

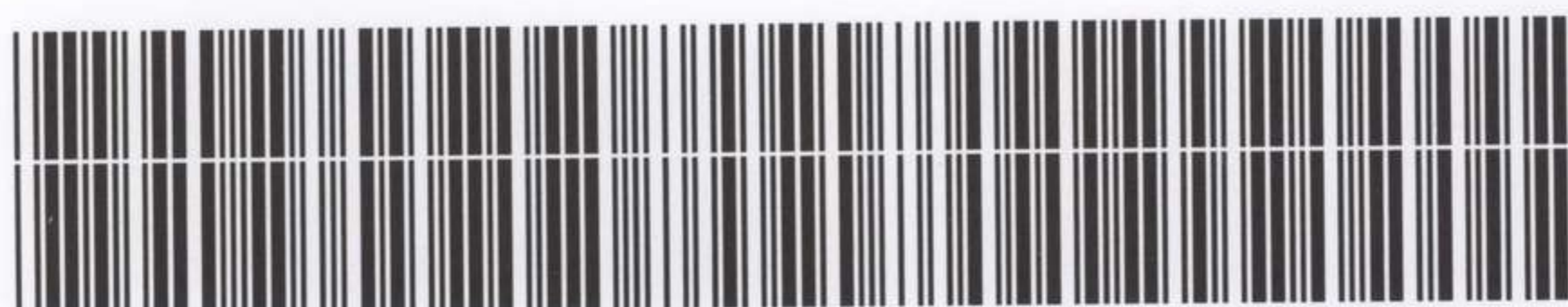
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15th Aust. Inf. Brigade. 5th Australian Division. AUSTRALIAN Corps.

Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name (Christian names must be stated)	Action for which commended (Date and place of action must be stated)	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.		Lieutenant Walter Edward <u>SHIELLS</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during raid on enemy trenches near BERNANCOURT on night June 30th/July 1st D 18. Lieut. SHIELLS was O.C. Raid and trained and led his men with great skill and gallantry. His objective was a piece of trench which had held out against 4 previous raids by various units. Lieut. SHIELLS gained his objective capturing two prisoners and destroyed the enemy's dugouts. Previous to the raid Lieut. SHIELLS was in charge of patrols in No Man's Land and obtained valuable information. He previously took part in large raid on DATUM HOUSE near MESSINES.</p> <p>Strength of Raiding party 1 Officer and 35 O.Rs.</p>	<p><i>Chap. Watson</i> Lieut. Col. Commanding 58th Battalion A.I.F.</p>	<p>MENTION IN CORPS ORDERS</p>	

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Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	58th Inf. Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieutenant Horace Beverly <u>STANLEY</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during raid on enemy trenches near DERNANGOURT on night 19th/20th June 1918, Lieut. STANLEY commanded the raiding party and led them with great skill and dash to enemy trench where they were met by a working party of the enemy estimated at 50. Although outnumbered by more than 3 to 1. Lieut. Stanley set a fine lead to his men by shooting two of the enemy dead at a distance of a few yards; he was wounded in 5 places by an enemy bomb but continued to fight on until he withdrew his men after inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy with bombs.</p> <p>Strength of raiding party 1 Officer and 55 O.Rs.</p>	<p><i>Chas. Wilson</i> Lieut. Col. Commanding 58th Battalion A.I.F.</p>	<p>MENTION IN CORPS ORDERS.</p>	

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	776	Sergeant Frank Alfred George <u>NEWLANDS.</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches near BERNANCOURT on Night June 30th/July 1st 1918 Sgt. Newlands was in charge of right party and shewed great courage and leadership he rushed the trench when the barrage lifted and engaged in a hand to hand conflict with two of the enemy in a dug-out both Germans were armed with bayonets and stick grenades and put up a strenuous fight. Until Sgt. Newlands inflicted a bayonet wound in one of them when both surrendered.</p> <p>Sgt. Newlands then organised a party of stretcher bearers to carry in our wounded and assisted in carrying himself making 3 trips to and from the enemy trench.</p> <p>This N.C.O. was previously recommended for a decoration for similar work in raid on enemy trenches at MESSINES in March 1918</p> <p>Strength of Raiding Party 1 Off. and 35 O.Rs.</p>	<p><i>W. G. ...</i></p>	<p>Lieut. Col. Commanding 58th Battalion A.I.F.</p>	<p>265</p> <p>MILITARY MEDAL.</p> <p>APPENDIX 37</p>

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15th Aust. Inf. Brigade. 5th Australian Division. AUSTRALIAN Corps. Date of Recommendation. *2/6/18*

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	1663	Lance Corporal Walter Henry <u>BOXER, M.M.</u> Stretcherbearer.	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during raid on enemy trenches near DERNANGCOURT on night June 19/20th 1918 L/Cpl. BOXER was in charge of the stretcher bearers although wounded early in the raid by an enemy stick bomb he assisted to carry out the wounded under heavy shell fire. Later he returned to the enemy trench with another stretcherbearer searching for one of the raiding party who was known to be wounded and missing. This N.C.O. was previously recommended for the D.C.M. and was awarded the M.M. Strength of Raiding party 1 Off. and 3 0. Rs. <i>14/18</i>	<i>Henry Watson</i>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 58th Battalion A.I.F. BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL	

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2180	Private Joshua Caleb MARTIN (Stretcher bearer)	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during raid on enemy trenches near DERNANCOURT on Night June 19th/20th 1918. Pte. Martin was acting as a stretcher bearer and although wounded before the trench was reached he carried on with his work of evacuating the wounded; he later returned with another stretcher bearer to search for one of our raiding party who was known to be wounded and missing. Strength of Raiding Party 1 Off. 35 O.Rs. 14	<i>Thos. Nelson</i>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 58th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2680	Private Donald Shaw <u>JONES</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during raid on enemy trenches near DERNANCOURT on night June 30th/July 1st 1918. Pte. JONES was detailed to search for enemy Machine Guns and was first into the enemy trench. He bombed his way along the whole length of the trench and also moved to a position in rear of same in search of Machine Guns. He afterwards volunteered to lead a party into "No Mans Land" in search of a missing man and remained out during the enemy's retaliating shoot. Pte. JONES was mentioned in despatches for bravery at BULLECOURT and good work done in POLYGON WOOD.</p> <p>Mentioned in despatches of 1-6-17. Supplement London Gazette 30107.</p>	<p><i>Chap. Wilson</i></p>	<p>Lieut. Colonel Commanding 58th Battalion, A.I.F. MILITARY MEDAL</p>	

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Headquarters,
15th Australian Infantry Brigade,
12th July, 1918.



57th Battalion,
58th Battalion,
59th Battalion,
60th Battalion,
15th A.L.T.M.B.,
Staff Captain,

1. During the night 17th/18th July, 1918, the 8th Australian Infantry Brigade is relieving the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade in the left Brigade sector of the Divisional front.
2. Line Battalions will be relieved as follows:
60th Battalion by 29th Battalion.
57th Battalion by 31st Battalion.
3. As the 8th Australian Infantry Brigade is also relieving the left Battalion of the 14th Australian Infantry Brigade on the same night details of relief of Support Battalions will be issued later.
4. C.O's. will assist 8th Australian Infantry Brigade to make the necessary reconnaissances and preliminary arrangements forthwith.
5. Acknowledge.

Captain,
Brigade Major,
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 178.

Ref: FRANCE,
62 D N.E. 1/20,000.

13th July, 1918.

1. During the night 13th/14th July, 1918, it is proposed to project 400 Gas Cylinders onto enemy defences and shelters opposite the Brigade Front as follows:
 - (a) On the Northern outskirts of MORLANCOURT, especially the Sunken Road at K.2.D.9-4.
 - (b) On enemy activity at and around E.20.A.9-3.
2. Projection (a) will be fired from the Right Subsector of the Brigade Front.
Projection (b) will be fired from the Left Subsector of the Brigade Front.
3. The areas to be cleared of troops and precautionary zones in which Box Respirators will be worn are as shown on maps "A" and "B" respectively (overleaf).
4. The limits of direction of wind for safe discharge are:

Projection (a): From South by West through West to North of a velocity not exceeding 10 m.p.h.

Projection (b): From S.S.W. through W. to N.N.W. of a velocity not exceeding 10 m.p.h.
5. Any noise caused by limbers going forward will be covered by Machine Gun and Trench Mortar fire.
6. Administrative arrangements will be issued direct to those concerned.
7. Results of the operation will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters.
8. Acknowledge.

Captain,
Brigade Major,
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Issued at / p.m. through signals to:
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|---------------------------------|--------|
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| 58th Battalion | 2. |
| 59th Battalion | 3. |
| 60th Battalion | 4. |
| 15th A.L.T.H.B. | 5. |
| Copies to; | |
| G.O.C. 15th A.I. Brigade | 6. |
| Staff Captain | 7. |
| No. 1 Signal Section | 8. |
| Brigade Transport Officer | 9. |
| 5th Australian Division | 10. |
| 5th Australian M.G. Battalion | 11. |
| 8th Australian M.G. Company | 12. |
| 14th A.I. Brigade | 13. |
| 173rd Brigade | 14. |
| "Z" Special Company R.E. | 15. |
| "A" Company 13th Tank Battalion | 16. |
| Left Group Artillery | 17. |
| 4th Aust. F.A. Brigade | 18. |
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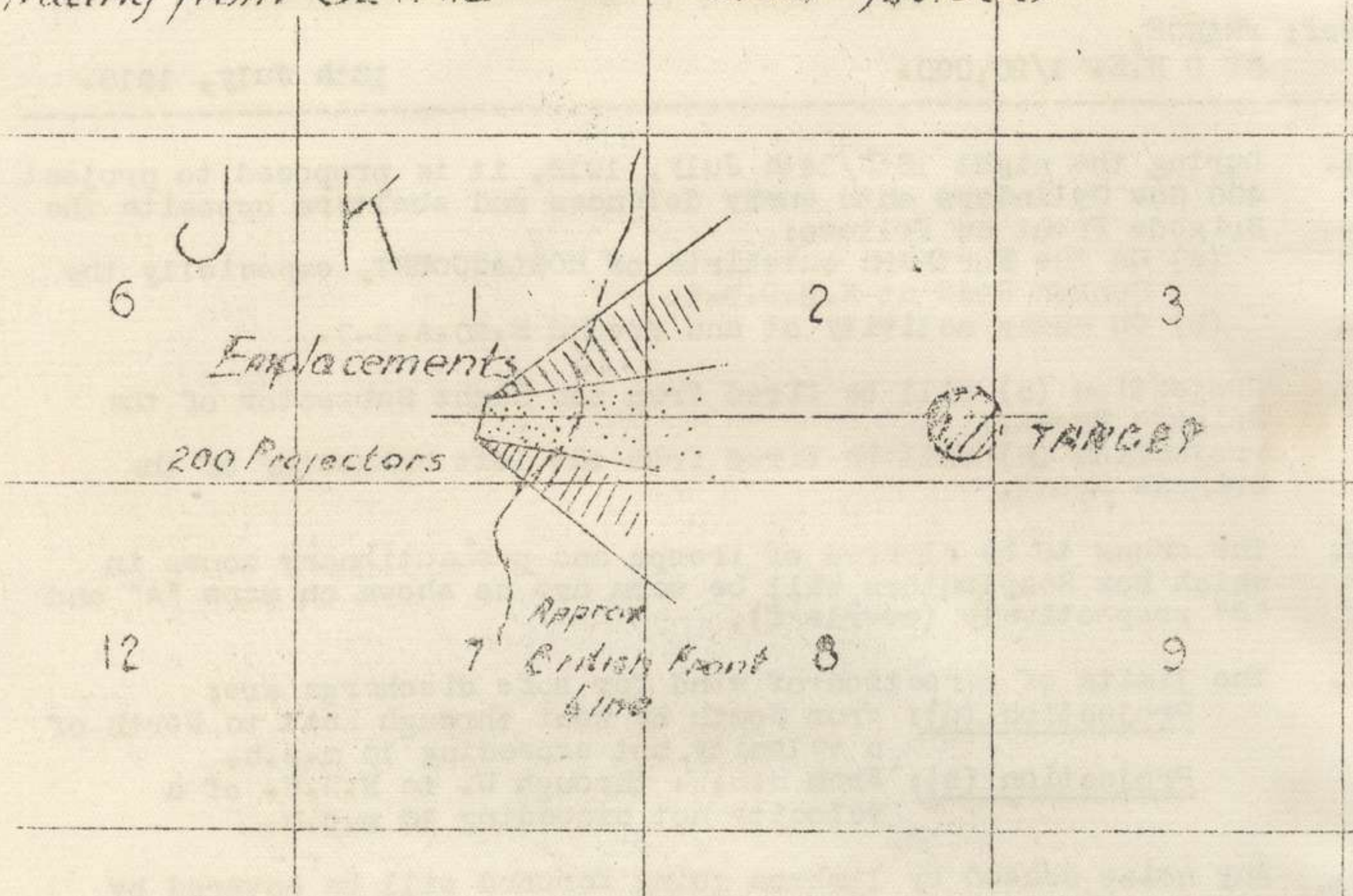
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MAP "A"

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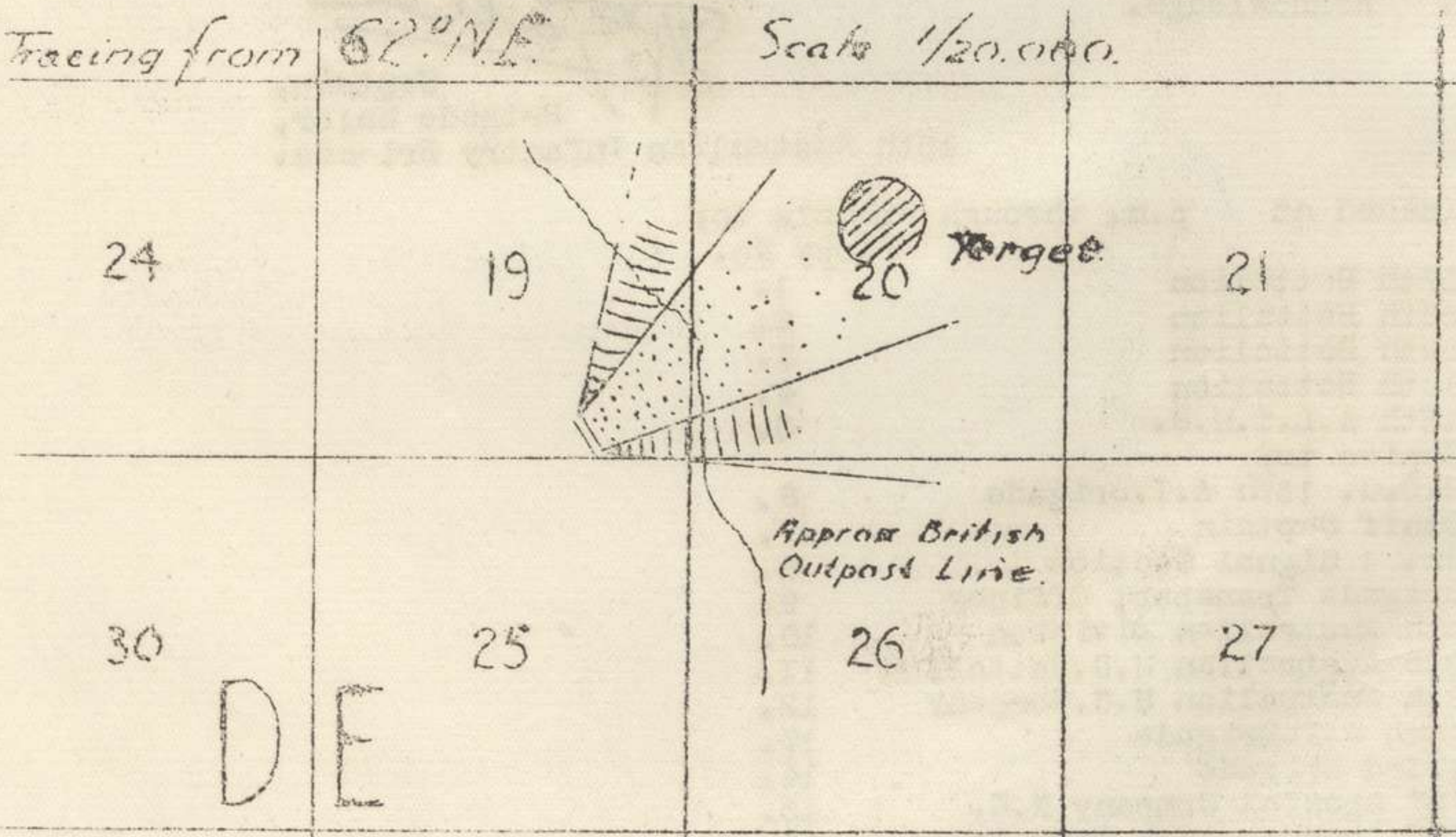
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MAP "B"

Tracing from 62° NE

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LEGEND

- Cautionary area in which Masks are to be worn.
- Danger area to be cleared of our troops from zero - 15 until completion of discharge.
- Cautionary area in which Masks are worn.

ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTSissued in connection with15th Australian Infantry Brigade Order No.178dated 13. 7.181. PROJECTION "A"

- (a) Brigade Transport Officer will detail seven half limbers to be at IRANVILLERS CHURCH G.29.A.3-4. Report to a representative of "Z" Special Co.R.E. at 8.45 p.m. tonight. To carry to the 60th Battalion Sector (Junction of COLAC LANE and LITTLE CATERPILLAR).
- (b) 59th Battalion will detail a carrying party of 1 Officer and 35 Other Ranks to report to Lieut. MOORE of "Z" Special R.E.Co. at the Junction of COLAC LANE and the LITTLE CATERPILLAR, K.1.C.3-6, at 10.45 p.m.
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2. PROJECTION "B"

- (a) Brigade Transport Officer will detail NINE half limbers to report to a representative of "Z" Special Co.R.E. at Road Junction D.20.B.7-3 at 9.30 p.m. tonight to carry to left Battalion Sector E.19.C.30.00.
- (b) 58th Battalion will detail a carrying party of 2 Offs. and 100 Other Ranks to report to Lieut. AUSTIN of "Z" Special Co.R.E. at the junction of DERNANCOURT ROAD and EMU SUPPORT TRENCH E.19.C.30.00. at 11 p.m.
3. Carrying parties must consist of the full number of actual carriers.

Sd/ H.R.GOLLAN Captain.
 Brigade Major.
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Issued to:

Brigade Transport Officer.
 59th Battalion
 58th Battalion
 57th Battalion
 60th Battalion
 Staff Captain
 "Z" Special Co.R.E.

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Copy No.

ADDENDUM No.1

to

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No.178

dated 13.7.18.



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1. Zero time will be 1.50 a.m. on 14.7.18.
 2. All working and ration parties must be clear of the forward area before 1.40 a.m.
 3. The following code words will be used:

"A" Projection

All correct for operation: BOOF.
Wind not favourable: SOAP.
Operation completed: QUEEK.

"B" Projection

All correct for operation: SPOTS.
Wind not favourable: BOILS.
Operation completed: BLISTERS.

4. Acknowledge.

H. Gollan

Captain.
Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE
* Summary of Intelligence *
1/20,000) 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 13/7/18.

1. OPERATIONS

Our artillery were active on enemy defences and communications in rear.

Harassing fire carried out at night according to programme.

A.L.T.M.B. 20 rounds expended on enemy posts in E.20.C.8-9. Snipers did not see many targets and claim no casualties.

Patrols - Left Battalion

One patrol threw bombs into enemy post at E.26.A.15.90 without drawing any retaliation.

Other patrols heard enemy working at E.19.B.7-2 and E.20.C.2-7. On their return to our lines No.36 Rifle Grenades were directed against the enemy parties.

A patrol investigated nature of ground in E.26 and confirmed previous reports that ground in E.26.A. is very marshy but is firm in E.26.C.

Right Battalion

Patrols covered the inter Battalion relief and later - reconnoitring patrols were sent out but nothing was seen or heard of the enemy.

2. IDENTIFICATIONS Nil.

3. ENEMY SHELLING

Time	Place	Rounds	Calibre	Remarks
6.50 a.m. to 7.10 a.m.	D.24.B.	23	5.9	
7.30 a.m.	D.24.D.	10	4.2	
9.10 a.m.	MARRETT WOOD	12	4.2	
9.30 a.m. to 11 a.m.	J.11.D.	10	5.9	
12.25 p.m.	J.9.B.	28	4.2	
4.0 p.m.	K.7.B.	10	4.2	
10.0 p.m.	TREUX LINE	10	4.2	
10.0 p.m.	VILLE SUR ANCRE	20	77	
10.45 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.	MARRETT WOOD	35	5.9 & 4.2	
10 - 11 p.m.	RAVINE and E.19.C.	-	4.2	
3 - 3.15 a.m.	Supports in E.25.B.	28	4.2	
3.20 to 3.35 p.m.	VILLE SUR ANCRE	50	4.2	

At 10.15 p.m. 10 rounds of 4.2 put down on ravine in E.25.A. This was repeated every 50 mins. until 4 a.m.

4. ENEMY ATTITUDE

Unchanged. No heavy artillery shoots and no enemy patrols seen. Snipers and Machine Guns were quiet.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES

Work heard at E.19.B.7-2 and E.20.C.2-7. New earth works can be seen at E.26.D.1-9. Machine Guns suspected at K.2.C.1-7 and K.7.B.8-6.

6. HOSTILE AERIAL ACTIVITY

6.40 a.m. two enemy planes over our lines. 11 p.m. and 12.30 a.m. some bombs were dropped on our support areas.

7. MOVEMENT

From 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. an average movement of 2 men per hour seen at K.9.C.2-7.

6 a.m. 4 men loading 4 wagons with hay in E.30.B.

6.35 a.m. small movements in E.28.C.

11.25 a.m. 5 men moved from K.8.A.7-9 to trench at K.7.B.8-4.

11.5 a.m. 2 men left E.27.B.3-2 walked to trench E.27.B.6-3.

3.35 p.m. 3 men left trench at E.28.A.14 - 0.

8.25 p.m. Smoke and movement seen at E.26.D.8-4.

Between 4.45 a.m. and 6 a.m. this morning movement was seen at K.9.D.5-3, K.9.C.4-5 and K.9.C.2-7.

8. ARMS AND EQUIPMENT Nil.

9. MISCELLANEOUS Flares Very few in number last night.

Fire reported at 8.30 p.m. on T.B. of 145° from D.24.B.4-5. (probably in K.22.C).

10. LOCATIONS 60th Bn. relieved 58th Bn. last night in right Battalion Sector.

J.B. Doyle Capt

T/Commanding 15th Australian Inf. Brigade Lieut. Col.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

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by
Lieut.Col. H.T.C.LAYH, D.S.O.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
13th July 1918

GENERAL STAFF

509. SELF INFLICTED INJURIES - GAS

1. In future, where there is reason to suppose that a soldier is suffering from the effect of "Gas" through carelessness, disobedience of orders, culpable negligence, or drinking or washing in water knowing it to be so contaminated or in contravention of orders, the case will be investigated and ARMY FORM "W.3428" rendered.

2. A notification, signed by an officer, should accompany the man to the medical unit to which he is sent, or should follow him as soon as he is traced, stating that his case is under investigation and that he should, if possible, be detained pending further particulars being obtained.

3. In such cases the O.C. unit will at once render a preliminary report of Injured - Gas a final classification of

- (a) "Injured Gas (Wilfully S1)"
- (b) "Injured Gas (Negligently S1)"
- (c) "Wounded Gas"

being made later as a result of further investigation.

4. If a man had been found guilty by "Court Martial" or summarily punished by his C.O. the classification will be "a" or "b".

5. If, on investigation, the case is dismissed by the C.O. or the man acquitted by the Court Martial the classification will be "C"

6. If a man has been evacuated out of the country in error before disciplinary action has been taken, though the evidence clearly shows that he became a casualty through his own carelessness, disobedience of orders or culpable negligence, the classification of "Injured Gas (S1)" will be made on ARMY FORM W3428 subject to result of subsequent trial if any.

7. No soldier will be admitted to a special S1 hospital unless he is under sentence or has been placed under arrest or a definite charge of wilfully or negligently causing this casualty which is supported by signed statements of evidence attached to the Field Medical Card or other Transfer papers.

Captain.
Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

ADMINISTRATION

510. PAY Midmonthly pay will be available at Div. Paymaster's Office, ST GRATIEN, on Monday 15th inst. between the hours of 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Should it not be convenient for Units to draw on the date abovementioned, the Paymaster will reserve requirements on receipt of advice of the amount and date required.

511. PHOTOGRAPHY G.R.O. 3065 dated 29.12.17 is republished for information :-

No Officer, soldier or other person subject to Military Law is permitted to be in possession of a camera or to take photographs. This Order will be promulgated to all troops arriving in this country, and will be republished periodically in the Orders of Units. Any Officer or soldier or other person subject to Military Law who disobeys this Order will be placed in arrest and the case will be reported to the Headquarters of the Army or Lines of Communication Area. (G.R.Os. 464, 1137, 1348 are cancelled).

Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

UNIT.	Actually with unit.		In Hospital			Detached		Total.	Total Effective Strength.			Increase	Decrease.
	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Total.	Off.	O.R.		Off.	O.R.	Total.		
15th Bde. H.Q.	4	24	28			6	4	10	10	28	38		
15th A.L.T.M.B.	3	42	45				11	11	3	53	56		
57th Bn.	24	629	653	2	14	16	15	165	180	41	808	849	6 O.R. Evac. 7 " Cas.
58th Bn.	22	539	561		16	16	12	152	164	34	707	741	1 O.R. ex Hosp.
59th Bn.	20	602	622	2	15	17	12	127	139	34	744	778	1 O.R. Ex Leave U.K. 1 O.R., S.O.S. to Corps Sch.
60th Bn.	23	583	606	2	23	25	12	138	150	37	744	781	
TOTAL	96	2419	2515	6	68	74	57	597	654	159	3084	3243.	

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DETAILS OF DETACHED.

15th Bde. H.Q. Off.	O.R.	57th Battalion Off.	O.R.	58th Battalion Off.	O.R.	59th Battalion Off.	O.R.	60th Battalion Off.	O.R.	
Leave	1	1	A.G.'s Office	1	A.W.L.	1	29th A.A.S.C.	2	A.S.C	3
Brig.Gen. H.E. Elliott			A.S.C	3	A.G.'s Office	1	A.G.'s Office	1	A.G.'s Office	1
Chaplains	4		A.W.L.	12	Corps Workshops	2	A.W.L.	3	Camp Warden	1
Brigade School	1		Corps H.Q.	1	Concert Party	2	Div. H.q.	1	Y.M.C.A.	1
Lt. J.H. Anderson			Cookery Inst.	1	29th A.A.S.C.	2	Lieut. D.F. Toohy M.C.		A.P.M.	3
Ord. Div.		3	Div. A.P.M.	4	Div Duties	5	Div. Dem. Platoon 1	3	Concert Party	2
			" Baths	4	" Baths	3	Lieut. R.C. Deshon		Hayling Island	1
			" Cooks	2	" Dem. Platoon	3	Div. Duties	17	Corps Sch.	4 12
			2 Braughtsman	1	Leave U.K.	5	D.A.D.O.S. Bootmaker	1	Lt. C.E. Pizey	
			Corps Compound	1	Supply Depot	4	Leave	2 6	" P.J. Veale	
			Detention A.P.M.	3	Army Sch. of Inst.	2	Capt. W. L. Heron		" C.J. Levy	
			Leave U.K.	6	Lieut. W.H. Gates D.C.M.		Lieut. M. Callender		" C.R. Buchanan	
			R.E. Workshops	5	Div. Sig. School	1 6	A.I.F. H.Q., London		4th Army Sch.	1 1
			Supply Guard	1	Lt. J.O. Brown		for transfer to Indian		Lt. J.C. Mountford	
15th AL.T.M.B.			Liaison 5th Div.	1	G.H.Q., S.A. School	1 4	Army- Capt. Bursey		Power Buzzer Sch.	1
Paris Leave	1		Capt. J.B. Laing M.C.		Capt. J. Loughman		Batman to Off in Hos.	1	Div. Sig. Sch.	1 5
Nucleus	5		Staging Camp	1	Corps School	1 6	O.T.B.	1	Lt. J.W. Stubbs	
Corps School	5		Div. Artillery	1	Lt. F.J. Weir		Lieut. C.A.W. Blandford		Leave	1 8
			60th Bn. Liaison	1	W.P. from 5th A.D.R.W	1	Paris Demonstration	1	Lt. R.A. Calder	
			Lt. A.T. Bartlett		Detention	2	Senior Off. Course		Paris Demonstration	1
			O.T.B.	1	O.T.B.	1	Aldershot	1	Div. Canteen	1 3
			Lt. R. Doutreband		Lt. C. Crawley		Major. H.A. Kuring.		Lt. W. Davis	
			Base Depot	1	Staging Camp	1	Schools	4 18	A.A.O.C. Div.	1
			Lt. E.J. Moore		Paris Demonstration	3	Lt. R. Dunkley		A.D.R.W.	7
			Leave Paris	5	Nucleus	7 99	" J.W. Stewart		Dem. Platoon	3
			Paris Demonstration	2	Major. H.G.D. Ferres M.C.		" M. Kirkham		Corps Workshops	1
@ LT. COL. C.A. Denehy D.S.O.			Dem. Platoon	2	Lieut. A. Robertson		" G. Fincher		Kit Dump	1
Capt. L.W. Elliott			Schools	3 11	" C.A. Deane		Nucleus	1 73	A.W.L.	11
" B. Peacock			Lt. J.S. Cotton		" C.R. Cole		Lieut. A.J. Beck.		Staging Camp	1
Lieut. M.J. Meara			" F.O.C. Twomey		" S.A. Webb				Nucleus	4 70
" R. Marxsen			" C.H. Davis M.C.		" T.E. Tait				Lt. J. Dyke	
A.G. Staley	@		Nucleus	8 96	" H.V. Morey				" H.N. Richards D.C.M.	
R.D. McFarlane									" W.R. Gannon	
Capt. E. Corney.									" L.J. Howells.	
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1/20,000* Summary of Intelligence *
24 hours ending 6 a.m. 14/7/18.1. OPERATIONS

Our artillery were active on usual targets. MORLANCOURT and DERNANCOURT received much attention.

A.L.T.M.B. 60 rounds expended on following targets:-

Posts at E.20.C.2-2, K.2.C. 05.45., K.2.C.1-7, K.2.C.25-70 and along route of enemy sap in K.2.C.

Snipers and Rifle Grenadiers Active along whole front. Snipers claim no casualties.

BATROLS Left Battalion

A patrol was sent out to locate enemy posts in E.26.A. Patrol moved to E.26.A.6-8. An abandoned post seen at E.26.A.55-80 but no sign of occupied posts.

Ground soft but passable.

Another patrol heard distinct sounds of working from E.26.Centr1. A patrol went out to listening post at E.26.A.13.86. (One of posts recently raided) After waiting in vain for enemy to come out patrol entered and found post unoccupied. There were a few Mills Grenades in post.

Work was heard on the main line of post further back and rifle grenades and L.T.M. were directed against the workers.

Right Battalion

A patrol saw wiring party 20 strong erecting wire at K.7.B.8-7. Other patrols report nothing of importance.

2. IDENTIFICATIONS Nil.3. ENEMY SHELLING

Time.	Place	Rds.	Calibre	Remarks
6.20 a.m.	K.1.B.	17	4.2	
6.30 a.m.	MARRETT WOOD	25	4.2	
to 7 a.m.				
6.55 a.m.	E.19.A.	8	77	
7.55 a.m.	J.17.A. and B.	25	4.2	
8.50 to 10 a.m.	D.24.D.	72	4.2	
12.5 p.m.	J.15.	18	4.2	
1.10 p.m.	J.15.B.	10	5.9	
2 p.m.	"	10	5.9	
4.20 p.m.	VILLE SUR ANCRE	10	4.2	
6.50 p.m.	E.19.A.	22	77	
7 - 7.15 p.m.	"	40	77	
10.10 p.m.	VILLE SUR ANCRE	8	4.2	
11.20 p.m.	D.24.C.	20	4.2	

4. ENEMY ATTITUDE

Enemy artillery still very quiet. No patrols seen. Left Battalion rather inconvenienced by sniping from E.13.D. (Opposite English troops on our left).

