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Title: 5th Australian Machine Gun
Company

March 1918



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OF

5th Aust. M.G. Company

FOR

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
LART.	MARCH	1 st	Strength of boy: 16 officers. 215 O.R.	Map Ref.
		2 nd	Lieut C. L. M. CRANITCH evacuated	Sheet 36 ^D
		3 rd	Lieuts M. G. RYAN and A. LANGWORTHY left with Transport for PENZANCE CAMP (proceeding by road)	N.E. $\frac{1}{20,000}$
		4 th	Lieuts L. S. DICKINSON and W. SMALL left for PARIS on leave	D. 19. d. 10.
		5 th	Lieut J. DUNNINGHAM left for PENZANCE CAMP in order to take over same from 10 th A.M.G. Coy.	
		6 th	Lieut S. W. COLEMAN proceeded to trenches in order to take over positions from 11 th A.M.G. Coy.	
PENZANCE CAMP.		4 th	In accordance with Brigade order 12 14 ³ , boy entrained at LUMBRES at 8 a.m. en route for PENZANCE CAMP, arriving at latter place at 12 noon	Map Ref.
			Lieut J. V. WRIGHT, in charge of vehicles of Transport Section proceeding by Omnibus train, left WIZERNES at 9.50 a.m. for PENZANCE CAMP.	LUMBRES SHEET 36 ^D
			Transport Section arrived PENZANCE CAMP 12.30 p.m.	N.E. $\frac{1}{20,000}$
			Officers A. E. CRIDLAND, A. LANGWORTHY, D. S. GIBSON, S. W. COLEMAN and J. L. LANE promoted to Lieuts. as from 1.2.18.	D. 12. 20.00
				WIZERNES. F. 9. 30. 80

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MORTELETTE CHAPELLE	MARCH 5 th		<p>Co. moved at 1 p.m. for BONANZA CAMP</p> <p>Capt. R.A.P. HAMILTON, M.C. and Lieut. A. LANGWORTHY took over Advanced Hdqrs. at MORTELETTE CHAPELLE from 11th A.M.G. Coy. at 4.30 p.m.</p> <p>Lieut. J. CARMICHAEL and Lieut. J.V. WRIGHT relieved the right group of five guns, of 11th A.M.G. Coy, with Group Hdqrs at C 15 a. 50 50</p> <p>Lieut. H. MARTIN SMITH and Lieut. E.N. BIRKS, relieved the six guns of Centre Group, with Hdqrs at C. 4. a. 40.70.</p> <p>Lieut. B.W. HICKMAN and Lieut. S.W. COLEMAN relieved the five guns of left group, with Hdqrs at U. 21. b. 50. 60.</p> <p>Whole relief of 11th A.M.G. Coy. complete by 7.30 p.m.</p> <p>Night of 5th/6th very quiet, and no guns fired.</p> <p>Two drivers, with two teams of horses and 24 hours rations left camp to execute work detailed by Bde Hdqrs. One driver and one horse were also detailed for work at stone quarry, and one driver and horses with timber were detailed to remove boots from 6th Bde Boot Store. Two timbers were also engaged removing gear from 7th Bde.</p>	<p>MAP REF HOURLINES 1/10000 C. 7 d. 43.66</p> <p>PONT ROUCE TRENCH MAP 1/10000</p>
	6 th			

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MORTELETTE CHAPELLE	MARCH 7 th		<p>Operation Memo No 6 issued by Capt. R.A.P. HAMILTON, M.C. Night Firing Programme for period 6/7th March to 14/15th March issued by O.C. Coy. During the night, 3200 rounds were fired on roads from C. 11. d. 70.50 to C. 12. c. 00.40 and from C. 11. d. 86.43 to C. 12. c. 00.40 Enemy aircraft were active during the day, and 1000 rounds were fired at same Communication re election received from Queensland Dist. offices Brigade Order No 144 received Gun emplacements and dug-outs in Centre and Left groups improved. Centre and Right Groups visited by O.C. Coy.</p>	<p>MAP REF. PONT ROUGE 10000</p>
	8 th		<p>During the night, 8000 rounds were fired on to Bridge at U 29 b. 156.26, Bridge at U 29 b. 75.35, Road from U 29. d. 90.92 to U 30. c. 05.80, also on and around U 30 a. 12.08. Lieut. J. S. COOLAHAN rejoined Coy. from Base Amendment No 2. to Aust. Corps Directory of code names and Station code calls received from Base Hdqrs.</p>	

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MORTELETTE CHAPELLE	MCH 9 th		During the night, 8000 rounds were fired on road from U 30 c. 72.15 to C. 6 b. 20.52, and on road from C. 6 b. 22.42 to C. 6 b. 75.68	PONT ROUGE
			During the day, enemy heavily shelled in vicinity of U. 22 d. 10.32 damaging gun emplacement at this point.	"
			O. C. Coy, with B. M. G. O. made a further inspection of gun positions, also reconnoitred front line with a view to improving defence scheme as regards machine guns	"
			8000 rounds were fired during the night on to bridges at U 29 b. 56.26 and U 29 b. 75.35, also on and around C. 6 d. 35.28	"
			500 rounds were fired at enemy aircraft, which were active during the day.	"
			O. C. Coy. and B. M. G. O. made another inspection of gun positions etc.	"
			At 8.45 p.m., 9.30 p.m. and 4 a.m. fire was directed on to a point from U 24 a. 25.54 to U 24 a. 50.52 as it was reported an enemy working party was engaged there	"

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MORTELETTE CHAPELLE	MCH 13 th		During the night, 8000 rounds were fired on to roads from U 24. d. 35.32 to U 24. d. 60.46, and from V. 19. c. 00.60 to V. 19. c. 20.60	MAP REF. PONT ROUGE.
	14 th		Between 8 and 9 p.m., 500 rounds were fired on to U 29. d. 45.25, as enemy movement was observed there. 3000 rounds were fired during the night on a line from U 24. c. 70.60 to U 24. c. 80.00 8000 rounds were fired on road from C. 11. d. 70.50 to C. 12. c. 00.40, also on road from C. 11. d. 86.43 to C. 12. c. 00.21, and on and around C. 11. c. 80.82.	
	15 th		100 rounds were fired at enemy aircraft. The following bridges were harassed during the night by our troops 8000 rds being fired. U 30 to 20.30; U 30 to 20.42 U 30 a 70.89; U 24. c. 70.20 and U 24. c. 65.25.	
	16 th		At 7.30 P.M. Centre Group H.Q. was heavily shelled by 5.9s for 15 minutes but little damage was done. The following targets were engaged by indirect fire during the night. 10,000 rds being fired. Road from U 24 d 20.30 to U 24 d 30.30; Bridge at U 24 c 70.22; U 30 a 79.89; U 29 to 56.26 and U 29 to 75.35.	

