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FOR

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Signature of Officer compiling

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Signature of Officer Commanding

*B. Stannell Lt Col*

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Summary of Events and Information

Remarks and references to Appendices

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
RACQUINGHEM	1		Bn training Afternoon Sports	
	2	9.30am	Bn attended Demonstration by 2nd Army Demonstration Platoon at Polo Ground Sq. B. 27 d. 00 Afternoon Recreational Training	
	3		Bn sports programme concluded. Holders of Buckle C. Coy (Capt C B WITBY) List showing all events + winners is attached. Appendix I.	?
	14	8.30	Bn church parade. Bde ceremonial. afternoon Bde sports	

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RACQUINGHEM	5		Bde swimming carnival. Conclusion of competition for Bde Sports cup won by 1 <sup>st</sup> Bn list showing results is attached <u>II</u> ✓ List of Cricket & football teams & scores in Bde Sports " <u>III</u> Bn preparing for move	
On move	6	11	moved to ARQUES & entrained for order No 36 Appendix <u>IV</u>	
		2:30 pm	de-trained at HANGEST - Co proceeded to new position	
		10 pm	Embussed for YECQUEMENT	
"	7	2:30 am	de-bussed near YECQUEMENT & marched to AUBERHAY resting there for the remainder of day & preparing for operations of 8 August. Bde order No 106 re attached is attached <u>V</u> ✓ Map showing objectives for 8 <sup>th</sup> August " <u>VI</u>	
		11 pm	Lt Col BUSTACY DSO proceeded to ALLANVILLE en route for M.G. course GRANTHAM	
			Bn medals moved out under command ITSCALES	

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AUBEGNY	8 <sup>th</sup>	1245 am	Bn strength 25 officers 700 OR. moved up to first assembly position at J31 + got into position by 3 am. A Coy being on the right C left D Coy in support B. Reserve. Bombardment opened at 420 am. At	
		620	Bn moved forward into 2 <sup>nd</sup> assembly position in artillery formation through a dense fog - Bn in position at P11 D83. by 1030	
		230	Bn ordered to move forward through 214 & establish at line behind 15 <sup>th</sup> Bn who were holding the village of CERISY GAILEY	
		430	On reaching 15 <sup>th</sup> Bn <sup>further</sup> orders were received to relieve one Coy 14 <sup>th</sup> Bn in garden road Q9a the remainder of the Bn to be disposed in the valley running from SUSAN WOOD to MOSCOURT the Bn to be then under orders GOC 4 <sup>th</sup> Bde whilst this relief was in progress further orders were received to hand fast the CO to report to 4 <sup>th</sup> Bde	

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CERASY - GAILLY	8th	5.30	On reaching 4 <sup>th</sup> Bde HQs verbal orders were received from G.O.C 1 <sup>st</sup> Bde for Bns to take over centre sector of outpost line which was being established to protect left flank - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bn to be on our right 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bn on our left	
		7	Bde memo received instructing Bns to take over right sector received	
		8	Bde memo cancelling above received	
do	9 <sup>th</sup>	1.30	Relief complete of centre sector Bns took over from part 15 Bns sketch showing Bns dispositions is attached <u>VII</u> Telephone communication was established to Bde + all Coyd. 3 Coyd of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Div were scattered about our sector	
		2.30	LT R O SAMUELS KIA (2 or wounded) Bde verbal report that CHIPPILLY was occupied by British troops	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
CEROY	9th	430	<p>11 Wm. Blain + 4 PR were sent on ridge to CHIPPILLY to find out if it was occupied by us or not - an earlier message stated it was but as LT SAMUELS was killed by a M.G. operating from there it was thought advisable to investigate. This patrol moved into centre of village saw enemy near the church + were fired on by M.G. on returning to our lines.</p>	
		9am	<p>Co. 7/10 London Bn operating against CHIPPILLY called + said his men were not occupying the village.</p>	
		12	<p>7/10 C Coy reported that <sup>CMR HAYES + SGT ANDREWS</sup> 2 NCOs of his Coy had patrolled the western edge of CHIPPILLY + found no trace of the enemy. Permission was asked from Bde to send strong patrol + occupy the village. This was refused as 58 Div were to make a further attempt to capture the village at 530pm.</p>	
		5	<p>Infal message received that 58 Div would attack CHIPPILLY at 530pm.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
CERISY GRAY	9	5.50	<p>As the attack on our left did not appear to be going too well the G.O.C 1<sup>st</sup> Bde directed me to send out the news who had patrolled the village earlier in the morning to see what the position was. The party Coms HAYES, Sgt ANDREWS Ptes KANE FULLER, TURPIN &amp; STEPHENS crossed bridge at latitude W of CHIPPILLY got into touch with British &amp; held them for a time until when they were given orders to retire our patrol moved on, alone captured 60 prisoners &amp; 11 machine guns &amp; in addition inflicted heavy losses on the enemy.</p> <p>(<del>copy of</del> a letter received from Capt Berrill D Coy 2/10 London Regt complimenting the patrol on its good work &amp; <del>attained VII</del>)</p> <p>The patrol with prisoners returned to our lines at 9.30 pm. Conspicuous gallantry during these operations was shown by Coms. HAYES, Sgt ANDREWS Ptes FULLER &amp; KANE all of C Coy. Report on operation appendix 8.</p>	



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CERISY	9	10pm	Bde released by 50 A.I. Bn moved to W17 a Bn Operation Order	Appendix 9
W17 a	10	130am	more complete	
		8am	orders were received that the advance would be continued by 2 <sup>nd</sup> + 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bdes - the Bn were forward to in artillery formation to W20 D+B	
		930	more complete	
		11am	Lt Downby wounded - REB plane landed in our lines - Area was intermittently shelled with 4.2's - during the day - at night by 4.2 & gas shells - Enemy aircraft dropped many bombs at night	
		930	D Coy in conjunction with 4 <sup>th</sup> Bn put out outpost line covering the Bde - Lt Northcote gassed	
	11 <sup>th</sup>	4am	Heavy bombardment opened - attack resumed by 2+3 Aust Divs 2+3 A.I. Bdes -	
		7	outpost line withdrawn	
		6am	Casualties for 24 hours 7 officers & 8 OR wounded / + 18 OR gassed	

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W17a	11 <sup>c</sup>	4	Orders received for Bn to move into Bde support + talk over from 6 <sup>th</sup> Bn	
		530	Bde verbal message <sup>(one Coy)</sup> notification as (B Coy) would be attached to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bn	
		830	Bn moved forward + took up position as Bde support A Coy right C Centre + D left - Coy moved into position + move was just complete when orders were received to send one Coy (A Coy) to support 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bn both these Coys A + B were then under address of Co 3 <sup>rd</sup> + 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bns respectively A Coy being withdrawn necessitated further change of officer dispositions - 12 pm relief complete with 6 Bn	
F5065	12	3am	Coy in new position sketch showing Bn dispositions as attached <del>10</del> 10	
			Bn in support - position consolidated 7 Coy Pioneer Bn assisted in digging 4 strong posts (shown in sketch in end) instructions for defence issued. Appendix 11	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	13th		The area was heavily shelled during the day with 5.9 Aeroplanes very active at night.	
		5.30	<del>Defence scheme issued to Coy's Coy attached</del> LT WRIGHT + 4 NCOs 1 <sup>st</sup> Field Coy A.E. attached for duty	
		8.30	G.O.C 1 <sup>st</sup> Bde called LT R.H. TENSEN rejoined from UK leave	
F5C65 B		6.30	Casualties for 24 hours 2 OR killed 3 OR wounded Advance party of 15 INF BDE arrived	
		4.30pm	Bde memo received notifying us not to proceed with consolidation as advance would take place the following day	
		4pm	B Coy rejoined Bn	
			Enemy again heavily shelled our area with heavy shells & bombed support area at night	
	14	2am	Bde order received re Bde relief	

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F5065	14 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>30</sup> <sub>am</sub>	<p>Brk memo postponing operations for 24 hours received</p> <p>Enemy aircraft very active during day - Enemy artillery again very active, especially <sup>shelling</sup> CREPEY Wood with 4.2" + 5.9"</p> <p>Lt H. BOARDMAN to UK leave</p> <p>Casualties for 24 hours 1 OR killed 1 OR missing 10 OR wounded</p>	
	15	4 <sup>am</sup>	<p>A Coy repairs Brk</p> <p>6<sup>30</sup> Casualties for 24 hours <sup>1 OR killed</sup> 14 OR wounded</p> <p>Enemy activity same as previous day</p> <p>As party under Lt Symons proceeds to WARFUSIE</p> <p>GOC 1<sup>st</sup> + 11<sup>th</sup> Bdes visited Brk Hqs.</p> <p>Initial message received to stand fast + wait until relieved</p>	
		6 <sup>30</sup>	<p>Casualties for 24 hours 1 OR killed 14 OR wounded</p> <p>Co + officers <sup>48</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Brk reoccupied position</p>	
		11 <sup>50</sup>	<p>Brk relieved by 48 Brk + moved into position X19a</p>	

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X19 a	16 <del>13</del>	1.30 8.30	<p>work complete.</p> <p>Bn moved to VAUX-sur-Somme work complete 2 pm</p> <p>distance marched 20,000<sup>x</sup></p> <p>Fine warm weather during the period in the forward areas</p> <p>Total Casualties for tour 3 officers 66 OR</p> <p>Nucleus personnel 11 officers 120 OR repaired.</p>	
VAUX sur Somme	17		Bn resting. Baths + queue clean up.	
	18		Bn church parade - LT. Col STACY DSO + LT. F. A. GRAHAM repaired from UK	
	19	8.30 12.30	Bn to demonstration of Coy in attack with TANKS at HAMEL	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
WAUX. SUR SOMME	20.		Battalion at rest in Waux area.	
do	21.		<p>Brigade order no 112 received. Day spent in preparation for move. At 2pm Nucleus marched out to CORBIE and all packs, officers values etc sent to Pack store at CORBIE. At 8pm the Battalion moved to Ref Sheet HARBONNIERES 1:20000 sq. R.7 via HAMEL. - CERISY-MORCOURT ROAD and relieved 60th Bn. In Operation Order No 38 App. 12. Cocoa and biscuits were supplied to the men by the Y.M.C.A.</p>	
HARBONNIERES 1:20000. R.7			<p>Weather fine and hot. Final orders re furthering operation received at 6 am. Light enemy shelling during the day. Chocolate and cigarettes were issued from Regimental funds during the morning</p>	

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HARBONNIERES 120000 R. 7	22 (Contd)	5pm	The commanding Officer attended Brigade Conference. Reconnaissance of forward area was made by all officers during the day.	
			Positions for Bn Headquarters and RHP decided on preparatory to Bn moving forward to assembly positions for attack. Bn Operation Order NO 39. App 13	
		7.30pm	by company commanders meeting. Decision arrived at, at	
		11pm	Brigade conference to exploit gains after objective captured discussed and verbal orders issued.	
			Lieut F. Griffiths proceeded to Aust Corps School.	
line.	23		At 2am Bn moved by companies to assault position and were on tape line by 3.15 am	
			Attack launched at 4.45 am	
			After attack Bn moved to Brigade reserve,	
			move being complete by 9 pm	
			5000 cigarette & 3 day matches received from Y. N. C. A.	