5. ENEMY DEFENCES

Work Working parties heard at E.2.A.2-9, E.26.Central, K.7.B.9-6. Posts Listening Post E.26.A.15.90 was unoccupied.

M.G. Suspected at K.7.B.9-6 (patrol)

Snipers Active from E.13.D. Arrangements are being made for Brigade on left to engage with L.T.M.'s.

6. HOSTILE AERIAL ACTIVITY

7.15 a.m. 5 enemy planes over.

9.55 a.m. 1 plane over our lines

3.15 p.m. 2 enemy planes over.

8.45 p.m. 2 enemy planes crossed our lines and brought down two of our observation balloons WEST of HEILLY.

1.35 a.m. few bombs dropped in our support area.

6. MOVEMENT 7.55 a.m. 24 men in small parties left house at K.9.C.2-7.

10.45 a.m. Man entered trench at K.9.D.8-3.

Construction of deep dugout at K.9.C.2-7. continues. Men were seen yesterday wheeling barrows and carrying timber.

4 p.m. 2 men coming towards MORLANCOURT went into dugout at K.9.C.7-3.

7 p.m. 2 men went into dugout at K.9.C.7-6.

8. ARMS AND EQUIPMENT NIL.9. MISCELLANEOUS 12.55 a.m. fire broke out in DERNANCOURT.

L. B. Doyle Capt

Lieut. Col.

T/Commanding 15th Australian Inf. Brigade.

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	57th Infantry Battalion Attached 15th A.L.T.M.B.		2/Lieutenant Walter John <u>TANNER</u>	I would like to call attention to the consistent good work done during our present tour in the line by 2/Lieutenant W.J. Tanner, 15th A.L.T.M.B., He has during the whole time shown an utter disregard of self and owing to the shortage of officers in the early part of our tour has taken a prominent part in all the minor operations in which this Battery has participated. His cheerful and courageous demeanour during the whole of the operations has assisted materially in keeping up the excellent morale and good spirits of the whole of the Battery. On the evening of the counter attack on 4/5th July he, after the death of the gallant Lieut. Moore took over the guns of the late officer and by strenuous effort and disregard of danger kept them firing on their S.O.S. lines. After the enemy attack had failed he by strenuous effort relaid his guns and was ready before ZERO to participate in the operation proposed for that night.	<i>W.S. McCall Lieut</i>	Commanding 15th A.L.T.M.B.	65 MENTION.

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58th BATTALION A.I.F.

Lieutenant IVO GARFIELD THOMPSON.
 (Deceased)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operation East of VILLEA-sur-ANCRE on night 3rd/4th July 1918.
 Lieut. I.G. THOMPSON was in charge of two platoons forming the left flank of the attack made by three Companies of the 15th Aust. Inf. Brigade on the enemy lines. His advance was made with his left flank along the RIVER ANCRE. The ground was marshy and covered with long, tangled vegetation, thickly covered with deep shell holes. About 80 yards from the jumping off tapes, an enemy machine gun post was encountered, which temporarily held up the advance. Lieut. THOMPSON, having tactically disposed his men, led a rush on it, killed the garrison and captured two machine guns. From this point to the objective the most severe resistance was offered to the attack on this flank. Lieut. THOMPSON, by skilful leadership and utter disregard of personal danger, personally led assaults on three other Machine Gun Nests, detailing the party to hold the enemy's attention in front while he led a second party and rushed them from a flank.
 While moving along the objective with a party under heavy machine gun and shell fire, to rush another Machine Gun Post, which was causing casualties from a flank forward of the place where his men were digging in, this gallant Officer was killed by Machine Gun fire.
 It was undoubtedly due to Lieut. THOMPSON'S cool daring, magnificent leadership and skilful tactics, that the attack on the left flank was successful.

Chap. Major Lee
 C.O. 58th Bn A.I.F.

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STATEMENT BY LIEUT. H. D. WILLIS, "D" COY., 58th BATTALION, re

THE LATE LIEUT. I. G. THOMPSON.

Lieut. H. D. WILLIS, "D" Coy., 58th Battalion, being duly sworn, states:

"This Officer was in charge of the left flank of "D" Company, acknowledged to be the most difficult part of the attack. His organisation was very thorough. At the head of his men he rushed successively 3 Machine Gun posts, killing the garrisons. He reached his objective and at once organized his party for defence, being harrassed by Machine Gun fire the whole time. With personal disregard to danger he set off with a small party to rush a post which was causing his other men much annoyance. While rushing this post he was shot, but his men went on and killed the garrison of five men.

It was owing to his example and disregard for danger that the left flank got through and consolidated their position."

Chas. Nelson
A. Coe
witness

H. D. Willis Lieut.
58th Battalion, A. I. F.

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STATEMENT BY NO. 4152 SGT. A. E. MCPHEE, "D" COMPANY, 58th
BATTALION re THE LATE LIEUT. I. G. THOMPSON.

No. 4152 Sgt. A. E. McPhee, "D" Company, 58th Battalion, being duly sworn; states :-

"On the night of the 4th July I was a participant to an operation carried out by "D" Company, 58th Battalion in which splendid gallantry and dash was displayed by one of our Officers, Lieut. Thompson. He was in charge of two platoons on our left flank extending to the RIVER ANCRE, and met with very strong machine gun opposition which he dealt with most effectively until his objective was reached. It was while his much reduced command, was digging in on the last objective in which his party had captured that he was killed. After taking the ruined house which was on the bank of the RIVER ANCRE and which was at the time alive with Huns his attention was drawn to a machine gun about 80 yards away along a road and playing on to his platoon. He immediately rallied a few men and made a dash for the position which he got within about 10 yards from when a bullet went through his chest and he fell dead. His party reached the machine gun position and killed the enemy team of whom there were five.

It was owing to Lieut Thompson's fine leadership that the final attack was pushed home."

Chas. Nelson
Witness

A. E. McPhee Sgt.
Acting/C.S.M.
No. 4152, 58th Battalion.

STATEMENT BY NO. 3021 PTE. BOYLE T.S., "D" COMPANY, 58th
BATTALION re THE LATE LIEUT. I.G. THOMPSON.

No. 3021 Pte. T. S. Boyle, "D" Company; 58th Battalion, being duly sworn, states :-

"I was with one of Lieut. Thompson's two platoons on the morning of 4th July when the attack on the German strong posts on the VILLERS SUR ANCRE Front was made. At 3.3 a.m. when the barrage lifted we got the order to move forward. We had to advance through very heavy marshy ground covered by reeds about 8 feet high. Mr. Thompson kept well amongst us giving us our direction. When we got about 90 yards from the post we came under very heavy machine gun fire, he gave us the order to charge from there. When 20 yards from the post the Germans opened fire on us, Broomstick Bombs. These bombs caused a good many casualties in our platoon, Mr. Thompson being well in front of us ordered us to attack the post directly in front of us. There was a very heavy garrison in this trench. They showed fight throwing all their bombs. We soon cleared the post, making good use of our rifles and bombs. (In this trench we captured a German Machine gun.) As soon as this post was taken Mr. Thompson left a few men in charge to operate with our Lewis Gun and also to use the German Machine Gun, while he with the rest of the platoons rushed to the flank to capture the rest of the posts. The garrisons of these posts were giving us a good deal of trouble while we were taking the first. The remaining two posts to be taken were also full of Huns. Mr. Thompson lead a party directly on them; a few other men he sent to come up from the rear. The Germans evidently thought they were surrounded and gave up. As soon as we had taken these positions we could hear by the bombing that the platoon on our right was in trouble, so Mr. Thompson gave us an order to move to the right along the road and help No. 13 Platoon. When we got there No. 13 Platoon had their post. We then moved back to our sector and he marked out a place where we had to make our post. While we working he took a small party to rush a further enemy machine gun that was causing casualties from near a ruined house ahead of where we were digging. In this rush Mr. Thompson was killed by an enemy machine gun bullet. His party rushed the post, killed all the garrison and took another machine gun."

Chas. Nelson
Witness

T. S. Boyle Pte.
No 3021, 58th Battalion, A. I. F.

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Captain Forbes Campbell <u>DAWSON, M.C.</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operation east of VILLE SUR ANCRE on night July 3rd/4th 1918 Capt. DAWSON, M.C. Commended the left Company in the operation and handled it with great tactical skill. His advance was over difficult ground covered with undergrowth and deep shell holes many of which the enemy had turned into M.G. Strong Posts. He mopped up each post in his advance, secured the objective killing 50 of the enemy and taking 30 prisoners and 10 machine guns. Under heavy shell fire he dug his company in and although wounded soon after the start of the operation he remained on duty for 46 hours until his company was relieved. His foresight in having Lewis Gun Personnel trained for several days prior to the attack in handling German Machine Guns was of immense service owing to the fact that all Lewis Guns became clogged with mud while the teams struggled through the marsh. All captured guns were at once mounted, turned on the enemy, and kept in action during the day, assisting materially in repelling enemy counter-attacks.	<i>Major Forbes</i>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 58th Battalion A.I.F.	DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.	

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I was an eye witness of Capt. F.C. DAWSON M.C. action on the night of 3rd/4th July during the operations of the 15th Infantry Brigade East of VILLE SUR ANCRE. He lead his company under heavy Shell and Machine Gun Fire. When he came under heavy Machine Gun fire from an enemy Strong Point he bombed his way through tactfully worked around it thus capturing all the occupants. After his company had gained all their objectives he went out under heavy Machine Gun and Sniping fire and superintended the work of consolidation of his platoons. Though badly wounded this officer insisted on carrying on until the pain and loss of blood caused him to temporarily spoil. Still refusing to be evacuated he continued to receive and send messages until his company was relieved. During the fight when some of his Lewis Guns had failed owing to the excessive firing, he, having previously tutored his gunners, used the captured Machine Guns to great advantage. His wonderful grit and determination proved a fine example to all ranks, not only this but his skilful leadership and bold initiative were potent factors in the success achieved.

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Sd./ W. FLINTOFF, Lieut.

 Statement of Eye Witness of the work performed by Capt. F.C. DAWSON M.C. on night 3rd/4th July during operation of 15th A.I.F. BRIGADE East of VILLE SUR ANCRE.

Before moving off Capt. DAWSON issued instructions in the fullest degree regarding the action of his company-"D" Coy. 58th Bn.- and questioned each of his officers and men on the part he was to play. He saw the whole of his Company lying on the tape and generally made certain that everyone knew his job. During the operation he kept control of his Company in remarkable manner, and when his left was held up he immediately sent in the support platoon to reinforce and so overcame the resistance. His orders worked out admirably and, on the objective being gained, he moved along the line under the heaviest Machine Gun and Shell fire encouraging the men, and directing the siting and construction of trenches for the defence against counter-attacks. He saw that battle patrols were pushed forward to exploit success. Capt DAWSON was wounded by shell fire in the face and right foot soon after Zero. hour, but carried on till relieved two days later. His cool demeanour and skilful handling of his men throughout the operation inspired everybody with confidence. During the time that we spent in training for operations, Capt. DAWSON had a sand model of the ground, over which we were to attack, made and every man was carefully instructed in the topographical features likely to be met with. Certainly it was his preparation that lead to our success. In addition all Lewis Gun teams were instructed in the handling of the enemy light guns, this instruction proving invaluable on the night of the show, as 5 of our Lewis Guns became checked with mud during our advance across the marsh, and the enemy M.G. were mounted and used against his counter-attack. The result of the operation is well known. Our line was advanced across most difficult country 300 yards, 10 machine guns were captured, 50 prisoners taken, 2 T.M's-Granatenwerfers- and much booty, and many of the enemy were left dead.

Sd./ H.D. WILLIS, Lieut.
 "D" Coy.
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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieut. Herbert Duncan <u>WILLIS</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operation east of VILLE SUR ANCRE on the night 3/4th July 1918. Lieut. WILLIS was in command of the centre platoon of the left attacking company. Sixty yards from the jumping off position Lieut. WILLIS encountered an enemy machine gun post which he rushed killing two of the enemy one being an Officer. He then moved forward over ground which was very marshy and covered with long tangled undergrowth and mopped up a second machine gun post and established his Platoon on the final objective, pushed out a battle patrol and organised and consolidated his line. He set a very fine example of leadership and courage to his men.	<i>Chas. Nelson</i>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 58th Battalion A.I.F. MILITARY CROSS.	265

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieutenant John Evan <u>DAVIES</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operation East of VILLE SUR ANCRE on night 3rd/4th July 1918 Lieut. DAVIES was in command of the right platoon of the left attacking company. Although wounded by shell fire at Zero hour he led his platoon forward mopping up several enemy machine gun posts and killing the garrison. He reached his objective and immediately got in touch with the Company on his right. He organised his men under heavy shell fire and consolidated the position. Lieut. Davies although weak from loss of blood carried on for 46 hours until relieved. He set a magnificent example of bravery and endurance to his men.	<i>Ray Wilson</i>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 58th Battalion AIF	MILITARY CROSS

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieut. Col. John Joseph SCANLAN D.S.O. & Bar.	<p>For conspicuous ability, gallantry and devotion to duty whilst in Command of a composite force consisting of 2 Companies of the 59th Battalion, 1 Company of the 58th Battalion and 1 Coy. of the 60th Battalion which force was detailed to attack the enemy's position in front of VILLE SUR ANCRE on the morning of the 4th July 1918 and of which force he was placed in command by my order all details of the attack being arranged by him for my approval.</p> <p>His arrangements were exceedingly well worked out and the attack a complete success. The position was held by two enemy Battalions which had three Companies in the front line and 1 Company each in support. In actual numbers the enemy outnumbered Col. Scanlan's force by nearly four to one and were strongly armed with machine guns. The position was carried with a loss to us of about 100 all told of whom only 2 Officers and 20 men were killed. Two officers and about 120 of the enemy were killed on the position whilst one officer and 84 other ranks surrendered. In addition we captured 17 machine guns, four granatenwerfers and other material. Later two determined counter attacks were defeated with heavy loss.</p> <p>This complete defeat of the enemy by a greatly inferior force was very largely due to the very careful reconnaissance of the position by Col. Scanlan and his officers in person and the very excellent arrangements made by him to carry out the attack.</p> <p>His work in my opinion deserves especial reward.</p>	<i>John Joseph Scanlan</i>	Brig. General. Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieutenant Albert James <u>PINKERTON</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at VILLE SUR ANCRE on July 4th 1918. As Battalion Signal Officer he went forward with the attacking companies and succeeded in establishing telephonic communication from the captured position - despite heavy shellfire. Throughout the period he by his tireless energy and disregard for personal danger maintained the lines which were being constantly cut. He set an inspiring example to his linesmen and it was owing to his efforts that communication was maintained. He has on every occasion displayed conspicuous gallantry and self sacrifice in the maintenance of his communications.	<i>Hawker</i>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F. MILITARY CROSS	265 APPENDIX 43 164

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieutenant Walter James <u>McPHERSON</u>	For gallantry and devotion to duty at VILLE SUR ANCRE on July 4th during an attack on enemy position he showed magnificent coolness and self sacrifice. When an enemy machine gun was enfilading the newly captured position he personally attacked and shot the machine gunner. Throughout the day he was a tower of strength and set a splendid example to all.	<i>W. G. G. G.</i> Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY CROSS	905

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieutenant George Francis <u>FINCHER</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At VILLE SUR ANCRE on July 4th when the enemy counter attack from right flank had temporarily disorganised the bombing team by killing the officer in charge and disabling 50% of his team and the enemy were advancing over our bomb-block he reorganised the flank and by his gallant action the enemy were repulsed and the situation com- pletely restored.	<i>Stanley</i> Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY CROSS	APPENDIX 43 166

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	60th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieutenant Leonard Robert <u>STILLMAN, M.C.</u>	Previous to and during the attack by the 15th A.I. Brigade on the MORLANCOURT FRONT on July 4th inst. Lieut. Stillman, M.C. rendered valuable assistance. His reconnaissance before the attack and assistance given to lay the tapes in No Man's Land for the jumping off positions were of great value. After the attack on the same day he made a daylight reconnaissance forward of the captured trench in connection with a supplementary attack to take place that night. In doing this he was wounded and it was mainly due to his report rendered after being wounded that the attack was cancelled. His courage exceptional capabilities in rendering reports etc and devotion to duty were of the highest order.	<i>Stanh</i> Lieut. Col. Commanding 60th Battalion A.I.F.	BAR TO MILITARY CROSS	265

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No., Rank and Name	Unit	Award
4565 Thomas Archibald PEADY, M.S.M. Corporal	15th A.L.T.M.B.	Distinguished Conduct Medal
4548 William NESSER, M.M. Corporal	"	Bar to Military Medal
2133 Eric Anderson CLARKE Lance Corporal	"	Military Medal
1695 William Washington SHEHAN Private	2	Military Medal
2914 Alan Thorpe GILES M.M. Private	57th Infantry Battalion, A.I.F.	Distinguished Conduct Medal
3144 James VENNON Corporal	"	Military Medal
4152 Alexander Elder McPHEE Sergeant	58th Infantry Battalion, A.I.F.	Distinguished Conduct Medal
1626 Lyle Tomynson Shenfield Ogilvie Corporal	"	-Do-
1677 Percy Watten EALES M.M. Sergeant	"	Bar to Military Medal
2388 Leslie Albert COOK Private	"	Military Medal
69 William MEADOWS Private	"	Military Medal
2960 Alfred SMEE Private	"	Military Medal
3058 Stephen COLLETT Corporal	"	Military Medal
3364 Archibald John BARKY Private	"	Mention in Corps Orders
3171 Percival Leslie LITTLE M.M. Sergeant	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	Distinguished Conduct Medal
3039 Henry DUNCAN Sergeant	"	-do-
3173 Alan IBBOTSON Corporal	"	-do-
3467 Jack SALVADO Private	"	Military Medal
2182 William Paulet HUTCHINSON Sergeant	"	Military Medal
5059 Robert Arthur ELLIOTT Private	"	Military Medal
5168 John Joseph James O'SULLIVAN Private	"	Military Medal
36 Stuart John HARRISON Sergeant	60th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	Distinguished Conduct Medal
3445 Charles Henry MORRIS Private	"	Military Medal
3116 Rupert George GRINER Lance Corporal	"	Military Medal
1938 Joseph MURTAGH Corporal	"	Military Medal

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	15th A.L.T.M.B.	4535	Corporal Thomas Archibald PEADY, M.S.M.	<p>From the commencement of our tour of duty in the Sector EAST of VILLE SUR ANCRE, This N.C.O. has been indefatigable in all his duties. When in charge of a sub section during the various operations carried out by the Brigade, he has, by his cool and cheerful bearing when under heavy fire; inspired the men under his control. And enabled them to carry out, successfully, duties which required the utmost self control. He has superintended the getting forward of Ammunition to his guns during the most trying times. And altogether his services have been invaluable to the Battery. He has always put duty first and never let his personal danger or comfort supervene. As Senior N.C.O. ^{in the line with this battery} his fearless personality has impressed itself on all ranks.</p> <p>(No previous award of M.M. or Bar)</p>	<p><i>Hd. M. Coll. Recd.</i></p>	<p>Commanding 15th A.L.T.M.B. DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL</p>	<p>265</p>

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	15th A.L.T.M.B.	4548	Corporal William <u>MESSER, M.M.</u>	<p>This N.C.O. while in charge of a sub-section during the recent minor operations EAST OF VILLE SUR ANCRE has rendered invaluable service to this Battery. With complete disregard of personal danger he has got up ammunition prepared his own and assisted others with their emplacements and carried on during the heavy fire of the enemy barrage of heavy guns laid down on our lines on the evening of July 4th in a manner that kept up the morale of all in his vicinity. Keeping his gun firing on its Barrage line. Though himself well within the enemy barrage line he moved freely about between his two guns and by his fearless example inspired his men. His guns must certainly have been a great factor in preventing the enemy counter attack from developing.</p>	<i>H.S. McCall Lieut</i>	Commanding 15th A.L.T.M.B.	BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL.

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	15th A.L.T.M.B.	2133	Lance Corporal Eric Anderson <u>CLARKE</u>	Operations EAST of VILLIE SUR ANGRE This N.C.O. is always conspicuous when under fire. His steady nerve and judgement when under fire can always be relied on. During our present tour of duty has been consistently to the fore, moving fearlessly through heavy enemy barrages to direct his Gun to the best advantage.	<i>H.S. McCall Lieut</i>	Commanding 15th A.L.T.M.B. MILITARY MEDAL	265

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	15th A.L.T.M.B.	1695	Private William Washington <u>MEEHAN</u>	This No.1 has been conspicuous during the recent minor operations carried out by the Brigade EAST of VILLE SUR ANGRE. Though in a position of great danger, on a road that was being heavily shelled by the enemy he continued to fire his piece until the crisis was past. His cool and collected bearing was an example to all and his crew, following his lead did most excellent work both during our attack and the counter attack that followed on the evening of July 4th and must have taken a large part in dispelling the enemy.	<i>H.S. McCall Lieut</i>	Commanding 15th A.L.T.M.B. MILITARY MERGAE	295

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	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2914	Private Alon Thorpe <u>GILES</u> (M.M.)	Near VILLE SUR ANCRE in the evening of 5/7/18, during a counter-attack by the enemy on our newly captured position, the only bridge over the RIVER ANCRE connecting our two front line Companies was destroyed by shell fire and all telephone communication was cut. Information of the situation on the right was urgently required. Pte. GILES volunteered to swim across the river with a despatch; and did so under an intense artillery and machine gun barrage, returning through the same barrage with an answer asking for reinforcements. His action was an example of coolness, bravery and devotion to duty which inspired his comrades and enabled help to be sent forward to a threatened portion of our line. Previously awarded MILITARY MEDAL (AUST. Corps R.O. 1/6/18.)	<i>R M Chichester Agon</i>	Commanding 57th Battalion A.I.F.	DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

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	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3144	Corporal James <u>VERNON</u>	North East of VILLE SUR ANCRE during the night 4th/5th July Cpl. VERNON was in charge of a Patrol covering a working party engaged in the construction of a line of posts which were being pushed forward in order to conform with the advance made on the immediate right on morning of July 4th. This patrol was attacked by the garrisons of adjacent enemy posts on no less than three occasions. Despite the enemy's superior numbers, VERNON completely repulsed each attack, caused the enemy parties casualties, and enabled our Working Party to complete and occupy the posts under construction before daybreak. The courage and leadership of this N.C.O. is of a very high order and is a fine example to the men of his Company.	<i>P. Nicholson Major</i>	Commanding 57th Battalion	MILITARY MEDAL.

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	4152	Sergeant (acting C.S.M.) Alexander Elder <u>McPHEE</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operation East of VILLE-sur-ANCRE on night 3rd/4th July 1918. Sgt. McPHEE was acting as C.S.M. He visited all the platoons in the hopping-off position and made sure that all instructions had been carried out before zero. He assisted the Company Commander in the attack and gave great assistance in overcoming enemy M.G. Strong Posts. On reaching the objective he established S.A.A. and Bomb Dumps under very heavy Machine Gun and Artillery fire. He supervised the mopping-up and collecting of 30 prisoners and sent them to the rear. Sgt. McPHEE has been previously recommended on several occasions for good work.</p> <p>(Not previously awarded Military Medal or Bar to Military Medal)</p>	<i>Chas. Nelson</i>	Lieut-Colonel Commanding 58th Battalion A.I.F.	DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	1626	Corporal Lyle Tennyson Shenfield <u>OGILVIE</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operation East of VILLE-sur-ANGRE on night 3rd/4th July 1918. Cpl. OGILVIE was in charge of two sections and while advancing on objective encountered an enemy Machine Gun which was holding up the advance of the two right sections. He opened fire with one section and led the other section to a flank and engaged the enemy strong point with Rifle Grenades, finally rushing and capturing the post. He then moved forward and established his men on the objective. Later when he was very heavily shelled he took his men forward and by so doing avoided many casualties. He displayed excellent judgement and leadership throughout the operation.</p> <p>(Not previously recommended for Military Medal or Bar).</p>	<p><i>Lieut. Colonel</i></p> <p><i>Commanding 58th Battalion A.I.F.</i></p>	<p>DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL</p>	<p>265</p> <p>APPENDIX.</p> <p>43</p> <p>146</p>

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	1677	Sergeant Percy Watten <u>BALES</u> (Military Medal)	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operation East of VILLE-sur-ANGRE on night 3rd/4th July 1918. Sgt.BALES led two sections up to the objective capturing 2 Machine Guns and killing their crews on the way. He set a splendid example to his men when consolidating the position by working hard himself and encouraging his men. Sgt.BALES holds the Military Medal.	<i>Chas. M. Gibson</i>	Lieut. Colonel Commanding 58th Battalion, A.I.F. BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL	500 APPENDIX 43


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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2388	Private (Runner) Leslie Albert <u>COOK</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as a runner. During operation on night 3rd/4th July 1918 East of VILLE-sur-ANCRE Pte. COOK was sent by the platoon in support to get in touch with the left flank of the 1st company, who were hard pressed. He moved through a very heavy enemy barrage. He was held up by a sniper but rushed his post and shot him. He delivered his message after being wounded and carried back an important message to his platoon commander in rear. His conduct set a fine example to the men of his platoon.		Lieut. Colonel Commanding 58th Battalion, A.I.F. M I L I T A R Y M E D A L	502

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	69	Private <u>William MEADOWS</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operation East of VILLE-sur-ANCHE on night 3rd/4th July 1918. Pte. MEADOWS did splendid work as a scout. With another man he captured a Machine Gun post killing 4 of the enemy. When objective was taken he covered the Lewis Gun patrol sent forward while objective was being consolidated.	<i>Chas. Nelson</i>	Lieut. Colonel Commanding 58th Battalion, A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2960	Private Alfred <u>SMEE</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operation East of VILLE-sur-ANCHE ON night 3rd/4th July 1918. On Pte. Smees section commander becoming a casualty he took charge of the section, rallied them under heavy Machine Gun fire, and rushed the post, killed the garrison, and captured the gun. On reaching the objective he dug his section in and then reported to the nearest N.C.O. The assumption of command by this private undoubtedly was the means of overcoming the enemy post thus enabling our troops to get forward.	<i>Chap. Nelson</i>	Lieut. Colonel Commanding 58th Battalion. A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3056	Corporal Stephen <u>COLLETT</u>	During operation East of VILLE-sur-ANCRE on night 3rd/4th July 1918 this N.C.O. was in charge of the Lewis Guns of the left Company. On reaching the objective all the Lewis Guns were out of action with the exception of two. Cpl. COLLETT went around and placed captured enemy Machine Guns in position so as to be used against the enemy if required. In the mean time he repaired the Lewis Guns under heavy fire. During the tour of duty he frequently visited all the Lewis Gun posts in the area under heavy shell and Machine Gun fire. His lack of fear and his devotion to duty set a fine example to the company.	<i>Chris. Nelson</i>	Lieut. Colonel Commanding 58th Battalion, A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL


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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3364	Private Archibald John <u>BARRY</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operation East of VILLE-sur-ANGRE on night 3rd/4th July 1918. Pte. BARRY acted as runner to O.C. left Company and carried messages from O.C. to platoon commanders through heavy shell and Machine Gun Fire. He also acted as guide to the support platoon and led them to the left flank to reinforce the left platoon which had been held up. On consolidation of the position he helped to man the Lewis Gun at Company Headquarters.		Lieut. Colonel Commanding 58th Battalion, A.I.F.	MENTION IN CORPS ORDERS

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3171	Sergeant Percival Leslie <u>LITTLE, M.M.</u>	For conspicuous gallantry, initiative and devotion to duty. At VILLE SUR ANCRE on July 4th he was Battalion Intelligence N.C.O. During a counter attack when the enemy temporarily succeeded in entering our trench past the bomb-block, killing the Officer in charge and the N.C.O., he on his own initiative re-formed the remainder of the party and lead them again to the attack. He was successful in killing many of the enemy, re-establishing our position and clearing up a very serious situation. He remained on duty during the 38 hours refusing relief. His conduct throughout was a fine example to his men.	<i>W. G. G. G.</i>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3089	Sergeant Henry <u>DUNCAN</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and leadership at VILLE SUR ANCRE on July 4th 1918. He personally attacked an enemy machine gun which was causing us considerable casualties, killing several of the crew and capturing two Germans. He displayed admirable courage during the clearing of the enemy trench. His coolness and gallant action were a striking example to his men throughout the operation.</p> <p>(Not previously recommended for M.M. or Bar)</p>	<p><i>Hansen</i> Lieut.-Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.</p>	<p>496 DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL</p>	<p>APPENDIX 3 184</p>

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3173	Corporal <u>Alan</u> <u>IBBOTSON</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at VILLE SUR ANGRE on July 4th 1918. During the attack on enemy position when his company officers had become casualties he took charge of the remnants of two platoons, re-organised them and successfully attacked an enemy strong point capturing a machine gun.</p> <p>His initiative and gallant conduct throughout contributed largely to the success of the operation.</p> <p>(No previous award of M.M. or Bar)</p>	<p>Lieut. Col. 59th Battalions A.I.F.</p> <p><i>Paulson</i></p>	DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3467	Private Jack <u>SALVADO</u>	For conspicuous courage and devotion to duty. At VILLE SUR ANGRE on July 4th 1918 he displayed admirable courage and coolness during the attack on enemy position and ably assisted in constructing a bombing stop despite vigorous enemy bombing. Later he formed part of the defence of the bomb stop and for 36 hours was tireless in repelling enemy attacks.	<i>Hansen</i>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL.

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2182	Sergeant William Paulet <u>HUTCHINSON</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At VILLE SUR ANGRE on July 4th - 6th this N.C.O. this N.C.O. displayed conspicuous courage when as leader of a rifle grenade team he supported successfully a bombing team in repelling repeated enemy assaults. It was by his dogged determination and self sacrifice during a critical period of the attack that the flank was kept intact.	<i>W. Paulet</i>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	5959	Private Robert Arthur Elliott <u>CARTER</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At VILLE SUR ANCRE on 4th July when a machine gun on the flank of his platoon was causing casualties he ran along the trench bombing the garrison and put the machine gun out of action, killing or taking prisoner the crew. His prompt action and entire disregard of personal danger undoubtedly relieved a situation which was becoming serious.	<i>J. H. ...</i>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	5168	Private John Joseph James <u>O'SULLIVAN</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty At VILLE SUR ANCRE on 4th July in an attack on enemy position when a machine gun on the flank of his platoon was causing casualties he ran along the trench bombing the garrison and put the enemy machine gun out of action killing or taking prisoner the crew. His prompt action and entire disregard of personal danger undoubtedly relieved a situation which was becoming very serious.	<i>J. G. Lanlan</i> Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL	265

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	60th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	36	Sergeant Stuart John HARRISON (Sig.Sgt.)	<p>During the operation by the 15th Brigade on the MORLANDURT front on July 4th Sgt. Harrison did magnificent work - early in the morning during the attack and a terrific bombardment of front line trenches (CANBERRA) and G.T's., he was out mending wires and establishing communication at a most critical period, throughout the day he continued to do so and at 9.40 p.m. in the evening under an intense enemy barrage he once more established communication at great personal risk. The shelling lasted the greater part of the night during which time he kept communication going. His example and courage was admirable and he never ceased working in the front line area during a most trying and critical period. His courage and devotion to duty was worthy of special recognition.</p> <p>(No previous award of M.M. or Bar)</p>	<p><i>Ray Keel</i> Commanding 60th Battalion A.I.F.</p>	<p>DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL</p>	

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	60th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3445	(Signaller) Private Charles Henry <u>MORRIS</u>	During the operation by the 15th A.I. Brigade on the MORLANCOURT FRONT on July 4th - Pte. MORRIS displayed great courage and devotion to duty. During the attack his dugout was blown in but he with others under heavy shell fire soon established communication from CANBERRA FRENCH to the rear. Though being much shaken he remained on duty continuously for 48 hours during a very trying period under heavy shell fire and materially helped to maintain communication to the rear and forward at great personal risk - his example and pluck throughout under a heavy strain were excellent.	<i>Ray Beal</i> Commanding 60th Battalion	MILITARY MEDAL.	265

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	60th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3118	(Signaller) Lance Corporal Rupert George <u>GRINTER</u>	Lance Corporal GRINTER throughout the operation by the 15th Brigade on MORLANGCOURT front on July 4th displays conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty - he assisted Sgt. Harrison throughout the attack to maintain communication under heavy shell fire - Particularly in the evening under a very heavy enemy barrages did he materially assist to restore communication at a critical period when the S.O.S. went up from our line. His courage and devotion to duty, was excellent and has always been marked.	<i>Ray H. Lee</i>	Commanding 60th Battalion A.I.F.	

