

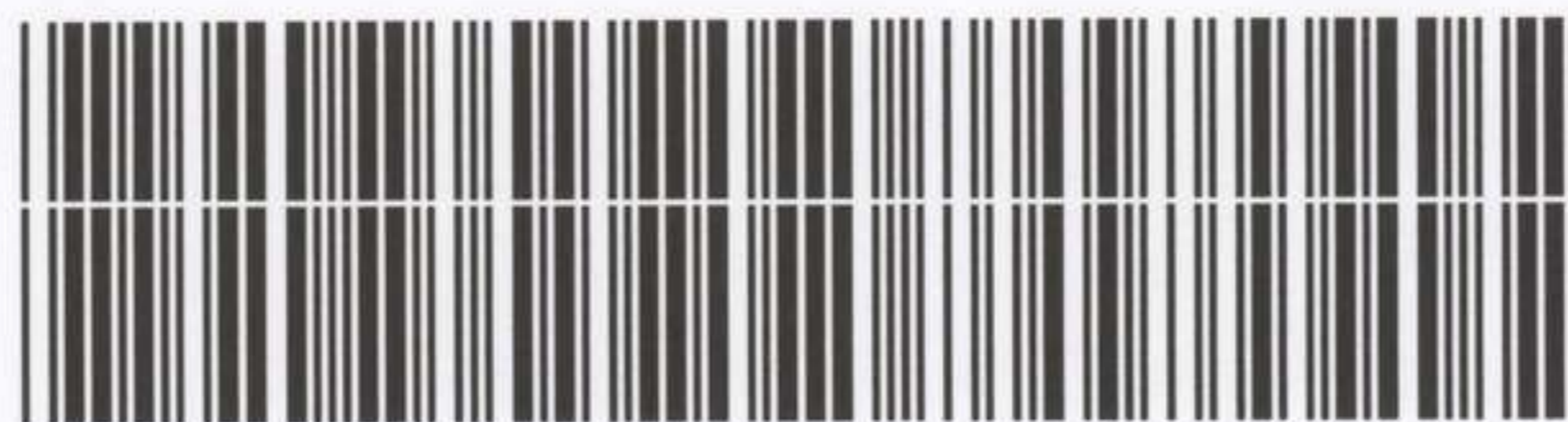
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	1918.			
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb. 1	9.30 am.	<p>Brigadier inspected camps of units during the morning. Brigade Major visited the Second Zone (Corps Zone) accompanied by Lieut.-Colonel H.O. CLOGSTOUN, R.E., who is the technical Engineer Adviser for this Zone. Decisions with regard to detailed siting of the line and allotment of garrison to Posts were arrived at pending the Brigadier's approval. The result of these reconnaissances of the Second Zone will form the subject of a special circular to all units at a later date.</p> <p>Working parties for tomorrow, 2nd February, arranged involving the employment of 500 other ranks in addition to a proportion of Officers and N.C.Os. Reconnoitring parties for Second Zone arranged for 2nd February.</p> <p>Instructions regarding salvage within the Brigade Area issued in S/C. Circular Memo. Q25, vide APPENDIX 1.</p>	APPENDIX 1.
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb. 2	10.30 am. 3 pm. 5 pm. 6 pm. 4.30 pm.	<p>Divisional Staff visited Brigade Headquarters with reference to policy of work to be adopted in the Corps Zone Defences.</p> <p>O.C. 9th Field Company Engineers visited Brigade Headquarters to arrange details in connection with working parties for tomorrow 3rd instant.</p> <p>Lieut.-Colonel H.O. Clogstoun, R.E., called on Brigadier with reference to Second Zone Works Policy.</p> <p>Preparations for presentation of medals by Corps Commander tomorrow 3rd instant at 33rd Battalion Church Parade arranged.</p> <p>33rd Battalion ordered to take over on 4th instant all Posts in the Second Zone North of LE GHEER, vide APPENDIX 2.</p>	APPENDIX 2.
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP) - T.20.c.4.4.	Feb. 3	10.30 am. 2 pm. 3.30 pm.	<p>Corps Commander attended Church Parade at 33rd Battalion lines after which he presented ribbons and medals to members of the Brigade, vide APPENDIX 3.</p> <p>Lieut.-Colonel Clogstoun, R.E., visited Brigade Headquarters with reference to the construction of the Second Line of Defence for which the Brigade is now responsible.</p> <p>Enemy aeroplane dropped one bomb at Brigade School wounding Commandant and killing an Officer Instructor in Musketry.</p>	APPENDIX 3.

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KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	1918. Feb 4	10 am. 2 pm.	<p>Brigadier and Staff Captain reconnoitred Camps for Brigade School. It was decided to move the Signal School from BULFORD LINES (T.20.c.3.2) to EMU CAMP (T.9.d.4.2). The whole Brigade School - i.e. both aspirant Officers and Signallers - is now in one Camp.</p> <p>Relief of 34th Battalion Posts North of LE GHEER Cross-roads by 33rd Battalion complete, vide APPENDIX 2 .</p> <p>In accordance with 6th Australian Infantry Brigade Defence Scheme, dated 10.1.1918, which was taken over on relief, 34th Battalion becomes "C" Battalion and 33rd Battalion becomes "D" Battalion. 36th and 35th Battalions are "A" and "B" Battalions respectively. It is proposed in the near future to reorganise the system of holding the Corps Zone insofar as the 33rd Battalion is concerned.</p>	APPENDIX 2
KORTEPYP (TROIS CAMP CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 5	10 am.	<p>Brigade Staff inspected 36th Battalion camp on "morning rounds".</p> <p>During the day 34th Battalion assumed responsibility for works in No. 1 Section of the Corps Zone, vide APPENDIX 4 .</p>	APPENDIX 4
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 6	11 am. 2.30 pm. 2.30 pm.	<p>Brigade Major visited Brigade School and inspected students at signalling, physical training and Platoon drill.</p> <p>Staff Captain visited all units' camps and went into the question of salvage with them in preparation for Staff Captains' Conference at Divisional Headquarters tomorrow.</p> <p>Brigade Major and Brigade Signal Section Officer inspected visual Signal Stations which were established today, giving visual communication with all units. This scheme is to be carried out one day per week.</p> <p>Advanced Brigade Headquarters at LE BIZET CONVENT inspected, also certain of the new work which is being done in the Corps Zone by this Brigade.</p>	

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KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 7	10 am. 2 pm.	Brigade Major visited nucleus garrisons in Corps Zone and inspected work which is being carried out there by us. Great care appears to have been taken in the construction of trenches, the maintenance of existing defensive works and in drainage. Enemy artillery very quiet. Brigadier attended Demonstration of Platoon in attack of a strong point at the Brigade School. The demonstration was conducted by Major A.C. Blacklow Commanding 35th Battalion.	
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20. c.4.4).	Feb 8	10 am. 3 pm.	Conference of Brigade Staff and Commandant Brigade School. Second Signal course arranged, vide APPENDIX 5. Mr. E.P. Warren lectured at Y.M.C.A. Hall 33rd Battalion Camp on "With the Serbians!". Lecture was attended by 200 representatives of all units.	APPENDIX 5
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4)	Feb 9	9 am.	Lieut.-Colonel H.A. Goddard, D.S.O., left for attendance at a Machine Gun Course at the G.H.Q. Small Arms Machine Gun Centre CAMIERS. The course will probably last three days. Lieut.-Colonel L.J. Morshead, D.S.O., assumed command of the Brigade, vide APPENDIX 6. Working party as usual during the day. First Signal Course at the Brigade School marched out - the course having terminated on the 8th instant - with the exception of 23 other ranks who have been isolated as contacts with suspected case of German measles. <i>Brigade Routine Order No 336 issued. vide appendix 7.</i>	APPENDIX 6 APPENDIX 7
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, 5.20.c.4.4).	Feb 10	10am. 3 pm.	33rd Battalion ordered to reconnoitre the Corps Zone between PLOEGSTEERT-LE GHEER Road and the DOUVE RIVER. with a view to the possible forward move of a Company to that area for the purpose of reinforcing existing nucleus garrison, vide APPENDIX 8. The details in connection with the works policy of the Second Zone issued to all units vide APPENDIX 9.	APPENDIX 8 APPENDIX 9

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	<u>1918.</u>			
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4)	Feb 10	9.30 pm.	Arrangements made for working parties in Second Zone to be clear of their work by 9.30 pm. owing to raid which 10th Australian Infantry Brigade will be carrying out tonight at 10 pm.	
		4 pm.	Major J.D. Brockman, M.G., O.C. 9th Field Company A.E., called at Brigade Headquarters with reference to the working parties in the Second Zone. Work is progressing very satisfactorily.	
		8 pm.	Orders issued to the effect that Second Signal Course at the Brigade School will not assemble until further orders owing to the necessity for the fumigation of huts recently occupied by contacts with the suspected case of German measles referred to on page 5.	
		9.30 pm.	Instructions with reference to the inspection of Small Box Respirators issued to all units vide APPENDIX	APPENDIX. 10
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4)	Feb 11	10am.	Brigade Major and Intelligence Officer inspected work in progress in Nos. 1 and 2 Sections of the Corps Zone, returning 3 p.m.	
		2.30 pm.	Staff Captain held Conference of Adjutants.	
		4 pm.	Representative from Divisional Signal Company called at Brigade Headquarters with reference to cable-bury to be dug, starting tomorrow 12th instant from SUPPORT FARM to MAISON 1875; thence North through PLOEGSTBERT WOOD to STRAFERS NEST. The bury is to be completed in 5 days.	
		5 pm.	Brig.-Gen. C. Rosenthal, CB., CMG., informs Brigade Headquarters by telephone that he will be returning to command the Brigade on 13th instant.	
		11 pm.	Working party of 350 other ranks detailed for cable-burying as above postponed until 15th instant. Circular Memorandum Q.26 re salvage in the Corps Area issued, vide APPENDIX 11	APPENDIX 11
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4)	Feb 12	9.30 am.	Brigade Major held Conference with O.C. 9th A.M.G. Coy and O.C. 9th A.L.T.M. Battery with reference to the reconnaissance of the Second Zone and the tactical disposition of Machine Guns and Trench Mortars.	
		3.0 pm.	Brigade Major visited Divisional Headquarters to obtain information in connection with Corps Zone.	
		5 pm.	Lt-Col. H.A. Goddard, D.S.O., returned to Bde HQ. having completed short Course at the W.G.C. 12/16. Col. Goddard assumed command of the Brigade and Lt-Col L.J. Morshead, D.S.O., 33rd Bn, resumed command of his Battalion, vide APPENDIX 12	APPENDIX 12

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	<u>1918.</u>			
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 13	11 am.	Brigade Major visited Brigade School and 9th Field Company. At the former recapitulation of the past week's work was in progress and lectures being given by N.C.Os. At the latter Headquarters Second Zone work was discussed. It was decided that the work is progressing satisfactorily.	
		2 pm.	Brigade Major visited Lieut.-Colonel H.O. Clogstoun, R.E., with reference to working parties in Second Zone and then proceeded to inspect the work carried out in No. 4 Section.	
		9.30 pm.	Brig.-Gen. C. Rosenthal, CB, CMG, returned to the Brigade from Commanding 1st Australian Division during the absence on leave of Major-General Sir H.B. Walker, KCB, DSO.	
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 14	9.30 am. 10.30 am	Brig.-Gen. C. Rosenthal proceeded on leave to England (for four days). Divisional Commander called at Brigade Headquarters to gain information concerning the progress of Second Zone work and to discuss the probable plans for the future involving a readjustment of dispositions of Battalions of the Left and Reserve Brigades by means of which one Battalion might be moved from the Reserve Brigade Area to accommodation at RED LODGE, replacing a Battalion of Left Brigade which would be moved to accommodation forward of HILL 63. The question of devoting a higher percentage of man-power to work in Numbers 3 and 4 Sections was gone into - at present 60% of our resources in working parties in the Second Zone are employed in these two Sections - vide APPENDIX 14. The policy to be adopted with regard to defence in depth by Vickers Machine Guns both in the vicinity of PLOEGSTEERT WOOD and North of it was propounded by the Divisional Commander vide APPENDIX 13.	APPENDIX 14
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 15	10am. 10am.	Divisional Order No. 74 received. The Brigade will relieve 10th Aust. Inf. Bde. in the Left Brigade Sector between GRANDE HAIR FME and the DOUVE on the 24/25th instant. Brigadier and Staff Captain inspected Camps of all Battalions of the Brigade and Trench Mortar Battery.	APPENDIX 13

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	1918.			
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 15	10.30 am. 9 pm.	Brigade Major visited the nine Lewis Gun Posts furnished by the 33rd Battalion as nucleus garrison between PLOGSTEERT WOOD and the River DOUVE. All work in progress in this area was also inspected. Both Posts and work appear satisfactory. Brigade Routine Order No. 339 issued, vide APPENDIX 15.	APPENDIX 15
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 16	10 am. 11.30am. 2.30 pm. 5.30 pm.	Assistant Brigade Major visited units with reference to system of correspondence and Brigade School with reference to the isolation of 23 other ranks (contacts Hun measles). Brigade Major visited Brigade School with reference to conclusion of N.C.Os. Course on 23rd instant. Brigade Major, Brigade Signal Section Officer, and Brigade Intelligence Officer visited 10th Australian Infantry Brigade Headquarters with reference to taking over on 24th and 25th instant of Left Brigade Area. Brigadier and Staff Captain visit 35th Battalion.	
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 17	12 noon. 3.30 pm. 4 p.m.	Lieut.-Colonel A.J. Bennett, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., 4th Battalion A.I.F., reported at Brigade Headquarters for attachment to a Battalion of this Brigade. Brigade Order No. 15, vide APPENDIX 16. The Brigade will relieve the 10th Australian Infantry Brigade in the Left Brigade Area on the 24th and 25th February 1918. O.C. 9th Field Company A.E. called at Brigade Headquarters with reference to readjustment of working parties in the Second Zone. In future 80% of our working parties will be employed North of PLOGSTEERT-LE GHEER Road.	APPENDIX 16

