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49th BATTALION

CONFIDENTIAL

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WAR DIARY

OR

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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49th Bn. A.I.F. Sheet 1.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
1917 DECEMBER			Map Reference ABBEVILLE. 4620.	
FIGNEVILLE	1		Bn in training. Bn beat 51 st Bn at Rugby football, in Brigade competition. Bn Strength 29 Officers 788 OR's.	
"	2		Church parade.	
"	3-6		Bn in training as per attached appendices. Bn moved to PEROONE appendix attached.	
PEROONE	7		Bn marched to ETRICOURT	
ETRICOURT	8		Bn resting and held in readiness to move at 2 hours notice. Bn Strength 32 Officers 782 OR's.	
"	9		Bn marched to TEMPEUX LA FOSSE. Appendix attached.	
TEMPEUX LA FOSSE	10-18		Bn in training, carrying out Specialist work, practising alarm. Bn beaten at Rugby football by the 13 th and 15 th Bns A.I.F. Bn Strength 31 Officers 793 OR's.	
"	19		Bn marched to MOISLANS. Appendix attached.	
MOISLANS	20-22		Bn in training appendices attached.	
"	23		Church parade. Bn Strength 37 Officers 807 OR's.	
"	24		Brigade in attack 49 th Bn carrying out the attack. Appendix attached.	
"	25		Remembrance Day.	
"	26		Bn bathing, carrying out specialist training.	
"	27		Brigade in attack. Bn acting as advance guard. Appendix attached.	

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L. D. Dent
Commanding 49th Bn A.I.F.
Lieut Colonel

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WAR DIARY

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49th Bn. A.I.F. Sheet 2.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
1917 DECEMBER			Map Reference ABBEVILLE 462C.	
MOISLANS	28		Brigade in Attack. Appendices attached.	
"	29		Specialists training.	
"	30		Church parade.	
"	31		Companies practising advance guard. Bombers throwing live grenades. Bn Strength 39 Officers 809 O/Rs.	

J. L. Deak Lieut Colonel
Commanding 49th Bn. A.I.F.

Headquarters,
49th Battalion, A.I.F.,
2nd. December 1917.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR LEWIS GUNNERS FOR
WEEK ENDING 8th DECEMBER 1917.

Day and Date.	10.30.a.m. to 10.50.a.m.	11.0.p.m. to 11.50.a.m.	12.0.noon to 12.15.p.m.	COMPANIES.
TUESDAY. 4th Dec.	GUN DRILL	Mechanism ; Backward Action.	GUN DRILL.	"A", "B", & "C" Companies. "D" Co's Guns Painted.
WEDNESDAY. 5th Dec.	Inspection of Guns, Magazines etc.	Mechanism, Forward Movement.	GUN DRILL.	ALL COMPANIES.
FRIDAY. 7th Dec.	Inspection of Guns, Magazines etc.	Mechanism ; Backward Action.	Magazine Filling.	ALL COMPANIES.
SATURDAY. 8th Dec.	GUN DRILL.	Stripping ; Names of Parts.	Care and Cleaning.	ALL COMPANIES.

On Monday the 4th instant, all "D" Company's Guns, Gun Chests, Panniers, Breach Covers, and Spare Part Bags, will be assembled at Company Headquarters for PAINTING.

H. Swan Captain,
Adjutant, 49th Battalion, A.I.F..

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING

FOR WEEK-ENDING 8th DECEMBER 1917.