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Line	23.		<p>During the operations, Lieuts D. J. Burren and 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut J. P. Kelly were killed: 1/6apt. G. Steen evacuated injured, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut W. J. Fowler and D. A. Bramhurst being evacuated wounded.</p> <p>(Report on operations attached). Appendix 14</p>	
Bde Reserve	24.		Bn in Brigade Reserve. Reorganisation commenced	
do.	25.		<p>Bn in Brigade Reserve</p> <p>Lieut C. A. Clark rejoined nucleus from Leave to UK</p>	
do	26.		<p>At 8.30 pm Battalion moved to MORCOURT AREA, and billeted in trench shelters and dugouts.</p> <p>Lieut A. J. H. Stobo rejoined nucleus from Leave UK.</p>	

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MORCOURT AREA	27		Bn in rest.	
		6.15pm	Nucleus rejoined Bn from CORBIE. 2 Lieuts HEATLEY, LAWS, WHIPP. and WARD joined Bn. Bn's Routine Order No 186 Appendix 16 showing names of officers & men complemented.	
do	28.	11am	Brigade commander addressed all officers of the Battalion & expressed his appreciation of the work of the bn. During the morning bat inspections and reorganisation were carried out by companies.	
do	29	10.30am	Lieut Priestly, Intelligence Officer 1st Aust Div lectured on recent operations. Training carried out during morning and sports recreational training during afternoon.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
MORLODRT AREA.	30		<p>Training carried out during the morning, swimming parades in the afternoon.</p> <p>During the morning the Commanding Officer reconnoitred scene of Operation on 23<sup>rd</sup> inst with a view to collecting captured trophies of war. (field guns &amp; M.Guns).</p>	
do.	31 <sup>st</sup>		<p>Syllabus of training issued (copy attached). Appendix 15.</p> <p>Bn parade at 8.30 am and assembly at 4.25 am.</p> <p>Training as per syllabus carried out.</p> <p>Swimming parades held during afternoon.</p> <p>Lieut Col A. B. Ross C.S.O. 1<sup>st</sup> Aust Div visited the Commanding Officer during the morning.</p>	

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- | No.   | Subject.  |
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| (1).  | Bn Competitions   |
| (2).  | Results & points scored in Bde Spont                                    |
| (3).  | Nominal list of winners in do do.                                       |
| (4).  | Bn Operation Order N <sup>o</sup> 36.                                   |
| (5).  | Bde Order N <sup>o</sup> 106  |
| (6).  | Map showing objectives for attack<br>on the 8 <sup>th</sup> Aug.        |
| (7).  | Map showing disposition of<br>Bn in CERISY area on 9 <sup>th</sup> Aug. |
| (8).  | Report an Operation of 9 <sup>th</sup> Aug.                             |
| (9).  | Bn Operation Order A3.  |
| (10). | Disposition map LITHONS area<br>on 12 <sup>th</sup> Aug.                |
| (11). | Instructions for defence, 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug.                         |
| (12). | Bn Order N <sup>o</sup> 38. Re move.                                    |
| (13). | Bn Operation Order N <sup>o</sup> 39.                                   |
| (14). | Report on Operations on 23 <sup>rd</sup> Aug.                           |
| (15). | Training syllabus.  |
| 16    | Bn Routine Order N <sup>o</sup> 186.                                    |

**I** 1st Bn., Inter-Coy. Competition:

	FOOTBALL			CRICKET			Coy. LINES	Coy. COOKER	RIFLE SHOOTING	Coy. TURN-OUT	PLAT. TURN-OUT	BOMBING	LEWISGUN	TOTAL CD. DOWN
	v. B	v. C	v. D	v. B	v. C	v. D								
A Coy.	0	6	0	6	0	6	9.8	9	10	12	10	12	7	81.8 + 14 = 95.8
B Coy.	0	6	0	0	0	0	10	10	10.9	7	6	8.2	10	68.1 + 5 = 73.1
C Coy.	6	6	6	6	6	6	11	11.5	12	13	9	9.6	12	102.1 + 22 = 124.1
D Coy.	0	0	0	0	6	6	10.2	11	10.2	7	5	8.3	8	65.7 + 29 = 94.7

ATHLETIC EVENTS

	100 yds	220 yds	440 yds	HIGH JUMP	LONG JUMP	TUG O'WAR	RELAY RACE
A Coy	3	1	4	1	3	-	22
B Coy	-	5	-	-	-	-	5
C Coy	5	-	-	5	1	5	6
D Coy	1	3	5	3	5	2	10

C Coy winner

28-7-18			BOMBING COMPETITION															
Coy	No	Rank	Name	STANDING			TOTAL	PRONE	TOTAL	R.G	TOTAL							
				F	R	L												
A	1915	Lt/Pl	Gallenhagen S	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	2	1	2	10	1	1		
	7569	Pl	Robinson, J		1	1	1	1	5		2	1	1	2	6	2	1	
	6085		Devenish, H	1	1		1	1	7	2	1		1	1	6			
	7338		Young, L		1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	11		
	3780		Rickland, H		1	1	1	1	6	1	1	2	1	2	2	9	1	
	5191		Organ, J	1			1	1	7	2	1	1	2	2	2	10		
	7006		Morrish, R	1	1		1	1	8	2	1	2	2	1	2	10		1
GRAND TOTAL = 120							52					62			6			
B	3114	Lt	Scott, E. D				1	1	3		1				1	1	1	
	3914	Pl	Alexander, J		1	1		1	6	2	1	2	2	1	2	10		1
	6225	Pl	Baker, B		1	1	1	1	5	2	2	1	1	1	2	9	2	1
	4441		Goodman, L				1	1	4		1		1			2		
	5976		Branscombe, H	1		1	1	1	5		1	2	1			4		
	5687	Lt/Pl	Eldes, G J		1	1		1	4	1	1	1	2	1	2	8		
	8329	Pl	Hogben, H		1	1	1	1	5	2	2	2	1			7	1	1
GRAND TOTAL = 82							32					11			9			
C	1012	Lt/Pl	Griffell, E		1		1	1	7	2	2	2	1	1	2	10		
	2928	Pl	Walker, E	1			1	1	5		2	1	2	1	2	8		
	3275		Cruckshank				1	1	2	1	1	2	1			5		
	7082		Fuller, A			1	1	1	6	1	2	1	2	1	1	8	1	2
	3606		Hitchens, W	1		1	1	1	4	1	2	2	2	2	2	9		
	2830		Casey, A			1	1	1	5	1	1	1	2	2	2	7	1	
	2830		Casey, A			1	1	1	5	1	1	1	2	2	2	7	1	
	3742		Hamilton, H		1		1	1	6	1	1	2	2	2	2	8		2
GRAND TOTAL 96							35					55			6			
D	3002	Pl	Aylward, A								2	1	1	2	6			
	6010	Pl	Patton, H	1		1	1	1	6	1	2	2	2	2	9	1	1	
	847		Barlow, B	1		1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1		4			
	7324		Stone, H		1	1	1	1	7	2	1	2	1	2	9		1	
	6327		Inchur, H		1	1	1	1	7		1				1		1	
	3776		Doyal, A			1	1	1	4	1	2	2	2	1	8			
	3776		Doyal, A	1		1	1	1	5		1	2	2	2	7			
	3690		Robbie, R		1	1	1	1										
GRAND TOTAL 83							34					44			5			

Brigade Headquarters,  
31st May, 1918.

COMPETITIONS.

A Challenge Shield for Competition in Military Events between the Battalions of the 1st Brigade, and a Challenge Cup for sporting events are/ about to be obtained and will be competed for from time to time at intervals of not less than three months, and will remain in the possession of the Winning Battalion until at any subsequent competition it should lose them.

The final trophies disposal of these trophies on the cessation of hostilities will be a matter for the then C.O.C. of the Brigade to decide upon.

It is proposed either that these trophies shall become the property of some Military Association formed of members of the 1st Brigade, or of the Australian War Museum.

1. Military Challenge Shield. This shield will be competed for by a selected Company in each Battalion, such Company to have won the Battalion Competition, preceding the Brigade Competition, and being deemed for the time being the most efficient Company in the Battalion.

Every member of the competing Company must, in order to be eligible to compete, have been on the rolls of the Company for a minimum period of 30 days.

The following is a list of the Championship Events :-

(a) Route March and Field Practice. The Company will march 5 miles and at the conclusion of the march will be ordered to do a simple Field Practice with ball cartridge.

Points will be allotted for -  
March discipline, Fire direction and control, Tactical handling of ~~extending~~ ~~rifle~~ ~~grenade~~ ~~section~~ and hits obtained on the targets.

(b) Bombing and rifle grenade competition. A test in individual accuracy in the throwing of hand and rifle grenades and the tactical handling of a bombing and rifle grenade section by the Section Commander.

(c) Inspection and turn out. The Company will parade in full marching order for inspection.

Points will be given for :-  
Attendance, Cleanliness and completeness of kit.  
Points will also be allotted for cleanliness of the Company lines.

(d) Company Drill. The Company Commander will be given two specific movements in Company Drill to perform and will then be allowed ten minutes in which to put the Company through any evolutions in Barrack Square or applied drill.

Points will be given for -  
Precision of movement on part of all ranks, words of command of all commanders, variety of exercises performed.  
Drill will be as specified in "Infantry Training, 1914."

(e) Platoon Competition. This competition will be conducted on the lines laid down for the A.R.A. Competition for Platoons, and marks will be awarded on similar lines.

(f) Section Competition in Rapid Fire. The Section will advance to a firing point and open rapid fire for one minute on figure targets.

Points will be allotted for -  
Method of advance, fire discipline, fire orders and hits on target.

(g) Snipers' Match - Four snipers per Company. Five rounds at disappearing targets and 5 rounds at running man.

Points will be allotted for -  
Use of cover and hits.

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In addition to the above event for Companies the following for Headquarters of Units will take place :-

(h) Signal Competition. A simple test of the efficiency of Battalion Signallers in an exercise based on a Tactical Scheme. The exercise will involve tasks on the lamp, the flag and for runners.

Points will be allotted for -  
Time, Station work, Accuracy in receiving and sending.

(k) Transport Competition. A period will be notified during which the Transport will be under the observation of the Judges. No set inspection parade will be ordered, but the vehicles and horses will be inspected under working conditions, and similarly the lines and stable routine will be assessed for purposes of marks, not at any set hour but at any time or times within the period notified. At an hour to be notified an event for pack animals will be held under the following conditions.

6 pack animals per Battalion will be paraded at a given place, unsaddled and with saddlery stripped and laid out on the ground. Animals and saddlery will be inspected and then on the word of command saddlery will be assembled and animals loaded ready for the road.

Points will be allotted for -  
Turn out of saddlery animals and saddlery, time of assembling, fitting of saddlery and loading.

(l). The Best Band. Battalion Bands will parade, march and counter march and will play any march tune.

Points will be allotted for -  
Turn out and music.

Points for these competitions will be allotted on the following bases :-

Event (a)	20 points.	
" (b)	8 "	
" (c)	12 "	
" (d)	12 "	
" (e)	12 "	
" (f)	5 "	Total 100 points.
" (g)	4 "	
" (h)	8 "	
" (k)	12 "	
" (l)	7 "	

2. Challenge Cup. This cup will be competed for at Brigade Sports Meeting. The following Championship Events will be included in the programme :-

- (a) 100 yards championship)
- (b) 220 yards " ) 2 entries per Battalion.
- (c) 440 " " )
- (d) Relay " (8 men per Battalion) Distance 800 yards.
- (e) High Jump "
- (f) Long Jump "
- (g) Tug-o-war. " 1st pull sudden death in heats and semi-finals. 3 pulls in final.

Points will be allotted on the following basis :-

1st place	-	5 points.
2nd place	-	3 points.
3rd place	-	1 point.

In the Tug-o'-war the winning team will be allotted 5 points and the runner up 3 points.

(Sgd) N. HUTCHIN. Major.  
Brigade Major 1st Aust. Inf. Brigade.

Duke Company Competition

Coy. Line

- 1) "C" Coy. 11 pts.
- 2) "D" " 19.2
- 3) "B" " 10.
- 4) "a" " 9.8

Coy. Cooker

- 1) "C" Coy. 11.5 pts
- 2) "D" " 11 "
- 3) "B" " 10 "
- 4) "a" " 9 "

Coy Turn out

- 1) "C" Coy. 13 pts
- 2) "a" " 12 "
- 3) "B" " 7 }
- 4) "D" " 7 }

Platoon Turn out

- 1) "a" Coy 10 pts.
- 2) "C" " 9 pts
- 3) "B" " 6 "
- 4) "D" " 5 "

Rifle Shooting

- 1) "C" Coy 12 pts
- 2) "B" " 10.9 "
- 3) "D" " 10.2 "
- 4) "a" " 10 "

Bombing

- 1) "a" Coy. 12 pts
- 2) "C" " 9.6 "
- 3) "D" " 8.3 "
- 4) "B" " 8.2 "

Lewis Gun

- 1) "C" Coy. 12 pts
- 2) "B" " 10 "
- 3) "D" " 8 "
- 4) "A" " 7 "



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Inter Company Competition.  
held at RAAF Camp. Launceston.  
Cricket.

"A" Coy v. "D" Coy. won by "A" Coy.