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	<u>1918.</u>			
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 18	10 am.	G.S.O. I. 3rd Australian Division called at Brigade Headquarters with reference to working parties in Second Zone, practice manning of Second Zone (vide APPENDIX), and proposed minor operation, vide APPENDIX - (<i>See March Diary</i>).	APPENDIX APPENDIX
		10.30 am.	Assistant Brigade Major visited Second Zone Posts furnished by 33rd Battalion.	
		12.0 noon	9th A.M.G. Company Commander reported result of his reconnaissance of the Second Zone carried out yesterday with a view to arranging for the Machine Gun defence in depth of the Second Zone North of the PLOEGSTEERT-LE GHEER Road in defence of HILL 63.	
		1.0 p.m.	Brigade Major 11th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F. called in order to explain the result of his attendance at an infantry-aeroplane contact demonstration held this morning at HUDDLESTON (about 3 miles North of YPRES).	
		2.0 p.m.	Captain FAIRWEATHER, M.C., 38th Battalion A.I.F., reported for duty in connection with forthcoming minor enterprise, vide APPENDIX (<i>See March diary</i>).	APPENDIX
		9.0 p.m.	Instructions for the assembly of the Second Signal Course and Second N.C.Os. Course at the Brigade School issued, vide APPENDICES 17 and 18.	APPENDIX 17 APPENDIX 18
		10 pm.	Brig-Gen C. Rosenthal, CB, CMG, returned from England and resumed command of the Brigade vide APPENDIX 19.	APPENDIX 19
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 19	10.30 am.	Brigadier attended Conference at 5th Australian Divisional Headquarters.	
		9.30 pm.	Instructions covering readjustment of working parties in the Corps Zone issued.	
		10 pm.	Brigade Routine Order No. 340 issued, vide APPENDIX 19.	APPENDIX 19
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 20	8 am.	Brigadier and Brigade Major inspect work in progress on the Second Zone, completing the tour at 4 p.m. It is apparent that the construction of these defences is an undertaking upon which many more men than are at our disposal could be employed.	
		10.30 am.	Brigade raiding party assembled and went into camp at BULFORD LINES, T.20.c.5.2.	
		4 pm.	C.O. 34th Battalion. called with reference to details concerning the practice manning of the Second Zone defences which it is proposed to hold in the near future.	
		9 pm.	O.C. 9th A.M.G. Coy. and O.C. 9th A.L.T.M. Bty. called at Brigade Headquarters for further instructions regarding the forthcoming relief - vide APPENDIX 16 (Brigade Order No. 15 of 17.2.1918) - and the construction of defences in the Second Zone.	APPENDIX 16

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KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4).	Feb 21	10 am.	Conference held at Brigade Headquarters in connection with forthcoming minor enterprise	
		11 am.	Divisional Commander visited Brigadier in connection with works policy, tactical organisation etc.	
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4)	Feb 22	9 am.	Brigadier and Brigade Major attended drill demonstration by candidates at Brigade School the first Course of which terminated today. Candidates will march out tomorrow to rejoin their units. The Brigade School has proved an undoubted success - vide APPENDIX .	APPENDIX 20
		11 am.	Conference of Brigade Staff with Lieut.-Col. H.O. Clogstoun R.E. and O.C. 9th Field Company A.E. at Brigade Headquarters with reference to ensuring continuity of policy in the works on the Second Zone.	
		2.30 pm.	C.R.E. visited Brigade Headquarters to explain work in progress and projected of LA BA SSE-VILLE defences and the Left Brigade Area, the responsibility for which will be assumed by the Brigade upon relief of 10th Australian Infantry Brigade on 25th instant.	
		3 pm.	Visit of Divisional Commander in connection with forthcoming relief, projected minor operation and Works Policy in Left Brigade Area and in Second Zone.	
		5 pm.	Representative of 10th Australian Infantry Brigade called to finalise arrangements in connection with the handing over of works consequent upon forthcoming relief.	
		6 pm.	O.C. 10th Field Company A.E. called at Brigade Headquarters in connection with work in progress in Left Brigade Area.	
KORTEPYP (TROIS ROIS CAMP, T.20.c.4.4)	Feb 23	10:30 am.	Conference at Brigade Headquarters in connection with forthcoming raid. The following Officers attended: G.O.C. 3rd Australian Division, G.S.O.I., Brigadier, Brigade Major, C.R.A., B.M. R.A., D.M.G.O., Lieut.-Col. J.A. MILNE, D.S.O., 36th Bn., O.C. Raid, and a few other executive Officers.	
		2.0 pm.	Brigadier visited and addressed raiding party in training at BULFORD CAMP.	
		3.30 pm.	Brigadier, Brigade Major, Intelligence Officer, Gas Officer and Signal Officer moved to new Advanced Headquarters at U.20.a.5.9.	

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BIG SAM DUGOUT, PLOEGSTEERT WOOD, U.20.a.5.9.	1918.	Feb 24 10.30 am.	Brigadier attended Church Parade at NIEPPE and was presented with Belgian Croix de Guerre.	
		10.30 am.	Brigade Major inspected works on Corps Zone accompanied by Assistant Brigade Major of relieving Brigade.	
		4.0 p.m.	Lieut.-Colonel J.A. Milne, D.S.O., visited Brigade Headquarters and settled details concerning forthcoming raid.	
		5.0 p.m.	O.C. 10th Field Company A.E. visited Brigade Headquarters to arrange details in connection with working parties for 25th instant.	
BIG SAM DUGOUT, PLOEGSTEERT WOOD, U.20.a.5.9.	Feb 25	9 am.	Brigadier visits front line and trenches to be occupied by "A" and "B" Battalions from night 25th/26th instant.	
			33rd and 34th Battalions move into "A" and "B" Battalion Areas respectively. Relief of 10th Australian Infantry Brigade complete at and command of Left Brigade area passed to G.O.C. 9th Australian Infantry Brigade at	
			sustained 7 casualties by Minenwerfer fire, vide APPENDIX 22. During relief "A" Bn.	APPENDIX 22
			Quiet night, vide APPENDIX 21 (Intelligence Summary No.1).	APPENDIX 21
			In connection with forthcoming raid our patrols were unable to operate but formed listening posts.	
BIG SAM DUGOUT, PLOEGSTEERT WOOD, U.20.a.5.9.	Feb 26	10.30 am.	Brigadier, Brigade Major, all Battalion Commanders and Brigade Machine Gun Company Commanders attended Conference at Divisional Headquarters which lasted until 4.30 pm. At this Conference the Divisional Commander gave an address covering G.H.Q. offensive and defensive policy, and in particular the possible action of the Division in the event of a hostile attack on our own front or on any other portion of the Western front. Courses open to the enemy and counter measures to be adopted by us were given special emphasis. The latter part of the morning was devoted to discussion of general questions. In the afternoon G.S.O.I., AA. & QMG., A.D.M.S., and C.R.A. were called upon to make statements with reference to their particular Departments of Divisional Headquarters.	
		5.0 pm.	After the Conference details concerning artillery, machine gun and trench mortar action on the nights of the forthcoming two raids which the Brigade will be carrying out were arranged.	
		5.30 pm.	O.C. Raid visited and points resulting from Conference with C.R.A. explained.	
	9 a.m.		Intelligence Summary No.1 issued, vide appendix 21	APPENDIX 21

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BIG SAM, DUGOUT, PLOEGSTEERT WOOD, U.20.a.5.9.	1918. Feb 27	9a.m. 10 am.	<i>Intelligence Summary No 2 issued, vide appendix No 23.</i> Final conference at Rear Brigade Headquarters RUE DU SAC attended by O.C. Raid, and O's. C. Assaulting Parties, G.S.O. I., and Brigade Staff. Quiet day, vide APPENDIX 24	APPENDIX 23.
-do-	Feb 28		Brigade Order No. 15 issued, vide APPENDIX - <i>(will follow in March Diary)</i> Orders received from Divisional Headquarters for move of Brigade to training area after relief on 7th/8th March by 8th Australian Infantry Brigade. Quiet day, vide APPENDIX 25	APPENDIX
		9am	<i>Intelligence Summary No. 3 issued, vide appendix No 25</i>	APPENDIX 25

J. A. J. Smith Major

Brig. Gen.
GOC 9th Australian Infantry Brigade
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FOR

THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1918.**LIST OF APPENDICES.**

No.	Subject.
1	Circular Memorandum Q.25 reference SALVAGE.
2	Order to take over Posts in Second Zone.
3	Presentation of Ribbons and Medals - circular re
4	Organisation of working parties duties into 4 Sections.
5	Dispersing of Brigade Signal School.
6	Brigade Routine Order No. 337 of 9.2.1918
7	Brigade Routine Order No. 336 of 8.2.1918
8	Communication reference tactical dispositions of nucleus garrisons in Corps Second Zone.
9	Reorganisation of working parties in Second Zone.
10	Instructions reference wearing of Small Box Respirator.
11	Q Circular No. 26 reference SALVAGE.
12	Brigade Routine Order No. 338 of 12.2.1918.
13	Scheme for the Machine Gun defence of the Second Zone - proposals to be propounded.
14	Decision to move centre of activity more to the North so far as the Second Zone is concerned.
15	Brigade Routine Order No. 339 of 15.2.1918.
16	Brigade Order No. 15 of 17.2.1918, - relief of 10th Aust. Infantry Brigade.
17	<i>Instructions re second course of Signalling</i>
18	Instructions for assembly of Second Signal School and Second N.C.Os. School. issued.
19	Brigade Routine Order No. 340 of 19.2.1918.
20	Dispersal of Brigade Schools - instructions re.

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No.	Subject.
21	Intelligence Summary No. 1.
22	Casualties for month of February 1918.
23	Intelligence Summary No. 2.
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25	Intelligence Summary No. 4.

Officer compiling Major
Brigade Major
9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

J. J. [Signature]

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APPENDIX I

NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

Brigade Headquarters
1st February 1918.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No "Q" 25

S A L V A G E.

1. While in this area Units must go into the question of Salvage thoroughly. Units are responsible for salvage :-

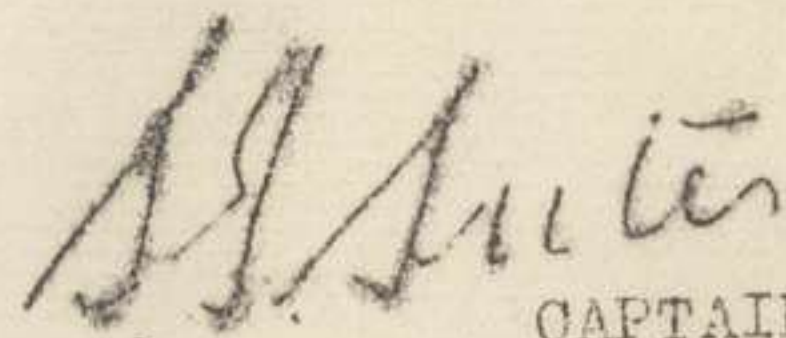
- (a) In and around their Battalion Camps and Billets,
- (b) Immediate vicinity of works carried out by units,
- (c) Any line or posts held by men of the unit
- (d) The area allotted on attached map.

2. Units will allot for salvage work a party of men who will be placed in charge of an N.C.O. of sufficient initiative and energy to carry out the work, in such a way as to ensure that measure of success, which is demanded by the importance of the work.

3. All units will establish at least one salvage dump, which will be cleared periodically and delivered to Brigade Salvage Dump by regimental transport. Brigade Salvage Dump is situated at Brigade Transport Lines, near BULFORD CAMP. Units will be supplied with "SALVAGE DUMP" notice boards on demand.

4. When handing in salvaged stores to Brigade Dump units will insist that a receipt is obtained from Brigade Salvage N.C.O., in order that Units may obtain full credit for their work. Clothing will not be received at Brigade Salvage Dump.

5. Steps should be taken to impress on all ranks the absolute and urgent necessity of salvaging all waste and apparently useless articles and material. The immense importance of this work does not appear to be realised as it should be. If the men were made to realise that all these arduous and unpleasant tasks were just small aids to the "Big Push" and that every article salvaged is just one step nearer to the successful termination of the war, there would probably be a greater amount of energy and impetus put into the work, which up to the present has been most conspicuous by its almost entire absence.