Day and Date.	TIME.	TRAINING.
MONDAY. 3rd. Dec.	:7.10.a.m. - 7.30.a.m.	:Physical Training.
	:9.0. a.m. - 12.15.pm.	:ROUTE MARCH.
	:2.0. p.m. - 3.0. p.m.	:Organised Recreation.
TUESDAY. 4th. Dec.	:7.10.a.m. - 7.30.a.m.	:Physical Training.
	:9.0. a.m. - 10.0.a.m.	:Infantry Training S.S.36-46 inclusive.
	:10.0.a.m. - 10.30.am.	: "A" Co. WIRING., "B", "C", & "D" Co's Bayonet Fighting.
	:10.30.am. - 12.15.pm.	:Specialists Training.
	:2.0.p.m. - 3.0.p.m.	:Organised Recreation.
WEDNESDAY. 5th Dec.	:7.10.a.m. - 7.30.a.m.	:Physical Training.
	:9.0. a.m. - 10.0.a.m.	:Infantry Training S.S.36-46 inclusive.
	:10.0.a.m. - 10.30.am.	: "B" Co. WIRING., "A", "C", & "D" Co's Bayonet Fighting.
	:10.30.am. - 12.15.pm.	:Specialists Training.
	:2.0. p.m. - 3.0. p.m.	:Organised Recreation.
THURSDAY. 6th Dec.	:7.10.a.m. - 7.30.a.m.	:Physical Training.
	:9.0. a.m. - 12.15.pm.	:ROUTE MARCH.
	:2.0. p.m. - 3.0. p.m.	:Organised Recreation.
FRIDAY. 7th Dec.	:7.10.a.m. - 7.30.a.m.	:Physical Training.
	:9.0. a.m. - 10.0.a.m.	:Infantry Training S.S.47-66 inclusive.
	:10.0.a.m. - 10.30.am.	: "C" Co., WIRING., "A", "B", & "D" Co's Bayonet Fighting.
	:10.30.am. - 12.15.pm.	:Specialists Training.
	:2.0.p.m. - 3.0.p.m.	:Organised Recreation.
SATURDAY. 8th Dec.	:7.10.am. - 7.30.a.m.	:Physical Training.
	:9.0.a.m. - 10.0.a.m.	:Infantry Training S.S.67-74
	:10.0.am. - 10.30.am.	: "D" Co., WIRING., "A", "B", & "C" Co's Bayonet Fighting.
	:10.30.am. - 12.15.pm.	:Specialists Training.

A. H. Swain Captain,
Adjutant, 49th Battalion, A.I.F.

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- 1. The Battalion will move from the AIGNEVILLE Area to the PERONNE Area by train on 6th ~~and 7th~~ instant as per undermentioned table.
- 2. Starting Point, Order of March, Time and Route are as under:--

STARTING POINT	ORDER OF MARCH	TIME	ROUTE
Church, AIGNEVILLE.	"C" Band. Headquarters.	:10.20. : p.m.	
	"A"		
	"D"		

- 3. DRESS. Full Marching Order, 2 blankets will be rolled "HORSESHOE FASHION" around Pack.
- 4. "B" Company will report to Entraining Officer at WOINCOURT Station at 4.30.p.m. "B" Company's Field Kitchen will be at WOINCOURT Station at 3.0.p.m.
- 5. TRANSPORT. will move off at 9.15.p.m. and will report to Entraining Officer at WOINCOURT Station at 11.00.p.m.
- 6. FIELD KITCHENS. will be ready to move at 7.0.p.m.
- 7. BREAST ROPES. Transport Officer will find necessary Breast Ropes for Horse Trucks.
- 8. ENTRAINING OFFICER. Captain R. TAMBLING is detailed as an Entraining Officer at WOINCOURT and will report at the Station at 3.0.p.m.
- 9. MARCHING OUT STATES will be forwarded to Battalion Orderly Room by 6.00.p.m. to-day. Marching Out State for Transport will show Limbered G.S.Wagons as two 2 wheeled vehicles.
- 10. EXTRACT Extract from Routine Order dated 26/3/17 attached herewith will be read out to all men.
- 11. OFFICER'S VALISES will be stacked at Company Headquarters at 12.0n on tomorrow, 6th instant.
- 12. MESS BOXES will be stacked at Company Headquarters at 6.0.p.m. tomorrow, 6th instant.
- 13. LATRINES Company Commanders will ensure that all Latrines in their Area are filled in before moving off.
- 14. CLEANLINESS of BILLETS Certificate to this effect will be handed to the Adjutant at the Starting Point.

J.R. Swain Captain,

ADJUTANT, 49th Battalion. A. I. F.,

ISSUED AT 1.0.p.m., 5/12/17.

D I S T R I B U T I O N.

- 1. War Diary.
- 2 - 5. Companies.
- 6. File.
- 7. Commanding Officer.
- 8. Senior Major.
- 9. Transport Officer and Quarter master.
- 10. HEADQUARTERS Details.

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Reference Sheets 62c. & 57c.