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LE BIZET.	17 th		<p>During the night 8000 rds were fired on to bridge at U.24.C.70.22 and road from U.24.d.35.42 to U.24.d.60.46. 1000 rds were fired at enemy aircraft during the day.</p> <p>Gun team No 1, 2 & 3 were relieved by 3 guns of 22nd Aust. M.L. Coy relief complete by 8.0 P.M.</p> <p>Lieut. J. DUNNINGHAM and W.J. SMALL reported to TAHUNA CAMP to take up their respective duties in the 2nd Div M.L. Bn. Lieut. DUNNINGHAM to be Assistant Adjutant and Lieut. SMALL Quartermaster.</p>	REF MAP. PONT ROUGE 1/10,000
	18 th	8:0 AM	<p>Indirect fire was carried out during the night on the following targets FRELINGHIEN SQUARE 4000 rds; DURIEZ FARM 4000 rds; suspected working party from U.23.b.90.70. to U.23.b.75.45.; 800 rds; and M.L. position at U.24.a.24.50. 500 yds.</p> <p>5th A.I. Bde. Order No 146 received. (Table "A" and Table "B")</p> <p>2nd Aust. M.L. Bn. Order No 1 received.</p>	Copy of 2 nd Aust. Div. M.L. Bn. Order No 1, No 2 & Amendment Not attached
	19 th	3:0 PM 6:0 AM	<p>1st Amendment 2nd Aust M.L. Bn. Order No. 1. received.</p> <p>During the night 7000 rds were fired on to road from U.30.C.7215 to C6b/2052. and for radius of 50 yds around C6b 35.28. 400 rds were fired at enemy aircraft.</p> <p>2nd Aust. M.L. Bn. Order No 2 received.</p>	

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LE BIZET	20 th		<p>8000 rds were fired on to bridge at U29b5626; U29b7535; U30a6060 and U30a7989. 2,000 rds were fired on to working party; M.L. position of M.W. position at U23b8060; U24a2457 & C5b4630 respectively.</p> <p>During the gas operation commencing at 10.30 P.M. 15000 rds were fired on to FRELINGHIEN SQUARE; Road & trench junction at C11d6055; Buildings at C11d3265; Road junction at C11c9040; and trench junction at C5b4570.</p> <p>Battery of Left Group strengthened by 3 guns at U22c7096; U22a4820 and U22a4822.</p>	<p>Ref Map. Pont Rouge. 1/10000</p>
	21 st	8-0 AM	<p>During the raid by 18th Batta. commencing at 3.45 AM our M.L. subs. fired 28000 rds on to the following targets:- Barrage line from U24c2515 to U30a7585; Bridge at U30a8090 and trench system from U29d8065 to U29d9080.</p> <p>Gun positions at U28b5392 and U22d4212. Completed 5th Aust M.L. Coy Order No 3 issued.</p> <p>Capt R.C. WEBB, M.C. took over Adv. H.Q. from Capt R.A.P. HAMILTON, I.M.C. who is proceeding to the 4th Army School at WISQUES.</p>	
	22 nd		<p>The 7th Aust Inf. Bde. relieved 5th A.I. Bde. in the line on night of 21/22nd Inst.</p> <p>8000 rds were fired on to the following targets:- Road from C6b2242 to C6b7568 and Bridge at U24c7072.</p>	

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PENZANCE LINES	23 rd		<p>The Company was relieved by the 7th Aust. M.L. Coy on the night of 22/23rd the whole relief of 16 guns completed by 10.0 P.M. The 5th Aust. M.L. Coy took over PENZANCE LINES from the 7th Aust. M.L. Coy where they will act with the reserve Bde. as laid down in the "10th Aust. Inf. Bde. Defence Scheme of Reserve Brigade".</p> <p>Capt R.A.P. HAMILTON, M.C. left for 4th Army School at WISQUES.</p>	<p>REF MAP. BELGIUM 36 NW 1/20,000</p>
PILL BOX U3 a 10.10.	24 th	2.0 AM	<p>Capt R.C. WEBB, M.C. and five other officers of the 5th Aust. M.L. Coy left for Coy H.Q.s of the 8th Aust. M.L. Coy and the 15th Aust. M.L. Coy to make arrangements re. relieving those companies as early as possible.</p> <p>Lieut J. CARMICHAEL left for the Aust. Corps Gas School at ARNEKE.</p> <p>5th Aust. M.L. Coy Operation order No. 4. issued.</p>	<p>Ploegsteert 1/20,000</p>
	26 th	3.0 PM	<p>The 8th and 15th Aust M.L. Coys were relieved by the 5th Aust M.L. Coy (16 guns) on night of 25/26th March. Relief complete was wired at 10.15 P.M.</p> <p>The whole sector is under observation by the enemy and movement during the daytime is reduced to a minimum.</p>	<p>KORTEWILDE 1/10,000</p>

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PENZANCE LINES and U.3.a. 10.10. MESSINES	MAR. 26 th		Disposition of guns are as follows. Right Group Lieut. DICKINSON 7 guns at U10b 8871; U10b 8265; U4b 3018; U4a 6050; 034C 7525 and 034C 3810. Centre Group Lieut COO COO LAHAN 5 guns at 034a 6000; 034C 4897; 028c 3802; 033b 1465 and 027d 2229. Left Group Lieut MARTIN-SMITH 4 guns at 027b 3418; 021c 8118; 028a 4160 and 028a 3865.	REF. MAPS. BELGIUM 36 N.W. 1/20,000 PLOEGSTEERT 1/10,000 KORTEWILDE 1/10,000
		27 th	On taking over indirect fire was carried on according to programme of previous Company. 3000 being fired onto road from 036a 1010 to 036a 5830. Indirect fire was carried out during the night on the following targets 036b 3052; 036a 7872; 036a 3426 and 036d 1960, 16,000 not being fired. Between 8.0 PM and 10.0 PM a constant fire was kept up while limbers were taken into the forward area with Lgs Projectors.	
		28 th	In conjunction with the Liven Projector gas operation by "Z" Special Company R.E. our machine guns fired 18,000 rounds on to the following targets ROAD JUNCTION at U12b 2870 ROAD JUNCTION at U12b 2230 KINGSCLERE U6b 2230 and Occupied Pill Boxes from U12a 8476 to U12b 2582. Owing to all schools of instruction having been cancelled Capt RAPH HAMILTON M.C. and Lieut. J. CARMICHAEL returned to unit.	

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REAR HQs PENZANCE LINES	MAR 29 th		During the night 4,000 rds. were fired on to the following targets ROAD JUNCTION at 036b2060 and ROAD from 036a4525 to 036b1858. Gun positions at S9.S10. & R17 improved.	Ref MAPS BELGIUM 36 NW. 1/20,000
ADV. HQs MESSINES V3a1010	30 th	10.0AM	Capt RC Webb M.C. visited 5 th A.I. Bde. HQs. in connection with lessons learned in M.I. tactics during the present enemy offensive. From 8.0 PM. to 4.0 AM. 18,000 rds were fired on to the following targets:- Roads from 036b2060 to 036b9070; V12b2870 to V6b9808; 036a4525 to 036b1858 Track junction at V12b4032; KINGSCLERE at V6b3039; Track junction & Occupied Dugouts at 036a3525.	BAS-WARNE- TON & KORTEWILDE Trench Maps 1/10,000.
	31 st		During the last operations carried out by Z Special Coy P.E.s at 1.0 AM our M.I. units fired 26,000 rds on to the following targets KIWI FARM; ANGLE FARM; GUARD HOUSE; TRACK JUNCTION at V6a2527 and ROADS from 036a1510 to 036a4324 and from 036a4324 to 036a7038. The Company (16 guns) was relieved in the line by the 19 th M.I. Bn. relief complete by 10.30 P.M.	