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	60th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	1938	Corporal <u>Joseph MURTAGH.</u>	<p>During the attack on the MORLANCOURT front by the 15th Brigade on July 4th Cpl. MURTAGH distinguished himself by his gallantry and devotion to duty. He was with the supporting company in CANBERRA TRENCH and went forward with his Platoon 1 hour after ZERO to the captured line to reinforce.</p> <p>His platoon commander was soon after wounded and this N.C.O. took charge reorganised his men under heavy shell fire, consolidated the position in his Sector - His conduct throughout until relieved was exemplary. Three days previously when in front line Cpl. MURTAGH at dawn sneaked out with another, 100 yards into NO MAN'S LAND and shot 3 of the enemy working on their wire. They were seen carried out by stretcher bearers - his inspiring attitude throughout an arduous time was worthy of commendation.</p>	<p><i>W. Ray Kelle</i> Commanding 60th Battalion A.I.F.</p>	<p>MILITARY MEDAL.</p>	<p>265</p> <p>APPENDIX 4-3</p> <p>1938</p>

Headquarters,
5th Australian Division,

In compliance with the wishes of the Divisional Commander expressed at the conference of Brigadiers and Brigade Majors on the 15th inst., I respectfully beg to submit the following proposals for Offensive Action by us on this Brigade front.

MINOR OPERATION: DAYLIGHT RAID:

1. The enemy line from the River ANCRE at E.26.A.3-7. to the Railway at E.20.C.3-8. consists of a series of unconnected posts which, in my opinion, could be raided in daylight by fighting patrols on the same lines as adopted by the 1st Australian Division at MERRIS. The crop in front of these posts varies in height from 2' to 4'6" but is not regular, being worn in places by artillery and Machine Gun fire and crossed by several small tracks.
2. The following suggestions are submitted:
 - (a) Three parties to go out and lie low in convenient places before dawn. Strength of parties to be determined.
 - (b) At an hour to be arranged (preferably about 8 or 9 a.m.) the enemy posts to be entered and garrison secured.
 - (c) No artillery preparation or bombardment. Artillery to stand by ready to crash down on points selected previously.
 - (d) The whole operation to be carried out as silently as possible.
3. It is reasonable to assume that the enemy will be so taken by surprise that the garrison of the posts will not be able to put up much resistance. The surprise effect would also militate against the enemy in trenches in rear becoming aware of what was taking place in front. One object of our patrols would be to prevent information reaching the enemy rear.
4. Special arrangements for dealing with the flanks, if necessary, to be arranged, also for the return of the party.
5. Further detailed arrangements to be gone into should operation be approved.
6. This position is the only one along the Brigade front suitable for a daylight operation on a small scale.

NIGHT OPERATION - RAID:

7. The enemy position and works from K.2.C.2-4. to K.2.C.1-8. are fairly strongly held. It is proposed that these works be captured and included in our front. This position forms a continuation of our present front line (the old German line before July 4th).
8. It is proposed that this position be captured by a night attack from the rear, the attacking party to move from our front line in K.2.A. and proceed South behind the enemy position.
9. A "Chinese attack" to be delivered from our front line at approximately K.1.D.5-5.
10. The position to be captured and retained by us and merged into our present front line.
11. As a preliminary to this operation a "Russian Sap" to be started forward from our line at K.1.D.45-20. and connected through on Zero Day.

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12. The success of this operation will depend upon "Surprise". Artillery to be quiet but ready to open on selected positions if called for.
 13. The gain of this ground will improve our observation and jeopardise the enemy position further South.
 14. Further details to be arranged on approval.

NIGHT OPERATION - RAID WITH TANKS:

The following is suggested as a Night operation to harrass the enemy, destroy the works, and capture prisoners.

15. The enemy has, since the operations of July 4th, concentrated on works in vicinity of E.26.D.3-8, which appears to be a Strong Point, with trenches and possible dugouts. Our Artillery, though constantly engaging this target, has not prevented the progress of the work.
16. It is proposed to raid this post with a party of approximately 80 men supported by a section (three) Tanks. The plan would be for two Tanks at Zero to proceed from our front line direct to Strong Point and engage it. One Tank to proceed direct to, and deal with, enemy position or posts between our front line and the Strong Point. Infantry to follow closely in rear and "Mop up". No Artillery bombardment on position to be raided but positions in rear to be engaged and diversion arranged North and South.
17. Suggested detailed arrangements for the co-operation of Tanks are as follows:
 - (a) That these leave their present park at 10 p.m. on the night prior to Zero night and move to TREUX, J.5.D.3-9., where they would be camouflaged at 11 p.m. This move though not strictly necessary would have two advantages; (1) Giving a test of machines which have not been moved for some time, with opportunity for making any necessary adjustments, (2) Allowing an earlier move to be made on Zero night.
 - (b) The Tanks should move for the attack at Zero minus 60 via N side of Crucifix at K.1.A.3-5, and Sunken Road at K.1.B.2-5.. Tanks to cross front line at Zero - Infantry at Zero plus 3 - Artillery open at Zero.
 - (c) In order to cover the noise of moving Tanks, Machine Gun fire should be arranged for during the approach on night prior to Zero night (10.15 p.m. to 11.15 p.m.) or better, a low flying plane from Zero minus 60 until Tanks reach objective.
 - (d) Two Tanks to be detailed for Machine Gun Positions in E.26.Central., the third to search ground West of these in advance of Infantry.
 - (e) Tanks to patrol towards N.E. while Infantry consolidates, withdrawing immediately on completion of this to their present Park.

NOTE: This minor operation might affect any future movements in this sector, as the presence of Tanks would be revealed.

18 ALTERNATIVE: An alternative scheme is submitted as follows:

- (a) Should permission not be obtained for the use of Mark V Tanks, I suggest the employment of a Mark IV baggage Tank, manned by a volunteer crew carrying 4 to 6 bombers. It would be necessary to reinforce the sponsions of this Tank, which could be done by sandbags retained in position by wooden slats. An adjustment of the Zero hour would be necessary to suit the slower speed of this Tank, and the return of the Tank to its present Park should be arranged in two stages as in para 17 (a)
19. The ground for the approach has already been reconnoitred carefully by the Tank Personnel and gives complete cover from view.

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The proposal has been discussed with the Officers of "A" Company 13th Tank Battalion, Tank Corps and it is felt that the audacity of the enterprise would ensure its success and result in a large capture of prisoners and material. A "Box Barrage" round the objective and extending S.W. along the VILIE sur ANCRE - DERNANCOURT Road might be used with advantage.

A. Rayh

Lieut. Colonel,
T/Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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Headquarters

57th Battalion A.I.F.

To Headquarters
15th Inf. Bde.

In connection with the conversation with Lieut. Col. Layh. D.S.O. in reference to the feasibility of raiding enemy posts opposite this battalion front during the hours of daylight I desire to make the following report :

- (1) The ground in front of the right Company sector from the ANCRE to grid line running E. & W. through E.26.Central is marshy with the exception of the area SOUTH of the ANCRE to the road running N.E. through E.26.A. which is fairly firm on the surface. From an E. & W. line through E.26.Central to the DERNANCOURT ROAD in E.26.C., the ground is firm but covered with a crop averaging 2 ft 6 in. in height. No movement in this sector during daylight is advisable as it is quite overlooked by the enemy from the high ground in E.26.D.
- (2) From the ANCRE to the battalion NORTHERN boundary the ground in front is under crop varying from 2 ft to 4 ft 6 in. in height, with the exception of where it is intersected by roads and railway. This portion of the front is commanded by enemy trench system in E.13.D.

In my opinion a small raid unsupported by artillery could not be successfully carried out during the hours of daylight on this battalion front, as the ground is in a hollow and under enemy observation from the high ground on both flanks.

The left Company sector is covered by enemy Machine Guns and snipers firing from E.13.D. and also by a Machine Gun in Railway embankment about E.20.C.5-9.

14/7/18.

R.M. G. Aitchison
Sd/ ~~R.M. G. Aitchison~~. Major.
T/C.O. 57th Battalion. A.I.F.

1. OPERATIONS

Our artillery fired on usual targets. Particular attention was paid to E.20.

A.L.T.M.B. Enemy working party at E.26.A.2-9 was engaged. Fire also brought to bear on Bank at K.7.B.85.65. 30 rounds were expended.

Snipers and Rifle Grenadiers Snipers claim 1 certain casualty. No.36 Grenades actively used on both Battalion fronts.

PATROLS Left Battalion

Patrol again examined listening post at E.26.A.15.90. It was again unoccupied. Patrol then went on towards main line of posts and at E.26.A.20.90 wiring party of 25 men was seen. Trench Mortar fire was brought to bear.

Work was heard by another patrol at E.20.C.2-4.

Right Battalion

Patrol moved to K.2.C.50.55 Work could be heard on ridge in K.2.B. and D. Object of patrol was to discover if enemy was working on new C.T. at K.2.C.30.45. There were no sounds of work from that direction.

A patrol of 1 Officer and 4 O.Rs. were fired on by M.G. from post at K.1.D.8-3 and the Officer (Lieut. GURNER) was killed.

A later patrol was bombed with stick bombs.

No.36 Rifle Grenades were used on return of patrols and enemy M.G. was silenced for an hour.

2. IDENTIFICATIONS Nil.

3. ENEMY SHELLING

Time	Place	Rds.	Calibre	Remarks
6.5 a.m.	VILLE SUR ANCRE	25	77	
8.50 a.m.	Sunken Road in J.10.A. & D. and J.16.A. & B.	16	4.2	
9.15 a.m.	J.9.B. & C.	25	4.2	
9.55 a.m.	J.16.A.	22	4.2	
11.15 a.m.	J.12.B.	10	5.9	
4.30 p.m.	BUIRE	12	5.9	
5.45 p.m.	VILLE SUR ANCRE	7	4.2	
6.45 p.m.	E.19.A.	13	77	
7.5 p.m.	D.24.B.	13	77	
8.0 p.m. to	J.17.	30	77	
8.15 p.m.				
8.55 p.m.	Ballarat Line J.10.A.	50	77	At a rate of 25 a minute.
9.0 p.m.	J.10.D.	36	4.2	
9.30 p.m.	TREUX	17	77	
11.40 p.m.	D.30.B. and E.19.C.	20	4.2	(Gas)

4. ENEMY ATTITUDE

Artillery activity showed little change. Enemy is working hard at night and remains very vigilant.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES

Wiring party seen at E.26.A.2-9 (patrol). Enemy wire at K.2.C.05.70. is strong (patrol).

Post At K.1.D.8-3 post is strongly held - generally with a Machine Gun.

Work heard at E.20.C.2-4.

6. HOSTILE AERIAL ACTIVITY

8 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 1 enemy plane over (appeared to be painted red)

8.40 a.m. 8 enemy planes patrolling their own line.

7. MOVEMENT Isolated movement continued during period in K.15.A. and B. and K.9.B, C and D.

12.55 p.m. 1 man on road in K.14.B. disappeared in dugout off road.

2.10 p.m. 2 men entered house K.9.C.2-7. 4.20 p.m. 3 men carrying cooking utensils moved from K.9.D.8-2 towards MORLANCOUR

5 p.m. movement at road K.16.D.5-6 enemy seems to occupy this post

5.5 p.m. 2 men moved from bank at K.9.C.8-3.

5 a.m. (15th/ 4 men entered house K.9.C.2-7.

5.30 - 5.40 p.m. 8 men at K.15.Central. where there appears to be a dugout.

Movement and work at K.9.C.2-7. continues but is more cautious as a result of our shelling.

8. ARMS & EQUIPMENT Nil.

9. MISCELLANEOUS Our activity with No.36 Rifle Grenades has greatly curtailed the use of flares by the enemy forward posts.

P. B. Doyle Capt. Lieut. Col.
T/Commanding 15th Australian Inf. Brigade.

ROUTINE ORDERS

by
Lieut.Col. H.T.C.LAYH, D.S.O.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
15th July 1918

GENERAL STAFF

512. GERMAN FUZES

Reference Bfigade R.O. 476 of 20/6/18 sufficient number of the German clockwork fuze marked Dopp Z.16 have been received by G.H.Q. and forwarded to the Ministry of Munitions. No more of these fuzes are required.

A new German clockwork fuze marked Dopp.Z.17 has been reported as being used with 38 c.m. (15") shrapnel. Specimens of this new fuze should be forwarded for examination

J.R. Gellan

Captain.

Brigade Major.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

ADMINISTRATION

513. CONGRATULATORY

Under authority granted by His Majesty the King, the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief has awarded the following decoration:

MILITARY CROSS

Lieut. J.H. WADESON - 59th Battalion A.I.F.

The Army, Corps, and Divisional Commanders wish their congratulations to be conveyed to the recipient. The Brigade Commander has much pleasure in adding his congratulations.

514. OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE - ADDRESSING OF

Cases are frequently occurring of Official Correspondence being addressed to individual members of the Staff. This must cease immediately, as, not only is it incorrect, but is liable to lead to important papers lying unopened for hours should the officer to whom it is addressed be absent.

All correspondence must be addressed to Headquarters.

515. AMIENS Attention is directed to A.R.O's 1901 and 2281 reading as follows:- 1901 "AMIENS is placed out of bounds to all troops. Passes to enter the town will be issued only to those proceeding there on duty."

2281 "Officers or men will not enter any unoccupied premises in AMIENS except on duty."

These orders will be read on parade, in every unit, before 15/7/18, and once monthly thereafter, and will also be posted in a conspicuous place in all unit billeting areas.

516. RETURN OF "OLD" PAYBOOKS

1. With reference to para (c) of A.I.F. Order No. 507 and A.I.F. Order No. 589 members of the A.I.F. are informed that their old paybooks, which were withdrawn last year upon the issue of the new form of paybook, are now available for return to them.

2. It has been decided not to forward the old paybooks for distribution in the Field as originally intended, but members ~~in~~ in London, on leave or otherwise, may obtain them upon personal application to the Reconciliation Sub-section of the Chief Pay Office, Church House, Great Smith Street, Westminster, S.W.1. The old paybooks of members who are discharged abroad, or who are returning to Australia, will be returned to them as formerly.

3. The paybooks at present in use, which will shortly be withdrawn and replaced by a new issue, will also be returnable to members on a date to be notified later.

(Authority: D.A.G., A.I.F., 26/363 of 3.7.18).

A. Layh
Captain.
Staff Capt.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

NOTICES

SPORTS MEETING

The 5th Div. Train are holding a Sports Meeting at H.28.A.5-9 at 2 p.m. on 20th inst.

The C.O. and officers of Train extend an invitation to any officers of the Brigade who are able to attend.

VETERINARY ATTENTION

During Capt. Tucker's absence on leave, veterinary attention to 15th Brigade will be rendered by Capt. R. CLARKE A.A.V.C.

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Date of Recommendation.

15th Aust. Inf. Brigade. 5th AUSTRALIAN Division. AUSTRALIAN Corps.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	Attached 15th Aust. Inf. Bde. Headquarters		Interpreter Albert RAYNAUD	<p>M. RAYNAUD has been attached to this Brigade as Interpreter since July 1918 during which time he has always carried out his duty in a thoroughly reliable manner.</p> <p>His tactfulness in dealing with French civilians has at all times helped to create that feeling of perfect unity so essential for the welfare of the Force.</p> <p>H^o has on several occasions, during the absence of the other Brigade Interpreter on leave and in hospital carried out the duties for the whole of the Brigade, and has on these occasions proved himself to be absolutely untiring in his efforts and invaluable to the Brigade.</p> <p>On one occasion though wounded by shell fire he refused to be evacuated and insisted on remaining at duty, as he was at that time the only Interpreter with the Brigade.</p> <p>In the recent move of the Brigade from the Northern to SOMME area, M. RAYNAUD literally worked day and night to ensure the comfort of the troops of the Brigade in regard to shelter and billets.</p>	Lieut. Col. A. Rayh Commanding 16th Australian Inf. Bde.	MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL.	990

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 179.

APPENDIX 48
APPENDIX
15th July, 1918.

Ref: FRANCE,
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1. (a) The 8th Australian Infantry Brigade is relieving the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade in the Left Subsector and the Left Battalion of the 14th Australian Infantry Brigade in the Right Subsector of "C" Divisional Area during the night 17th/18th July, 1918.
(b) Inter-Brigade boundaries are to be amended accordingly.
2. The 15th Australian Infantry Brigade on relief will move into Divisional Reserve and will take over the present dispositions of the 8th Australian Infantry Brigade in accordance with Relief and Move Table attached.
3. All trench stores, defence schemes, aeroplane photographs, works policies (amended to date) and papers relating to the sector will be handed over on relief and the usual receipts exchanged. Copies of receipts will be forwarded to reach Brigade Headquarters within 24 hours of the completion of relief.
4. Special care will be taken with the handing over of General Purpose Reserve and Supporting Point Rations. Trench Shelters will be handed over in conformity with this Office 103/537 of 5th inst.
5. The 8th Australian Infantry Brigade is sending into the line during the night 16th/17th July a nucleus of Officers and N.C.O's and 50% of Specialists.
6. The usual protective arrangements will be maintained during relief. Every precaution will be taken to prevent observation by the enemy and to avoid casualties through hostile bombing or artillery fire.
7. Subject to the terms of this order all details of reliefs will be arranged mutually between Commanding Officers concerned.
8. (a) Completion of reliefs and moves will be reported to Brigade Headquarters in code.
(b) Command of the Sector will pass to the G.O.C. 8th Australian Infantry Brigade on relief.
9. Brigade Headquarters will close at HEILLY on completion of relief and will immediately reopen at the CHATEAU FRECHENCOURT.
10. Acknowledge.

H. J. Gollan
Captain,
Brigade Major,
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Issued at 9pm through Signals to:

	Copy No.		Copy No.
57th Battalion	1.	C.R.E. 5th Aust. Div.	14.
58th Battalion	2.	8th Australian Inf. Bde.	15.
59th Battalion	3.	14th Aust. Inf. Brigade	16.
60th Battalion	4.	173rd Brigade	17.
15th A.L.T.M.B.	5.	Left Group Artillery	18.
Copies to:		4th Aust. F.A. Brigade	19.
G.O.C. 15th A.I. Brigade	6.	5th Aust. M.G. Bn.	20.
Staff Captain	7.	8th Aust. M.G. Coy.	21.
No. 4 Signal Section	8.	"Z" Special Coy. R.E.	22.
Brigade Quartermaster	9.	"A" Coy. 13th Tank Bn.	23.
Brigade Transport Officer	10.	15th Field Coy. A.E.	24.
5th Aust. Division "G"	11.	5th Pioneer Battalion	25.
5th Aust. Division "A & Q"	12.	File	26.
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RELIEF AND MOVE TABLE

to accompany

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 179.

Unit.	Relieved by	Move from	To	Take over from	Remarks.
15th A.I. Bde. H.Q.	8th A.I. Bde. H.Q.	HEILLY	FRECHENCOURT	8th A.I. Bde. H.Q.	<p>(a) 59th Battalion will <u>NOT</u> be relieved but will vacate present position as it stands. All trench stores will be collected and centrally dumped, receipts being obtained from an Officer of incoming Brigade who will be detailed. Battalion not to move before 10.30 p.m..</p> <p>(b) Each Battalion will detail taking over parties to proceed to Reserve Brigade Area on 17th inst..</p> <p>(c) Transport lines and Quartermasters stores will remain in their present positions.</p> <p>(d) Instructions re the relief of permanent guards and working parties will be issued separately.</p>
57th Bn.	31st Bn.	LINE LEFT	VILLA SECTOR (H.Q. C. 29.D.3-7)	30th Bn.	
58th Bn.	32nd Bn.	LEFT SUPPORT	LAHOUSOYE SWITCH (H.Q. I.4.A.3-2.)	31st Bn.	
59th Bn.		RIGHT SUPPORT	BATTALION AREA J.13. (H.Q. I.18.D.7-4)	32nd Bn.	
60th Bn.	29th Bn.	LINE LEFT	FRAN SECTOR (H.Q. I.10.C.6-8.)	29th Bn.	
15th A.L.T.M.B.	8th A.L.T.M.B.	LINE	BOIS ESCARDON-NEUSE (H.Q. I.9.A.11)	8th A.L.T.M.B.	

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE
* Intelligence * Summary *
24 hours ending 6 a.m. 16-7-1918

1. OPERATIONS

Our artillery maintained usual activity. Enemy defences in K.2.C. received particular attention.

A.L.T.M.B. Enemy working party at E.20.C.3-7 was engaged. Other targets were -

Enemy post E.19.B.7-4.

Enemy C.T. and bank K.2.C.5-9.

Enemy M.Gs. K.7.B.80.05 and K.2.C.00.80 (silenced).

80 rounds were expended.

Snipers & Rifle Grenadiers Active on whole Brigade front. No casualties claimed.

PATROLS - Left Battalion

Patrols active on front report work heard at E.20.C.5-8. This was engaged by Trench Mortars. Other patrols saw or heard nothing of enemy.

Right Battalion

Patrol moved towards enemy post at K.1.D.8-3. Enemy fired on them with M.G. and rifle. Our patrol returned and Rifle grenades were directed against enemy post. The latter retaliated with pineapples. Patrols were active in K.2.A. but no sign of enemy were seen.

2. IDENTIFICATIONS Nil.

3. ENEMY SHELLING

Time	Place	Rds.	Calibre	Remarks
7.50 a.m.	E.19.A. & D.24.B.	20	77	
8.45 a.m.	K.1.C.	9	77	
9.36 a.m.	E.19.D.	12	77	
10.0 a.m.	E.19.B.	14	77	
11.0 a.m.	MARRETT WOOD	v 10	4.2	Shrapnel
11.38 a.m.	J.11.A.	12	5.9	
12.15 p.m.	J.11.A.	20	5.9	
1 - 1.30 p.m.	D.21.	16	5.9	
2.40 p.m.	Road J.15	8	4.2	
3.45 p.m.	J.10.D.	10	4.2	
4.5 p.m.	BUIRE	20	5.9	
4.30 p.m.	J.12.A.	10	77	
10.10 p.m.	J.10.D.	20	77	
10.40 - 11 p.m.	J.9.A. and C.	14	4.2	
11 - 12.5 a.m.	D.29.D.	30	4.2	
11.10 p.m.	J.9.Central	28	4.2	

From then on till 4 a.m. enemy occasionally lightly shelled our support areas.

4. ENEMY ATTITUDE Artillery very quiet. No enemy patrols seen. Machine Guns active at night.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES

Post At K.1.D.8-3 is strongly held and is extremely vigilant. There seem to be 3 machine guns in the vicinity and one Granaton-verfer. Minenwerfer Flash seen at about E.20.C.80.95. This minenwerfer is very hard to locate.

Work heard at E.20.C.3-8.

6. HOSTILE AERIAL ACTIVITY

10.45 a.m. 1 plane over VILLE SUR ANCRE flying low.

2.30 p.m. enemy plane flew low and brought down our observation balloon near BONNAY.

8.15 p.m. enemy plane appeared to be brought down at about J.22

7. MOVEMENT

6 a.m. 11 men armed with rifles left MORLANCOURT and disappeared at K.9.C.60-65. Ten minutes later a similar number followed same route.

6 a.m. 4 wagons being loaded with hay in E.30.B.

7.5 a.m. 3 men moved from K.10.C.1-7. to suspected dugout at K.15.Central, 1 was carrying Red Cross Flag.

7.55 a.m. 9 men moved to house at K.9.C.2-7.

During period several men entered suspected dugout at K.9.D.7-6.

Movement at K.9.C.2-7 continued.

8. ARMS AND EQUIPMENT Nil.

9. MISCELLANEOUS 10.20 p.m. enemy dump burning West of MORLANCOURT.

D. B. Doyle Capt
for Lieut. Col.

T/Commanding 15th Australian Inf. Brigade.

Ref. Map 62D N.E. 1/20,000
 15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE
 * Summary of Intelligence *
 24 hours ending 6 a.m. 17-7-18 .

1. OPERATIONS

Our artillery active during period on enemy trenches and communications. Programme shoots carried out at night.
 A.L.F.M.B. 50 rounds were fired at E.20.C.3-7. where working parties have been active of late.
Snipers and Rifle Grenadiers Very active. Snipers claim one casualty.
Patrols - Right Battalion A patrol moved to K.2.C.30.95. and listened for 30 minutes. No sound of work on new sap was heard. Patrol then moved to K.2.A.60.50 and waited 25 mins. without hearing any movement.
 Right Coy. Patrols were restricted in their activity by enemy post at K.1.D.80.35.

Left Battalion

A patrol examined an unoccupied post at E.26.A.7-6. This has evidently been a H.Q. as many maps, orders and other documents were found and brought in.
 Another patrol heard sounds of enemy post at E.26.C.95.75.
 No.3 Patrol heard enemy working at E.20.C.20.75. and later saw 7 enemy on edge of Railway at E.20.C.30.76. Our patrol opened fire and claim one casualty.

2. IDENTIFICATIONS Nil.

3. ENEMY SHELLING

Time	Place	Rounds	Calibre	Remarks
8 - 8.35 a.m.	D.24.D.	16	77	
8.47 a.m.	E.19.D.	15	77	
8.45 - 9.15 a.m.	D.18.D.	13	4.2	
9 - 10 a.m.	VILLE SUR ANCRE and Supports	20	77 and 4.2.	
9.15 - 11 a.m.	E.19.A. and B.	28	77	
11.10 a.m.	MERICOURT	9	5.9	
9.55 - 12.50 a.m.	D.24.B.	40	4.2	
5.20 p.m.	E.19.D.	16	4.2	
7.50 p.m.	D.24.B.	20	77	
9.30 p.m. to midnight	D.29.D.	20	4.2	
10 p.m.	MERICOURT	40	4.2	(Shrapnel)
11.45 p.m.	D.24.A.	19	4.2	
12.20 a.m.	MARRETT WOOD	50	77	

D.24.C. and D. also received attention during night.

4. ENEMY ATTITUDE

No change in enemy attitude. Enemy remains very vigilant at night.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES

Listening Posts Patrols report that enemy has listening posts in or in front of his wire at K.1.D.80.35. These are protected by flanking Machine Gun fire.

6. HOSTILE AERIAL ACTIVITY

10.25 a.m. enemy plane over our lines.
 4 p.m. 1 plane over our lines. Several bombs were dropped in one support area during the night.

7. MOVEMENT

5.15 a.m. 22 men (two parties) with rifles left MORLANCOURT and disappeared at K.9.C.8-7 (artillery informed).
 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. continual work and slight movement rear of house K.9.C.2-7.
 8.25 a.m. 5 men with Red X Flag disappeared at K.9.C.7-6.
 9.55 a.m. 4 men walking along road K.21.B.6-9. - K.16.C.9-4.
 11 a.m. Much movement near K.16.D.75.35. Men appear to get out of trench or dugout.
 12.45 p.m. Motor car came down road in E.27.D. and stopped at K.3.B.1-5.
 Much movement during period in K.1.6.C. and D.

8. ARMS AND EQUIPMENT Nil.

9. MISCELLANEOUS Nil.

D. B. Doyle Capt for

Lieut. Col.
 T/Commanding 15th Australian Inf. Brigade.

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 30.

"Work in Divisional and Corps Reserve"

1. 5th Australian Divisional General Staff Memorandum No. 234 is issued herewith for the information and guidance of Unit Commanders. Para 5 of this memo will receive immediate attention. Preparation for the work, as outlined in para 2 will be commenced by means of lectures and individual instruction to Officers and N.C.O's. Notes on Recent Fighting No. 17 issued on 16.7.18. must be read by all Officers. Preliminary re-organisation, refitting and "brushing up" in elementary tactical work must be completed before the 27th inst. to enable a start on the more advanced work to be made immediately on arrival in the Corps Reserve Area.
2. No work or training will be undertaken in present locations until 22nd inst; men must be rested and their living conditions improved.
3. Battalions are to be re-organised in accordance with Circular Memo 21/213 issued under this office 57/6407 on 24.6.18.. Certificates that this has been completed will be submitted before 26th inst.
4. Detailed Platoon inspections will be held daily and Musketry and Specialist training advanced as much as possible, special attention being paid to Lewis Gunners. Arrangements are being made to practice 120 men per day in the methods of clearing dugouts and trenches of Gas. Detailed Instructions will be issued later.
5. During the next few days Officers will reconnoitre and become fully acquainted with the Defences and approaches to sectors of the Divisional front. One "test manning" of the Reserve Brigade Defences is to be held under Brigade arrangements. Battalions will conduct at least one independently. Copies of Battalion Defence Schemes, revised to date, will be forwarded at once to Brigade Headquarters.

H. J. Gollan
 Captain,
 Brigade Major,
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

19th July, 1918.

Distribution;	Copies.
57th Battalion	1.
58th Battalion	1.
59th Battalion	1.
60th Battalion	1.
15th A.L.T.M.B.	1.
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Brigade School	1.
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PRISONERS AND MATERIAL CAPTURED.

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PRISONERS		MATERIAL	
<u>59th Battalion Raid:</u> June 23rd, 1918.	9 Prisoners.	<u>59th Battalion Raid:</u> June 23rd, 1918.	1 Machine Gun.
<u>Deserter:</u> June 30th, 1918.	1 prisoner.	<u>Minor Operation:</u> July 4th, 1918.	17 Machine Guns. 6 Granatenwerfers (Pineapples). 1 Lewis Gun. (Recaptured). 1 Zeiss Sig. Lamp.
<u>58th Battalion Raid:</u> July 1st, 1918.	2 prisoners.		
<u>Minor Operation:</u> July 4th, 1918.	64 prisoners.		
<u>Total</u>	<u>76 prisoners.</u>	<u>Total</u>	18 Machine Guns. 6 "Pineapples". 1 Lewis Gun. 1 Signalling Lamp

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PERIODS SPENT BY BATTALIONS IN THE LINE.

Unit	June										July							Total Days																
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	1	2		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
57th Battalion																																		16
58th Battalion																																		21
59th Battalion																																		17
60th Battalion																																		13

SUMMARY OF MINOR OPERATIONS CARRIED OUT BY 15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

DURING PERIOD JUNE 16th TO JULY 17th, 1918 INCLUSIVE.

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June										July																				
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
2,00 Gas Cylinders put on MORLANCOURT		58th Bn. raid enemy trench at E.19.B.70-00. No prisoners.		180 Gas Cylinders put onto DERANANCOURT		59th Bn. Raid K.1.A.0-1. 8 prisoners and 1 M.G. Captured		40 Gas Cyl. on DERANANCOURT		200 Gas Cyl. on DERANANCOURT		197 Gas Cyl. onto enemy dugouts and shelters on road E26B9.2.		One German prisoner (54 F&A.R. walked into 58th Bn. lines.		58th Bn raid E.19.B.70-00. 2 prisoners.		Attack on enemy line E. of Ville sur Ancre. 64 prisoners		200 Gas Cylinders onto S.W. of DERANANCOURT.		57th Bn. raid posts in E.26. No prisoners.								

