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From 1ST to 31ST October 1918.

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Prepared by

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Major
Bde. Major

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October, 1918.														
G.4.B.4-6.	1st		<p>Brigade Headquarters moved further EAST to G.4.B.4-6. during the afternoon. The Brigade was relieved from the line during the night and returned to the HINDENBURG LINE. Division ordered that the Brigade return to TEMPLEUX on relief but the Brigadier protested against this on account of the men being exhausted.</p> <p>Routine Orders issued.</p>	Appendix 1.										
	2nd		<p>The Brigade moved today to the vicinity of TEMPLEUX. Units are located as follows:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="1016 997 1848 1189"> <tr> <td>Brigade Headquarters</td> <td>L.8.B.6-4.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>57th Battalion</td> <td>L.9.A.5-6.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>58th Battalion</td> <td>L.1.C.5-8.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>59th Battalion</td> <td>L.10.C.6-5.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>15th A.L.T.M.B.</td> <td>L.1.C.5-4.</td> </tr> </table>	Brigade Headquarters	L.8.B.6-4.	57th Battalion	L.9.A.5-6.	58th Battalion	L.1.C.5-8.	59th Battalion	L.10.C.6-5.	15th A.L.T.M.B.	L.1.C.5-4.	
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59th Battalion	L.10.C.6-5.													
15th A.L.T.M.B.	L.1.C.5-4.													
	3rd		<p>The Divisional Commander, (Major General Sir J. TALBOT HOBBS, K.C.B., V.D.) called at Brigade Headquarters during the morning and told the Brigadier of the situation along the front. Things seem to be going well. The Bosche, however, has been counter-attacking and the 2nd Division, having all three Brigades in the line therefore has no Reserves. The 5th Division is ordered to place 2 Brigades at the disposal of the 2nd Division. The 14th Brigade will move first if required. The 15th Brigade is ordered to be ready to move at 4 hours notice.</p> <p>Administrative Memorandum No. 32 issued.</p>	Appendix 2.										
	4th		<p>Informed that the Brigade is to move to LES MESNIL tomorrow thence entrain for HUPPY area.</p>											

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October, 1918.				
TEMPLEUX	4th		<p>Brigade Order No. 205 for tomorrow's move issued.</p> <p>The Brigadier held a conference of Battalion Commanders this morning when events during the recent operations were discussed. Attention was directed especially to the question of a more thorough study of Field Service Regulations Part 1. The Brigadier mentioned that on the morning of the 1st inst. he had seen patrols returning to our line after having been forward. This was wrong. One man only should have returned - the remainder having stayed on the ground which they had advanced in order to deny it to the enemy, otherwise when the company came forward they might find that the enemy had taken possession in the meantime. The guiding principles should be to "keep touch with your enemy". Patrols also, should move in diamond formation. Patrols on the 1st inst. were seen moving in bunches in such a way that one machine gun could wipe out the lot.</p> <p>Letter from G.O.C. Division congratulating all ranks on recent successes attached.</p>	<p>Appendix 3.</p>
	5th		<p>The Brigade moved today to PERONNE. It was intended that we go to the LES MESNIL area but reconnaissance by the Staff Captain revealed that there was not sufficient accommodation in that area. The march was successfully completed at about 3 p.m. a halt having been made for the midday meal in the vicinity of CARTIGNY. Brigade Headquarters was established in the old Officers club at No. 5, Club Street, PERONNE.</p>	<p>Appendix 4.</p>

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PERONNE	6th		Orders for entraining tomorrow were received from 5th Australian Division. Orders for the entraining for the Brigade Group were issued from this Office. Copies attached. The Group will entrain at LA CHAPELLETTE. Captain J.H. Steele, 59th Battalion will act as Entraining Officer. One Company of the 59th Battalion has been detailed as an unloading party and will proceed on the first train. The day was spent in finalising the arrangements for the move.	Appendix 6.
	7th		Owing to the darkness, the unsuitability of the flat trucks for transport, and insufficiency of loading accommodation at LA CHAPELLETTE the first train pulled out one hour late. The journey was a very tedious one and at LONGPRE, where an extraordinarily unaccountable wait occurred, the second train passed the first. This caused considerable inconvenience as the unloading party was on the first train. Brigade Routine Orders issued.	Appendix 7.
HUPPY	8th		It was not until 4 a.m. that both trains were unloaded. We were advised yesterday that all trains after the second had left would be twelve hours later in leaving than had been originally advised. The 57th and 58th Battalions arrived during the morning and detrained at MARTAINNEVILLE.	
	9th		The 59th Battalion arrived during the day. All Units of the Brigade Group have now arrived. The Brigade is disposed as shown on the accompanying sketch.	Appendix 8.

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October, 1918.				
HUPPY	9th		<p>During the morning the Divisional Commander, A.A. & Q.M.G. and D.A.^AG. also the G.S.O. 2 called on the Brigadier.</p> <p>The Brigade Major visited the 57th and 58th Battalions. Orders for the assembly of the Brigade School at ERCOURT were issued. <i>Capt. H.R. Gollan, M.C. B.M. proceeded on U.K. leave.</i></p>	Appendix 9.
	10th		<p>Brigade Major and Staff Captain visited the three Battalions during the afternoon. Men were fixing up their billets generally. General ELLIOTT visited the 59th Battalion. Some of the personnel attending the Brigade School marched into School Headquarters, ERCOURT.</p> <p>Administrative Memorandum No. 33 issued. Routine orders issued.</p>	Appendices 10 - 11.
	11th		<p>G.S.O. 3 Division Called. Brigade Major visited Brigade School and looked over portion of the area with a view for finding a locality for the Brigade Rifle Range. Syllabus of Training for 1st week commencing 14th inst issued. Brigade Circular Memorandum No. 55 issued.</p>	Appendix 12.- 13.
	12th		<p>Raining throughout the day. B.G.C. and B.M. visited the three Battalions and Brigade School during the morning. A car had been placed at the disposal of the B.G.C. In the afternoon G.S.O. 2 Division called and with the Brigade Major visited the Brigade School and 58th Battalion. also the localities selected by Brigade and Battalions for Rifle Ranges and Training Grounds. Much difficulty has been experienced in selecting places for ranges. Major DOYLE reported to</p>	

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HUPPY	12th		the School to take over the duties of Commandant. G.S.O. 3 held a conference of Battalion Intelligence Officers during which points concerning the last few operations were discussed. An Officer from 15th Field Company A.E. called and arrangements were made for the supply of material for ranges and bayonet courses. Routine Orders issued. Recommendations for foreign decorations submitted to Division. Copies attached.	Appendix 14. Appendix 15.
	13th		Raining during part of the morning. Arrangements made for several of the grounds required for Training and Recreational purposes. Staff Captain visited Trench Mortar Battery. In the afternoon a Brigade Sports Committee Meeting was held at Brigade Headquarters. It was decided to hold Brigade Sports in about three weeks time for athletic events and if possible to devote a later date to mounted events. In the meantime Battalions were to hold their own sports and football competitions were to be decided. Routine Orders issued.	Appendix 16.
	14th		Weather fine. An advance supply of timber arrived from the Engineers. An Officer from the 15th Field Company A.E. reported to Brigade Headquarters to supervise the work of building ranges etc. Training commenced. Extra Staff sent to Brigade School. The Divisional Commander called during the afternoon to see General ELLIOTT. Further Instructions were issued regarding recreational training. Letter of appreciation from the Divisional Commander re amalgamation of 59th and 60th Battalions addressed to General Elliott attached.	Appendix 17.

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October, 1918.														
HUPPY	15th		<p>Raining. Brigade Major and Officer from 15th Field Company A.E. visited the Brigade School. Work commenced on the extension of the Lecture Hall and also Brigade School Bayonet Course. Locality for Brigade Rifle Range was reconnoitred and places marked for Butts and firing mounds. Brigade Sports Representative, Lieut. H.Walker, 59th Battalion attended a meeting of the Divisional Committee at OISEMENT. Routine Orders issued.</p>	Appendix 18.										
	16th		<p>Brigade Major visited Brigade School. Extension of Lecture Hall nearly completed. Brigade Major also visited 58th Battalion and 15th A.L.T.M.B. in the afternoon. In the afternoon the Brigade Sports Committee met and arranged Football Matches also General athletics. The following sub-groups within the Brigade Group were decided on:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="1081 1182 2744 1381"> <tr> <td>"A" Sub Group</td> <td>57th Battalion.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>"B" Sub Group</td> <td>58th Battalion.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>"C" Sub Group</td> <td>59th Battalion.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>"D" Sub Group</td> <td>15th Field Ambulance, Brigade H?Q. and 15th ALTMB.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>"E" Sub Group</td> <td>Divisional Train (Less 10th Coy. A.A.S.C.I.).</td> </tr> </table>	"A" Sub Group	57th Battalion.	"B" Sub Group	58th Battalion.	"C" Sub Group	59th Battalion.	"D" Sub Group	15th Field Ambulance, Brigade H?Q. and 15th ALTMB.	"E" Sub Group	Divisional Train (Less 10th Coy. A.A.S.C.I.).	
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	17th		<p>G.O.C. Division called to see General ELLIOTT. Work continued on Brigade School Training Grounds. Routine Orders issued.</p>	Appendix 19.										
	18th		<p>Brigade Major visited School. Instructions re Recreational Training issued vide Brigade Circular Memorandum No. 57 attached. 2nd weeks Syllabus Brigade School issued - Brigade Circular Memorandum 56 attached.</p>	Appendix 20 Appendix 21.										

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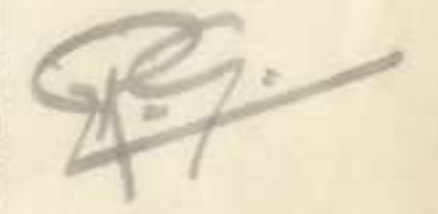
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HUPPY	18th		Routine Orders issued.	Appendix 22.
	19th		2nd Weeks Syllabus of Training issued. Copies attached. G.O.C. Division and General ELLIOTT inspected the Brigade School, and also visited the three Battalions. The Divisional Commander was pleased with work being carried out and also with arrangements made by Battalions for the comfort of the men. Routine Orders issued.	Appendix 23
	20th		Raining. Brigade Major with School Commandant visited C.O. 57th and 59th Battalions.	Appendix 24.
	21st		Work Commenced on Brigade Rifle Range. G.S.O.2 Division called and with Brigade Major visited Brigade School, 57th and 58th Battalions. They also visited the Brigade Range. Routine Orders issued.	Appendix 25.
	22nd		Trench for markers completed on Brigade Range and the six target frames erected. The G.O.C. Division inspected the Transport of the three Battalions in the afternoon. All Transport was assembled on the 59th Battalion Parade Ground. After Inspection the Transport marched past. The Divisional Commander was very pleased with the turnout. Congratulatory: The Corps Commander wishes to express his appreciation of the gallant services rendered by the undermentioned during the recent operations:	
			Lieut. (T/Capt.) M. Cahill 60th Battalion A.I.F. - now 59th Battalion.	
			Awarded the Croix de Guerre: Col. (T/Brig.-General) H.E. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.	

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HUPPY	22nd		Copy of French 31st Army Corps Order conferring the Croix de Guerre on General ELLIOTT attached.	Appendix 26.
	23rd		Brigade Major inspected the Brigade Range and with G.S.O. 2 Division visited the Brigade School where a lecture was delivered by Lieut. Col. ALDERSON, P. & B.T. Staff. Routine Orders issued.	Appendix 27
	24th		A ground for Brigade Schemes has been found North of ERCOURT. Instructions for a Special course at Brigade School - Modelling - issued. Divisional Commander rang up to say that he would inspect the Brigade with Transport on the 29th inst. Brigade Routine Orders issued.	Appendix 28.
	25th		Syllabus of Training for 3rd week at Brigade School issued. At a meeting of Brigade Sports Committee it was decided to hold the sports on the 6th November. Brigade Routine Orders issued	Appendix 29
	26th		Brigade Major attended a demonstration at RUE. G.O.C. and Staff Captain attended 59th Battalion Sports. Programme of Training for week ending 2nd November issued	Appendix 30
	27th		Instructions issued with regard to Inspectional Parade by Divisional Commander. Students for a course in "Ground Relief Modelling" assembled at Brigade School. Routine Orders issued	Appendix 31
	28th		The B.G.C. inspected Battalions on the 59th Battalion Parade Ground. Each Battalion then practiced the Ceremonial Parade for the Inspection XX by the Divisional Commander. Routine Orders issued.	Appendix 32
	29th		The G.O.C. Division inspected all Battalions (separately). Each Battalion marched past, the	Appendix 33.

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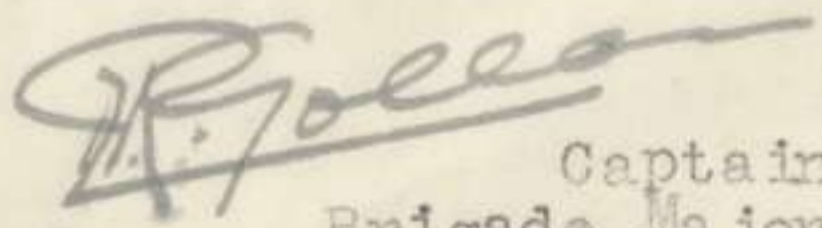
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HUPPY	29th		Divisional Commander who expressed his appreciation of the turnout, steadiness and drill. The 59th Battalion was inspected first then the 57th and 58th Battalions together. Routine Orders issued.	Appendix 34.
	30th		B.G.C. and Brigade Major visited Brigade School. G.S.O. 2 Division lectured at the School on Artillery in the afternoon and then called at Brigade Headquarters. Brigade Routine Orders issued.	Appendix 35.
	31st		Major, NEILSON (G.H.Q. Training) stayed at Brigade Headquarters. Stadium for boxing tournaments was built. Routine Orders issued. War diary of 15th Australian Light Trench Mortar Battery attached as Appendix 37.	Appendix 36. Appendix 37.
 Captain, Brigade Major, 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.				
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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No.32

Ref. Sheet 620

3rd October 1918

1. SUPPLIES: Refilling Point is at K.18.B.2-8.
2. BATTLE RATIONS: Arrangements will be made forthwith to withdraw all extra Battle Rations issued for recent operation. A return showing number drawn and total deficiencies will be rendered to reach this office by 9 a.m. 4th inst.
3. AMMUNITION: Any shortages in Mobile Echelons will be wired to reach this office by 9 a.m. 4th inst. when arrangements will be made to complete.
4. REFITTING: Necessary indents to complete will be submitted to D.A.D.O.S. forthwith.
5. TRENCH SHELTERS: The greatest care must be taken of all Trench Shelters at present on issue to units. All deficiencies will be charged against unit concerned.
6. BATTLE STORES: Extra Battle Stores at present in possession of units will be retained but a careful check will be made and any shortages in water bottles or pack saddlery will be notified to this office by 6 p.m. 4th inst.
7. BATHS AND CLEAN CLOTHING STORE: Location of baths will be notified later.
Clean clothing Store is established in ROISEL and pending the erection of baths units will arrange direct with O.C. Baths for drawing of supplies of clean clothing.
8. CENSUS OF ANIMALS: Units will arrange for a complete census of all animals in their possession to be taken, and a return submitted to reach this office by 5th inst.
9. NUCLEUS AND REINFORCEMENTS: Personnel will rejoin Units today or tomorrow. Exact time etc. will be wired later.
10. WATER:
C.E. Australian Corps is arranging to put pump, tanks and sterilising, lorries at G.16.A.8-6.
A waterpoint, consisting of 3 standpipes, a dixie and bottle filler, and 100 feet of horse troughing will be opened at TEMPLEUX to GUERAUD, F.26.D.4-6.

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WATER (Continued)

The following water supply is available:-

Location.	Diam.	Depth of water.	Result of Test.	How Drawn.	Remarks.
L.23.a.4-3.	4'	-	1 scoop	No windlass	
K.23.D.6-2.		2 ft.	-	Windlass &	Good condition
K.23.d.8-4.	-	8 ft.	-	Rope,	Good supply.
K.16.C.2-9.	-	-	-	-do-	Good condition.
K.16.D.5-2.	3'	2 ft.	-	-do-	Horses only.
K.16.d.4-3.	3'	3 ft.	-	No windlass	Washing only.
K.16.D.1-3.	4' sq.	6 ft.	-	-do-	-do-
K.16.A.7-3.	3'	8 ft.	-	Windlass	Brick
K.16.A.7-4.	6' sq.	6 ft.	-	No windlass	Washing only.
K.23.A.3-3.	3'	9 ft.	-	Windlass	-
K.16.D.3-8.	3'	3 ft.	-	No windlass	Washing only.
K.10.D.3-3.	3'	10 ft.	-	Windlass	-
L.2.B.6-6.	4' sq.	12 ft.	-	Windlass	Drinking water.
L.2.B.6-8.	4'	3 ft.	-	Pump	-do-
L.2.B.8-3.	4'	-	-	Windlass	Good order.
L.2.B.3-6.	-	-	-	-	Reservoir tanks.
L.1.B.3-7.	-	-	-	-	For water carts.

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Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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to accompany
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59th Battalion - L.10.C.6-5.
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Transport Lines

57th Battalion - L.9.A.6-3.
58th Battalion - L.8.b.7-2.
59th Battalion - L.8.B.7-4.
Bde.H.Q. } - L.9.C.2-8.
L.T.M.B. }
D.A.D.O.S. - ROISEL K.16.A.8-4.

Divisional Canteen - HAMEL

Comforts Fund - In South-Eastern Corner of ROISEL.

Y.M.C.A. - Representative established in HARGICOURT.

D.A.D.P.M. - ROISEL

Mobile Vet. Section - K.23.A.2-8.
Advanced Post - L.16.

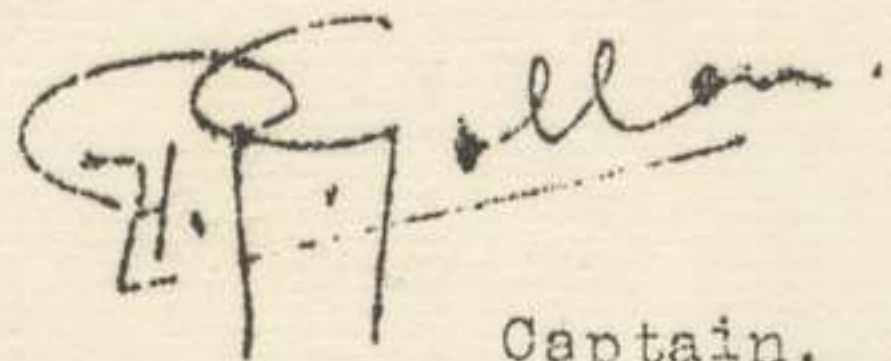
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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 205.

Ref: FRANCE
Sheet 62 C 1/40,000.

4th October, 1918.

1. The 5th Australian Division is moving tomorrow to the LE MESNIL AREA. The Division is to move by Brigade Groups.
2. (a) The 15th Australian Infantry Brigade Group will move by march route in accordance with the Move Table issued herewith.
(b) For the purposes of this move the Brigade Group will comprise:
 - 15th Aust. Inf. Brigade Headquarters.
 - 57th Battalion.
 - 58th Battalion.
 - 59th Battalion.
 - 15th A.L.T.M.B.
 - 15th M.G. Company.
 - 15th Field Coy. A.E.
 - 15th Field Ambulance.
3. Units will move in Marching Order accompanied by 1st Line Transport. Blankets will be carried on the Baggage Wagons.
4. Strict attention will be paid to regulation distances:
 - 100 yards between Companies.
 - 200 yards between Units and Transport.
 - 6 yards between every six vehicles.
5. Advance parties from all Units of the Brigade Group will meet the Staff Captain at the area Commandants Office, LE MESNIL, at 9 a.m. tomorrow 5th inst.
6. (a) Completion of moves together with notifications of New Headquarters will be notified to Brigade Headquarters as soon as possible.
(b) Brigade Headquarters will close at present location at 8.30 a.m. and will open in new area on arrival (location will be notified).
7. Acknowledge.



Captain,
Brigade Major,
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Issued at 20.00 through Signals to;
Copy No.