WAR DIARY

OF

5th Aust. M.L. Company

FOR

March 1918

LIST OF APPENDICES.

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x 15.	2 nd Aust Div. Intelligence Summary.	
x 16.	5 th A.I. Bde " "	

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x Appendices 15 and 16 were not received but may be found on the Divisional and Brigade Diaries.

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All receipts of HF Programme
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Between 8 PM & 10 PM on night of 26th July
 and 27th 28th Mar. 1918. Noise
 Transport Conveying GAS PROJECTORS
 will be moving down HUNTS INVALIE
 it is most essential that noise
 of fenders etc should be deadened
 as much as possible so that the
 enemy may not know our
 intentions. Herewith Programme
 of fine which will be carried out.
 Rate of fine will depend on the
 amount of noise made by the
 fenders, not less than 15 00
 rounds per gun must be fired
 between 8 PM & 10 15. Special
 listening parties should be detailed
 so that a high rate of fine can
 be applied when the noise is
 above the ordinary after 10 15
 PM but more than 500 rounds
 per gun will be fined. Fresh charges
 will be supplied for night 27th 28th
 Mar. The attached Programme
 for 26th 27th July.

5th Aust. Inf. Coy

NIGHT FIRING PROGRAMME NO. 1

For Night. 26th / 27th Apr 1918.

GUNS TO FIRE	TARGET	TIMES	RATE OF FIRE
S 6	O 36 b 30.52	8 & 10.15 PM x 12 & 1 AM	According to instructions
S 8	O 36 b 30.52	8 & 10.15 PM x 1 & 2 AM	Attached.
S 7	O 36 a 78.72	8 & 10.15 PM x 12.30 & 1.30 AM	
R 10	O 36 a 78.72	8 & 10.15 PM x 1.30 & 2.30 AM	
R 12	O 36 a 34.56	8 & 10.15 PM x 2 & 3 AM	
R 14	O 36 a 34.56	8 & 10.15 PM x 2.30 & 3.30 AM	
S 1	O 36 d 19.60	8 & 10.15 PM x 3 & 4 AM	
S 3	O 36 d 19.60	8 & 10.15 PM x 3 & 4 AM	

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for 5th Aust. Inf. Coy

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5th Aust. Inf. Coy

Night Firing Programme No. 2

Night 27th/28th Mar 1918

GUNS TO FIRE	TARGET	TIMES OF FIRING	RATE OF FIRE
S 1	from U12 a 84.76 U12 b 25.82	8. 10.15 PM 11. 12 PM	As per programme
S 2	do	do	do
R 3	O 36 a 12.54	8. 10.55 PM 11.30 + 12.30 PM	
S 3	do	do	
S 4	O 36 b. 30.50	8. 1.10.15 PM 12. 1. 1 2.30 + 3.30 AM	
S 5	do	do	
S 6	O 36 a 30.75	8. 4.10.15 PM 2.30 + 3.30 AM	
S 8	do	do	
R 14	do	do	

5th Aust. Inf. Bn

Night Training Programme No. 3

Night 27/58th Mar 1918

GUNS TO FIRE	TARGET	TIMES	RATE OF FIRE
		Z+0 to Z+30	Z+0 to Z+10 150 Rds per min
R14	O 29d 57.75 from O 36 d 15.10	Z+30	Z+10 to Z+30 75
R10	O 36 a 43.24 from O 36 a 43.24	do	do
R12	O 36 a 70.31 10 O 36 a 86.64	do	do
S8	Traverse 20 O 36 a 86.64	do	do
S6	Traverse 20 O 36 c 50.55	do	do
S4	Traverse 40 O 36 c 50.53	do	do
S5	Traverse 40 O 36 c 50.53	do	do
S3	Traverse 40	do	do

Distribution

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5th Aust. MG Coy

NIGHT FIRING PROGRAMME No 4

War Period 29th March to 5th 6th Apr. 1918.

1) Targets will be as follows.

Target. A Road from Vya 00.44 to Vya 62.76
 B " " V12 b 43.25 to Vya 00.44
 C Track junction at U12 b 40.32
 D Road from U12 b 40.32 to U12 b 28.70
 E " " U12 b 28.70 to U6 c 98.08
 F Buildings & track junctions around U6 d 25.27
 G Track junc. & approaches to KINGSCLERE at U6 b 30.39
 H approaches to KIWI FARM at O36 c 52.73
 I Track junc. & occupied dugouts round O36 a 35.55
 J Road from O36 a 45.25 to O36 b 18.58
 K " " O36 b 20.60 to O36 b 90.70
 L Road junc. at O36 b 20.60
 M ANGLE FARM. O36 a 80.65
 N Tracks round O30 c 00.02 $\text{In use } 30^\circ$
 O " " O29 d 69.86 " 40°
 P " " O29 b 41.14 " 2°

2) Gunstapine. Times & Rate of firing as shown in appendix attached

3) ACKNOWLEDGE.

5th Aust. MG Coy.

NIGHT FIRING PROGRAMME NO 4.

Period
for Night. 29/30th Dec 1912

DATE	GUNS TO FIRE	TARGET	TIMES	RATE OF FIRE.
29/30	S3 R3	CTG	From 9.0 PM W 4 DAM	300 Rds per gun at irregular intervals during that period.
	S4 S5	EM		
	S6 S10	KM		
30/31	R14 R17	OMP	do	do
	S7 R14	GMN		
	S1 R3	GMF		
31/1	S3 S5	AMJ	do	do
	R6 S6	EML		
	R10 R14	NTP		
1/2	R3 S2	CMB	do	do
	S4 S7	NMI		
	R17 R17	LTD		
1/3	S3 R6	DMF	do	do
	S5 S6	KM		
	R10 R14	NMN		
3/4	S1 S1	EMA	do	do
	R3 S7	CTG		
	R12 R17	ITP		
4/5	S3 R6	BMS	do	do
	S5 S6	KML		
	R10 R14	NMP		
5/6	S1 S4	ATM	do	do
	R3 S7	ERG		
	R12 R17	ITD		

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5th Aust. M.G. Coy

APPENDIX

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Sketch
6th Mar 19

Night Firing Programme Nos for Period 6/3/19 to 11/3/19

By HOURLINES 1/10000 PLOEGSTREET 1/10000

- (1) In order to harass the enemys movement at night, indirect M.G. fire will be directed on certain localities behind his lines.
- (2) Targets, guns to fire, rates & times of firing are shown in appendix
- (3) Officers commanding Groups will ensure by careful liaison with Battalion commanders concerned that the fire of their guns does not interfere with Patrols, working parties etc operating, within their lines of fire
- (4) acknowledge