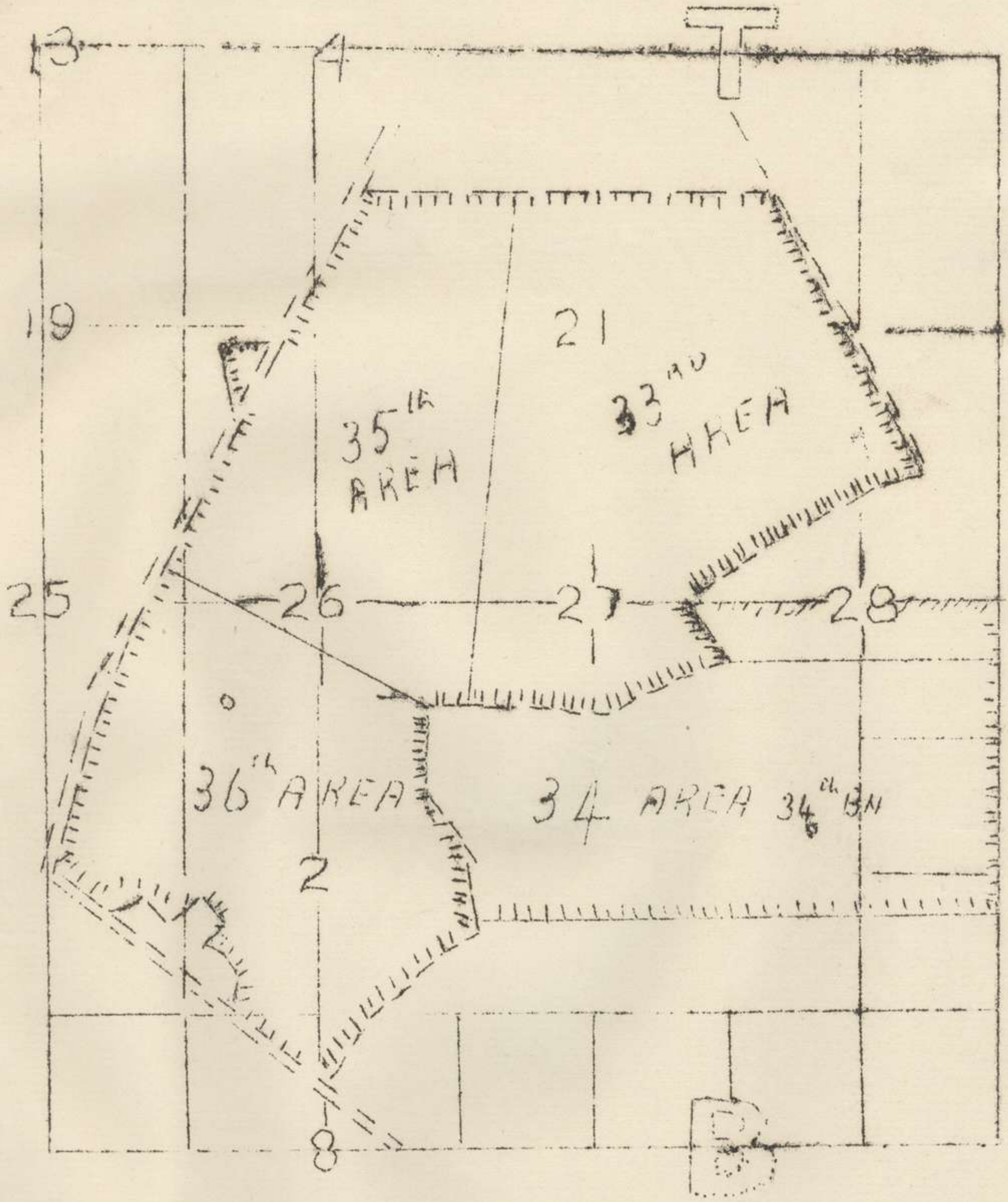
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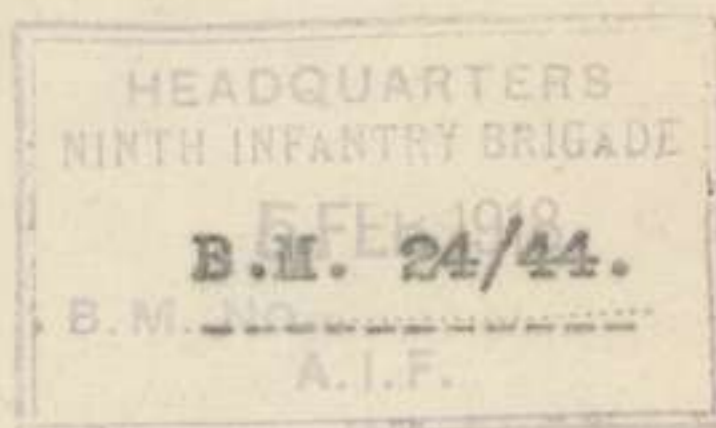
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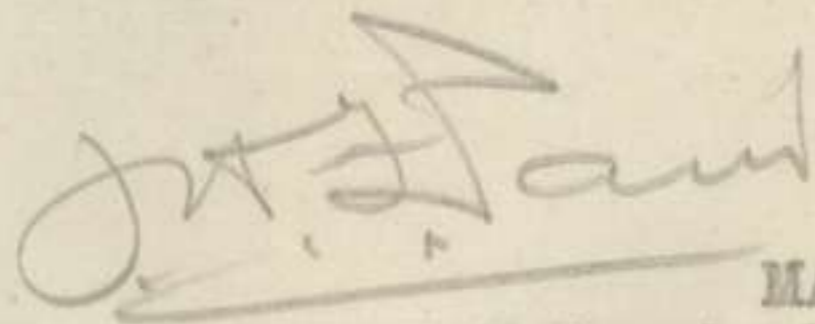
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-----NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.
-----Brigade Headquarters.
2nd February, 1918.

Headquarters
 33rd Battalion.
 34th " "
 35th Bn. (for information).
 36th Bn. (" ")
 9th A.M.G.Coy. (")
 9th A.L.T.M.Bty (")

The 33rd Battalion will take over on 4th instant all Posts in the Second Zone North of the LE GHEER Cross-roads (U.21.d.7.0) which are at present being furnished by the 34th Battalion. The relief will be complete by 2 p.m. when both 33rd and 34th Battalions will notify Brigade Headquarters by wiring the word "Saxon". The 7 Lewis Guns at present furnished in these Posts by the 35th Battalion will be taken over by the 33rd Battalion.

The inter-Battalion boundary for Battalions furnishing nucleus garrisons in the Second Zone will be the PLOEGSTEERT-LE GHEER Road inclusive to the 33rd Battalion. Telephone communication with the nucleus garrisons furnished by 33rd Battalion is obtained from KORTEPYP (A) Camp through the 34th Battalion (G.B.9). Detailed instructions regarding the manning of the Second Zone will be issued separately.

Both the 34th and 33rd Battalions will now have the double duty of furnishing nucleus garrisons and supplying working parties in the Second Zone.



MAJOR
 Brigade Major
 9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

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NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

Brigade Headquarters,
2nd February 1918.

33rd Battalion
34th Battalion
35th Battalion
36th Battalion
9th A.M.G. Coy.
9th A.L.T.M. Battery.
3rd Aust Division (for information).

Presentation of Ribbons and Medals.

A combined Brigade Church Parade will be held at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday 3rd instant at T.26.b.8.C., Parade ground 33rd Battalion.

At the conclusion of parade the G.O.C. A.I.F., will present Ribbons and Medals to Members of 9th Australian Infantry Brigade, as per attached list.

Recipients will report to Staff Captain on 33rd Battalion Parade Ground at 9.45 a.m.

Markers for all Brigade Units will report to Staff Captain on the parade ground at 10 a.m.

DRESS : Web belts, S.B. Respirators and Hats will be worn. Greatcoats will not be worn unless ordered later.

All Brigade units must be formed up on the parade ground at 10.20 a.m. All Officers and other ranks not on duty will parade at this Service, with the exception of R.C.'s. who will parade at 36th Battalion, CANTEEN CORNER at 11 a.m.

Chaplains OSDORNE (35th) and CALDER (34th) will officiate at the Service. 36th Battalion Band will provide music at the service.

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CAPTAIN
Staff Captain

9th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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*General order of the day
for the 9th Australian Infantry
Brigade*

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9th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

Reg No.	Rank and Name	Unit	Decoration
1425	Cpl. C.R. EATON	33rd Bn.	M.M.
1423	Pte. C.H. HOWARD	33rd "	M.M.
985	Cpl. C.F. MORRISBY	33rd "	M.M.
189	Pte. V.R. SHALDERS	33rd "	M.M.
1830	Pte. A. GROVES	34th "	M.M.
9152	Cpl. A.J. GRUNSELL	34th "	M.M.
784	Sgt. P.C. HUDFORD	34th "	M.M.
1426	Sgt. E.P. GAIN	35th "	M.M.
1203	Sgt. D.M. O'CONNOR	35th "	M.M.
803	Pte. J. LIDDELL	33th "	M.M.
124	Pte. H.L. MARSHALL	36th "	M.M.
555	Cpl. S.A.J. REID	36th "	M.M.
84	L/Cpl J.C. ORR	9th H.G.Co	M.M.
448	Cpl. A.E. HAPGOOD	9th A.S.T.M.S.	M.M.
867	Sgt. H. SHATWELL	33rd Bn.	D.C.M.
219	Pte. T. SMITH	33rd "	D.C.M.
1990	Cpl. J. BERRY	35th "	D.C.M.
1063	Pte. H. DEAIRD	35th "	D.C.M.
1408	Pte. S.H. BRAZIL	36th "	D.C.M.
1070	Sgt. D.F. DERMAN	34th "	D.C.M.
395	Sgt. E.J.C. CROSSINGHAM	34th "	M.M.

Brigade Headquarters,
3rd February, 1918.

Headquarters
 33rd Battalion.
 34th "
 35th "
 36th "
 9th A. M. G. Coy.
 9th A.L.T.H. Bty.

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From the 4th instant (inclusive) the Second Zone from the River LYS on the South to the River DOUVE on the North will be organised into four Sections for the purpose of work as follows.

No. 1 Section	..	from the River LYS to NICHOLSONS AVENUE (inclusive).
No. 2 Section	..	from NICHOLSONS AVENUE (exclusive) to PLOEGSTEERT-LE GHEER ROAD (exclusive).
No. 3 Section	..	from PLOEGSTEERT-LE GHEER ROAD (incl.) to MUD LANE (inclusive).
No. 4 Section	..	from MUD LANE (exclusive) to the River DOUVE.

Broadly speaking, units will be detailed for work in these Sections as follows :

34th Battalion	..	No. 1 Section.
33th Battalion	..	No. 2 "
33rd Battalion	..	No. 3 "
35th Battalion	..	No. 4 "

The working parties required for Nos. 2 and 4 Sections will be in all probability more extensive than those required for Sections Nos. 1 and 3; hence the Battalions furnishing nucleus garrisons will be called upon to detail working parties for these two Sections; whereas the Battalions required for the Sections which demand the employment of larger numbers of working men will not be called upon for the present to furnish nucleus garrisons.

An Engineer Officer from the 9th Field Company, has been detailed to provide the necessary technical supervision for the works which it is proposed to carry out in each of the 4 Sections.

As far as possible working party details will be conveyed from their Camps to the Second Zone by Light Railway daily.

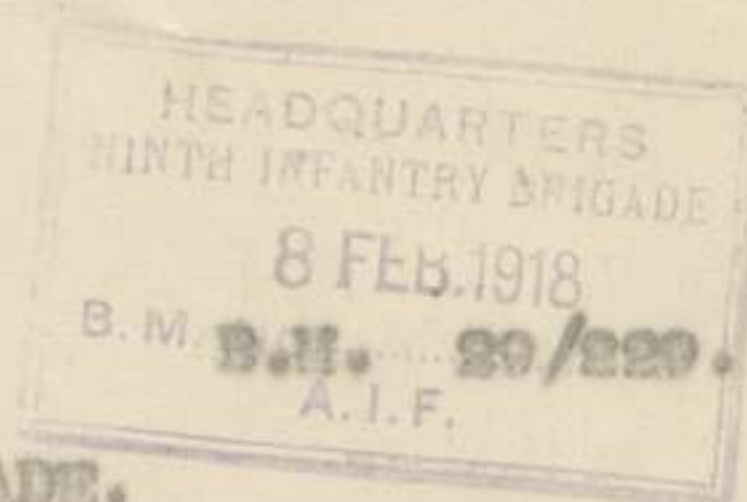
All units are reminded of the necessity for forwarding Daily Works Reports - in accordance with my B.M. 30/101 of 8.1.1918 - to reach Brigade Headquarters by 12 noon.

Orders with regard to the action of working parties in the event of hostile attack will be issued separately. In order to ensure that working parties will be of fighting value, Platoon and Company Organisation will be adhered to.

MAJOR
 Brigade Major
 9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

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APPENDIX 5



NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters.
8th February, 1918.

Headquarters
33rd Battalion.
34th " "
35th " "
36th " "
9th A. M. G. Coy.
9th A.L.T.M. Bty.
Commandant 9th A.I. Brigade School.
Brigade Signal Officer.

In continuation of my B.H. 20/229 of 3rd inst. The first course at the Brigade Signal School will terminate today; personnel will be returned to their units tomorrow 9th instant.

Reports on candidates who attended the first course will be forwarded by the Commandant to Brigade Headquarters for perusal and distribution to units.

Units are reminded that the returned Officers and other ranks are now available for leave in the normal course, in case any of them may have had leave postponed owing to attendance at the first course.

The second course at the Brigade Signal School will assemble at 3 p.m. on 10th instant and work will commence on 11th instant.

The Commandant Brigade School will retain the following personnel as instructors for the second course:
1 Officer (Lieut. Murray) and 1 o/r from 35th Bn.
1 other rank from each 33rd, 34th and 36th Battalions.

J. H. Fair

Major
Brigade Major
9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

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NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDER NO. 337

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LIEUT.-COL. H.A. GODDARD, D.S.O., COMMANDING NINTH AUST. INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
9th February, 1918.

COMMAND: 2675. During the absence of Lieut.-Colonel H.A. GODDARD, D.S.O., Lieut.-Colonel L.J. MORSHEAD, D.S.O. 53rd Battalion will command the Brigade as from 9-2-1918.

TRANSFERS: 2676. The undermentioned are transferred from Headquarters 9th Aust. Inf. Bde. to Units shown opposite their names - Dated 9-2-1918.

No. 1417	Driver	J. O'DONNELL	to	35th Battalion,
483	T/Driver	F.J. LYONS	to	36th Battalion,

STRENGTH: 2677. The undermentioned are taken on strength of Headquarters 9th Aust. Inf. Bde. from Units shown opposite their names, to complete establishment - Dated 9-2-1918.