For "A" Major Mackenzie made top score with 15 not out.  
" " " " took 5 wickets for 9 runs.  
" " Sgt. Esau took 5 wickets " " "  
For "D" Pte Steele made top score with 7 runs.  
" " Pte Dolbie took 6 wickets for 18 runs.

"C" Coy v. "B" Coy. won by "C" Coy.

For "C" Coy Lt. Kellaway top score 105 not out.  
" " " Cpl. Greenfell took 7 wickets for 20 runs.  
For "B" Coy Pte Ganatty top score 22 runs.  
" " " Cpl. W. Gregor took 7 wickets for 30 runs.

"C" Coy v. "A" Coy. won by "C" Coy.

For "C" Coy Lt. Kellaway top score 61 runs.  
" " " " took 5 wickets for 14 runs.  
" " " Pte Parrett " 3 " " 2 runs.  
For "A" Coy Pte O'Brien top score 11 runs.  
" " " Major Sheel took 7 wickets for 24 runs.

"D" Coy v. "B" Coy. won by "D" Coy.

For "D" Coy Pte Callaway top score 15 runs.  
" " " Pte Dolbie took 4 wickets for 7 runs.  
For "B" Coy Pte Jones top score 9 runs.  
" " " Pte Ganatty took 3 wickets for 16 runs.  
" " " Pte Ide " 3 " " 9 "

Sub company Sports  
Football

"a" Coy.	beat	"D" Coy.
"B"	"	"D"
"C"	"	"a"
"C"	"	"B"

## Squad Coy Sports

### 100 yds. Championship

- 1) Cpl. W. E. Kay. "C" Coy.
- 2) Lt. Symonds "A" Coy.
- 3) Plt. Dennwald "D" Coy.

### 220 yds. Championship

- 1) Plt. Kemp. "B" Coy.
- 2) Plt. Bucklelaw "D" Coy.
- 3) Cpl. Clarke "A" Coy.

### 440 yds. Championship

- 1) S. Sgt. Godwin "D" Coy.
- 2) Plt. Shewington "A" Coy.
- 3) S. Sgt. Case "A" Coy.
- 4) S. Sgt. W. E. Kay. "C" Coy.

### Long Jump

- 1) Lt. W. E. Council "D" Coy.
- 2) Cpl. Baerlenhagen "A" Coy.
- 3) Plt. Hutley "C" Coy.

Inter Coy Sports (Contd).

High Jump

- 1) Lt Col. Blackwood. "C" Coy. } 10 feet  
 2) Cpl. London "D" Coy. } 5' 1"  
 3) Plt Sheerington. "A" Coy. } London forfeited

Relay Race: teams of 8 men

- 1) "D" Coy. { Plt Austin, Barlow, Stone, Ward, Gibson  
 Lt Col. Levett, Plt Bucklelow, Plt Foster.  
 2) "C" Coy.  
 3) "A" Coy.

Platoon Relay Race

- 1) "D" Coy. Lt. Gaskell vs. 13 Platoon  
 2) "B" Coy.  
 3) "C" Coy.

Trials of water

- 1) "C" Coy. { Sgt. Douglas, Sgt. Lynch, Plt Kutley,  
 Plt Halverson, Kiley, Shannon, Turpin,  
 Hanna.  
 2) "D" Coy.

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"C" Company.

5 Rounds 'Application'

Target No.	Name	Initials	Result	Points
1	Mc HANNA	J	4 4 4 4 3	19
2	EDWARDS	JR	4 4 4 3 1	16
3	EDWARDS	LH	4 4 3 3 1	15
4	ROSS	AS	4 4 4 4 4	20
5	HAM	E	4 4 4 3 1	16
6	9/6 LIVERPOOL	H	4 3 3 3 1	14
7	0/6 SEMLER	G	4 3 3 3 3	16
8	6 QMS HAYES	J	3 3 3 3 3	15

10 Rounds 'Rapid'

1	Mc HANNA	J		9
2	EDWARDS	JR		5
3	EDWARDS	LH		10
4	ROSS	AS		5
5	HAM	E		5
6	9/6 LIVERPOOL	H		7
7	0/6 SEMLER	G		7
8	6 QMS HAYES	J		6

	Points
Result of 5 Rounds 'Application'	131
" " 10. " 'Rapid'	58
<b>Total Points =</b>	<b>189.</b>

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"D" Company				4
5 Rounds 'Application' :-				
Target No.		Result		Points
1	Cpl LONDON,	4 4 4 3 3	=	18.
2	Sgt LANGFORD,	4 4 3 1 1	=	13
3	" HOUGH,	3 1 1 1 -	=	6.
4	" BOTTOM, L.	4 4 3 3 -	=	14.
5	S/B NAKKAN,	4 4 3 3 -	=	14.
6	" STEELE,	4 4 3 3	=	14.
7	O/C COOLEY, J.	4 4 3 3 3	=	17.
8	Sgt COPPIN,	4 4 3 3 3	=	17.
10 Rounds 'Rapid' :-				
1	Cpl LONDON,	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 - -	=	8
2	Sgt LANGFORD,	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	=	10.
3	" HOUGH,	1 1 1 - - - - -	=	3.
4	" BOTTOM, L.	1 1 1 - - - - -	=	3.
5	S/B NAKKAN,	1 1 1 - - - - -	=	3.
6	" STEELE,	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 - -	=	8
7	O/C COOLEY, J.	1 1 1 1 1 - - - -	=	5
8	Sgt COPPIN,	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 - -	=	8
Result of 5 Rounds 'Application'				113
" " 10 " 'Rapid'				48
Total Points				161.

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MUSKETRY COMPETITION.

"A" Company

5 Rounds Application:

Target No.			Result	Total.
1.	Cpl	DAVIS, EB.	4 4 3 3 3	= 17
2.	Pte	KIRKLAND, WA.	4 3 3 1 1	= 12
3.	"	CREDGINGTON, HA.	3 3 3 3 1	= 13
4.	Cpl	CHARD, FW.	3 3 3 3 -	= 12
5.	"	KOTHE, F.	4 4 4 4 4	= 20
6.	Pte	BROWN, CT.	4 3 3 1 1	= 12
7.	"	MCLEAN, DB.	4 3 1 1 1	= 10
8.	Cpl	GOSPER, L.	4 3 . . .	= 7

10 Rounds 'Rapid':

1.	Cpl	DAVIS, EB.		= 9
2.	Pte	KIRKLAND, WA.		= 4
3.	"	CREDGINGTON, HA.		= 9
4.	Cpl	CHARD, FW.		= 3
5.	"	KOTHE, F.		= 10
6.	Pte	BROWN, CT.		= 9
7.	"	MCLEAN, DB.		= 9
8.	Cpl	GOSPER, L.		= 2

Result of 5 Rounds Application	= 103
" " 10 " 'Rapid'	= 55
Total Points	= 158

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B Company.

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5 Rounds 'Application'.

Target No.		Result	Points
1	Cpl GERAGHTY, W.	4 4 4 4 4	= 20.
2	Pte GILCHRIST,	4 4 4 4 3	= 19
3	" STEWART, E.	4 4 3 3 1	= 16.
4	" COX,	4 4 3 1 1	= 13
5	" BRANSCOMBE,	4 4 3 3 1	= 15
6	4/6 BRUCE,	4 4 4 4 3	= 19
7	Pte MCFARLANE,	4 3 1 - -	= 8
8	Cpl STEPHENSON,	4 4 4 3 3	= 18

10 Rounds 'Rapid'.

1	Cpl GERAGHTY,	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 -	= 9
2	Pte GILCHRIST,	1 1 1 1 1 1 - - -	= 7
3	" STEWART, E.	1 1 1 1 1 1 - - -	= 7
4	" COX,	1 1 - - - - - - -	= 2
5	" BRANSCOMBE	1 1 1 1 1 - - - -	= 6
6	4/6 BRUCE,	1 1 1 1 - - - - -	= 4
7	Pte MCFARLANE,	1 1 1 1 - - - - -	= 4
8	Cpl STEPHENSON,	1 1 1 1 1 - - - -	= 6

Result of 5 Rounds 'Application'.	=	127
" " 10. " 'Rapid'.	=	45
Total Points	=	172.

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Battalion Sports to take place on Cricket Ground this afternoon.,  
1/8/18.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS.

1. ✓ PLATOON RACE. 1.45.p.m.:- 1 Officer, 1 Sergeant and 20 other ranks all to be Bonafide members of Platoon. Platoon Commanders will march men on to ground and be ready to start at 1.45.p.m. Each man runs 100 yards.
2. ✓ BROAD JUMP CHAMPIONSHIP.
3. ✓ 440 YARDS? do.
4. ✓ 100 YARDS. do. (heats)
5. ✓ HIGH JUMP, do.
6. ✓ RELAY RACE, 4 men in team, each to run 100 Yards.
7. ✓ FINAL TUG OF WAR. (Teams, 8 men and coach.)
8. ✓ 220 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP.
9. ✓ FINAL 100 YARDS.

Post entries for all events.

JUDGES.

Lieut. Colonel, B.V. STACY, D.S.O.

Captain, R.I.C. MACGREGOR, M.C.

STARTERS.

Major, G.A. STREET, M.C.

~~Major, G.A. STREET, M.C.~~

Captain, C.B. WILBY, M.C.

Call Steward,

Major, A.K. MACKENZIE, M.C.

CLERKS OF COURSE.

~~Captain, C. BOOTH.~~

Lieut. C. BOOTH.

2/Lieut. J.V. COBCROFT.

do H.L.L.O'NEILL.

do D.A. CROWHURST.

Sports Programme Continued.NOTES.

Ist and 2nd only in races will compete in final.

Spikes will not be worn.

Any man making more than 1 false start will be out back a yard.

For any further information, apply Sports Secretary.

*A. Cohen* Lieutenant.  
Ist Aust. Inf. Battalion.

BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDERS

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BY

BRIG.-GENERAL I.G.MACKAY, D.S.O., COMMANDING 1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

17th. August, 1918.

SPORTS. The following are the results of the 1st. Aust. Inf. Brigade Sports held in the RACQUINGHEM Area on the 4th. August, 1918 :-

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		POINTS SCORED.			
		1st. Bn	2nd. Bn	3rd. Bn	4th. Bn.
<u>FOOTBALL.</u>					
Winner.	1st. Battalion.	96	-	-	-
Second.	2nd. "	-	72	-	-
Third.	3rd. "	-	-	48	-
Fourth.	4th. "	-	-	-	24
<u>CRICKET.</u>					
Winner.	1st. Battalion.	96	-	-	-
Second.	2nd. "	-	72	-	-
Third.	3rd. "	-	-	48	-
Fourth.	4th. "	-	-	-	24
<u>ATHLETICS.</u>					
<u>100 yards Championship.</u>					
1st.	Pte. Taylor,	2nd. Bn.	4	-	-
2nd.	Lieut. Lockrey,	2nd. Bn.	3	-	-
3rd.	Pte. Barclay,	3rd. Bn.	-	2	-
4th.	" Hains,	4th. Bn.	-	-	1
<u>220 yards Championship.</u>					
1st.	Pte. Kemp,	1st. Bn.	4	-	-
2nd.	" Graham,	4th. Bn.	-	-	3
3rd.	" Barclay,	3rd. Bn.	-	2	-
4th.	Lieut. Lockrey,	2nd. Bn.	-	1	-
<u>440 yards Championship.</u>					
1st.	Pte. Graham,	4th. Bn.	-	-	4
2nd.	Lieut. Lockrey,	2nd. Bn.	3	-	-
3rd.	Pte. Clutterbuck,	3rd. Bn.	-	2	-
4th.	" Hamilton,	3rd. Bn.	-	1	-
<u>High Jump.</u>					
1st.	Lieut. Guan,	4th. Bn.	-	-	4
2nd.	Pte. Taylor,	2nd. Bn.	3	-	-
3rd.	" Hudson,	3rd. Bn.	-	2	-
4th.	" Barker,	4th. Bn.	-	-	1
<u>Long Jump.</u>					
1st.	Pte. Taylor,	2nd. Bn.	} Divide.	3½	3½
2nd.	" Barker,	4th. Bn.			
3rd.	" Barclay,	3rd. Bn.			
4th.	Lieut. Bainbridge,	4th. Bn.			
<u>Tug-of-War.</u>					
1st.	1st. Battalion Team.	4	-	-	-
2nd.	3rd. Battalion Team.	-	3	-	-
3rd.	2nd. Battalion Team.	-	2	-	-
4th.	4th. Battalion Team.	-	-	-	1
<u>Relay Race.</u>					
1st.	2nd. Battalion Team.	4	-	-	-
2nd.	4th. Battalion Team.	-	-	-	3
3rd.	1st. Battalion Team.	2	-	-	-
4th.	3rd. Battalion Team.	-	-	1	-
<u>Platoon Flag Race.</u>					
1st.	4th. Battalion.	-	-	-	4
2nd.	3rd. Battalion.	-	-	3	-
3rd.	1st. Battalion.	-	-	-	-
4th.	2nd. Battalion.	} Divide.	1½	1½	-
Carried forward.		203½.	100.	114.	73½.

