
 "Y" Battalion is attacking on our Right along the general direction of the road running N.W. through C.30 & C.23.
 "Z" Battalion is attacking the wood in C.23 and C.24.
- (3). The Right and Left Boundaries of the attack will be as shown in attached sketch. The attack will be made on the two piquet positions by "A" and "B" Companies. "A" Company will be on the Right. "B" Company will be on the Left. "C" and "D" Companies will follow "A" and "B" Companies respectively, but will not pass the main STEENBECQUE - MORBECQUE Road till the Piquet Line has been reported captured.
 When the piquet position has been captured, "A" and "B" Companies will reorganise on the captured position.
- (4). Troops will move forward from the assembly position at 1 a.m. After the capture of the piquet line, the advance will re-commence at 3.30 a.m. The second objective will be the high ground in C.22.d. and slope in C.23.c. We are responsible for cross roads at C.28.b. The piquet position will be rushed at 2 a.m.
- (5). "A" and "B" Companies will attack and hold second objective. "C" and "D" will move forward and occupy the first objective as soon as it has been vacated.
- (6). Mens' packs and riding hacks will be left in charge of a guard at the place of assembly.
- (7). "C" and "D" Companies will each detail one platoon to carry forward tools and ammunition. They will move forward from 1st objective in rear of the assaulting companies.
- (8). Rifles will not be loaded. Bayonets only are to be used. Grenades may be used if necessary, but only by order of a Company Commander.
 No smoking or lights will be allowed. Troops will lie down while passages are cleared through hedges and no one is to fire without distinct orders.
- (9). If the enemy opens fire, the attack must be pushed forward at all costs.
- (10). Reports prior to capture of 1st objective to assembly ground. After capture of first objective House at C.29.d.5.7.

(Sgd) J. E. KEATING. Lieut. & Adj.
 for Lieut.-Colonel.
 Commanding "Binder" Battalion.

Dictated to Company Commanders
 at 12.45 a.m.



58th BATTALION. A.I.F.

APPENDIX 21

TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR WEEK ENDING 25th AUGUST 1917.

DATE.	TIME.	LOCALITY.	WORK.	REMARKS.
August. 19th	10.30 a.m.		CHURCH PARADES.	
20th	9.0 p.m.	S.P. C.10.a.7-7	BRIGADE NIGHT MARCH	DETAILS LATER.
21st			TROOPS RESTING AFTER NIGHT MARCH.	
22nd	9.0 a.m.	RENDEZ-VOUS LATER.	Exercise without troops for C.O's Seconds in Command, Adjutants and Company Commanders.	Details later. Troops doing Platoon Training.
23rd	9.30 a.m.	S.P. I.3.b.5-7. Route via Road Junction C.I.c.3-6 - BLARINGHEM W Roads B.23.a.7-9. - X Roads B.12.c.7-2 - Road Junction C.13.b.0-6	BRIGADE ROUTE MARCH.	Order of March. 58th, 57th, 59th, 60th, M.G. Coy., L.T.M.B., B.H.Q. Dress. Full Marching Order. Pass D.H.Q. BLARINGHEM about 10.40 a.m.
24th	8.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Battalion Billeting Areas.	PLATOON TRAINING.	
25th	9.30 a.m.	As for 22nd inst.	Exercise without troops for all Officers and Senior N.C.O's	Troops doing setting up Drill.

S.B.R. Drill will be carried out for 15 minutes daily and lectures will be given by Company Commanders three times a week under Company arrangements, viz., every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 5 p.m. to 5.20 p.m.

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58th BATTALION. A.I.F.

5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION SPECIAL ORDER.

Headquarters,
19th August 1917.

I. The Corps Commander will inspect the following Units of the Division with their Ist Line Transport tomorrow MONDAY, August 20th commencing at 10.30 a.m.

8th Infantry Brigade	2 Battalions M.G. Coy. and T.M. Batt.
14th Infantry Brigade	2 Battalions M.G. Coy. and T.M. Batt.
15th Infantry Brigade	2 Battalions M.G. Coy. and T.M. Batt.
Pioneer Battalion	
Divisional Engineers	I Field Coy. to be detailed by C.R.E.
A.A.M.C.	2 F. Ambs. to be detailed by A.D.M.S.
A.A.S.C.	A composite detachment to be detailed by O.C. Div. Train.

2. The Corps Commander is to take up his position at the Chateau gates, BLARINGHEM. Units will march past in column of route in the order given in the attached table.

