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Signals

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**Title:** 1st Australian Division Signals  
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September 1915



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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Sept 1 <sup>st</sup>	Anzac	Situation unaltered. Lines patrolled & made secure. Started preparing dugouts for winter	
Sept 2 <sup>nd</sup>	"	Situation unaltered Lines patrolled & tested three times a day Saps Wheatley wounded by shrapnel pellets (Thigh and Buttock.) Lot of men from company sent to hospital within last week three cases of Enteric size cases of dysentery or bad diarrhoea. Sgt Stoley returned to duty from hospital.	
Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup>	"	Situation unchanged Lines tested and patrolled	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Sept 4 <sup>th</sup>	Anzac	Situation unaltered Lines tested and patrolled. Started preparing the lines for Winter months. new poles erected in places to carry wires over bad parts.	
Sept 5 <sup>th</sup>	.	Work still being carried on in connection with lines. Situation unaltered	
Sept 6 <sup>th</sup>	"	Situation unchanged lines tested & patrolled	
Sept 7 <sup>th</sup>	"	" " " " "	
Sept 8 <sup>th</sup>	"	Sgt Suetter & Thrummen to Hospital Lt Hamilton to Hospital Enspic. C.S.M. McButcher sent to take charge of No 2 section vice Mr Hamilton to Hoop Ship Sap Middleton returned to duty from Hpt	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Sept 9 <sup>th</sup>	Amrae	Situation unaltered lines tested & patrolled Major H. D. Blackworth. to Alexandria on special duty Lt Gordon to take command of 1 <sup>st</sup> Div Sig Coy during Major Blackworth's absence in Alexandria. Sig Officer from 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aust Div inspected lines through Lone Pine section.	
Sept 10 <sup>th</sup>	.	Four reinforcements reported & taken on strength three attached to No 3 section and 1 man to No 2 section these men are 6 <sup>th</sup> reinforcements Eight men attached to No 2 section for instruction in office & line work. Work in connection with handing over started	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Sept 10 <sup>th</sup> (Continued)	Anzac	a direct line between Lone Pine & Head-Quarters 6 <sup>th</sup> Inf Bde was established. The 6 <sup>th</sup> Inf Bde having two battalions doing duty & wanting direct communication	
Sept 11 <sup>th</sup>	"	One officer and twenty three men from Nos. 3 & 4 Sections embarked for Mudros for inst. No 3 section of 3 <sup>rd</sup> DIV Sig Coy take over No 4 Section's (1 <sup>st</sup> Aust DIV Sig Coy) station with station call. HF. Two operators of No 4 Section 1 <sup>st</sup> DIV remaining to do cable work. New cable line run to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aust Div HQ at Rest Gully direct line between KB & YA disconnected all mess ays. to go	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Sept 11th	Continued	<p>through 2nd Aust Div H.Q. (YB) men still receiving instruction at 1st Inf Bde H.Q. No 1 and 3 sections Lone Pine connected direct with No 2 section, all messages for H.Q. thus passing through No 2 section which was made Battalion H.Qs of Battalions doing duty at Lone Pine. Instructors sent to 2nd Aust Div to teach new men work at telephone stations, each Battalion doing 24 hour shifts. Replaced 1st Aust Div telephones by those supplied by 2nd Aust Div</p>	
Sept 12th	Arzac	<p>Joined up Lone Pine section with 6th Inf Bde at Wire Gully &amp; handed over to them</p>	

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Date.	Place and Time.		Remarks or References to Appendices, &c., attached.
Sept 12 <sup>th</sup> Cont -	Anzac	at 1500, disconnecting all lines with old 1st Inf Bde H.Q. No 2 Section cleaning up old wires etc & then reporting to Div H.Q. Station. Arrangement for embarking uncarried men returned to await further orders	
Sept 13	"	Situation unchanged lines patrolled & tested, Lee Corp Leggo (Wounded) Saps Middleton (Sick) returned to duty & later on strength	
Sept 14 <sup>th</sup>	.	One Officer (Lt Sinker) and 35 other ranks from H.Q. No 1 and No 2 Sections embark for Rest Camp at Mudros. Situation unaltered Lines tested & patrolled	

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Date	Place	Time		Remarks or References to appendices etc attached
Sept 15 <sup>th</sup>	Anzac		Situation unchanged. Lines tested & patrolled & lines made safe from traffic	
Sept 16 <sup>th</sup>	"		Situation unchanged Lines tested & patrolled	
" 17 <sup>th</sup>	"		— . — do —	
" 18 <sup>th</sup>	"		— . — do —	
" 19 <sup>th</sup>	"		— . — do —	
" 20 <sup>th</sup>	"		— . — do —	
" 21 <sup>st</sup>	"		— . — do —	
" 22 <sup>nd</sup>	"		— . — do —	
" 23 <sup>rd</sup>	"		— . — do —	
" 24 <sup>th</sup>	"		— . — do —	
" 25 <sup>th</sup>	"		— . — do —	
" 26 <sup>th</sup>	"		— . — do —	