No. 1289	Driver	J.H. FAIRBAIRN	--	35th Battalion,
1839	Driver	J.C. MCGREGOR	--	35th Battalion,
1437	Driver	F. McEWEN	--	36th Battalion,
1547	Driver	R. TAYLOR	--	34th Battalion,

A. Hunter
Captain.
Staff Captain.

Ninth Australian Infantry Brigade.

NOTICE.

THE "ANZAC COVES" - Entertainment in London.

The Australian Corps Concert Party "The Anzac Coves" will play at the Court Theatre, Sloane Square, London, from Monday, 11th to Saturday 16th instant, afternoon and evening. The profits will be given to the Disabled Australian Soldiers Fund. It is hoped that Officers and other ranks will inform their friends living in London, of this entertainment, and that the latter will avail themselves of the opportunity of seeing a performance as given in France.

To be promulgated in Unit Routine Orders.

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NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDER NO 336

by

LIEUT-COLONEL H.A. GODDARD, D.S.O., COMMANDING 9TH AUST. INFANTRY BDE

Brigade Headquarters,
8th February 1918.

APPOINTMENTS
AND
PROMOTIONS.

2672 56th Battalion :-

To be Company Quartermaster Sergeant, dated 17.1.18.

No. 99 Sergeant Alfred HALL, vice HEMSON, promoted to Commissioned rank.

To be Company Quartermaster Sergeant, dated 18.1.18.

No 487, Sergeant John Dixon KITCHEN, vice BROWLIE promoted to R.Q.M.S.

CHURCH
PARADES :

2673 Protestant Services :- Battalions will make their own arrangements for Protestant Services on Sunday 10th instant. Brigade Headquarters will be notified as early as possible.

R.C. SERVICE : R.C. Service will be held on Sunday 10th instant at 10 a.m. - 56th Battalion, CANTHEEN CORNER,

SALVAGE OF
PAPER AND
CARDBOARD.

2674. The following figures show the amounts of paper and cardboard salvaged by units of this Brigade for week ending 1st February 1918.-

	<u>Paper</u>		<u>Cardboard</u>	
Brigade Headquarters	35	lbs	8	lbs
53rd Battalion	94		53	
54th Battalion	40		20	
55th Battalion	42		45	
56th Battalion	57		97	
9th A.M.G.Coy.	12		30	
9th A.L.T.M.Bty.	8		2	
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	268	lbs.	255	lbs.



CAPTAIN
Staff Captain
9th Australian Infantry Brigade

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NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
10th February, 1918.

Headquarters
33rd Battalion.
34th " (for information)

The tactical dispositions of the nucleus garrisons for the portion of the Second Zone between PLOESSTERT-LE GHEER ROAD and the DOUVE RIVER does not appear satisfactory in many respects, amongst which are the following:

- (a) Lack of control.
- (b) Lack of support.
- (c) Lack of co-ordination.
- (d) Lack of signal communication.

With this in view, will you please arrange to reconnoitre accommodation for one Company in the above mentioned area, forward of HILL 93.

The question of holding one Company forward, available to reinforce the posts in the Second Zone is undergoing consideration as the existing system would possibly not meet requirements in case of emergency.

Major
Brigade Major

9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

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HEADQUARTERS
NINTH INFANTRY BRIGADE 23

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Brigade Headquarters,
10th February 1918.
A.I.F.

- Headquarters
33rd Battalion
34th " "
35th " "
38th " "
9th A.M.G. Coy. (for information).
9th A.L.T.M. Bty. (" ")
9th Field Company (" ")

WORKING PARTIES IN SECOND ZONE.

In continuation of my B.H. 30/101 of 3rd instant.

1. The attached amended working party tables will be altered to from and including 11th instant

2 (a) It will be noted that the total number of Officers and other ranks per Section (vide B.H. 30/101 of 3rd instant) detailed by units will be as follows:

34th Bn.	No. 1 Section	7 Officers	170 or rks.
36th Bn.	No. 2 Section	10 "	275 "
33rd Bn.	No. 3 Section	9 "	320 "
35th Bn.	No. 4 Section	12 "	245 "
Total for Brigade		37 Officers	910 or rks.

(b) Parties detailed separately for work not intimately connected with the Second Zone will be furnished by units as heretofore.

3. Units will ensure that parties report up to strength and punctually at the time ordered in order that the work on the Second Zone may be proceeded with as rapidly as possible.

4. Requirements in transport for R.E. material will be notified daily to units of the Brigade. Transport will not move on the LE BIZET-HYDE PARK CORNER ROAD during the hours of daylight.

5. From the figures quoted above it will be seen that Officers at the rate of about one per twenty-five other ranks are required to be present daily in charge of working parties, for all of which technical Engineer supervision is provided.

6. Officers and N.C.Os. in charge of working parties will take measures to hasten the ontraining and detrainning of personnel travelling to and from work by Light Railways

7. The units providing nucleus garrisons for the Second Zone will arrange for the immediate improvement and maintenance of all posts occupied

8 (a) Parties will be carried by Light Railway to and from work as follows:

- No. 1 Section from RAGLAN (B.4.a) to DORCHESTER (C.7.c)
- No. 2 Section from CONNAUGHT (T.23.c) to SALFORD (C.2.a)
- No. 3 Section from CONNAUGHT (T.23.c) to TOR (U.19.b.)
- No. 4 Section from CONNAUGHT (T.23.c) to DEAD HORSE (U.20.b).

(b) Trains move forward at 8 a.m. from RAGLAN and CONNAUGHT, and leave DORCHESTER, SALFORD, TOR and DEAD HORSE at 2.30 pm on backward journey

(c) Trains for the following parties move forward at 4.30 p.m. and leave for the return journey at 11.30 p.m. -

- No. 1 Section - Serial No. 15
- No. 2 Sections - Serial Nos. 8, 9 and 10.

(d) Serial No. 17 for No. 3 Section moves under unit arrangements

9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J.H. Train
Major
Brigade Major

9th Australian Infantry Brigade,

REQUISITION FOR WORKING PARTIES.

No. 1 Section.

Serial No.	Number reqd		To report:		Nature of Work.	Tools to be brought by Working Party.	Locality of Work.
	O.	O/R	When.	Where.			
1	5		3.30 am.	LE BIZET, 7.13.b.5.0.	Spr. O'Man.	Building shelters WISDOM POST.	1 pick 4 shovels C.19 b.8.5.
2	5		"	"	Spr. Stewart.	Flank Post - digging fire bays.	1 pick 4 shovels. C.13.a.1.5.
3	15		"	"	Spr. Swift.	Building concrete pill-box.	15 shovels. C.13.a.3.3.
4	15		"	"	Spr. Husband.	-to.-	" C.14.a.5.3.
5	15		"	"	Spr. Mackay.	-to.-	" J.14.a.8.5.
6	5		"	"	Spr. Mulvaney.	Drainage WHITE and WALLABY POSTS	5 shovels. C.14.b.4.5.
7	10		"	"	L/C. Weston.	5 - Erection shelters for WHITE POST	10 shovels C.14.b.2.6.
8	5		"	"	Spr. Black	5 - Erection shelters for WALLABY POST.	5 shovels. J.14.b.3.5
9	5		"	"	Spr. Chalk.	Clearing & revetting MARK HILL AVENUE.	5 shovels. -
10	5		"	"	Spr. Craven.	Salvg A frames & debris for Misused RABECQUE AV	5 shovels. C.8.a.8.5.
11	20		"	"	Spr. Kanaar.	Fire-stopping NICHOLSON AVENUE.	1 pick 4 shovels -
12	15		"	"	Spr. Kanaar.	15 wiring; 5 thinning hedges.	5 shovels. C.14.
13	15		"	"	Spr. Hayes.	Loading & forwarding material from dumps	50 shovels. C.2.a.5.1.
15	1 50		5 pm.	CHAPELLE ROIFU C.7.a.90.25. GASOMETER ORNR C.7.b.5.1.	Rep. of No.1 Sec 9 Fl Co	WHIZZ-BANG POST, building breastwork	50 shovels. C.2.a.5.1.

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REQUISITION FOR WORKING PARTIES.

No. 2 Section.

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Serial No.	Number reqd.		When.	Where.	T.	Nature of Work.	Tools to be brought by working party.	Locality of Work.
	O.	O/R.						
1	1	25	3.30 am.	GASOMETER CORNER, C.7.b.5.1.	L/Cpl Barry.	10 building breastworks. 10 dressing hedge & wiring. 5 clearing drains at UGLY POST.	-	C.2.d.9.7.
2	1	25	"	DELEHELLE FARM, C.1.d.4.1.	Spr. Williams.	10 building breastworks. 5 clearing ground for field of fire. 5 excavating for small English shelter.	-	U.27.b.5.1.
3	1	25	"	PLOEGSTBERT CRNR U.25.b.8.6.	Cpl. Fieldhouse	5 digging drain at WEASEL POST 10 building breastworks. 5 clearing old wire. 5 strengthening new wire 5 training UNION POST. Building pill-box.	20 shovels.	U.27.b.8.3.
4	1	10	"	GASOMETER CORNER C.7.b.5.1.	L/C. Longhurst	Building pill-box.	-	C.7.b.4.9.
5	1	10	"	-do-	Spr. Joubert.	-do-	-	C.8.a.4.5.
6	1	10	"	-do-	Spr. Thomas.	Salvage.	Gum boots.	C.1 and 2.
7	1	10	"	DELEHELLE FARM, C.1.d.4.1.	L/C. Chippindall	Building Pill-box.	-	C.1.d.6.6.
8	1	50	5 pm.	POLEGSTBERT CRNR. U.25.b.8.6.	L/C. Wilson.	Building breastworks; spit-locking new trench (UNION P)	50 shovels.	U.27.b.8.3.
9	1	60	"	DELEHELLE FARM, C.1.d.4.1.	Sgt. Dearman.	40 building breastworks. 10 wiring. 10 evacuations for shelters (UGLY POST).	-	C.2.1.9.7.
10	1	50	"	-do-	Cpl. Baker.	30 building breastworks. 10 cutting drain. 10 building shelters (WEASEL POST)	-	U.27.b.5.1.

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REQUISITION FOR WORKING PARTIES.

No. 3 Section.

Serial No.	Number reqd	Off O/R When	To report: Where.	To whom.	Nature of Work.	Tools to be brought by working party	Location of work
1	{ 15	8.30 a.m.	HYDE PARK CORNER, U.19.b.3.7.	Spr. Wilson.	No. 20 concrete dugout.	45 pps gum-boots.	U.14.c.7.7.
2	1 { 5	"	"	" Fuller.	Repairing H.G. emplacement.	"	U.14.c.40.55
3	{ 15	"	"	L/C. Brown	No. 19 concrete dugout.	-	U.25.c.7.8.
4	1 { 15	"	"	"	Carrying and loading.	-	PLOEGSTEERT Area.
5	1 { 50	"	"	L/C. Corcoran.	Repairing C.T. ONLY WAY.	20 pps. gum-boots.	U.14.c.
6	1 { 10	"	DEAD HORSE CORNER, U.21.a.30.95.	Spr. Millar.	" S.P. ELGAR Ho.	10 "	U.21.b.6.8.
7	{ 10	"	"	" Pilcock.	" S.P. FALK VILLA.	10 "	U.21.d.5.6.
8	1 { 30	"	"	" Keegan.	Cutting rides and wiring.	-	U.21.d.
9	1 { 15	"	"	" Nancarrow.	Wiring.	-	U.27.a.
10	1 { 15	"	"	" Osmond.	"	-	U.26.a. and
11	{ 5	"	"	" Munnery.	Cow communication trench	-	U.15.c.
12	{ 5	"	"	" Stewart.	Uncivil, S.P.	5 " gum-boots.	U.15.c.4.8.
13	1 { 5	"	"	" Best.	ST. YVES S.P.	-	U.15.d.2.5.
14	{ 5	"	"	" Potter.	Weekly Post	5 " gum-boots.	U.15.d.1.7.
15	{ 5	"	"	" Parnell.	Srainage.	5 " gum-boots.	U.14.d.
16	1 { 20	"	"	L/C. Cameron.	Salvage	-	PLOEGSTEERT.
17	1 { 15	4.30 pm.	HYDE PARK CORNER, 7.19.b.3.7.	Spr. Manning.	Loading party.	-	PLOEGSTEERT.

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REQUISITION FOR WORKING PARTIES.

No. 4 Section.

Serial No.	Number reqd		To report:		To whom.	Nature of Work.	Tools to be brought by working party.	Locality of work.
	O	O/R	When.	Where.				
1	1	25	3.30 am.	DEAD HORSE CORNER, U.21.a.30.95.	Spr. Smart.	No. 1 Concrete O.P.	--	U.13.b.5.2.
2	1	15	"	do.	L/C. Yordall.	No. 21 concrete Pill-box	--	U.13.b.10.5.
3	1	15	"	do.	Spr. Calphy.	No. 2 " O.P. and laying tramline.	--	U.15.central.
4	4	100	"	do.	L/Cpl. Nixon	ONLY WAY draining and revetting.	--	U.14.a.7.4.
5	1	25	"	do.	Spr. Maher.	Consolidating ASH CRATER	--	U.9.b.8.3.
6	1	15	"	do.	2/Cpl Velvin-Smith.	Drainage.	--	U.15.a.8.8.
7	1	25	"	do.	Spr. Pellow.	Tracks.	--	U.15.a. and b.
8		5	"	do.	Spr. Sharpe.	AVENUE W dugout.	--	U.9.a.3.8.
9	1	15	"	do.	Spr. Bronnan.	KEEPAWAY DUMP.	--	U.13.a.1.9.
10	1	15	"	do.	Spr. Willson.	DEAD HORSE DUMP.	--	U.21.a.3.9.

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APPENDIX 10

NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters.
10th February 1918.