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	Killed		Wounded		Missing		Total		Remarks
	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	
17.6.18				2					
				1				3	
18.6.18		3		12				15	2 Evacuations NYD
19.6.18			1	6			1	6	Lt. J. B. SUTHERLAND 59th Bn.
20.6.18		2	2	27		1	2	30	Lt. H. B. STANLEY, 58th
21.6.18			1	8			1	8	Lt. D. O. SHIELDS, 59th
22.6.18			1	2			1	2	Lt. W. R. SWABY, 58th
23.6.18	1			9			1	9	Lt. H. E. BAENSCH, 58th
24.6.18				4				4	
25.6.18				1				1	
26.6.18		2		7				9	
27.6.18				10				10	
28.6.18				2				2	
29.6.18				1				1	
30.6.18				11				11	
1.7.18				10				10	
2.7.18				2				2	
3.7.18				2				2	
4.7.18	2	8	7	72			9	80	Killed Lt. I. G. THOMPSON, 58th 2/Lt. S. G. FACEY, DCM. 59th Bn.
									Wounded Capt. G. W. AKEROYD, 59th Lt. J. N. CAMPBELL, " Lt. H. A. MYERS " Lt. W. H. SCATTERGOOD " Lt. J. G. RAWSON " 2/Lt. J. H. FLEMING, 57th Lt. E. W. TASKER, 58th
5.7.18	1	7	3	32			4	39	Lt. J. C. MOORE, M.C., MI, killed 4.7.18. 2/Lt. C. H. ASHMAN 60th. Lt. L. R. STILLMAN, MC, wounded 4.7.18. Lt. J. H. WADESON, 59th slight wounded rem- aining at duty 4.7.18
6.7.18	1	18	3	35			4	53	Lt. M. D. KNIGHT, MC, 60th Bn. killed. Capt. F. C. DAWSON 58th Lieut. J. E. DAVIES " wounded Capt. K. G. McDONALD, 59th Bn.
7.7.18		2		9				11	
8.7.18				6				6	
9.7.18		2						2	
10.7.18			1	9			1	9	Lt. A. H. BARRACLOUGH, 58th Bn. gassed 7.7.18
11.7.18									1 O.R. previously reported wounded now reported killed 4.7
12.7.18		3	1	7			1	10	2/Lt. F. J. KENEALY, 57th remng at duty.
13.7.18		1		4				5	
14.7.18									
15.7.18	1			5			1	5	Lt. L. GURNER, K.I.A. 14.7.18
16.7.18									
17.7.18		1		1				2	
TOTAL	6	47	20	299		1	26	347	

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ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No. 19

Headquarters
18th JULY 1918

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AMMUNITION

All trenches and posts in the Brigade Area are stocked with ammunition in the ratio of 4000 rounds to 200^x of trench. All ranks are in possession of 120 rounds. Echelons are full and are held at the Transport Lines of the Units.

SUPPLIES

Supply refilling point is at H.10.C.8-3. Rations are refilled into supply wagons at 10 a.m. daily and delivered to Unit Q.M. Stores as under:

57th Bn.	C.22.A.6-1.
58th Bn.	C.20.B.6-3.
59th Bn.	C.28.A.5-9.
60th Bn.	C.20.D.8-9.
Bde.H.Q.	RECHENCOURT CHATEAU.

Rations are delivered to all Units by limbers.

COOKING ARRANGEMENTS

All cookers are with their units.

4. WATER

Water is available at LA HOUSOYE, PONT NOYELLES, QUERRIEU, FRANVILLERS.

5. SUPPORTING POINT RATIONS

Dumps containing Preserved Meat, Biscuits and Water are established at the following points:

	Biscuits	P.M.	Water
	-----	-----	-----
"A" Bn. I.29.C.8-5	325 lbs.	384 tins	50 tins
" " I.24.B.3-5.	325	384	50
" " J.13.C.5-2.	325	384	50
"D" Bn. I.5.D.1-6.	325	360	30
"C" Bn. C.23.D.1-6.	300	384	50
"B" Bn. I.10.Central	325	384	50

Supporting Point rations consist of 10 ozs. of biscuits and $\frac{3}{4}$ tin of P.M.

The above quantities are considered to approximate 500 rations at each point. Units are responsible for the rations in their respective areas and will maintain a guard on each dump.

The water will be frequently changed. Notices will be erected at each dump showing the map location, amount of rations in the dump, when the rations were last inspected and when the water was last changed.



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6. TRANSPORT LINES

Transport lines are at
 Brigade H.Q. The Chateau FRECHENCOURT
 57th Bn. C.22.A.6-1.
 58th Bn. C.20.B.6-3.
 59th Bn. C.28.A.5-9.
 60th Bn. C.20.D.8-9.

7. Q.M. STORES

Q.M. Stores are situated near the Transport Lines.

8. BATHS

Baths are available on application at BONNAY and LA HOUSOYE.
 A plentiful supply of clothing is held at each of the baths.

9. BURIALS

Cemeteries are situated at HEILLY, BONNAY, QUERRIEU, and FRANVILLERS.

10. MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS

All evacuations are cleared. Motor Ambulance to A.D.S. I.4.C.8-0 thence by motor to M.D.S. at the CHATEAU H.10.A.0-4.

11. REPAIR OF VEHICLES

It is necessary that all repairs to vehicles that can be done within Army Areas should be carried out there, in order to reduce the numbers now being sent to the Base.

In this connection it will be noted that 'Medium' as well as 'Light' workshops have a staff of wheelers who are available to carry out such work.

Units will therefore arrange for work to be sent in. At the same time, it is pointed out that the Artificers with Units must carry out 'running repairs' so that only work beyond the resources of a unit will be sent in.

No indent is to be passed for a new vehicle unless supported by a condemnation certificate signed by an I.O.M., or quite obviously unserviceable.

Locations of workshops in Australian Corps Area, to which vehicles may be sent -

- No.17 Mobile Workshop (Light), 62/E, G.5.D.0-4., CARDONNET
- No.22 -do- -do- 62/E, J.5.D.9-4., PICQUIGNY
- No.25 -do- -do- 62/E, L.23.B.2-1, MONTIERES
- No.47 -do- -do- 62/E, G.5.D.0-4., CARDONNET

Arthur

Captain.
 Staff Capt.
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.



ROUTINE ORDERS

by
Lieut.Col. J.E.C.LORD, D.S.O.
T/Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
18th JULY 1918

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GENERAL STAFF

517. WIRING

"Instructions on Wiring" (S.S.177) is now being revised.

1. It is considered necessary to amend sections which relate to drill.

It has been suggested that the principle which should be adopted is that 2 men should be detailed to carry out one task throughout the entire drill. It is considered that this is the only practical way of carrying out wiring at night in the presence of the enemy, because (i) a working party can be given its instruction quickly (ii) a man cannot forget what he has to do if he has only one task, (iii) casualties can be replaced immediately.

2. Units will forward any suggestions with regard to new types of entanglement to reach Brigade H.Q. by 20th instant.

J. Gallon

Captain.
Brigade Major.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

ADMINISTRATION518. EVACUATIONS

Advice has been received from Australian Section, 3rd Echelon, that the undermentioned officer was evacuated to England on date shown :-

2/Lieut. J.H.FLEMING, D.C.M., M.M. 57th Bn. 8.7.18
Wounded.

519. MEDICAL BOARD

Lieut.E.J.MOORE, 57th Bn.

The abovenamed Officer was medically boarded at HAVRE on 9.7.18 and has been classified B II permanently - Debility & Sciatica.

520. ADDITIONAL LEWIS GUNS - CARRIAGE OF

1. In order to carry the additional Lewis Guns. it is necessary to discontinue the present method of carrying the guns in boxes and adopt a system of carrying them in their bags in racks fitted in the limbers.

2. It is proposed that each Company limbered G.S.Wagon should carry 8 Lewis Guns and spares, 160 magazines and 8 boxes of bundle-packed ammunition, (1248 rounds each).

3. Sample racks are being issued to units to-day, for trial.
(1 per Battalion)

4. The following comprises a complete set of 'racks, wood, special for Lewis Guns' :-

Racks as above	1.
Screws lopped No.3 (Section 10A)	1.
Rope tarred 1" whipped each	2 yds.
and,	

5. If the screens are not available, ordinary staples will be issued in lieu.

6. Units will render, by the 20th inst., reports on the racks and the method of packing proposed.

521. BOUNDS

The villages of PONT NOYELLES and QUERRIEU with the exception of QUERRIEU CHATEAU and the houses occupied by a Battalion H.Q. in QUERRIEU and Artillery Brigade H.Q. and "C" Divisional Police Detachment in PONT NOYELLES are placed out of bounds for billeting. Troops and transport will be allowed to enter and pass through these villages on duty, but no troops will remain in the villages.

522. 1st AUGUST PERMANENT CADRE RELIEF

The Officers shown hereunder have completed their six months tour of duty on the Permanent Cadre and will be despatched Overseas (casualties excepted) on or about the 1st proximo from Training Brigades as shown.

58th Bn. Lieut. L.S. DAVIS P.T. & B.F. Instr. 3rd Trg. Bde.
60th Bn. " J.M. THORBURN (DCM) Coy. Subaltern O/Seas Trg. Bde.

They have been employed in the capacities indicated and it is requested that as far as practicable, officers of similar rank with suitable qualifications to fill the vacancies be despatched in relief. Battalions concerned will nominate officers to replace abovenamed.

Table hereunder shows the position of N.C.O's. who will also proceed on or about the 1st proximo for Battalions as shown and likewise reliefs will be despatched by Battalions concerned.

	3rd Trg. Bde.		O.T. Bde.		Total	
	Sgts.	Cpls.	Sgts.	Cpls.	Sgts.	Cpls.
57th Bn.	-	1	-	-	-	1
58th Bn.	2	-	1	-	3	-
59th Bn.	-	3	-	1	-	4
60th Bn.	-	2	-	1	-	3

Nominations for relief will be submitted not later than 21st inst.

A.W. Kay

Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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8th Infantry Brigade
14th Infantry Brigade
15th Infantry Brigade
Divisional Artillery
Divisional Engineers
Divisional Signal Co.
5th Pioneer Battalion
A.D.M.S.
Camp Commandant
Lieut. MAUSS D.C.M.

1. Under arrangements made with the Prime Minister, a French delegation is about to visit Australia.

2. The members of the delegation are:
Deputy Albert METIN
General PAU
Commandant DANDRE
M. GOUT
Labour Delegate THOMSEN
Private J. BADER
Private Andre SIEGSRIED
Mr. J.T. MEADOWS SMITH.

3. The object of the delegation is both economic and political. It is anticipated that in addition it will be a very great stimulus to recruiting in Australia.

4. The delegation will visit 5th Australian Division on the 19th instant.
The programme of the visit is given overleaf.
Details of the arrangements for each visit as laid down in the programme will be made by Brigades.

Lieut-Colonel,
General Staff.
5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

18th July 1918.

Copy to "A.Q"

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18/7/18

ITINERARY FOR MEMBERS OF FRENCH MISSION TO AUSTRALIA.

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July 19th 1918.

Time.	Detail
9.30 a.m.	<p>Arrive at 5th Australian Divisional Headquarters and meet Divisional Commander (Major General Sir. J. Talbot HOBBS K.C.B.) and Staff.</p> <p>Inspect Divisional Demonstration Platoon.</p>
10. a.m.	<p>Leave St. GRATIEN for high ground North of CORBIE.</p>
10.35 a.m.	<p>Arrive at Observation Point.</p> <p>From this point one sees -5550 metres South. - The Town of VILLERS BRETONNEUX. The ground across which the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade of the 5th Australian Division counter-attacked on the night 24/25th April can be clearly seen. The 13th Australian Infantry Brigade of the 4th Australian Division co-operated on the South of the village. From here, also, one sees the ground over which the attacking troops passed on the 4th July when the village of HAMEL was captured. One sees also VAIRE-sous-CORBIE, the BOIS de VAIRE, BOIS de ACCROCHE and the main road from VILLERS BRETONNEUX to WARFUSEE-ABANCOURT.</p> <p>Near this spot the famous RICHTHOFEN, Germany's Flying Ace, was shot down by a machine gunner of the 5th Australian Divisional Artillery.</p>
11.10 a.m.	<p>Inspect troops of 59th Battalion which took part in the successful operation in connection with the Battle of HAMEL. This Battalion is recruited in Victoria.</p>
11.20 a.m.	<p>Arrive at HEILLY sur l'ANCRE and meet General Officers Commanding and Staffs of 14th and 8th Australian Infantry Brigades. The 14th Australian Infantry Brigade was raised in New South Wales, the 8th Australian Infantry Brigade is an "Australian" Brigade, that is, it comprises troops from every State in Australia.</p>
12 noon.	<p>Inspect detachment of 32nd Battalion at RIBEMONT. This Battalion was raised in Western Australia and South Australia.</p>
1 p.m.	<p>Arrive at Australian Corps Headquarters.</p>

by
Lieut.Col. J.E.C.LORD, D.S.O.
T/Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
19th JULY 1918

GENERAL STAFF

NIL.

ADMINISTRATION

523. AMMUNITION

Recesses must be provided for all ammunition distributed in the line. These recesses must be weather proof. Any loose ammunition lying about must be collected and placed in these recesses.

524. DISCIPLINE

The next F.G.C.M. will assemble on the 24th or 25th inst. All cases in the Units for trial by F.G.C.M. must be prepared at once and Summaries of evidence forwarded to this office not later than 6 p.m. on the 21st inst. Attention is drawn to 5th Aust.Div.Circular Memorandum No.61.

525. CONGRATULATORY

The Corps Commander has awarded the following decorations. Please convey the congratulations of the Corps and Divisional Commanders to the recipients, who should be informed as soon as possible.

BAR TO THE MILITARY MEDAL

2914	Private	A.T.GILES	M.M. MM	57th Battalion
1663	L/Cpl.	W.H.BOXER	M.H.	58th Battalion
1677	Sergt.	P.W.EALES	M.H.	58th Battalion
4548	Corporal	W.MESSER	M.M.	15th A.L.T.M.B.

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3144	Corporal	J.VERNON		57th Battalion
2960	Private	A.SMEE		58th Battalion
69	Private	W.MEADOWS		58th Battalion
2388	Private	L.A.COOK		58th Battalion
1626	Corporal	L.T.S.OGILVIE		58th Battalion
2180	Private	J.C.MARTIN		58th Battalion
2680	Private	D.S.JONES		58th Battalion
776	Sergt.	F.A.G.NEWLANDS		58th Battalion
5168	Private	J.J.J.O'SULLIVAN		59th Battalion
5059	Private	R.A.E.CARTER		59th Battalion
3467	Private	J.SALVADO		59th Battalion
3173	Corporal	A.IBBOTSON		59th Battalion
1938	Corporal	J.MURTAGH		60th Battalion
3445	Private	C.H.MORRIS		60th Battalion
36	Sergeant	S.J.HARRISON		60th Battalion

The Brigade Commander has much pleasure in adding his congratulations



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526. MARCHED IN

Marched in to Div. Reinft. Wing on 17th inst. Lieut. N.B. WHITE, 57th Battalion, from Base Lieut. E.C.H. CROCKFORD 58th Battalion from Base.

527. PAYBOOKS

All paybooks now on issue will shortly be withdrawn for audit and they will be replaced by the issue of Continuation Paybooks.

The new issue will be executed in the Field under the direction of Divisional and other Paymasters; the commencement of which will be on a date to be notified later.

In order to successfully accomplish this work it will have to be expeditiously dealt with, and Commanding Officers will afford every facility to Paymasters and their Staffs by detailing where possible, men with clerical experience to assist the Pay Sergeants.

It is necessary that all paybooks in use at present should be surrendered when called for and Commanding Officers will ensure that this is done.

528. MEDICAL BOARDS

The following officers of 15th Aust. Inf. Brigade were boarded on the 11th July 1918.

Lieut. SUTHERLAND, J.B. 59th Bn. Unfit all services 2 weeks.
Lieut. GRIBBLE, F.W. 60th Bn. Unfit all services 2 weeks.

529. ORDERS G.R.O. 4207 - DAMAGE TO CROPS is republished for information:-

4207. All ranks are reminded for of the importance of safeguarding in every possible way the productivity of the land. It should be realised under what difficulties the country is being cultivated, and what splendid services the older men, the women and children of Northern France are rendering to the Allied cause by contributing by hard and constant toil as much as is in their power to the food supply of France.

Every kind of conduct is forbidden which might cause any avoidable damage to crops or sown fields, and severe disciplinary action is to be taken in regard to any conduct or neglect leading to such results.

In particular officers and men are forbidden:-

- (i) To go when off duty, either on foot or on horse back, over sown fields or crops (including clover and hay crops) or
- (ii) To allow horses to graze anywhere unless arrangements have been made in the manner laid down in G.R.Os. 1028 and 2085 (Extracts from G.R.Os., Part II, Page 31);
- (iii) To play games in grass fields unless an arrangement has been made with the farmer to whom the field belongs.



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Troops on duty or undergoing training must take the greatest care, compatible with the requirements of their duty, to avoid causing damage to crops. This order does not apply to the movements of troops in the face of the enemy. The above order is to be promulgated in all units at frequent intervals, so that reinforcements may be made aware of it.

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Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

15th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

FIGHTING STRENGTH MADE UP TO NOON.

19th. JULY 1918.

UNIT.	A Strength excluding attached.		B Not present with unit and not at disposal of C.O. (included in Column A.)		A minus B Available Fighting Strength (including personnel of Bn. Transport and Q.M. Store.)		C Untrained and partly trained (included in Column A.)		Particulars of Increase.		Particulars of Decrease.		
	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off. O.R.		Off. O.R.		
57th. Bn.	41	819	19	291	22	528	-	-	Ex Hospital. " Reinf't.	23	Evacuations. 1 Hosp. ex U.K. Leave.	18	1
58th. Bn.	37	712	17	236	20	476	-	-	Ex Hospital. Illegal Absentee.	22	Evacuations. 1 To Prison. Trans. to 5th. A.M.G. Bn. " " 5th. Div. Sig. Coy.	15	1 1 1
59th. Bn.	37	758	18	203	19	555	-	-	Reinforcements.	19	Seconded. Trans. to Corps Sch'l. Hosp. ex U.K. Leave. Trans. to A.A.P.C.	1	1 2 1
60th. Bn.	37	704	18	197	19	507	-	-	Ex Seconded Wounded. " Hospital. " Imprisonment.	1	Seconded Wounded. 10 Casualties. 1 F.P. Compound. Illegal Absentees. Evacuations.	2	1 11 2 8 21
TOTAL.	152	2993	72	927	80	2066	-	-		1	77	4	85

Particulars of Increase of Officers.
Capt. C.H. ROBERTS. 60th. Bn. ex Seconded Wounded.

Particulars of Decrease of Officers.
2/Lieut. V.J. MANKEY. 59th. Bn. Seconded Sick.
Lieut. L. GURNER. 60th. Bn. Killed in Action
" D.A. HOOD. Seconded Sick. (60th. Bn.)
" A.O. TUBB. 60th. Bn. Seconded Wounded.

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DETAILS OF COLUMN "B"

UNIT.	Sick.		Courses.		Attached D.H.Q.		Attached Bde.H.Q.		Leave.		Attached L.T.M.Bty.		Nucleus.		Rest Camp		On Command.		TOTAL.	
	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.
57th.Bn.	3	12	6	20	-	13	-	13	-	9	-	3	3	74	-	5	7	142	19	291
58th.Bn.	4	7	5	20	-	8	1	15	-	8	1	3	5	126	-	5	1	44	17	236
59th.Bn.	1	22	6	25	2	21	-	12	-	5	-	6	2	97	-	5	7	10	18	203
60th.Bn.	2	11	5	19	1	9	2	14	1	9	-	4	4	94	1	5	2	32	18	197
TOTAL.	10	52	22	84	3	51	3	54	1	31	1	16	14	391	1	20	17	228	72	927

W. Hay Col.

Lieut. Colonel.
T/Commanding 15th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

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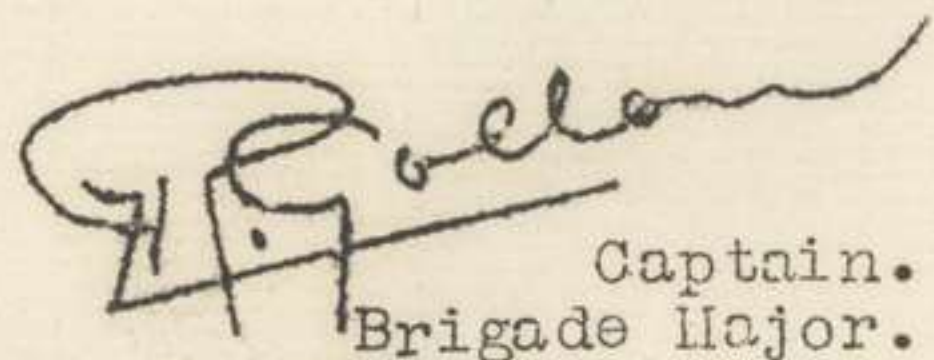
BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No.31

"Notes on Training"

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The following notes on training to be undertaken during the next eight days are issued for guidance:

1. Lewis Guns: Double Lewis Gun Sections as laid down in the new establishment are to be trained under the supervision of Battalion Lewis Gun Officers. Special attention will be paid to tactics in the case of men who have thoroughly mastered the mechanism and handling of the gun.
2. Signallers: Hold "Refresher Courses" for Battalion Headquarters and Company Signallers. The Brigade Signal Officer will supervise. A Brigade Signalling School will commence on the 29th inst. Battalion Commanders should begin selecting men at once to attend.
3. Snipers and Observers: Classes to be formed under Battalion Sniping Officers. Instruction to be given in patrolling, sniping, scouting, and general intelligence work.
4. Gas: Gas drill must be combined with other training. Half-an-hour per day will be devoted to instruction in anti-gas measures. Make the training interesting. Tell of the effects of gas. Special lectures will be arranged if asked for.
5. March Discipline: Strict attention to be paid to this during all movements of formed bodies.
6. Inspections: In anticipation of Brigade and Divisional inspections, which will be held as soon as facilities offer Battalion Commanders will hold detailed company inspections. Equipment must be cleaned and all shortages made good at once.
7. Guards, Sentries, etc.: Duties of this nature are to be kept as low as possible but all guards must be well turned-out. They will be thoroughly instructed in their duties before mounting.
8. The period in Divisional Reserve will be observed as a period of concentrated Specialist training. Each Battalion Specialist Officer must be allowed full opportunity for improving his own particular branch and will draw up a syllabus to work upon.
9. Lectures by the Divisional Specialist Commanders will be arranged if asked for.
10. As many men as possible should be trained in the working of the German Machine Gun.



Captain.
Brigade Major.

20-7-18

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No.32

"Movements of Headquarters".

1. An instance occurred recently of a unit giving instructions for despatches to be sent to its new location several hours before relief from the line. The result of this was that a special despatch containing the intimation of an impending minor operation on the flank was sent to the rear and it was only after a great deal of trouble that notice was passed to the front line warning them.
2. It must be fully understood that the outgoing Commander of a sector remains in command of that sector until relief is reported complete and until that time he exercises command should the tactical situation demand it. Consequently his headquarters remains with him and is the only place to which messages and despatches for the unit will be sent.
3. Greater care will be taken in future to ensure that messages reporting relief complete reach their correct destination. As with Battalion Headquarters, so with Brigade Headquarters. The Commander remains in command of the sector until completion of relief and is to be found at the line Headquarters. The Brigade Signal Officer will in future ensure that the new Signal Office in rear is not open to receive messages affecting the line sector until relief is complete. Signallers will remain forward until the new Headquarters is opened in rear.
4. Battalion Headquarters does not move by bounds. When moving in the back areas reports will be sent to the head of the column until arrival in the new area. During trench warfare Brigade Headquarters usually moves by bounds; notification of location of Headquarters is always notified.

H. J. Ollan
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T/ by
Lieut.Col. J.E.C.LORD, D.S.O.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

GENERAL STAFF

Nil.

ADMINISTRATION

530. A.A.ELLIPTICAL SIGHTS

1. The issue of Lewis Guns A.A.Elliptical Sights is now almost completed, but it is desired to know how many more are required to complete to the authorised scale of 1 per Lewis Gun employed on A.A.Defence.

2. Units will furnish a report to this office by 12 noon 22nd inst. stating number required, if any, to complete establishment.

531. OFFICERS BOARDED

The undermentioned officer was boarded on 9th July and found "unfit all services 4 weeks"

Lieut.GRICE, C. 57th Bn.

532. INDENTS FOR CLOTHING, etc.

With reference to Brigade Circular Memorandum No.30 para 1.

All idents for shortages will be submitted to D.A.D.O.S. immediately and a report that this has been done will be forwarded to reach this office by 23rd inst.

533. A.R.O. 2318 The report called for in above A.R.O. will be forwarded to reach this office by 12 noon 22nd inst.

534. TRAFFIC

When the weather permits, all horse transport between ALLONVILLE AND QUERRIEU will use the dry weather track.

The ALLONVILLE-QUERRIEU Road will only be used by Horse transport when weather prevents the use of the dry weather track.

4th Australian Division will arrange for the necessary traffic control to enforce this order.

535. ABSENTEES

The following is a Nominal Roll supplied by the 5th A.D.R.W. of men who have surrendered themselves (on the dates shewn opposite their names) and of men who have been captured during the week ending 13.7.18

No.3416	Pte. JONES	L. 60th Bn.	5.7.18
3372	" CALDWELL	C. "	"
2498	" NEWELL	A. 57th Bn.	11.7.18
Men captured during week ending 13.7.18.			
No.4767	Pte. GITCHAM	S. 58th Bn.	
3268	" BULLING	W. 59th Bn.	



536. AMMUNITION FOR AMERICAN TROOPS

The following letter received from FOURTH ARMY is republished for information and necessary action :-

- "1. The procedure in regard to accounting for ammunition issued to American troops training with the British Army at present under consideration, and the decision will be communicated in due course.
2. In the meantime a record should be kept of ammunition issued.
3. No record of empties need be kept at present."

537. FODEN DISINFECTOR

The Foden disinfecter will be available at FRANVILLE baths on 21st, 22nd and 23rd insts. and is allotted to Units as under:-

Date.	Unit.	Hours
21st	57th Bn.	9 - 12 noon. 1 - 2 p.m.
21st	58th Bn.	2 - 5 p.m.
22nd	58th Bn.	9 - 10 a.m.
22nd	59th Bn.	10 - 12 noon 1 - 3 p.m.
22nd	L.T.M.B.	3 - 4 p.m.
23rd	60th Bn.	9 - 12 noon 1 p.m. till completed.

The capacity of the Foden Disinfecter is 200 blankets per hour. Units will ensure that all blankets arrive punctually to time and that an unloading party of 1 N.C.O. and 3 men is sent to baths to unload and load blankets on transport which will be supplied by Battalions.

538. ORDERS

Attention is directed to Fourth Army Orders:-

- 2320 - Rifle Grenade Dischargers for No. 36 Rifle Grenade.
- 2321 - Wooden Racks for the Carriage of Lewis Guns.

W. Kay
Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.



UNIT.	Actually with unit.			In Hospital.			Detached			Total effective Strength.			Increase	Decrease.
	Off.	Or.	Total.	Off.	O.R.	Total.	Off.	O.R.	Total.	Off.	O.R.	Total.		
15th Bde. H.Q.	4	24	28				6	4	10	10	28	38		
15th A.L.T.M.B.	3	42	45					12	12	3	54	57		
57th Bn.	24	609	633	2	12	14	15	198	213	41	819	860		
58th Bn.	23	526	549		7	7	11	179	190	34	712	746		
59th Bn.	21	557	578		22	22	12	184	196	33	763	796	2 O.R's Reinforcements.	
60th Bn.	22	540	562		12	12	12	158	170	34	710	744	Lieut. C.F. Answerth S.O.S. for return to Australia. 1 O.R. committed to Prison.	
TOTAL	97	2298	2395	2	53	55	56	735	791	155	3086	3241		

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DETAILS OF DETACHED.

15th Bde. H.Q.	Off.	O.R.	57th Battalion	Off.	O.R.	58th Battalion	Off.	O.R.	59th Battalion	Off.	O.R.	60th Battalion	Off.	O.R.
Leave	1	1	A.D.R.W.	4	A.W.L.	1	29th A.A.S.C.	2	A.S.C.			A.S.C.	3	
Brig.Gen H.E. Elliott			A.G's Office	1	A.G's Office	1	A.G's Office	1	A.G's Office	1		A.G's Office	1	
Chaplains	4		A.S.C.	3	Corps Workshops	1	A.W.L.	1	Camp Warden	1		Camp Warden	1	
Bde. School	1		A.W.L.	4	Concert Party	2	Div.H.Q.	1	Y.M.C.A.	2		Y.M.C.A.	2	
Lt.J.H.Anderson			Corps H.Q.	1	29th A.A.S.C.	2	Lt.D.G.Toohy M.C.		A.P.M.	3		A.P.M.	3	
Ordnance Div.	3		Cookery Inst.	1	Div. Duties	8	Dem.Platoon	1	Concert Party	2		Concert Party	2	
			Div.Duties	13	Dem.Platoon	3	Lt.R.C.Deshon		Hayling Island	1		Hayling Island	1	
			Detention A.P.M.	12	Leave	7	Div.Duties	17	Corps School	4	12	Corps School	4	12
			Leave U.K.	9	Supply Depot	4	Leave	5	Lt.C.E.Pizzey			Lt.C.E.Pizzey		
			R.E.Workshops	5	Army Sch. Inst	1	A.I.F., H.Q. for transfer		" P.J.Veale			" P.J.Veale		
			Staging Camp	1	Lt.W.H.Gates D.C.M.		to Indian Army	1	" C.J.Levy			" C.J.Levy		
			O.T.B.	2	Div. Sig. Sch.	1	Capt.Burse		" P.R.Buchanan			" P.R.Buchanan		
			Lt.R.Doutreband M.C.		Lt. J.O.Brown		Batman to Off. in Hos.	1	4th Army Sig.Sch	1		4th Army Sig.Sch	1	
			Capt.J.B.Laing M.C.		G.H.Q., S.A.Sch.	3	O.T.B.	1	Power Buzzer Sch.	1		Power Buzzer Sch.	1	
			Base Depot	1	Corps School	3	Lieut.C.A.W.Blandford		Div.Sig. Sch.	1	4	Div.Sig. Sch.	1	4
			Lieut.E.J.Moore		Lt. F.J.Weir		Paris Demonstration	1	Lt.J.W.Stubbs			Lt.J.W.Stubbs		
			Leave Paris	5	" C.R.Cole		Rest Camp	5	Leave	2	9	Leave	2	9
			Rest Camp	5	" S.A.Webb		I5th F.Coy Eng	24	Lt.H.N.Richards D.C.M.			Lt.H.N.Richards D.C.M.		
			Dem. Platoon	2	W.P.from 5th A.D.R.W.	1	Senior Off.Course		" R.A.Calder	1	5	" R.A.Calder	1	5
			Div.Sig.School	1	Detention	1	Aldershot	1	Div.Duties			Div.Duties		
			Lieut.J.S.Cotton		O.T.B.	1	Major. H.A.Kuring		Lt.W.Davis			Lt.W.Davis		
			Corps School	4	Lt.C.Crawley		4th Army School	2	A.D.R.W.	4		A.D.R.W.	4	
I5th A.L.T.M.B.			Lt.C.H.Davis M.C.		Staging Camp	1	5th Army Mus.Sch.	1	Div.Dem.Platoon	3		Div.Dem.Platoon	3	
Leave	2		" F.O'C.Twomey		3rd Corps Patrol	2	Lieut.R.Dunkley		Corps Workshops	1		Corps Workshops	1	
Nucleus	5		" R.D.McFarlane		Rest Camp	5	G.H.Q., L.G. Sch.	1	Rest Camp	1	5	Rest Camp	1	5
Corps School	5		Capt.B.Peacock		Nucleus	5	Lieut.G.W.Stewart		Capt. R.Jennings			Capt. R.Jennings		
			4th Army S.O.S.		Major.H.J.D.Ferres		Corps Sch.	3	Clerk Staging Camp	1		Clerk Staging Camp	1	
			School	1	Lieut.A.Robertson		Lt.M.Kirkham		A.W.L.	3		A.W.L.	3	
			Lt.A.T.Bartlett		" C.A.Deane		" G.Fincher		3rd Corps	3		3rd Corps	3	
			Nucleus	6	" T.E.Tait		Lt.Col. J.J.Scanlan D.S.O.		Detention	2		Detention	2	
			Lt.Col.C.A.Denehy D.S.O.		" H.V.Morey		Div.Sig. School	8	Nucleus	3	94	Nucleus	3	94
			Capt.L.W.Elliott				Nucleus	2	Lt.J.Dyke			Lt.J.Dyke		
			" E.Corney				Lt.W.F.Stevenson		" W.R.Gannon			" W.R.Gannon		
			Lieut.M.J.Meara				" A.J.Beck		2 L.J.Howells.			2 L.J.Howells.		
			" R.Marxsen											
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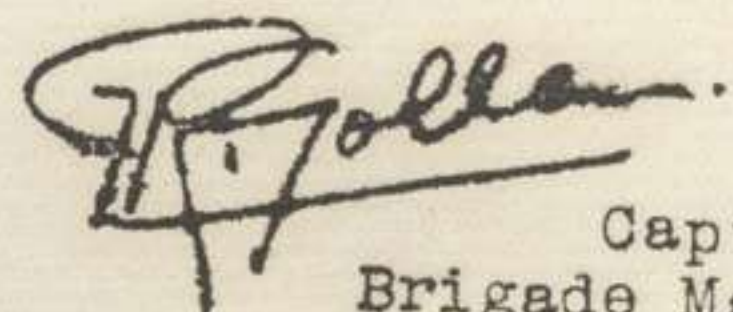
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1. Forwarded herewith is complete amended Provisional Defence Scheme for Reserve Brigade, "C" Division, Australian Corps.