Distribution

2 }
 3 } Group Commanders
 4 } 2nd command

5 Left Coy

6 Right "

7 5th A.I. Bde

8-10 War Quarters

10-12 File

Commander
 Capt
 5th Aust. M.G. Coy

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Appendix

Tarqets will be as follows

- A Road from C11 d 70.50 to C12 c 00.40
- B Road from C11 d 86.43 to C12 c 00.21
- C Radius of dyds around C11 c 80.82
- D Bridge at C11 c 43.90
- E Bridge at C11 a 46.00
- F Bridge at C11 53.45
- G Road from U29 d 90.92 to U30 c 05.80
- H Radius of dyds around U30 a 12.08
- I Bridge at U29 b 56.56
- J Bridge at U29 b 75.35
- K Bridge at U30 a 79.89
- L Road from U27 d 35.32 to U27 d 60.46
- M Road from U19 c 00.60 to U19 c 20.60
- N Road from U30 c 12.15 to C66 20.52
- O Road from C66 32.42 to C66 75.68
- P Bridges at U30 b 20.30 and U30 b 20.42
- Q Radius of dyds around C6d 35.28
- R
- S

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Date	Guns No	Targets	Times	Rate of Fire
6/7/41	1 & 2	D & E	6.30 PM 8 & 10 P.M.	Four Rounds from each gun in bursts of at least 20 rounds at each of the times stated in column
	3 & 5	A & B	3 AM 5 AM	
7/8/41	7 & 8	1 & 5	6.7.30.9 PM	
	6 & 9	G & H	2.30 & 4.30 AM	
8/9/41	10 & 11	O	7.8 & 9 PM	
	12 & 13	N	3 & 4 AM	
9/10/41	7 & 9	1 & 5	6.30. 8. 10 PM	
	6 & 9	Q	3 AM 5 AM	
10/11/41	1 & 2	D & E	7. 8. 9 PM	
	3 & 5	C	3 & 4 AM	
11/12/41	7 & 8	Q	6.7.30.9 PM	
	6 & 9	G	2.30 & 4.30 AM	
13/15/41	10 & 11	L	7.9.30 & 11 PM	
	12 & 13	M	2.30 & 5.30 AM	
13/14/41	1 & 2	C	7. 8 & 9 PM	
	3 & 5	A & B	3 & 4 PM	
14/15/41	10 & 11	P	6.30 8 & 10 PM	
	12 & 13	K	3 & 5 AM	

5th Aust. M.L. Coy

Night firing Programme No 6 for period 15/16th Mar. to 22/23rd March 1918.

Ref. map. Hooplines 1/10000 Hoegsteert 1/10000

(1) Targets will be as in N.F. Programme No 5 with the addition of the following:-

Target "R" will be C 5 D 20 92 DORIEZ FARM
Traverse 1° each way & search 100' short & beyond reference.

Target "S" will be U. 24 C 70. 22 DOLL'S HOUSE & BRIDGES. Traverse 1° each way & search 100' short & beyond reference.

Target "T" will be BRIDGE at U. 30 a 60 60

(2) Targets, Guns to fire, rates & times of firing will be as in attached table

(3) Officers Commanding Groups will ensure by careful liaison with Bth Comdr. Concerned that the fire of their guns does not interfere with patrols, working parties etc operating within their lines of fire.

(4) Acknowledge.

DATE	GUNS TO FIRE	TARGETS	TIMES	RATES OF FIRE
15/16	7, 8	I	7.30, 8.0, 10.0 PM.	400 rounds from each gun in bursts of at least 20 rounds at each of the times stated in Column marked "Times".
	6, 9	J	3 & 4.15 AM	
16/17	10, 11	L	7.15, 8.30, 9 PM.	
	12 & 13	S	2; 4 AM.	
17/18	1, 2	C	7.30, 8, 9 PM.	
	3, 4, 5	R	12 midn, 3 AM.	
18/19	10, 11	Q	7.30, 9, 10 PM.	
	12, 13	N	1 & 4 AM.	
19/20	7, 8	I & J	7.15, 8, 8.45 PM.	
	6 & 9	D & E	1.30, 4 AM	
20/21	1, 2	D & E	7.35, 8, 9 PM.	
	3 & 5	R	3 & 4 AM.	
21/22	10, 11	O	7.30, 8, 10 PM.	
	12 & 13	S	3, 4.15 AM	
22/23	7, 8	R	7.45, 8.15 & 9 PM.	
	6 & 9	C & H	3 & 4 AM.	

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APPENDIX 6/

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2 } Group Commanders
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4 22nd A.M.L. Coy

5 Left Battalion

6 Right Battalion

7 5th A.I. Bde

8-10 War Diary

11, 12 File

Reamiller Capt
of 5th Det M.L. Coy

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Operation Memo No 6Defence
Honourlines
7/10/1919

- (1) a Lewis Projector Gas attack will be carried out by "L" Special Company R.E. at a time & date to be notified later.
- (2) Bombs will not be projected unless the wind is westerly between N.W by N & S.W by S.
- (3) The attached plan (increase of Right Group only) shows shaded in red, the danger area for the attack. All troops within 200 yds of the boundaries of the danger area, will wear Small Box Respirators from zero minus 10 mins until zero plus 30 mins.
- (4) The 5th & 22nd AME Coys will keep certain areas under fire during the attack.
- (5) Guns to fire & targets will be as under. 8th Light & Centre Groups will be prepared after 5 p.m. today to bring fire at one hour's notice as follows

Gun position	Target.
142	FRELINGHIEN SQUARE C11C 78.82
3.5+6	Road & trench junction at C11d 60.55
9	Building at C11d 32.05
9+8	Road junction at C11C 9 &
10+11	March trench system around C5b 45.70

Guns will traverse 2° each way and search from 100x Show to 100x beyond target

Rate & time of firing 100 Rds per gun per min. intervals of at least 20 rounds between 2+5 & 2+30 minutes

Distributions

1. Right Group
2. Centre Group
3. 22nd AME Coy
4. 5th A.I. Co
5. 7th AME Coy
6. File

Commandant
5th AME Coy
Capt

Company Order Nos

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20/3/18

by
Capt. R.A.P. Hamilton (M.C.)Commanding 5th Aust. M.G. CoyR.E.F. M.G.P.S. Nonplines 1/10000
Phosphor 1/10000
36.81N 1/20,000

- 1) The 7th Aust. Bde will relieve the 5th Aust. Bde in the line on the night of 21st/22nd March 1918
The 7th Aust. Coy will relieve the 5th Aust. Coy in the line on the night of 22nd/23rd March 1918
- 2) For the purpose of this relief, guns will retain their old numbering and will be divided into 3 groups:-

Right Group	consisting of Nos 4-5-6-7-8 Guns
Right Centre "	" " " " " 9-10-11 "
Left Group	" " " " " 12-13-13A-14-15-16-17-18-19.
- 3) Guides One guide (detailed by Coy Sgt) will meet incoming reliefs of No 4-5 Guns at Coy Sgt at 9 P.M. guiding them to point where Submarine Lane crosses Survey Station Road (C9030.12) O.C.
Right Group will arrange that 2 guides from guns 4-5 meet party at this point at 7.15 P.M.
O.C. Groups will arrange that 1 guide per team of all other guns meet the incoming reliefs at their respective Station Groups at 7 P.M.
- 4) Tripods, S.H.A. Belt Boxes & Belts, Traversing Brackets, Elevation Brackets, all French Maps, Stones & Orders will be handed over to relieving team receipts & duplicates obtained

One Officer per Group will report to
Adm. Coy HQs immediately after relief
bringing with him a copy of receipts obtained

5) On relief Groups will move direct to
PENZANCE LINES.