Headquarters
33rd Battalion.
34th " "
35th " "
36th " "
9th A. K. G. Coy.
9th A.L.T.M. Bty.
Brigade Signal Section.
Officer i/c. Div. Demonstration Platoon.
Commandant 9th A.I. Brigade School.

SMALL BOX RESPIRATORS.

1. The following paragraph is taken from S.S. 193 STANDING ORDERS for GAS DEFENCE.

"In the READY and PRECAUTIONARY ZONES the following rules will be observed:

(1) Anti-gas appliances will be inspected at least once a week, and immediately before men proceed to any point within the ALERT ZONE".

2. It is evident, from the returns sent in during the last three weeks, that there are large numbers of respirators which are not inspected ~~which are not inspected~~ in accordance with the Order quoted above.

3. Each unit now has personnel, specially trained in anti-gas measures, who will not be employed on other duties to the detriment of the work of inspection.

4. Recent inspections have shown that in many cases the Anti-Dimming Composition is not present. The proper and regular application of this paste facilitates very much the prolonged wearing of the respirator.

5. Instances occur where the Record Card is not present, and many more, where the Card is neither dated nor filled in. These Cards should have the date of issue stamped upon them - not written - and it would be preferable to have the cards tied round the neck of the canister. The periods of drill are not now entered upon the Cards.

J. J. Fair

MAJOR
Brigade Major
9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

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APPENDIX II

FIFTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
11th February, 1918.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM: No. "Q" 26.

SALVAGE.

AUSTRALIAN CORPS scheme for salvage is repeated for information and action of all concerned :-

"The following scheme has been adopted for Salvage work in the AUSTRALIAN CORPS Area :-

SALVAGE SCHEME FOR AUSTRALIAN CORPS AREA.

1. PERSONNEL: Each Brigade will detail one Officer and 30 men to be engaged solely on salvage. These parties will work under instructions from the Divisional Salvage Officer. Divisional Salvage Officer will detail one N.C.O. to be attached to each Brigade, and one other rank to each Battalion, this N.C.O. will be responsible for Brigade Salvage returns and the other ranks for the battalion returns.
2. AREAS: The Staff Captains of each Brigade, in conjunction with the Divisional Salvage Officer, will subdivide each Brigade area into salvage areas, and the unit occupying the salvage area will be responsible that the salvages collected into dumps and disposed of by 1st Line Transport to the Brigade Salvage Dump.
3. DUMPS: A dump will be established for each Brigade in the line beside a loop in the light railways or on the main road that ration wagons use. These dumps will be as far forward as circumstances will permit. The Brigade in the Reserve or Support Area will establish a dump at the most convenient place for all units in the Brigade. This dump will also be on a loop in the light railways or the main road. Each Battalion in the line will establish a dump at the head of the communication trench that carrying parties must use when returning from the line. The battalion will also establish a dump at a point where ration wagons or ration trains off-load. The Divisional Main Dump will be established at CONNAUGHT Railhead.
4. SCHEME: Battalions in the line will be responsible that the line is cleared, and also any salvage that may be in the vicinity of the line. Salvage collected will be placed either at the Communication trench dump, or at the ration transport dump. Every Officer in charge of carrying and working parties returning from the line will be personally responsible that each man of his party carries some salvage to the ration transport dump. The Brigade Salvage Officer will have this transport dump cleared by returning transport to the Brigade Salvage Dump. The Divisional Salvage Officer will have the stores salvaged, evacuated from this dump. The Brigade in reserve or support will clear their own Salvage under instructions from the Divisional Salvage Officer. The Brigade Salvage details will also be engaged on clearing "Pockets" in the area and will co-operate with the Divisional Salvage Company.
Units will be responsible that their own Area is clear of Salvage.
5. AMMUNITION: Abandoned gun positions will be cleared by Salvage parties working in the Area. Care will be taken that reserve gun positions are not interfered with.
6. R.E. STORES: R.E. Stores will be collected in Dumps, and the Staff Captain of the Brigade notified of the location and contents of the dumps.

(D.T.O.)

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7. GENERAL SALVAGE: All general salvage will be returned either by returning transport or light railways to Corps Salvage Dump CONNAUGHT Railroad.
8. TRANSPORT: No transport will return from the line empty, but will load up with Salvage and dump at the Brigade Dumps.
9. RETURNS: Brigades will render a return weekly to the Divisional Salvage Officer showing the stores evacuated classed as "Serviceable" or "Unserviceable". The results of each Brigade Salvage effort will be published in Divisional "A and Q" notes, showing monetary values and quantities".

A. Re Para 1. -

Each Battalion will detail One R.C.O. and 6 men, 9th A.M.G. Company 2 men, 9th A.L.T.M. Battery 2 men, 34th Battalion one Officer. This party will report to Staff Captain at Brigade Headquarters at 9 a.m. 13th instant.


These men will work and be rationed with their own units.

Re Para 2. -

AREAS : Will remain the same as laid down in our CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM "Q" 35 dated 1-2-1918.

Re Para 6. -

R.E. material salvaged will be notified as laid down, and if used in construction work at the time a receipt for its re issue to unit will be forwarded with notification.


Captain.
Staff Captain.
Fifth Australian Infantry Brigade.

DISTRIBUTION:

33rd Battalion	1 copy
34th Battalion	1 "
35th Battalion	1 "
36th Battalion	1 "
9th A.M.G. Coy.	1 "
9th A.L.T.M. Batty.	1 "
Div. Sal. Officer	1 "
War Diary	3 copies
Spare	3 "

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDER NO. 538.

by

LIEUT-COL. H.A. GODDARD, D.S.O. COMMANDING 9TH AUST. INF. BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
12th February, 1918.

COMBAND: 2677. Lieut-Col. L.J. MORSEHEAD, D.S.O., relinquished command of the Brigade on return of Lieut-Col. H.S. GODDARD, D.S.O. from CAMIERS Course. - Dated 12-2-1918. Lieut-Col. H.A. GODDARD, D.S.O. resumed command of the Brigade - dated 12-2-1918.

LAUDATORY: 2678. The following message has been received from Brig-General W. RAMSEY McNICOLL, D.S.O., Commanding 10th Aust. Inf. Brigade, dated 11th February, 1918 :-

"To G.O.C.,
9th Aust. Inf. Brigade.


Please convey to the personnel of your Machine Gun Company and Trench Mortar Battery our best thanks for their able assistance in last night's successful operation".

APPOINTMENTS & PROMOTIONS: 2679. 35th Battalion:
To be Company Quartermaster Sergeant - Dated 3-2-1918.
No.177 Sergeant (Temp. C.Q.M.S.) R.G. PAIR.

TRANSFERS: 2680: No.1418 Driver E.M. MORRIS is transferred from Headquarters 9th Aust. Inf. Brigade to 33rd Battalion, and to remain attached to Headquarters 3rd Australian Division - Dated 12-2-1918.

SALVAGE OF PAPER & CARDBOARD: 2681. The following figures show the amounts of paper and cardboard salvaged by units of this Brigade for week ending 8-2-1918.

	<u>Paper</u>	<u>Cardboard.</u>
Brigade Headquarters	29	-
33rd Battalion	18	27
34th Battalion	20	14
35th Battalion	121	84
33th Battalion	36	-
9th A.M.G. Company	7	9
9th A.L.T.M. Battery	10	5
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	241 lbs.	139 lbs.


Captain.
Staff Captain.
Fifth Australian Infantry Brigade:

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APPENDIX 13

NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

HEADQUARTERS
 NINTH INFANTRY BRIGADE
 14 FEB. 1918
 B.M. No. 875
 A.I.F.

Brigade Headquarters.
14th February 1918.

O.C.
9th Aust. Machine Gun Company.

Will you please forthwith reconnoitre the area North of the PLOEGSTEERT-LE GHEER Road with a view to submitting the consideration of Divisional Headquarters a comprehensive scheme for the Machine Gun defence of the Second Zone in this area.

The role of our Machine Guns in the Second Zone may be considered as being fourfold, and they must be prepared to act in any of the capacities enumerated hereunder:

- (1). Barrage M.Gs. in defence of the successive defensive lines of the Second Zone;
- (2). Sniping guns for the purpose of engaging enemy targets which may present themselves;
- (3). Counter-attack M.Gs. for the purpose of following up our infantry in counter-attack and subsequently consolidating on or in the vicinity of the objective gained.
- (4). Machine Guns for the pursuing by fire of an unsuccessful attack by the enemy.

It is proposed, however, to devote the major portion of our energy to the consideration of barrage guns.

In making your reconnaissance will you please site your guns in such a manner as to ensure that the maximum fire effect may be obtained from them if called upon. To this end it will obviously be unnecessary for you to provide for a continuous beaten zone along the whole front of the Second Zone for two reasons which are as follows:

- (1). There are certain areas on the ground in question over which it would be impossible for any troops to operate;
- (2). The number of Machine Guns at our disposal are very few for the extent of front which it is required to defend.

In submitting a scheme to Brigade Headquarters resulting from your reconnaissance will you please consider your Company as having 20 Machine Guns on establishment.

The necessary maps and every facility will be given to you in order to portray the principles of the scheme as clearly as possible.

J. A. J. Tami

Major
Brigade Major

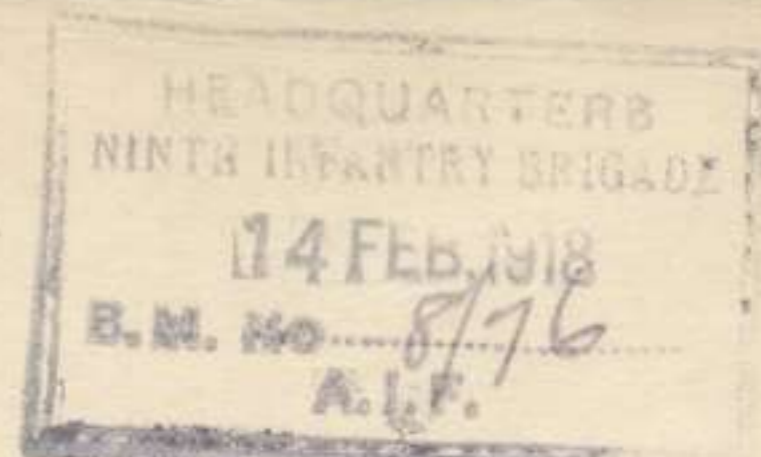
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NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.



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Brigade Headquarters.
14th February 1918.

Headquarters
33rd Battalion.
34th "
35th "
36th "
9th A. M. G. Coy.
9th A.L.T.M. Bty.
9th Field Coy. A.E. (for infor.)

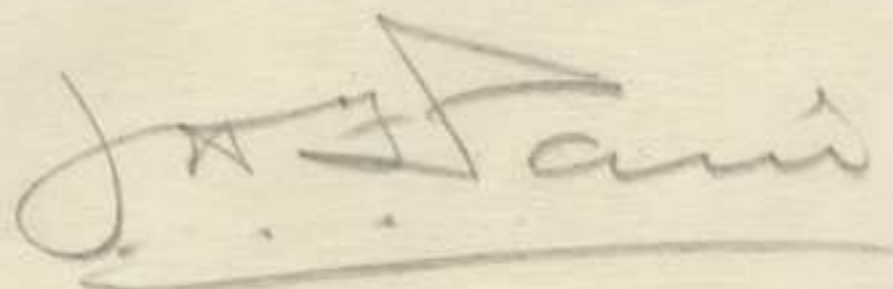
It has now been decided to move more to the North the centre of activity as far as the work of the Brigade in the Second Zone is concerned. In other words, more attention will in future be directed to the construction of defences in Nos. 3 and 4 Sections of the Second Zone.

While it is not intended that the defences undergoing construction in Nos. 1 and 2 Sections should be abandoned, it will be necessary to relieve troops in those two areas in order that sufficient men may be available for work on Nos. 3 and 4 Sections. All units will be notified in due course of the consequent readjustment of working parties which will not take place for a few days.

It is considered that the more probable course of action which may be adopted by the enemy is an attack in the direction of HILL 63 from the MESSINES RIDGE rather than an attack launched from a South-easterly direction, hence the change in works policy which it is proposed to carry out. Units will therefore devote as much time and energy as possible to doing everything that knowledge, care and judgment can effect in making the defences of the Second Zone very highly efficient.

All ranks should be infused with a spirit of energy and enthusiasm in the prosecution of the works in hand as well as those projected, in spite of adverse weather conditions and arduous hours of work.

All works and working parties are to be very carefully organised in order to obviate waste of effort. This calls for the personal consideration by all Officers of the minutest details in connection with the construction of defences and the action of our troops in the event of a hostile attack.



Major
Brigade Major
9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

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NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 339.

by

LIEUT-COL. H.A. GODDARD, D.S.O. COMMANDING 9TH AUST. INF. BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters,
15th February, 1918.

FIELD GENERAL
COURT MARTIAL:

2681. The detail of Officers mentioned below will assemble at BULFORD LINES (T.20.s.4.2) at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday, 16th February, 1918 to try by Field General Court Martial such accused person or persons as may be brought before them.

PRESIDENT.

Major B.B. RODD - 36th Bn. A.I.F.

MEMBERS.

Captain P.F. LIGHT - 35th Bn. A.I.F.
Captain H.C.L. BENNETT - 34th Bn. A.I.F.

PROSECUTOR.

Adjutant of Battalion concerned.

Headquarters 9th Aust. Inf. Brigade will provide Court room, Bible, Stationery etc.
Proceedings will be forwarded to Headquarters 9th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

POSTAL:

2682. It has been represented at HAVRE, that a certain amount of mis-sorting and undelivery takes place through the mail matter endorsed "A.I.B.D." circulating to "A" (British) "I.B.D."


To avoid this confusion, all mail matter now directed as above should in future be endorsed in full "AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BASE DEPOT", or "AUSTRALIAN GENERAL BASE DEPOT" as the case may be.