- 57th Battalion 1.
- 58th Battalion 2.
- 59th Battalion 3.
- 15th A.L.T.M.B. 4.
- 15th M.G. Company 5.
- 15th Field Coy. A.E. 6.
- 15th Field Ambulance 7.

- Copies to:
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 - Staff Captain 9.
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M O V E T A B L E.

to accompany

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 205.

Serial No.	Units (in order of march)	Starting Point		Destination
		Place	Pass at	
1.	59th Bn.	CROSSROADS L.15.A.6-9.	8.15 a.m.	BILLETING AREAS AS WILL BE ALLOTTED.
2.	58th Bn.	CROSSROADS K.12.D.2-4.	8.40 a.m.	
3.	15th ALTB.	-do-	9.5 a.m.	
4.	57th Bn.	-do-	9.10 a.m.	
5.	15th Aust F. Amb.	-do-	9.25 a.m.	
6.	15th M.G. Coy.	Road Junction L.13.C.7-2.	10 a.m.	
7.	15th A.I. Bde. H.Q.	L.8.B.6-4.	9.50 a.m.	
8.	15th F. Coy. A.E.	TO MOVE INDEPENDENTLY.		
<p><u>ROUTE:</u> HESBECOURT - HERVILLY - CROSSROADS K.28.D.4-9. - K.32.A.9-3. - Q.2.A.7-1. - CARTIGNY - CAPELET - LE MESNIL - FM. LAMIRE BRIDGE.</p>				

Headquarters, 5th Australian Division,
4th October, 1918.

I desire most heartily to thank and congratulate the Division on the splendid results of their efforts during the recent operations, in connection with the capture of the SIEGFRIED System of the HINDENBURG LINE, from the 29th September to 2nd October inclusive, which compare most favorably with anything that has been achieved by British troops during the war, and the great value of which has been acknowledged in terms of the highest praise by the Fourth Army and the Australian Corps Commanders.

The operations were conducted under most difficult and trying conditions and reflect very great credit on all ranks. The courage and determination of the infantry was only equalled by the gallantry, efficiency and close support of the Field Artillery, afforded, at times, under extraordinarily difficult conditions and at very short notice.

The perfect and whole-hearted co-ordination and co-operation of the Staffs and all arms and branches of the Division were again largely responsible for our success, and the very fine work by the Machine Gun Battalion, Engineers, Signal, Medical and Transport services, and especially the Pioneers on the 29th September deserve special recognition and praise.

On behalf of the Division I wish also to most heartily thank and place on record our appreciation of the great assistance and most valuable support rendered during the operations to the Division by the Heavy Artillery, 5th Tank Brigade, 5th Brigade, R.A.F., 3rd Squadron A.F.C., and 13th Light Horse Regiment, which contributed in very large measure to the successful attainment of all our objectives.

J. Dalrymple Hobbs
Major-General,
Commanding 5th Australian Division.

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Forwarded herewith are Recommendations for Immediate Honours and Awards in connection with recent operations. Nominal rolls (in duplicate) are attached. I forward hereunder certificate as to correctness of details.

Brig. General.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the particulars in the attached recommendations are correct in every detail and that the particulars of officers have been checked with the latest A.I.F. Staff and Regimental List.

Brig. General.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE AWARDS - OFFICERS AND WARRANT OFFICERS

Name and Rank	Unit	Recommended for
WATSON, Charles Vincent Lieut. Colonel	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	D.S.O. or Bar.
DARBY, Charles Aloysius (D.S.O.) Lieut. Colonel	47th Battalion Infantry A.I.F.	Bar to D.S.O.
DALGLEISH, Norman Lieutenant	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	D.S.O.
3254 STUBBS, Henry Charles R.S.M. (W.O. 1st Class)	"	Military Cross.

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieut. Col. Charles Vincent <u>WATSON</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on HINDENBURG LINE in the vicinity of BELLICOURT from September 29th to October 2nd 1918.</p> <p>On Zero day 29th September the 58th Battalion under Command of Lieut. Col. WATSON participated in a general attack upon HINDENBURG LINE defences. At Zero hour the density of an early morning fog combined with smoke shells fired by our artillery made the maintenance of correct direction very difficult and it was due to a very great extent to this Officer's personal energy that correct direction was maintained. The original plans for attack provided for our troops passing through the Americans and exploiting the success gained by them. Owing, however, to the opposition met with from the enemy the objectives laid down for the Americans were not attained and whilst moving forward the 58th Battalion came under a murderous fire from enemy machine guns and artillery. The prompt action of Lieut. Col. WATSON under this very heavy fire in personally reconnoitring and ascertaining the exact situation of the American troops enabled dispositions to be made by him which undoubtedly restored a very obscure and difficult situation. At 3 p.m. the advance was continued and in spite of the fact that his Battalion met with strong opposition from the enemy a line was consolidated in the LE GATELET NAUROUX trench system. During this advance the enemy held out</p>			

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	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieut. Col. Charles Vincent <u>WATSON</u>	<p>so strongly in our portion of the line that it became necessary to organise a raid to clear the strong point. This was organised by Lieut. Col. "Watson" and resulted in the way being cleared, the advance continued, and a number of machine guns and prisoners being captured.</p> <p>On the morning of 1st October a further attack was launched and again the magnificent work performed by this officer in organising his portion of the attack helped materially towards the ultimate successful issue.</p> <p>The information and reports sent back to Brigade Headquarters throughout the whole operation by Col. Watson were absolutely invaluable and enabled many serious and obscure situations to be dealt with in a manner which would not otherwise have been possible.</p> <p>Throughout the whole of a very strenuous and trying period the work performed by this officer was of the highest order, and his utter disregard of personal danger and his unfailing energy and cheerful disposition at all times had a very important moral effect on all connected with him and undoubtedly was a material factor in our success. Although recommended twice previously for an immediate reward this officer is not in possession of any decoration.</p> <p>He has been recommended for D.S.O. in connection with New Years Honours Gazette 1919 and should this be granted he is recommended for a Bar.</p>	<p><i>R. S. Ellmore</i> Brig. General. Commanding 15th Australian Inf. Brigade.</p>	<p>D.S.O. or Bar to D.S.O.</p>	

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	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieut. Colonel Charles Aloysius <u>DENEHY, D.S.O.</u>	<p>For gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the HINDENBURG LINE in the vicinity of BELLICOURT from September 29th to October 2nd 1918.</p> <p>On 29th September which was Zero day the task of the Brigade was to pass through the Americans who had carried out the initial attack on the enemy's defences. Owing however to the strong opposition met with the Americans were unable to consolidate on the objective laid down for them.</p> <p>This resulted in the 57th Battalion under Lieut. Col. DENEHY together with other Battalions of Brigade becoming mixed with the Americans.</p> <p>Lieut. Col. DENEHY grasping the situation pushed his Battalion forward to Western bank of St. QUENTIN Canal and reorganised all the Americans in the vicinity and took command of them as part of his Battalion.</p> <p>This reorganisation was carried out under an intense artillery and machine gun fire, and it was due entirely to Lieut. Col. DENEHY's personal energy and bravery that the situation was cleared up. Later in the day he pushed his Battalion forward and subsequently consolidated in the LE CAPELET System.</p> <p>Again on afternoon 30th September during a general attack in which his Battalion took part the promptitude and aptitude with which he dealt with the many difficult situations which arose enabled the attack to be pushed on although subsequently the Battalion had to retire about</p>			

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	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	LieutCol. Charles Aloysius <u>DENEHY, D.S.O.</u>	<p>200 yards to a more advantageous position owing to the troops on right not coming up.</p> <p>On 1st October the 57th Battalion again co-operated in a general attack and subsequently consolidated a line on ESTREES. - GRANDCOURT Road.</p> <p>Throughout all these operations the personal energy, courage and ability displayed by this officer helped in a very great measure towards the success of the operations. No praise can be too great for the excellent work performed by this officer on this and many previous occasions.</p> <p>Awarded D.S.O.A.I.F. List 208.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.</p>	Brig. General. Commanding 15th Australian Inf. Brigade.		

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58th BATTALION A.I.F.

Lieutenant NORMAN DALGLEISH.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELLICOURT between 29th September and 1st October 1918.

On the first day of the operations, this Officer, owing to his Company Commander and the rest of the Officers becoming casualties, found himself in Command of a Company. Under heavy fire and on an open slope he crawled from section to section reorganising his men, and although wounded in the head, led them on and gained his objective for the day. That night he led a patrol forward to reconnoitre a strongly fortified farm which had hung up the advance that day. He gained valuable information as to the enemy's dispositions, and which enabled it to be rushed and captured the following morning. On the advance of the following day he was again slightly wounded in the arm but insisted on carrying on. On the third day his Company exploited success beyond the objective and gained much ground.

His initiative, leadership, and skill in open warfare tactics were beyond praise, and on days during the operations his Company occupied the most advanced position in the Brigade. When his Company was within 200 yards of his final objective on the third day he was severely wounded in the mouth and face, and although unable to speak and suffering great pain, sent for his Commanding Officer and wrote down his final disposition thus giving ~~giving~~ valuable information before leaving his company. His absolute devotion to duty, self-control and determination to conquer the enemy set an example to the whole Battalion which will be difficult to excel.

(Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1918)
Chas. Nelson Lieut-Col. C.O. 58th Battalion A.I.F.

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Regimental
Sergeant Major
(W.O. 1st Class)

HENRY
CHARLES
STUBBS

for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations ~~between~~ BELLICOURT between 29th September and 1st October 1918.

On the first day of the operations Sgt. Major STUBBS was detached from Battalion headquarters to collect and organise parties of American soldiers who had become temporarily detached from their Units during the fighting for the first objective. He carried out this work under heavy fire throughout and finally handed over these troops to a responsible Officer after placing them in an organised defensive position on his own Battalion's flank. When all Company officers but four had become casualties Sgt. Major STUBBS was given command of two platoons and handled them with skill and courage throughout. He volunteered and led out two strong fighting patrols which continually harrassed the enemy during one of his retirements to a position further back. Again on the 1st October he led a patrol to connect up with the Unit on the left of his Battalion. The work was done under heavy fire and the party was sniped at continuously. He effected his task and led his patrol back to his lines. His utter disregard of personal danger and his continued cheerfulness throughout the operations, coupled with brilliant and determined leadership were of the utmost value to his side.

Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.

W. W. Watson

Lieut-Col.
C.O., 58th Battalion AIF.

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3085	DRYSDALE, Ronald Henderson Sergeant	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	Distinguished Conduct Medal.
4654	FRENCH, Lyndon Ernest Sergeant	"	Military Medal
2547	HOCKING, Robert John Private	"	-do-
5224	WAKE, James Eugene Private	"	-do-
5002	STEPHENSON, Rustin George Corporal	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	Distinguished Conduct Medal
1290	TRELOAR, Stanley, M.M. Private	"	Bar to Military Medal
3261	CLEARY, Frederick Henry Patrick Private (L.Cpl.)	"	Military Medal.
3217	PLEDGE, Henry Lawrence Corporal	"	-do-
2681	TOWNSEND, Ernest Leslie Corporal	"	-do-
465	MOWAT, George William Corporal (T/Sgt.)	"	-do-
3085	ASPINAL, Norman Wilfred Sergeant	"	+do+
2878	MATHIES, Colin Bruce Private	"	-do-
3202	PATRICK, John William Private	"	-do-
4516	HUNT, John William Private	"	-do-
1776	POTTER, William Gladstone Private (L.Cpl)	"	-do-
2931	MASON, William Francis Private	"	-do-
3674	LEE, Alfred John Edward Private	"	-do-
1805	WILLIAMS, Rupert C.S.M.	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	Distinguished Conduct Medal.
3902	RICHARDS, Ernest Aubrey C.S.M.	"	-do-
2647	CLARKE, Leslie Norman, M.M. Private (L.Cpl)	"	Bar to M.M.
3015	McCLINTOCK, Samuel, M.M. Private (L.Cpl.)	"	-do-
5146	MORGAN, Charles Wilmott Private (L.Cpl)	"	Military Medal
3441	SERLE, Walter Henry Sergeant	"	-do+
1705	JOHNSTON, George Leslie Private (L.Cpl)	"	-do-
3312a	STEWART, Alec Corporal (L/Sgt)	"	-do-
3512	FOX, Thomas William Corporal	"	-do-
2683	GRIGG, Ernest Albert Private (L.Cpl)	"	-do-
3512	McPHEE, Alexander John Private	"	-do-
2154	CLAUSEN, Francis Felix Sergeant	"	-do-

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	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3085	Sergeant Ronald Henderson <u>DRYSDALE</u>	<p>During the operations near BELLICOURT on 29th September. Sgt. DRYSDALE displayed great personal courage and devotion to duty under heavy machine gun fire and artillery fire at pointblank range. After the platoon commander and platoon Sergeant of No. 8 Platoon had been wounded together with about 50% of the platoon Sgt. DRYSDALE who was acting C.S.M. went out and collected the remainder who were taking cover in shell holes and got them organised in a trench near by. He then collected and caused to be removed to safety all the wounded who were lying out in the open, and remained until every man was accounted for. By his coolness he instilled into the men, who were badly rattled, fresh spirit. Sgt. DRYSDALE has repeatedly done excellent work for which he has been recommended but so far has received no recognition. On this occasion when only the Coy. Commander was left of the Coy. Officers, he rose to the situation admirably. He richly deserves reward for his excellent services on this as on other occasions.</p> <p>(No previous award of M.M. or Bar)</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 57th Battalion A.I.F.	D.C.M.	

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	57th Bn Infantry, Battalion A.I.F.	4654	Sergeant Lyndon Ernest FRENCH	<p>During the operations of 29th September-1st Oct. in the neighbourhood of BELLICOURT Sergt. French was acting C.S.M. In the initial advance the Coy. came under a heavy artillery barrage at the moment when crossing a ridge facing the HINDENBURG System, a dense fog enveloped the troops. Two of the three Company Officers were badly wounded and the men got somewhat scattered and were considerably shaken. Sgt. FRENCH rallied them and helped his Company Commander to conduct the difficult advance in spite of the falling shells, the gas drenched fog and badly torn country. At a later stage he was conspicuous during the attack on the LE CAULET trench for his courage and energy in helping his platoon leaders, all of them N.C.Os., and in bandaging and caring for wounded under heavy fire. During the further advance he displayed the same qualities, encouraging his platoon leaders and helping them when met with a heavy barrage fire during the attack on the ESTREES - GRANDCOURT ridge. When the fire rendered a temporary retirement necessary he remained behind with the wounded until they were all evacuated. He has always done good work and this time his conduct was exceptionally fine and deserves recognition.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Honours Gazette.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 57th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL	

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	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2547	Private Robert John <u>HOCKING.</u>	<p>During the attack on the LE GATELET line east of BELLICOURT Pte. ROBERT HOCKING did excellent service with his Lewis Gun. On the trench being secured the enemy attempted a counter-attack on the left flank which was "in the air". The enemy was in the trench on the left and reinforcements were coming up to their aid. Without hesitation Pte. HOCKING jumped out of the trench rushed forward with his gun and caught the advancing enemy in flank, inflicting casualties and forcing them to retire. His prompt action was instrumental in beating off the attack and deserves to be recognised.</p> <p>No recommended in connection with New Year Honours Gazette.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 57th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL.	

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	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	5224	Private James Eugene <u>WAKE</u>	<p>During the operations near BELLICOURT September September 21st October 1st Pte. WAKE, Coy. runner, displayed great devotion to duty. He carried messages through heavy fire in spite of the fact that he had been severely burnt by explosion of a gas shell and was suffering also from a septic knee. He refused however to leave his duties, and carried on till the battalion was relieved, when he had to be evacuated. His devotion to duty deserves recognition.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Honours Gazette.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 57th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL.	

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Rank and Name
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Corporal
KUSLIN
GEORGE
STEPHENSON

Action for which commended
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For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELLICOURT on 29th September/1st Oct. 1918.

This N.C.O. worked all night 29/30th September, continuously under fire, reorganising parties of Americans who were wandering in front of his line, bringing them into the front trench and then guiding them across to their position on the left flank. He also brought in a considerable number of wounded men who were lying out in front of the line by crawling to them and dragging them in to the front line trench. When the machine gun fire became so heavy that he could not get any more in daylight he went back to the R.A.P. and procured stretcher bearers, guiding them to the wounded, and continued carrying throughout the night still under heavy fire until the trench was clear of wounded.

Cpl. STEVENSON also did excellent work in reorganising scattered American parties who had lost their unit, and his utter disregard of personal danger in bringing in the wounded set a magnificent example of courage and unselfish conduct to all.

Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919

Recommended by

Henry Wilson

Lieut-Col.
C.O., 58th Battalion AIF.

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Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit 58th BATTALION A.I.F.	Regt. No. 1290	Rank and Name (Christian names must be stated) Private STANLEY TRELOAK. (MILITARY MEDAL) (Stretcher Bearer)	Action for which commended (Date and place of action must be stated) For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELLICOURT between 29th September and 1st October 1918. Hearing that there were wounded in front of our position, Pte. TRELOAK proceeded to the front line and crawled out on his hands and knees under heavy machine gun fire to where the wounded lay. He did this on two occasions and was thereby able to bring in wounded men and clear them from the front line before daylight. It was impossible to approach the men during the day and Pte. TRELOAK'S action was undoubtedly the means of saving the men's lives. His courage, self-sacrifice, and devotion to duty have been on all occasions beyond praise, and he continually sets the highest example to all round him. (Previously awarded the MILITARY MEDAL) Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette.	Recommended by <i>Stanley Watson</i> Lieut-Col. C.O., 58th Battalion AIF.	Honour or Reward BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL.	(To be left blank)
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58th BATTALION
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Private
(L/Cpl.)
FREDERICK
HENRY
PATRICK
CLARRY.
(Signaller)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELLICOURT/AM 29th Sept/1st Oct. 1918. between
During the advance on to the objective, namely, CABARET WOOD FARM on 1st October this signaller, quite regardless of his life, went out and laid wires to various stations under heavy fire, thus completing communications at a most critical period. In addition, he carried wounded in on his return to Company Headquarters on each trip. Later, he volunteered to go out and search NO MAN'S LAND for his Company Commander who was known to have been hit the previous day. After remaining out for nearly three hours he found his Officer dead in a shell hole and came in and reported same. This signaller has always displayed great energy and skill at his work and has established and maintained communications on many previous occasions under most difficult and dangerous conditions.
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Harry Watson
Lieut-Col.
C.O., 58th Battalion AIF.

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58th BATTALION
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2681

Corporal
 WALTER
 LESLIE
 YOUNG
 (H.Q. Signaller)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELLICOURT between 29th Sept. and 1st October 1918.
 This N.C.O. did excellent in running and maintaining telephone lines both to Brigade and Forward Companies, also to the Battalions on right and left flanks, thus enabling two Brigades to keep in touch with their Units. with another Signaller he worked continuously during the whole of the operations repairing and maintaining the lines under heavy fire. His work was of the utmost value to his side.

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 Lieut-Col.
 C.O., 58th Battalion A.I.F.

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58th BATTALION A.U.F.

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Cpl (Temp/Sgt.)
GEORGE
WILLIAM
MOWAT

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BEELICOURT between 29th September and 1st October 1918.

This N.C.O. handled the Lewis Gun Sections in a most able manner and by his utter contempt for enemy machine gun and shell fire showed a splendid example of courage and discipline. On the last day of these attacks his officers all became casualties. This N.C.O. immediately took charge of the Company and established his line in a most able manner. He personally pushed his sentry groups well forward, and after considerable difficulty established connection with the Unit on his left.

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Henry Watson
Lieut-Col.
C.O., 58th Battalion AIF.

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58th BATTALION A.I.F.

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Rank and Name

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CORPORAL HENRY LAWRENCE PLEDGE

Action for which commended

(Date and place of action must be stated)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operation N.E. of BELLICOURT on 29th Sept/Oct. 1918.

At about 4.30 p.m. on 29/9/18 Cpl. PLEDGE volunteered to assist in bringing in the wounded. He left the front line trench and went out under intense machine gun fire to bring in some wounded men who were lying out in front. The fire was too heavy and he had to return, as he was drawing the fire on to the wounded men. Before doing so however he made them comfortable, and told them he would come back at dusk. At dusk, he again went out under heavy fire and brought in the wounded men. He showed great unselfishness and utter disregard of personal risk.

Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette.

Recommended by

Henry Watson
 U.O., 58th Battalion A.I.F. Lieut-Col.

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58th BATTALION
A.I.F.

3085

Sgt.
MORRAN
WILFRED
ASPINWALL

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELLICOURT on 29th Sept/1st Oct. 1918.

During the advance on to our objective this sergeant took charge of company H.Q. staff when his Company Commander had been killed and his Company sergeant major had been badly wounded. He immediately reorganised the party and went forward with the advance. He eventually was wounded but yet he remained on duty and kept perfect control, showing great leadership in leading his section under heavy Machine Gun fire. Although wounded he remained on duty for many hours afterwards and not until ordered would he go out. His courage was magnificent.

Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.

Chas. Watson

C.O., 58th Battalion A.I.F. Lieut-Col.

MILITARY MEDAL.

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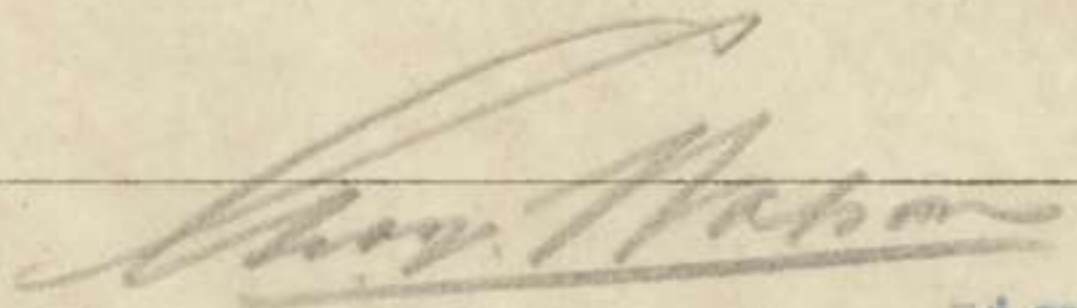
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	58th BATTALION A.I.F.	2878	Pte. COLIN BRUCE MATHIASON (H.Q. Signaller)	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELLICOURT between 29th Sept. and 1st October 1918.</p> <p>This signaller did excellent work in running and maintaining telephone lines both to Brigade and Forward Companies, also to Battalions on Right and Left flanks, thus enabling two Brigades to keep touch with their Units. With another Signaller he worked continuously during the whole of the operations repairing and maintaining the lines under heavy fire. His work was of the utmost value to his side.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.</p>	 Lieut-Col. C.O., 58th Battalion AIF.	MILITARY MEDAL.	

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58th
BATTALION
A.I.F.

3202

Private
JOHN
WILLIAM
PATRICK

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELLECOURT between 29th September and 1st October 1918.
When in command of his Lewis Gun team he and his team went over the parapet to a place in NO MAN'S LAND under heavy hostile machine gun fire, and gave covering fire to the Company on his right who were advancing. Three of his men were badly wounded but yet he carried on. Just at that time the enemy were observed to be bringing up light field guns by the aid of horses. He quickly got to work on them and accounted for four of the horses and eventually dispersed the gunners. By his act he enabled the advancing troops to get to their objective with very few casualties. He showed fine soldierly qualities and inspired confidence by his cheerfulness and total disregard of danger. It was chiefly owing to his efforts that the advance was made a complete success.

Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette.

John Wilson

Lieut-Col.
C.O., 58th Battalion AIF.

MILITARY MEDAL.

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Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit 58th BATTALION A.I.F.	Regtl. No. 4516	Rank and Name (Christian names must be stated) Private JOHN WILLIAM HUNT. (Signaller)	Action for which commended (Date and place of action must be stated) For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELLICOURT between 29th September and 1st October 1918. Owing to other signallers becoming casualties, Pte. HUNT worked continuously for three days and nights, carrying out his duties. On three different occasions he went out to mend forward lines under heavy fire, owing to casualties to linesmen, and maintained his communications throughout a critical period, and when information was of the greatest value to his side. His courage and determination in keeping his lines intact set a high standard of work to all other signallers of the Battalion. Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.	Recommended by Lieut-Col. C.O., 58th Battalion AIF.	Honour or Reward MILITARY MEDAL.	(To be left blank)
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	58th BATTALION A.I.F.	1776	Private (L/Opl.) WILLIAM GLADSTONE POPPER	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELLICOURT between 29th September and 1st October 1918.</p> <p>Throughout the operation these two Stretcher Bearers continually carried out wounded under intense machine Gun and shell fire, taking many cases out in knights broad daylight from within 200 to 400 yards of the enemy line. They carried out all wounded men irrespective of Unit and when unable to obtain stretchers made use of ground sheets.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette. 1919.</p>	<p><i>Chas. Mason</i> Lieut-Col. C.O., 58th Battalion AIF.</p>	<p><u>MILITARY MEDALS.</u></p>	
		2931	Private WILLIAM FRANCIS MASON. (Stretcher Bearers)				

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Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit 58th BATTALION A.I.F.	Regtl. No. 3674	Rank and Name (Christian names must be stated) Private ALFRED JOHN EDWARD LEE.	Action for which commended (Date and place of action must be stated) For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations N.E. of BELMONT between 29th Sept. and 1st October 1918. This man volunteered to go out in daylight under intense shell and Machine Gun fire to bring in a wounded comrade who was lying in an exposed position. On the way Pte. LEE was blown up by a shell and wounded in the thigh but continued on and brought back the wounded man safely. Although again wounded Pte. LEE refused to go out to the Dressing Station until ordered to do so by the M.C.O. in charge of his platoon. Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.	Recommended by <i>Alfred John Edward Lee</i> Lieut-Col. C.O., 58th Battalion AIF.	Honour or Reward MILITARY MEDAL.	(To be left blank)
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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	1505	C.S.M. Rupert <u>WILLIAMS</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Near BELLICOURT on 29th September when his Company came under very heavy shell and machine gun fire this N.C.O. displayed the greatest bravery in moving about organising the attack. Although wounded he continued on duty and his initiative and courage contributed largely to extricating his Company from a difficult position. By his coolness and utter disregard of personal safety under exceptionally trying circumstances he set an inspiring example to all.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.		

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	5902	C.S.M. Ernest Aubrey <u>RICHARDSON</u>	<p>For conspicuous courage and leadership. During the operation near BELLICOURT on September 29th when his company was held up, he displayed the greatest bravery in organising bombing attacks under very heavy shell and machine gun fire. Again on 1st October near NAUROY when all his officers had become casualties he took command of his company, continued the advance, gained his objective and after pushing out forward patrols consolidated the position under heavy shell fire.</p> <p>He has on many previous occasions displayed splendid courage and leadership and has at all times set a magnificent example to his men.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	Distinguished Conduct Medal	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2647	Private (Lance Corporal) Leslie Norman <u>CLARKE M.M.</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Near BELLICOURT on 29th September this N.C.O. displayed the greatest courage and coolness during an enemy counterattack. He organised and personally led a party of bombers drove back the enemy and succeeded in establishing a bombing block which he continued to hold until severely wounded. His prompt action and bold leadership were the means of relieving a critical situation and were a splendid example to all.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with Nine Years Honours Gazette.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3015	Private (Lance Corporal) Samuel <u>McCLINTOCK, M.M.</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry, leadership and devotion to duty. On 29th September near BELLICOURT when the enemy were bombing in on our left this N.C.O. led a party against them and showed the greatest bravery and coolness in directing the attack. When a tank came up he quickly took advantage of this support and made good a long length of trenches and saps. Throughout the day he continued to harass the enemy. His boldness, personal bravery and initiative were a splendid example of capable leadership.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Honours Gazette.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3441	Sergeant Walter Henry <u>SERLE</u>	<p>For conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty. On 29th September near BELLICOURT he showed the greatest bravery and determination when his platoon was attacked by enemy bombing parties. It was due largely to his personal efforts that all the attacks were repulsed. Until wounded, his utter disregard of personal safety and boldness in dealing with the attacks were the means of saving the situation and were an inspiring example to his men.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL.	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	1705	Private (Lance Corporal) George Leslie <u>JOHNSTON</u>	For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On 29th September near BELLICOURT when his Company came under heavy M.G. Fire from an enemy strong post he displayed the greatest courage and initiative in dealing with the situation. He led a party of bombers and Lewis Gunners and by skilful leadership worked his party round the post and drove off the enemy - inflicting severe casualties and capturing two machine guns. By his boldness and initiative at a critical period he secured the flank of the Battalion and enabled the advance to continue. Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3313	Corporal (Lance Sergeant) Alec <u>STEWART</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Near BELLICOURT on 29th September when his Company came under heavy bombing attacks by the enemy he displayed the greatest coolness and leadership. He organised a party to collect bombs, led them with the greatest determination and repulsed the attack inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. By his personal bravery initiative and bold leadership, he set an inspiring example to all.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.		

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	5512	Corporal Thomas William <u>FOX.</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On 29th September near BELLICOURT he displayed the greatest determination and bravery when in charge of a bombing block. He collected a large number of enemy bombs and by his personal efforts contributed greatly towards beating off the attacks of the enemy. His initiative and utter disregard of personal safety were a splendid example to the rest of his party.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Honours Gazette. 1919.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2685	Private (Lance Corporal) Ernest Albert <u>GRIGG</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On 29th September near BELLICOURT under exceptionally heavy shell and machine gun fire this N.C.O. laid a wire from Battalion H.Q. to the front line. He several times went out to repair breaks in the line and succeeded in maintaining communication during a critical period when information was of vital importance. By his courage and utter disregard of personal safety he set a magnificent example to the remainder of his Section.</p> <p>No. recommended in connection with New Years Honours Gazette.</p>	Lieut. COL. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL.	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	3512	Private Alexander John <u>McPHEE</u>	<p>For conspicuous courage and devotion to duty. On the 29th September near BELLICOURT when his company was in a difficult position in a maze of trenches he displayed the greatest bravery in handling a Lewis Gun. Although fired at from three sides he continued to keep his gun in action and inflicted many casualties on the enemy. His prompt action and utter disregard of personal safety contributed largely to extricating the Company from a difficult position and were an inspiring example to his Comrades.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Honours Gazette.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL	

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	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2154	Sergeant Francis Felix <u>CLAUSEN.</u>	<p>For conspicuous courage and devotion to duty. On 29th September near BELLICOURT when nearly all his officers had become casualties this N.C.O. showed the greatest bravery and resource under very heavy shell and machine gun fire. He assisted the only remaining officer to reorganise the company and displayed splendid qualities of courage and leadership under very trying circumstances.</p> <p>Again on 1st October near NAUROY although wounded he carried on until the objective was reached, and the position consolidated and by his personal bravery and leadership set an inspiring example to his men.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Honours Gazette.</p>	Lieut. Col. Commanding 59th Battalion A.I.F.	MILITARY MEDAL.	

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

To accompany Brigade Order No. 206.

6th October 1918

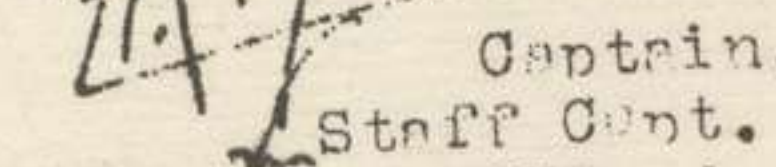


1. Advance parties have already gone forward and will meet units at the detraining Station on arrival.
2. SUPPLIES: On the day of entraining the unconsumed portion of the day's rations will be carried on the man. Rations for consumption on the 7th inst. will be carried on the supply wagons.
One day's rations will be taken with the supply officer on the first train of the Brigade for consumption on the 8th inst. The entraining officer will see that one 20 ton truck or two 10 ton trucks are allotted on the first train for the transport of supplies which will be placed on the train by the S.S.O.

Railhead	LONGPRE	on 7th inst.
	OISEMENT	on 8th inst.

Dump in New Area
HUPPY CHURCH

Time of drawing will be notified later.
3. SUPPLY AND BAGGAGE WAGONS
Supply and baggage wagons will accompany their own units in every case.
4. AMMUNITION
Ammunition must not be dumped. Echelons must travel full.
5. BLANKETS
Blankets will be carried on the man.
6. Unloading party
The unloading parties detailed in para 4 of Brigade Order 206 will be supplied with 48 hours rations, in addition to the unconsumed portion of the days ration. 57th Battalion will also detail one cooker complete with cooks, for duty with the unloading party. The unloading party will be quartered in the vicinity of the detraining station under Brigade arrangements.


 Captain.
 Staff Capt.
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Issued at 1200 to all recipients of Brigade Order No. 206.

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4. (a) The 15th A.L.T.M.B. and 57th Battalion will detail one Officer and 50 men as unloading parties to report to the Group Detraining Officer for duty immediately on arrival at the detraining station.
 (b) 59th Battalion will detail two Officers and 100 men as a loading party to report to the Group Entraining Officer for duty at the Entraining Station $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours before the time of departure of the first train.
5. Each Unit of the Brigade Group will detail a Unit Entraining Officer to report to the Group Entraining Officer $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours before the scheduled time of departure of the Unit Train. This Officer will be provided with a complete marching out list showing numbers of:
 - Officers.
 - Other Ranks.
 - Horses (Heavy or L.D.).
 - Wagons G.S.
 - Wagons, Limbered G.S.
 - 2 wheeled
 - 4 wheeled (Ambulances etc).
 - Bicycles.
6. Transport will arrive at the Entraining Station three (3) hours before the scheduled time for the departure of the Train.
 Personnel will arrive one and a half ($1\frac{1}{2}$) hours before the time for departure of the train. Units other than the 15th A.I. Brigade will arrive three (3) hours before the time for departure of the train.
7. Attention is directed to the "Special Orders for Entraining" accompanying this order.
8. Administrative Instructions consequent upon this order will be issued separately.
9. Brigade Headquarters will close at No. 5 Club Street, PERONNE four hours before the departure of the first train and will reopen at BEHEN on arrival.
10. Acknowledge.

W. C. ...

Captain,
 Brigade Major,
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Issued at 0800 through Signals to:

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57th Battalion	1.
58th Battalion	2.
59th Battalion	3.
15th A.L.T.M.B.	4.
No. 4 Sig. Section A.E.	5.
15th Aust. Field Ambulance	6.
8th Field Coy. A.E.	7.
14th Field Coy. A.E.	8.
15th Field Coy. A.E.	9.
H.Q. 5th Div. Train	10.
18th Company A.A.S.C.	11.
28th Company A.A.S.C.	12.
29th Company A.A.S.C.	13.
5th Aust. M.G. Battalion	14.
5th Aust. Mobile Vet. Section	15.
5th Aust. Pioneer Battalion	16.

Copies to:

G.O.C. 15th A.I. Brigade	17.
Staff Captain	18.
Brigade Quartermaster	19.
Brigade Transport Officer	20.
5th Aust. Div. "G"	21.
5th Aust. Div. "AQ"	22.
5th Aust. Div. Entraining Off	23.
Group Entraining Officer	24.
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SPECIAL ORDERS FOR ENTRAINMENT

to accompany

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 206.

dated 6.10.18.

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1. All trains will consist of one Officers carriage, 17 flat trucks and 30 covered trucks:
 - (a) Each "Flat" will take on an average 4 axles.
 - (b) Each covered truck will take 6 H.D. or 8 L.D. or 40 men.
 2. No personnel or stores will be allowed in the brake vans at each end of the train, or on the roofs of trucks. No covered trucks will be used for baggage.
 3. All baggage will be reduced to an absolute minimum and should reach the station "on wheels" ready to proceed direct onto the train. No dumping of quantities of baggage in the station yard will be permitted.
 4. All doors of covered trucks and carriages on the right hand side of the train will be kept closed.
 5. Piquets will be provided by Units at all stops to prevent troops from leaving the precincts of the train.
 6. Entrein with water carts and water bottles filled.
 7. Strict discipline to be maintained when entraining and detraining. Entrein under the guidance of the Unit Entaining Officer assisted by the Unit Officers. Once on the train no man to leave without permission.

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E N T R A I N M E N T T A B L E .

to accompany.

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 206.

Train No. from LE CHAPELLETTE	Div. Serial	Occupants of Train	Departs at
1st	2.	15th A.I. Brigade H.Q. No. 4 Signal Section A.E. 15th A.L.T.M.B., 15th Aust. Field Ambulance	
2nd	4.	15th Field Coy. A.E., 29th Coy. A.A.S.C.	
3rd	6.	57th Aust. Inf. Battalion	
4th	8.	58th Aust. Inf. Battalion	
5th	10.	2 Companies 5th Aust. M.G. Battalion.	
6th	12.	14th Field Coy. A.E. 18th Company A.A.S.C. H.Q. 5th Div. Train	
7th	14.	8th Field Coy. A.E., 28th Company A.A.S.C.,	
8th	16.	Headquarters and two companies 5th Aust. M.G. Battalion	
9th	18.	59th Aust. Inf. Battalion 3 Off. and 100 men 5th Pioneer Battalion, 5th Mobile Vet. Section.	
10th	20.	5th Aust. Pioneer Bn.	

NOTE: (a) Entraining Station, LE CHAPELLETTE, detraining Station MARTAINNEVILLE.
(b) Trains will depart at intervals of four hours.

- (c) The entrainment of all Units must be completed half an hour before the time for departure of the train.
- (d) Breast ropes for horses will be provided by Units - lashings for "flats" will be on the trucks.
- (e) No troops or transport will enter the station yard without having previously reported to the Group Entraining Officer.
- (f) The D.A.P.M. is arranging to control traffic in the vicinity of the station yard.

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A D D E N D U MNo. 1.

to

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 206.

6th October, 1918.

1. Reference Entrainment Table accompanying the above order the following times of departure of trains from LA CHAPELLETTE are now issued:

Date	Group Train No.	Div. Serial	Departs at.
7.10.18.	1st	2	0435
"	2nd	4	0835
"	3rd	6	1235
"	4th	8	1635
"	5th	10	2035
8.10.18.	6th	12	0035
"	7th	14	0435
"	8th	16	0835
"	9th	18	1235
"	10th	20	1635

2. Captain R.J.DIXON, 59th Battalion is now detailed as Group Entraining Officer in place of Captain H.R.GOLLAN, M.C.
3. Brigade Headquarters now goes to HUPPY in place of BEHEN.
4. Acknowledges

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

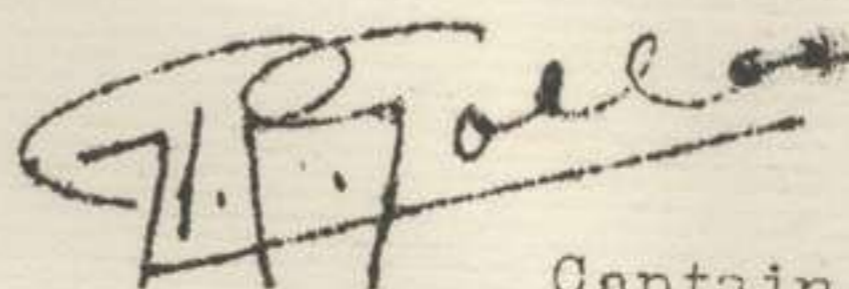
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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 206.

6th October, 1918.

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1. The loading party detailed in Brigade Order No. 206 is for Units of the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade Group only but this party will render any assistance to other Units as the Group Entrenching Officer may direct.
 2. Other Units will each detail their own loading parties to report at the train at the same time as the arrival of their Transport.
 3. The unloading party at the detraining station will assist all Units of the Brigade Group to unload.



Captain,
Brigade Major,
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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Headquarters,
15th Australian Inf. Brigade
6th October 1918

Times of departure of trains have not been definitely notified but it is anticipated that the first train will leave 1300. Each Unit of the Brigade Group will detail an Orderly to report to these Headquarters, No.5 Club Street PERONNE to await further instructions.

R. Gollan

Captain.
Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by
 Brig.Gen.H.E.ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
 Commanding 15th Australian Inf. Brigade
 7th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF

638. DAMAGED AEROPLANES: It is anticipated that some difficulty may occur in obtaining news of aeroplanes which have forced landings away from their aerodromes during open warfare. Units will therefore arrange for instructions to be issued to all units that when occupants of which are either missing or incapacitated, a telegram should at once be despatched to No.1 Aircraft Depot stating:

- (a) The number of machine, and type if possible.
- (b) The names of occupants, if any.
- (c) The co-ordinates on the 1/40,000 map of the place of landing.