6) Transport Arrangements:

Left Group. Two L.C.S. Waggon at
Group Ration Dump at 8 P.M.

Centre & Right } 2 L.C.S. Waggon at Group
Groups } Ration Dump at 8.30 P.M. and
1 L.C.S. Waggon at Surrey
Harbour at 8 P.M.

Packs & Blankets may be
carried on ladders but
on no account are arms
or equipment to be carried

7) Tum Boats Tum Boats will be brought
out and handed to C. & M.S.
Gerhard before 9 AM on 23rd
March 1918 at PENZANCE
LINES.

Distribution:

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| Copy 1101 | Group | Reynolds |
| 2 | Commanders | Capt |
| 3 | | McBride |
| 4 | | Glavin |
| 5 | 2nd Am Grp | |
| 6-8 | Handrails | |
| 9-10 | File | |

5th Aust. Machine Gun Coy.

SECRET 9
COPY No 9.

Order NO. 4

Ref Maps Sheet 28 S.W. + SE
(Parts of) 1:20,000
Trench Map. H 27 U 12
1:20,000

- 1) The 5th Aust. Machine Gun Coy. will relieve the 8th AMG Coy and that portion of the 15th AMG Coy which is in position on the front to be taken over by the 5th A & Bde. on the night 25/26th March 1918.
Relief to be completed by 12.30 am on 26th March 1918.
- 2) Disposition Advance Coy HQs U.S.A. 10.10
Rear " " PENZANCE LINES
16 Guns will be in the line. Divided into three groups.
Right Group (Lt Dickinson) Group will consist of seven guns numbered S1-5 inclusive R 3 and R 6. Group HQs U. 4 a 18.30.
Centre Group (Lt Coolahan) Consisting of five guns numbered S6-8 R 10 + R 12. Group HQs DESPAGNE FARM.
Left Group (Lt Martin-Smith) Consisting of four guns numbered S. 9 S10 R 14 and R 17. Group HQs DERRY LODGE.
All gun teams will consist of one N.C.O + 3 other ranks.
- 3) Guides
For right group will be at the MESSINES Cross Roads (O 32 d ⁵⁵⁻²⁵) at 8.15 pm.
Guides for centre and left groups will be picked up at Bully Beef Camp (H. 29. C 10 90) at 6.0 pm.
- 4) Stores
Tripods, S.A.A. Belt Boxes Belts Traversing and elevating Deals, All trench stores, Maps, Charts, and necessary information regarding gun position and tasks will be taken over.

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Stores: And receipts Given in Duplicate.

Rations Sections will proceed to the line carrying
 (a) Unexpended portion of days rations
 (b) ⁴⁸ hours rations
 (c) Iron Rations.

Dumps. Right Group 0.32 d ^{55.25} ~~55.38~~
 Centre " CABIN HILL
 Left " DERRY LODGE
 Adv Hqs. 0.32 d ^{55.25} ~~55.38~~

Gum Boots Requirements for gumboots will be submitted to
 Advanced Coy Hqs as soon as possible after
 occupation of the line.

Dress Battle Order. Blankets and Packs will be
 carried on gun timber

Sanitation Each Gun must be provided with a proper
 latrine. Excreta must be buried each night.
 at least 20 yards from post. And position marked.
 Regular supply of Creosol or Chloride of Lime
 must be maintained in the line and wherever
 men are located.

All Refuse is to be buried and localities
 marked.

ACKNOWLEDGE

Shelley
 Capt
 A. G. S. Ambley

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- Copy No 1-4 Group Commanders
 5. Shamsley
 6. 15th Ambley
 7. 2nd Aust MG Batt.
 8. 10 War Diary
 11 File

2nd Aust. Machine Gun Bn Order No 1.

Ref Maps Sheet 28. 1/40,000
 " 36 1/40,000

Hqrs.
 18/3/18

With reference to 2nd Aust. Div. Order No 162.

1. The 7th Am. Coy. will relieve the 5th Am. Coy in the Right Bde Section of the line on the night of 20/22nd March 1918. Relief to be completed by 4 AM on 22nd March 1918.
2. Trench Notes, Maps, Aeroplane Photographs, all necessary charts, information regarding German positions & attacks, will be handed over & necessary receipts obtained.
3. On completion of the relief, 5th Am. Coy will take over all duties etc. now being carried out by 7th Am. Coy as portions of Div. Reserve.
4. Subject to above instructions the details of relief will be arranged mutually between M.G. Coy. Commanders concerned.
5. Completion of relief will be reported by 7th Am. Coy to Hqrs. Right Bde in the line, & by both Coys to C.O. 2nd Aust. M.G. Bn at Div. Hqrs.
6. Acknowledge

Signed H. British Major
 for Lieut Colonel
 Commanding 2nd Am. G. Bn

1st Amendment to 2nd Aust. MG Bn Order No. 11

Ref maps sheet 28 1/40,000
" 36 1/40,000

Hqs
18/3/1918

Para for night 21st/22nd March
Read night 22nd/23rd March

For of AM 22nd March
Read of AM 23rd March

Acknowledge.

Signed H. Ordish Major
for Lieut Colonel
Commanding 2nd Aust Bn

2nd Aust. Machine Gun Battalion Order No 2

Ref Maps. Sheet 28. 1/40000
 " " " 36 1/40000

Hqs
 19/3/18

- The 5th Aust. Inf. Bde will carry out a raid on the enemy lines on a date & time to be fixed.
- Machine Guns of 5th & 6th Aust. M.G. Coys will cooperate by carrying out tasks as under:-
 See Map 'A' attached.

Coif.

Tasks

5th Aust. M.G. Coy.

Enfilade Barrage line

U24 c 25.15 to U30 a 75.95

4 Guns in

vicinity of

U22 a 70.00

Barrage bridge over River
 Keys. at U30 a 80.90

2 Guns in vicinity of

U25 a 82.50

U24 in vicinity of

U16 d 55.75

1 Gun firing on U24 a 80.65

Gun No 19 at
 C3 d 75.85

1 Gun firing on U24 a 90.95

Gun No 30 at
 C3 b lat. 14

1. Gun firing on U24 a 90.80
 (Total traverse of 30)

Gun No 31 at
 U24 a 90.65

6th Aust. M.G. Coy.