The abbreviation "A.I.B.D." or "A.G.B.D." must cease forthwith.

The attention of Unit postal orderlies should be drawn to this matter, and all re-directed correspondence received in future for either of the above addresses shall be returned to unit postal orderlies unless re-addressed in accordance with this order.

OFFICERS'
KITS:

2683. Attention is drawn to 9th Aust. Inf. Bde. Routine Order No. 332, para 2656 dated 14-1-1918, re weights laid down for Officers' kits. This order will be promulgated immediately, and in future when Officers are taken on strength of Battalions, or returned from sick or wounded, they will be acquainted with this order.


Captain.
Staff Captain.
Ninth Australian Infantry Brigade.

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NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER N. 15.

Reference maps:
Sheet 28.
WARNETON

1/20,000.
1/10,000.

Brigade Headquarters
17th February, 1918.

- 1.(a). The 9th Australian Infantry Brigade will be relieved in the Reserve Brigade Area on the 24th and 25th February 1918 by the 10th Australian Infantry Brigade.
- (b). The 9th Australian Infantry Brigade will relieve the 10th Australian Infantry Brigade in the Left Brigade Area in the line on 24th and 25th February 1918.
- (c). Relief will be completed by 12 midnight 25th/26th February 1918.

2. Command of the Left Brigade Area will pass to the G.O.C. 9th Australian Infantry Brigade on completion of relief.

3.(a). Relieving units will take over the existing dispositions in the line:

33rd Battalion	will relieve	"A" Battalion	(39th Battalion).
34th	"	" " " " "B"	" (40th Battalion).
35th	"	" " " " "C"	" (38th Battalion).
36th	"	" " " " "D"	" (37th Battalion).

- (b). The relief of "C" and "D" Battalions will be carried out on the 24th February; and "A" and "B" Battalions on the 25th February.
- (c). The 9th Australian Machine Gun Company will relieve the 10th Australian Machine Gun Company as follows:
8 Vickers guns on 24th February
8 " " " 25th "
- (d). The 8 Anti-aircraft Vickers guns furnished by the 9th Australian Machine Gun Company will be relieved by the 10th Australian Machine Gun Company on the 24th February.
- (e). The 9th Australian Light Trench Mortar Battery will relieve the 10th Australian Light Trench Mortar Battery on the 25th February.

4. The Nucleus Garrisons in the Second Zone furnished by the 34th and 33rd Battalions will be relieved by the 36th and 37th Battalions respectively on the 24th February.

5. No movement forward of HYDE PARK CORNER is to take place before 6.0 p.m.

6. Advance parties as under from 33rd and 34th Battalions will go into the line on the 24th February:

- Lewis Gun Officers.
- Scout Officer.
- Sniping Officer.
- Signalling Officer.
- One Officer per Company.
- Battalion Gas N.C.O.
- Nos. 1 and 2 of Lewis Gun teams.
- 20% Scouts, Snipers and Signallers.

7. Subject to the terms of this Order the relief will be carried out under mutual arrangements to be made direct between Commanding Officers concerned.

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9. (a). All Defence Schemes, duties, works policies etc. in connection with the Reserve Brigade and the Second Zone will be handed over upon relief to the 10th Australian Infantry Brigade.

(b). Log-books, maps, Defence Schemes, and all information concerning the Left Brigade Area will be taken over from the 10th Australian Infantry Brigade upon relief.

(c). In the case of (a) and (b) above, receipts will be exchanged.

10. The 33rd Battalion will detail the Second-in-Command to take over from Second-in-Command 39th Battalion the defence works of LA BASSE VILLE and will assume responsibility for those works from the time of completion of relief.

11. The Staff Captain will issue the necessary Administrative Instructions in connection with the relief.

12. Units will report completion of relief by wire in code to Brigade Headquarters.

13. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. J. F. A.

Major
Brigade Major

10th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

DISTRIBUTION:

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1-3.	Brigade Headquarters
4	Brigade Signal Section.
5	33rd Battalion.
6	34th Battalion.
7	35th Battalion.
8	36th Battalion.
9	9th A. M. G. Company.
10	9th A.L.T.M. Battery.
11	9th Aust. Inf. Bde. School.
12	Brigade Transport Officer.
13	3rd Aust. Div. Demonstration Platoon.
14-15	3rd Australian Division.
16	3rd Aust. Div. Signal Coy.
17	C.R.A. 3rd Aust. Division.
18	C.R.E. 3rd Aust. Division.
19	A.D.M.S. 3rd Aust. Div.
20	9th Field Coy. Aust. Engineers.
21	9th Aust. Field Ambulance.
22	869th Coy. A.A.S.C.
23	10th Aust. Inf. Bde.
24	11th Aust. Inf. Bde.
25	8th Aust. Inf. Bde.
26	Left Group Artillery.
27	Lt.-Col. H.O. Clogstoun, R.E.
28-30	War Diary.
31	File.

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SECRET.NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Copy No. 17

Brigade Headquarters,
20nd February, 1918.ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS NO. 2.ISSUED IN CONJUNCTION WITH BRIGADE ORDER NO. 15 OF 17-2-18.

Reference Maps :- Sheet 28 S.W. - 1/20,000
 " 36 N.W. - 1/20,000
 PLOEGSTEERT - 1/10,000.

1. TRANSPORT LINES: Transport Lines and Q.M. Stores of Units will be situated as under :-
- | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Brigade Headquarters | - RUE DU SAC | B.5.d.90.80 |
| 33rd Battalion | - GODFORD LINES | B.5.d.80.95 |
| 34th Battalion | - AS AB PRESENT. | |
| 35th Battalion | - ANTRIM LINES | T.27.b.50.40 |
| 36th Battalion | - WARRINGTON LINES | B.5.d.50.95. |
| 9th A.M.G. Company | | B.8.c.20.80. |
- 9th A.L.T.M. Battery hand-carts will be parked with 10th A.M.G. Company transport at B.8.c.20.80.
2. BAGGAGE WAGGONS: Units will arrange direct with 369th Coy. A.A.S.C. for baggage waggons.
3. SUPPLIES: Rations will be delivered direct to new locations as under: - Refilling point as at present.
- | | | |
|--------------------------|---|------------|
| 35th and 36th Battalions | - | 24-2-1918. |
| 33rd and 34th Battalions | } | - |
| 9th A.M.G. Company | | |
- 9th A.M.G. Company will arrange to draw rations for 9th A.L.T.M. Battery.
- Rations for line battalions, M.G. Company and T.M. Battery are sent forward daily on Light Railway to RACINE DUMP - U.20.b.5.7. Ration train leaves ROMARIN SIDING at 2 p.m. each day.
- Rations for Support and Reserve Battalions will be delivered by 1st Line Transport.
4. COOKING ARRANGEMENTS: "A" and "B" Battalions will arrange to take over existing cooking arrangements. "C" and "D" Battalions will use their Field Kitchens at their Camps.
5. RESERVE RATIONS: Reserve Rations are located as follows :-
- General Purpose Rations.
- | | | | |
|----------------|------------|-----|------------------|
| <u>Right</u> : | U.16.b.3.3 | ... | 750 Iron Rations |
| | U.16.b.5.5 | ... | 750 " " |
| <u>Left</u> : | U.9.d.7.9 | ... | 750 " " |
| | U.9.d.7.3 | ... | 750 " " |
- Supporting Point Rations:
- | | | | |
|----------------|-------------|------|-------------------|
| <u>Right</u> : | U.15.c.9.5. | ... | 375 lbs. Biscuits |
| | | | 450 tins P.M. |
| <u>Left</u> : | U.14.d.7.5. | | 375 lbs. Biscuits |
| | | | 450 Tins P.M. |
- Right and Left Battalions will relieve a Guard of 1 N.C.O. and 2 men on each of these posts, - excepting U.14.d.7.5. where no Guard is necessary - all reporting by 9 a.m. 24th instant.
6. WATER : (a) Water for drinking purposes is drawn from water point at T.27.b.9.9. and transferred into petrol tins at the Q.M. Stores. From there it is sent up with the daily rations.

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6. WATER (cont) (b) Water for Cooking is drawn from wells as follows :-

Left Bn. H.Q.	...	U.9.b.5.2.
Right Bn. H.Q.	...	U.15.b.5.2.
CHASSEUR CABARET	...	U.17.a.2.4.
ANTONS FARM	...	B.15.b.8.9.

Water from these wells to be chlorinated and boiled.

(c) Shallow wells are situated at :-

U.10.b.2.0.	U.9.a.5.3.	U.9.d.5.3.
U.10.d.7.0	U.9.a.4.3.	U.9.d.8.9.
U.13.b.7.2.	U.9.c.3.6.	U.15.b.3.2.
U.9.a.5.0.	U.9.d.5.0.	U.15.b.9.4.
U.9.a.5.1.	U.9.d.5.4.	U.15.b.8.9.
		U.13.b.7.2.

7. AMMUNITION: The Divisional Dump is situated at DOU DOU B.5.c.75.35.Brigade Dumps :

RIGHT	DEAD HORSE CORNER	-	U.21.a.4.9.
LEFT	BROWSE POINT	-	U.14.b.9.3.

The following establishment of ammunition will be maintained by units in addition to what is carried on the man :-

Description	Bn. Dumps each	Coy. Dumps each	Ptn. Dumps each	Bags & Post each
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FRONT BATTALIONS.

S. A. A., Rifle	30,000	12,000	3,000	2,000
" L. G.	32,000	16,000	5,000	1,000
" TRACER	1,000	per Battalion Sector.		
" A. P.	1,000	"	"	"
Grenades, Mills No. 5	2,000	240	60	2 per man
" " " 23	1,000	240	60	2 " "
" Hales No. 24	1,000	300	50	
Vory Lights, White 1"	1,000	500	100	50
" " " 1 1/2"	750	250	50	25

SUPPORT BATTALION - CATACOMBS.

S. A. A. Rifle	...	50,000
" L. G.	...	50,000
" TRACER	...	1,000
" A. P.	...	1,000
Grenades, Mills No. 5	...	2,000
" No. 23	...	250

RESERVE BATTALION. - RED LODGE.

S. A. A.	...	100,000
Bombs	...	64 cases
Hand Grenades	...	1,008
Rifle "	...	317

MACHINE GUN COMPANY. (To be drawn from DEAD HORSE CORNER DUMP).

S. A. A.	...	80,000
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TRENCH MORTAR BATTERY.

Stokes 3" Shells	2,500) Half at each Brigade Dump.
" Green Cartridges	2,500	
" Ring Chargers	5,000	

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8. LIGHT RAILWAYS: A 60 cm Light Railway is connected with the broad gauge railway at LA CRECHE and DUKE OF CONNAUGHT Railhead (T.26.c. central) and serves the areas as far East as RACINE DUMP.

The Light Railway connects with trench tramway at U.20.b.5.8. for Left Battalion, and U.21.a.1.8. for Right Battalion. All arrangements for trains must be made with Brigade Headquarters 24 hours ahead of time required.

9. MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS: R. A. P's. are situated at :-

Right Battalion	...	U.16.a.5.2.
Left Battalion - DOUVE VALLEY	...	U.10.a.5.8.

Bearer Relay Posts :

Right Battalion DEAD HORSE CORNER	U.21.a.4.9.
Left Battalion BUNHILL ROW	U.20.a.8.4.

At HYDE PARK CORNER wounded are placed on ambulance and conveyed to A.D.S. UNDERHILL FARM, thence to M.D.S. PONT d'ACHELLES, B.8.d.2.5.

Divisional Rest Station is located at WESTHOF FARM, T.19.b.4.5.

10. SALVAGE: Brigade Salvage Officer, 2nd Lieut. A. BAILLIE, 34th Bn., will arrange to take over existing Salvage arrangements from 10th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Further instructions will be issued showing areas to be salvaged. All units will notify Brigade Headquarters within 24 hours of relief, location of salvage dumps.

11. R. E. DUMP:

MAIN DUMP	-	RACINE	-	U.20.b.5.7.
Right Battalion			U.17.a.1.4.
Left Battalion			U.11.a.4.0.

12. GUM BOOTS: (a) Gum boots in possession of Units in Reserve Brigade Area will be handed over by the Q.M. to relieving Unit.

Duplicate copies of receipts obtained to reach Brigade Headquarters within 12 hours on completion of relief. Units will be held responsible for any shortages.

(b) Brigade Gum Boot Store and Drying room in forward area will be situated at CATACOMBS - U.19.b.2.9. An Officer will be in charge of this Store. Boots will only be issued on production of an order signed by C.O. or Adjutants of Battalions, and Officers of other units.

No gum boots will be taken over on relief except from Brigade Store.

13. SOUP KITCHENS: The Officer in charge of Gum Boot Store will be responsible for Brigade Soup Kitchens which are located as follows :-

- (1) CATACOMBS.
- (2) RACINE DUMP.

14. BATHS: Baths are situated at RED LODGE. Units will make arrangements direct with Area Commandant for allotments.

15. CEMETERY: Cemetery used by the Brigade is at CHATEAU ROSENBERG EXTENSION - T.18.d.2.8.

16. TRENCH AND AREA STORES: (a) Area and training stores in Reserve Brigade Area will be handed over on relief, and duplicate copies of receipts forwarded to Brigade Headquarters within 12 hours of relief.

(b) Duplicate copies of receipts for Trench Stores taken over in forward area will be forwarded to reach Brigade Headquarters within 12 hours of completion of relief.