3. DRESS. Full Marching Order for all units marching past - Steel helmets and small box respirators will be carried. Rifle covers will not be worn; bayonets will not be fixed.

4. The 8th and 14th Infantry Brigade Bands and the Battalion Bands of the 15th Infantry Brigade will report to a General Staff Officer outside the Chateau gates at 10 a.m. tomorrow, 20th inst. Detailed instructions will then be given to each band-master. Dress for Bandsmen: Belt and Bayonet. The Bands will be posted opposite the Saluting Point and will play alternately for all Units.

5. The following distances will be maintained on the march whilst passing the Saluting Point :-

In rear of each Infantry Company, Field Coy. and Field Ambulance.	10 yards
In rear of each Battalion.	20 yards

6. Ist Line Transport will follow their units and will not be grouped.

(Sgd) D. H. KING Major
For Lieut.-Colonel, General Staff.
5th Australian Division.

~~P.T.C.~~

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APPENDIX No. 22^A



58th BATTALION. A.I.F.

Unit.	Route.	Time of Passing Saluting Point.	Remarks.
58th Battalion. 15th Brigade.	Road Junction B.24.c.4.0. thence past BLARINGHEM Church to Chateau gates.	II.6 a.m.	Return via cross roads in B.12.c. thence along road running S.E.

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APPENDIX 22^A



15th Aust. Inf. Bde
~~58th BATTALION~~. A.I.F.

19th August 1917.

With reference to attached Divisional Order
the following additional instructions are issued :-

- (1) Steel Helmets will be worn and not carried.
(vide para. 3 of attached order)
- (2) Units will pass Starting Points as under and will observe
the minute halts to every clock hour.

UNIT.	STARTING POINT Place.	Time.	ROUTE.
58th Battalion.	I.3.B.5.7.	9.47 a.m.	Via Road Junction I.I.C.3.6. B.24.C.0.4., etc.
59th Battalion.	X Roads SERCUS C.9.B.2.0.	10.9 a.m.	Via C.I3.B.0.6. - past LE LABOUREUR in C.I3.C. etc.
15th M.G. Coy.	ditto.	10.15 a.m.	ditto.
15th ALTMB.	ditto.	10.19 a.m.	ditto.

- (3) Attention is directed to para. 4 attached order. This
refers to the bands of the 58th and 59th Battalions.

(Sgd) S. A. STREET Captain.
Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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58th Battalion TRAINING MEMO. NO. 28

19th August 1917

Reference - France 36a 1/40,000.

1. Instructions re Night March for 20th/21st August as set out in syllabus are cancelled. The following is substituted, as far as 20th inst. is concerned.
2. The 58th Battalion will take part in a route march and "March Past".
3. Route for 58th Battalion will be the same as for last route march.
4. Saluting point where the Corps Commander will receive the Salute will be the Chateau gates, BLARINGHEM.
5. The unit immediately preceeding the 58th Battalion will be the 14th A.L.F.M.B. who will reach the Saluting Point via the road running S.E. through B.17.c.
The 59th Battalion will be in rear of 58th Battalion and will enter BLARINGHEM via road running S.W. through B.24.a. and B.23.b.
6. 1st Line Transport will follow the Battalion. Cooker limbers will be included.
7. DRESS. Full marching order. Steel helmets will be worn and small box respirators will be carried. Rifle covers will NOT be carried.
8. Distances will be strictly observed, - 10 yards between companies and 20 yards between Battalions.
9. Halts at ten minutes to the clock hour.
10. Watches must be most carefully synchronised. Signaling Officer will arrange.
11. Head of column will pass starting point (I.3.b.507) at 9.47 a.m.
ORDER OF MARCH.

Battalion Headquarters.
 "A" Company
 "B" Company
 "D" Company
 "C" Company.
 1st Line Transport.

12. Officers will most carefully inspect their men and see that they are carefully turned out down to the smallest detail. All ranks, both mounted and dismounted, will be warned to salute smartly and accurately. Platoon Commanders will especially warn their platoons to turn the head smartly and keep it so till the command "Eyes front".
13. Parade States will be furnished by 9 a.m. Not a man more than is absolutely necessary or absolutely unfit must remain off parade.

DISTRIBUTION

Copy No.	1	File
	2, 3, & 4	War Diary
	5	"A" Coy.
	6	"B" Coy.
	7	"C" Coy.
	8	"D" Coy.
	9	Transport Officer.