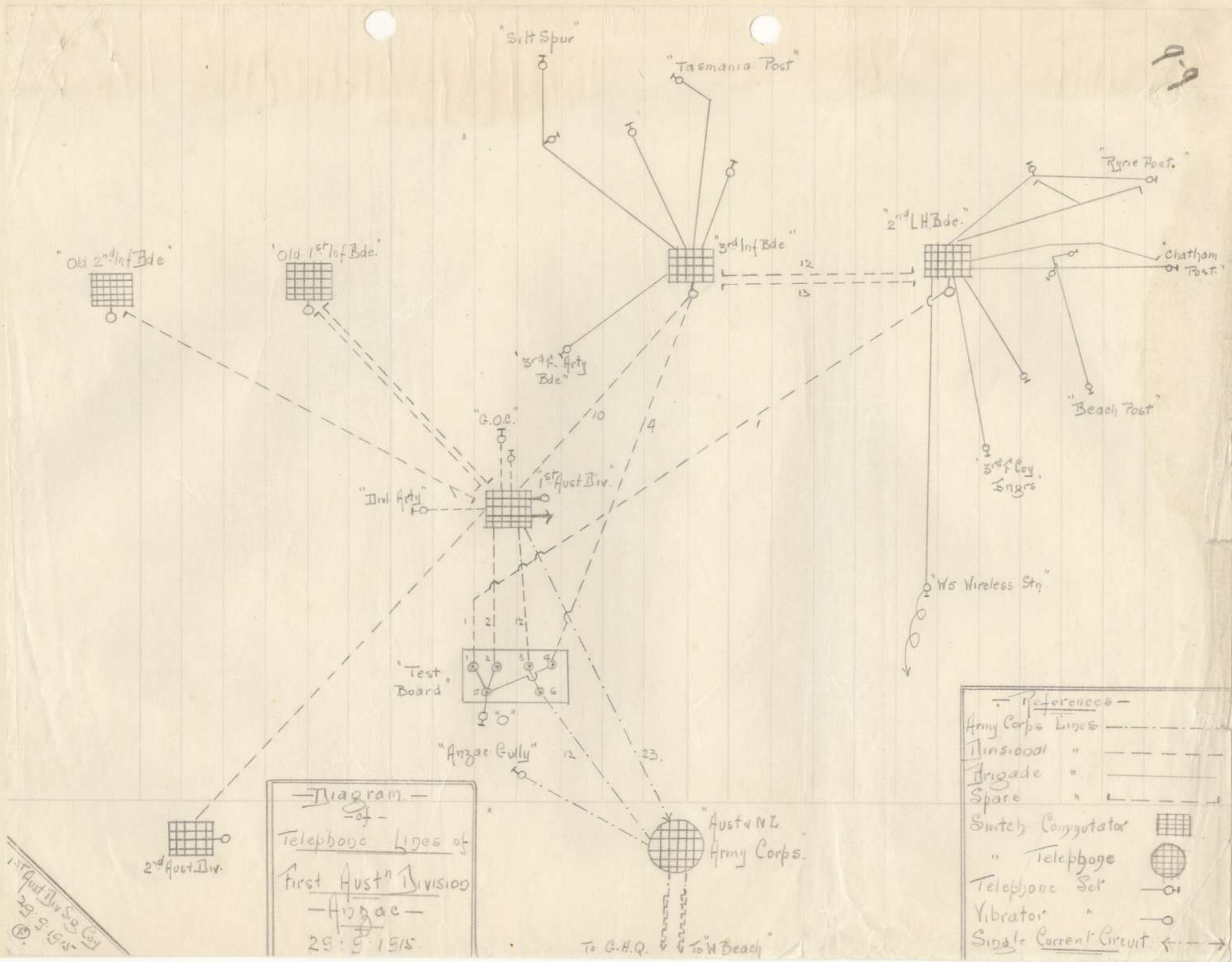
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Date	Place	Time		Remarks or References to appendices etc attached
Sept 27 <sup>th</sup>	Anzac		Situation unchanged lines tested & patrolled. Work in connection with making lines of communication safe for winter months being carried on. Wooden tags being attached to wires, with sections & calls printed on showing where & from the wires and laid this being necessary as there are so many lines which are not always in use. By Observation Posts Rest Camps.	
Sept 28 <sup>th</sup>	"		Situation unchanged Lines test & patrolled	
" 29 <sup>th</sup>	"		Situation unchanged Lines tested & patrolled New issue of clothing for HQ & H2 Sections.	
Sept 30 <sup>th</sup>			Situation unchanged Lines tested & patrolled Communications as per diagram dated 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Diagram

W. S. Gordon Lt Col in Charge  
1st Div Signal Coy





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Diagram of Telephone Lines of First Aust<sup>n</sup> Division - Anzac - 29.9.1915

References -	
Army Corps Lines	-----
Divisional "	- - - - -
Battalion "	_____
Spare "	-----
Switch Computer	[Grid Symbol]
" Telephone	[Globe Symbol]
Telephone Set	[Circle with dot]
Vibrator "	[Circle with dot]
Signal Current Circuit	← - - - - →

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