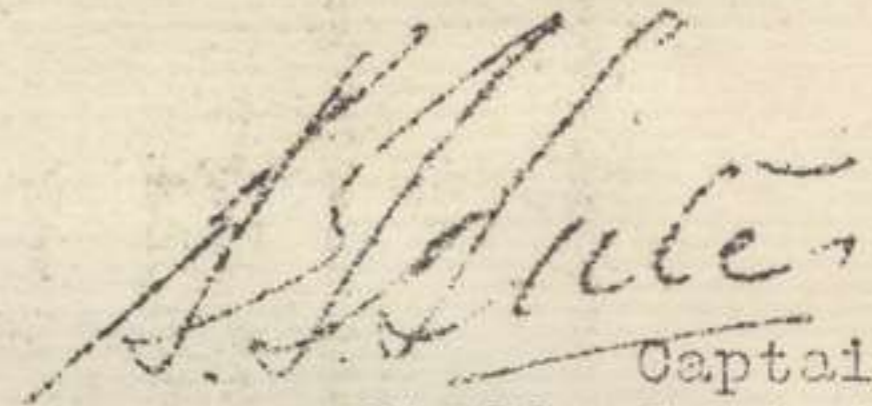
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17. DUTIES: For duties in forward area see Appendix "A".
 18. TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS : For relief see Appendix "B".

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



Captain.
 Staff Captain.
 Ninth Australian Inf. Brigade.

DISTRIBUTION:

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7	35th "
8	36th "
9	9th A.M.G. Coy.
10	9th A.L.T.M. Batty.
11	Brigade Transport Officer
12	9th Field Ambulance
13	869th Coy. A.A.S.C.
14	10th Aust. Inf. Bde.
15	11th Aust. Inf. Bde.
16	Bde. Salvage Officer (2/Lt. A. BAILLIE)
17-19	War Diary
20-21	3rd Aust. Division.
22	File.
23	Area Commandant - KORTEPYP.
24	Area Commandant - RED LODGE AREAS.

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APPENDIX "A".

UNIT	STRENGTH			DATE OF RELIEF	DUTY	REMARKS
	Offs.	M.C.Os.	Men			
35th Battalion	1	2	10	9 a.m. 24-2-18	Gum Boot Store and Soup Kitchen at CATACOMBS.	At present supplied by 39th Battalion.
35th Battalion	-	1	4	- do -	Trench Tramway patrol U.20.b.4.5.	- do -
36th Battalion	-	2	11	- do -	RED LODGE Baths and CATACOMBS - to report to Area Commandant RED LODGE.	- do -
36th Battalion	-	1	6	- do -	Sanitary - report to Area Commandant RED LODGE	- do -
36th Battalion	-	-	2	- do -	Water Picket - report Area Commandant RED LODGE	At present supplied by 38th Battalion.
36th Battalion	-	-	1	- do -	Clerk - report to Area Commandant RED LODGE.	- -

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APPENDIX "B"

DATE	UNIT	NUMBER	TIME OF DEPARTURE	ENTRAIN	DETRAIN	REMARKS.
24-2-1918	33rd Battalion 34th Battalion	90 } 90 }	4.45 p.m.	CONNAUGHT SIDING	DEAD HORSE CORNER	Advance parties for line.
25-2-1918	34th Battalion	300	4.30 p.m.	REMARIN SIDING	-do-	
	33rd Battalion	600	6.30 p.m.	CONNAUGHT SIDING	-do-	
DAILY	"A" and "B" Bns. 9th A.M.G. Coy. 9th A.L.T.M. Bty.	} } } raticn train	2.0 p.m.	- do -		

Units concerned will detail train officer.
Congestion at entraining and detraining points must be avoided.

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NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

B.M. 29/229.

Brigade Headquarters.
18th March, 1918.

Headquarters

33rd Bn.	34th Bn.	Comdt.
35th Bn.	36th Bn.	Bde Schl (for infor).
9th A.M.G. Coy	9th A.L.T.M. Bty.	

Reference my B.M.29/229 of 10th instant.

The Second Course of Signalling at the Brigade School will assemble at EMU CAMP on the 20th instant. Candidates will report to the Commandant Brigade School at 10 a.m. on 20th instant and bring with them 48 hours rations.

(Sgd.) J.H.F. PAIN Major
Brigade Major
9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

APPENDIX 18

NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters.
18th February 1918.

Headquarters
 33rd Bn. 34th Bn.
 35th Bn. 36th Bn.
 9th A.M.G.Coy. 9th A.L.T.M.Bty.
 Commandant 9th A.I.Bde.School of Instruction.

The First N.C.Os. Course at the Brigade School will terminate on 22nd instant and disperse on 23rd instant when candidates will return to their units.

Units will submit nominations as under for the Second N.C.Os. Course to reach Brigade Headquarters by 12.0 noon on 22nd instant.

Each Bn.	8	other ranks
9th A.M.G.Coy.	2	"
9th A.L.T.M.Bty.	1	"

The Second Course will assemble on the 28th inst. when candidates will report to the Commandant Brigade School at 10.0 a.m. bringing with them 24 hours' rations.

(Sgd.) J.H.F. PAIN Major
 Brigade Major
 9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDER NO. 340

by

BRIG-GEN. C. ROSENTHAL, C.B., C.M.G., G.O.C. 9TH AUST. INF. BDE.

Brigade Headquarters,
19th February, 1913.

- COMMAND: 2684. Lieut-Col. H.A. GODDARD, D.S.O., relinquished command of the Brigade, and resumed command of 35th Battalion, on return of Brig-Gen. C. ROSENTHAL, C.B., C.M.G. from leave. - Dated 19-2-1913.
- APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS: 2685. 9th Aust. Light Trench Mortar Battery:
To be Sergeant - dated 19-2-1913.
No.443 Temp. Sergeant A.E. HAPGOOD, vice KNOWLES, died of illness.
To be Corporals- Dated 19-2-1913.
No.31127 Temp. Corporal D.J. FRASER, vice HAPGOOD promoted.
No.495 Temp. Corporal W. MURPHY, vice MOYLAN evacuated wounded.
No.1102 Temp. Corporal G.A. CHARTERS, vice WILLIAMS evacuated wounded.
No.24423 Lance Corporal C.D.E. PARKS-SMITH, vice to complete establishment.
- TAKEN ON STRENGTH: 2686. No. 414 Private H. DEVON is taken on the strength of Headquarters 9th Aust. Inf. Bde. from 35th Battalion A.I.F. - Dated 19-2-1913.
- PISTOLS: 2687. The return called for in Divisional Routine Order No. 373 para 1750 dated 15-2-1913, will be rendered to reach Brigade Headquarters by 12 noon 21st February, 1913.
- ORDERS: 2688. Attention is called to Divisional Routine Order No. 380 para 1759 dated 13-2-1913, re Clipping of horses and Mules.
- SALVAGE OF PAPER AND CARDBOARD: 2689. The following figures show the amounts of paper and cardboard salvaged by units of this Brigade for week ending 15-2-1913 :-

	<u>Paper</u>	<u>Cardboard.</u>
Brigade Headquarters	30	-
33rd Battalion	67	25
34th Battalion	30	12
35th Battalion	203	23
36th Battalion	29	23
9th A.M.G. Coy.	17	11
9th A.L.T.M. Battery	6	5½
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	382	105½
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[Signature]
Captain.
- Staff Captain.
Ninth Australian Inf. Brigade.

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APPENDIX 20

B.M. 29/229.

NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Brigade Headquarters.
19th February 1918.

Headquarters
 33rd Bn. 34th Bn.
 35th Bn. 36th Bn.
 9th A.M.G. Coy. 9th A.L.T.M. Bty.
 Officer i/c. Brigade Signal Section.
 Commandant 9th A.I. Brigade School.

Please cancel my B.M. 29/229 of 19th instant.
 The Brigade School will disperse on the 23rd instant
 when all Instructors, candidates and details will return to their
 units.

The Commandant of the School will make the necessary
 arrangements to return to units all equipment, mess gear, training
 stores &c. borrowed from them.

It is anticipated that the Brigade School will
 again assemble about the middle of next month.

Major
 Brigade Major
 9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

CASUALTIES FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1918.

1918.

February	3	Major	R.J.A.	MASSIE	33rd Bn.	Wounded in action.
		2/Lieut.	V.S.	BARNES	"	Killed in action.
	5	566 Pte.	W.J.	VICKERS	"	Wounded in action.
	6	2193 "	A.L.	HOUSE	"	-do-
		664 "	L.B.	COATES	"	-do-
		2833 "	J.	DEANE	"	-do-
	15	588 "	B.R.	WOOMACK	36th Bn.	-do-
	19	1896 L/Cpl.	F.B.	PALMER	33rd Bn.	-do- (accdl)
		5051B Pte.	W.S.C.	HUDSON	"	" "
		763 "	H.	GARDINER	34th Bn.	-do-
	23	1530 "	L.R.	BROWN	35th Bn.	-do-
	22	5124 "	A.J.	THOMPSON	33rd Bn.	-do-
	25	12 Sgt.	A.H.	BUSHELL	"	Killed in action.
		Lieut.	C.C.	WALLACE	"	Wounded in action.
		2151 Sgt.	T.C.	WILSON	"	-do-
		1964 Cpl.	J.S.	MASON	"	-do-
		3261 Pte.	P.	FORD	"	-do-
		2628 "	G.E.	PRINCE	"	-do-
		1194 "	H.F.	MENZIES	"	-do-
		439 "	A.	GILL	34th Bn.	-do-
	28	x3010 "	C.	BUCHANAN	"	-do-

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	33rd Bn.		34th Bn.		35th Bn.		36th Bn.		M.G.Coy.		T.M.Bty.	
	O.	o/r.	O.	o/r	O.	o/r	O	o/r	O	o/r	O	o/r
Killed	1	1										
Wounded	2	13	3		1		1					

APPENDIX 23

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27.2.1918

NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE
 INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 2
 from 6 am. 26.2.1918 to 6 am. 27.2.1918.

Reference map: Sheet 28.

OUR OPERATIONS.

Artillery. At 11 a.m. our 4.5 Hows. carried out wire-cutting with 100 fuze on S.W. front of WARNETON. Good shooting, with many C. is reported.

Intermittently throughout the day 18-pdrs. and 4.5s fired on targets in WARNETON; the Heavies were firing in the direction of BAS WARNETON.

A carrying party U.12.b.38.21 was dispersed by our artillery at 11.15 a.m.

Trench Mortars. Nil.

Machine guns. Five thousand rounds were fired on the tracks in WARNETON and along the road towards HERONDELLE as far as U.12.b.05.98.

Our Lewis Guns were covering gaps made by our artillery in enemy wire.

Aircraft. Our planes very active during the morning.

Patrols.

The patrols were able to work more freely. Owing to cloudy sky no movement of enemy was seen or heard by the patrols of our Left Battalion.

ENEMY ACTIVITY.Artillery.

8 pm. to midnight 50 rounds 5.9 H.E. and shrapnel fell on U.10.c. and U.11.a. from QUESNOY Area.

Commencing at 11 am. enemy put 274 rds. 5.9 on Battery position at U.26.b.50.75 - from QUESNOY Area.

The

Trench Mortars.

11.20 am.-11.35 am.	ELLA	was firing on	LA BASSE VILLE.
12.30 pm.	"	"	"
11.30 am.-noon.	JENNY	"	"
10.25 am.	BIDDY	"	U.17.b.3.7.
10.15 am.	MIRA	"	Post, 9, U.17.
			U.17.b.3.4.

Machine guns. ERNEST was active during the night. KERRY was firing down the WARNETON-BASSE VILLE Road. Our patrols report M.G. in SPINNEY active.

Aircraft. Five enemy balloons were up from dawn until 9.30 am. At 9.30 am. an enemy plane fired on one of our observation planes which replied. The enemy plane immediately returned, flying low. A plane (nationality unknown) was seen to fall at 9.30 pm. in flames to our right towards enemy lines. An enemy plane is reported to have been driven down in flames to left of our sector at 10 am.

Works. Enemy seen to be very busy improving his defences in U.18.c. Much hammering was heard during the night. Working party at U.12.c. 00.30 was dispersed by Lewis Gun fire. Two men seen working on trench at U.12.a.40.30

Movement.

10.50 am. Five men seen at U.12.b.27.30.
 9.30 am. Enemy sentry seen at U.12.c.30.75.
 2.0 pm. Two men seen to leave WARNETON and to disappear at
 U.12.b.00.30.
 4.50 pm. Three men came from trees at about U.12.b.30.10 and
 each carried a box to ruin at U.12.b.25.20.
 1.40 pm. Nine men seen at U.12.a.82.58 - apparently a working
 party.
 5.45 pm. One man in trench in U.11.a. was joined by three
 others. - apparently a "stand to".
 9.15 am. Party of six observed carrying something at about
 U.12.c.30.70.
 2.45 pm. Party of 8 seen going from one trench to another at
 about U.12.a.40.50.

Movement in parties of one or two was very marked
 throughout the day in vicinity of WARNETON.

G. Hafford
 for

Brig.-Gen.

G.O.C. 9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

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ANNEXE to 9TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE
 INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 2 from 6 am.
 26.2.1918 to 6 am. 27.2.1918.

OUR DEFENCES. - Work done during 24 hours ending 6 p.m. 26th February.

Location.	Work.
WILLY SUPPORT, U.11.a.2.0	10 yards new "A" frames and revetment. 30 yards duckboards lifted and drain cleared.
RIVER LANE.	30 yards trench deepened. 20 yards new "A" frames revetment and duckboards.
SUBSIDIARY Line, U.9.b.7.3	40 yards drainage, 10 yards reclaimed. Improving accommodation.
USUFUI SUPPORT.	40 yards drainage.
Advanced Brigade Headquarters.	1 small English shelter built. Improving accommodation.
CATACOMBS.	Repairs, drainage and maintenance. Improving accommodation.
Left Battalion Headquarters.	Revetment, placing of concrete bursters.
R.A.P. DOUVE DUCKWALK.	Revetment and repairs.
OLD GERMAN F.L. (fr. ASH CRATER to DOUVE RIVER)	3 dugouts drained. General drainage. preparation of accommodation.
U.14.d.9.9, PROUSE POINT	Excavation - 1245 cub. ft. - new ground for dugout accommodation.
C.P. ULTIMO AV.	Excavation 230 cub. ft.
AVENUE S.P.	Excavation for two small shelters completed and material placed for further work.
RED LODGE.	Repairs and maintenance.