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SPORTS. (Continued).

	Points brought forward.	1st. Bn.	2nd. Bn.	3rd. Bn.	4th. Bn.
		203 $\frac{1}{2}$	169	114	73 $\frac{1}{2}$
<u>SWIMMING.</u>					
<u>50 yards Breast Stroke Championship.</u>					
1st.	Pto. Vidlor,	1st. Bn.	7	-	-
2nd.	Lieut. Buchenara,	4th. Bn.	-	-	4
3rd.	Cpl. Bellow,	3rd. Bn.	-	3	-
4th.	L/Cpl. Walters & Pto. Cook,	} 2nd. & 4th. Bns. (Divide).	-	1	1
<u>100 yards Championship.</u>					
1st.	Lieut. Boardman,	1st. Bn.	7	-	-
2nd.	Pte. Smith,	2nd. Bn.	-	4	-
3rd.	" Slaney,	1st. Bn.	5	-	-
4th.	" Lough,	4th. Bn.	-	-	2
<u>50 yards Championship.</u>					
1st.	Lieut. Boardman,	1st. Bn.	7	-	-
2nd.	Pto. Gibson,	1st. Bn.	4	-	-
3rd.	" Hodgkiss,	2nd. Bn.	} Divide.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
4th.	CSM. Keary,	4th. Bn.			
<u>Relay Race, Teams of 4.</u>					
1st.	1st. Battalion.		7	-	-
2nd.	2nd. Battalion.		-	4	-
3rd.	4th. Battalion.		-	-	3
4th.	3rd. Battalion.		-	2	-
<u>Diving Championship.</u>					
1st.	Pto. Parsons,	3rd. Bn.	-	-	7
2nd.	" Johnson,	4th. Bn.	-	-	4
3rd.	" Hanlon,	1st. Bn.	3	-	-
4th.	" Smidt, 2nd. Bn. & Pto. Green, 4th. Bn. (Divide).		-	1	1
<u>Platoon Relay Race.</u>					
1st.	3rd. Battalion.		-	-	7
2nd.	1st. Battalion.		4	-	-
3rd.	2nd. Battalion.		-	3	-
4th.	4th. Battalion.		-	-	2
		TOTALS.	245 $\frac{1}{2}$	184 $\frac{1}{2}$	133.
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The Challenge Sports Cup now becomes the property of the 1st. Aust. Battalion and will be delivered to that Unit in due course.

REPORTS - SCHOOLS. The G.O.C. desires to congratulate the following Officers and other ranks of the Brigade on the good reports received by them at various recent Courses of Instruction :-

- 2/Lieut. A.W. EDWARDS, "MM". 1st. Battalion.
- No. 3309. Cpl. P.I. EARNSHAW, do
- 5991. L/Cpl. E.V. COOPER, do
- 110a. " E. LAVIS, do
- Lieut. S. TINDAL, 2nd. Battalion.
- 7200. Sgt. H.G. TURNIDGE, do
- 3911. " W. REES, do
- 3598. L/Cpl. C.G. PRYCE, do
- 161. Sgt. W.M. SEDGWICK, 3rd. Battalion.
- Lieut. H.A. PARKES, 4th. Battalion.
- " R.G. HORNIMAN, do
- 2/Lieut. S.A.P. GLUTH, do
- 500. Sgt. R.P. DUFF, do
- 3170. " F.E. MAHY, do

*[Signature]*  
Capt.

for Brigade Major, 1st. Aust. Infantry Brigade.

### 3 Brigade Sports.

#### Crickets.

Two cricket matches were played  
one against 4th Batta. which we  
won by 143 runs.

Mr Jones top score with 99 runs.

Major Street took 6 wickets for 12 runs

Lt. Kelleway " 4 " " 26 "

The final match played against  
2nd Batta. was won by 57 runs.

Lt. Col Stacy top score with 22 runs.

Major Street took 4 wickets for 20 runs

Lt. Kelleway " 5 " " 9 "

Brigade Sports

Cricket (Contd.)

1st. Bn. Team

- Lt. Col. B.W. Slacy D.S.O.
- Lt. Kellerway
- plc Settle
- plc Jones
- Cpt. Mr. Gregor.
- Major Sheeh-
- plc Ogilvie
- Cpl. Greenfell
- plc Ganneth.
- plc Gasin
- plc Bennett.

~~Notes~~  
Brigade Sports

Football.

Two matches were played.  
One against 2nd BATTN who were defeated  
by 9 to nil. Goals scored by Lt. Boardman  
plc Roberts, & Under Bardew.

The team was. Supt. W. Kay, Lt. Waugh,  
Lt. Boardman, Cpl. Hadley, Cpl. Stevenson,  
plc Roberts, Dr. Bardew, Sgt. Lynch, Sgt. Douglas,  
Supt. Blackwood, Under Bucklelow, Cpl. Keene  
plc Settle, Supt. Gordon, Sgt. Andrews.

The second match and final in  
competition was played against  
3rd BATTN & won by 26 to nil.

## Infantry Battalion Brigade Sports

### Swimming

50 yds. Champ.

1) Lt. Boardman

2) Plt. Gibson "C" Coy.

100 yds. Champ.

1) Lt. Boardman.

2nd Plt. Slaney.

50 yds. Breast Stroke.

1) Plt. Vialer.

Wds.

3rd Plt. Haulow

Relay Race. Teams of 4 men

1) Sgt. Douglas, Lt. Col. Case, Plt. Gibson

S. W. S. Billington

Platoon Relay Race

2) No. 5 platoon, "B" Coy. Lt. Barth (Platoon Commr.)



## Brigade Sports

### Tring of War

Coach G. M. P. Hayes "C" Coy.

### Teams

St. Judd "B" Coy.  
 Sgt. Douglas "C" Coy.  
 S/Cpt. W. P. Pherson "C" Coy.  
 Pte. Wilson "A" Coy.  
 " Henry G. M.  
 " Ramsford G. M.  
 " Douglas "A"  
 " Sherington "A"

220 yds. Championship. Pte. Kemp "B" Coy. (1<sup>st</sup>)

Relay Race (3) St. Symonds, St. Boardman  
 S/Cpt. W. Kay. Pte. Kemp.

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Battalion Headquarters,  
4th August, 1918.

Order for sheet HAMBROUX S.A. 1:200.000

The First Aust. Inf. Battalion will move by rail in accordance with table below.

Train	Company	From	Time	Date	Remarks
20.	"A"	ABOUAS	11.39 pm.	5/8/18.	Cooker and team to accompany
23.	Battal. Hqs.	"B", "C" & "D" Co.	2.49 am.	6/8/18.	Transport.

2. ADVANCE GUARD:- Lieut. A.S. STUBBS will report to Bde. Hqs. at 8 a.m. on 5th inst.

One U.S.C. per Company will report to Lieut. J.N. DOWD at Battalion orderly room at 8.30 p.m. on the 5th inst. as billeting party. Party will report to entraining officer, ABOUAS, at 10 pm. on the 5th inst. Bicycles will be taken.

3. Brigade Entraining Officer, ABOUAS - Major A.S. SACHS, M.B.  
Battalion Entraining Officer, ABOUAS - Lieut. W.A. FARRER.  
Brigade Entraining Officer - Captain J. J. BOWEN.

Unloading Party - C.S. "B" Company will detail unloading party of 2 officers and 100 other ranks on arrival at destination.

4. Parade:- "A" Company will parade on Battalion Ground and move off at 8 p.m.  
 Hqs., "B", "C" and "D" Coys. will parade at 11 p.m.

Roll Call:- As usual.

Equipment:- Full marching order, blanket and steel helmet to be carried on pack, water bottles to be filled.

Meal:- Hot meal for the 5th inst. will be partaken of at 7 p.m. instead of at midday.

Bacon and meat ration for the 6th inst. will be cooked on the 5th inst, issued at 6 pm. and carried on the man.

Transport:- Transport will move under orders of Transport Officer and will report at entraining point three hours before departure of train. Cookers, less "A" Coy's., will move with transport. Water carts will be entrained full.

Horses to be watered before entraining. Breast ropes for horse trucks will be supplied by the Battalion.

6. TRAIN PICKETS:- Each Company will detail 1 officer and 10 other ranks as Train Pickets.

The signal for permission to leave the train will be one 3m long blast of the whistle. A similar signal will signify all aboard. Unless such permission is given the picket will ensure that no man leaves the train. This order will be strictly enforced.

Names of officers in charge of pickets will be forwarded to Battalion Hqs. by 8 p.m. on the 5th inst.

7. Lewis Guns will be mounted on the train. One crew will report to C.S. "A" Coy. at 8 p.m. 5th inst.

8. Officers valises, Lewis Gun magazines, packs of A.A. Guns, etc. will be stacked at C.S. Store by 5 p.m. on 5th inst.

9. The Camp will be left in a clean and sanitary condition and certificate to this effect will be rendered to Battalion Hqs. by 8 p.m. 5th inst.

- 1. 1st A.I. Bde.
- 2. 4 Coy
- 3. 3 Coy
- 4. C Coy
- 5. D Coy
- 6. 12th Hqs
- 7. 9 Coy
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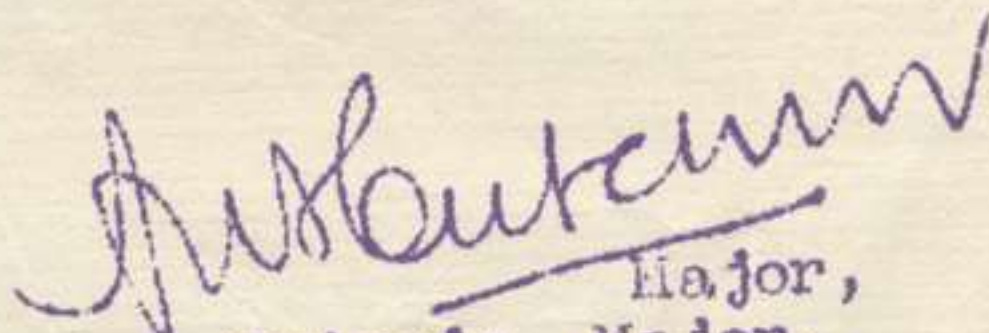
1st AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO. 103.Brigade Headquarters,  
8th August, 1918.Reference attached Map.