1. The Battalion will move to the TEMPEUX-LA-FOSSE Area tomorrow, 9th instant.
2. Starting Point, Order of March, time and Route are as under:-

: STARTING POINT. :	ORDER OF MARCH. :	TIME :	ROUTE. :
: Alarm Post. :	: Headquarters :	: 8.30.a.m., :	: MOISLAINS-Cross Roads :
: :	: Band. :	: D.20.c. :	: :
: :	: "A" :	: :	: :
: :	: "B" :	: :	: :
: :	: "C" :	: :	: :
: :	: "D" :	: :	: :
: :	: Transport. :	: :	: :
: :	: Rearguard. :	: :	: :

3. O.C. "C" Company will detail two sections under an Officer as Rearguard.
4. DRESS Full Marching Order, one blanket per man will be rolled "Horse-shoe Fashion" around Pack.
5. Reveille. 6.30.a.m.,
Breakfast. 7.30.a.m.,
6. BLANKETS. ~~At~~ The remaining blanket per man will be rolled in one bundle per section and stacked at Quartermaster's Store by 7.30.a.m.
7. OFFICER'S VALISES. Officer's Valises will be stacked at Quartermaster's Store by 7.30.a.m.
8. MESS BOXES. Mess Boxes will be stacked at Quartermaster's Store by 8.15.a.m.
9. FIELD KITCHENS. Field Kitchens will be ready to move at 8.0.a.m.
10. MARCHING OUT STATES AND CERTIFICATES RE CLEANLINESS OF AREA will be handed to the ADJUTANT at the Starting Point.
11. SYNCHRONIZATION OF WATCHES. Watches will be synchronized at Battalion Orderly Room by 7.0.a.m.
12. LATRINES. Company Commanders will insure that all Latrines are filled in before moving off.

H.R. Swan Captain,

ADJUTANT, 49th Aust. Inf. Battalion. A.I.F.,

ISSUED AT 10.30.p.m., 8/12/17.

D I S T R I B U T I O N .

1. WAR DIARY.
2. -.5. COMPANIES.
6. FILE.
7. COMMANDING OFFICER.
8. SENIOR MAJOR.
9. TRANSPORT OFFICER AND QUARTERMASTER.
10. HEADQUARTERS. DETAILS..

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Reference Sheet 62c.

1. The Battalion will move to the MOISLAINS area tomorrow, 19th instant.
2. Starting Point, Order of March, Time and Route are as under:--

STARTING POINT.	ORDER OF MARCH:	TIME	ROUTE.
Battalion	Headquarters.	9.25.am.	TEMPLEAUX LA
Parade	Band.		FOSSE Church
Ground.	"A"		via Road
	"B"		junction at
	"C"		D.20.c.9.4.
	"D"		
	Transport.		
	Rearguard.		

3. O.C. "D" Company will detail two sections under an Officer as Rear-guard.
4. DRESS. Full marching Order, One Blanket in Waterproof Sheet to be rolled "Horse-shoe Fashion" around pack.
5. REVEILLE. 7.0.a.m.
6. BREAKFAST. 7.30.a.m.
7. MARKERS. will report to the Adjutant with Marching Out States at 9.10.a.m. -- ADVANCE will be blown at 9.15.a.m. Companies to be in position by 9.20.a.m.
8. BLANKETS. The remaining blanket per man will be rolled in one bundle per section and stacked at Quartermaster's Store by 7.30.a.m.
9. OFFICER'S VALISES AND MESS BOXES. to be stacked at Quartermaster's Store by 8.30.a.m.
10. FIELD KITCHENS. Field Kitchens will be ready to move at 8.30.a.m.
11. CERTIFICATES RE CLEANLINESS OF AREA. will be handed to the ADJUTANT at the Starting Point.
12. SYNCHRONIZATION OF WATCHES. Watches will be synchronized at Battalion Orderly Room at 8.0.a.m.

A. H. Lewis Captain,

ADJUTANT, 49th Battalion. A. I. F.,

ISSUED AT 12.00.noon., 18/12/17.

D I S T R I B U T I O N .

1. WAR DIARY.
- 2 - 5. COMPANIES.
6. FILE.
7. COMMANDING OFFICER.
8. SENIOR MAJOR.
9. TRANSPORT OFFICER AND QUARTERMASTER.
10. HEADQUARTERS.
11. HEADQUARTERS SPECIALIST OFFICERS.

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Headquarters,
49th Battalion,
16th December, 1917.

APPENDIX

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR
WEEK ENDING 22nd. DECEMBER. 1917.