(Sgd) E. J. RYAN Lieut.
 a/Adjutant 58th Battalion
 A.I.F.

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58th BATTALION. A.I.F.APPENDIX NO. 25.

The 57th, 58th, and 60th Battalions, and L.T.M.B. will carry out route march tomorrow as detailed below :-

S.P. Road Junction C.10.a.7-8 at 9.30 a.m.

ROUTE. X Roads C.5.d.2.8. - X Roads C.12.c.9-0. - X Roads C.17.d.8-0
Road Junction C.24.a.3-7. - X Roads C.23.b.0-2. via
LA BELLE HOTESSE X Roads.

DRESS. Full Marching Order with Steel Helmets.

TRANSPORT. First Line Transport will accompany Units.

ORDER OF MARCH. 60th Bn., 58th Bn., 57th Bn., L.T.M.B. will
join in rear of 57th Bn., at X Roads at C.5.d.2-8.

Units passing M.G. Coy. on the march will clear the road and give the right of way.

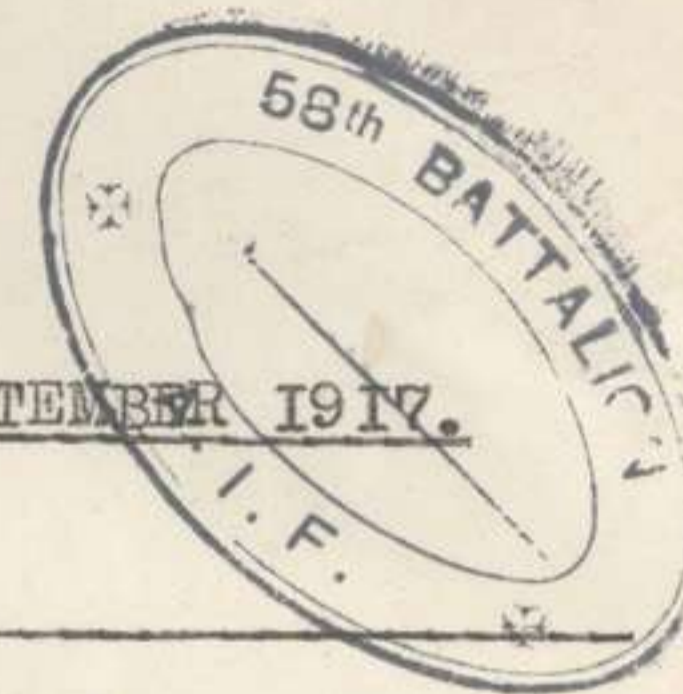
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15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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APPENDIX NO. 26.

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE - TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR WEEK ENDING 1st SEPTEMBER 1917.



DATE.	TIME.	LOCALITY.	WORK.	REMARKS.
August 26th			CHURCH PARADES.	
27th	S.P.		BRIGADE ROUTE MARCH.	
28th	8.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	BATTALION BILLETING AREAS.	PLATOON TRAINING.	
29th	9. a.m. to 2.p.m. (approximately)	LATER.	Exercise in NIGHT MARCHES without troops for each Bn. under Bn. arrangements.	(a) Troops doing setting up drill. (b) Areas later.
30th	8.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	BATTALION BILLETING AREAS.	PLATOON TRAINING.	
31st	9. p.m. to 1.a.m. (approximately)	LATER.	NIGHT MARCHES by Battalions.	Routes etc., later.
Sept. 1st.			Troops resting after NIGHT MARCH.	

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- (a) S.B.R. Drill will be carried out for 15 minutes daily.
- (b) Lectures will be carried out three times a week under Battalion arrangements.

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58th BATTALION. A.I.F.

APPENDIX NO. 27

28th August 1917.

The following amendments will be made to 15th Brigade Training Programme for week ending 1st September 1917.

DATE.	TIME.	LOCALITY	WORK.
August Wednesday 29th.	8.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Battalion Areas.	58th & 59th Platoon Training. 57th & 60th 15th M.G. Coy. REVIEW PARADE.
Thursday 30th	8.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Battalion Areas.	PLATOON TRAINING.
Friday 31st	9.0 p.m. to 1.0 p.m.	As for night 23rd/24th inst.	BRIGADE NIGHT MARCH.
Saturday 1st	UNIT ARRANGEMENTS.		

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for Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.