1. (a) The Australian Corps in conjunction with the Canadians on the right and the III Corps on the left will attack the enemy on a day to be notified.
  - (b) Of the Australian Corps the 2nd and 3rd Divisions, now in line, will carry the first objective, the 5th and 4th Divisions subsequently passing through to the capture of the final objective.
  - (c) The 1st Aust. Inf. Bde. Group is attached to the 4th Australian Division and will constitute portion of the Divisional reserve for the operation.
  - (d) Boundaries and objectives for the attack, assembly areas and jumping off positions are as shown on Map attached.
2. At the conclusion of the present move the Brigade will be concentrated in the AUBIGNY area with Brigade H.Q. at CORBIE (Sq. O.S.A. 1.5).
3. Immediately upon arrival steps will be taken to prepare for the operation.
- (a) Packs, blankets and greatcoats and surplus gear will be dumped and removed under instructions issued separately.
  - (b) Rations, S.A.A. and Bombs will be drawn and issued.
  - (c) Reconnaissance of the area will be carried out by as many officers as possible. Signallers and Scout Sections will also reconnoitre. Details as to Guides, times, etc. will be issued subsequently.
  - (d) Nucleus personnel will be got together for subsequent transmission to LA NEUVILLE.
4. The following Special Duty Officers are appointed and will take up their duty as soon as possible -
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|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| ↳ Liaison with 4th A.I. Bde. - | Major G.S. COOK, 2nd Battalion.    |
| ↳ " " 12th A.I. Bde. -         | A Company Commander 1st Battalion. |
- These Officers will report to Bde. H.Q. for instructions before taking up duty.
5. At all times the greatest care will be taken to camouflage the Brigade. It is of primary importance that movement be kept down. All ranks will be specially warned.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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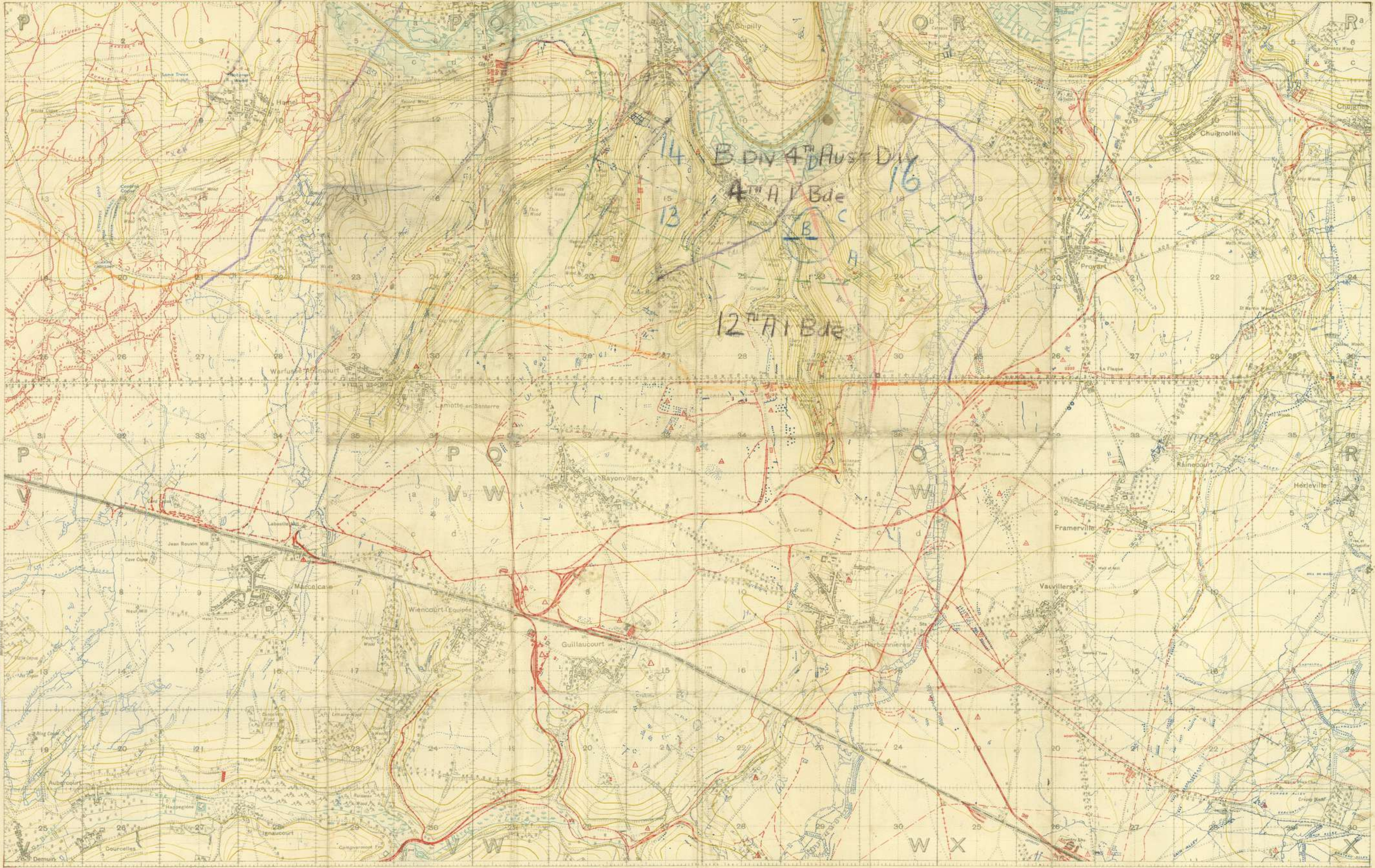
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Any trench apparently organized for fire	Buried Pipeline or Cable	Observation Posts	Normal Gaug. Double
Enemy Trenches (Important ones are shown by thick line. Old or disused by dotted line)	Airline	Listening Posts	Single
British Trenches	Supply Dumps	Mine Craters	Light Trench Tramways
Wire Entanglement or Other Obstacle	Ammunition	Trench Mortar	Metre Gaug. Railways or 60 cm.
Enemy's Tracks	Earthworks	A.-A. Gun	
	Dug-outs	Hole	
	Works reinforced by concrete	Organised Shell Holes	
		Houses	
		Shrine	

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NOTE - The fact that an object is not represented on the map does not necessarily mean that it is not there. It is also desirable to give length, character or to briefly their character. It may be assumed that there are obstacles in line of all fire trenches (shown by thick line).

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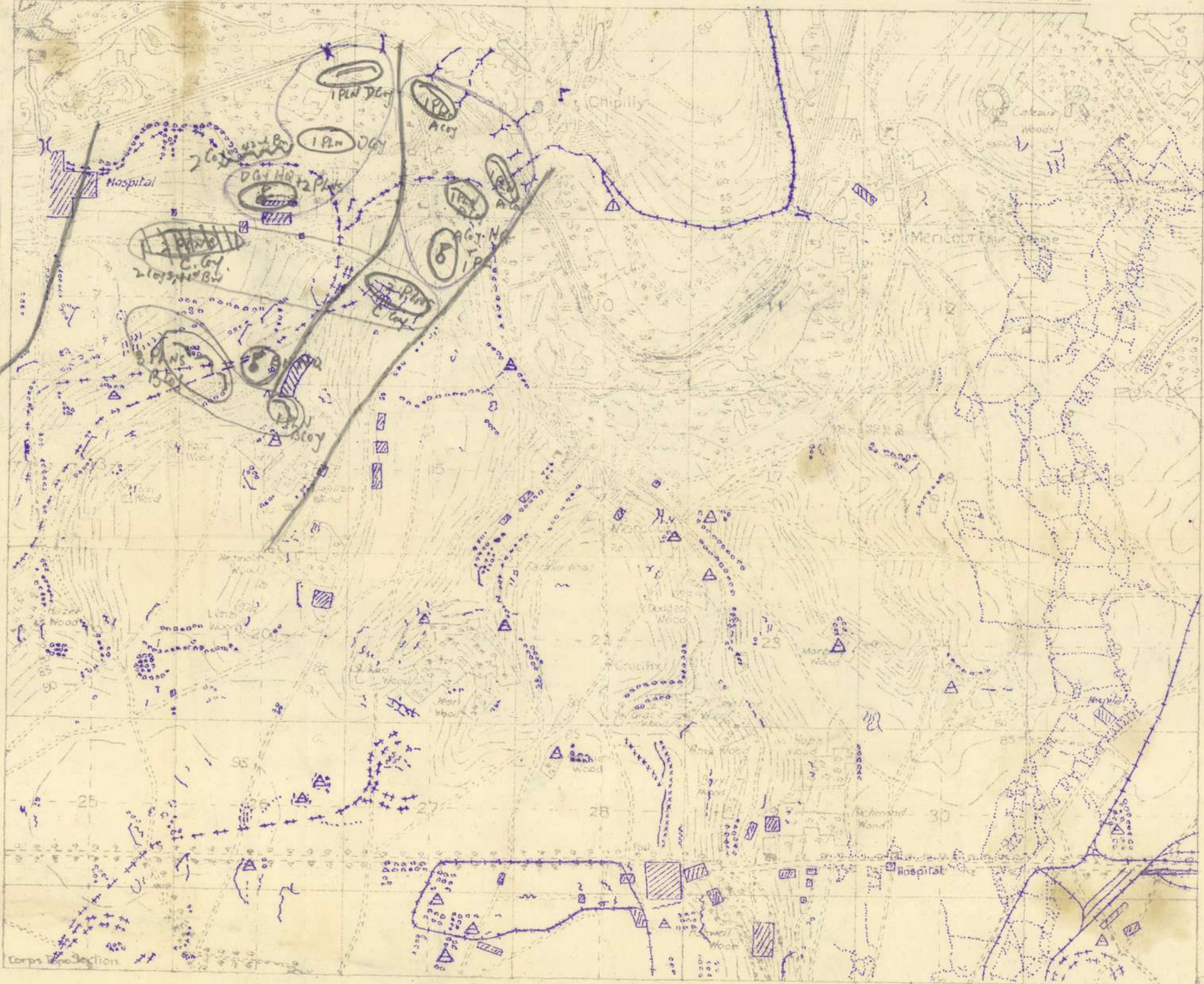
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Report on operation on the 9/8/18.

During the operations of the 9/8/18 against CHIPILLY by the 2nd London Regiment it was noticed that the attack was apparently held up. A patrol from 1st Aust. Inf. Battalion consisting of C.Q.M.S. HAYES, Sgt ANDREWS and 4 Other Ranks was detailed to ascertain reason for same and if possible to assist the attack. At 6 pm. the patrol under command of C.Q.M.S. HAYES proceeded across bridge at Q.3.A.95., across marsh and the river to main road at K.33.D. Patrol there saw a Company of the 2nd London waiting to advance. C.Q.M.S. HAYES spoke to the O.C. of the Coy and told him patrol would go forward and reconnoitre the village of CHIPILLY for him.

Patrol reached Q.4.A17. and was there joined by the O.C. of the Coy of London Regiment and two Platoons. Immediately they joined patrol heavy machine gun fire was brought to bear by enemy from approximately K.34.C.77 which caused casualties amongst the English Troops ~~xxx~~ with patrol. The patrol then split up Pte KANE going back to guide a Lewis Gun crew into Chalk pit at Q.4.A.79. and at same time Pte STEPHENS and TURPIN went forward into and through village and Sgt ANDREWS and Pte FULLER went up the road through K.34.D. then across country under cover of dead ground to K.35.C.46., from where they could not see any enemy for a distance of 100 yards.

Sgt ANDREWS and Pte FULLER then returned to near the chalk pit at ~~Q.4.A.79~~ <sup>London Reg</sup> and rejoined C.Q.M.S. HAYES who in the meantime had brought up a Platoon to K.34.C.95. Just as the Platoon arrived there our own Artillery dropped a smoke barrage almost on top of the party and the Platoon got the order to withdraw. C.Q.M.S. HAYES, SGT ANDREWS and Pte FULLER then proceeded along the road to K.34.D. to K.35.C.4.6. and thence in a Northerly direction between the two roads and observed a small enemy post at K.35.A.8.8. Sgt ANDREWS got into position and brought fire to bear on the post while C.Q.M.S. HAYES worked up the left side of the road towards it and when he thought he was opposite it he stood up to demand the surrender of the post, when he discovered he was right on top of another small post containing 3 men one of whom fired point blank at him but missed and was immediately shot dead by C.Q.M.S. HAYES. ~~The other two ran away.~~ Sgt ANDREWS seeing that C.Q.M.S. HAYES was in difficulties melted up and changed his direction of fire on to the small post and the two remaining men immediately surrendered. They took the two prisoners back to the machine gun post in the chalk pit and were there joined by Pte FULLER and KANE and the four of whom then pushed forward over the same track to further reconnoitre the enemy position. They then returned to the post where the two prisoners were captured. On the enemy moving back Sgt ANDREWS and Pte KANE followed on while C.Q.M.S. HAYES and Pte FULLER worked up the road to K29.C.6.1. from where they observed a strong enemy machine gun position about 20 yards up the road, and decided to attack the position. C.Q.M.S. HAYES and Pte FULLER got into position and Sgt ANDREWS and Pte KANE on their left flank and from their position they rushed straight into the post and arriving at the post discovered a very deep dug-out round which were placed about 7 machine guns. They dropped a bomb near the entrance as a warning and cries for mercy were heard.