Day and Date.	Time.	Training.
MONDAY. 17th Dec.	: 7.10.a.m. - 7.30.a.m. : 9.0. a.m. - 10.0. a.m. : 10.0. a.m. - 11.0.a. m. : 11.0. a.m. - 12.15.a.m. : 2.0. p.m. - 3.0. p.m.	: PHYSICAL TRAINING. : Platoon in attack exercise. : Advance Guard Exercise. : Rear Guard exercise. : Specialists Training.
TUESDAY. 18th Dec.	: 7.10. a.m. - 7.30.a.m. : 9.0. a.m. - 10.0. a.m. : 10.0. a.m. - 11.0. a.m. : 11.0. a.m. - 12.15.p.m. : 2.0. p.m. - 3.0. p.m.	: PHYSICAL TRAINING. : Flank Guard scheme. : Rear Guard scheme. : Platoon in attack scheme. : Specialists Training.
WEDNESDAY. 19th Dec.	: 7.10.a.m. - 7.30.a.m. : 9.0. a.m. - 10.0. a.m. : 10.0. a.m. - 11.0. a.m. : 11.0. a.m. - 12.15.p.m. : 2.0. p.m. - 3.0. p.m.	: PHYSICAL Exercises. : Company in attack exercise. : Flank Guard exercise. : Rear Guard exercise. : Specialists Training.
THURSDAY. 20th Dec.	: 7.10.a.m. - 7.30.a.m. : 9.0. a.m. - 10.30.a.m. : 10.30.a.m. - 12.15.p.m. : 2.0. p.m. - 3.0. p.m.	: PHYSICAL EXERCISES. : Advance Guard Scheme. : Rear Guard Scheme. : Specialists Training.
FRIDAY. 21st Dec.	: 7.10.a.m. - 7.30.p.m. : 9.0. a .m.- 12.15.p.m. : 2.0. p.m. - 3.0. p.m.	: PHYSICAL EXERCISES. : Battalion exercise. : Specialists Training.
SATURDAY. 22nd. Dec.	: 7.10.a.m. - 7.30.a.m. : 9.0. a.m. - 12.15.p.m.	: PHYSICAL EXERCISE. : Battalion scheme.

H. Swain

Captain,

ADJUTANT, 49th Battalion. A. I. F.,

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APPENDIX

OPERATION ORDER NO. 16.

IN THE FIELD,
21st DECEMBER, 1917.

Reference Sheet 62c.

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1. Information has been received that the enemy is holding the line BOUCHAVESNES - MOISLAINS as an outpost position, and aeroplanes report that trenches are being hastily dug in C.22.b. and C.23.a.

The 13th A. I. Brigade has been ordered to advance due South from the line C.4.b.00. - C.5.b.0.0. and seize the high ground in C.22.b. and C.23.a.

The 4th A. I. Brigade operating on the right and the 17th Division on the left.

2. The Battalion has been ordered to act as an ADVANCED GUARD to the main body.

Disposition of the Battalion as per margin :--

Line of Advance will be 191 degrees Magnetic bearing, ^{South} of ST. PIERRE VAAST WOOD.

DRESS. Fighting Order with sheepskins to be worn outside Tunics, Steel Helmets will be worn by all Ranks and Box Respirators will be carried at the ALERT.

All Officers will be dismounted.

Messages to the Commanding Officer will be sent to head of Main Guard.

H.R. Swan Captain,

ADJUTANT, 49th Battalion. A.I.F.,

ISSUED at 8.30.p.m., 20/22/17.

D I S T R I B U T I O N .

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| 1. | WAR DIARY. |
| 2. - 5. | COMPANIES. |
| 6. | FILE. |
| 7. | COMMANDING OFFICER. |
| 8. | SENIOR MAJOR. |
| 9. | HEADQUARTER'S SPECIALISTS OFFICERS. |
| 10. | HEADQUARTERS DETAILS. |

VANGUARD.
"B" Coy.
MAIN GUARD.
"A" Coy.
"C" "
"D" "

IN THE FIELD,
23rd. DECEMBER, 1917.
Copy No. _____

Reference Sheets 57c. & 62c.