N.B. the number of sheet must be stated.

- (d) Whether the machine is a total wreck, or appears to be only slightly damaged.

639. ENEMY AEROPLANES: Cases have occurred of casualties due to officers and other ranks crowding round hostile bombing machines when in flames on the ground.

Troops should be warned that in many cases there are unused bombs on these machines, which, while the machine is on fire, are likely to explode.

H. E. Elliott
 Captain.
 Brigade Major.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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640. CIVILIAN PROPERTY: Great care will be taken by all concerned to guard civilian property of every description whilst in present area. In this respect it is desired to draw attention to the fact that whilst there are numerous apple trees in the district the civilian population are, in most cases, entirely dependent upon them as a means of livelihood and therefore the greatest care must be taken to prevent any fruit being stolen. The scarcity of wood in the district, will, if great care is not taken by C.O's of Units, lead to a great deal of trouble and unpleasantness with the civilians.

If it is desired to procure additional fuel, proper arrangements must be made through an Interpreter and wood obtained paid for in a legitimate manner.

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641. CIVILIAN POPULATION:- ASSISTANCE :- As it is not intended that Units engage in any strenuous training for the early period in the present area the question of assisting civilians, in taking in crops is being considered. Detailed arrangements will be made and notified to all concerned as early as possible.

642. SANITATION: The attention of all C.O's is drawn to the existing sanitary arrangements in present area, which in some cases, are far from satisfactory. Steps will be taken forthwith to make adequate provision for proper sanitation of areas occupied.

643. DISCHARGERS FOR RIFLE GRENADES: Reference G.R.O.5147 of 29.9.18 following from Aust. Corps. No. G.26/362 of 3rd inst. is published for information and necessary action- notification to reach this office not later than 18th inst.

"In view of representations, it has been decided that the establishment of 64 dischargers per Battalion will be adhered to in Australian Corps, unless found insufficient in which case Division will notify the fact to these H.Q. before the 25th inst."

644. HONOURS & AWARDS:

The following Belgian decoration has been awarded -

CROIX DE GUERRE avec ETOILE VERMEIL

Brigadier-General H.E. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

The Corps and Divisional Commanders desire to convey their congratulations to the recipient.

645. PROMOTION: 59th Battalion

No. 5225 Lance Corporal TURNLEY, Al n Percy, to be Temporary R.Q.M.S. (Warrant Officer Class II) vice No. 396 R.Q.M.S. Octos F.A., returned to Australia on leave on 23.9.18. Dated 23.9.18.

646. VETERINARY: Units requiring Veterinary Services will apply to Captain H. TUCKER, A.A.V.C. who will be with the 29th A.A.S.C. until further orders.

647. COMPOUNDS: F.P. Compound is being transferred units will therefore send no prisoners until advised. Safe Custody Compound is located at I.33.C.8-2 for a few days pending transfer also.

648. LEAVE TO AUSTRALIA: Units will forward as early as possible on usual pro forma the names of all men at present with unit who are eligible for furlough to Australia.

H. Walwyn Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade,

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BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 53



"Brigade School"

1. The 7th Course at the Brigade School, which was recently interrupted by operations, will re-assemble tomorrow, 10th inst., at the CHATEAU, ERCOURT.
2. The following School Staff has been selected :-
 - Commandant - Major. D.B.Doyle 58th Bn.
 - Adjutant - Lieut. H.D.Willis, M.C. 58th Bn.
 - Drill Instructor - 2/Lieut.J.A.UNDERWOOD 59th Bn. (att'd L.T.M.B.)
 - School S.M. - R.S.M. J.H.STUBBS 58th Bn.

In addition all the N.C.O.Staff as were detailed for the last course will be again required.
3. The following details will be supplied by the Battalions named and will march in with the Staff as soon as possible after 1 p.m. tomorrow:

Orderly Room Clerk	-	59th Bn.
School Q.M.S.	-	59th Bn.
Signallers (one)	-	58th Bn.
" "	-	59th Bn.
Cooks (two men)	-	each Bn.
Bicycle	-	57th Bn.
Lewis Gun (complete)	-	59th Bn.
G.S.Limbered wagon	-	To be detailed by
(complete with team and drivers)		Bd T.O.
4. The following will be selected to attend
 - (a) Junior N.C.O's and Privates - General Infantry Course:
 - Each Battalion: approx. 20
 - Pioneer Bn.:)
 - 15th F.Co.A.M.) up to 5.
 - 15th F.Amb.:)

(These numbers are elastic but should not be exceeded except for special reasons. It is not intended to deplete Battalions unless sufficient suitable students can be spared).
 - (b) Officer Aspirants Course:

Those specially selected by C.O's. N.C.O's and men who have done previous classes should not be detailed unless they so desire.

(c) Musketry Course:

Each Battalion will select five N.C.O's or men for a six days course. This will be a preparatory course prior to their being nominated by their Battalions to attend either the G.H.Q. or Army Musketry Courses.

Student personnel will report to the School before 3 p.m. tomorrow carrying full equipment and the unexpired portion of the days ration in addition to 24 hours rations. Rations thereafter will be as arranged by Brigade Quartermaster.

Those attending will be provided with notebooks and any textbooks available. Training will not commence until the 14th inst. The Commandant Brigade School will forward to Brigade Headquarters a nominal roll of Staff and students as soon as settled.

J.P. Gallan

Captain.
Brigade School.

9th October 1918

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No.33

10th October 1917

1. FIRES - PRECAUTIONS AGAINST: The special attention of all officers is directed to G.R.O.2717 regarding precautions against fires. In view of the highly inflammable nature of the material stored in barns, etc., stringent precautions must be taken to prevent the possibility of a fire occurring. The instructions laid down in G.R.O.2717 are to be communicated forthwith to all ranks. Units will forward as early as possible certificates that the precautions laid down in the abovequoted G.R.O. have been complied with.
2. DESTRUCTION OF TREES AND PURCHASING OF TIMBER: The destruction of trees and burning of timber in the area is absolutely forbidden. No wood is to be purchased in the area without authority being first obtained through this office. This cancels Brigade Routine Order No.640 (last para only).
3. SHOOTING AT GAME: Shooting off game and discharging of firearms without authority in the area is forbidden.
4. STANDING ORDERS: Attention is drawn to Standing Orders for the area, which are being issued to Units. These orders are to be strictly complied with.
5. PICQUETS: Units will arrange for a picquet to be on duty in each of the villages occupied by the unit. These picquets will mount duty at 6 p.m. and will dismount at 10 p.m. Their duties will be to see that all standing orders and instructions issued with regard to the area are complied with and to maintain discipline in their respective villages.
6. AMIENS AND ABBEVILLE: AMIENS is still out of bounds. Leave to ABBEVILLE is regulated by G.R.O.4071.
7. REINFORCEMENTS: The Reinforcement Wing is established temporarily at OISEMONT Railway Station.
8. TRANSPORT LINES: Units will at once wire to Brigade Headquarters the location of all ^{of} their transport lines, and any subsequent alterations must be notified.
9. COMFORTS FUND: The Comforts Fund Representative is established at OISEMONT.
10. D.A.D.O.S. D.A.D.O.S. has established a dump at the Distillery, OISEMONT.

11. BATHS: Divisional Baths are established at HUPPY and have been allotted to Units of this Brigade as follows:

58th Bn. & 15th ALMB on 10th inst.
59th Bn. on 11th inst.
57th Bn. on 12th inst.

Thereafter units will arrange direct with the Q.C. Baths HUPPY for bathing.

13. PROTECTION OF PROPERTY: The attention of C.O's is directed to the necessity of safeguarding the property and interests of French Civilians while the Division is in rest. Past experience has shown that the majority of claims arise from the unauthorised taking of wood for fuel, and poultry. C.O's must make themselves familiar with the general condition of buildings within the area in which they are billeted, immediately on occupation. Officers and N.C.O's must exercise supervision over heating and lighting arrangements in billets. All claims for avoidable damage, unless there is direct proof to the contrary, will be regarded as the responsibility of the formation occupying the area, and such claims will be discharged by them. C.O's Units will furnish the Divisional Claims Officer with particulars of all claims settled by them direct with local claimants.

14. REPORTS ON MOVE: Units will submit to Brigade Headquarters a report on the move from the forward area to this area, stating what arrangements were made for the comfort of the troops, particularly regarding meals supplied before entrainment, during the journey, and on arrival at billets. This report is to reach Brigade Headquarters by 12 noon on the 11th inst.

15. TRAINING AND RECREATION GROUNDS ETC: Units desirous of using any ground for transport lines, recreation or training will first apply to Brigade Headquarters giving full particulars of location, area and name of owner, so that necessary arrangements can be made with the rent officer.

16. SUPPLIES: On and after the 11th inst. supplies will be drawn from the Brigade Dump by 1st line transport.
Location 15th Brigade Supply Dump - LES CROISSETTES.

17. MEDICAL: Locations 15th Aust. Field. Amb - BOENCOURT
No. 23 Aust. Dental Unit - BOENCOURT
5th Aust. Sanitary Sec. - OISEMONT

Retention of Sick

Attention of all R.M.O's is drawn to A.A.M.C. Standing Orders Aust. Corps Section II para 4.

Patients likely to be well within 5 days will be retained at Rest Posts within 14 days in Field Ambulance.

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16. BILLETING LISTS: All lists giving details of billets which were handed to billeting officers of Units by the Staff Captain are to be returned to this office by 6 p.m. on the 10th inst.

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

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADEAMENDMENT AND ADDENDUM to ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No.33

Headquarters
10th October 1918.

Reference para 2, delete words after 'forbidden', and insert the following new para. :-

PURCHASE OF WOOD, COAL AND VEGETABLES.

(a) Wood for fuel may be purchased in accordance with Fourth Army Standing Order.No.57 - local purchase price at present being 2 to 4 francs per 100 kilos.

(b) Coal may be purchased in accordance with the instructions laid down in S.S.571 - Ration Pamphlet - Section 12 (f).

(c) Vegetables - These may be purchased by units, but prices must not exceed those laid down for local purchase.

The following are the local prices for articles obtainable at present -

Potatoes	...	18 to 26 francs	per 100 kilos.
Carrots	...	18 to 26	do.
Cabbages	...	28 to 45	do.
Turnips	...	9 to 16	do.
Milk	...	30 to 40 centimes	per litre.
Eggs	...	30 to 40 centimes	each.

W. Kay.

Captain.
Staff Capt.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Brig. Gen. H. B. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G. D.S.O., D.C.M.
 Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
 10th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF

No. 1.

ADMINISTRATION

649. F.G.C.M. Every effort must be made to expedite the trial of any cases now with the units. Summaries of evidence and appreciations for F.G.C.M. must be forwarded to this office as soon as the case is prepared.

A F.G.C.M. will be assembling on the 14th or 15th inst. Units will prepare as many cases as possible for trial by this Court.

649. LATRINE SEATS Latrine seats are now available at Brigade Headquarters and may be drawn by Units as follows

57th Bn.	2 four seat latrines
	1 two seat latrine
	1 urinal trough.
58th Bn.	1 four seat latrine
	1 urinal trough
59th Bn.	2 four seat latrines
	1 two seat latrine.
15th ALMB	1 two seat latrine
15th Field. Amb.	1 three seat latrine
	2 two seat latrines
	1 urinal trough.

650. CONGRATULATORY Under authority granted by His Majesty the King the Field Marshal Commanding in Chief has awarded the following decorations -

DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL

2701	Sgt. W. A. MCKENZIE	58th Battalion.
2256	Sgt. F. P. WEISHEIT	58th Battalion.
3085	Sgt. S. COLLETT	58th Battalion.
4818	L. Col. M. B. GIBSON	59th Battalion.
864	C. S. M. J. McD. McCASH	60th Battalion.
3181	R. S. M. J. METCALF	60th Battalion.

The Army, Corps, Division and Brigade Commander wish to convey their congratulations to the recipients.

651. 1st LINE TRANSPORT All units will take immediate steps to renovate all 1st line transport. The following points which came before notice at a recent inspection of 1st line transport and require standardising are brought to notice, and details referred to and laid down hereunder will be adhered to throughout the Brigade.

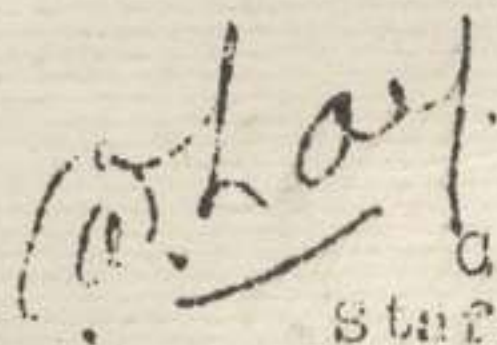
1. When parade of 1st line transport is ordered the following is the order in which transport of all units will turn out.

- (a) Drivers will wear bandoliers and belts. Breakmen in drill order (unless otherwise ordered). All personnel to wear hats and box respirators.
- (b) All horses and mules will carry nosebags, which will be empty, attached to saddle in authorised manner.
- (c) All officers saddles must carry pouches on them.
- (d) Water buckets will be carried on all vehicles.
- (e) Limbers will turn out complete with covers.

2. No vehicle must be painted or marked in any other than authorised manner.

3. In accordance with G.R.O. No. 4809 of 19-8-18 no part of vehicle will be polished but will be painted in service grey. This does not apply to harness, the chains of which must be kept brightly polished at all times to prevent rust.

As an opportunity rarely occurs when transport can be thoroughly overhauled it is desired that all units take immediate advantage of present conditions to bring all transport up to the Brigade standard.



Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADEBRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 54."Training"

1. Syllabus of Training for first week is issued herewith. Attention is drawn to General Staff Memo No. 243 attached.
2. Owing to the long period in the forward area such matters as General Turnout, bearing, saluting etc. have become somewhat lax. Special attention must be devoted to these points.
3. Units will select positions for 30 yds ranges, bombing grounds and P. & B.T. courses, and will notify Brigade Headquarters by 13th inst. of locality and the name of the French Civilians to whom the ground belongs. Permission will then be obtained from these persons for the use of such ground.
4. Units will also notify Brigade what material will be required for constructing such training grounds.
5. The afternoons will be devoted to Sports and general recreational training.
6. The B.G.C. desires that as much assistance as possible should be given to French civilians in collecting their crops.

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W. Chapman Major.
for Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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SYLLABUS OF TRAINING

FIRST WEEK

to accompany

BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 54

Date	Hours of Work	Work.
Oct. 14th	8.30 - 9 9 - 10 10 - 10.30 10.30 - 10.45 10.45 - 11.30 11.30 - 12.30	Inspectional Parade. General Kit Inspection. Organisation. Platoon Drill. I.T.Secs. 75 - 80. Spell. Musketry lecture & Practice. Aiming and Trigger pressing. Specialist Training.
15th	8.30 - 9 9 - 10 10 - 10.30 10.30 - 10.45 10.45 - 11.30 11.30 - 12.30	Inspectional Parade. Lecture on Saluting - Demonstration - Practice I.T.Secs 18 and 73. P & B.T. Spell. Musketry - Firing Positions. Specialist Training.
16th	8.30 - 9 9 - 10 10 - 10.30 10.30 - 10.45 10.45 - 11.30 11.30 - 12.30	Inspectional Parade. At the disposal of C.O. P & B.T. Spell. Lecture and Practice in Firing Positions. Rifle Exercises and Platoon Drill I.T.Secs. 47-80.
17th	8.30 - 9 9 - 10 10 - 10.30 10.30 - 10.45 10.45 - 11.30 11.30 - 12.30	Inspectional Parade. Lecture on Drill - Its Objects. Rifle Exercises. Platoon Drill. Spell. Musketry - Firing positions & Rapid Loading. Specialist Training.
18th	8.30 - 9 9 - 10 10 - 10.30 10.30 - 10.45 10.45 - 11.30 11.30 - 12.30	Inspectional Parade. Lecture on lessons learnt during recent operations. Gas Training. Spell. Musketry - Rapid Loading. At disposal of Q.O's.
19th	8.30 - 9 9 - 10 10 - 10.30 10.30 - 10.45 10.45 - 11.30 11.30 - 12.30	Inspectional Parade. Musketry - Repetition of Musketry work during previous five days. P & B.T. Spell. Lecture on Guard & Sentry Duties - Demonstration. Specialist Training.

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BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No.55

Brigade School, ERCOURT, 7th Course - 1st Week's Syllabus

Day	Time	Work
1st Day 14/10/18	8.30	Opening address by Commandant.
	9 - 9.30	Elementary P.& B. Training - Lecture on advantages of physical fitness.
	9.30 - 10.30	Musketry - Theory of Rifle fire and its practical application M.R. 17-35.
	11 - 11.30	Squad Drill without arms Sect. 12-46.
	11.30 - 12.30	(A) Lewis Gun - Lecture and elementary training. (B) Elementary Map Reading.
	2 - 2.30	Communication drill - words of command, checking faults.
	2.30 - 3.30	Lecture - Discipline - Responsibility of Junior Officers and N.C.O's.
2nd Day 15/10/18	8.30 - 9.30	Squad Drill without arms - I.T. Secs. 12-46.
	9.30 - 10.30	Musketry - Aiming Instruction & fire positions. M.R. 35 - 54.
	11 - 11.30	Elementary P.& B.T.
	11.30 - 12.30	(A) Lewis Gun. (B) Elementary Map Reading.
	2 - 2.30	Communication drill.
	2.30 - 3.30	Lecture - Map Reading.
3rd Day 16/10/18	8.30 - 9.30	Squad Drill I.T. 47 - 80.
	9.30 - 10.30	Musketry - Aiming Instructions and Fire positions.
	11 - 11.30	P. & B.T.
	11.30 - 12.30	(A) Lewis Gun. (B) Instruction in use of Compass.
	2 - 2.30	(A) Squad Drill - Students Instructing. (B) Lecture - Musketry.
	2.30 - 3.30	Lecture - Intelligence Reports.
4th Day 17/10/18	8.30 - 9.30	Squad Drill I.T. 47 - 80.
	9.30 - 10.30	(A) Lewis Gun. (B) Instruction in use of compass.
	11 - 11.30	P. & B.T.
	11.30 - 12.30	Musketry - Fire Positions.
	2 - 2.30	Section and Platoon Drill.
	2.30 - 3.30	Lecture.

Day	Time	Work
5th Day	8.30 - 9.30	Section and Platoon Drill.
18/10/18	9.30 - 10.30	Musketry - V.T. & J.D.
	11 - 11.30	P.T. & B.F.
	11.30 - 12.30	(A) Lewis Gun.
		(B) Instruction - Messages and Reports.
	2 - 2.30	Platoon Drill
	2.30 - 3.30	Lecture.
6th Day	8.30 - 9.30	Extended Order Drill.
19/10/18	9.30 - 12.30	Examination in Work done.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by
Brigadier General H.E. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
12th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF
Nil.
ADMINISTRATION

652. LEAVE LORRIES

Leave lorries, for personnel proceeding to U.K., will leave the following places for ABBEVILLE on the main BOUTTENCOURT - ABBEVILLE Road as under daily, commencing today 12th inst.

TRANSLOY 6.30 a.m.
MARTAINNEVILLE STATION 6.45 a.m.
LES CROISSETTES 7 a.m.

These lorries will only remain 3 minutes at each place.

653. R.C. Church Services for Sunday 13th October

Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 13th October as follows -

HUPPY CHURCH 10 a.m.
HUCHENNEVILLE CHURCH 11 a.m.
BEMEN CHURCH 11 a.m.
BOUCOURT CHURCH 10.30 a.m.

Confessions before Mass at HUPPY.

654. DENTAL

23rd Australian Dental Unit is now operating at the Headquarters of 15th Aust. Field Ambulance at BOENCOURT.

655. ANIMAL CASUALTY RETURN

Animal Casualty Return is no longer required.

656. C. of E. and O.P.D. Church Services

59th Battalion and Brigade Details Church Parade 10 a.m.
Holy Communion (open to all troops) 10.45 a.m.
Both Services in Y.M.C.A. HUPPY.