Enfilade Barrage line

U25 a 85.45 to U31 c 25.15

4 Guns (E Battery)
 at U16 a 20.20

Enfilade Barrage U24 a 92.55

2 Guns in immediate
 vicinity of U16 c
 35.55

A line drawn round U24 a 36.72. 2 Guns Nos 3
 roughly bounded by U16 a 7 trench. 724
 in vicinity of W.S. and from line on of
 U24 a 90.02, N.E.

Rate of fire 75 Ras per min. from 0 to +5 minutes. 100
 rounds per min. from +5 to +10 mins. 250 Ras per min
 from +10 to +20 mins.

The positions given for the guns are approximate only
 and may be varied by Coy. Commanders so long as
 the task is carried out. Any change to be notified to
 Bn Hqs. All guns must be prepared to switch on to their
 normal S.O.S. lines at any time.

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2ND. AUST. MACHINE GUN BATTALION

Ref. MaPs. Sheet 28 S.W.

and S.E. (Parts of)
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ORDER No. 3

Copy No.....

Headquarters,
24. 3. 18.

With reference to 2nd. Aust. Divn. Order No. 163.

1. The 5th. A.M.G. Coy. will relieve the 8th. A.M.G. Coy, and that portion of the 15th A.M.G. Coy. which is in position on the front to be taken over by the 5th. A.I. Bde, on the night 25/26th. March 1918. Relief to be completed by 12.30 a.m. on 26th. March.
2. Trench Stores, Maps, Aeroplanes/ Photographs, Charts and all necessary information regarding gun positions and tasks will be taken over from the Companies to be relieved.
3. As the 16 guns of the 5th A.M.G. Coy. will be occupying the same frontage that is now taken up by 28 guns, the following positions only will be occupied in the relief pending further instructions:-
Guns numbered on 5th. Aust. Div. Maps - Nos. S1 to S10 inclusive: (10 guns). Nos. R 3, 4, 7, 10, 12 and 15 (6 guns) - Total 16
4. Subject to the above instructions the details of the relief will be arranged mutually between Coy. Commanders concerned.
5. ^{1st} Completion of Relief will be reported by 5th. A.M.G. Coy. to Head Quarters, 5th. A.I. Brigade, and also to 2nd. M.G. Battn. H. Qrs.
6. Any further instructions varying or adding to the above will be forwarded in the form of telegram or memo.
7. A C K N O W L E D G E (5th A.M.G. Coy. by wire)

[Signature]
.....Lieut.
A/Adj. 2nd. A.M.G. Battalion.

Issued at 12 noon.

DISTRIBUTION.

Copy No. 1. 5th. A.M.G. Coy.

For information.

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| 3. | 5th. A.I. Brigade. |
| 4. | 8th. A.I. Brigade. |
| 5. | 5th. A.M.G. En, |
| 6. | 1st. Aust. Divn. |
| 7. | 6th. A.I. Bgde. |
| 8. | 6th. A.M.G. Coy. |
| 9/10. | File. |
| 11/13. | War. Diary. |
| 14/16. | Spares. |

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

Brigade Headquarters,
25th. March, 1918.

17th. Battalion
18th "
19th "
5th. A.M.G. Coy.
2nd. Aust. M.G. Battalion (for information).

Between 8.p.m. and 10.p.m. on nights 26th/27th. March, 27th/28th. March, horse transport conveying Gas Projectors, etc., will be moving down HUNS WALK, and it is most essential that the noise of limbers, etc., be deadened as much as possible, so that the enemy may not know our intentions.

With this end in view, C.O's concerned and O.C. 5th. A.M.G. Coy., will prepare a programme of fire to be carried out ~~whenever~~ whenever the noise of moving transport is apparent.

This should apply particularly to Front Line Posts, where special listening parties should be detailed.

W. W. Call

Captain,
Brigade Major, 5th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 149.

Brigade Headquarters,
26th. March, 1918.

Reference Maps: BAS WARRENTON 1/10,000.
Special Tracing (5th. A.I. Bde. Units
only, and 5th. A.I. C. Coy.)

1. On a date and at a ZERO hour to be notified later, No. 2 Special Company R.E. will carry out an operation with 4" Stokes Mortars, with the object of gassing the enemy in his trench system about U.12.a., U.11.b., U.5.d., U.3.a. and c.
2. The operation will only take place provided the wind is between N.W. and S.S.W. inclusive, and provided wind velocity is not less than 2 miles per hour.
3. (a) In the 5th. Aust. Inf. Bde. Sector troops will be withdrawn from all trenches within the angle marked on the Special Tracing from ZERO minus 5 minutes, and will not re-occupy same until warned that they may do so by Officers of No. 2 Special Company R.E.
(b) Personnel of 2nd. Aust. Machine Gun Battalion in the 5th. Aust. Inf. Bde. Area, 5th. A.L.T.H. Bty., with 17th., 18th., 19th. Bns, will maintain a special Gas Alert during the operation.
4. The following code will be used :-
 "Rations" will mean "Conditions favourable".
 "Run" will mean "Conditions unfavourable at present."
 "Returns" will mean "Conditions unfavourable and operation cancelled."
5. O.C., No. 2 Special Company R.E. will be at 5th. Aust. Inf. Bde. Headquarters during the operation.
6. O.C., 17th. Battalion will wire the word "WASP" when trenches vacated have all been re-occupied. Special precautions will be taken to prevent surprise in case enemy has occupied some of our forward posts.
7. Completion of the operation will be notified to Brigade by the Officer in charge of operations.
8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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A. P. MacCallum

Brigade Major, 5th. Aust. Inf. Bde. Captain,

Issued thro' Signals
at 8 pm.

Distribution:

Copy No. 1	17th. Bn.	10	2nd. Aust. Pnr. Bn.
2	18th. Bn.	11	2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde.
3	19th. Bn.	12	6th. Aust. Inf. Bde.
4	20th. Bn.	13	2nd. Aust. Division.
5	5th. A.L.T.H. Bty.	14	No. 2 Special Coy. R.E.
6	5th. A.M.G. Coy.	15	"Z" Special Coy. R.E.
7	7th. Fld. Coy. A.E.	16	File
8	Hossines Group Artillery	17/19	- War Diary.
9	7th. A. Fld. Ambico.	20/21	- Spares.

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Tracing to accompany Brigade Order No 149.

H Section 2 Guns
30 rounds per gun

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360. C.G.

360. C.G.

480. C.G. 480. N.C.

480. C.G. 480. N.C.

—Legend—

- 4" Stokes T.M. +
- M.G. Emplacement o+
- Dug out ■

North of this line, trenches will not
be reoccupied until 30 minutes after Zero
South of this line trenches will not be
reoccupied until 12 hours after Zero.