1. Information has been received that the enemy is holding the line BOUCHAVESNES - MOISLAINS as an outpost position, and aeroplanes report that trenches are being hastily dug in C.22. b. and C.23. a.
2. The 13th Aust. Inf. Brigade has been ordered to advance due South from SAILLIAEL and seize the high ground in C.22. b. and C.23. a.
The 4th Aust. Inf. Brigade operating on the Right and the 17th Division on the Left.
3. The 51st Battalion is forming the Advance Guard for the Brigade and will capture the ridge extending from C.17. a. 7.2. to C.16. b. 4.4. When this position is ~~secured~~ captured by the 51st Battalion, the 49th Battalion will pass through and attack the ridge on a frontage extending from C.23. b. 2.8. to C.23. a. 6.8. The frontage being approximately 700 yards. Compass bearing from the Forming up spot is 184 degrees true bearing.
4. Disposition of the Battalion for the attack as per margin:--
The attack will be carried out in two waves. --
1st. Wave to consist of "A" and "D" Companies in two lines.
2nd. Wave to consist of "B" Company in two lines.
The Reserve Company will take up its position in the Sunken Road running through C.16. and C.17.
Lieutenant R.H. VERRY will be responsible for the direction, which will be 'By the Centre', and will place himself at the point where the leading Companies unite.
The Battalion will assemble for the attack at C.10. d. 9.1. The Centre of the Battalion position is marked by an Overturned Wagon alongside the road.
The direction will be an alignment from the Overturned Wagon to the Right telephone post of the two standing, thence to the Centre tall tree in Copse.
The Battalion will move from the point of formation at 9.45. a.m., and advance from the Jumping off Position at 10.15. a.m. The Jumping off Line will be the Sunken Road running through C.16. and C.17.
Captain F.J. HALLAM, M.C., will be in charge of the First Wave.
5. DRESS. Fighting Order. Sheepskins to be worn outside tunics. Steel Helmets will be worn by all Banks and Box Respirators will be carried in the ALERT Position. All Officers will be Dismounted.
6. Battalion Headquarters will be in the Sunken Road C.16. b. 9.3.

H. Swan Captain,
ADJUTANT, 49th Battalion. A.I.F.,

ISSUED AT 9.15. p.m., 23/12/17.,

D I S T R I B U T I O N .

1. WAR DIARY.
2. - 5. COMPANIES.
6. FILE.
7. COMMANDING OFFICER.
8. SENIOR MAJOR.
9. HEADQUARTERS SPEC. OFFICERS.
10. HEADQUARTERS DETAILS.

1st LINE.

"A" Coy.

"D" Coy.

SUPPORT.

"B" Coy.

RESERVE.

"C" Coy.

IN THE FIELD.

26th December, 1917.

Copy No. _____

Reference Sheet 62c.

1. Information has been received that the enemy is holding the line BOUCHAVESNES & MOISLAINS as an outpost position, and aeroplanes report that trenches are being hastily dug in C.22.b. and C 23.a.

The 13th Aust. Inf. Brigade ~~operating on the~~ has been ordered to advance due South from the line C.4.b.O.O. - C.5.b.O.O. and seize the high ground in C.22.b. and C. 23.a.

The 4th Aust. Inf. Brigade operating on the right and the 17th Division on the left.

2. The Battalion has been ordered to act as an ADVANCED GUARD to the main body.

Disposition of the Battalion as per margin :--

Line of Advance will be 191 degrees Magnetic bearing South of ST.PIERRE VAAST WOOD.

DRESS. Fighting Order with sheepskins to be worn outside Tunics. Felt Hats will be worn by all Ranks and Box Respirators will be carried at the ALERT position.

All Officers will be dismounted.

Messages to the Commanding Officer will be sent to head of Main Guard.

J.H. Swain Captain,

ADJUTANT, 49th Battalion. A.I.F.,

ISSUED AT 8.30.p.m., 26/12/17.

D I S T R I B U T I O N .

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| 1. | War Diary. |
| 2. - 5. | Companies. |
| 6. | File. |
| 7. | Commanding Officer. |
| 8. | Transport Officer. & Quartermaster. |
| 9. | Headquarters Spec. Officers. |
| 10. | Headquarters Details. |

WANGUARD.

"B" Coy.

M AINGUARD.

"A" Coy.

"C" Coy.

"D" Coy.

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OPERATION ORDER NO.19.

APPENDIX

IN THE FIELD.
28th December 1917.
Copy No. /

Further to Brigade Operation Order issued to Company Commanders last night.

Advance Guard has reached BOUCHAVESNES - MOISLAINS Road, and is in touch on both Flanks. Enemy is entrenched and holding Spur in C.22.a., C.22.b. and C.23.a. in force.

Position will be attacked at 12.0. noon on the 28th December 1917 by the 49th and 51st. Battalions. 49th Battalion right, 51st Battalion left. Right of 51st Battalion will direct. General bearing of advance 180 degrees true.