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



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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FOREIGN DECORATIONS - OFFICERS

Name and Rank	Unit.	Recommended for
DENNEY, Charles Aloysius Lieut.Colonel	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	CROIX DE GUERRE (Belgian)

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Brigade. 15th Aust. Inf. Division. 5th Australian Corps. AUSTRALIAN Date of Recommendation.

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)
	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-	Lieut. Colonel Charles Aloysius <u>DENEHY, D.S.O.</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the period January 18 to October 5th 1918.</p> <p>During the counterattack on VILLERS-BRETONNEUX on 24th April Lieut. Col. DENEHY, then commanding the 58th Battalion, by his untiring energy and skilful dispositions helped to ensure the successful issue of the attack which was carried out at night under very trying conditions and resulted in the capture of a large number of prisoners and machine guns.</p> <p>In the attack on HARBONNIERES on 8/9th August the 57th Battalion under command of this officer attacked as right Battalion of the Brigade.</p> <p>In the early hours of 8th August a heavy fog obscured everything and made the maintenance of correct direction very difficult. At this stage it was due to a very great extent to this officer's untiring energy, that correct direction was maintained and the Battalion ultimately reached the start line at the correct time.</p> <p>Later in the day the attack on right was held up by a battery of German 77 m.m. guns firing over open sights. In spite of this direct fire this officer pushed forward, ascertained the exact situation and so skilfully disposed his troops as to minimise casualties and subsequently capture the complete battery.</p> <p>His untiring energy throughout the whole operation and the most praiseworthy manner in which he maintained liaison with the Canadians</p>			

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Date of Recommendation.

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	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.		Lieut. Colonel Charles Aloysius <u>DEWERY D.S.O.</u>	<p>attacking on his right flank helped very materially towards the success of the operation and enabled a line to be subsequently consolidated about 14 kilometres from the original start line of the attack.</p> <p>Again during the attack on PERONNE August 28th to September 5th the 57th Battalion under Lieut. Col. DEWERY, opposed by strong rearguards of the enemy pushed forward at every opportunity and harassed the enemy to such an extent as to make his retirement very difficult and inflicted severe casualties on the retreating enemy.</p> <p>It was due entirely to the effective dispositions made by this officer that the enemy was harassed at every point of his retirement and subsequently the town of BOIGNY captured.</p> <p>Throughout the whole period under review the courageous and able manner in which this officer has at all times carried out his duty is worthy of very great praise.</p> <p>Awarded D.S.O. A.I.F. List 208. Not recommended in connection with New Years Honours Gazette.</p>	<i>A. S. Dewery</i>	Brig. General Commanding 15th Australian Inf. Brigade	(Lieut. Colonel) DEWERY (S.O.)

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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FOREIGN DECORATIONS - OTHER RANKS

No.	Name and Rank	Unit	Recommended for
2306	McDONALD, Alexander Private	57th Battalion Infantry A.I.F.	CROIX de GUERRE
3228	SMITH, George John Private	58th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	(Belgian) -do-
1676	MAGINN, Edward Private	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	-do-
1248	MUNN, Thornton Douglas Gordon Sergeant	59th Battalion Infantry A.I.F.	-do-

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5th Australian

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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)
	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	4248	Sergeant Thornton Douglas Gordon <u>MUNN</u>	<p>During the operations on 8th and 9th August 1918 this N.C.O. did splendid work. On the 9th when the Company was held up he showed great courage in moving up and down the line (under fire) and organising the Lewis Guns of three platoons so as that they would give good covering fire thus enabling the sections to continue the advance. By his fearlessness he inspired the rest of the men. The splendid example set by this N.C.O. is worthy of recognition.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.</p>		CROIX de GUERRE (Belgian)	

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15th Aust. Inf. Brigade. 5th Aust. 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)
	57th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	2306	Private Alexander <u>McDONALD</u>	<p>During the operations East of VILLERS BRETONNEUX 3th and 9th of August 1918 Pte. A. McDONALD's work as a runner stood out above the average. Amidst storms of machine gun fire and under heavy shell fire he repeatedly carried messages and was always ready to volunteer. So eager was he that he had at last to be ordered not to go out against without permission. He was almost dropping with exhaustion but still wished to carry on.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.</p>		CROIX de GUERRE (Belgian)	

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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.	3223	Private George John <u>SMITH</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations East of HARBONNIERES on 9th August 1918.</p> <p>Pte. SMITH was in charge of a Lewis Gun Team. He rushed his gun into position and gave covering fire whilst his Platoon advanced. He then assisted in holding a most important position, and by his courage and resource saved a critical situation. Later, when Platoon was held up by Machine Gun Fire Pte. SMITH continually rushed out under very heavy fire, establishing a Lewis Gun post giving covering fire.</p> <p>His utter disregard of personal danger and devotion to duty entitles him to special reward.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.</p>		CROIX de GUERRE (Belgien)	

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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)
	59th Infantry Battalion A.I.F.	1676	Private Edward <u>MAGINN</u>	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At VILLE-sur-ANCRE on July 4th-6th 1918 he displayed admirable coolness and self-sacrifice when one of a party at a bomb-stop during frequent attacks by the enemy. He was a tower of strength to the party. He has on previous occasions displayed a fine spirit of spirit of self-sacrifice when part of fighting patrols and raiding patrols.</p> <p>Not recommended in connection with New Years Gazette 1919.</p>		CROIX de GUERRE (Belgian)	

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by
Brigadier General H.E.ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
13th OCTOBER 1918

GENERAL STAFF

Nil.

ADMINISTRATION

657. F.G.C.M.

The undermentioned detail of officers will assemble at 10 a.m. on Wednesday 16th October 1918 at 57th Battalion H.Q. LIMERCOURT to try by F.G.C.M. the persons mentioned in the margin and such other person or persons as may be brought before it.

57th Bn.

3346 Pte. P.W.ADAMS
2052 " L.A.GARRETT
1923 " S.N.BOWYER
2297 " R.J.McDERMOTT
3123 L.Cpl. H.S.McCORMICK

President

Major R.McL.AITCHISON 57th Bn.

Members

58th Bn.

3372 Pte. W.R.J.CASEY
16096 " S.J.FOREMAN
3494 " J.KETT
1125 " K.CROUGH
3388 " O.BROWN

Capt. M.CAHILL
Lieut. N.J.McCAY
- - -

59th Bn.
57th Bn.
C.C.M.O.

The accused will be warned and witnesses duly required to attend.

59th Bn.

3315 Pte. H.GARDINER
3425 " E.A.KIRBY.
2193 " H.MAHONEY.
3573 " R.R.McFAYDEN
2287 " A.F.PRESTON
2557 " A.H.BROWN

Proceedings will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters.

658. RECOMMENDATIONS

Units will submit to reach this office by 6 p.m. 16th inst. the names of all officers and other ranks who have been awarded decorations and have not yet had same presented. Return will be furnished in accordance with pro-forma hereunder.

Officers

Other Ranks

- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d)

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- (a) will represent number of officers who have been awarded the D.S.O. or Bar and Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned officers and men awarded D.C.M.'s and have not yet had either order, ribbon or medal presented.
- (b) will include officers awarded MILITARY CROSS and other ranks awarded MILITARY MEDAL who have not yet had either cross or medal presented.
- (c) will include other ranks awarded Bar to MILITARY MEDAL who have not yet had either Medal or Bar presented.
- In the case of those who have been presented with medal but not bar a note to this effect will be made.
- (d) will include other ranks who have been awarded Meritorious Service Medal and have not yet had either ribbon or medal presented.

A nominal roll will accompany return set out under respective letters.

Only the names of officers and other ranks at present with unit will be rendered on this return.

659. BOUNDS

All villages outside Brigade billeting area are out of bounds to all troops unless in possession of a Special Pass. This order must be strictly complied with, particularly in regard to MOYENVILLE.

660. PROMOTION

57th Battalion

No. 4521 C.Q.M.S. Hughes F.V. to be Temp./R.Q.M.S., vice No. 403 R.Q.M.S. O'Neill on leave to Australia, 3/10/18.

Dated 3/10/18

661. MEMBERS OF JEWISH FAITH

Units will forward to Chaplain DANGLOW, H.Q., Australian Corps, the names of members of the Jewish Faith under their command.

662. REVOLVERS

It has been noticed that a number of N.C.O.'s and men are carrying revolvers, either issued or captured, when not on duty.

This practice may lead to serious results.

The Divisional Commander wishes steps taken at once to see that no N.C.O. or man is in possession of a revolver not issued to him, and C.O.'s Units will take immediate steps to hold an inspection of all kits and withdraw all unauthorised revolvers at present in possession of other ranks.

663. CHAFFCUTTERS

A report will be furnished by 16th inst. showing what Chaffcutters are held by Units, make of machine to be stated. Where machines authorised on establishment are deficient, the date of indent for replacement should be stated.

A. L. A. P.
Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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Headquarters,
5th Aust. Division,
14th October 1918.

My Dear General/

I desire to thank you for the report by Major KERR, M.C. on the amalgamation of the 60th Battalion with the 59th Battalion. The report is most satisfactory and complete in every respect, and reflects great credit on all concerned. I deeply appreciate the tact and judgment displayed and the success achieved by you in the very difficult and delicate task of re-organising your Brigade under the conditions that obtained at the time.

Will you please convey my thanks and appreciation to all who assisted you in the undertaking.

Yours very sincerely,

J. Salmon Hobbs

Brig-Gen. H. E. ELLIOTT, C.B., etc.

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Australian Corps.

Since the Australian Corps joined the Fourth Army on the 8th April, 1918, they have passed through a period of hard and uniformly successful fighting of which all ranks have every right to feel proud.

Now that it has been possible to give the Australian Corps a well-earned period of rest I wish to express to them my gratitude for all that they have done. I have watched with the greatest interest and admiration the various stages through which they have passed from the hard times of FLERS and POZIERES to their culminating victories at MONT ST. QUENTIN and the great Hindenburg System at BONY, BELLICOURT Tunnel and MONTBREHAIN.

During the Summer of 1918 the safety of AMIENS has been principally due to their determination, tenacity and valour.

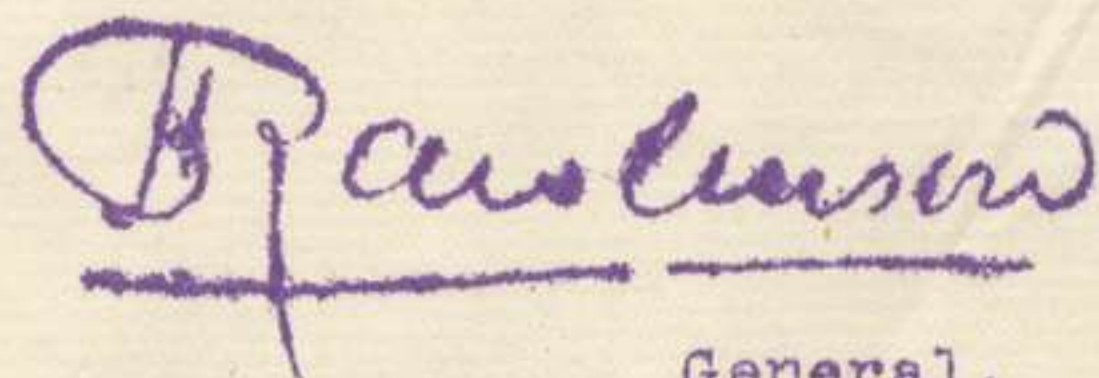
The story of what they have accomplished as a fighting Army Corps, of the diligence, gallantry and skill which they have exhibited, and of the scientific methods which they have so thoroughly learned and so successfully applied, has gained for all Australians a place of honour amongst nations and amongst the English speaking races in particular.

It has been my privilege to lead the Australian Corps in the Fourth Army during the decisive battles since August 8th which bid fair to bring the war to a successful conclusion at no distant date.

No one realises more than I do the very prominent part that they have played, for I have watched from day to day every detail of their fighting, and learned to value beyond measure the prowess and determination of all ranks.

In once more congratulating the Corps on a series of successes unsurpassed in this great war I feel that no mere words of mine can adequately express the renown that they have won for themselves and the position they have established for the Australian nation not only in France but throughout the world.

I wish every officer, N.C.O. and man all possible good fortune in the future and a speedy and safe return to their beloved Australia.



H.Q., Fourth Army.
14th October, 1918.

General,
Commanding Fourth Army.

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

ROUTINE ORDERS

by
 Brigadier General H.E.ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
 Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
 15th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF

Nil.

ADMINISTRATION

664. ISSUE OF COAL: Hereunder is list of Offices which were authorised to draw fuel for fire places at the rate of 200 lbs of coal per week for the winter of 1917-1918. Units will forward their remarks on same as for the coming winter to reach this office by 9 a.m. 17th inst.

Battalion Headquarters.
 Company. 1 each.
 Transport Lines. 1.

L.T.M. Battery. 1 fire place.

665. COMFORTS FUND ISSUE OF SHIRTS: It is anticipated that a number of woollen shirts will be issued by Comforts Fund at an early date, and it is desired that all units ensure that any shirts becoming surplus in consequence will be collected and delivered to Div. Baths HUPPY.

666. BRIGADE SCHOOL: The following men will be detailed by Units named for 3 days duty at Brigade School commencing 17th inst.

58th Bn. 1 Signwriter
 L.T.M.B. 1 Barber

Men will carry necessary tools and will be rationed by Units whilst at School.

667. ORDERS: Reference D.R.O.394. Return called for will be rendered by Units to reach this office by 9 a.m. 17th inst.

668. VISITS TO SALVAGE INSTALLATIONS - Ref. G.R.O.5200.

Units will advise this office by 9 a.m. 17th inst. if they wish to send parties to visit Salvage Depots, stating how many Officers and N.C.O's.

669. PROMOTIONS: 57th Battalion

3085 Sgt. R.H.DRYSDALE to be Temp. C.S.M. vice 3591
 C.S.M. J.SUMMERS, wounded 1/10/18. Dated 1/10/18
 1959 Sgt. A.G.HARRIS to be Temp. C.S.M. vice C.S.M.
 W.C.CRIGAN to Australia on furlough 23/9/18.
 Dated 23/9/18

669. STRIKING OFF STRENGTH OF ABSENTEES

Action in accordance with A.I.F. Order No. 777 will be taken forthwith by all units. A check will be made on next absentee return submitted to this office and this must show that all those who are able to be struck off strength have been dealt with in prescribed manner.

670. PRISONERS

It has been noticed that British soldiers, and, in many instances, officers crowd round prisoners of War Cages and talk and fraternise with the prisoners.

This practice is to cease forthwith and the Officers i/c Cages are held responsible that this order is carried out. Sentries posted round the cages are to be clearly instructed that they will be severely punished if they fail to enforce this order.

German prisoners have also been seen wearing articles of British uniform, caps, great coats, puttees, etc. This is to cease forthwith. In view of the orders which have already been issued on the subject, it should not be necessary to have to call attention to these matters. Any further slackness in this respect will be made the subject of severe disciplinary action.

W. L. A. J.

Captain.
Staff Capt.

15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

NOTICES

Y.M.C.A. writing, reading, games room is now open for all troops 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. in HUPPY.

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ROUTINE ORDERS
by

Brig.General H.E.ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
17th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF
Nil.
ADMINISTRATION

671. CONGRATULATORY

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

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER

Captain (T. Major) H.D.G. FERRES, M.C. 58th Battalion A.I.F.
BAR TO MILITARY CROSS

Lieutenant T.A. SLAUGHTER, M.C. 58th Battalion A.I.F.

The Corps, Divisional and Brigade Commanders wish their congratulations conveyed to the recipients, who should be informed as early as possible. Their names will be published in the London Gazette in due course.

672. ATTENDANT AT BRIGADE SCHOOL CANTEEN

The 59th Battalion will detail a man for duty at Brigade School Canteen, to report to Adjutant Brigade School at 2 p.m. 18th inst.

The man selected should be a reliable and capable salesman with a working knowledge of Canteen business.

673. WATER SUPPLY

The following wells in Huppy should not be used by troops for drinking.

13 Glasgow Rd. 59th Bn. H.Q. Sealed well with pump requires 3 measures B.P. per water cart.

64a Princes St. 15th Bde. H.Q. sealed well with pump.

The undermentioned well, owing to faulty construction is liable to become contaminated with surface drainage and should not be used without boiling. Further tests will be made of this well

674. ORDERS G.R.O. 5276 - DAMAGE TO RIFLES WHEN FIRING No. 36

GRENADE is hereunder republished for information and necessary action.

"1. Cases have occurred of damage being caused to the woodwork of rifles, chiefly between the point of balance and the butt plate, owing to the shock of discharge caused when firing No. 36 Grenades from rifles fitted with dischargers. This most frequently occurs when the gas-port is completely closed and the ground is hard.

2. On no account is the adjusting screw to be screwed tightly down so as to transfer the shock of discharge from the woodwork to the barrel of the rifle, as this tends to warp the barrel and flatten the nose of the rifle.
3. It has been found by trials, that on hard ground a sandbag, folded and placed under the butt as a cushion, minimizes the shock of discharge and greatly lessens the chance of damage to the rifle.
4. An amendment to S.S.190 (Rifle Grenade Discharger: Description and Instructions for Use) is being issued, dealing with the above points."
(10,002/37 (Q.C.2), 14-10-18).

C. H. Chapman Major
401 Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

NOTICE

A "Blue Light" room has been established in ASSEVILLE
at Place Pont de Pres.

This will be brought to the notice of all ranks.

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"Recreational Training"

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1. The organisation of Recreational Training resolves itself into:-

- (a) Formation of Sports Committees within Brigades, Battalions etc. and
- (b) The supply of Recreational gear.

2. With regard to (a) each unit should have an internal organisation for the encouragement of athletics and general recreational work, from which representatives could be sent to the meetings of the committees of the next higher formation.

3. With regard to 1(b), a graduated scale of free issues (vide the attached table) has been drawn up and this will be supplied by the Australian Y.M.C.A. as soon as it can be turned out from the factories in England. In the meantime the Centre Divisional Committee are buying gear to supplement this issue, and this will be issued to units.

4. For the purposes of grouping with regard to competitions etc. the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade, 15th Field Ambulance and Divisional Train (less 10th Coy. A.A.S.C.) will form No. 3 Group.

5. Divisional competitions will be as under:-

- (a) General Athletics.
- (b) Football (Rugby, Soccer & Australian Rules).
- (c) Boxing and Wrestling.
- (d) Harriers.

6. At a meeting of the Brigade Committee on 18.10.19.. it was decided:-

(a) To subdivide the Brigade Group as under :-

- A. Subgroup 57th Battalion
- B. Subgroup 58th Battalion
- C. Subgroup 59th Battalion
- D. Subgroup Bde. H.Q., Field Amb., and 15th ALMB.
- E. Subgroup Div. Train (less 10th Coy. A.A.S.C.)

(b) That Brigade Sports should be held about 9th November. The following general programme being decided on:-

- (1) 100 yds Championship)
- 220 yds ") 2 from each
- 440 yds ") subgroup.
- 880 yds ") Points 3, 2, 1
- 1 mile ") for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.
- High Jump)
- Long Jump)

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- (ii) Relay Race team of 4 from each Subgroup.
Tug of War team 10 men and a captain
Points 6, 4, 2 for 1st, 2nd, 3rd.
- (iii) Cross Country Run)
Officers Race) open.
- Sack Race)
Obstacle Race) 4 from each subgroup.
Musical Chairs on bicycles)
- (c) Football:
(i) In order to compete in the Divisional Competitions
Rugby and Soccer teams will be formed.
(ii) One team of Australian Rules from each subgroup.
Points Win 3 Draw 2.
The two leading teams to play for final when Points
6 and 4 will be awarded for 1st and 2nd.

(d) Subparas b(1) and (ii) and c(ii) shall count towards the Brigade Group Championship.

- (c) Football matches: Draw
- | | |
|-------------------|----------------|
| 57th v. 58th) | Saturday 19th |
| 59th v. A.S.C.) | |
| Bde.HQ. Bye.) | |
| 58th v. 59th) | Monday 21st |
| A.S.C.v.Bde.HQ.) | |
| 57th Bye.) | |
| Bde.HQ.v.59th) | Wednesday 23rd |
| A.S.C.v.57th) | |
| 58th Bye.) | |
| 59th v. 57th) | Friday 25th |
| Bde.HQ.v.58th) | |
| A.S.C. Bye.) | |
| 57th v. Bde.HQ.) | Monday 28th |
| 58th v. A.S.C.) | |
| 59th Bye.) | |

Time Commence 3 p.m. 4, 15 minute quarters.
Umpires to be supplied by teams having Bye.