They ordered the garrison out which consisted of 1 officer and 31 other ranks. After disarming them patrol handed them over to a Coy of the 2nd London Regiment who had come up in the meantime. Pte KANE and FULLER then pushed further ahead and captured 9 other ranks and two machine guns. The enemy then commenced retiring to a post at approximately K.29.D.6.7.

Sgt ANDREWS mounted an enemy machine gun at K.29.C.6.1. and brought fire to bear on the retiring enemy causing casualties and under this covering fire a Platoon of the 2nd London Regt. advanced. About this time the American Troops started to advance from BOIS GRESSARDE and not knowing that the patrol were forward of them commenced to fire at them, so they stood up and signalled them to advance but they apparently did not understand and fired on them and forced them to seek shelter. The London Regt. then commenced to advance again so Sgt ANDREWS remanned the gun and brought it into action against enemy post to the N.E. by B. Shortly afterwards the enemy breasted the ridge and as the American and British advanced across the Plateau further assisted in the mopping up of several posts as they went. American Troops were greatly surprised to see them there as they did not know anyone except enemy were ahead of them. They captured in all 1 Officer and 44 other ranks and 9 machine guns ~~of whom 26 un wounded and 2 wounded were sent back through 1st A.I. Bde. <sup>who were</sup> handed over to 2nd London Regt. whilst assisting in the mopping up a further 76 un wounded + 2 wounded prisoners were captured & forwarded through 1st A.I. Bde.~~ patrol consisted of.

C.Q.M.S. HAYES  
SGT. ANDREWS.  
Pte. KANE XMB  
Pte FULLER  
Pte TURPIN  
Lieut. Col.  
Cndr. TATA 1. Battalion



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Relief 62d 1:50000

- (1) 12<sup>th</sup> a I.P.M. to be relieved by the 50<sup>th</sup> a I.P.M. 15. night - the 9<sup>th</sup> unit.
- (2) On relief the bus will move by Coy. to area west of HAK BONNIERES at W17a  
Route Q9 central - Q76 CEPJ - BAYONNVILLERS - W17a central.  
Guides will meet Coy. at W3a 3.2
- (3) Lewis Guns & hammers will report to Coy. 15. night with patterns. Hammers will be retained at Coy Hdqrs. on completion of relief will move with Coy.
- (4) S.O.S. signals will be handed over & records obtained.
- (5) Completion of relief will be notified to Hdqrs by mine. How assumed in new area Hdqrs will be notified.
- (6) Officers houses will be available.
- (7) Acknowledge.

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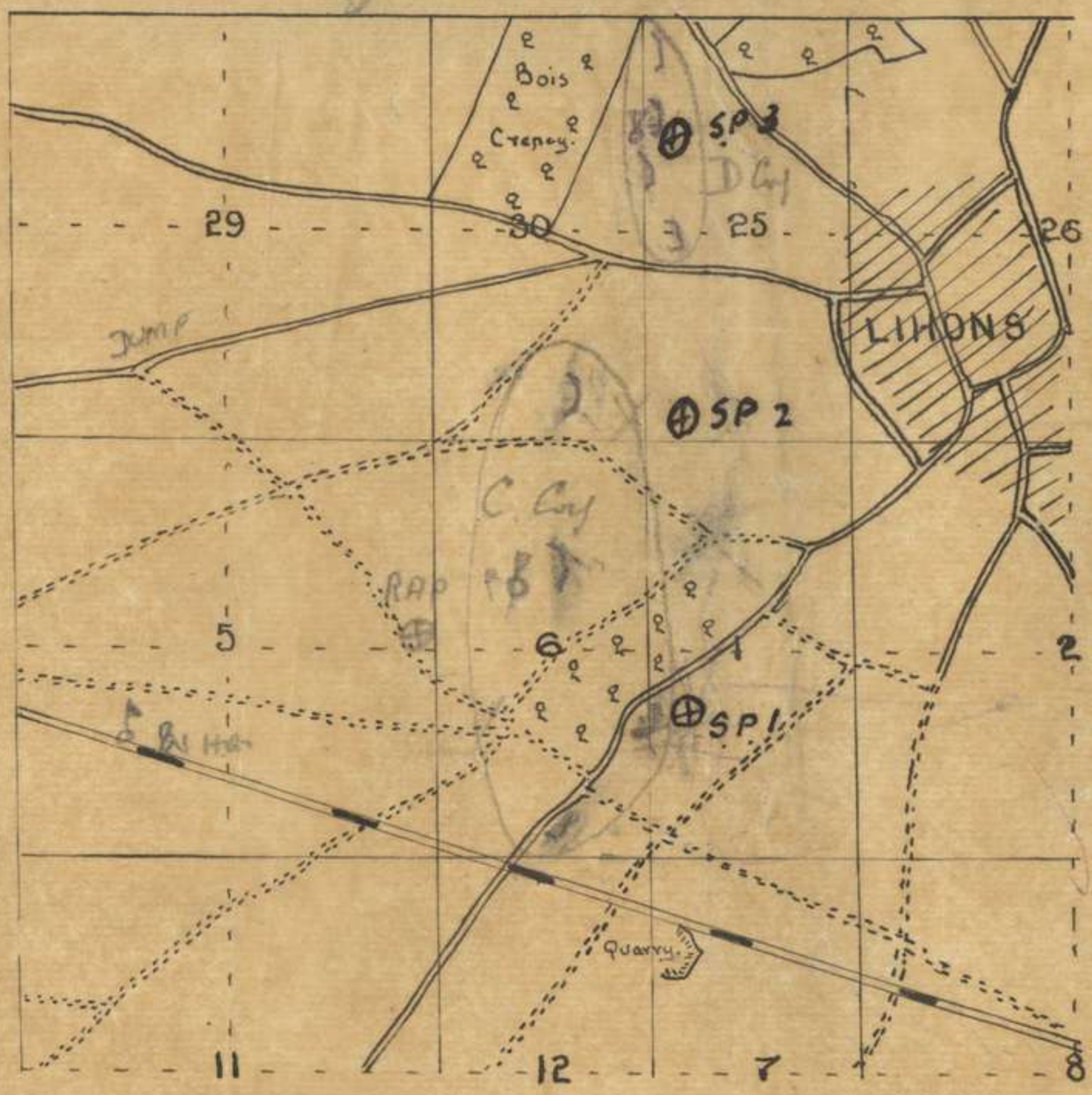
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**IV**

Battalion Headqrs.

12<sup>th</sup> August 1918

Instructions for Defence.

- (1) The policy of the Bde will be one of Active Defence  
 With this end in view the Battalion Defences will be consolidated.  
 Possessions of the high ground at LIMONS and the ridge immediately WEST of it is vital for observation and must be held at all costs  
 The Support Battalion will at all times be held in a state of readiness and unless otherwise ordered will stand fast in the Support Line
- (2) All Officers and senior NCO's will make a thorough and early reconnaissance of front line and all approaches thereto
- (3) Every care will in future be exercised in the use of telephone; Code calls will at all times be used
- (4) A Battalion O.P. will be established in the right Coy. Sector.
- (5) (A) Intelligence Summaries will be rendered to Battalion Headqrs. by 6 p.m. daily.

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- (b) Situation Reports at 6 am. and 3.45 pm daily.
- (c) Daily Status and Casualty Returns to be submitted by 8 am daily.
- (6) Works Policy. An active works policy will be organised in the Battalion Sector. All Posts will be strengthened and wired and where necessary C.Ts. dug between posts.

Two Coy of the Pioneer Battalion will be available for assisting the Support Battalion on the Sector Defences. Strong Posts will be dug at the following locations:-

A.1. d. 2. 6

X.30. c. 9. 4

X.25. b. 2. 6

X.23. d. (facing in N.E. direction)

One Coy of Pioneers will be at disposal of each "C" and "D" Coy for this work tonight. They will report at 9.30 pm.

- (7) Each Post will contain a supply of S.H.H. and Bombs which will be drawn from Battalion Dump.
- (7) Dumps A supply of S.H.H., Bombs and RE material will be sent to

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 Battalion Drums at F6. C.4.0  
 Works Reports on proformas will  
 be submitted each morning with  
 Daily states.

(8) Battalion R.A.P. at F6. C.1.8  
 Battalion Headqu at F5. C.4.4

*[Signature]*  
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 2. A Coy  
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 4. C Coy  
 5. D Coy  
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1. The 1st Aust. Inf. Battalion will move from VAUX - SUB - BOMBS area to Square H.7. on the 21st inst and relieve the 60th Battalion.
2. STARTING POINT. Bridge at J.26.C.1.1.
3. ORDER OF MARCH. Headquarters, "A", "B", "C" and "D" Coys. Headquarters will pass the starting point at 8 pm.  
DISTANCE. 100 yards between Companies will be maintained.  
ROUTE. HANEL - GEMISY - MORGENT Road.
4. TRANSPORT. Cookers, Water Carts, Lewis Gun and Signal Limbers will accompany the Battalion.  
Remainder of the 1st line of Transport will move with Brigaded Vehicles to GEMISY area in echelons of 6, with 25 yards between echelons and pass starting point at 11.30 pm.
5. Battalion Headquarters will close at VAUX at 8 pm. and reopen at A.6.D.03. on arrival.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

- Copy 1. 1st A.I. BSB.
2. "A" Coy.
3. "B" Coy.
4. "C" Coy.
5. "D" Coy.
6. Battalion Headquarters.
7. C.M.
8. Transport Officer.
9. War Diary.
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*[Signature]*  
Lieutenant..  
Adjutant, 1st A.I. Battalion.

22nd August., 1918.

Reference combined sheets, Parts, 62.D.N.E. 62.D.S.E.  
62.C.N.W. 62.D.S.W.

1. INTENTION. It is intended at a date and hour to be notified separately to attack the enemy positions and consolidate a new line as explained verbally and as shewn on attached sketch marked "A". One Company of the 3rd Battalion under Captain MACDERMOTT is attached to battalion for operations. The 4th Battalion will be operating on our right.
2. ASSEMBLY. An hour before zero Companies will be assembled as in attached sketch marked "B". Further orders as to route later.
3. METHOD OF ATTACK. (A) The boundaries for the Battalion and for Coys also their objectives are as given in attached sketch marked "A".  
(B) Roles of Companies are as follows.,  
(a) On the right at zero "B" Company will carry out the attack as far as the Artillery Halt Line, their left boundary being, R.11.C.0.0. After "A" Company has passed through them "B" Company will reorganise and be prepared to act in Support to Battalion.  
(b). "A" Company will follow 200 yards in rear of "B" Company till zero x 48 when they will move forward through "B" Company up under the barrage and when it again moves forward "A" Company will attack and consolidate the objective, their left boundary being WESTERN edge of WOOD at R.17.A.6.9.  
(C) At zero "D" Company will attack on the left of "B" Company and will carry the attack through to the objective, their left boundary running from R.9.C.7.5. to road junction at R.10.C.0.6. (exclusive) thence road running N.E. to R.10.B.8.2. (exclusive).  
(D) At zero "C" Company will attack on left of "D" Company, the road mentioned in last sub-para being inclusive to "C" Company, the left boundary and left point of objective being R.3.D.1.1.  
(E) 3rd Battalion Company attached will be in reserve and at zero will move forward with object of escaping enemy barrage but will then lengthen the distance between it and "A" Company to 500 yards. It will take up a position in a suitable formation at zero x 60 minutes in vicinity of R.16. CENTRAL.
4. VICKERS MACHINE GUNS. One Section of the 21st M.G. Company is attached and will act under orders issued verbally. It is expected that in early stages of attack they will take up a position on high ground in R.16.A. and later some guns in R.17.A. and C.
5. L.T.M. BATTERY. 4 Stokes guns are also attached and will move under orders issued verbally. It is expected that in the early stages of attack they will be in area of R.16.A.
6. ARTILLERY. Artillery barrage will be as in sketch (issued to Coys only).
7. TANKS. Six Tanks will be operating with the Battalion on lines already given verbally.
8. LIAISON. "B" and "A" Companies will be responsible for keeping touch with 4th Battalion and will detail special parties for the purpose of carrying out this duty at the Artillery Halt Line and Final objective respectively. On reaching the latter a joint post with the 4th Battalion will be established on the inter-Battalion boundary. All Companies will be responsible similarly for keeping mutual touch.
9. DRESS. As already ordered verbally "A" and "D" Companies will roll sleeves up. "B" and "C" Companies will not roll sleeves up.
10. SIGNALS. (A) A contact aeroplane will fly over line at zero x 2 hours. On the KLAXON horn being sounded and a WHITE VERY light being fired from it troops in front positions will light a proportion only of their flares. In the event of aeroplane returning later and repeating its call for flares more will be lit on each occasion.  
(B) A WHITE parachute flare fired by aeroplane in a certain direction will indicate an impending counter attack by enemy from that direction.  
(C) S.O.S. signal will be rifle grenade bursting into RED over RED over RED.