Dividing line between Battalion line drawn South on the Western edge of COPSE.
Frontage of Battalion 600 yards.

1st LINE.

Disposition of Battalion for attack as per Margin :-

"A" Coy. RIGHT.
"D" Coy. LEFT.

Attack will be carried out in two waves.:-
1st WAVE to consist of "A" and "D" Companies in two lines.
2nd WAVE to consist of "B" Company in two lines.

SUPPORT.

"B" Coy.

At 12.0.noon, the attack will commence and be vigorously carried out.

RESERVE.

"C" Coy.

Battalion Headquarters will be in the SUNKEN ROAD, C.16.b.1.2.

J. H. L. Swain Captain,

ADJUTANT 49th BATTALION, A.I.F.

ISSUED AT 17.0.a.m. 28/12/17.

D I S T R I B U T I O N .

- 1. War Diary.
- 2 - 5. Companies.
- 6. File.
- 7. e Commanding Officer.
- 8. Transport Officer & Quartermaster.
- 9. Headquarters Spec. Officers.
- 10. Headquarters Details.

13th. AUS. INF. BDE. ORDER No. 3 (PR. OFFICE)

Headquarters,
27th. December 1917.

Reference 1/40.000.
Sheets 57C and 62C and Map attached.

- 1. Our Cavalry Patrols have encountered strong opposition from enemy Cavalry and some parties of Cyclists and Infantry South of RANCOURT and St. PIERRE VAAST Wood.
Aeroplanes report that enemy are occupying the line of the BOUCHAVESNES - MOISLAINS Road, and that trenches are being dug in C.22.a. and b. and C.23.a.

2. I ANZAC Corps moves South tomorrow as follows:-

- 1st. Aus. Div. on GAMBLES and LE FORNIST,
- 4th. Aus. Div. on BOUCHAVESNES and MOISLAINS (exclusive).
- 5th. Aus. Div. on MOISLAINS

3. The 13th. Aus. Inf. Bde. plus "D" Machine Section 13th. Field Ambulance will move in accordance with Table hereunder. -
The remainder of 4th. Aus. Division is moving via RANCOURT.

Troops	Starting Point	Time to pass.	Route	Remarks.
Advanced Guard O.C., Major R.F. FITZGERALD, D.S.O. 52nd. In. 52nd. Battalion. 1 Sec. 13th. M.G. Coy.	As ordered by O.C. Advanced Guard.		GOVERNMENT FARM - road on Eastern edge of St. PIERRE VAAST Wood.	To be clear of Road Junction at U.16.c.6.9 by 7 a.m.
Main Body. 13th. Bde. H.Q.	Road Junction at U.16.c.6.9	8.0 AM.	As for	
49th. Battalion 13th. M.G. Coy.) less 1 Sect.)		8.1 "	Advanced Guard.	
51st. Battalion		8.11 "		
50th. Battalion		8.17 "		
Second Echelon of Transport *		8.23 "		*Under orders of Bde. Trans- port Officer.
"D" Sec. 13th. Fd. Ambco.		8.30 "		

4. Reports to head of Main Body after 8 A.M.

5. A C K N O W L E D G E.

(Sgd) T. B. LOUGH.

Captain,
A/Ldc. Major, 13th. Aust. Infantry Brigade.

Issued at 2 p.m.

Extra Copies to;

- 16. 13th. Field Ambulance.
- 17. 4th. Aus. Inf. Bde.
- 18. 8th. Aus. Inf. Bde.

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NOTES to accompany Brigade Order No. 3.

1. In order that troops will not be kept standing about in the cold, units will arrive at the area as follows :-
 - (a) Advanced Guard will commence the scheme at C.4.e.3.7 at 9 a.m.
 - (b) 49th and 51st Battalions and 15th. M.G. Coy (less 2 Section) will be formed up along the North Eastern edge of the Wood in C.10.a. at 10.30 a.m.
50th Battalion will be at the same place at 11.30 a.m.
 - (c) When the main attack has passed through the Advanced Guard the 53rd Battalion will be reformed and marched back to Camp under the Senior Major - other Officers and senior N.C.O's remaining to watch the concluding part of the exercise.
2. Transport will not parade.
3. The action of Units on the flanks will be taken to be normal unless Commanders are otherwise informed.