2. All other Schemes, Maps or Appendices relating to action of the Reserve Brigade should be destroyed.

Acknowledge.



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15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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P R O V I S I O N A L D E F E N C E S C H E M E .
"G" DIVISION, AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

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 in case of attack.
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3. - Training Grounds.

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RESERVE BRIGADEPROVISIONAL DEFENCE SCHEME."C" DIVISION, AUSTRALIAN CORPS.SECTION 1.DESCRIPTION OF AREA.1. BOUNDARIES:

The Divisional front extends from J.36.B.1-2. on the right to E.19.B.5-0. on the left.

The Southern Divisional Boundary is from J.36.B.1-2. to J.22.D.0-0. thence West along Grid Line.

The Northern Divisional Boundary is on East and West line from E.19.B.5-0. to A.23.A.5-0.

The Western Divisional Boundary is on a line from G.20.C.4-0. to A.23.A.5-0.

2. POINTS OF TACTICAL IMPORTANCE:

Points of special tactical importance within the Divisional Sector are:-

(a) The ridge North-west of BUIRE which overlooks the ANCRE VALLEY and Battery Positions SOUTH of this River.

(b) MARRETT WOOD, the possession of which by the enemy would render our positions in BUIRE and TREUX untenable. This wood overlooks the ANCRE VALLEY and our defences and battery positions NORTH of this River.

(c) The Ridge running East and West between the SOMME and the ANCRE. Any deep penetration by the enemy along this river would jeopardise our hold on the ground between these two Rivers.

3. The Divisional Front is divided into two Brigade Sub-sectors. The Boundary between Brigades runs as follows:

East to West along the BRAY - CORBIE Road (inclusive to Right Brigade) to J.18.C.9-1 thence to J.11.D.0-0., thence West along Grid to J.7.D.0-0.

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1. The Divisional front is held by two Brigades in the line and one Brigade in Divisional Reserve. The Brigade holding the Right Sub-sector has two Battalions in the line and two Battalions in support. The Brigade holding the left sub-sector has three Battalions in the line and one in Support North of the River ANCRE.
 2. The Divisional Area is divided into three main zones of defence; the forward zone, second zone, and third zone.
 3. The forward zone comprises all the works of defence back to but excluding the front system of the second zone. It is divided into:
 - (a) Front line
 - (b) Support Line.
 - (c) Reserve Line and various switches.
 4. The Second Zone comprises three main systems:
 - (a) Front system consisting of the Bridgehead defences J.19.D. - J.8.B., the ANCRE EXTENSION I.21.D. - I.6.B. together with the forward posts - and the BALZIEUX SYSTEM from RIBEMONT to D.19.Central.
 - (b) FRANVILLERS SYSTEM from I.20.C. to C.23.D.
 - (c) LA HOUSOYE SYSTEM from I.19.C. to C.21.D. also the LA HOUSOYE, FRANVILLERS and FRESH SWITCHES. (The LA HOUSOYE SYSTEM forms part of the Army System).
 5. The Division is responsible for the organisation of the forward zone and for the construction of all works of defence therein. Work on the Second and Third Zones is a Corps Responsibility.
 6. The Reserve Brigade supplies working parties on demands from Divisional Headquarters.
 7. Instructions re Working Parties:
 - (a) Working Parties will always carry their arms with them.
 - (b) Officers and N.C.O's in charge of Working Parties will always be supplied with written instructions as what to do in case of attack.
 - (c) Parties working forward of the Reserve line system of the forward zone, in the event of a general attack, will occupy positions in the Reserve line system of the Forward Zone. The Commander will report at once to the nearest Headquarters and will send a Signal Message to the Headquarters of the Reserve Brigade reporting his position.
 - (d) Troops will be instructed that, as a General principle, in default of orders, detached parties will occupy the nearest defences and will report to and act under the orders of the nearest Company, Battalion, or Brigade Commander in order to repel any sudden attack.
 - (e) Parties working in rear of the Reserve Line of the Forward Zone will withdraw at once to their Battalion positions of readiness.

SECTION IIIPRINCIPLES OF DEFENCE.

1. The Front line system of the Forward Zone is the main line of resistance which will be defended at all costs and all troops in rear of the forward system are to be organised for prompt offensive action for the maintenance of this system.
2. Units of the Reserve Brigade will be ready to move at 20 minutes notice.
3. All Commanders will make, and communicate in writing their plans of action in case of eventualities to their subordinates and neighbouring Commanders. The Defence Schemes will be kept up-to-date and handed over on relief.
4. All Headquarters personnel will be armed and trained to meet attacks.
5. Written instructions for the rapid destruction of documents in case of an overwhelming attack by the enemy will be communicated to those concerned.
6. All systems of defence will be provided with nucleus garrisons. These garrisons will not move forward for counter-attack unless specially ordered, but will act as a screen behind which counter-attack troops will form up or as a rallying point in the event of troops in front being forced back.
7. Troops will not fall back from one line to any other line. All ground will be defended as long as possible whether the flanks are turned or not. There will be no withdrawal without orders from higher authority.
8. All Commanders will be prepared to form a defensive flank in the event of troops on their flank being forced back.
9. In carrying out counter-attacks to regain any portion of our line which may have been lost the guiding principle will be to reinforce the troops that are holding out on either flank and to attack the enemy in flank instead of delivering a frontal counter-attack.
10. Units will maintain liaison with the units on their flanks.

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ACTION OF RESERVE BRIGADE IN CASE OF ATTACK.

1. PROBABLE FORMS OF ATTACK: The main forms of attack which may be anticipated and which would affect the Reserve Brigade are:
 - (a) A deliberate prepared attack with artillery bombardment on any portion of the Divisional front.
 - (b) An attack without preparatory bombardment on any portion of the Divisional front.
2. A general attack may be one in which preliminary artillery preparation gives an indication of the enemy's intentions. This attack would be preceded probably by an intense bombardment with H.E. and Gas shells. The exact moment of such an attack cannot be foreseen. If the enemy commences a general Gas shell bombardment all troops will at once "Stand to" and special Officer Observers will be detailed. All Headquarters will be warned. The Officer on duty at each Headquarters will be responsible for questioning forward and flank headquarters with regard to any artillery activity he may hear or observe.
3. The second form of general attack may be an attempt at surprise. Special vigilance will be observed during foggy or bad weather. News of a surprise attack on the front will be at once passed to all Units of the Reserve Brigade.
4. Units of the Reserve Brigade will be prepared to reinforce or to counter attack on any part of the Divisional front or on its immediate flanks, or, they may be employed to hold rear lines of defence. All routes to the Divisional front and sectors on the flanks will be thoroughly reconnoitred so as to enable a night operation to be undertaken in any direction. Officers and N.C.O's will be made acquainted with the area and defences throughout the Divisional sector.
5. The method of employment of the Reserve Brigade cannot be completely foreseen. Units will therefore be prepared for all eventualities.
6. (a) "A" Battalion will be prepared to garrison the bridge head line J.19.D. - J.8.B. on orders from Brigade Headquarters. It is also available for counter attack in conjunction with one section, "A" Company, 13th Battalion, Tank Corps, located in J.13.A.. Close liaison will be maintained with the Tank Company.
 - (b) "B" Battalion will detail nucleus garrisons for portion of the ANCRE extension of the BAIZIEUX SYSTEM running from I.22.C.0-0 to I.19.C.0-5. and occupy those defences when ordered. Frontage included lettered posts "A" to "I" both inclusive, numbered posts 19, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29; a total of 16 posts half to be manned by Lewis Gun Sections and half by rifle sections.
 - (c) "C" Battalion will detail nucleus garrisons for the ANCRE EXTENSION of the BAIZIEUX SYSTEM (first system second zone) from I.18.A.0-5. to J.1.C.7-8. and occupy those defences when ordered. The frontage includes posts lettered J.K.L.H.N.O.P. Q.S.T. inclusive and Posts numbered 30 to 36 both inclusive; a total of 17 posts, half to be manned by Lewis Gun Sections and half by Rifle sections.
 - (d) "D" Battalion will be prepared to reinforce any of the above-mentioned lines or may be used for deliberate counter attacks.

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7. In each of the above roles an Officer in command and at least four other Officers will be sent forward with the garrisons.
8. Units will move in accordance with para 6 on receipt of the message "Battle Stations" from Brigade Headquarters. Only nucleus garrisons will move. The remaining personnel of Units will "stand to" and await orders.
9. (a) Brigade Units will each draw up a Defence Scheme which will be kept up to date and handed over on relief.
(b) Each Unit must be ready to carry out the role of any of the other Units of the Reserve Brigade if required.
10. "A" and "C" Battalions will each detail Liaison Officers for duty with the right and left line Brigades respectively. These Officers will move at once on receipt of the message "Liaison Officers Move".
11. Stokes Mortar emplacements to cover the ANCRE defences have been constructed at the following points:
 - I.22.B.0-7.
 - I.22.B.4-9.
 - I.17.B.0-5.
 - I.12.C.1-1.
 - I.16.D.8-1.
 - I.16.D.7-9.
 - I.17.B.1-6.
 - I.12.C.4-8.

These emplacements must be regularly inspected by the O.C. Light Trench Mortar Battery. They will be known to the personnel of the Battery who will be ready to man any of them if ordered.

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SECTION VTRAINING GROUNDS

Training Grounds are situated as follows :-

- "A" Battalion Parade Ground I.18.D.
 40 yards Rifle and Lewis Gun Range J.13.A.
 Bombing Range - J.18.D.
- "B" Battalion Parade Ground I.10.D. and I.16.B.
 250 yard Rifle and Lewis Gun Range I.16.A.
 Sniping Range I.11.D.
 Bombing Range I.11.B.
- "C" Battalion Parade Ground C.29.B. and D.
 Rifle Range I.5.C.
 Bombing Range I.5.A.
- "D" Battalion Parade Ground I.3. Central I.4.A, B & D.
 Gas Training Ground I.14.D. and I.10.B.
 Lewis Gun Range I.8.B.9-2.

Gas chamber for testing S.B.R's at C.20.C.5-2.

Brigade School is at - G.24.B.8-6.

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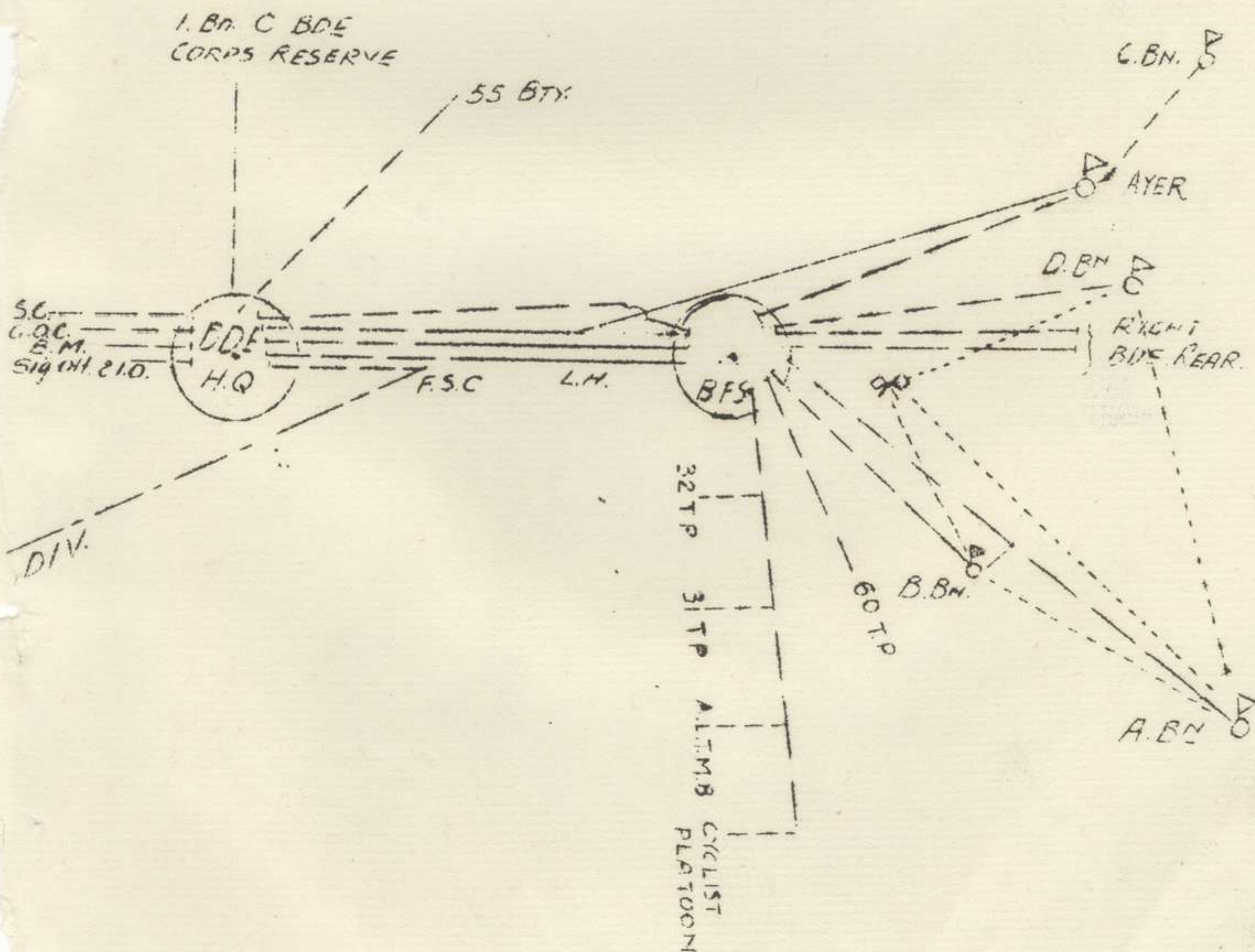
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1. Telephonic communication with Division is by one line direct - ground line and poled cable superimposed on this line is a telegraph sounder working with Division.
2. Three lines go forward to the Brigade Forward Station at LA HOUSOYE. Two connect with the buried route and one is overland. From the Brigade Forward Station a ground line runs to each Battalion, the one to the 59th Battalion being 'tied' in at the 60th Battalion Office for testing purposes only.
3. There are also direct lines from Brigade Forward Station to left line Brigade Rear, Right line Brigade Rear, A.L.T.M.B. and Left line transport. A direct line runs from Brigade Exchange to forward Battalion of "C" Brigade, Corps Reserve.
4. Brigade Transport lines can be obtained through AYER. Forward Brigades can be obtained either through Division or through B.F.S. and Advanced Division (AYER) at FRANVILLERS.
5. All lines are metallic. From the Brigade Forward Station visual communication is established with each battalion and messages can be both sent and received.

Following is a detailed diagram of communications:-



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265 ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

1. AMMUNITION: All trenches and posts in the Brigade area are stocked with in the ratio of 4,000 rounds to 200^x of trench. All ranks are in possession of 120 rounds. Echelons are full and are held at the Transport Lines of the Units.

2. SUPPLIES: Supply refilling point is at H.10.C.8-3. Rations are refilled into supply wagons at 10 a.m. daily and delivered to Unit Q.M. Stores as under:

57th Bn.	C.22.A.6-1.
58th Bn.	C.20.B.6-3.
59th Bn.	C.28.A.5-9.
60th Bn.	C.20.D.8-9.
Bde. H.Q.	FRECHENCOURT CHATEAU.

Rations are delivered to all Units by limbers.

3. COOKING ARRANGEMENTS: All Cookers are with their Units.

4. WATER: Water is available at LA HOUSOYE, PONT NOYELLES, QUERRIEU, FRANVILLERS.

5. SUPPORTING POINT RATIONS: Dumps containing Preserved Meat, Biscuits, and Water are established at the following points:

		Biscuits	P.M.	Water.
"A" Bn.	I.29.C.8-5.	325 lbs.	384 tins	50 tins
" "	I.24.B.3-5.	325 lbs.	384 tins	50 tins
" "	J.13.C.5-2.	325 lbs.	384 tins	50 tins
"D" Bn.	I.5.D.1-6.	325 lbs.	360 tins	50 tins
"C" Bn.	C.23.D.1-6.	300 lbs.	384 tins	50 tins
"B" Bn.	I.10.Central	325 lbs.	384 tins	50 tins

Supporting Point Rations consist of 10 ozs of Biscuits and $\frac{3}{4}$ tin of P.M.

The above quantities are considered to approximate 500 rations at each point. Units are responsible for the rations in their respective areas and will maintain a guard on each dump.

The water will be frequently changed. Notices will be erected at each dump showing the map location, amount of rations in the dump, when the rations were last inspected and when the water was last changed.

6. TRANSPORT LINES: Transport lines are at:

Brigade H.Q.	The CHATEAU, FRECHENCOURT.
57th Bn.	C.22.A.6-1.
58th Bn.	C.20.B.6-3.
59th Bn.	C.28.A.5-9.
60th Bn.	C.20.D.8-9.

7. Q.M. STORES: Q.M. Stores are situated near the Transport Lines.

8. BATHS: Baths are available on application at BONNAY and LA HOUSOYE. A plentiful supply of clothing is held at each of the Baths.

9. BURIALS: Cemeteries are situated at HEILLY, BONNAY, QUERRIEU, and FRANVILLERS.

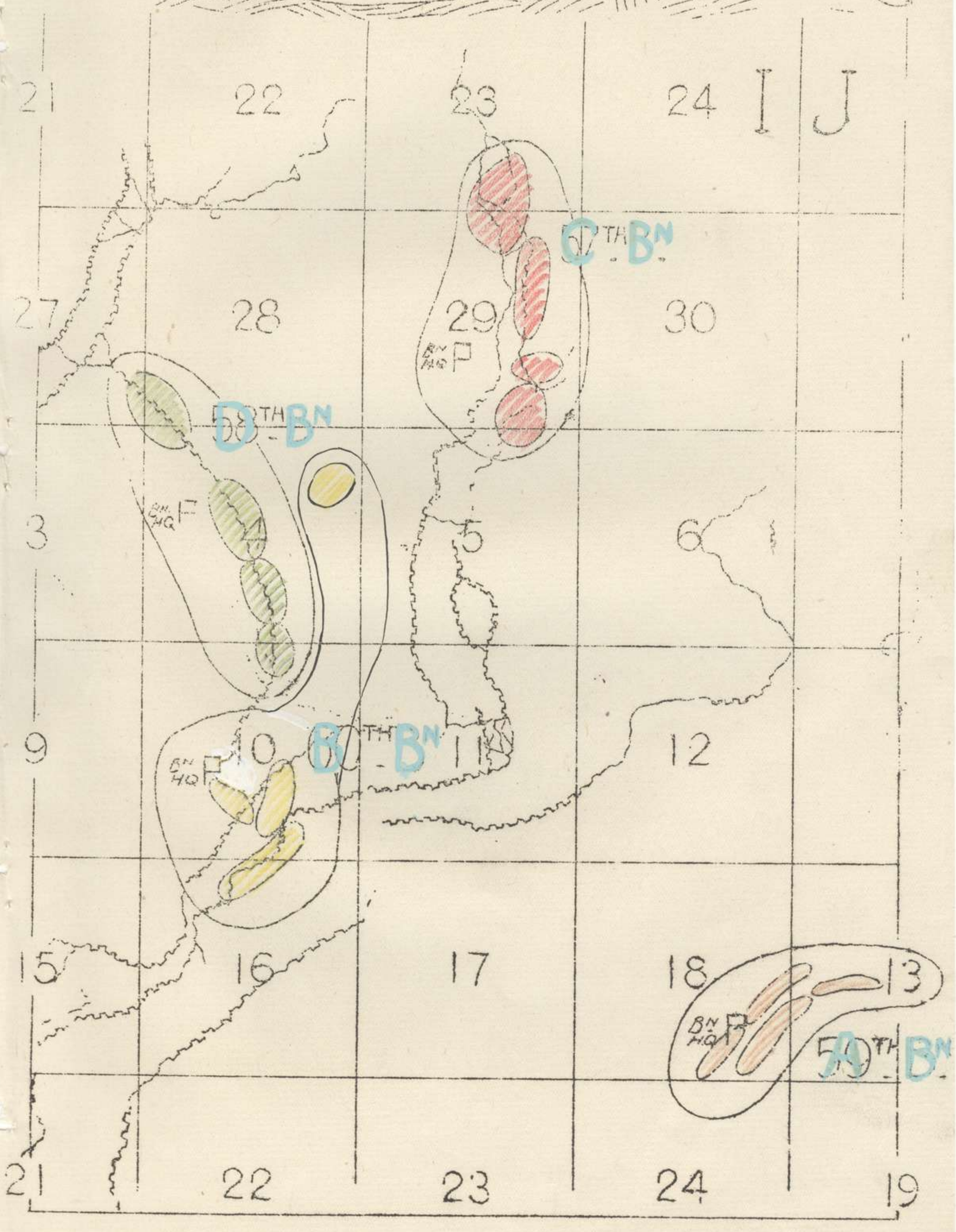
10. MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS: All evacuations are cleared by Motor Ambulance to A.D.S. I.4.C.8-0. thence by Motor Transport to M.D.S. at the CHATEAU, H.10.A.0-4.

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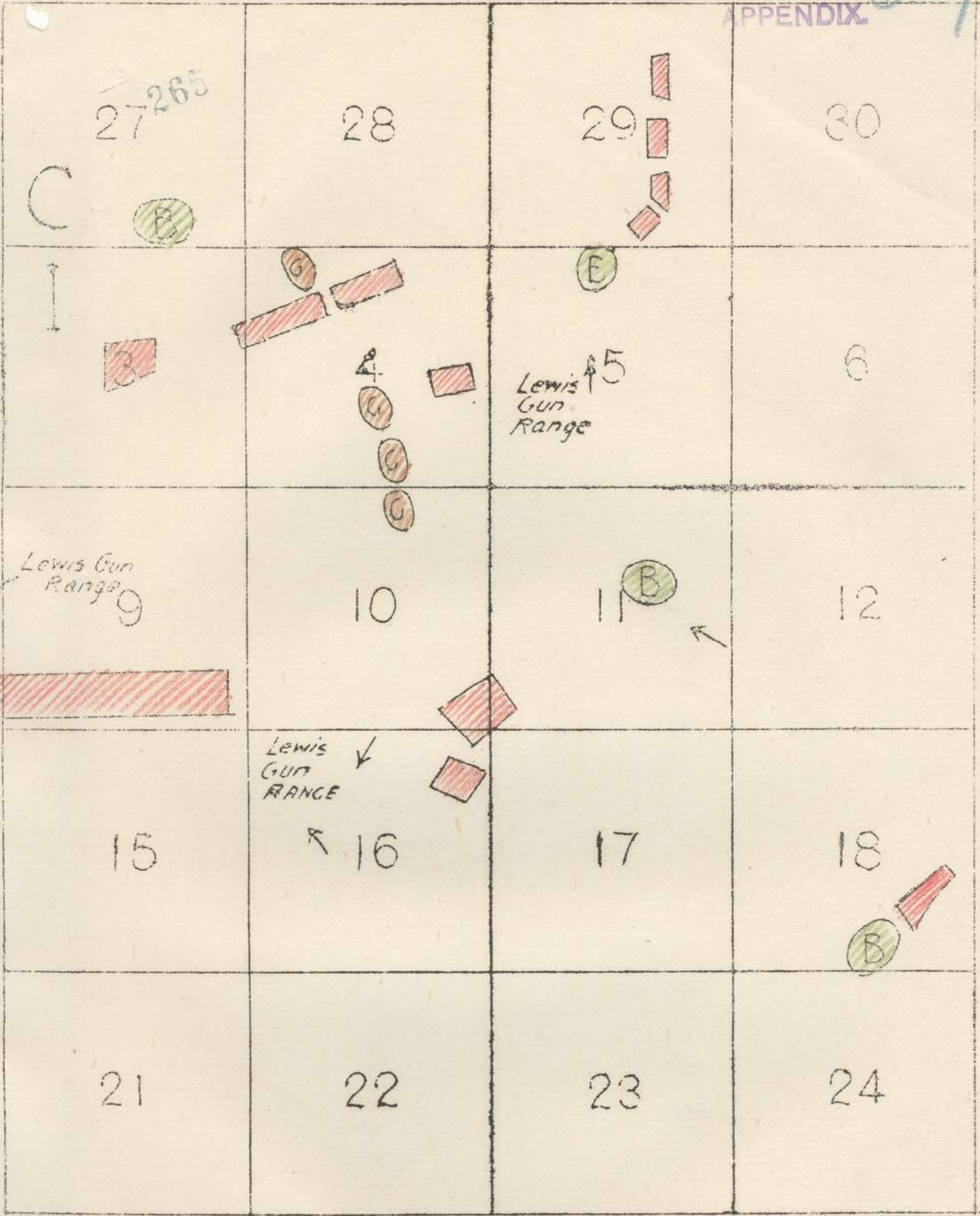
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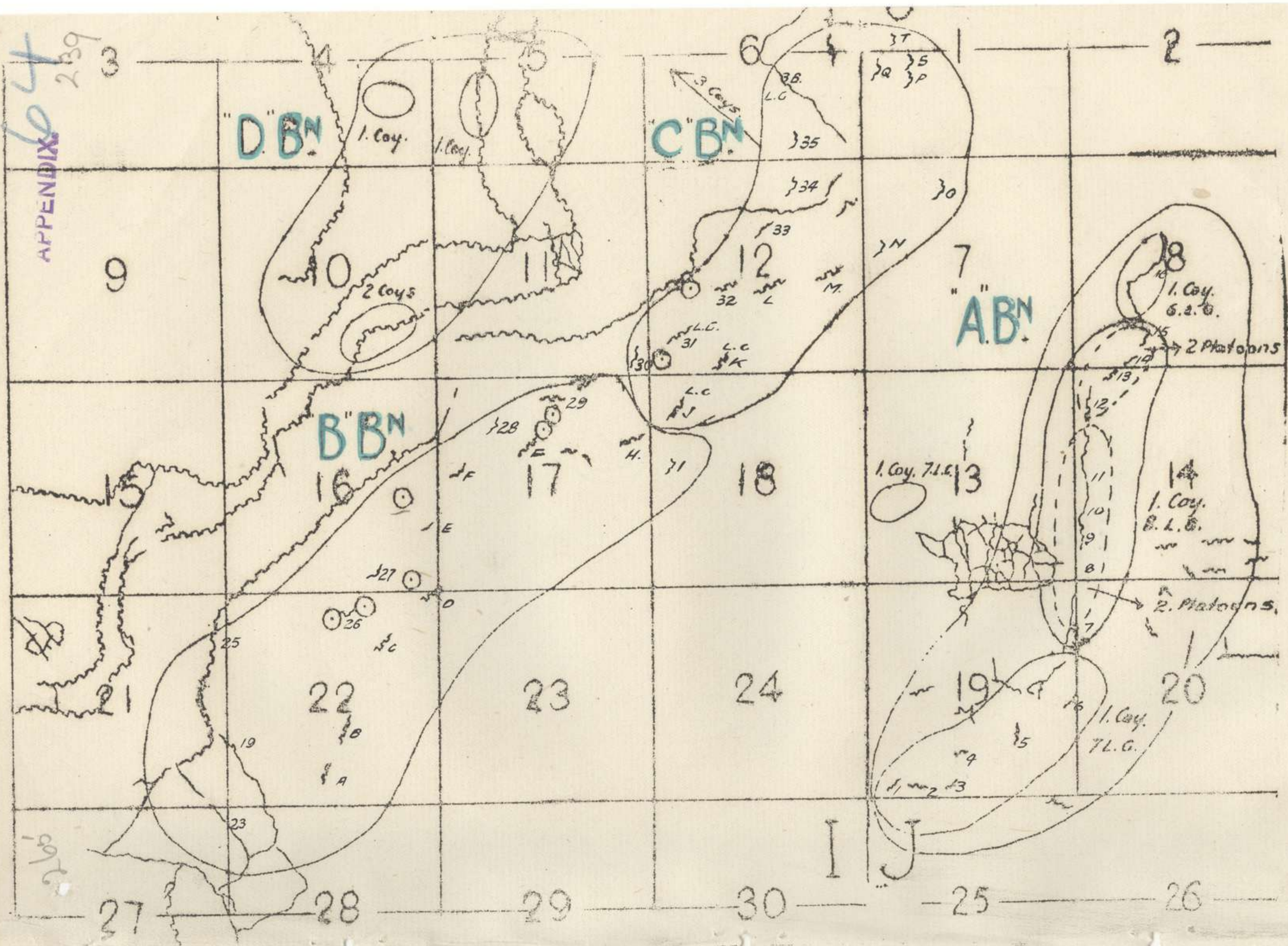


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LEGEND

- Rifle Ranges →
- Bombing Grounds (B)
- Parade Grounds (hatched rectangle)
- Gas Training Grounds (G)

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MAP No. 2.

To Reserve Brigade "C" Division Provisional Defence Scheme.

Second Zone Defence System to be occupied in case of necessity.
Reserve Brigade.

Legend: L.T.M. ○

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by

Lieut.Col. J.E.C.LORD, D.S.O.

T/Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
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Nil.

ADMINISTRATION

539.F.G.C.M.

The undermentioned detail of officers will assemble at the
Maire FRECHENCOURT at 9 a.m. on Wednesday 24th inst. to try
by Field General Court Martial the persons mentioned in the
margin and such other person or persons as may be brought
before it.

5th Pioneer Bn.

No.1922 Pte. J.C.SIMMONDS
1919 " R.L.S.PETERS
2217 " J.T.HAUTON

President

Lieut.Col.H.T.C.LAYH, D.S.O.
60th Bn.