(D) A success signal consisting of a rifle grenade bursting into WHITE over WHITE over WHITE will be fired by Company Commanders on their attaining final objective only.

11. COMMUNICATIONS. Communications will be arranged by Signal Officer. Recourse will be had to more than one means of communication for important messages.
12. DUMPS. Battalion dumps of water, S.A.A. etc., will be established in Vicinity of R.16.B. and R.9. CENTRAL as circumstances permit.
13. R.A.P. to be established prior to zero at R.8.D.4.0.
14. CONSOLIDATION. A party from Pioneer Battalion will build a line to hold a Company in R.10.D. On conclusion of operation this line will be occupied by "B" Company.  
In taking up Defensive position on objective line all Coys will be distributed in depth., "A", "D" and "C" Companies in front line and "B" Company in Reserve. 3rd Battalion will be holding a Support line in rear.
15. PRISONERS. Prisoners will be sent to Battalion Headquarters or to rear. They may be handed over to Military Police. In all cases receipts will be obtained from receiver.
16. WATCHES. to be synchronised at 6.15.p.m. and 12.15.am. on the day before and night of the attack., respectively.
17. REPORTS. Battalion Headquarters will be established at R.14.B.4.9. at zero minus 2 hours.
18. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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1st Aust. Inf. Battalion.

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|       | 7.  | Q.M.                      |
|       | 8.  | Transport Officer.        |
|       | 9.  | R.M.O.                    |
|       | 10. | 3rd Battalion Coy.        |
|       | 11. | 21st M.G. Coy.            |
|       | 12. | Ist L.T.M. Batty.         |
|       | 13. | 4th Aust. Inf. Battalion. |
|       | 14. | War Diary.                |
|       | 15. | File.                     |



Battalion Headquarters,  
26th August, 1918.

REPORT ON OPERATIONS ON 23rd AUGUST 1918.

1. At 2 a.m. on the morning of 23/8/1918 the First Aust. Inf. Battalion moved by Companies from the first position of assembly in Square R.7. and reached the assault position on tape line by 3.15 a.m. without incident. Battalion Headquarters was established at R.14.b.4.9. Company dispositions, boundaries and objectives are shewn on attached sketch.
2. At 4.45 a.m. artillery barrage was put down in accordance with programme and the tanks, which had approached with comparative quiet to about 50 yards of the assembly position, working in co-operation, plunged forward under it using their guns. With the opening of the barrage 10 men from the Battalion Signalling Section commenced the work of laying a line to predetermined Battalion Forward Report Centre at R.9.d.4.1. At 4.48 a.m. the assaulting troops ("B", "C" and "D" Coys.) moved forward to the attack, shaking out into artillery formation, covered by a screen of skirmishers; "A" Company remaining in reserve as intended in its assembly position.
3. The Right Company had not gone far before it came under machine gun fire, but with the assistance of the Tanks this was silenced. Beyond this but little opposition was met with in the early stages of attack although a number of the enemy were encountered. Those resisting were killed; other attempting to escape were shot down, and this had the effect of reducing many to submission and surrender.
4. At 5.15 a.m. the first batch of prisoners passed through Battalion Headquarters.
5. At 5.30 a.m. the Commanding Officer left on a reconnaissance of the front.
6. The taking of CHUIGNOLLES and the clearing of triangular wood at R.16.A.5.9. was greatly assisted by the fire of Tanks. By 5.30 a.m. this village had been mopped up, after having first been enveloped, and the wood to the EAST of it of the same name was in our hands. Endeavouring to push still further ahead heavy machine gun fire was encountered when in front of CHUIGNOLLES WOOD and our own barrage descending both in the wood and sunken road through R.14.A. necessitated a temporary withdrawal to the sunken road SOUTH of the Wood.
7. On the Left of the Battalion Sector the enemy were not easily dislodged, although in comparison but a short depth had to be penetrated. Machine Gun Posts on the Left gave considerable trouble, and the opportunity for enemy frontal fire to be brought to bear, and it was only after stiff fighting that the flanking platoon was able to gain its objective. But this was accomplished by 5.20 a.m. and at 5.45 a.m. the GREEN LINE and beyond to R.4.C.5.3. - R.10.A.9.7. - R.10.B.8.5. - R.10.D.8.8. - R.17.A.7.7. was in our hands.
8. Acting under orders from Battalion Headquarters the Reserve Company ("A") then moved forward into position in R.9.C. with a view to the ultimate exploitation of the ground on the left.
9. Heavy Machine Gun fire continued to harrass the flank of the Battalion from the Left and to neutralise this a patrol of 1 Officer and 12 Other Ranks was sent from support platoon to work northerly from wood at R.4.C.0.2. over open ground to the road running through R.3.D. - R.4.A. On reaching the wood, however, it was found that the flank platoon concerned, with the aid of men from the 57th Bn., had cleared up the trouble.

The Officer in charge of the patrol therefore decided to push on to LONG WOOD and reached the WESTERN edge with but little opposition. It on moving to reconnoitre enemy defences between the Wood and the

Road the patrol came under point blank gun fire and was forced to seek cover and return.

- 11. At 6 a.m. the Battalion Forward Report Centre was established and in telephone communication with Battalion Headqrs.
- 12. At 6.30 a.m. an Officer from "O" Battery, R.H.A., reported at Battalion Headqrs.
- 13. Following the original intention to exploit the ground on the Left, the Reserve Company was ordered forward at 6.15 a.m. and reached the SOUTHERN edge of Wood at R.4.C.0.0. at 6.50 a.m. Here a conference between Company and Platoon Commanders concerned was held, and to sweep away the resistance being offered from LONG and LUC WOODS it was decided ~~to~~ first to attack with two platoons (the former) along the WESTERN slope of the CHUIGNOLLES VALLEY keeping two platoons in hand for the subsequent capture of the latter. The Commander of TANK B.31., operating in the area, was informed of the intention and co-operation arranged.
- 14. Attack was then launched moving in artillery formation and, until Road at R.4.D.1.8. was reached, progressed without opposition. There, however, heavy enemy machine gun and anti-tank fire was encountered from Wood at R.4.B.2.6., MARLY WOODS HILL and LONG WOOD itself. Deployment immediately followed and the attack was pushed home. The enemy made off through the N.W. edge of wood and running along the road through R.4.A. about 30 fell into our hands.
- 15. By 7.45 a.m. LONG WOOD was clear and in our possession, with positions established on a line R.4.B.0.1. round N. edge of WOOD to R.4.A.4.3. Machine Gun, anti-tank and gun fire, however, continued to be directed against these positions.
- 16. In the meantime further progress was being made on the Right. The Company of the 3rd Battalion attached passed through the right flank Company as originally intended and by 8 a.m. was established in ARCY WOOD in R.17.B.1.6. *a small gap on the right was noticed & this was temporarily filled by a platoon of Coy who here found 15" gun & captured 70 prisoners near it*
- 17. This accomplished, the Right Company ("G") was withdrawn to Sunken Road in R.10.B. in support to Company ("D") occupying that ~~position~~ portion of line running through R.10.B.8.5. - R.10.D.8.8. with the object of making a further advance.
- 18. Local Commanders conferred, and while one platoon cleared the Sunken Road running SOUTH EASTERLY through R.11.C., the Support ("B"), withdrawn from the Right, was ~~manouvered~~ *manoeuvred* into position with ~~posts~~ *posts* extending from R.17.A.6.6. *with posts extending to* ~~to road junction~~ at R.11.D.6.8., and in touch with the 3rd Battalion on the Right. The clearing of the enemy from Road through R.11.C. was also successful and the platoon pushed forward taking up a position along the railway line SOUTH of Hospital in R.11.B. Remainder of this Company then moved up and consolidated along the ~~road~~ Sunken Road from R.10.B.8.8. - R.11.A.3.2.
- 19. By 8.50 a.m. the Battalion Report Centre was in <sup>TELEPHONIC</sup> communication with all but the Company on the Right.
- 20. On the Left of the Battalion Sector harrassing fire was still being brought to bear by the enemy and to neutralise this the fire of the Battery attached to the Battalion was directed against the ridge EAST and NORTH EAST of LONG WOOD.
- 21. As ~~locally~~ <sup>originally</sup> decided, before the capture of LONG WOOD, LUC WOOD yet remained to be ~~captured~~ *secured*. The platoons allotted the task were therefore dribbled across the ridge at about R.3.D.3.4. - R.3.C. Central, the deviation from the former intention of attacking from the NORTH being ~~prevented~~ *caused* by the fire which was already covering approach from that direction.
- 22. The position of assault being reached, the attack against LUC WOOD was launched. But little resistance was met with, the garrison making off through L.33.C. and a Line was established from R.3.A.8.7. to NORTH edge of LUC WOOD, S.E. to R.3.B.8.4. This was accomplished by 9.15 a.m. and by 10.30 a.m. the fire harrassing these positions on the left had been relieved by artillery fire.

*Strength reduced*

23. <sup>24</sup> The Line then ran R.3.A.8.7. to NORTH edge of LUC WOOD, S.E. to R.3.B.8.4. - R.4.A.4.3. - Round NORTH edge of LONG WOOD to R.4.B.0.1. - along railway through R.11.A. - ~~R.11.D.6.8.~~ - R.17.A.6.6. in touch with the 3rd Battalion on the Right.
24. At 1.30 p.m. orders were received to be prepared to continue the operation. The First Battalion were to exploit their gains and advance to the spurs of high ground from MARLY WOODS, SOUTH EASTERLY to R.5.D. The 3rd Brigade were then to pass through and push on to line from L.34.B.5.7. - L.35.B.4.4. - R.12.A.9.7. Orders were immediately issued by telephone to "C" and "D" Coys. to this effect and to prepare to follow barrage when it opened. ~~###~~  
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25. At 1.45 p.m. orders received from Brigade that zero was fixed for 2 p.m. "C" Company were advised by phone, but the phone line to "D" Company had been broken and a runner was sent who arrived there at 2 p.m.
26. At 2 p.m. the barrage opened in accordance with programme and the Companies followed it immediately, though rather late in the case of "D" Company owing to shortness of notice.
27. On the right the Spur in R.5.D. was reached though the enemy used machine guns throughout the barrage, and touch maintained with the 3rd Battalion. Lewis Gun Posts were immediately established at R.5.D.3.8. to assist the advance of the 12th Battalion and this Unit successfully passed through to the high ground beyond. These guns then went forward and remained with the 12th Battalion until withdrawn at dusk.
28. By 3.30 p.m. our troops on the right were secure on the spur and constantly patrolled to the top of the ridge.
29. On the left the enemy continued to offer resistance, but by the use of ground and fire the enemy were dislodged and either taken prisoners or shot down in an attempt to escape. The anti-tank gun which was giving so much trouble during the morning advance was captured in this phase of the operations together with a number of machine guns.
30. By 3.30 p.m. the Left Company had pressed home the attack to the top of the ridge from MARLY WOODS, SOUTH to R.5.A. MARLY WOODS being cleared by them.
31. Men of the 3rd Brigade were now filtering through and on the initiative of Local Commanders assistance was rendered both by fire and movement until command of the high ground beyond had been ~~#####~~ obtained. One platoon reached L.34.B.
32. Companies were then reorganised; One ("C") in earthworks on spur in R.5.C.3.9., the other ("A") disposed in depth with a line from L.34.C.6.0. to R.4.A.9.7. and Supports along the NORTH and N.W. edge of LONG WOOD.
33. The exploitation of the mornings gains having been successfully accomplished a redistribution of the whole Brigade Sector was ordered and in compliance the Companies of this Battalion were withdrawn to Brigade Reserve in area covered by R.9.C. and R.15.A. The withdrawal commenced at about 8 p.m. and was complete by 9 p.m.
34. Prisoners for the day taken by the Battalion totalled 9 Officers and 435 Other Ranks, comprising elements of the 80th Regt. Fusiliers, 87th Regt. and 21st Pioneers.
35. Of the war material taken, as per estimate attached, the following has actually been collected :-
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| Trench Mortars                   | - | 5  |
| Heavy Machine Guns               | - | 4  |
| Light Machine Guns               | - | 8  |
| Heavy Machine Gun minus Mounting | - | 1. |
36. Following closely behind the attack Supply Tanks were guided forward by men of this Unit and dumps of Ammunition, Bombs, picks, shovels

wire and water established at R.9.A.9.2. and R.17.A.0.3., as also under Battalion arrangements at R.14.A.4.9. and R.9.D.4.1.