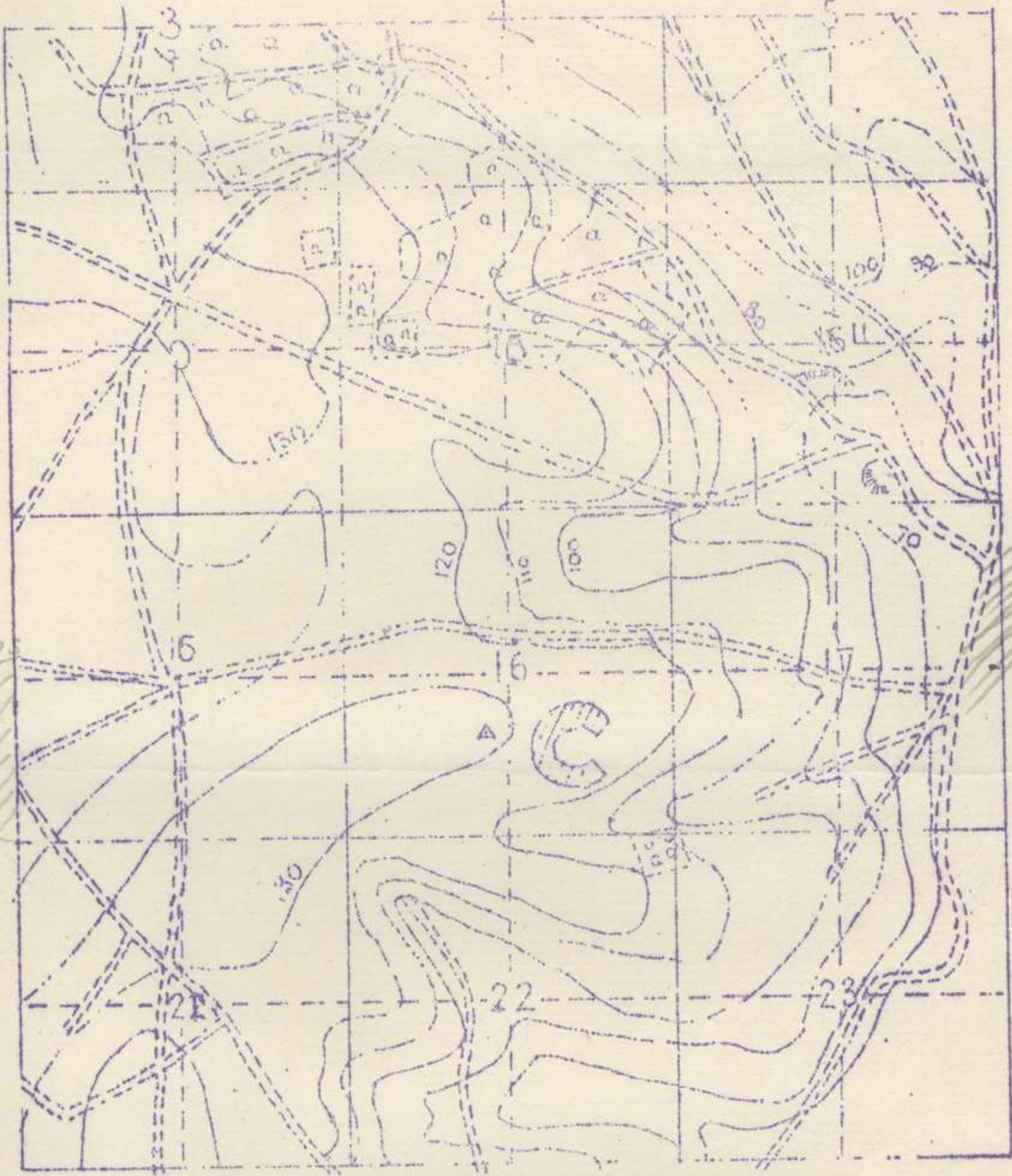
Major W.M. POWER, 50th. Battalion, and the Brigade Intelligence Officer will act as Umpires to prevent unreal situations developing. They will wear white armbands. Written "situations" will be given to Officers commanding leading troops and simultaneously to Battalion Commanders on which they will act, but this does not absolve any Officer from sending on such information as he receives.
4. The enemy will be represented by men with flags.

Flags held still denote that the enemy has superiority of fire. Flags waving that fire power is equal.
When flags disappear the attacking force has gained fire superiority. supremacy.
5. Casualties will be simulated, but the Field Ambulance will not be represented.

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