57th Battalion

No.3250 Pte.W.H.WINTLE
2958 " H.A.PATTERSON
4800 " L.A.HOLDOM
3596 " G.ROSS
3606 " E.L.SHIPPARD
2498 " A.NEWELL
2962 " J.J.BARTLEY
1907 " W.DERHAM
2275 " A.E.SMITH
4616 " T.A.WHITELEY
2860 " G.ARMS TRONG
2001 " E.MURPHY

Members

Capt.K.G.McDONALD, M.C.
59th Bn.
Capt.R.A.SALMON, M.C.
57th Bn.

The accused will be warned and all
witnesses etc. required to attend.

Proceedings will be forwarded to
Brigade Headquarters.

58th Battalion

No.1952 Pte.J.GITSHAM

59th Battalion

No.5176 Pte.J.PHILIP
3107 " W.R.ARGENT
3558 " M.KEATING

60th Battalion

No.1912 Pte.P.WHITTE
3372 " C.CALDWELL
2347 Cpl.O.EASTMAN
3416 Pte. L.JAMES

C. Lay

Captain.
Staff Capt.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No.33

"Battle Stations Practice"

1. It is intended at an early date, and by night, to carry out the manning of Battle Stations allotted to the Reserve Brigade.
2. (a) On the evening of the date selected the following telegram will be sent by Brigade Headquarters to units of the Reserve Brigade:-
"Battle Stations practice Acknowledge".
- (b) Units will at once acknowledge receipt by despatch of the following message to Brigade Headquarters:-
"Practice Acknowledged".
- (c) As soon as all troops are in their allotted positions in accordance with Section IV of Reserve Brigade Defence Scheme Units will wire Brigade as follows:
"Position Practice".
3. It is essential that no orders should be issued which can in any way be interpreted to indicate that an actual hostile attack is anticipated. Care must therefore be exercised that all orders issued signify clearly that they are only concerned with a practice operation.
4. On receipt of the message from Brigade Headquarters:-
"Normal dispositions",
Normal dispositions will be resumed; when this has been completed units will wire to Brigade Headquarters:-
"Normal Practice".
5. Every opportunity will be taken during the exercise to discover any points in connection with existing orders and arrangements which require adjustment, all senior officers must be employed throughout this practice for this purpose.
6. Communications will be tested during this practice; reports will be rendered later by units giving time taken from receipt of wire "Battle Stations practice acknowledge" to the completion of the manning.
7. Acknowledge.

H. F. Gollan
Captain.
Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

23-7-18

P.T.O.



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by

Lieut.Col. J.E.C.LORD, D.S.O.
T/Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
23rd July 1918

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540. OFFICERS SCHOOLS

Units will render to Brigade Headquarters before the 26th inst. a return showing Schools attended by officers at present on the strength. Date and nature of School should be stated.

Captain.
Brigade Major.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

ADMINISTRATION

541. F.G.C.M.

The following detail of officers will assemble at The Mairie FREGHENCOURT at 10 a.m. on Thursday 25th inst. to try by F.G.C.M. the persons mentioned in the margin and

57th Battalion	such other person or persons as may be
3346 Pte. O.W. ADAMS	brought before it:
60th Battalion	President
2874 Pte. H. STIMP	Major. R. M. L. O. AITCHISON 57th Bn.
5th Pioneer Bn.	Members
2852 L/Cpl. E. DAWSON	Capt. T. A. FAIRFAX, M.C. 58th Bn.
	Capt. R. A. SALMON, M.C. 57th Bn.

The accused will be warned by 12th C.O.S. who will arrange their attendance. Units will notify witnesses to be in attendance.

Proceedings will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters.

542. REPAIR OF BOOTS AT BRIGADE NUCLEUS CAMP

A great number of men at Brigade Nucleus Camp require their boots repaired.

Each Battalion will deliver to Brigade Q.M. by 12 noon tomorrow 24th inst. sufficient leather to repair 20 prs. of boots.

The 60th Battalion will detail a bootmaker with tools to report to Brigade Q.M., collect leather and report to C.O. 15th Brigade, Nucleus VAUX-en-AMIENOIS.

543. SALVAGE

It has been brought to notice that very few men, who are sent back from the front line as messengers or for other purposes, take the trouble to carry back any salvage with them.

If all men were fully possessed of the importance of "doing their bit" towards salvaging, the amount of material taken back to the ration point or other points would undoubtedly be largely increased.

It is no uncommon thing for men to walk over rifles etc. when moving back without taking the trouble to pick them up.

It is quite realised that "big stuff" cannot be carried by individual men, but there are many things lying about (rifles in particular) which could and should be taken back to the nearest dump.

All C.O.'s are to impress upon the members of their commands the importance of each man doing what he can to help in this important matter.

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544. HAY RATION

From 21st July the hay ration will be reduced by one pound, The ration will then be :-

- 13 lbs. daily for H.D.Horses
- 10 lbs. daily for L.D.Horses

The reduction in hay ration does not authorise the purchase of substitutes in lieu thereof.

545. CLIPPERS, HAND

Owing to an outbreak of mange in this Division, Units will arrange to thoroughly overhaul all hand-clippers. Any that require replacing or repairing must be demanded through D.A.D.O.S. at once. As this is the period of the year when mange is likely to put in an appearance, the attention of O'S.C. and Transport Officers is drawn to orders previously issued with regard to mange, and all precautions ordered by Veterinary Officers against mange will be fully carried out.

Asky

Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 180.

M.S.G. 1/3

Ref: FRANCE,
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24th July, 1918.

1. In order to maintain the continuity of Tank Training at VAUX-en-AMIENOIS during the interchange of the 4th and 5th Australian Divisions the following moves will take place.
2. (a) JULY 27th:= Two companies of 57th Battalion will move to VAUX-en-AMIENOIS, reporting to Lieut.Col.C.A.DENEHY, D.S.O., C.O. 15th Australian Infantry Brigade Nucleus on arrival.
(b) JULY 28th:= 57th Battalion (less two companies) will move to VAUX-en-AMIENOIS and report same as for party moving on the 27th inst.
3. The C.O. 15th Australian Infantry Brigade Nucleus is making the necessary billeting arrangements.
4. Details regarding move and motor transport (if available) will be issued direct to 57th Battalion.
5. The 15th Australian Infantry Brigade Nucleus now billeted at VAUX will rejoin the respective units on the afternoon of the 28th inst.
6. Battalions of the 2nd Australian Division are carrying out practices with the 5th Tank Brigade on 28th, 29th, 30th, and 31st inst.
7. This Brigade will commence similar training on arrival in the new area from August 1st under arrangements which will be issued later. In this relation special attention is directed to S.S. 204 "Infantry and Tank Co-operation and Training".
8. Acknowledge (57th Battalion only).

[Handwritten Signature]

Captain.
Brigade Major.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Issued at 10 pm through Signals to:

	Copy No.	Copies to	Copy No.
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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Lieut.Col. J.E.C.LORD, D.S.O.

265 T/Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
25th July 1918

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GENERAL STAFF

546. CAMOUFLAGE OFFICER

It is proposed to select an officer with suitable qualifications to understudy the Corps Camouflage Officers. Units will each forward the name of an officer to reach this office by 27th inst. stating qualifications. The officer nominated should not be above the rank of Captain. He should be an artist of some experience and should have inclinations towards camouflage work. The Corps Camouflage Officer will interview officers selected at a time and place to be notified later. The duties of the officer selected and the conditions under which he will be attached to the Corps Camouflage Officer will be notified later.

547. SCHOOLS

When submitting nominations for Schools care must be taken to state whether the person nominated is with the unit or nucleus. Failure to do this has recently caused unnecessary delay in preparing returns for submission to higher authority.

C. W. Lay
Captain.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

ADMINISTRATION548. FORAGE

The present green forage supplied to Units by Brigade Farms Officer will not be used in lieu of hay ration but will be utilized as a supplementary ration for animals. A record will be kept of all forage taken on charge for purposes of requisitioning from French Civilians. The amount thus consumed will be shown on weekly returns rendered to this office.

549. SURPLUS KIT

Cases have occurred recently where Officers have proceeded O/Seas for duty at Training Battalion etc. and before leaving Unit have been unable to obtain their surplus kit from Divisional Dump.

A return will be furnished to reach this office by 6 p.m. 28th inst. showing details of any such officers. Steps will then be taken to send a Brigade Representative to Kit Store and despatch all kits through Military Forwarding Officer to A.I.F. Kit Store London; unless instructions are given to the contrary

550. LEAVE

All personnel for English leave will proceed by PERNOIS except in exceptional cases when they will report AILLY sur SOMME 7.30 a.m.

551. RETURN TO AUSTRALIA

A cable-gram has been received from Defence, Melbourne, to the effect that, except in very exceptional cases, business reasons will not be considered sufficient grounds for granting the return to Australia of members of the A.I.F. serving abroad. The privilege is intended to apply to cases of distress in families. This should be noted as a guide in submitting future applications.

C. W. Lay
Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 181.

Ref; FRANCE, Sheet 62 D 1/40,000.

26th July, 1918.

- (a) The 58th Division of the III Corps is relieving the 5th Australian Division in that portion of the line in "C" Divisional Sector North of K.L.D.6-3. on the night 27th/28th July, 1918.
(b) Inter-Corps and Inter-Brigade boundaries are to be amended accordingly.
- Consequent upon (a) and (b) a re-adjustment of the dispositions of Units of the 5th Australian Division is to take place.
- Units of the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade will move on the 26th inst. as follows:

Unit	Move		Relieved by	Remarks.
	From	To		
57th Bn	VILLA SECTOR	St. GRATIEN	59th Bn.	(a) Billets to be allotted by Staff Captain. (b) To move via FRECHEN-COURT during day in small parties. (c) To be clear before 8 p.m.
59th Bn	Bn. Area J.13.	VILLA SECTOR (area vacated by 57th Bn)	30th Bn.	(a) Netto move before 8.30 p.m. (b) Take over dispositions of 57th Bn.

- Precautions will be taken to prevent observation of the moves by the enemy.
- Transport lines and Quartermasters Stores of Units concerned will remain in their present locations.
- Subject to the terms of this order details of relief will be arranged between Commanding Officers.
- Completion of moves will be reported to Brigade Headquarters.
- Brigade Headquarters remains at the CHATEAU, FRECHENCOURT.
- Acknowledge.

R. J. O'Hara

Captain, Brigade Major, 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Issued at 9 a.m. by D.R. to:

57th Battalion	1.	G.O.C. 15th A.I. Brigade	8.
59th Battalion	2.	Staff Captain	9.
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6th Battalion	4.	5th Aust. Division "A & Q"	12.
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BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 34

Brigade School Syllabus - 25.7.18 - 30.7.18.

Day & Date	Hours of Work	Work	Remarks
7th Day 25.7.18	'8 - 9 a.m.	'Recapitulation of Work done.	(I.T.Sec. 12-96) 'Practical 'Examination. 'M.R.Sec. to 68 'P.T. & B.F. 'Major. THORNTHWAITE '5th Div. Arty.
	'9 - 10 a.m.	'" " " " " " " "	
	'10.30-11.30 am	'" " " " " " " "	
	'11.30-12.30 pm	'(a) Lewis Gun	
	'	'(b) Instructions in messages and reports.	
	'2 - 3 p.m.	'Platoon and Section Drill	
'3 - 4 p.m.	'Lecture - Artillery.		
8th Day 26.7.18	'8 - 9 a.m.	'Section and Platoon Drill	'I.T.Secs. 75-80 and 'Amendments I.T. 'M.R.Secs. 50-54. 'Col. WIGHAM '108 U.S.A. Engrs.
	'9 - 10 a.m.	'Fire positions	
	'10.30-11.30 am	'P.T. and B.F.	
	'11.30-12.30 pm	'(a) Lewis Gun	
	'	'(b) Instructions in reports and messages and scouting	
	'2 - 3 p.m.	'Platoon and Section Drill	
'3 - 4 p.m.	'Lecture - American Organisation		
9th Day 27.7.18	'8 - 9 a.m.	'Platoon and Section Drill	'(Respirators to be worn for a period during all training. 'M.R.Secs. 17-29
	'9 - 10 a.m.	'P.T. and B.F.	
	'10.30-11.30 am	'Theory of Rifle Fire	
	'11.30-12.30 pm	'(a) Lewis Gun.	
	'	'(b) Instructions in messages and reports.	
	'2 - 3 p.m.	'Communication Drill	
'3 - 4 p.m.	'Lecture		
10th Day 28.7.18	'8 - 9 a.m.	'Platoon in Extended Order Drill	'M.R.Secs. 57-59.
	'9 - 10 a.m.	'P.T. and B.F.	
	'10.30-11.30 am	'Indication and Recognition of targets.	
	'11.30-12.30 pm	'(a) Lewis Gun	
	'	'(b) Scouting and patrols	
	'2 - 3 p.m.	'Extended Order Drill; Advancing by Sectional rushes.	
'3 - 4 p.m.	'Lecture		
11th Day 29.7.18	'8 - 9 a.m.	'Platoon in Attack	'Training and Employment of Platoon 191 'Respirators to be worn for period during all training.
	'9 - 10 a.m.	'P.T. & B.F.	
	'10.30-11.30 am	'Indication and Recognition of Targets.	
	'11.30-12.30 pm	'(a) German Gun (Range firing)	
	'	'(b) Scouting and Patrolling	
	'2 - 3 p.m.	'Guards and Sentries	
'3 - 4 p.m.	'Lecture		

P.T.O.

2th Day	8 - 9 a.m.	Platoon in Attack	
0/7/18	9 - 10 a.m.	P.T. and B.F.	
	10.30-11.30 a.m.	Fire Discipline	M.R.Secs 55-56.
	11.30-12.30 p.m.	(a) German Gun	
		(b) Pin pointing	
	2 - 3 p.m.	Platoon and Section Drill	
	3 - 4 p.m.	Lecture	

10 minutes Gas Drill will be carried out daily.

[Handwritten signature]

Captain.
Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

26.7.18
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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE OPERATION MEMORANDUM NO.5

1. The enemy's position in the Valley running N.E. and S.W. through WARFUSEE - ABANCOURT will be subjected to a gas bombardment on the night 28/29th July.
2. Corps Heavy Artillery and the Field Artillery of "A" and "B" Divisions are participating.
3. Zero hour will be notified later.
4. The operation will take place only if the wind is between the angle running N.E. through N. and W. to S.
5. Units will be notified if the wind is favourable or not by the following codes:-
 - Wind favourable - BRIGHT
 - Wind unfavourable - DULL
6. Acknowledge.

G. J. Gallea

Captain.
Brigade Major.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

26.7.18.

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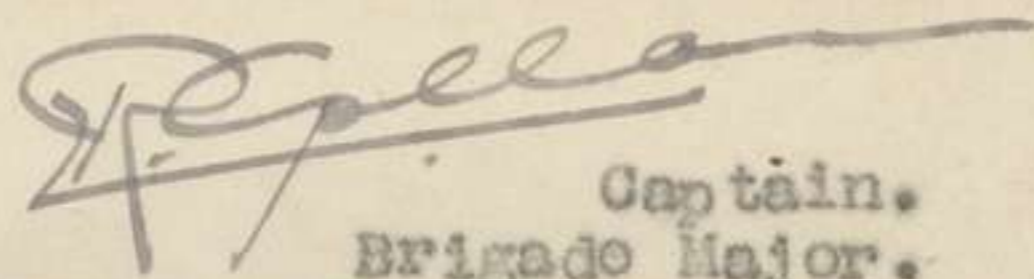
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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE OPERATION MEMORANDUM No.6

1. (a) During the night 28/29th July, 1918, the 8th and 14th Australian Infantry Brigades will carry out an attack on THE BEACON (K.20.A.65.40)
- (b) The 14th Australian Infantry Brigade will use the 53rd Battalion and the 8th Australian Infantry Brigade the 30th Battalion with one company of the 32nd Battalion in support.
2. The area to be attacked will be submitted to three minutes hurricane bombardment at the termination of which the assaulting troops will advance to the objective behind a barrage moving at the rate of 75 yards a minute. A protective barrage will be maintained East of the objective for a half an hour from Zero.
3. Flank Brigades are co-operating by putting down Artillery "Chinese" attacks and Smoke barrages.
4. Zero time will be notified.
5. Acknowledge.



Captain.
Brigade Major.

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BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 35

"Recreation in Corps Reserve"

1. In compliance with 5th Australian Division Circular Memorandum No. 64 the question of sports and entertainments for the personnel of the Brigade while in Corps Reserve has now been taken in hand and at a meeting of Unit representatives the following was decided upon:

2. That a Brigade Sports Meeting be held while in the Corps Reserve Area and that units of the group compete for a Cup to be won by the unit obtaining the highest aggregate. Individual prizes will also be awarded.

3. Units will compete as follows:

- 57th Battalion
 - 58th Battalion
 - 59th Battalion
 - 60th Battalion
 - 15th Field Ambulance
 - 15th Field Co. A.E.
 - D.A.D.O.S. personnel
 - Brigade Headquarters
 - 15th A.L.T.M.B.
- } Compete as one unit
- } Compete as one unit.

4. It was decided that the following events be decided at the Brigade Sports Meeting:

- 100^x Championship (2 per unit)
- Long Jump (2 per unit)
- 220^x (2 per unit)
- High Jump (2 per unit)
- Officers Race Open
- Tug-o'-war (10 & Captain per unit)
- 440^x (2 per unit)
- Relay Race (1 team of 4 per Unit each man to run 110^x)
- Mile (2 per unit)
- Sack Race Open
- Obstacle Race (Teams of 6 per unit)
- Best sustained character Open
- 3 mile cross country Open.
- Tilting the bucket.

Horse Events

- Hack Race Open. Competitors must ride his own horse only.
- Mule Race Open
- Wrestling on Horseback.

5. The Brigade Sports will probably be held about the 10th of August. Units should therefore arrange to have Battalion Sports before that date.

6. One feature of the meeting will be a Band Contest for bands of the Brigade, to compete as "B" Grade Bands in events as under: (not to count in aggregate)

- (a) Quick step (playing and marching)
- (b) Selection (own choice)

7. It is hoped that units will enter wholeheartedly into making the meeting a success along the lines as adopted for previous Sports Meetings held by the Brigade.

8. It has also been decided to commence a round of Cricket Matches. Points as follow will be allotted for the Cup:

- Straight out win = 2 points
- Win on first innings = 1 point.
- Draw = Nil.

These points will be totalled at the termination of the fixtures and points for Brigade Cup Awarded as follows:-

- 1st - 6 points
- 2nd - 4 points
- 3rd - 2 points

In the event of two or more units attaining the same number of points they will divide.

9. Fixtures for Cricket Matches have been arranged:

31st July	1st August	2nd August	3rd August	4th August
57th v 60th	58th v 59th	59th v 57th	59th v 60th	F.Amb) v 60th DADOS) F.Eng)
58th v Bde.H.Q.) ALTMB)	60th v Bde.HQ) ALTMB)	60th v 58th	58th v F.Amb) DADOS) F.Eng)	59th v Bde.HQ) ALTMB)
59th v F.Amb.) DADOS) F.Eng.)	57th v F.Amb.) DADOS) F.Eng.)	F.Amb) v Bde.HQ) ALTMB)	57th v Bde.HQ) ALTMB)	57th v 58th

- 10. (a) Each match will be from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. inclusive and must commence and cease at that time.
- (b) Matches will be played on the ground of the first named unit.
- (c) Sports representatives, will, immediately on arrival in the rest area, prepare their cricket pitches.
- (d) Each team will provide an umpire who will also act as timekeeper.
- (e) Each Unit will play each other once, and the two with the highest number of points will play an exhibition match on a ground to be selected by Brigade Sports representative. Points will not be given for this match.
- (f) Transport to and from matches will be arranged for players and bands by Brigade Headquarters.

11. Any suggestions for improving the enjoyment of the meeting will be welcome.

12. Lieut.S.E.WOOTTON, 60th Battalion, has been appointed Sports Secretary and will live at Brigade Headquarters

[Signature]
 Captain.
 Brigade Major.
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

26.7.18
Distribution:

Each Battalion	5 copies (for distribution down to Companies)	Unit representatives	1 each.
		G.O.C.	1
15th A.L.T.M.B.	2 copies	Copies to	
15th F.Ambulance	3 copies	5th Aust.Div. "G"	1
15th F.Co. A.E.	3 "	5th Aust. Div."AQ"	1
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Staff Capt.	1 copy		

FIGHTING STRENGTH MADE UP TO NOON.

26th. JULY 1918.

UNIT.	S		A.		B.		A MINUS B		C		Particulars of Increase.	Particulars of Decrease.
	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.		
57th. Bn.	40	911	18	326	22	585	-	-	Ex Seconded Svk.	1	Seconded	2
									" Hospital.	16	Trans. to 5th. Div. H.Q.	1
									" Reinf'ts	85	Evacuations.	11
									" Prison.	6	O.C.B.	1
											Acc. Wounded.	1
											Killed.	1
58th. Bn.	37	723	17	229	20	494	-	-	Ex Seconded.	3	Seconded Wounded.	3
									" Reinf'ts	1	" O.T.B.	1
									" Hospital.	19	To O.C.B.	1
									" Prison.	1	Illegally Absent.	1
											Evacuated.	7
59th. Bn.	35	764	15	205	20	559	-	-	Ex Reinf'ts	1	11 Seconded Wounded.	4
									" Seconded.	1	Casualty.	1
											Evacuations.	4
60th. Bn.	35	715	15	186	20	529	-	-	Ex Hospital.	17	Seconded Wounded.	2
									" Illegal Absentee.	3	Evacuations.	7
									" Reinf'ts	1	To O.C.B.	2
									" 3rd. T.B.	1	Trans. to Corps School.	1
											To Prison.	1
TOTAL.	147	3113	65	946	82	2167	-	-		7	160	12 40

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T/Commanding 15th. Australian Infantry Brigade. Lieut. Colonel.

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Particulars of Increase of Officers.

57th.Bn. Lieut. N.B.WHITE. from Seconded Sick.
 58th.Bn. " E.C.H.CROCKFORD. from Seconded.
 " Capt. F.C.DAWSON. M.C. " "
 " Lieut. F.R.JOHNSON. " "
 " 2/Lieut. D.TRUSCOTT. from Gen.Inf.Reinf'ts.
 59th.Bn. Lieut. D.O.SHIELDS. ex Seconded Wounded.
 " 2/Lieut. S.T.HERRIOT. ex Reinf'ts.

Particulars of Decrease of Officers.

57th.Bn. Lieut. H.J.DICKINSON. seconded.
 " 2/Lieut. J.H.FLEMING. D.C.M. M.M. Seconded Wounded.
 58th.Bn. Capt. F.C.DAWSON. M.C. Seconded Wounded.
 " Lieut. E.W.TASKER. " "
 " " J.E.DAVIES. " "
 " " C.CRAWLEY. Seconded O.T.B.
 59th.Bn. Capt. G.W.AKERROYD. Seconded Wounded.
 " Lieut. J.W.CAMPBELL. " "
 " " H.A.MYERS. " "
 " " W.H.SCATTERGOOD. " "
 60th.Bn. " L.R.STILLMAN. M.C. Seconded Wounded.
 " 2/Lieut. C.H.ASHMAN. " "

DETAILS OF COLUMN "B".

UNIT.	Sick		Courses.		Attached D.H.Q.		Attached Bde.H.Q.		Attached Leave.		Attached L.T.M.Bty		Nucleus.		Rest Camp.		On Command.		TOTAL	
	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.	Off.	O.R.
57th.Bn.	1	4	5	21	-	11	-	14	1	9	-	2	4	168	-	15	7	82	18	326
58th.Bn.	1	10	6	24	-	7	1	16	1	11	1	3	6	119	-	15	1	24	17	229
59th.Bn.	-	22	5	22	2	21	-	13	1	13	-	6	2	90	-	5	5	13	15	205
60th.Bn.	-	9	6	21	1	9	1	13	1	8	-	4	2	87	1	5	3	30	15	186
TOTAL.	2	45	22	88	3	48	2	56	4	41	1	15	14	464	1	30	16	149	65	946

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Lieut. Col. J. E. O. LORD, D.S.O.

T/Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade

27th July 1918

GENERAL STAFF

Nil.

ADMINISTRATION.552. CONGRATULATORY

The Corps Commander wishes to express his appreciation of the gallant services rendered by the undermentioned Officers and Other Ranks under the circumstances stated. The B.G.C. wishes to add his congratulations

"Lieutenant A.J. PINKERTON, 59th Battalion, A.I.F. - For his conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in establishing and maintaining telephonic communications from the captured position, despite heavy enemy fire on 4th July, 1918."

"Lieutenant W.J. McPHERSON, 59th Battalion, A.I.F. - For his courage and initiative on 4th July, 1918, when he personally attacked and shot the gunner of an enemy machine gun which was enfilading the newly captured position."

"Lieut. G.F. FINCHER, 59th Battalion, A.I.F. - For his gallantry on 4th July 1918 when the enemy counter-attacked he temporarily disorganised them by killing the officer in charge and disabling 50 per cent. of his men, and when the enemy were advancing over our bomb-block he reorganised the flank, and through his gallant example the enemy were repulsed and the situation restored."

"Lieutenant L.R. STILLMAN, M.C., 60th Battalion A.I.F. - On 4th July 1918, this officer rendered valuable assistance in his reconnaissance before the attack, and in laying the traps in 'No Man's Land' for the jumping off position."

"2/Lieutenant W.J. TANNER, 57th Battalion, attached 15th A.L.T.M. Battery. - On the evening of the enemy's counter-attack on the 4th/5th July, 1918, after the death of an officer he took over his guns and by strenuous effort kept them firing on their S.O.S. lines."

"3116 L/Corporal R.G. GRINTER, 60th Battalion, A.I.F. - For his gallantry and conspicuous bravery in maintaining communications under heavy enemy fire on the 4th July, 1918."

"4152, Sergeant (A/O.S.M.) A.E. McPHER, 58th Battalion, A.I.F. - For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in establishing S.A.A. and bomb dumps under very heavy rifle, machine gun and artillery fire, on the night of 3rd/4th July, 1918. He also supervised the mopping up and collection of 30 prisoners, and sent them to the rear."

"2182, Sergeant W.P. HUTCHISON, 59th Battalion, A.I.F. - For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 4th/5th July, 1918, when leading a rifle grenade team, he supported a bombing team in repelling repeated enemy attacks. It was by his determination and courage during a critical period of the attack that the flank was kept intact."

"3058, Corporal S. COLLETT, 58th Battalion, A.I.F. - For his courage and initiative when in charge of the Company Lewis Guns during operations on the night of 3rd/4th July, 1918."

"4565, Corporal T.A. PEADY, 15th A.L.T.M. Battery. - Throughout the tour of duty in the line at the end of June, and the beginning of July, 1918, this N.C.O. has been indefatigable in all his duties. He has superintended the task of getting forward ammunition to the guns under heavy enemy fire and trying circumstances."

"2133, L/Corporal E.A. CLARKE, 15th A.L.T.M. Battery. - For his coolness and bravery in moving fearlessly through heavy enemy barrages, on 4th July, 1918, in order to direct his guns to the best advantage."

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"1695, Private W.W.MEEHAN, 15th A.L.T.Battery.- On the evening of July 4th, 1918, though in a position of great danger on a road which was being heavily shelled by the enemy, he continued to fire his gun throughout a critical period."

"3364, Private A.J.BARRY, 58th Battalion, A.I.F.- For his gallantry and courage when acting as a runner under very heavy shell, rifle and machine gun fire, on the night of 3rd/4th July, 1918."

(A record of the above acts will be made in these Officers' records, and in the Conduct Sheets of the above-mentioned Other Ranks in accordance with K.R.para.1919(xiv))

553. DETACHED DUTIES

In futuro the return of detached duties will be submitted in accordance with pro-forma shown hereunder -

TO WHOM DETACHED	NUMBER DETACHED	NATURE OF DUTY	DATE

W. Kay

Captain.
Staff Capt.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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Unit.	Actually with unit.			In Hospital			Detached			Total Effective Strength.			Increase	Decrease.
	Off.	O.R.	Total.	Off.	O.R.	Total.	Off.	O.R.	Total.	Off.	O.R.	Total.		
15th Bde H.Q.	6	27	33				4	1	5	10	28	38		
15th A.L.T.M.B.	4	38	42				16		16	4	54	58	2/Lt A.T. Craigie Sec'd from 58th Bn.	
57th Bn.	22	610	632	1	5	6	18	303	321	41	918	959	4 O.R's ex Prison. 3 " 2 Hospital.	
58th Bn.	24	524	548		10	10	13	189	202	37	723	760	Lt.F.R. Johnson ex sec'd wounded. 2/Lt.D.Truscott from Reinforcements. I. O.R. "	
59th Bn.	19	567	586		25	25	16	171	187	35	763	798	3 O.R. to Base for Medical Board.	
60th Bn.	21	553	574		9	9	13	164	177	34	726	760	3 O.R's ex Hospital I O.R. ex Prison.	
TOTAL	96	2319	2415	1	49	50	64	844	908	161	3212	3373		

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DETAILS OF DEPARTED.

15th A.I. BRIGADE.

15th A.I. Bde. H.Q. Off.	Or.	57th Battalion Off.	O.R.	58th Battalion Off.	Or.	59th Battalion Off.	O.R.	60th Battalion Off.	O.R.				
Leave U.K.	1	A.G.'s Office	1	A.W.L.	3	29th A.A.S.C.	2	A.S.C.	3				
Brig. Gen. H.E. Elliott		A.S.C.	3	A.G.'s Office	1	A.G.'s Office	1	A.G.'s Office	1				
Leave France	1	A.W.L.	1	Corps Workshops	1	A.W.L.	4	Camp Warden	1				
Capt. D.B. Doyle		Corps H.Q.	1	Concert Party	2	Div. H.Q.	1	Y.M.C.A.	2				
Brigade School	1	Div. Duties	11	29th A.A.S.C.	2	Lt. D.G. Toohy M.C.		A.P.M.	3				
Lt. J.H. Anderson		Detention A.P.M.	15	Div. Duties)	4	Div. Dem. Platoon	1	Concert Party	2				
Div., H.Q.	1	Leave U.K.	1	" ")	7	Lt. R.C. Deshon		Hayling Island	1				
Capt. W. Keen		Lt. A.T.B. Muntz		Dem. Platoon	3	Div. Duties	17	Schools	7				
		R.E. Workshops	5	Leave U.K.	1	Leave	1	Major T. Kerr M.C.					
		Supply Guard	1	Lt. T.E. Tait		Lt. G.L. Pentreath M.C.		Lieut. C.E. Pizey M.C.					
		Div. Artillery	1	Leave France	1	A.I.F., H.Q. for		" P.J. Veale					
		O.T.B.	2	Detention	4	transfer to Indian		" C.J. Levy					
		Capt. J.B. Laing M.C.		Staging Camp	1	Army. Capt. Bursey		" C.R. Buchanan					
		Lieut. R. Dautreband M.C.		3rd Corps	1	O.T.B.	1	" J.W. Stubbs					
		Base Depot	1	Lt. T.A. Slaughter		Lt. C.A.W. Blandford		" J.H. Steele					
		Lt. E.J. Moore		Rest Camp	10	Rest Camp	1	Leave U.K.	1				
		Leave Paris I	4	Schools	6	Lt. W.J. McPherson	15	Lieut. H.N. Richards					
		Capt. W.E.S. Edgar M.C.		Capt. R.B. Forsyth		3rd Corps Patrol	1	Div. Duties	1				
		A.D.R.W.	5	Lt. W.H. Gates D.C.M.		A.D.R.W.	1	Lieut. W. Davis					
15th A.L.T.M.B.		Rest Camp	14	" J.O. Brown		Lt. D.O. Shiels		A.D.R.W.	4				
		Dem. Platoon	2	" F.J. Weir		Schools	6	Dem. Platoon	3				
Leave	2	Schools	6	" C.R. Cole		Capt. W.L. Heron	25	Corps Workshops	1				
Nucleus	5	Lt. C.H. Davis M.C.		" S.A. Webb		Major H.A. Kuring		Rest Camp	1				
Corps School	4	" F. O'C. Twomey		Nucleus	5	Lt. D.W. Fair		Capt. R. Jennings					
Rest Camp	5	" R.D. McFarlane		Major H.G.D. Ferres M.C.	115	" M. Kirkham		Staging Camp	1				
		" A.T. Bartlett		Lt. A. Robertson		" G. Fincher		A.W.L.	3				
		Capt. E.K. Keys		" C.A. Deane		Capt. K.G. McDonald M.C.		3rd Corps	2				
		Lt. J.S. Cotton		" H.V. Morey		Nucleus	3	Nucleus	3				
		Nucleus	7	2/Lt. D. Truscott		Lt. W.F. Stephenson	88	Lieut. J. Dyke					
		Lt. Col. C.A. Denehy D.S.O.				" A.J. Beck		" L.J. Howells					
		Capt. B. Peacock				2/Lt S.T. Herriot		" R.A. Calder					
		" L.W. Elliott D.S.O.											
		" E. Corney											
		Lt. M.J. Meara											
		" A.G. Staley											
		" R. Marxsen											
TOTALS			18	303		13	189		16	171		13	164

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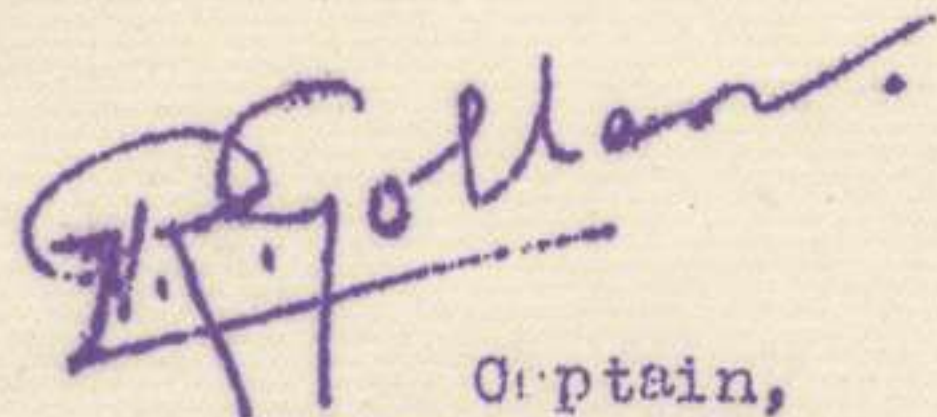
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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 182.