- (c)
Tug of War Rules
All first pulls and semi-finals. One pull.
Finals Best 2 out of 3.
Pull 6 feet.
No knotted loops allowed in the end of rope.

7. Boxing and Wrestling. To be decided on at next meeting.

2658. All communications re sports to be addressed to Lieut. H. WALKER 59th Battalion.

18/10/18.

W. H. Chapman
Major.
for Brigade Major:
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

PROPOSED SCALE OF FREE ISSUE OF RECREATIONAL TRAINING GEAR

Article	Battalion or similar formation	Divisional Reinforcement Wings.	Brigade N.C.O. Schools.
Boxing gloves, prs	6	6	3
Medicine balls.	6	6	3
Punching pads.	1	1	1
Punching pad gloves prs.	2	2	2
Footballs, soccer	4	4	2
Footballs, rugby.	4	4	2
Base balls, sets	1	1	1
Cricket balls	8	8	6
Tennis balls	12	12	6
Cricket bats	2	2	3
Cricket pads, prs	1	1	1
Cricket gloves, prs.	1	1	1
Running shorts	12	12	12
Jerseys or singlets	12	12	12

Note.

- (1) For schools, other articles as may be reasonably asked for.
- (2) Additional gear to supplement this issue may be purchased at reasonable rates at E.P.C. Northern Headquarters, Paris Plage. For prices see S.S.137.

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BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 56

Brigade School
"2nd Weeks Syllabus"

Day	Time	Work
1st Day 1.10.18	8.30 - 9.25 9.25 - 10.20 10.40 - 11.35 11.35 - 12.30 2 - 3 3 - 3.30	Musketry J.D. Sec.67-68. (A) Elementary Map Reading. (B) Lewis Gun. P.T. & B.F. Squad Drill Secs.12-80. Recapitulation and Students instructing. Lecture - Trench Mortars. Demonstration - 15th A.L.T.M.B.
2nd Day 2.10.18	8.30 - 9.25 9.25 - 10.20 10.40 - 11.35 11.35 - 12.30 2 - 2.30 2.30 - 3.30	Musketry. Aiming Instruction Sec.40-44. Aiming off for wind and movement. (A) Elementary Map Reading. (B) Lewis Gun. P.T. & B.F. Squad Drill Secs.12-80. Recapitulation and students instructing. Platoon Drill - Aspirant Officers in charge. Lecture - Protection on March.
3rd Day 3.10.18	8.30 - 9.25 9.25 - 10.20 10.40 - 11.35 11.35 - 12.30 2 - 2.30 2.30 - 3.30	Musketry - Indication and recognition of targets. Fire Orders M.R. 57-59. Scouting and Patrolling. P. and B.F. Platoon and Section Drill Sec.75-80. Platoon Drill - Students in Charge. Lecture - Lieut.Col.ALDERSON
4th Day 4.10.18	8.30 - 9.25 9.25 - 10.20 10.40 - 11.35 11.35 - 12.30	Musketry - Indication and Recognition of Targets M.R. 57-59. (A) Prismatic Compass and Protractor. (B) Lewis Gun. Platoon in Extended Order Drill. P.T.& B.F. Baths
5th Day 5.10.18	8.30 - 9.45 9.45 - 11 11.15 - 12.30 2 - 2.30 2.30 - 3.30	Musketry - Fire Discipline 1st and 2nd Stages M.R. 55-56. (A) Prismatic Compass and Protractor. (B) Lewis Gun. Platoon in Attack. P.T. Management of large squads. Lecture
6th Day 6.10.18	9.30 - 12.30	Examination in work done.

W. A. Chapman
 Major.
 for Brigade Major.
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

18th October 1918

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by
Brig.Gen.H.E.ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
18th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF

Nil.

ADMINISTRATION

675. PALLIASSES

Units will arrange to draw palliasses as under from
Brigade Q.M's.Store CAUMONT tomorrow 19th inst.

57th Bn.	...	403
58th Bn.	...	334
59th Bn.	...	544
L.T.M.Battery		49
Brigade H.Q.....		90
Brigade School		80
		<u>1500</u>

Any Unit not requiring full number as laid down will draw
only up to requirements.
A careful check must be kept to ensure that no losses
occur.

676. ORDNANCE WORKSHOP

47th Light Ordnance Workshop is now established at
LONGPRE LES CORPS SAINTS.

677. LEAVE GRANTED TO ABBEVILLE

Cases have recently occurred of personnel granted leave
to ABBEVILLE proceeding to the R.T.O. at that place with
a view to returning to their billeting area by train.
It is to be brought to the notice of all ranks that there
are no trains from ABBEVILLE to the back areas, and that
the practice of approaching the R.T.O. with that view is to
cease forthwith.

678. DENTAL MECHANIC

Capt.Sutton, O.C.No.23 Dental Unit requires one Dental
Mechanic for temporary duty with his Unit. Units having
suitable Dental Mechanic among their personnel should
communicate direct with Capt.Sutton at 15th Field
Ambulance.

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

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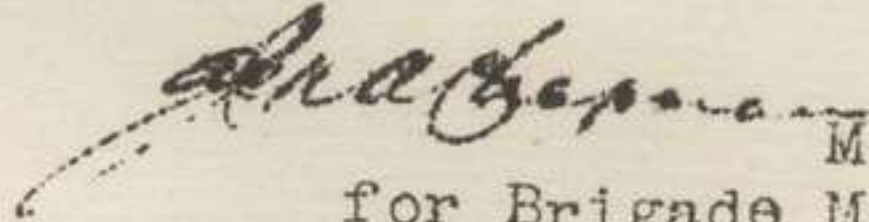
In addition to Divisional Blue Light Posts, the following
posts have been established: ABBEVILLE - Place Pont-de-Près;
EU - Square, Cafe Meridien ; HALLENCOURT - Billet No.454;
AIRAINES.

15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 58

"Syllabus of Training for week 21 - 26/10/18"

1. Herewith Syllabus of Training for week 21st - 26th October.
2. Anti-gas training will take place everyday, and, on days where a special time cannot be allotted for it, it will take the form of alarms etc. during other training.
3. Hours for training will be as laid down in last week's syllabus except on 25th when work will be commenced 1 hour later.
4. With reference to night work on 24/25th October, Battalions will notify the time and place to Brigade Headquarters.
5. Inspectional parade will be held every morning before Syllabus, as laid down, is commenced.


 Major.
 for Brigade Major.
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

19/10/18.

Distribution:

	<u>No. of copies</u>
57th Battalion	1
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59th Battalion	1
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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE
to accompany
BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No.58

"Syllabus of Training for week - 21 - 26/10/18"

Date	
1918 October 21st	Company Drill I.T.Secs.81-89. Musketry Training - fire discipline and control. Lecture on "Use of cover", with demonstration. Specialist Training.
22nd	Company and Extended Order Drill I.T.Secs.81-96. Musketry - Miniature Range grouping practice and if time permits application practice. Scouting and Patrolling.
23rd	Battalion Drill I.T.Secs.97-100. Musketry - as for 22nd. Lecture - Protection. Training by Companies in Advance, Flank and Rear Guards (in the Advance)
24th	Battalion Training in Advance, Flank and Rear Guards (in the Advance)
Night	Musketry - as for 22nd. Practice in night marching with protection (1½ hours)
25th	Battalion Ceremonial (½ hour) Lecture - Outposts. Practice by Companies.
26th	Battalion Route March - Marching Order with 1st line Transport. Route to be selected and forwarded to Brigade by 23rd inst.

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APPENDIX 24



15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

ROUTINE ORDERS

by
Brig.General H.E.ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.
19th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF

Nil.
ADMINISTRATION

679. SERVICES CHURCH SERVICE - C. of E. Sunday 20.10.18

Brigade Details and 59th Bn.

Church Parade 9.30 a.m. Y.M.C.A. HUPPY

57th Battalion.

Church Parade 11 a.m. Marquee at Battalion H.Q.
Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.

R.C. CHURCH PARADE Sunday 20.10.18

For 59th Battalion

Parade Mass in HUPPY Church at 9.30 a.m. Mass also at 10.30 a.m. HUPPY.

Confessions before 9.30 Mass.

For 57th Battalion

Parade Mass at HUGHENVILLE in the Church at 10.30.

For 58th Battalion

Parade Mass at BEHEN in the BEHEN Church at 11.00.

680. PERMANENT CADRE

In view of the drain on the permanent cadres in England due to the granting of furlough to Australia to 1914 men approval has been given for the temporary retention with the cadres of personnel who would ordinarily have proceeded to France on arrival of the usual reliefs on 1st November.

The reliefs for 1st November, however, are to be sent to England; the necessary figures and particulars will be sent as usual to Units where not laid down in A.I.F. Orders.

681. SOLDER KILN

A solder kiln has been established at Brigade Q.M. Store CAUMONT. All tins will be delivered to this kiln periodically. Greater efforts must be made in this direction.

R. Dawson

Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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ROUTINE ORDERS
by

Brig. General H. E. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
21st October 1918

GENERAL STAFF
III.
ADMINISTRATION

682. SIGNING CORRESPONDENCE

Attention is again called to the necessity of all correspondence intended for Senior formations being signed by C.O.'s units and NOT by Adjutants or Assistant Adjutants. Any infringements of this order will necessitate correspondence being returned to Units (except in Special Circumstances) thus necessitating a great deal of unnecessary delay.

683. COMPOUNDS

Aust. Corps S.C. Compound is now open to receive men for S.C. Compound is located at FLIXECOURT. No accommodation as yet for F.P. men.

684. S.B.R. Inspections

While the Brigade is out resting all S.B.R.'s must be inspected regularly at least once weekly by Unit Gas N.C.O.'s.

685. VETERINARY

The C.O. 5th M.V.S. has been instructed that a Veterinary Officer's chit is required with all horses sent to the M.V.S. except those requiring emergency treatment. This is to cover strays and all animals.

686. LIGHT WORKSHOPS

47th Light Ordnance Workshops now located HALLENCOURT.

Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

by
 Brig.General H.E.ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
 Commanding 15th Australian Infantry
 21st October 1918

GENERAL STAFF

Nil.

ADMINISTRATION687.F.G.C.M.

The undermentioned detail of officers will assemble at the
 59th Battalion H.Q. HUPPY, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday 23rd inst.
 to try by F.G.C.M. the persons mentioned in the margin and
 such other person or persons as may be brought before it.

57th Battalion

5092 Pte. J.A.FOSTER
 3621 " N.R.TAYLOR
 2613 " J.H.GASLEY
 2613 " R.C.BARKER
 5111 " S.G.HONEY

President

Major D.B.DOYLE 58th Bn.

Members58th Battalion

1316 Pte. R.STOBANS
 1756 Sgt. C.HOLDSWORTH

Capt. R.V.LINTON 57th Bn.

Lieut. A.J.BECK 59th Bn.

C.C.M.O.

The accused will be warned and witnesses required
 to attend.

59th Battalion

2024 Pte. E.G.WARE
 2561 " J.A.BOYD
 2659 " D.A.IES
 2557 " A.H.BROWN
 3315 " H.GARDINER
 1745 " W.P.WADDLE
 5671 " A.G.A.GIBSON

Proceedings will be forwarded to Brigade H.Q.

Sd/ C.W.LAY

Captain.
 Staff Capt.
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Headquarters,
22nd October, 1918.

8th Infantry Brigade.
14th Infantry Brigade.
15th Infantry Brigade. ✓
Divisional Engineers.
Divisional Artillery.



Herewith one copy of Citation conferring
the award of the FRENCH CROIX DE GUERRE to the following
officer -

Brig.-General H.E. ELLIOTT, CB. CMG. DSO. DCM., Commanding
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

W. M. ...
A.A.S.Q.M.G., 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION. COLONEL,

Q.G. le 27 Septembre 1918.

ORDRE du CORPS d'ARMEE

No. 297 "P"

Le General Commandant le 31^o Corps d'Armee cite a l'ORDRE du CORPS d'ARMEE:

le Colonel (Temp. General de Brigade) ELLIOTT, Harold, Edward, Cdt 15^o Brigade d'Infanterie Australienne:

"A montre une grande maitrise et une remarquable adresse dans le commandement de la 15^o Brigade d'Infanterie australienne, notamment pendant l'attaque du 25 Avril 1918 qui eut pour resultat la reprise de VILLERS BRETONNEUX, ainsi qu'au cours des operations franco-britanniques d'Aout 1918, a l'Est de VILLERS BRETONNEUX.

"C'est dans une tres grande mesure, grace a sa personnalite sa force de caractere, son initiative et ses talents militaires que la 15^o Brigade australienne a obtenu d'aussi brillants resultats"

Le present ordre confere l'attribution de la CROIX de GUERRE avec ETOILE de VERMEIL.

Le General TOULORGE, Cdt le 31^o Corps d'Armee:

Signe : TOULORGE.

ORDER OF THE DAY

from:

ARMY CORPS No. 297 "P".

The General Commanding the 31st Army Corps cites at the order of the Army Corps:

Colonel (Temp. Brigadier General) ELLIOTT, Harold Edward, Commanding the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

"Had shown a great control and a remarkable skill in commanding the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade, specially during the attack of the 25th of April 1918, which had as result the recapture of VILLERS BRETONNEUX, and also in the course of the Franco-British Operation of August 1918, to the East of VILLERS BRETONNEUX.

"It is due in a very great measure to his personality and his strength of character, his initiative and his military talents that the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade has achieved such brilliant results"

The present order confers the "CROIX de GUERRE" with the Golden Star.

General TOULORGE G.O.C. 31st Army Corps.

Signed TOULORGE

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CORPS d'ARMEE

Q.G. le 27 Septembre 1918.

Etat-Major

1er BUREAU

ORDRE du CORPS d'ARMEE

No /E.

No 297 "P"

Le General Commandant le 31^o Corps d'Armees cite a
l'ORDRE du CORPS d'ARMEE :

le Colonel (Temp. General de Brigade) BLANEY, Thomas, Albert,
B.G.G.S. Australian Corps :

"A rendu des services distingues comme Chef d'Etat-Major pendant les mois de Juin, Juillet et Aout, au cours desquels il a pris une grande part de la responsabilite dans la preparation de l'attaque victorieuse du 8 Aout 1918".

le General de Brigade GRIMWADE, Harold, William, 3^o Divisions
Australienne (Artillerie Divisionnaire).

"A commande l'Artillerie divisionnaire de la 3^o Division
Australienne pendant toutes les operations de la SOMME.

"Par son jugement rapide des necessites de la situation et sa prompte decision, a fait prendre position a son Artillerie entre l'ANCRE et la SOMME, le 27 Mars 1918, apportant ainsi une aide materielle des plus efficaces pour arreter l'avance sur AMIENS.

"Pendant les operations des 6 derniers mois, l'Artillerie sous son experte et infatigable direction, a ete un des principaux facteurs des pertes qui ont ete infligees a l'ennemi".

"Au cours de la recente guerre de mouvement du mois d'Aout dernier, la cooperation de l'Artillerie sous le commandement du General GRIMWADE, a rendu de tres grands services".

le Lieutenant-Colonel (Temp General de Brigade) MAC KAY Ivon
Giffard, de la I^o Brigade Australienne d'Infanterie:

"Depuis que la I^o Division Australienne d'Infanterie a débarque en FRANCE, a commande un Bataillon et dernièrement une brigade d'Infanterie comme General de Brigade a titre temporaire.

A brillamment

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"A brillamment conduit son bataillon a la prise de POZIERES, LE BARQUE, LIGNY-THILLOY et HERMIES.

"Pendant la contre-attaque allemande sur LAGNICOURT, en mai 1917, a reussi par son audace a repousser l'ennemi avec de lourdes pertes."

"A fait preuve des memes qualites pendant les batailles sur le front d'YPRES, en Septembre et Octobre 1917.

"Nom e au commandement de la 1^o Brigade Australienne le 8 Juin 1918, a, dans les combats a l'Est de VILLERS-BRETONNEUX en Aout 1918 mene cette brigade avec une grande maitrise prestant ainsi une large part aux succes des operations franco-britanniques.

le General de Brigade LEANE, Raymond, Lionel, 12^o Brigade d'Infanterie Australienne :

"Pendant la periode de Mars et Avril 1918, a fait preuve d'habileté, comme Commandant la 12^o Brigade Australienne, au cours d'operations combinees avec la Division francaise voisine, capturant de nombreux prisonniers et un material de guerre important".

le Colonel (Temp General de Brigade) ELLIOTT, Harold, Edward, 11^o Brigade d'Infanterie Australienne :

"A montre une grande maitrise et une remarquable adresse dans le commandement de la 15^o Brigade d'Infanterie australienne, notamment pendant l'attaque du 25 Avril 1918 qui eut pour resultat la reprise de VILLERS BRETONNEUX, ainsi qu'au cours des operations franco-britanniques d'Aout 1918, a l'Est de VILLERS BRETONNEUX.

"C'est dans une tres grande mesure, grace a sa personnalite sa force de caractere, son initiative et ses talents militaires que la 15^o Brigade australienne a obtenu d'aussi brillants resultats".

le Colonel BARBER, George Walter, D.D.M.S. Australian Corps :

"A organise et dirige d'une maniere digne d'eloges le service sanitaire du Corps australien lors des recent operations".

le Lieutenant-Colonel WILLIAMS Thomas, Isaac, Cornwall, de la 10^o Brigade d'Artillerie de campagne Australienne:

"S'est tout particulierement distingue par son remarquable devouement et les service qu'il a rendus pendant la period critique a VILLERS BRETONNEUX, du 4 Mai au 3 Juin 1918.

"Grace a ses services qu'ilefforts et a son infatigable energie, a reussi a maintenir une intime liaison entre l'Artillerie australienne et l'Artillerie de la Division francaise voisine pretegeant ainsi de la meilleur maniere les front allies"

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le Lieutenant-Colonel CURRIE, Patrick, Cdt le 28^o Bataillon AIF:

"Commandant un Bataillon Australien au contact des troupes francaises, a constamment maintenu avec elles une étroite liaison Par une heureuse operation devant le monument de VILLERS BRETONNEUX aussi brillamment executee que preparee, a permis a l'aile gauche francaise d'avancer ses lignes et de preparer ainsi l'offensiveallee du mois d'Aout 1918".

le Lieutenant-Colonel DAVIES, Charles, Stewart, du 32^o Bataillon Australien:

"modele de remarquable bravoure, d'entier devouement de mepris absolu du danger.

"Pendant les operations offensives franco-britanniques du mois d'Aout 1918, a conduit son Bataillon avec la plus grande maitrise attaquant et poursuivant l'ennemi avec opiniatrete, capturant un nombre tres eleve de prisonniers, de canons et un materiel de guerre considerable".

le Lieutenant-Colonel WHITE, du 33^o Bataillon Australien:

"S'est distingue d'une facon toute particuliere dans plusieurs operations locales au cours des operations de la SOMME, notamment a MORLANCOURT.

"Commandant de Bataillon plein de sang-froid et d'energie n'a cesse par son exemple d'elever l'esprit offensif de sa troupe;

le Lieutenant-Colonel LORD John, Edward, Cecil, du 40^o Btn Australien

"S'est particulièrement distingue comme Commandant la 9^o Brigade d'Infanterie Australienne au cours de l'offensive franco-britannique du mois d'Aout 1918 et notamment dans la poursuite de l'ennemi".

le Lieutenant-Colonel WOOLCOCK, Arthur, Raff. du 42^o Btn Australien:

"A pris part a toutes les operations de la SOMME depuis mars jusqu'a la date actuelle et a, pendant cette periode, rendu d'eminents services et remporte de brillants succes tactiques, notamment dans les durs combats de SAILLY le SEC. "

le Lieutenant-Colonel MURRAY, Henry William, du 4^o Btn de mitrailleurs Australien:

"Pendant les periodes du 23 Mars au 24 Avril 1918 et du 2 au 7 Aout 1918, a commande le 4^o Btn de mitrailleurs Australiens avec une remarquable habilete. Sous les feux violents de l'artillerie ennemie a réussi par sa bravoure a maintenir dans les circonstances les plus difficiles une liaison intime avec les troupes francaises".