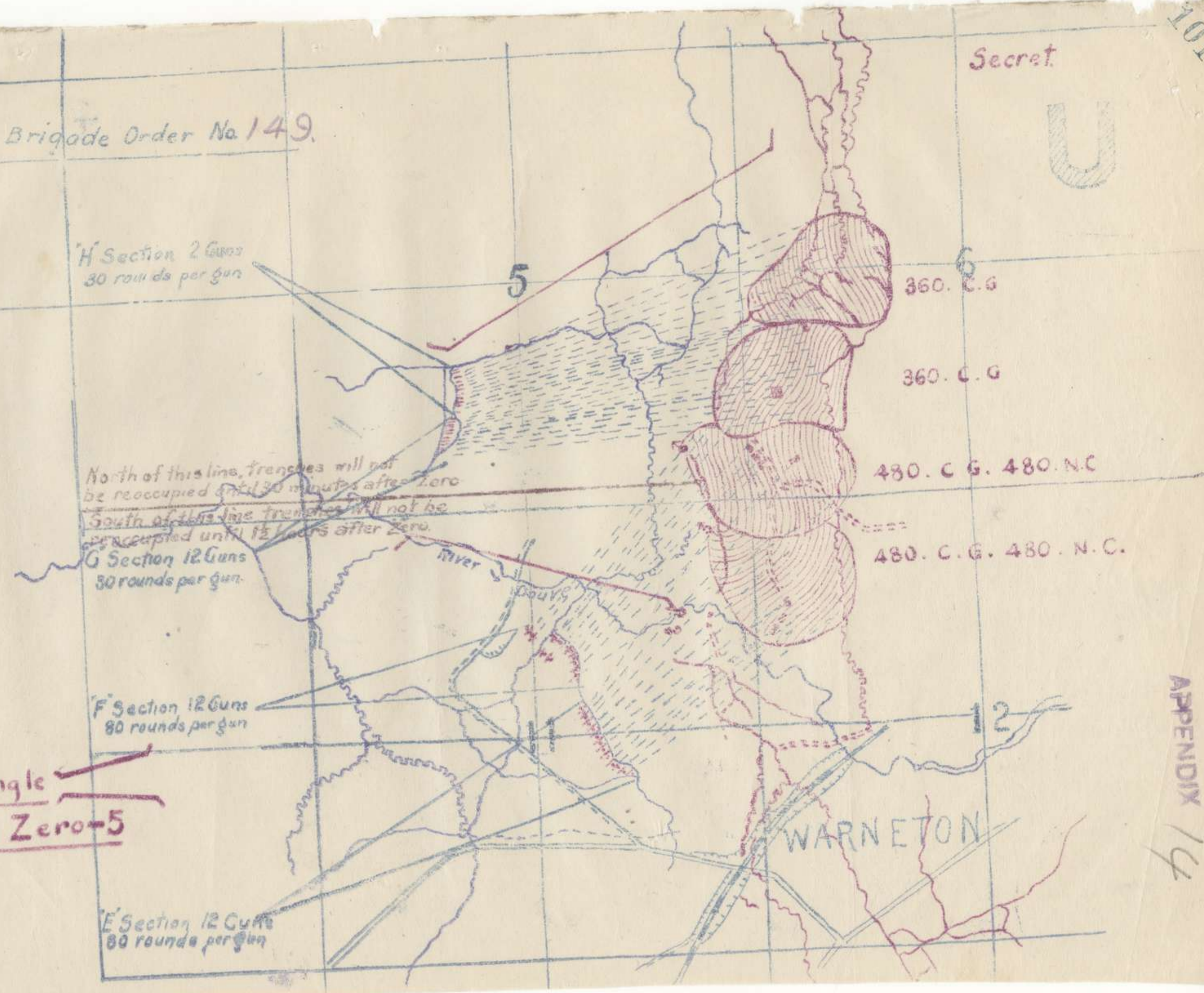
G Section 12 Guns
30 rounds per gun

F Section 12 Guns
80 rounds per gun

E Section 12 Guns
80 rounds per gun

Total Guns 48.
Total Rounds 1680 C.G. 960 N.C.

All Troops within the angle
to be withdrawn from Zero-5



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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

Brigade Headquarters,
27th. March, 1918.

Reference 5th. Aust. Infantry Brigade Order No. 149.

ZERO hour will be 10.30.p.m. on 27th. March, 1918.

ACKNOWLEDGE by wire.

W. P. MacCallum

Captain,
Brigade Major, 5th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Distribution: To all recipients of 5th. Aust. Inf. Bde. Order No. 149.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 150.

Brigade Headquarters,
27th. March, 1918.

Reference Map: Sh. 28 (Part of)
1/10,000.

1. O.C. "Z" Special Company R.E. is emplacing Levine Projectors on this Brigade Front as follows :-

- (a) 200 Gas Projectors to shoot on vicinity of LIWI FARM, O.50.c.
- (b) 200 Gas Projectors to shoot on DATUM HOUSE, O.36.a.
- (c) 300 Gas Projectors to shoot on the vicinity of KINGSCLERE, U.3.b.

The sites for emplacing the Projectors will be approximately for targets (a) and (b) - O.54.d.7.0.
" (c) - U.4.d.6.2.

2. The date and hour for these discharges will be determined later. They will not necessarily be carried out simultaneously.

3. The limits of direction of wind are from S.S.W. through W. to N.W. inclusive. The velocity should not exceed 8 miles per hour.

4. Lieut. H.G.L. STRANGE, M.C., R.E., is in charge of the operation.

5. A stringent Gas Alert will be ordered in the forward area of the Brigade as soon as Gas Bombs are taken forward.

6. Maps will be issued showing the areas (a) which should be cleared of troops from ZERO minus 5 minutes to ZERO plus 30 minutes, and (b) in which troops should wear their gas masks from ZERO minus 5 minutes to ZERO plus 15 minutes.

7. Should any batteries of Projectors misfire, an attempt will be made to discharge them before ZERO plus 30 minutes.

8. The contents of the majority of the projector bombs will be 'CG', - a gas which is highly lethal, but about 10% will contain 'NC', - a gas that penetrates enemy's gas masks and causes him to cough.

9. The following arrangements will be required on the night projectors are discharged:-

- (a) Two runners who know the route to No. 9 Post (Centre Bn) to be at SEPTIEME BARN at 9 pm. Report to representative of "Z" Special Company R.E.
- (b) Telephone to be installed at SEPTIEME BARN. Personnel to man the telephone will be found by 5th. Aust. Inf. Brigade Signal Section.
- (c) All messages received at Reserve Company H.Q., 19th. Bn., MESSINES, to be immediately despatched by runner to Lieut. H.G.L. STRANGE, M.C. at SEPTIEME BARN.
- (d) Any information relative to "shorts" or "duds" or Projector discharge, is to be sent immediately to Lieut. H.G.L. STRANGE, M.C., SEPTIEME BARN.