Ref: (a) ALIENS Sheet 17 1/100,000.
(b) FRANCE Sheet 62 D 1/40,000.

28th July, 1918.

1. (a) During the nights 30th/31st July and 31st July/1st August, the 18th Division is to relieve the 5th Australian Division in "G" Divisional Sector.
(b) The 5th Australian Division on relief is moving into Corps Reserve disposed as follows:
8th Australian Infantry Brigade = ALLONVILLE AREA.
14th Australian Infantry Brigade = VAUX AREA.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade = RENANCOURT AREA.
5th Aust. Divisional Artillery = ST. SAUVEUR AREA.
2. (a) The 15th Australian Infantry Brigade is to be relieved in Divisional Reserve by the 54th Infantry Brigade on the 29th inst. and will move by bus in accordance with the Relief and Move Table issued herewith.
(b) Advance parties from 54th Infantry Brigade are reporting to Units (less 57th Battalion) on the morning of the 29th inst.
3. Movement to the ombussing point will be by small parties and every precaution will be taken to prevent enemy observation. Attention is directed to Fourth Army Routine Order No. 2039 dated 15th May, 1918, re march discipline and traffic control.
4. The 53rd Infantry Brigade is to be Reserve Brigade of the 18th Division and will finally take over the area as now held by the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.
5. (a) Units (less 57th Battalion) will each detail nucleus garrisons in charge of an Officer to remain in present areas until Units of the 53rd Infantry Brigade take over on August 1st.
(b) All Trench Stores, Defence Schemes and papers relating to the sector will be handed over by nucleus garrison Officers and receipts obtained.
(c) Nucleus garrisons will assist in every way Units who will stage through the Reserve Brigade Area.
6. Subject to the terms of this order all details of reliefs and moves will be arranged by Commanding Officers.
7. Administrative Instructions consequent upon this order will be issued separately.
8. The completion of moves will be at once reported to Brigade Headquarters.
9. Brigade Headquarters will close at the CHATEAU, FRECHENCOURT, at 3.30 p.m. on the 29th inst. and re-open at the same hour at the CHATEAU, MONTIERES.
10. Acknowledge.



Captain,
Brigade Major,
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

P.T.O.

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Issued at 12 midnight p.m. through signals to:

- 57th Battalion
- 58th Battalion
- 59th Battalion
- 60th Battalion
- 15th A.L.T.H.B.
- Copies to:
- G.O.C. 15th A.I. Brigade
- Staff Captain
- No. 4 Signal Section
- 5th Australian Division "G"
- 5th Australian Division "A & Q"
- 15th A.I. Brigade School
- 15th A.I. Brigade Nucleus
- 15th Field Ambulance
- 15th Field Company A.E.
- A.D.M.S. 5th Australian Division
- C.S.A. 5th Australian Division
- Town Major, ST. GRATIEN
- Brigade Quartermaster
- Brigade Transport Officer
- 23rd Company A.A.S.O.
- 8th Australian Infantry Brigade
- 14th Australian Infantry Brigade
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(a) Units (less 57th Battalion) will send details nucleus personnel in charge of an Officer to remain in present areas until units of the 5th Australian Division take over on August 1st.

(b) All French stores, defence stores and papers relating to the sector will be handed over by nucleus personnel Officers and receipts obtained.

(c) Nucleus personnel will assist in every way units who will stage through the Reserve Brigade Area.

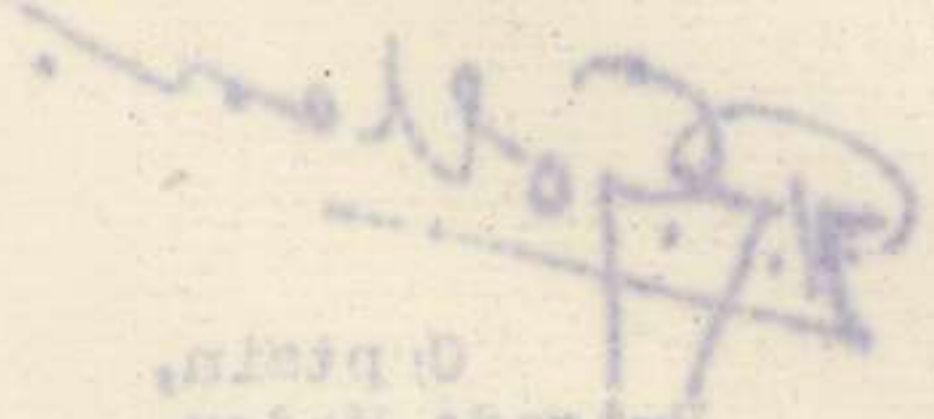
Subject to the terms of this order all details of relief and moves will be arranged by Commanding Officers.

Administrative instructions consequent upon this order will be issued separately.

The completion of notes will be at once reported to Brigade Headquarters.

Brigade Headquarters will close at the CHATEAU, RECHENBOURG at 2.00 p.m. on the 28th inst. and re-open at the same hour at the CHATEAU, MONTREUX.

Acknowledged.



Brigadier General
 5th Australian Infantry Brigade

P.T.O.

RELIEF AND MOVE TABLE.

issued with

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 182.

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Serial No.	Date.	Unit	MOVE		Relieved by	TRANSPORT			Remarks.
			From	To		Embus at	Time	Debus at	
1.	29.7.18.	15th A.I. Bde. H.Q.	FRECHENCOURT	MONTIERES CHATEAU	54th Inf. Bde. H.Q.	Head of column to be at I.7.Cent. on N. of QUERRIEU ALBERT Road facing S.W.	To be on pos- ition at 3.30 p.m.		(a) Each Unit (less 57th Bn.) will detail an embussing Officer to report to the Brig de Major at I.7.Cent, at 2.45 p.m.. (b) Units will detail one guide per company to meet incoming Units at I.7.Cent, at 3.30 p.m. and guide them to mess. (c) Troops for embussing will be previously told off in parties of 25 men each.
2.	-do-	58th Bn.	LA HOUSSOYE SWITCH	MONTIERES	6th North Hants	Follow Bde. H.Q.	-do-		
3.	-do-	59th Bn.	VILLA SECTOR	PETIT St. JEAN	2nd Bedfords	Follow 58th Bn.	-do-		Officers travel with troops.
4.	-do-	60th Bn.	FRAN SECTOR	RENANCOURT	11th Royal Welsh Fusiliers	Follow 59th Bn.			(d) No BAGGAGE of any descrip- tion will be taken on buses (e) 1st Line Transport will move independently as J.O's may arrange.
5.	-do-	57th Bn.	ST. GRATIEN	HEM	---	Embus at ST. GRATIEN under orders which will be issued later.			(f) The 15th A.L.T.M.B. will move to HEM at a later date under orders of 8th A.I. Brigade.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

issued with

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No.182.

28.7.18

1. (a) On relief the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade Group will be disposed in the RENANCOURT AREA as follows:

- Brigade H.Q. = MONTIERES CHAU.
- 57th Battalion = HEM.
- 58th Battalion = MONTIERES.
- 59th Battalion = PETIT ST.JEAN.
- 60th Battalion = RENANCOURT.
- 15th A.L.T.M.B. = HEM.
- 15th F.Amb. = MONTIERES.

(b) Advance parties have gone forward and will meet units at the debussing point.

2. (a) Baggage wagons will report to units on the 29th inst. at 10 a.m. One G.S.wagon per Battalion will report in addition.

(b) 1st and 2nd line transport will move to the new areas independently by units.

3. Supplies will be drawn on 29th inst. at RENANCOURT CHURCH at 5 p.m. and afterwards at same place at 7 a.m. daily. All Nucleus Garrisons will be rationed up to and including 1st prox.

4. All trench and area stores will be handed over in situ. No tents or trench shelters will be moved out of the area. Care must be taken that no limber covers, or tarpaulins on charge to units under Mob.Store tables are left in the area. Copies of all receipts and sanitation certificates will reach Brigade Headquarters within 24 hours of completion of relief.

5. All units will move out with ammunition echelons full.

6. Permanent guards and working parties at present supplied will remain on duty until relieved by personnel of 53rd Inf. Brigade. Details of transport for Nucleus Garrisons and permanent working parties will be notified later.

7. American personnel attached will be handed over to incoming units.

8. Special Administrative instructions relative to the new area will be issued on arrival.

Auth. copy.
Captain.
Staff Capt.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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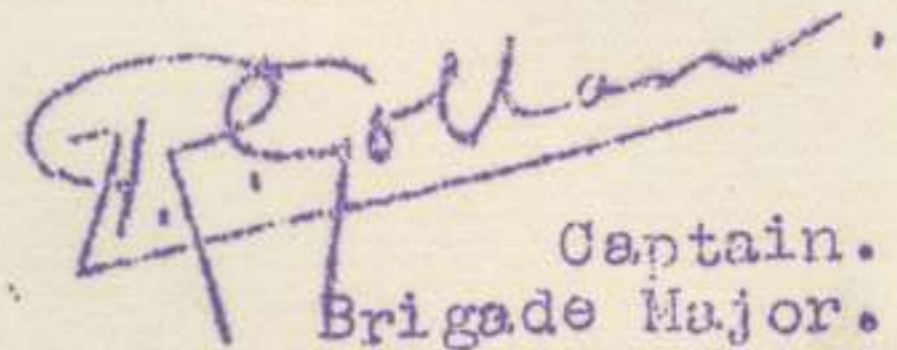
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by
Lieut.Col.J.E.C.LORD, D.S.O.
T/Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
28th July 1918

GENERAL STAFF.

554. BRIGADE SPORTS

With reference to Divisional Circular Memorandum No.64 para 1 the Divisional Commander has increased the grant to this Brigade to £60.



Captain.
Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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555. CONGRATULATORY

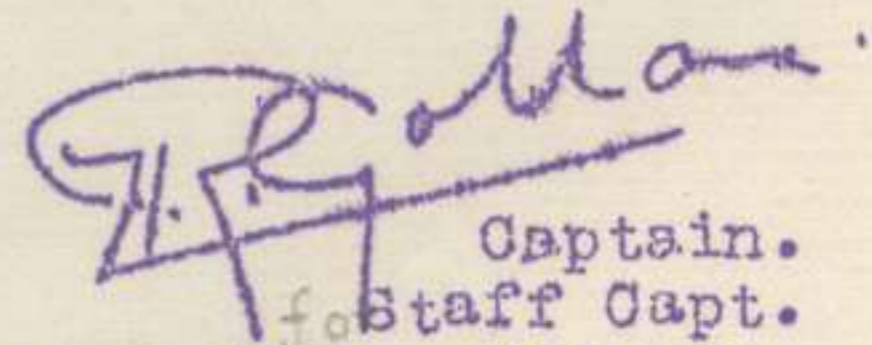
Under authority granted by His Majesty the King, the Field Marshal Commanding in Chief has awarded the following. Please convey the congratulations of the Army, Corps and Divisional Commanders to the recipients who should be informed as soon as possible. The Brigade Commander wishes to add his congratulations.

DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL

3171 Sergeant P.L.LITTLE, M.M. 59th Bn.
3089 Sergeant H.DUNCAN, "

556. ORDERS

Attention is directed to B.R.O. No.401 dated 13.5.18
- GAS APPLIANCES.

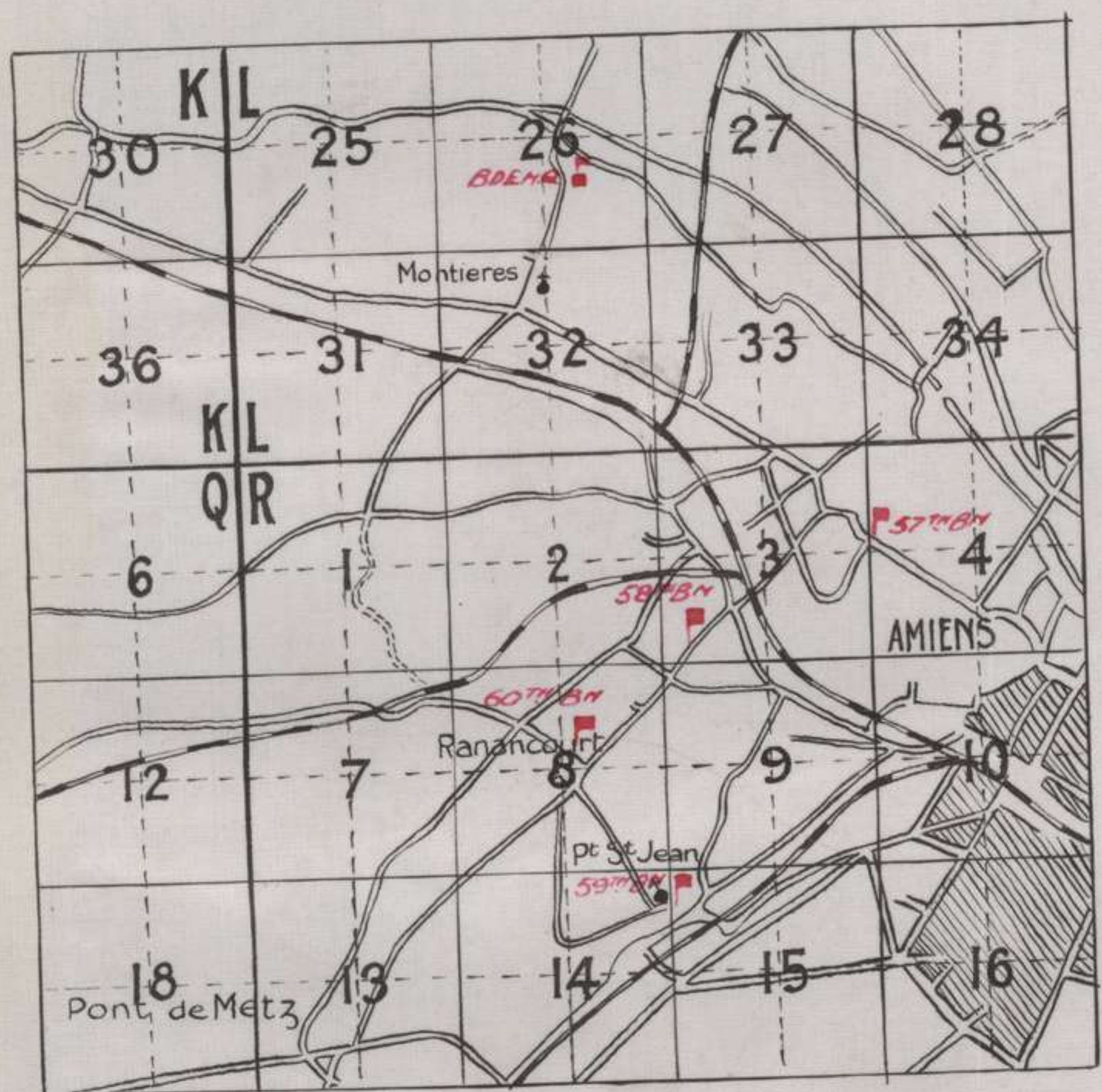


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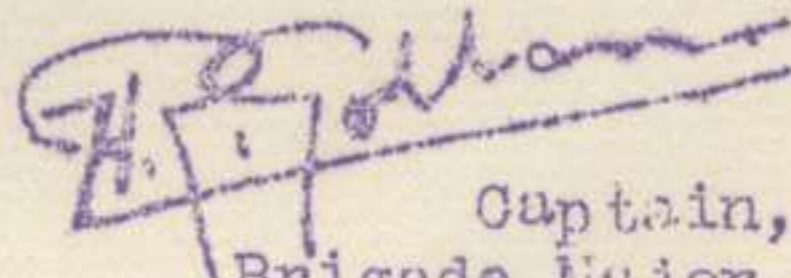
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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 35.

"Training"

1. The period to be spent in Corps Reserve is indefinite; ten days will probably be the total available for re-organisation and training. There will be no work today, 30th inst.; training will commence on 31st inst. A minimum of four hours per day will be devoted to training. Hours will be 8.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
2. (a) Brigade Training Syllabus for one week to 7th August (inclusive) is issued herewith. Battalion Commanders will submit to Brigade Headquarters before 12 noon on 31st inst. a detailed syllabus for the Training of their Units.
(b) Syllabi will be accompanied by a sketch showing the Training facilities in the Battalion area, parade grounds etc. Interpreters will be consulted if in doubt as to use of ground.
3. Special attention must be devoted to the improvement of turn-out, bearing and discipline. These matters have become somewhat lax after a long period in the forward zone and nothing will be left undone to re-establish the high standard hitherto maintained in the Brigade. The question of saluting requires attention. Junior Officers, especially, must be impressed with the importance of this.
4. It is suggested that Battalion Commanders hold a daily Officer's conference and Company Commanders an N.C.O's conference (preferably in the evening) to point out the mistakes of the day and discuss the work for the following day.
5. The afternoons will be devoted entirely to Sports and Organised Games. All personnel should be kept occupied and those who desire should be encouraged and given facilities to attend inter-battalion cricket matches.
6. C.O. 15th A.L.T.M.B. will submit a syllabus of training up to 3rd inst. inclusive. For training after that date the Battery will co-operate with Battalions under arrangements which will be issued later.



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Brigade Major,
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.

for

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

During Period July 31st to August 7th inclusive.

Date	8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Remarks.
Wednesday 31.7.18.	At disposal of Battalion Commanders for Battalion assembly parade, organisation, drill, setting up, ceremonial, lectures, route marches, physical training, G.s training etc.	(a) Explanation of the new platoon organisation. (b) Completion of the new organisation. (c) Lectorettes by Company and Platoon Comdrs. on Platoon in the attack. (d) Demonstration of Platoon in the Attack. (e) Practice of Platoon in the attack.	(a) See S.S. 143 "The training and employment of platoons 1918" (b) See Brigade Circular Memo No. 36
Thursday 1.8.18.	-do-	Continuation of (c) and (e) as for 31.7.18.	-do- See S.S.159 "Notes on Tactical Schemes. Set Platoon Comdrs. definite Platoon Schemes.
Friday 2.8.18.	-do-	Lectures, Demonstrations and Practice of Company in the attack.	See Infantry Training
Saturday 3.8.18.	-do-	-do-	Set Coy. Comdrs. definite Coy. Schemes. See S.S. 159 "Notes on Tactical Schemes.
Sunday 4.8.18.	(a) BRIGADE PARADE AND INSPECTION IN THE MORNING. (Drill Order. Instructions to be issued). (b) Church Parades in afternoon as C.O's may arrange.		

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Date	8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Remarks.
Monday 5.8.18.	At disposal of Battalion Commanders.	Battalion in the Attack.	All attack practices will be carried out in accordance with F.S. Regulations Part 1 and Notes on Recent Fighting No. 17.
Tuesday 6.8.18.	-do-	-do-	
Wednesday 7.8.18.	BRIGADE ROUTE MARCH WITH 1st LINE TRANSPORT.		

- NOTES:
1. Brigade Training will commence on the 8th August.
 2. For all attack practices (other than those carried out for demonstration purposes on the parade ground) a definite scheme, with orders, must be followed. Orders will be produced when asked for from C.O. or Platoon Commanders.
 3. Schemes for Battalion attack practices will be submitted to reach Brigade Headquarters before 12 noon on the day preceding that on which the scheme is to take place.
 4. In all schemes a skeleton enemy under qualified Officers will be used. (See para 7 Divisional General Staff Memo No. .234.
 5. The Field Ambulance will co-operate in Battalion and Brigade Training.
 6. "Smoke -oh" 10.15 to 10.30 a.m.
 7. Attention is directed to the following publications:

S.S.	=	Publication.
143		The Training and Employment of Platoons 1918.
135		The Training and Employment of Divisions 1918.
159		Notes on Tactical Schemes.
152		Instructions for Training of the British Armies in France.
202		The Organisation of Shell-hole Defences.
195		Scouting and Patrolling.
204		Infantry and Tank Co-operation and Training.
137		Recreational Training.
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BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No.36

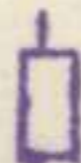
"Normal Formation for the Attack"

1. With reference to the new Battalion Organisation as contained in A.I.F. Circular Memo. No. 21/213 and the subsequent reports submitted by Battalion Commanders on Normal Formations for the attack; no definite formations have yet been laid down by higher authority. The following points, as contained in the Brigadiers report, are issued for guidance during the forthcoming period of training.
2. It is not considered advisable to lay down any hard and fast rules regarding formations for the attack. Platoons and companies should be so trained that they are efficient in all forms and are so conversant with the principles that they are able to apply them as best suited to the circumstances.
3. It is not considered that the new organisation will involve any great modification of the existing formations for the attack as now laid down.
4. (a) Regarding the new organisation of three unequal sections in the platoon the following suggestions for a platoon in the attack are submitted:

SCOUTS

Rifle Sections.

Lewis Gun Section



Platoon Comdr.



- (b) Depending on strength each section would, for the purpose of this formation be sub-divided to allow that each column strength be approximately six men.
 - (c) 50 per cent of each rifle section to be trained rifle grenadiers and bombers. In trench warfare these men could be formed into a special team if required. In open warfare the fact that both sections included expert rifle grenadiers would doubtless simplify manoeuvre.
5. It would appear that the new Lewis Gun Section seems unwieldy in its present form. To get the maximum amount of frontal and covering fire with a minimum of casualties it is considered advisable to split the section into two with a leader each. The present Lewis Gun Section, could, however, be retained as shown in para 4 (a) under the direct control of the Platoon Commander pending developments when any dispositions of the two guns may be made.

G. J. Gollan

Captain,
Brigade Major,
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Distribution:
Each Battalion 5 copies.

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1. SUPPLIES

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Rail-head AILLY SUR SOMME
Brigade Refilling Point is at CHURCH MONTIERES. Supplies
will be drawn from this point commencing 1st prox. by 1st line
transport at 7 a.m. daily.

2. MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS

The 15th Field Ambulance are located in MONTIERES.
A motor ambulance will call at following points at times given,
daily until further notice:

PETIT ST. JEAN	9 a.m.
RENANCOURT	9.20 a.m.
HEM	9.45 a.m.
MONTIERES	10.0 a.m.

3. TRANSPORT LINES

All transport lines will be immediately provided with bomb-proof
shelters where these are not already in existence.

4. BOUNDS

The town of AMIENS is out of bounds to all troops. Attention is
again called to Aust. Corps Routine Order No. 192 of 12th July 1918
Troops may be allowed leave within the Brigade Area.

5. CARE OF CIVILIAN PROPERTY

- (a) Units are responsible for the care of all civilian property
in the village they occupy.
- (b) Troops must not be permitted to enter billets not being used
by them.
- (c) Civilian clothing is not to be worn by troops or removed from
billets.
- (d) Military Police are instructed to take action against all
offenders. (paras (b) & (c)).

6. SHOOTING OF GAME

This is strictly prohibited and all ranks must be informed at
regular intervals.

7. CANTEENS

There is an E.F.C. Canteen in SALOEUL.

8. TOWN MAJOR

Town Major is located near CHURCH RENANCOURT.

9. SOLDER RECOVERY

The Brigade Solder Recovery Plant is located at 57th Battalion
transport lines in MILL at HEM. All tins will be delivered to this
place and on no account will any be burnt in incinerators.

10. I.O.M. WORKSHOP

An I.O.M. Workshop is located in MONTIERES on Main Road.

11. AMMUNITION

All requirements in Ammunition, Bombs, etc. will
be wired to reach this office by 10 a.m. daily. Requirements
will be delivered to these Headquarters daily when units will be
notified and draw by 1st line Transport.

12. D.A.D.O.S.

The location of D.A.D.O.S. will remain the same.

C. W. Hay
Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

T/Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
30th July 1918

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GENERAL STAFF

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557. NUCLEUS

Immediately the present detached nucleus has rejoined a new nucleus will be forthwith detached and held in readiness to proceed to the Nucleus Camp as soon as the Brigade returns to the line or is required for action.

558. GAS PRECAUTIONS

SMALL BOX RESPIRATORS will be worn at all times whilst the Brigade is in Reserve Area.

C. W. Lay

Captain.

Brigade Major.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

ADMINISTRATION

559. DEFECTS IN LEWIS GUNS

Units will report by 6 p.m. 31st inst. if any of the following defects have been found in Lewis Guns recently issued.

1. Gas cylinders requiring refitting and making gas-tight.
2. Pin locking body deficient.
3. Safety catch required to be slotted in the fired position.
4. Faulty pistol grips - too tight in grooves

560. PAY

End of month (July) pay will be available at Divisional Headquarters, on 2nd prox. from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Units will furnish Division as soon as possible with advice as to the amount required for the pay in question.

561. LEWIS GUN EXTRACTORS

The following letter from G.H.Q. is republished for information:

"The attention of the Controller of Munitions Design was called to the frequent breakages of Lewis Gun Extractors, and a reply has now been received as follows -

'The trouble is well known, and continuous efforts to overcome it have been made, and are being made. A new pattern of extractor has recently been approved, which it is hoped will overcome the trouble, which is not due to faulty materials, but to the fact that the same material has to perform two functions, viz., to act both as a spring and as an extractor.'"

C. W. Lay

Captain.

Staff Capt.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

NOTICES

The 5th Divisional Concert Party will show from tomorrow night at HOSPICE HEM near 57th Bn. H.Q. commencing at 7 p.m.

Admission Officers 1 franc.

Other Ranks $\frac{1}{2}$ "

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

APPENDIX.

BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 37.

"Training in co-operation with Tanks".

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31st July, 1918.

1. (a) The 15th Australian Infantry Brigade will undertake training in co-operation with Tanks on the 1st and 2nd August, 1918, at approximately K.30.B.4-5.
- (b) The 5th Tank Brigade is assisting and the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade Nucleus, under Lieut. Col. J.A. GENEHY D.S.O. is demonstrating.
2. Units will move as follows:

Date	Units (in order of march)	Starting Point		Route	Remarks.
		Place	Time of passing		
1.8.18	58th Bn.	Road Junction immediately South of MONTIERES Rly. STATION L.33.C.4-4.	9 a.m.	MONTIERES LONGPRE - Road Junc. L.15.B.1-3 - Road Junc. L.1.A.1-4. - VAUX-en- AMENOIS.	(a) Dress; Fighting Order. (b) An Officer to go forward to ascertain situation of ground and meet Unit. (c) Midday meal on ground.
1.8.18	57th Bn.	-do-	10 a.m.	-do-	
2.8.18	60th Bn.	Cross Roads R.9.A.1-8.	6 a.m.	-do-	
2.8.18	59th Bn.	-do-	7 a.m.	-do-	

3. The usual arrangements to protect the column from enemy aircraft while on the march will be observed.
4. The 15th Australian Infantry Brigade Nucleus will demonstrate in front of Battalions before they actually carry out the attack practices. Two Companies will be put through at a time.
5. (a) Procedure to be followed on arrival at the ground will be as shown in Appendix "A" (attached)
- (b) Three copies of the exercises to be carried out are attached (Appendix "B").
- (c) Company Officers will be made acquainted with the exercises before arrival at the ground.
6. On completion of the exercises Battalions will return to Billeting areas as Battalion Commanders may arrange.
7. The C.O. 15th A.L.T.M.B. and Commandant Brigade School may attach personnel to Battalions to attend the demonstrations for instruction as they may think fit.
8. Attention is directed to S.S.204 - "Infantry and Tank Co-operation and Training".
9. Acknowledge.



Captain,
Brigade Major,
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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- G.O.C. 15th A.I. Brigade 1 Copy,
- 5th Aust. Division 1 Copy,
- C.O. 15th A.I. Bde. Nucleus 1 Copy,
- Brigade School 1 Copy.

Units will move as follows:

Date	Unit (in order of march)	Place	Time of passing	Route	Remarks
1.8.18	58th Bn.	Road Junction	9 a.m.	HONTIERES	(a) Dress Fighting Order.
		Immediately South of HONTIERES RIV.		LONGERIE	(b) An Officer to go forward to ascertain situation of ground and meet Unit.
		STATION		VAUX-EN-AMENOIS	(c) Hiding near on ground.
2.8.18	57th Bn.	-do-	10 a.m.	-do-	
3.8.18	60th Bn.	Oron Woods	8 a.m.	-do-	
4.8.18	60th Bn.	-do-	7 a.m.	-do-	

- 5. The usual arrangements to protect the column from enemy aircraft while on the march will be observed.
- 6. The 15th Australian Infantry Brigade nucleus will demonstrate to the front of Battalion before they actually carry out the attack exercises. Two Companies will be put through at a time.
- 7. (a) Procedure to be followed on arrival at the ground will be as shown in Appendix "A" (attached).
- (b) Three copies of the exercises to be carried out are attached (Appendix "B").
- (c) Company Officers will be made acquainted with the exercises before arrival at the ground.
- 8. On completion of the exercises Battalion will return to Blistering areas as Battalion Commanders may arrange.
- 9. The C.O. 15th A.I. B. and Commandant Brigade School may attach personnel to Battalion to attend the demonstration for instruction as they may think fit.
- 10. Attention is directed to S.S. 201 - "Infantry and Tank Co-operation and Training".

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15th Australian Infantry Brigade
 Brigade Major
 Captain

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As a knowledge our methods of co-operation between infantry and tanks would be of great service to the enemy, it is essential that the greatest care be taken to prevent a copy of these exercises falling into enemy hands.

ATTACK ON TRENCH SYSTEM

Preliminary Remarks

1. Owing to the restricted area available certain allowance must be made for a degree of unreality in the siting of the trench lines, distances between systems, and assembly positions of waves.
2. Four Tanks are employed, three in first line, one in second. The attack is a straight through Operation. Two trench systems, each composed of firing line and supports, and three strong points, denoted by RED flags, are the objects of attack.
3. Platoons of Infantry are organised in 3 sections, 2 rifle sections one Lewis Gun Section (2 guns.)
4. Creeping barrage is shrapnel only with H.E. doing counter battery work. Tanks can travel right up under shrapnel.