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le Lieutenant-Colonel DERHAM, Frank, Plumley, de la 14^o Brigade d'Artillerie de campagne A.F.A.

"A su inspirer a ses subordonnes une confiance inébranlable grace a laquelle l'ennemi a pu etre fixe devant AMIENS. Pendant les attaques victorieuses en cooperation avec l'Armee francaise, du 8 Aout et jours suivants, a deploye les plus belles qualites d'initiative et a contribue, pour une large part, au succes complet de l'operation. Poursuivant sans repit l'ennemi en retraite, lui a inflige de lourdes pertes. A participe brillamment a la prise de PERONNE et a l'avance jusqu'a la ligne HINDENBERG".

le Commandant MILNE Edmond Osborne, D.A.Q.M.G. Corps Australien:
"Intendant General du Corps Australien, a dirige d'une maniere digne d'eloges, le sauvetage des recoltes abandonnees dans la zone avancee".

le Commandant BORWICK Thomas, Faulkner, Chef d'Etat-Major de la 2^o Divisions Australienne :

"Chef d'Etat-Major d'une Division Australienne; a donne en maintes circonstances les preuves de son habilete et de son courage en executant de nombreuses reconnaissances sous le feu de l'ennemi et contribue ainsi, pour une large part, aux brillants succes de sa Division dans les combats de la Somme".

le Commandant PLANT Eric, Olive, Pegus, Chef d'Etat-Major de la 4^o Division Australienne :

"Chef d'Etat-Major d'une division australienne en liaison étroite avec le 31^o Corps d'Armee Francais, a rendu aux forces allies des services tres apprecies au cours d'importantes actions defensives et offensives".

le Commandant ORISP, Alan, Percy, de la 7^o Bie de la 3^o Brigade d'Artillerie de campagne :

"Grace a sa bravoure et a son devouement, a contribue a arreter l'ennemi sur le front d'AMIENS, puis a lui faire subir une defaite sanglante. A fait preuve de beaucoup d'habilete et d'un talent remarquable dans la poursuite de l'ennemi facilitant la progression du Corps francais cooperant avec le Corps Australien".

le Commandant HEBB, Frederic, Wilson, de la 18^o Batterie de la 6^o brigade d'Artillerie Australienne :

"Commandant de batterie de grande initiative et de qualites manoeuvrieres exceptionnelles. A coopere avec l'Armee francaise a de nombreux combats puis a l'offensive victorieuse d'Aout 1918".

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le Commandant MAC CORLACK William, Thomas, Bartholemew, de la 10^e Cie du Genie Australien :

"Officier de grande bravoure. En liaison avec l'Armee francaise a contribue, par ses travaux judicieux, a arreter l'ennemi devant AMIENS puis a preparer le passage des rivieres aux troupes d'assaut lors de l'offensive victorieuse d'Aout 1918 deployant dans ces circonstances un courage exceptionnel".

le Commandant GREENHAY, Harold, de la 15^e Cie de campagne genie Australien :

"A organise d'importantes travaux en vue du depart des vagues d'assaut des troupes Australiennes et francaises, puis en assurant, avec un zele infatigable, l'organisation du terrain conquis jusqu'au moment ou l'ennemi, battu, a du se replier precipitamment".

le Commandant HAMILTON, Ronald, Garnet, de la 3^e Compagnie de Signaleurs S.M. 3^e Division :

"Officier de grand merite, Grace a son courage et a son zele infatigable, a reussi a assurer les communications entre le Corps Australien et l'Armee Francaise dans la preparation et l'execution de l'Offensive victorieuse d'Aout 1918".

le Commandant ALLEN, Arthur, Samuel, du 45^e Bataillon Australien :

"Officier possedant de grandes qualites militaires. Brave entraineur d'hommes, a repousse avec un courage exemplaire plusieurs attaques ennemies puis, en liaison intime avec l'Armee francaise a attaque le bois du MONUMENT, le 3 mai 1918, faisant preuve d'une habilete exceptionnelle".

le Major S.A. HUNN, Chef de Bureau des Renseignements (G.S.O.2) C.A. Australien :

"Chef du Bureau des renseignements du Corps Australien, a fait preuve d'une grande competence d'un zele, et d'un devouement inlassables en assurant la liaison entre le Corps Australien et Corps d'Armee francais voisin pendant l'Offensive victorieuse d'Aout 1918 qui a determine la retraite de l'ennemi".

le Commandant PHILLIPS, Herbert, Peter, du 3^e Bataillon d'equipage de pont Australien :

"A assure la construction de ponts sous le feu de l'ennemi pendant les operations devant AMIENS, puis, au moment de l'avance victorieuse d'Aout 1918, a retabli les communications dans le minimum de temps malgre des difficultes nombreuses".

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le Commandant WALL, Frederic, Lawrence, de la 7^e Ambulance de Campagne Australienne :

"A assure avec beaucoup de zele et une grande bravoure l'evacuation des blesses pendant l'offensive victorieuse d'Aout 1918 se rendant en ligne aupres des blesses aussi bien francais qu'Anglais pour leur donner ses soins".

le Capitaine (Temp Commandant) DAVIS, Algernon, Wiseman, du 13^e bataillon Australien :

"A assure la liaison avec l'Armee francaise dans des circonstances penibles, traversant des feux de barrage pour assurer son service. A fait une reconnaissance sous le feu des mitrailleuses rapportant des renseignements precieux qui ont eu une grande influence sur les operations engagees".

le Capitaine (Temp Commandant) ROBERTS, Percival, Thomas, du 53^e bataillon d'Infanterie :

"A coopere brillamment a la tete de son bataillon a la defense en avant d'AMIENS, Le 17 Avril 1918, bien qu'atteint par des gaz toxiques, avant perdu une partie de son Etat-major et de sa troupe, a continue neanmoins sa resistance heroique sans flechir jusqu'au moment de la releve".

le Capitaine HORNE, Cyril, Dennis, (Temp Commandant), du 4^e Bataillon Australien d'equipages de ponts :

"Du 23 Avril au 20 mai 1918, par son infatigable energie et son heureuse energie, a reussi a creer tout un systeme de defenses en avant d'AMIENS, travaillant nuit et jour en liaison avec l'Armee francaise pour arreter l'ennemi. Grace a son exemple et a son accendant sur la troupe a rendu ainsi des services exceptionnels qui ont contribue a fixer l'ennemi".

Le present ordre confere l'attribution de la CROIX de GUERRE avec ETOILE de VERMEIL.

le General TOULORGE, Cdt le 31^e Corps d'Armee:

Signe : TOULORGE.

Pour Ampliation
Le Chef d'Etat-Major.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by
Brig. General H.E. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
23rd October 1918

GENERAL STAFF

688. INSPECTIONS

The Divisional Commander will be inspecting all units of the Division in turn in the near future.

It will probably be impossible to give long notice of such inspections. Consequently all battalions and Divisional Troops must be prepared to turn out a complete parade (with transport) for the Divisional Commander's inspection at short notice. Notice will usually be given the day before a parade is required.

W. A. Chapman Major.
for Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

ADMINISTRATION

689. TRAINING STORES

The following distribution of the undermentioned Training Stores has been approved. Articles required may be drawn at once from D.A.D.O.S. Receipts will be given.

As these stores are part of the Training material of the 5th A.D.R.W. it is requested that special care be taken of them. They will be returned to D.A.D.O.S. at the conclusion of the present training period:-

57th Bn. 58th Bn. 59th Bn. Bde. Schl.

Rifles sniping '14 pat.	1	1	1	-
Range finders M. & S. Complex with case & stand	-	-	-	1
M.G. German Heavy	-	-	-	1
" Light	-	-	-	-
Pairs dark goggles (for night patrol training).	1	1	1	-
Sniper's suits	-	-	-	1
German M.G. Belt Boxes	-	-	-	1
" Belts	-	-	-	2

When the number of articles does not permit of a distribution to all (e.g. Light German M.G.) arrangements may be made between parties concerned for a loan of the articles in question.

690. ISSUE OF NEW PAYBOOKS

A Staff of Pay Clerks is at present working at Brigade Headquarters to enable new issue of paybooks to be made as early as possible.

This however necessitates old books being called in some days beforehand for purposes of checking.

Should any man leave unit to proceed to Hospital, Schools, Leave etc., application must be made to Brigade H.Q. for either his old paybook or a new paybook. Should any man leave unit and not be in possession of a paybook, unnecessary hardship may be imposed and it is therefore desired that all Unit Commanders give this matter their attention.

691. MAGNETIC COMPASSES

Units will return to D.A.D.O.S. magnetic compasses issued on 14-3-18 and report to this office number returned, accounting for deficiencies, if any.

W. H. L. ... Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

NOTICES

The Divisional Concert Party will show at Y.M.C.A. HUPPY commencing tomorrow night 24th inst. for three nights. Admission free. Hours 6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.

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ROUTINE ORDERS
by

Brig. General H. E. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
24th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF

692. INTELLIGENCE TRAINING

A Special six days course of Map Reading and Ground Relief Modelling will be held at the Brigade School commencing Monday, 23rd inst.
Each Battalion will send for this course the Battalion Intelligence Officer and 6 observers to report to the Brigade School on the 27th inst. Students will take Note Books and Pencils. Officers will also take Prismatic Compasses and Protractors.
Nominal rolls will be forwarded to this Office on 26th inst. Accommodation will be arranged by the Brigade School.
Cpl. C. E. Isaac (Instructor) will report to the Brigade School on the 26th inst.

693. AUSTRALIAN CORPS SCHOOL

A report has been received from the Commandant, Australian Corps School, with reference to Students attending courses. Numerous discrepancies in the numbers reporting have occurred. Units will take steps to ensure that all Students nominated proceed in accordance with instructions issued by this office for the various schools.

Quatcapma Major.
for Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

ADMINISTRATION

694. LIGHT TRENCH MORTAR BATTERY - TRANSPORT

Each Battalion will detail one Limber for duty with Light Trench Mortar Battery to report tomorrow, 25th inst.
The Light Trench Mortar Battery will arrange for all Transport of late 60th Battalion at present in their possession to be returned to 5th Divisional Train, VILLERS-sous-MARIEUL.

R. R. ... Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

NOTICES

Miss Lena Ashwell's Concert Troupe will stage at the Y.M.C.A. tomorrow, 25th inst. commencing at 14.00 h.

The 5th Divisional Concert Party will draw to units of the Brigade as under:

- 59th Battalion night 24th inst.
- 57th Battalion night 26th inst.
- 58th Battalion night 28th inst.
- 15th Bde. H.Q. and
- 15th A.L.T.M.B. night 29th inst.

Concert will be held at the Y.M.C.A. commencing at 19.00

BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 59

Brigade School, ERCOURT, 7th Course - 3rd Week's Syllabus

Day	Time	Work
13th Day 28.10.18	8.30 - 9.30	Company Drill.
	9.30 - 10.30	Musketry Ranging M.R.Sec.39. Use of ground and cover Sec.51.
	10.30 - 12.30	Protection on March - Practice.
	2 - 2.30	P.T. and B.F.
	2.30 - 3.30	Lecture - "Organisation of German Army: Lieut. Murray

14th Day	8.30 - 10	Musketry - Preparation of Range Cards Tests in J.D. M.R.Sec.68
	10 - 11.30	(A) Messages and Reports (B) Lewis Gun.
	11.30 - 12.30	P.T. and B.F.
	2 - 2.30	Demonstration - Guard Mounting.
	2.30 - 3.30	Lecture - "The Company in Attack"

15th Day 30.10.18	8.30 - 9.30	Company Drill.
	9.30 - 11.15	Company in Attack - Demonstration over flagged course.
	11.15 - 12.30	(A) Map Reading - Resection - Location of points. (B) Lewis Gun.
	2 - 2.30	P and B.T.
	2.30 - 3.30	Lecture - Artillery - Major Forbes

16th Day 31.10.18	8.30 - 9.45	Musketry - Tests of Elementary Training M.R.63-64.
	9.45 - 11	Lewis Gun.
	11.15 - 12.30	P.T. and B.F. Baths

17th Day 1.11.18	8.30 - 9.45	Musketry - Grouping and application on Miniature Range.
	9.45 - 11	Reconn. sance - Messages and Reports
	11.15 - 12.30	Platoon and Squad Drill - Recapitulation.
	2 - 3	Lecture Gas - Lieut. D.O. SHIELDS
	3 - 3.30	Demonstration - Instruction of Squad in Anti-Gas Training.

18th Day	8.30 - 12.30	Recapitulation and Examination in work done.

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John Kapura Major.
for Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

25th October 1918

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by
Brig. General H.E. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
25th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF
NII.
ADMINISTRATION

695. PROMOTIONS

Reference B.R.O. 150 of 8.2.18 limiting the number of promotions to substantive rank above that of Lieutenant in Infantry, Pioneer and Machine Gun Battalions, is cancelled. Recommendations may now be submitted for substantive promotions to complete to the authorised establishment of each Battalion. It is desired that recommendations should be submitted to Brigade H.Q. without delay, as promotions to substantive rank will not be antedated prior to the date of this order. Temporary promotions will only be approved for purposes of command, and the fact that an officer is commanding a Company should be clearly stated on a recommendation for the grant of temporary rank of Captain. Units will submit recommendations to reach this office by 29th inst.

696. PAY

Pay will be available on Monday next 28th inst. at 11.00 at Brigade Headquarters for all Imprest Holders. The Paybooks of the 59th Battalion will be in the hands of the Paybook Issue Staff on 28th inst., and new books issued on 29th inst.

697. TEMPORARY RANK

Recommendations may now be submitted for the confirmation of temporary ranks that may be held by the R.S.Ms. of Infantry, Pioneer and M.G. Battalions, provided substantive vacancies exist.

In submitting such recommendations the cause of the vacancy should be stated and a certificate attached stating that there is no surplus R.S.M. holding substantive rank with other Battalions of the Brigade.

Promotions to substantive rank will not be antedated prior to the date on which temporary rank may be granted.

698. PROMOTION

Captain R.J. DICKSON is granted the temporary rank of Major
59th Battalion
Dated 19.10.18

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699. LEAVE IN FRANCE

Personnel nominated for leave in FRANCE in accordance with 54/509 of 11th inst., who are subsequently evacuated or become unavailable for any other reason, are to be notified to this Office immediately and thus obviate the vacancies allotted becoming void.

700. FUEL

The following are the authorised fire-places for which fuel may be drawn at the rate of 200 lbs. of coal per week.

Bde H.Q. { G.O.C.
 Staff 2
 Clerks
 Signallers 1
 57th Battalion H.Q. 2
 Transport lines and
 Companies, each 1 fireplace.
 58th Battalion H.Q. 2
 Transport Lines and
 Companies, each 1 fireplace.
 59th Battalion H.Q. 2
 Transport Lines and
 Companies, each 1 fireplace.
 15th A.L.T.M.B.

Coal authorised above will be drawn from Brigade Supply Dump each Saturday, commencing 26th inst.

701. FAT, SAVING OF

The fat returns of some Units of Brigade have not been up to standard. Greater efforts must be made in this respect.

702. MARCHED IN from 5th A.D.R.W. tomorrow 26th inst.

57th Bn.	1 Officer	3 O.Rs.
58th Bn.		4 O.Rs.
59th Bn.	2	20 O.Rs.

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

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADEBRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No.60"Syllabus of Training for week - 28/10/18 to 2/11/18"

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1. Herewith Syllabus of Training for week ending 2nd November.
 2. Attention is called to this office G1/769 of 17th October regarding Battalion Schemes.
 3. During night training on 31st/1st S.B.R's will be worn for a short period. Work on morning of 1st to commence 1 hour later.

28th October 1918

Quillman Major.
for Brigade Major.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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15th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

to accompany

BRIGADE CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 60"Syllabus of Training for week - 28/10/18 to 2/11/18"

Date	Training
1918 October 28th	Ceremonial parade as laid down in para 5 of this office G1/1083 of 26th inst.
29th	Inspection by G.O.C. Division.
30th	Lecture on Outposts. Practice by Companies.
31st Night	Battalion Scheme comprising protection on the march and at rest. Practice in Outpost Duty at night (1½ hours)
November 1st	Conference on training at Divisional Headquarters (G1/1047 of 25th October). Battalion at disposal of C.O. for training.
2nd	Lecture on Platoon and Company in Attack in open warfare. Practice on the above, particular attention being paid to points brought forward during musketry Training e.g. covering fire.

ROUTINE ORDERS

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by
Brigadier General H.E. ELLIOTT, G.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
27th OCTOBER 1918

GENERAL STAFF

Nil.
ADMINISTRATION

703. CONGRATULATORY

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

THE MILITARY CROSS

Captain B. PEACOCK	57th Battalion A.I.F.
Lieutenant M.J. MEARA	57th Battalion A.I.F.
Lieutenant G. LAING	58th Battalion A.I.F.

DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL

No. 5122 Corporal W. KILGOUR	57th Battalion A.I.F.
No. 1663 L. Corpl. W.H. BOXER, M.M.	58th Bn. A.I.F.

The Army, Corps, Divisional, and Brigade Commanders wish their congratulations to be conveyed to the recipients, who should be informed as early as possible.

Their names will be published in the London Gazette in due course.

704. TENTS

Units will advise by 6 p.m. 29th inst. how many tents are occupied by troops in their areas so that the question of the provision of tent floors can be taken up.

Only tents which have to be used should be included. Where men can be accommodated in billets, tents should not be included.

705. REVOLVERS

Reference B.R.O. No. 662 of 13th inst. steps are to be taken in every Unit to ensure that revolvers are only worn by men on duty, and then only when their duty demands it. The wearing of an unauthorised revolver from now on will be treated as a serious offence.

706. RETURN OF FAT

The Return of Fat saved by the Division for the month of October shows a great falling off.

The Divisional Commander desires units to make every effort to keep up the excellent record attained by the Division hitherto.

707. RETURN TO AUSTRALIA

When submitting applications for return to Australia, it must be stated whether applicant is willing to have 30/- debited to his paybook to defray cost of cable. This is required to enable statements to be verified.

C. H. O'Connell
Captain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade. P.T.O.

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by
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Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
23th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF

Nil.

ADMINISTRATION

708. WEEKLY FIGHTING STRENGTH

In future, for the purpose of the above return, officers will be struck off the strength immediately they become casualties in action. The present practice of waiting for wounded and missing officers to be seconded in A.I.F. Orders will therefore cease. Officers wounded and remaining at duty will not be struck off unless - and until - subsequently evacuated.

R. Robinson

Captain.
for Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

NOTICES

The 5th Div. Concert Party is now showing in the New Theatre, near Canteen in Boulevard, ABBEVILLE, starting at 8 p.m. nightly
Prices - 4, 3, 2, and 1 franc.

Brigade Sports Meeting will be held on 6th November at
59th Battalion Parade Ground.

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by
Brigadier General H.E.ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
29th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF
N.I.
ADMINISTRATION

CONGRATULATORY

The Corps Commander has awarded the undermentioned decorations:-

BAR TO THE MILITARY MEDAL

1290 Private	S. TRELOAR, M.M.	59th Battalion. A.I.F.
3015 L. Corporal	S. McCLINTOCK, M.M.	59th Battalion.
2647 L. Corporal	L.N. CLARKE, M.M.	59th Battalion.

THE MILITARY MEDAL

5224 Private	J.E. WAKE	57th Battalion. A. I. F.
2547 Private	R.J. HOOKING	57th Battalion.
4654 Sergeant	L. E. FRENCH	57th Battalion.
3674 Private	A. J. E. LEE	58th Battalion. A. I. F.
1776 L. Corporal	W. G. POTTER	58th Battalion.
2931 Private	W. F. MASON	58th Battalion.
4516 Private	J. W. HUNT	58th Battalion.
3202 Private	J. W. PATRICK	58th Battalion.
2878 Private	C. B. MATHIESON	58th Battalion.
3085 Sergeant	N. W. ASPINALL	58th Battalion.
465 T. Sergt.	G. W. MOWAT	58th Battalion.
2681 Corporal	E. L. TOWNSEND	58th Battalion.
3217 Corporal	H. L. PLEDGE	58th Battalion.
3261 L. Corporal	F. H. P. CLEARY	58th Battalion.
2154 Sergeant	E. F. CLAUSEN	59th Battalion. A. I. F.
3512 Private	A. J. McPHEE	59th Battalion.
2683 L. Corporal	E. A. GRIBB	59th Battalion.
3512 Corporal	T. W. FOX	59th Battalion.
3312a L. Sergt.	A. STEWART	59th Battalion.
1705 L. Corporal	G. L. JOHNSTON	59th Battalion.
3441 Sergeant	W. H. SERLE	59th Battalion.
5145 L. Corporal	C. W. MORAN	59th Battalion.
1505 C.S.M.	R. WILLIAMS	59th Battalion.