G. H. H. H. H.
for Brig.-Gen.

G.C.O. 9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

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NINE AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE
 INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 3
 from 6 am. 27.2.1918 to 6 am. 28.2.1918.

Reference map:
 Sheet 18.

OUR OPERATIONS.Artillery.

10 a.m. 28 rds. 18-pdr fell in enemy trenches in U.12.a.
 12 noon 50 -do- -do- U.12.a.
 12.45 pm 4.5" Hows obtained 3 C.Rs. on WARNETON TOWER.
 " 18-pdrs. fired on GASOMETTER.
 3.0 pm. 18-pdrs. engaged movement at WARNETON TOWER; movement
 ceased.
 5.15 pm 18-pdrs. fired 50 rounds about U.12.a.80.20.
 11 am-1 pm. 4.5" Hows. cut wire on both sides of WARNESTON-
 LA BASSE VILLE Road. The firing is reported as
 not being as effective as on the previous day.
 8.45 pm-10.45 pm. 173 rds. 60-pdrs. were fired in direction
 of FREBLINGHIER.

Trench Mortars. So as not to draw fire on our own working parties
 our Trench mortars did not fire.

Machine Guns.

1,000 rounds were fired on cross-roads U.12.d.52.80
 1,000 -do- Level crossing U.12.b.33.30.
 1,000 -do- Road U.12.b.20.38 to 05.98.
 1,000 -do- road and tramway from U.6.c.99.04
 to U.12.b.42.22.
 1,000 -do- bridge and approaches U.12.b.00.55.

Aircraft. Active during day. Seven planes were patrolling the
 front line at 9.30 a.m. A marker of our patrols went into enemy
 country during the afternoon.

Patrols. Night was fairly dark and patrols could move freely.
 Five patrols were sent out by the Left Battalion along their front
 One of the patrols examined a group of six old pill-boxes along
 the West bank of the DOUVE. There were no signs of recent habit-
 ation.

The Right Battalion only sent out eight patrols so as to
 give freer play to the Lewis Guns which were engaged in keeping
 open the gaps cut in enemy wire. Working party and movement on
 what sounded like a trench tramway reported about U.11.d.95.25.
 The patrol working S, of SPINNEY reports seeing an enemy patrol.
 The hostile patrol disappeared immediately after. The ground
 near the River between U.25.b.68.94 and U.17.d.77.86 is broken
 and boggy. Everything was very quiet in this part.

ENEMY ACTIVITY.Artillery.

1.30 pm. U.10.b. was shelled with 50 rds. 5.9 shrapnel from
 RIANG COULON Area.
 8 am-9.50 am. U.11.c. was shelled with 50 rds. 77 from COMINES
 9 am-5 pm. U.5.a.20.70 was shelled with 40 rds. 5.9 from
 COMINES.

Trench Mortars.

10 pm-8 am. 20 rds. medium MW. fell in U.11.a.60.20 from near
 WARNETON TOWER.
 5 pm-8.30 am 41 rds. Heavy MW. fell in U.11.a. and b. from near
 WARNETON TOWER (MW. at U.12.c.55.72 was active)
 10 pm-midnight 5 rds. Heavy MW. fell in rear of Post 6, U.17., from
 U.12.d.20.50.
 11 pm-2 am. 18 rds. fell in rear of Post 7 U.17 and U.17 from
 U.12.c.48.25

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Machine Guns

Machine Guns at U.11.d.85.50 and U.11.r.70.30 were active.
Machine Gun in SPINNEY was active.

Aircraft.

11.30 am. Plane flew over our lines and dropped bombs in U.9. and U.17 and U.16.
4.0 pm. A low-lying H.A. was driven off by three of our NEWPORTS.

Work.

Party heard at U.11.d.95.25.

Movement.

9.35 am. Four men going from U.11.b.00.20 to rear of WARNETON.
10.40 am. Six men carrying stretcher with man on it from U.12.b.00.20 to 80.05.
11.10 am. Six men and trucks seen at U.12.a.95.00.
9.0 am. Four men seen at U.12.a.80.50.
1.0 p.m. Red Cross wagon seen on road at U.12.a.90.35.
2.0 p.m. Movement near WARNETON TOWER engaged by 18-pdrs; movement ceased.
4.15 pm. Man, apparently sentry, seen at U.12.a.60.50.
5.15 pm. Five men seen wearing dark uniform and caps at U.12.a.80.50.
10.5 am. Broad gauge train seen in V.20.r. travelling towards ST. MARGARETS.
1.30 pm. Four men examined trench at about V.19.c.50.70.
2.20 pm. Three men seen at V.13.d.30.80 going North.
2.30 pm. Train in rear of ST. MARGARETS proceeding South.
3.0 pm. Seven men walking N.E. on road at U.12.c.70.30.

In addition numerous smaller parties were reported seen throughout the day. Chief activity was in vicinity of WARNETON

G. Hafford
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G.O.C. 9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.

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AMIRAL to 9TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE
 INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 3 from 6 am.
 27.2.1918 to 6 am. 28.2.1918

CUR DEFENCES. Work done during 24 hours ending 6 p.m. 27th February.

L	Work
YORK WAY, U.17.	Construction of trench; building and thickening parapet.
COVERED WAY.	Constructing trench - 3 yards revetted, 20 yards excavated excavated.
U. 17. b.	Wiring. - 160 yards single French and barbed wire completed.
FRONT LINE U.17.b.	Clearing and draining trench from ULTIMO LAKE North.
SUNKEN FARM.	Carrying and putting out 30 yards double apron.
USEFUL SUPPORT.	Deepening trench. - 30 yards digging.
WATCHFUL LAKE, U.10.a.70.30.	Deeping and widening trench.
UGLY LANE.	Revetting. - 60 revetting frames, 150 angle pickets and 25 "A" frames used.
U.10.b.60.60.	Trucking R.E. material from RACINE DUMP for No. 10 party.
SUNKEN FARM.	Wiring to No. 9 Post. - 250 yards single apron and concertina.
RIVER DOUVE to AS H CRATER.	Draining dugouts and shell-holes.
VICTORY S.I.	Digging new trench.
SUBSIDIARY LAKE.	Repairs to revetment and clearing drain.
LA BASSE VILLE.	Erecting 160 yds. double concertina wire.
CATACOMBS.	Recovering duckwalks and draining.

G. Halford

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G.O.C. 9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

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1. 3. 1918.

NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 4 from 6 a.m. 23.2.1918 to 6 a.m. 1.3.1918

Reference map; Sh. 28.

OUR OPERATIONS.

Artillery.

- 6.40 am. 18-pdrs. silenced M.W. at U.12.c.80.70.
- 7.35 am. 18-pdrs. and Heavies fired a few rounds on enemy front line in U.11.c.
- 8.30 am. 18-pdrs. dispersed party of 10 men - U.12.a.80.00.
- 10.45 am. 30 rounds 6" were fired into U.12.c. An O.K. obtained on dugout at U.12.c.30.13.
- 3.0 pm. 18-pdrs. fired on point 20 yards N. of GASOMETER.
- 7.0 pm. 18-pdrs. fired on trenches near GASOMETER.
- 10.30-11.30 am. 4.5s. fired about 50 rounds on wire in front of WARNETON.
- 3.9 pm. 4.5s. again fired on defences in front of WARNETON.
- 2 pm-4 pm. 18-pdrs. fired on U.18.a.16.84. Heavies were also active in counter-battery and back-area shoots.

Trench Mortars.

- 3.55 pm. 25 rounds 3" Stokes were fired on M.G. at U.11.b.30.12
- 4.30 pm. 40 -do- -do- U.18.c.10.00

Machine Guns.

- 1,000 rounds were fired on cross-roads at U.12.d.17.85 and level crossing at U.12.b.40.30.
 - 1,000 -do- cross-roads at U.12.b.27.68.
 - " " " U.12.d.45.51.
 - 1,000 -do- U.12.d.09.51 and U.12.d.45.95.
 - 4,000 -do- wire in front of UNCLEAN TRENCH to keep open gaps in wire.
 - 1,000 -do- enemy plane.
- The Lewis Guns also fired on gaps in wire.

Aircraft. Planes were very active all day.

Patrols. A patrol reports that six of the enemy came through a gap apparently to examine the wire at U.18.a.07.94. They crawled down when fired on by a machine gun and were not seen again. The wire seems to be in a good condition on both sides of the above gap.

One of the enemy was seen to run through a gap in the wire near U.18.a.23.45; he appeared to be repairing the wire. An enemy patrol was observed to be moving S.W. along the river bank near the SPINNEY. Our patrol withdrew slightly but the enemy patrol did not come further. Patrols working in U.23.b. and U.27.d. report all quiet. The patrol working up the BASSE VILLE-WARNETON Road was unable to go further than about 50 yards owing to activity of machine gun in SPINNEY. The road is badly knocked about and almost unrecognisable in parts. The enemy use more white Very lights than usual but there was no apparent resultant act. on.

ENEMY ACTIVITY.

Artillery. More active than on the previous day. The enemy appeared to be registering DOUVE WALK, WALLY SUPPORT and USEFUL LAND. U.11. was shelled from COMINES and BLANC COULON. areas. U.10.a. " " " BLANC COULON area.

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Trench Mortars.

- 6.30 am. M.W. at U.12.c.80.70 fired 5 rounds on UGLY AVENUE in U.11.c; slight damage to trench.
- 7.15 am. M.W. at U.12.c.90.40 fired 6 rounds in U.11.a.
- 10.30 am. Granatenwerfer (not located) fired 10 rounds on front line in U.11.a.
- 3.0 pm. M.W. at U.12.c.05.70 fired 2 rounds in U.11.b.
- 6.0 pm. M.W. " U.12.c.48.25 " 2 rounds in rear of Post 8 U.17.
- 11 pm. M.W. at U.12.c.48.25 fired 4 rounds in rear of Post 9 U.17.
- 8.0 pm. M.W. at U.12.c.48.25 fired 2 rounds in rear of Post 9 U.17.
- 12 midnight M.W. at U.12.c.48.25 fired 3 rounds in rear of Post 6 U.17.
- 6.30 am. H.M.W. at U.18.c.75.23 fired 3 rounds in SUGAR REFINERY.

Machine Guns. Machine Gun in SPLINNEY firing along WARNETON-BASSE VILLE Road. Machine guns at the following locations were also reported active:- U.11.d.80.30. U.11.b.65.38.

Aircraft. At 9 a.m. plane flew low over our lines going South. It was engaged by one of our planes.
At 12.30 p.m. plane reconnoitred our line in spite of heavy fire against it.

Movement.

- 8.0 am. Five men seen at dugout at U.12.b.10.10 (electric wires visible here).
- 9.55 am. At KINGSULERE FARM smoke was seen; also a party of four men shovelling earth. 18-φdrs. fired but rounds seem to fall about 100 yards short.
- 11.15 am. Four white flags observed in field in U.19.a.
- 3.0 pm. Three men again seen at U.12.b.10.10.
- 4.15 pm. Train in V.23.b. going North.
- 1.30 pm. Three men going South at V.25.b.48.30.
- 8.20 am. Train proceeding South in V.10.d.
- 6.40 am. Four men seen 50 yards South of GASOMETER.
- 8.15 am. Ten men in dark uniform at U.12.a.80.00.
- 9.45 am. Ten men seen at U.12.a.60.50 disappeared in ruins.
- 1.15 pm. Troops (apparently a Company) with 14 transport wagons seen moving South at U.12.d.80.70.
- 3.15 pm. Three men looking over trench at U.12.a.95.55. One had Officers cap and what looked like silver braid on shoulders.
- 3.15 pm. What appeared to be two tractors were seen moving slowly North at U.12.d.64.65. They were shaped like truncated right-angled triangle and about the size of our Tanks. No guns were visible. They were probably nothing more than tractors or mobile mountings for A.A. guns.

G. Halford Lt-
for

Brig.; Hon.
G.O.C. 9th Australian Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

ANNEXE TO 9TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 4 from
6 am. 23.2.1918 to 6 am. 1.3.1918.

OUR DEFENCES. Work done during 24 hours ending 6 p.m. 28th February:-

Location of work.	Work done.
YORK WAY.	Constructing trench; 45 yards revetted.
U.17.b.3.3.	Wiring; 140 yards French wire put up.
RIVER LANE.	Revetting and excavating 25 yards trench.
WALLY SUPPORT.	Improving and repairing Company H.Q. and laying duckwalks.
GREY TRENCH.	Revetting and draining.
U.11.a.9.3.	40 yards trench cleared, widened and repaired.
WATCHFUL LANE, U.10.a.7.6.	Digging and revetting trench and fitting "A" frames.
U.11.d.9.7.	Fitting "A" frames and revetting.
SUBSIDIARY LINE.	Repairs and improvements to trench.
CATACOMBS.	Digging drain, renovating duckwalks and erection of kitchen.
RAGINE DUMP to DOUVE RIVER.	Carrying.
PROUSE POINT.	Excavation and filling sandbags for dugouts.
AVENUE B.P.	Excavating for dugouts.
SUNKEN FARM.	Wiring to No. 9 Post.
U.15.d.8.8.	Site for O.P.
ASH CRATER to WARRETON TRACK to DOUVE RIVER	Improving dugouts in old German front line and draining trenches in vicinity.
LA DASSE VILLE.	Wiring; 200 yards double concertina put up.

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