Creeping barrage is indicated by successive lines of Flags.

Barrage lifts :-

ZERO to ZERO plus 4 mins.	on front line.
ZERO + 4 mins.	lift 100 yards.
ZERO + 6 mins.	lift 100 yards.
ZERO + 9 mins.	lift 100 yards.
ZERO + 12 mins.	lift 100 yards.
ZERO + 15 mins.	lift 100 yards.
ZERO + 18 mins.	lift 100 yards.
ZERO + 21 mins.	lift 100 yards.

5. Belt of wire is represented by tapes on corkscrew pickets.
6. It is assumed that the flanks are adequately protected by troops operating on either side.
7. Signals employed between Tanks and Infantry :-

(a) Tanks to Infantry

Green and White flag denotes - " Come on "
 Red and Yellow flag denotes - " Out of action."
 Tricolour Flag denotes - " Coming back"

(b) Infantry to Tanks

Helmets raised on Rifles indicates - Tank assistance required.

Phosphorous (smoke) Grenades fired into the Strong Point gives direction to Tanks.

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FIRST EXERCISE

Attack by one Company in two waves, first wave capturing two Trench Systems with Strong points.

STAGES		
NO.	DESCRIPTION	POINTS TO NOTE
1.	Assembly Formation.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. It is just light enough for Tank drivers to see when the barrage falls. The barrage remains on the front line for four minutes.2. Each Wave is disposed in Lines of Sections in single file (S.S. 135 Sec.XVI).3. The Tanks are in position in the rear under cover.
2.	Advance of 1st Echelon of Tanks and of 1st Wave.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Tanks cross the wire, each flattening two narrow paths. The Tanks do not cross at distances apart less than 50 yards (S.S. 204 - Sec.IV para 15.)2. Tanks move along between the wire and trench then cross the trench.3. The Infantry push forward, L.G. Sections on the flanks. (S.S. 197 Sec.IV.A.)4. The Sections cover each other by fire to assist in the passage through defiles made in the wire.5. The Sections do not crowd on the tail of the Tank during the passage through the wire, but double forward when the Tank is clear.6. The Infantry step over the crushed wire (S.S. 204. Sec.IV para 15.)
3.	Capturing first line of Trench .	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Tanks zig-zag across the front giving covering fire.2. Tanks search for strong Points, and deal with them by fire or by crushing.3. The Infantry send Lewis Gun Sections over parapets to form protective screen while rifle sections clear and mop up the trenches and make stops where necessary.
4.	Moving on to second trench signalling to Tank for help.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Infantry cannot advance in places. Signal with helmet on rifle to attract Tank. Fire a No.27 Grenade at the Strong Point holding them up. The Tank deals with the Strong Point.2. The Infantry take immediate advantage of the Tank masking fire of Strong Point and make progress. Tank flies GREEN and WHITE Signal. "COME ON." The Infantry lose no time in taking over the Strong Point from the Tank.

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STAGES.	POINTS TO NOTE.
No. DESCRIPTION.	
4. Moving on to 2nd Trench signalling to Tank for help.	3. In action, flag waving may be impracticable, so Infantry must watch closely the action of the Tank, and must themselves judge the moment when the Tank has made it possible for them to advance. 4. The Infantry must not regard themselves as relieved from responsibility of covering with fire their own advance. It is not advisable to always call on Tanks to help when held up, as this may delay the Tanks and the protection of the creeping barrage may be lost. (S.S. 135 Sec. XVI para 10).
5. First System captured. Second Echelons moving.	1. The first wave of Tanks and Infantry keep as close possible to the creeping barrage. 2. The Infantry of second wave cross the wire as described in Stage 2. 3. Role of 2nd Echelon of Tanks is to assist in mopping up the area captured, to cover the work of the Infantry, and to replace casualties in the first echelon of Tanks.
6. Attack on Second Objective.	1. Platoons on Left again held up - they signal to Tanks for assistance. 2. Platoons on right make progress, sections giving mutual help, and Tanks always assisting.
7. Pursuit by fire Consolidation. Reinforcing.	1. Tanks patrol in front of the captured position during consolidation. 2. The Infantry send out additional protective screens. 3. Owing to casualties in first wave of Infantry, the second wave sends reinforcements. 4. At the conclusion of the attack, the troops holding captured area are distributed in depth. 5. On completion of the consolidation, the Tanks withdraw flying the Tricolour as signal "COMING BACK".
All Stages.	1. If a Tank breaks down in the first Echelon it flies RED and YELLOW Flag. The Infantry go on without it, as their security depends on their so doing. (S.S. 204 Sec. IV para 14.) 2. The Infantry may at times outstrip the Tanks but normally the Tanks resume the lead.

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ATTACK ON SERIES OF STRONG POINTS WITHOUT BARRAGE.PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

1. Owing to restricted area available certain allowance must be made for a degree of unreality in siting of Strong Points, and positions of assembly.
2. It is assumed that, on the opening of the exercise, the Infantry is held up along the first line of trench. They are then disposed as follows :-
 - (a) Two Platoons extended.
 - (b) Two Platoons in support in lines of sections in single file.
3. It is assumed that the barrage has gone too far ahead to be of service, or that it has been dispensed with.
4. It is assumed that the flanks are adequately protected by Troops operating on either side.
5. Strong Points are indicated by RED Flags.
6. All trenches are assumed to have been so shelled as to be almost obliterated, only a series of Posts being held.

SECOND EXERCISE /

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SECOND EXERCISE.

Attack by one Company of Infantry on two Systems of Strong Points, the barrage having been lost or dispensed with.

STAGES.

No.	DESCRIPTION.	POINTS TO NOTE.
1.-	Assembly Formation.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It is assumed that Infantry have been held up. The 1st wave has been advancing with scouts out and Tanks in close co-operation. A firing line is formed and Tanks move through. 2. Second wave is formed up in rear in two lines of Sections in file.
2.	Resuming Attack Strong Points.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Left Platoon advancing under their own covering fire, assisted by presence of Tanks. 2. Right Platoon signals for assistance with Helmets and Smoke Bombs. 3. Infantry is prompt in taking advantage of assistance of Tanks, and does not necessarily wait for the "Come on" signal. 4. Infantry sections allotted usual duties, i.e. Covering party, Trench or Strong Point clearers.
3.	Action of Tanks.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tanks are 4 in number, disposed as follows:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) One Advance Tank. (b) Two Tanks close ahead of Infantry. (c) One Tank in Support.
4.	Progress of Advance.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sections on Right overcome resistance with help of Tanks and move on. 2. Sections on Left overcome initial resistance, but are held up by Strong Point. 3. Sections on Left signal to Tanks for assistance (Helmets and Grenades). 4. Tanks overcome Strong Point on Left, and Infantry proceed.
5.	Further resistance encountered.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Right sections again held up by Strong Point. 2. Tanks signalled for, and come to the rescue. 3. Resistance on the Right overcome except for two Machine Gun Posts, which the Infantry attack, sections giving mutual help.

5. Contd.

STAGES.		POINTS TO NOTE.
No.	Description.	
5.	Further resistance encountered. (Contd.)	4. On the Left, sections giving mutual help overcome resistance, and arrive at final objective the belt of wire.
6.	Pursuit with fire consolidation.	1. Tanks zig-zag across front to cover consolidation. 2. Infantry also supply own local protection. 3. Infantry consolidate and prepare to meet counter-attack. 4. Tanks fly Tricolour Flag denoting "Coming Back", and return to Rallying Point.

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EXERCISE No. 3.

ATTACK ON FORTIFIED FARM.

NARRATIVE.

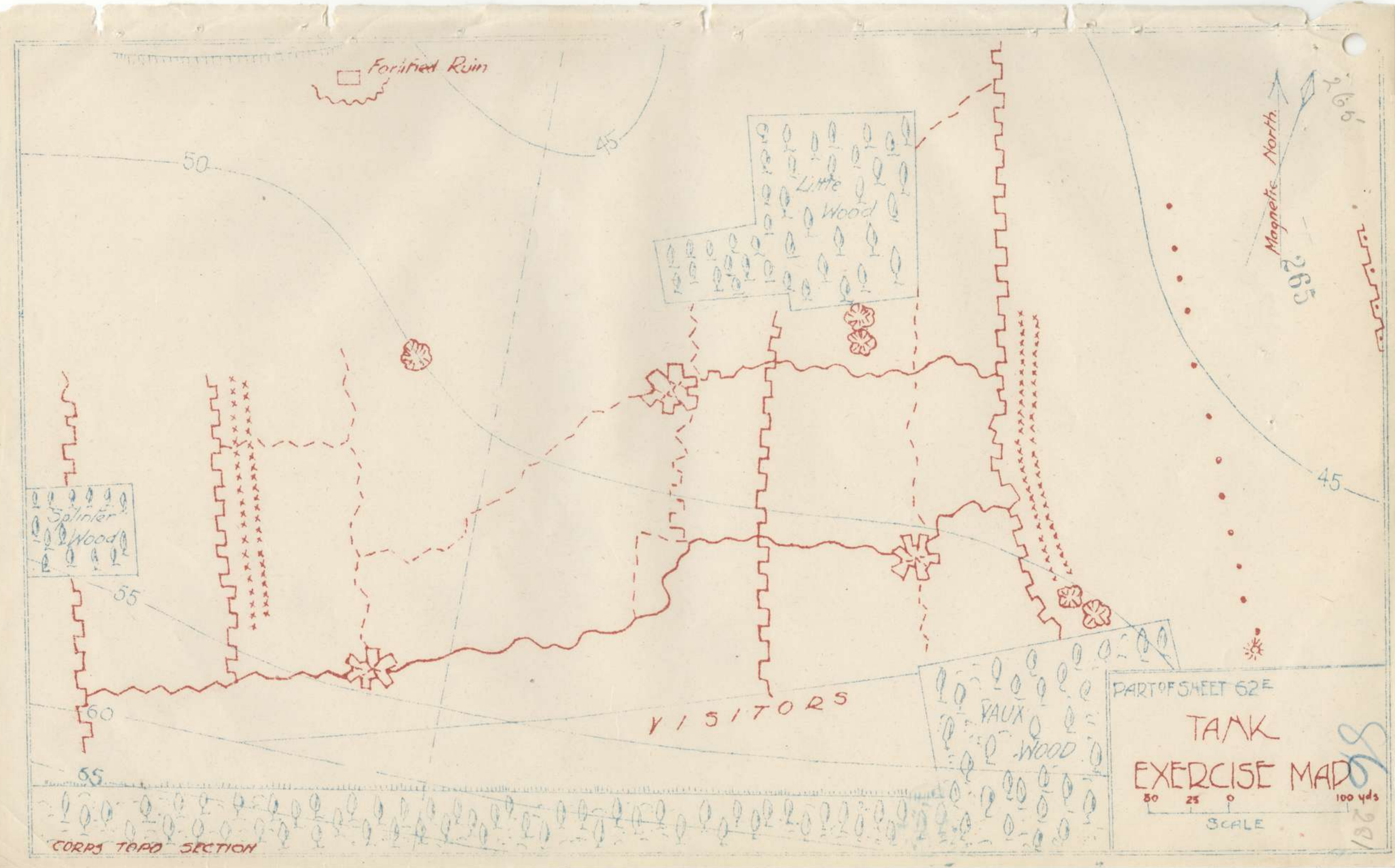
The enemy is retreating in a Northerly direction. Yesterday afternoon he was driven from the ridge S. of VAUX WOOD and retired across the ST. VAST - VAUX Road to the high ground about FREMONT, leaving a series of strongly fortified posts along the line of the ST. VAST - VAUX Road to check our advance.

A Company of our Infantry several times during the evening attempted to debouch from the Northern edge of VAUX WOOD, but were driven back each time by heavy machine gun fire from a Strong Point about 100 yards from the edge of the WOOD, and from a fortified building about 500 yards beyond. The Artillery were not yet in a position to assist. It was decided to wait till dawn and attack the position with the help of Tanks. Four Tanks have worked their way through VAUX WOOD during the night and together with one Company of Infantry launch the attack at dawn.

No fire has been directed at us from LITTLE WOOD or SPLINTER WOOD and it is presumed that they are not held.

POINTS TO NOTE.

1. Infantry must be prompt to take advantage of a fleeting target, such as is presented by enemy fleeing from a Strong Point which is attacked by a Tank, as such targets may be difficult for Tanks to deal with. (S.S. 204 Sect.III).
2. Tanks move direct on to a machine gun emplacement in order to draw its fire. In the case of a concreted building they move in rear of it to cut off retreat. (S.S.204. Sect.VI).
3. Infantry Scouts form the link between Tanks and Infantry.
4. The attacking platoons are divided into attackers and consolidators.
5. The formation is Sections in single file with Lewis Guns between. (S.S.204. Sect.VI).
6. The attacking Sections get well on their way before the consolidating Sections start.



15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADEINSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DEFENSIVE No. 1."Role of Units while in Corps Reserve"

1. (a) While disposed as at present the Division will normally be employed offensively for the maintenance of our forward positions NORTH of the River SOMME.
- (b) The defensive role of the Division will be either the retention of the LA HOUSSOYE PLATEAU or the covering of AMIENS.
2. The Division may find itself called upon to operate:
 - (a) Between the SOMME and the ANCRE.
 - (b) To the North of the ANCRE.
3. The conditions under which it may be employed for counter-attack are dependent upon:
 - (a) The degree of success which any enemy attack may achieve.
 - (b) The extent of front on which the enemy attacks.
4. It is unlikely that the enemy will endeavour to effect a serious penetration of our position between the SOMME and the ANCRE, except as part of larger operations to the North or South, or both. One Battalion is always quartered in J.13 and is responsible for manning the Bridgehead defences South of HEILLY to prevent the enemy gaining the high ground North of CORBIE, in the event of any break through on the Ridge, and so deny to him the observation which the complete possession of the ground between the Rivers would give. In the event of a successful enemy attack it is probable that the Base of Departure for a counter attack would be either the Bridgehead Defences or a line to be fixed further to the East, according to the extent to which the enemy had penetrated.
5. With reference to operations to the North, the Division is liable to be involved in the event of a successful enemy operation which would affect the Corps on our left-

An enemy attack North of the ANCRE working with its left flank on the river would require to achieve a considerable penetration before the left flank of our corps would be imperilled. The Division might be called upon to launch a counter-attack from the lines RIBEMONT - BAIZIEUX with the object of gaining -

 - (a) The high ground in the vicinity of LAVIEVILLE.
 - (b) The HENENCOURT - LAVIEVILLE Position.

If the enemy advanced more rapidly the Division might be called upon to counter-attack with a view to re-capturing the BAIZIEUX-RIBEMONT LINE.

The Base of Departure for an operation to recapture this line would probably be the FRANVILLERS System with the right flank about Square C.17.A. The actual frontage cannot be determined; it would depend to some extent upon whether BAIZIEUX itself was included in the objective. If this were the case the Base of Departure would probably be along the road from FRANVILLERS through Square C.3.Central.
6. The order of employment of the Brigades of the Division in all the operations mentioned in these instructions would be -
 - (i) 8th Australian Infantry (Northern) Brigade.
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 - (iii) 15th Australian Infantry (Southern) Brigade.

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- 7. Unit Commanders of the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade will consider the various alternative probabilities laid down in these instructions and be prepared to take up any role if called upon. They must be fully acquainted with all proposed plans of action and must reconnoitre and know the crossings of the Rivers, routes to the defences, assembly positions, and bases of departure. Officers will be acquainted with the complete defence systems within the Corps Area, special attention being paid to the points of junction with flanking Corps.
- 8. In all cases the senior officer of the reconnoitring party will obtain the permission of the unit concerned before proceeding with reconnaissance. Further, Brigade Headquarters will be informed of the projected reconnaissance.
- 9. All units of the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade will be prepared to move from their present positions at two hours notice.
- 10. Acknowledge.

[Signature]
 Captain.
 Brigade Major.
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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	1918		Ref. 62D N.E. 1/20,000	
Field	July	1/2nd	<p>At the request of 60th Battalion a snipers Post on the Right of their Sector was engaged. A Telephone was connected from a good O.P. and registration was quickly effected and fire brought to bear with good result.</p> <p>6 a.m. Other Targets Engaged were ENEMY M.G. at K.8.a.4.4., TRENCH at K.8.a.3.5., and BANK at K.7.b. 80.65. Night was very quiet and morning clear.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - 40 rounds.</p> <p>Casualties - nil.</p>	
		2/3rd	<p>Enemy Artillery reported more active on LEFT BATTALION Front SNEEZING GAS used on same sector. EMPLACEMENTS completed and registrations effected.</p> <p>6 a.m. Targets Engaged + ENEMY POST at E.20.C.20.45.</p> <p>Ammunition expended) 30 rounds</p> <p>Casualties - nil. Marched in from Base - 4 O.R. Attached - 2/Lieut.A.T.CRAIGIE from 58th Battalion</p>	
		3/4th	<p>Early part of night was quiet as regard enemy artillery and full advantage was taken in getting ammunition forward. Emplacements were dug and stocked. At 3.10 a.m. an operation was carried out by 59th Battalion(2 Coys.) assisted by 1 Coy. of 58th Battalion. One Coy. of 60th Battalion and 1 platoon of 58th Battalion were available to repel counter-attack. The 8th A.L.T.M.B. co-operated with 8 guns. The 16 guns of both batteries being engaged. Enemy retaliation on</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1918		Ref. 62D N.E. 1/20,000	
Field	July		Front Line slight Supports receiving most. Ammunition expended 1725 rounds.	265
	3/4th		Casualties 1 O.R. from 8th A.L.T.M.B. slightly wounded. Marched out on Paris Leave 1 O.R.	
		4/5th	At 8.30 p.m. enemy placed a very heavy bombardment of 5.9" on our old front line and back areas. All guns "stood to" S.O.S. was fired from Left Sector and guns replied. Lieut. J.C. Moore, M.C. M.M. (15th A.L.T.M.B.) and Lieut. RANSON (8th A.L.T.M.B.) were killed during this period. There was intermittent heavy shelling by enemy throughout the night. Gas shells	
		6 a.m.	being freely used. Other targets engaged - ENEMY Posts in K.2.C.20.40 and N.W. along trench E.26.A.50.90. and E.20.C.20.40. Ammunition expended 505 rounds.	
			Casualties Killed 2 Officers Wounded 1 O.R. (Slight).	
		5/6th	In co-operation with 14th Brigade Lewis Gunners a hostile position was engaged at K.1.d.95.80 On the first shot being fired the occupants of enemy's sniping post fled to the rear into the fire of the Lewis Gun placed with that object. Other targets engaged were - enemy post and suspected M.G. at E.20.C.20.60. Enemy working party at approx. E.20.C.30.70. Result not	APPENDIX 88 285
		6 a.m.	known. Ammunition expended 70 rounds.	
			Casualties nil. Marched from G.H.Q. T.M. School Lieut. Chalmers, 1 O.R. From leave 1 O.R. Seconded 2/Lieut. A.T. CRAIGIE 58th Bn A.I.F. List 360.	
		6/7th	Enemy artillery very quiet. Our artillery very active between hours of 3 a.m. and 4 a.m. Enemy trench in bank at N.W. and S.E. of K.2.C.05.80. was engaged by our mortars with good	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Field	1918 July 6/7th		<p>Ref. Sheet 62D N.E.1/20,000</p> <p>effect. Some of the enemy were dislodged from their post so enemy casualties may be assumed</p> <p>Other targets engaged in the vicinity of E.20.C.30.60. Ammunition expended - 35 rounds.</p> <p>6 a.m. Casualties - nil. Marched in from Base 1 O.R.</p> <p>7/8th Night quiet until midnight when our artillery opened up harassing fire on the enemy who retaliated with his guns and both sides then fairly active until 1.30 a.m.</p> <p>Works - Men carried on in making new offensive and defensive emplacements harassing fire of Stokes Mortars was brought to bear on enemy positions near K.2.C.05.80 with good effect. As cries were heard it is evident that casualties were inflicted. Enemy working party was also engaged in vicinity of E.20.C.40.70. Other targets engaged - Banks in K.2.A.5-5. Infantry report casualties to enemy in shoot on E.20.C.40.70. Ammunition expended 40 rounds.</p> <p>Casualties - nil.</p> <p>8/9th On our Sector artillery fire normal for the greater part of period until about 10 p.m. From then till midnight our Artillery was active. Enemy retaliation weak. Thunderstorm. As our Infantry had working parties on various parts of line we were not too aggressive. Work was carried out on emplacements and ammunition was prepared. Targets engaged suspected M.G. (E.20.C.25.20) Bank at K.2.A.5.5 Ammunition expended 20 rounds. Casualties Nil.</p> <p>Marched out - From Bde. School for duty at PARIS demonstration 1 O.R.</p> <p>Promotion - <u>Lieut. H. S. McNeill</u> granted temp. rank of Captain whilst Commanding.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1918		Ref. Sheet 62D N.E. 1/20,000	
Field	July		Enemy artillery very quiet. Slight trace of GAS reported from FRONT LINE, Right Battalion. Works - Emplacements were refitted and ammunition got forward on Left Battalion Sector and preparations were made to register later in the morning. Telephones being supplied by the Battalion in the line for that purpose.	
	9/10th		Targets engaged M.G. at K.7.B.8-6 enemy retaliated with L.Minenwerfer. Ammunition expended 10 rounds. Casualties nil. Marched out to Aust. Corps School "Stokes Mortar Course 3 O.R.	
	10th	6 a.m.	"Cookery Course" 1 O.R. Enemy artillery activity normal during period. Between the hours of 12 midnight and 1 a.m. our guns opened up a brisk fire. Works - new emplacements were prepared and ammunition was got forward. Registration shoots were effected. One Stokes shell landing in Enemy Trench and wounding 5 men, one of them being carried away on stretcher the remainder escaping to rear. Other Targets engaged enemy M.G. (E.19.b.7-3) result not known. Ammunition expended 50 rounds	
	11th	6 a.m.	Casualties nil. Marched to Brigade School from PARIS Demonstration (struck off) 1 O.R. Marched out from Brigade School to Aust. Corps School 1 O.R. Marched out to 57th Bn. 1 O.R. Promotions Lieut. H.S. McCOLL granted temporary rank of Captain whilst Commanding 15th A.L.T.M.B.	
			8-7-18. Seconded from 58th Bn. for duty A.I.F. Orders List No. 356. Pay day.	
Field	11/12th		Enemy artillery normal during the most of period. Rain fell during the night in scattered showers. In early part of evening 8 Stokes Mortars were laid and ammunition was prepared for	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Field	1918 July 11/12th		<p>proposed minor operation. Operations - at 12.15 a.m. in Co-operation with Artillery, Machine guns and Medium Mortars fire was brought to bear on Enemy positions in (E.20.C) and (26.A). Our task was to bombard the portion of trench to be raided for 2 minutes. Afterwards forming a Block 100 yards to Left of Raiders and engaging other possible sources of danger to Raiders on immediate left. Raiding party all reported our Barrage as excellent.</p> <p>12th 6 a.m. Ammunition expended - 650 rounds. Casualties - nil. Marched in l O.R. from Bde.School.</p> <p>12/13th Conditions normal until about 9 p.m. when one of our Bombing Planes loosed about 4 bombs on enemy in vicinity of QUARRY(E.14.C). Between 10 and 11 p.m. enemy artillery shelled back area roads of Right Battalion Sector. Between the hours of 11.30 and 12.30 an enemy plane crossed the lines and dropped bombs in the direction of BUIRE.</p> <p>Owing to Infantry relief little shooting was done. Targets engaged enemy posts (E.20.C.8-9) Ammunition expended 20 rounds. Casualties - nil. Marched in l O.R. from 5th Army T.M.Schl.</p> <p>13th 6 a.m. via A.D.R.W.</p> <p>13/14th Artillery action on both sides below normal. At 8.45 p.m. two of our observation Balloons were brought down by enemy action(Direction LA HOUSOYE)</p> <p>Targets engaged - enemy posts, E.20.C.2-2, K.2.C.05.45, K.2.C.1-7, K.2.C.25.70. and along Bank to suspected CAMOUFLAGED SAP from K.2.C.55.70 to K.2.C.55-99 no visible results.</p>	

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Field	1918 July 13/14th		Ammunition expended - 60 rounds. Casualties - nil. Taken on strength 1 O.R. marched out from Base.	
	14/15th	6 a.m.	Enemy artillery action a little above normal. Bursts of harassing fire over different parts of the Sector during the night, including the ANCRE VALLEY S.W. of TREUX. At 12.15 a.m. it was reported that a Patrol had located an enemy working party in vicinity of E.20.C.3.7 and fire of our mortars was immediately brought to bear. Other targets engaged enemy M.G. and Bank (K.7.B.85.65) Ammunition expended 30 rounds. Casualties nil. Marched out 1 O.R. to Aust. Corps Gas School.	
	15/16th		Our artillery active during period. Enemy artillery below normal. On receiving information from the left line Company Commander an enemy working party at E.20.C.3-7 was fired on. Result not known. Other targets engaged enemy post at E.19.B.7-4, enemy C.T. and Bank K.2.C.5-9 enemy M.Gs. K.7.B.80.65. and K.2.C.60.80 silenced. Ammunition expended 80 rounds. Casualties nil.	
	16/17th		At 4.30 p.m. 16-7-18 it was reported to me that "Stokes" shells were falling on Trench of left Coy. Right Battalion. I immediately got into communication with my officers in the front line system and found that none of our Mortars had fired since 2.30 a.m. on 16th. Enemy artillery activity below normal. As our patrols were reported as being out all night no shooting was done from Right Battalion Front. Targets engaged enemy working party reported at E.20.C.3-7.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Field	1918 July 16/17th		at E.20.c.3-7. Ground was searched in the vicinity at intervals during night. 6 a.m. Ammunition expended 50 rounds. Casualties nil Marched 1 O.R. on English leave.	
	17th/18th		enemy artillery very quiet during period. Nucleus garrison of 8th A.L.T.M.B. arrived during the day and were made familiar with the sector. At 3.45 p.m. a heavy thunderstorm occurred. First part of relief arrived at 8.p.m. Relief was complete at 12 midnight. Camp of 8th Battery at BOIS ESCARDONNEUSE (62D N.W. I.15.b.1-3)	
	18th	7 a.m.	Ammunition expended nil. Casualties nil.	
	18/19th		Weather fair. Battery reorganised. Afternoon spent in improving camp and revetting bivouacs	
	19th	6 a.m.	Reserve T.M. Emplacements in LA HOUSOYE SYSTEM (BONNAY SECTOR) were reconnoitred.	
	19th/20th		Weather fine. Shortages taken. Equipment, guns, etc. cleaned up. Shelters were improved and revetted. N.C.O's were shown their positions in defensive line. Marched in From Xth Corps	
	20th	6 a.m.	School 2992 Pte. TRAVERS P 145773, 1780 Pte. WILSON S. 59687, 2933 Pte. Lewis JE. (57th) 145124. Via Div. R.W. Pay day.	
	21st		Weather fine. Fatigue party was sent to Transport Lines at (C.26.b.5-3 to revet horse lines Battery improve gun-pits emplacements and ammunition recesses in BONNAY SECTOR. Marched in 2133 L/Cpl. CLARKE E.A. 76207 (From Aust. Corps Gas School).	
	22nd		Fatigue completed revetting. Battery parade and training and practical work was carried out on positions near BONNAY	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			Ref. Sheet 62.D. N.W.	
Field	1918 July 23rd		Weather breaks several heavy showers. Camp surroundings were improved. Message was received that "Stokes Platoon of H.Q. Coy. 130th Regt. U.S.A. Strength 2 Officer 48 O.Rs. will report you 9.30 a.m. tomorrow".	
	24th		Very heavy showers during 24 hours. U.S.A. Platoon reported Lt. P. McCULLOUGH, 2/Lt. SNERLY and 43 O.R. assistance was given American troops in forming their camp. Training was carried out. Camp oven was constructed.	
	25th		Very heavy showers during period.	
	26th		Raining. Training was carried out between showers.	
	27th		Raining, very heavy showers. Message was received to report to B.M. 8th Brigade. Instructions were received to co-operate with 8th A.L.T.M.B. in minor operation and preparations were made accordingly.	
			2133 L/Cpl. CLARKE E.A. 76207 1978 L/Cpl. RISSMAN O.V. 76232 3140 Pte. SANDOE J.B.W. 214119 5651 Pte. BAXTER G.H.W. 59230 2273 Pte. FLOOD B.E. 89652	
	27th		Weather still bad some very heavy showers. Day was spent in preparation. At 6 p.m. Battery moved into position through light showers. Gun emplacements were found to be in a very bad state owing to weather conditions. By hard work they were got ready and weather showed signs of clearing up. Positions all East of BRAY-CORBIE Road. Dispositions Ref. Sheet 62D N.E. H.Q. J.17.B.3-7, Gun emplacements at K.18.d.3-6 (2), K.19.b.4-3 (1), K.19.b.8-5 (2), K.19	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Field	1918 July 27th		<p>b.6-8 (1) and 2 guns attached to 8th Battery left of BRAY - CORBIE Road.</p> <p>Marched out 3364 Cpl. MIERS J.V. 158825 217 Pte. BIRTHESEL D.W. 208259 3515 Pte. GALVIN, P.J. 32716 to Aust. Corps School.</p> <p>28th/29th Night clear and mild, early part of night spent in preparing and getting forward ammunition.</p> <p>At 12.30 a.m. (zero) fire was brought to bear on enemy trenches and works on right of BRAY-CORBIE Road by 4 mortars. Two mortars were attached to 32nd Battalion. Cpl. GILMORE to "D" Coy. and Cpl. OLSEN to "B" Coy. Corporal GILMORE and some of his carrying party were wounded and this gun failed to get into position. Corporal OLSEN with his detachment and carrying party got into position. Both of these teams moved forward with the second wave of the attack.</p> <p>Corporal Gilmore was wounded in crossing no man's land and his mortar was lost. 1 of his infantry carrying party was killed and others wounded (number unknown). The remainder of the party attached themselves to the Infantry and mopped up an enemy M.G. crew by shooting at point blank range and bayoneting. The machine gun firing until overwhelmed. The 2 detachments attached to the 8th A.L.T.M.B. were also instrumental in collecting prisoners.</p> <p>Ammunition expended 160 rounds (4 guns 2 1/2 minute bombardment)</p> <p>Casualties wounded 2 O.R. 1 O.R. assisting wounded not yet reported. 1 Detachment attached to 8th A.L.T.M.B. not yet reported.</p>	
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Field	1918 July 29/30th		<p>Ref. Sheet 62D N.E.</p> <p>Weather fine and clear. Enemy shelling front line heavily at intervals. Shelling of back areas normal. Period spent in cleaning up. 1 O.R. Missing on previous day reported back. 1 Detachment reported back from 8th A.L.T.M.B.</p> <p>Ammunition expended nil. Casualties nil. Struck off strength 386 Cpl. GILMORE W.S. 261423 wounded in action 28-7-18, 2736 Pte. WILLIAMS L.M. 146882 (wounded in action S.W. Left leg att'd from 59th Battalion. Marched in 1695 Pte. Meehan W.W. 32785) 2452 " PHELAN W. 59661) From Aust. Corps School 3093 " EVANS T.P. 76209)</p> <p>American Platoon (S.M) rejoined unit.</p>	
	30th/31st	30th 6 a.m.	<p>Weather fine. Enemy shelling normal. Preparations were made for relief. First party arrived at BOIS ESCARDONNEUSE at 11 p.m. Last detachment reported at 6 a.m. Hot meal was ready for all on relief. Day spent in cleaning up and preparation for move back.</p> <p>Evacuated to Field Ambulance 5835a Pte. MONTEFIORE G260483 (att'd from 60th Bn) 31500 Pte. PATULLO A.A. 205808.</p>	

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