The Corps, Divisional and Brigade Commanders wish their congratulations to be conveyed to the recipients, who should be informed as early as possible. Their names will be published in the LONDON GAZETTE in due course.

P.T.O.

710. ORDERS G.R.O. 2638 BOOTS is republished for necessary action
 123 "2638-BOOTS- The output of boots has been seriously affected
 by the decrease in the number of repairable boots returned
 to Base. Every effort must be made to return to Base all
 boots which are still capable of being repaired, but which
 are beyond local repair".

Attention is drawn to G.R.O. 3361 -Removal of
 Furniture from Houses in
 Forward Area.

711. SPECIALIST OFFICERS -RETURN OF

Units will forward to this Office, not later than 6 p.m.
 30th inst., a return showing the names of Battalion Specialist
 Officers, and their appointments.

A similar return is required in future on the 16th of each
 month.

712. GRENADE CARRIERS

1. With reference to G.R.O. 3309 dated 3-2-18 on the subject
 of Grenade Carriers. It has been suggested that, as the
 Bucket pattern Grenade Carrier is rarely required under present
 conditions of warfare and also takes up valuable space in the
 transport, these carriers should be withdrawn from Battalions.

2. A small reserve of 200 would, however, still be held by
 each Division which would be available for immediate issue for
 raids or small operations.

3. Units will forward their views on this matter to reach
 this office by 6 p.m. 30th inst.

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

NOTICES

It is notified for the information of all ranks that
 British Official photographs taken during the recent visit
 to France of H.M. The King, can now be purchased by men
 on active service.

The prices of unmounted copies are as follows (post free)

8" x 6" fr. 1.00 each; fr. 10.00 per doz.

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by
 Brigadier General H.E. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M. 124
 Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade.
 30th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF
Nil.
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713. F.G.C.M.

The undermentioned detail of officers will assemble at 59th Battalion H.Q. at HUPPY at 10 a.m. on Tuesday 1st November to try by F.G.C.M. the persons mentioned in the margin and such other person or persons who may be brought before it:-

2nd Aust. Tun. Co.

President

No. 7972 Spr. E.H. WILSON

Major G.S. SMITH, M.C. 59th Bn.

57th Battalion

Members

~~2513 Pto. R.O. BARKER~~

2621 " W.R. TAYLOR

Capt. L.W. ELLIOTT, D.S.O. 57th Bn.

59th Battalion

Lieut. G. LAING, M.C. 58th Bn.

1745 Pto. W.P. WADDLE

2233 " G.J. NEVE

3744 " J. EVANS

The accused will be warned and witnesses duly required to attend.
 Proceedings will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters.

714. ABBEVILLE PICQUET

Reliefs of above picquet will take place as under:-

<u>Relieving Unit.</u>	<u>Date of Relief</u>	<u>Tour of Duty</u>	<u>Unit being relieved</u>
57th Bn.	1st Nov.	1st - 7th Nov. inclusive.	59th Bn.
58th Bn.	8th Nov.	8th - 14th Nov. inclusive.	57th Bn.
59th Bn.	14th Nov.	15th to 21st Nov. inclusive.	58th Bn.

Motor Transport will if possible be provided to convey picquet to ABBEVILLE and return picquet being relieved.

Attention is drawn to this office memos. 58/487 of 10th inst. and 58/7077 of 15th inst.

715. VISITS to SALVAGE DEPOT - LE HAVRE

With reference to B.R.O. 668 of 15th inst.

The first party to proceed on weekly visits will leave about 4th November.

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Vacancies are allotted Units of Brigade as under-

	<u>Offs.</u>	<u>N.C.Os.</u>
57th Battalion	-	1
58th Battalion	1	-
59th Battalion	-	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

Names of those selected will be wired to reach this office by 10 a.m. 31st inst.

Only N.C.Os. with sufficient funds will be sent.

All leave regulations re bathing etc. will be complied with in regard to Other Ranks.

Transport arrangements will be notified later.

716. PROMOTIONS

59th Battalion

No. 1958 Corporal George GRAHAM to the rank of Temporary Company Quartermaster Sergeant, vice No. 527 C.Q.M.S. Bryant J., evacuated, wounded on 2.9.18.

Dated 2/9/18

15th Bde. H.Q.

No. 3512 Pte. A.F. GIBBS to be E.R. Corporal.

Dated 30/10/18.

Staff Capt. J. Chapman
 Staff Capt.
 15th Australian Infantry Brigade

AFTER ORDERS

by

Brigadier General H.E. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.,
Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
30th October 1918

GENERAL STAFF

No. 1.

ADMINISTRATION

717. CONGRATULATORY

The Corps Commander has awarded the undermentioned decorations:-

BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL

No. 3144	Corporal	J. VERNON, M.M.	57th Battalion A.I.F.
3044	Private	G.T. McLEOD, M.M.	58th Battalion.
3640	Corporal	V.F. SMITH, M.M.	58th Battalion.
3025	L. Corporal	S.W. DUNSTAN, M.M.	59th Battalion.

MILITARY MEDAL

1972	Corporal	J. STEER	57th Battalion A.I.F.
3033	Corporal	B. FREW	57th Battalion.
5100	L. Corporal	T.G.C. GUILMARTIN	57th Battalion.
3484	Sergeant	T. WILLIAMSON	58th Battalion A.I.F.
1691	Private	C.G. GUNN	58th Battalion.
304	Sergeant	H.C. MOSS	58th Battalion.
1777	Corporal	J.A. WILSON	58th Battalion.
5042	Private	R.M. BARRETT	58th Battalion.
3517	Private	A.B. FREEMAN	58th Battalion.
3167	Sergeant	A. BOADLE	58th Battalion.
3000	Private	N.H. ROTH	58th Battalion.
1751	Private	R. RUTTER	58th Battalion.
2795	Private	J. GIBSON	58th Battalion.
2223	Private	F. ROBERTSON	58th Battalion.
2368	L. Corporal	C.R. ANDERSON	58th Battalion.
1121	Private	H. WEBSTER	58th Battalion.
2994	Corporal	C.D. MOON	58th Battalion.
2353	Corporal	E.J. DANIEL	58th Battalion.
2545	Private	F. WKLEINE	59th Battalion A.I.F.
3864	Private	E.C. O'DONNELL	59th Battalion.
3531	Private	H.R. KING	59th Battalion.
527	C.Q.M.S.	J. BRYANT	60th Battalion A.I.F.
2638	L. Corporal	G.P. JONES	60th Battalion.
3112	L. Corporal	C.V.J. GRINTER	60th Battalion.
2420	Private	W.J. GRAY	60th Battalion.
4090	Private	A.J. DUNN	60th Battalion.
3118	Driver	H.J.F. GRUNER	60th Battalion.
1730	Private	W.F. CAMERON	60th Battalion.
2003	Private	W.H. LEVIO	60th Battalion.
2836	Private	C.F. PEPIER	60th Battalion.
2441	Corporal	G.V. LEE KIM	60th Battalion.
3972	Private	W. CURRY	57th Battalion A.I.F.
3118	Sergeant	W. DOW	57th Battalion.
3554	Private	L.O. CHALKER	15th A.L.T.M.B.

The Corps, Divisional and Brigade Commanders wish their congratulations to be conveyed to the recipients, who should be informed as early as possible.

Their names will be published in the London Gazette in due course.

W. Lay.

Contain.
Staff Capt.
15th Australian Infantry Brigade.

by
 Brigadier General H.E. ELLIOTT, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.M.
 Commanding 15th Australian Infantry Brigade
 31st October 1918

 GENERAL STAFF

Nil.

ADMINISTRATION



718. LEAVE TO ABBEVILLE

The following letter from Aust. Corps is published for necessary action as regard paras 1 and 2.

"1. The Corps Commander regrets to note that during the last weeks the conduct of the Australian Troops in ABBEVILLE hitherto reported on as excellent, has shown a tendency to change for the worse.

2. It must be understood that if the men cannot behave themselves in ABBEVILLE, the privilege of leave there will have to be curtailed, or even stopped.

3. The 1st, 3rd and 5th Aust. Divisions will ensure that the picquets detailed by this office 66/213 of 6.10.18 are henceforth regularly provided, and that all Units are warned of the result of further complaints of misconduct in ABBEVILLE.

719. RECORD CARDS OF S.B.R's.

All record cards must be immediately marked up. They must show name of owner, date of issue of the container, and no. of hours used in shell and cloud gas.

720. EFFECTS OF OFFICERS AND OTHER RANKS

Copy of G.R.O. 5397 of 27th inst. is republished herewith for information.

Disposal of effects, i.e., small articles of sentimental or intrinsic value belonging to deceased Officers and other ranks.- Paragraph 4 of G.R.O. 5006 is cancelled and the following substituted:-

"In this way relatives at home may be spared a large amount of uncertainty and anxiety; it is therefore the duty of every officer, N.C.O. and man, to whom authority has been given, to collect from deceased soldiers with a view to transmission to G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon, in accordance with G.R.O. 1353 and 1752, all articles of sentimental or intrinsic value so that a proper examination can be made, and any necessary action taken. In this connection very definite orders will be issued by Corps and Divisions as to those authorised to collect effects, and all ranks will be warned that to collect or to be in possession of the effects of deceased soldiers without the requisite authority are offences liable to severe punishment.

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This will be brought prominently under the notice of members of Units. Effects of this nature should be handed to the Burials Officer or somebody associated with him. If this cannot be done, the effects should be handed to the Orderly Room for transmission to the Burials Officer.

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

NOTICES

Brigade Sports Meeting is postponed to 7th November.

WAR DIARY

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15th A.L.T.M.B.

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Place	Date	Hour	Ref. Sheet 62b.	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the field	1918				
	October 1/2			Weather clear and cool. Enemy artillery fairly active on and around BELKICOURT. Enemy aircraft were fairly active. Brigade was relieved by 7th Australian Infantry Brigade. Ammunition expended Nil. Casualties Nil.	
	2/3	06.00		Preparation was made to move back to TEMPLEUX AREA. The battery vacated their positions at 10.00 and moved by route march via RED ROAD to bivouacs in L.L.C. Move was complete by 12.00 with Battery H.Q. at L.L.C.5-4. Transport rejoined the battery. Liaison men from 57th and 59th Battalions reported back. Pte. Jackson who was on that duty with 58th Battalion has not yet reported. <u>Marched out</u> On U.K. Leave Pte. NELSON W.W. Died of Wounds - 3209 Pte. PETTIT W.H. Died of Sickness - 3004 Pte. WILLIAMS F.E.	
	3/4	06.00		Weather fine and cool. Battle rations were collected and Box Respirators inspected. Otherwise troops were rested. Marched out to Aust. Corps Schools 2/Lieut. HOGG A.R.D.)att'd from 60th Bn. 2/Lt. BEILBY H.) Pte. HATTY R.M.)	
	4/5	06.00		Weather fine. Battery parades at 10.00 and rifles, equipment, and clothing were inspected. The day was spent in general clearing up of camp surroundings, personnel and mortars. Marched in from Hospital - Pte. MURPHY J. " Nucleus - Lieut. R.D. CHALMERS Marched out to Corps T.M. School Ptes. NICOL A. and MARSHALL W.J.	
5/6	06.00		Weather fine and cold. Reveille at 07.30 Preparation was made to move from present site		

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Place	Date 1918	Hour	Ref. Sheet 57F.	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the Field	October	5/6	06.00	The Battery moved by march route passing the starting point at - - at 09.00 en route to billets in PERONNE AREA. Arriving here at 16.00. A halt for 1½ hours was made at midday for midday meal. Battery were in new position at PERONNE at 16.00. <u>Marched in</u> From U.K. Leave 2736 Pte. WILLIAMS L.M.	
	6/7	06.00		Weather cold and windy and inclined to rain. Troops were rested as much as possible. Orders were received to prepare for move to new area per train. At 04.00 on 7th inst. Battery entrained at LA CHAPELETTE for new area.	
	7/8	06.00		Travelling in train until detrained at MARTINVILLE STATION at 02.30 on 8th inst, Battery then route marched to billets for the night at HUPPY.	
	8/9	06.00		Weather damp and cold. At 10.30 the battery set out for their billets by route march finally settling down at INVAL. Billets previously arranged were occupied by us and all were in position by 13.00 <u>Marched in</u> from U.K. Leave No. 3140 L/Cpl. SANDOE J.B.W.	
	9/10	06.00		Weather dull but fine. At 10.00 a parade was held for inspection of rifles and equipment and a shortage list was taken. Rest of the day was spent in making billets comfortable and assisting farmers with their work. Promotions - L/Sgt. COOK A.L. to be Sergeant. Cpl. MERRS V. to be L/Sgt. vice COOK promoted. <u>Marched in</u> transferred from 57th Bn. prev. att'd 1930 Pte. PHILLIPS W.S. 1941 Pte. MURPHY J. 4855 " MALLOWS G. 3051 " WILLIAMS R.E.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Ref. Sheet 57F. Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the Field	1918			
	October			
	10/11	06.00	Weather fine. Usual morning parade for inspection was held at 10.00. Mortars were cleaned and overhauled. The rest of the day was spent in resting and assisting local peasants. Personnel visited 5th Divisional Baths at HUPPY.	
	11/12	06.00	Weather fine. Usual morning parade for inspection of arms and equipment. Battery personnel were paid. Equipment scrubbed. Marched in from Base 5146 Pte. MOSS L.G.	
	12/13	06.00	It has rained unceasingly all day. As a result no morning parade was held. First party i.e. 10% total strength, granted leave to ABBEVILLE. Transferred from 59th Battalion prev. att'd. 2827 Pte. FERRY A.F. 5722 " McDONALD R.J. 3552 " LEWIS W.B.	
	13/14	06.00	Sunday. Weather inclined to be wet in the morning but cleared up nicely during the afternoon. There was no church parade.	
	14/15	06.00	Training as per attached syllabus was carried out. Weather was fine and a good morning's work was the result. Pte. McBRIDE was tried on following charge. Ceased to be attached from 59th Battalion 3458 Pte. MEILANDS J.B.	
	15/16	06.00	Weather damp and cold. Light rain fell. Training as per syllabus was carried out in the morning. Owing to the inclemency of the weather no sports were indulged in during the afternoon.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Ref. Sheet	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1918		57F.		
In the field	October 15/16			<p>Marched out On U.K. Leave 2867 Pte. HUNTER O. 3740 Pte. SYKES P.W.E. 5163 " PRITCHARD O. 3405 " LINDLE A.S.</p>	
	16/17	06.00		<p>Weather inclined to be showery. Training as per syllabus was carried out in the morning. In afternoon troops voluntarily assisted local farmers.</p> <p>Marched out on U.K. Leave 1265 Pte. PAGRAM L. Evacuated out of Div. Area 2662 " GRIFFITHS S.J.V.</p>	
	17/18	06.00		<p>Training as per syllabus. Weather fine. Football match indulged in during afternoon.</p> <p>Marched in from Base 1646 Pte. SCOTLAND N. 3617 Pte. WIMHURST J.C. 1346 " BUNT A.R. 3417 " JONES</p>	
	18/19	06.00		<p>Training as per syllabus was carried out during the morning, Parties assisted local farmers.</p> <p>Attached from 57th Bn. 2552 Pte. FREY A.G. from U.K. Leave 5163 Pte. PRITCHARD O. 3705 " IARKINS W.E. 3429 " LEE P. 2973 " STANLEY E.J.</p>	
	19/20	06.00		<p>Weather fine. Training and Sport as per syllabus. Inter Brigade Units football tournament commenced. Representative players from the Battery visited BEHEN and a scratch match for the purpose of choosing a team was played. Our team had a bye.</p> <p>Marched in from U.K. Leave 5229 Pte. WEDLOCK Attached from 59th Bn. 5120 Pte. KAVANAGH J.W.</p>	
	20/21	06.00		<p>Sunday - weather fine, except for occasional showers.</p> <p>Marched in from U.K. Leave 2238 Pte. NELSON W.W. out on U.K. Leave 1346 Pte. BURT A.R. (M.M) out on duty at Corps School 3364 L/Sgt. MIERS J.V.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			Ref. Sheet 57F.	
In the field	21/22	06.00	Training as per syllabus was carried out. A demonstration and lecture was given at Brigade School. Football results 15th Bde.H.Q. team beat A.S.C. by 7 points.	
	22/23	06.00	Training as per syllabus. Working parties helped local farmers. Marched out on U.K.Leave 2008 Pte. WALKER R.O.	
	23/24	06.00	Parades were held as per syllabus. Sling firing was introduced. Weather fine. Local farmers were helped to gather their crops. Marched out on U.K.Leave 4909 Pte. WEBSTER H.A. Ceased to be attached from 29th A.A.S.C. 1346 Dvr.GOODWIN A.N.	
	24/25	06.00	Training and work as per syllabus. Brigade Gas Officer delivered a lecture on gas and protection against it. Helmets were inspected and defectives replaced. Marched out to Aust.Corps School to Paris Leave 4855 Pte. MALLOWS G. 4485 L/Sgt. FLEMING A.T. 1980 " PHILLIPS W.S. 2163 Pte. DAWSON W.S. 3553 " LEWIS W.B. 2992 " TRAVERS P.J.	
	25/26	06.00	Training and work carried out as per syllabus. Weather fine. Some men were detached to assist farmers. Attached from 29th A.A.S.C. 1330 Dvr. NAMANO KIWA Marched in from Aust.Corps School 2944 Pte.NICOL A. 4848 " MARSHALL N.J.	
	26/27	06.00	Route march did not take place as shown on syllabus. One officer visited Aust.Corps School	

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Place	Date 1918	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the Field	October		Ref. Sheet 57F.	
	26/27		to witness demonstration of all infantry arms.	
			Evacuated to Field Ambulance 1911 Pte. GARHAM A. and 3749 Pte. SYKES R.	
	27/28	06.00	Sunday Church Parade for O.P.Ds. held at 57th Battalion Y.M.C.A. Tent. Battery attended	
			weather fine but inclined to be showery.	
			Ceased to be attached from 29th A.A.S.C. 3319 Dvr. EDWARDS J.W. 3142 Pte. WINBANK T.W. 2675 " FLACK A.G. 1330 " NAMANA KIWA	
	28/29	06.00	A practice parade of the Brigade for inspection by G.O.C. Division was held near HUPPY. The	
		Battery attended. Weather was fine. Brigade H.Q. Football team met 57th Bn. team on latter's		
		ground and defeated them thus putting 59th and Brigade H.Q. team to play off, in the final.		
		Attached for duty from 57th Bn. 2917 Dvr. WOODFIELD A. 58th Bn. 3144 " JAMES B.F. 59th Bn. 4135 " MANSELL C.		
29/30	06.00	Brigade was inspected by G.O.C. Division and a march past was given. Battery was not present.		
		Pay Day. A Y.M.C.A. tent has been obtained and has proved a great comfort.		
		Marched out to PARIS PLAGE Rest Home Lieut. N.J. TANNER.		
30/31	06.00	Weather fine. Parades and duties as per syllabus. Training of new men was continued.		
		Assistance was given to local farmers.		
		Evacuated to C.C.S. and struck off strength: 3051 Pte. WILLIAMS B.E. 5722 " McDONALD R.J.		
		Rejoined unit 2/Lieut. A.T. CRAIGIE.		

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In the Field	1918 October 31/1st Nov.	06.00	Ref. Sheet 57F Weather fine. Training as per syllabus was carried out in the morning. Afternoon was devoted to sports. Considerable amount of work is being done for the farmers. -----oO-----	

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