10. ACKNOWLEDGE.

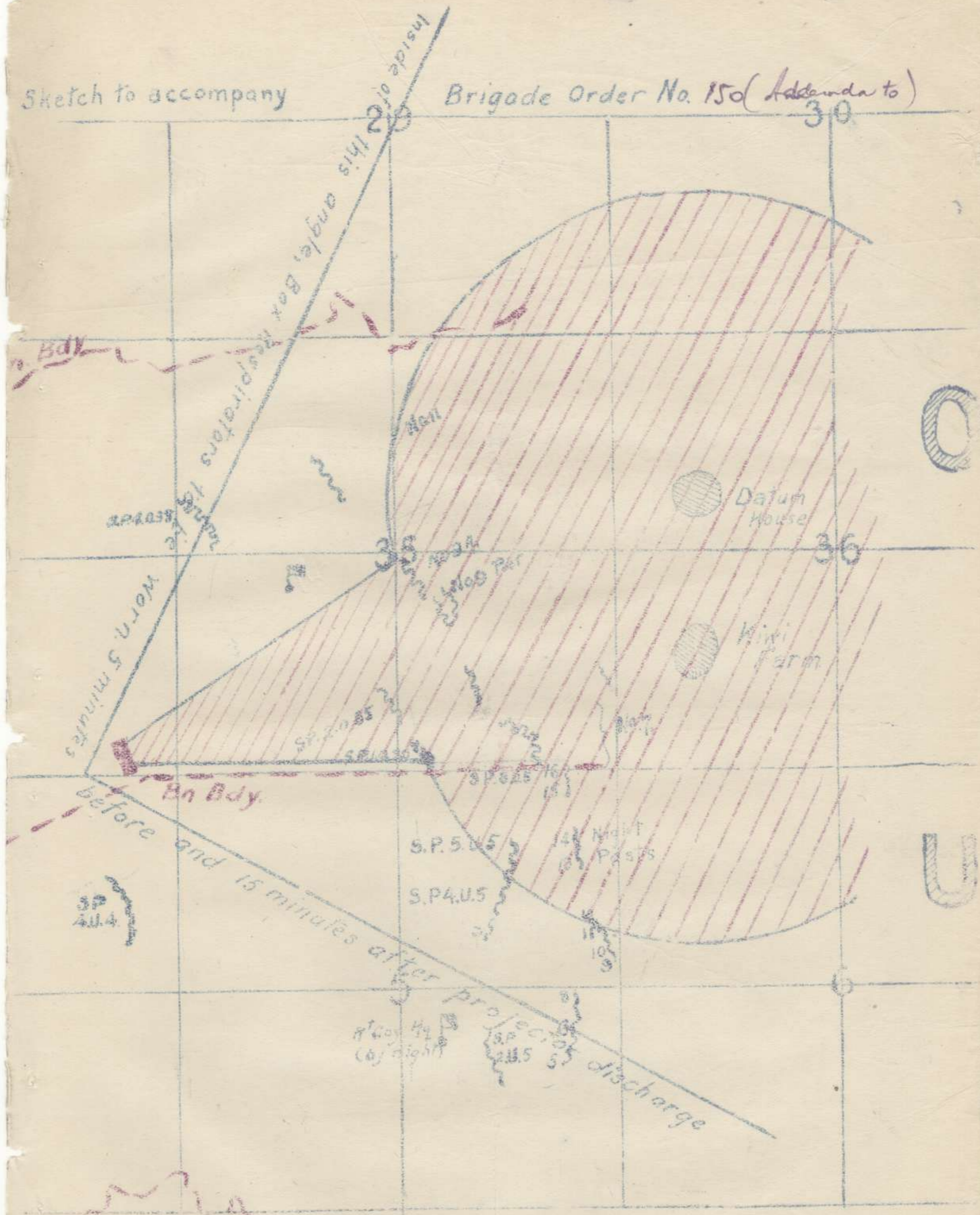
W.P. MacCallum
Captain,
Brigade Major, 5th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Issued thro' Signals at 8 a.m.

Sketch to accompany

Brigade Order No. 150 (Addenda to)

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Shaded area to be cleared

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ADDENDA TO 5th AUSTR. INF. BDE. ORDER No. 150

Brigade Headquarters,
27th March, 1918.

- Para 1. (a) Operations referred to in para 1, (a) and (b) will take place to-night, 27th/28th March, weather conditions permitting.
(b) Zero hour will be 11.45 p.m.
- Para 5. A strict gas alert will be maintained in the forward area. All ranks will be warned.
- Para 6. Map referred to is attached (issued to Bde. units and 5th Aust. H.G. Coy. only). Troops will be cleared in accordance with the instructions issued.
C.O's 17th, 18th and 19th Bns. will wire code word "BEE" when trenches vacated have been re-occupied. Special precautions will be taken to prevent surprise in case enemy has occupied some of our forward posts.
- Para 9. (a) 19th Bn. will ensure that runners detailed to report at SEPTIEM BARN at 9 p.m. to-night have a thorough knowledge of the route from there to Post No. 9.
- Para 10. (a) In the event of this operation being cancelled the word "LATIMER" will be wired to all recipients of this order.

A c k n o w l e d g e. *Jewell*

W. P. MacCallum

Issued at 1 pm
thro' Sigs.

Captain,
Brigade Major, 5th Aust. Inf. Bde.

Distribution as for Bde. Order No. 150
3 Bde. Sig. Officer.

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ADDENDUM NO. 3 to 5th AUST. INF. BDE. ORDER No. 150.

Operation referred to in para 1 (a) and (b) of above order will take place to-night 28th/29th instant, weather conditions permitting.

Zero hour will be 10.40 p.m. 10.40 p.m.

All other previous instructions contained in Bde. Order No. 150 and addenda will be carried out.

Acknowledge by wire. *W. F. MacCallum*

Bde. HQ.
28.3.18.

Issued at 1 pm
thro' Sigs.

W. F. MacCallum

Captain,
Brigade Major, 5th Aust. Inf. Bde.

Distribution as for Bde. Order No. 150.
and Bde. Sig. Officer.

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ADDENDUM NO. 3 to BDE. ORDER No. 150.

The operation referred to will take place at the earliest suitable time.

The Code word 'LATIMER' will mean that the operation is postponed for one night only; the ZERO HOUR will then be the same hour on the next night unless further instructions are sent out.

A c k n o w l e d g e d .

Bde. Hdqrs.
28/3/18.

W. P. M. Callan

Captain,
Brigade Major, 5th Aust. Inf. Bde.

Issued at 5 pm
thro' Signals.

To all recipients of Bde. Order 150
& Bde. Sig. Officer.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

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Brigade Headquarters.
30th March 1918.

Reference Bde.Order No.150.

"Z" Special Coy.R.E. advises that conditions are at present favourable for carrying out operations referred to therein to-night 30th/31st March. All the instructions will therefore be carried out unless notification to the contrary (Latimer) is sent out.

Zero hour will be notified by the following code message:
"Please furnish report by - - - - (time)"

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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