37. At 12 noon hot tea was brought up by Horse Transport to Battalion Headqrs, thence by Carrying Party to Forward Report Centre, from where it was distributed to Companies in the Line. Hot meal was also served when Battalion was withdrawn to Brigade Reserve.

38. Casualties for the tour 23/8/18 - 26/8/18 :-

Killed	-	2 Officers	18 Other Ranks
Wounded	-	4 "	93 "
Gassed	-	-	17 "
Missing	-	-	5 "

39. ARTILLERY.- The original barrage was most complete and satisfactory though there were inevitably a few short bursts. What appeared to be one gun however was firing some hundreds of yards short and at 5.30 a.m. was bursting shrapnel WEST of Road in R.9.C. An Officer from Battery attached to Battalion reported at 6.30 a.m. but as no communications existed no use could be made of it for some time. Targets were given him, namely, the Spurs on high ridge in R.11.B., R.5.C. and MARLY WOODS as opposition was expected from these, and he sent a message to battery to that effect. He later moved forward to advanced Battalion Headqrs. A mounted orderly later reported to Battalion Headqrs. and he was used to transmit messages to Battery. About 8.30 a.m. further artillery fire was arranged for through Lieut. STOCK. Liaison Officer of 298 Bde., R.H.A., whose Bde. had then moved forward and from that time the artillery co-operation was excellent, the barrage at 2 p.m. being in particular most accurate and effective. I would suggest that in a similar operation the battery be so moved into new position that it was ready to fire and communication established before main barrage ceases.

40. TANKS.- The Tanks which were most punctual undoubtedly were of great assistance, more particularly in clearing of CHUIGNOLLES village and the area on its flanks which sheltered many of the enemy in dug-outs, and also later in the capture of LONG WOOD. They drew a great deal of enemy fire and allowed the infantry on the flanks to get forward. Since some were knocked out and the country was open they did not take part in the Second operation. Those that attempted to climb the ridge WEST of CHUIGNOLLES at the conclusion of the first operation found it too steep. I am inclined to think that where a good barrage can be put down for the initial attack that this is sufficient for the infantry, and that the tanks should be held in reserve for the purposes of exploiting the successes, dealing with opposition which exists during the period of no artillery fire owing to their moving forward. From the fact that they draw so much fire the question of turning this to account by the infantry avoiding them and thus getting round flanks of opposition should in my opinion be considered. Supply Tank arrived as arranged at near R.9.Central, but it was reported to me that pick handles were sent but no heads, shewing that careful supervision is necessary of their load.

41. VICKERS MACHINE GUNS.- Owing to change of plans it was difficult to control any particular sections, but the guns of two sections got well forward on the spurs in R.10.C. and were able to assist in harrassing the enemy machine guns on opposite ridge, though this was not done until orders to them were issued to that effect. The latter remark applies to Lewis Gunners as well. Later the Vickers Guns held a strong defensive position on the spur mentioned. It would seem that the best method of ensuring proper and quick cooperation is for Officer in charge of guns to remain with Battalion Headqrs. and supervise his guns from there instead of staying with his guns where touch is apt to be lost owing to the newer methods of warfare not yet having become familiar to us all.

42. LIGHT TRENCH MORTAR BATTERY.- Two guns each were from the start of the attack attached to centre and left Coys. and remained with them though there was no opportunity to use them as range to enemy positions was too great. It would seem that in warfare of present nature that

2 these guns should be managed similarly to the V.M.G., namely, that the O.C. should remain with Battalion Headqrs. and supervise the work from there. In my opinion, however, they should be kept in reserve to the last and only sent forward when opposition really warrants their use. They are very bulky with the ammunition and unless kept back cannot be directed quickly to where they may be wanted and get lost in the battle.

43. GENERAL.-

(1) The initial attack presented no fresh features. The barrage was followed so closely that the enemy were surprised before they could man their positions. Seeing that the artillery barrage determines the method and direction of attack of the infantry it is important that the general nature of it should be issued as early as possible so that plans can be made, Companies given their objectives etc. I would suggest that where possible the desired methods of attack of the infantry determine the barrage.

(2) The barrage in my opinion should never come back or fall again on ground it has once left as happened on this occasion, as it is most confusing for the infantry to know what is happening. But for that incident on this occasion undoubtedly the parts of the ridge assigned to this Battalion as their exploitation objective were or would have been gained without trouble following on the initial attack, whereas after the whole barrage had ceased it was impossible to regain the same country without risk of many casualties.

(3) Except when cutting wire is necessary I am inclined to think that tanks should not precede but follow infantry. When opposition is encountered owing to their place they could then press forward and assist in crushing it. I refer particularly to areas where actual defences of enemy are unknown to us.

(4) The importance of telephone communication to forward Companies was again proved. The method adopted of deciding on a forward report centre beforehand to which Company Signallers reported when in position and led the lines to their respective Cyps. proved specially satisfactory. The second attack could not have been arranged without it.

(5) The Reserve Company was not on this occasion sent forward with the other Companies but took up a protected position from which it could move to either flank. Once the attack was seen to be successful it was then moved to its allotted role and on this occasion the enemy retaliation being poor, no casualties were sustained and the plan worked well.

(6) The party of Pioneers made a good trench for defensive purposes about R.10.D.1.5.

(7) The section of Engineers attached proved most useful in preparing Forward Battalion Headqrs.

(8) I submit with deference that the work of Battalions would be greatly simplified if the orders issued could be received as soon as possible after the attack is projected containing on the lines of F.S.R. only what is necessary for Battalions to know and that it then be left to Battalions to make all their own arrangements. This is not submitted with any idea of criticism but of helpfulness both to Brigades and Battalions. The detailed orders and instructions that were received would have been of greatest assistance if this Battalion could have received them say on 20th August, the day after Battalions were informed of attack, but as of course this was impossible and arrangements had to proceed without them, when the orders were received namely, 6 a.m. 22nd August, any extra information contained in them could only be with difficulty disseminated amongst Companies owing to duties of reconnaissance; on the other hand a close study at that time takes up time which is most valuable, and it is generally found that most of the information has been received or provided for already. If aeroplane photos could be sorted and those only distributed to Battalions which concerned their sector, this would also be a help. I may say that owing to my attempt to issue an order which would contain full particulars, such order was not completed till too late to be of any use and owing to change of plans on 22nd August such order was not issued at all except for information to Coys. and it seems

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that they already had all the information they required which accentuates the fact that a short order issued early is worth more than a full order issued late, subordinate commanders having to complete their own detailed arrangements themselves.

(9) I need hardly record the fact that the troops displayed the highest spirit throughout, and that the work of Company Commanders, junior Officers and Other Ranks was worthy of great praise each in their own role. Reorganisation proceeded on every suitable occasion and the Units were well under command and control all the time.

Lieut-Colonel,  
Commanding 1st Aust. Inf. Battalion.

FIRST AUST. INF. BATTALION.Guns captured during operations on 23rd August 1918.No. of Guns.Type.

1	15" Siege Gun
3	77 m.m. Field Guns.
1	Anti-Tank Gun.
6	Minenwerfers.
56	Machine Guns.

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APPENDIX 14



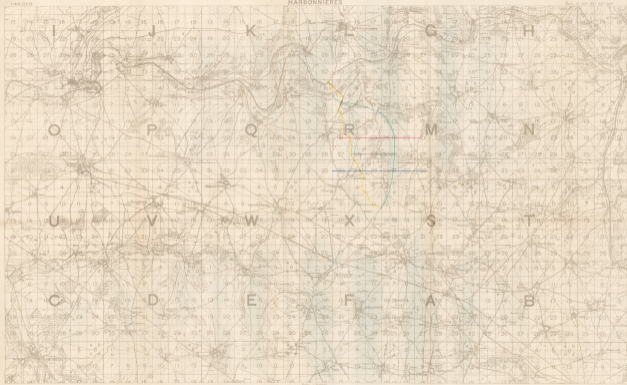
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## HARBONNIERES



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Battalion Headquarters,  
30th August, 1918.

TRAINING PROGRAMME

for period 30/8/1918 - 5/9/1918.

PARADE HOURS - Battalion Parade 8.30 a.m.  
Assembly 11.30 a.m.

NATURE OF TRAINING -

8.30 a.m. - 9.00 a.m. Company Drill.  
9.00 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. Section Training under Section  
Commanders.  
10.00 a.m. - 10.45 a.m. Platoon Training.  
10.45 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. Company Training.

2.45 pm - 3.45 pm. *Recreational Training.*

SUBJECTS OF TRAINING.-

A. Section Training.

(a) Lewis Gun Sections will be taught the technical parts of the gun and in addition the handling of it tactically, starting from Lewis Gun Section Drill, later use of ground in advancing, using others than Nos. 1. and 2 of gun as scouts, fire, covering parties etc.

(b) Rifle Sections will be taught

(1) Musketry - special attention being paid to judging distance, indication of targets and fire discipline.

(2) Bayonet fighting.

(3) Extended order work including use of ground,

(4) ~~Patrol work~~, with view of advancing towards definite objectives, which will be changed from time to time.

*4. Patrol work.*

B. Platoon Training will include -

(a) Platoon in extended and open order work both in line, lines of sections, sections in line echeloned with changes of objective and direction when in each formation, fire direction and control. Later simple tactical schemes in attack of small and definite locality, platoon as a picquet with definite frontage, platoon as vanguard, flank guard and rearguard.

C. Company Training.-

Company Training will be arranged so that it follows on the training which platoons have carried out earlier in the day. At first this will merely consist in coordinating the work of platoons on the lines laid down above, followed later by simple attack, advanced guards etc. and outpost schemes.

GENERAL.

1. Lewis Gun Sections will be completed to Section Commander and 12 others. New men requiring additional instruction will receive it in classes to be held by Battalion Lewis Gun Instructors.
2. Company Scouts and Signallers will report to Battalion Scout Officer and Signal Officer and work under them until 4th September when they will be at disposal of Company Commanders when Company Training is in progress.
3. Companies will hold special classes in map reading for N.C.O's. and when maps are available same will be used for working out schemes.
4. Special classes will be held in map reading etc. for Officers under Battalion Headquarters arrangements.
5. While Section Training is in progress Company Commanders will set their officers tactical schemes which will be solved by Officers and later carried out with their platoons.
6. A range has been chosen and will later be allotted to Companies in turn who will be responsible that flags and sentries are posted on all approaches to same.

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Lieut-Colonel B.V. STACY, D.S.O., Commanding Ist Aust. Inf. Battalion.,  
 Dated-27th August, 1918.

173. DUTIES. Company for duty. 28/8/18. "C" Coy.  
 Next for duty. 29/8/18. "D" Coy.  
 Orderly Officer. 28/8/18. 2/Lieut. S.G. WARD.  
 Next for duty. 29/8/18. Lieut. H.F. PAGE.

Company for duty will detail a guard of 1 Sergeant, 1 Corporal and 9 other ranks to mount at 4.30 pm. daily.

Rolls will be called and Tattoo Reports submitted nightly.

174. ROUTINE FOR 28/8/18.

Reveille	-	7.00 am.
Breakfast.	-	7.30 am.
Sick Parade	-	8.00 am.
Company Parades.	-	10.00 am.
Dinner	-	12.30 pm.
Tea	-	5.00 pm.
First Post	-	9.00 pm.
Last Post	-	9.30 pm.
Lights Out	-	9.45 pm.

175. PARADES. Parades will be held under arrangements of Company Commanders between the hours of 10 am. and 11.30 am. for the purpose of reorganisation and necessary inspections.

176. VALEDICTORY. The Commanding Officer wishes to express his appreciation of the leadership, high spirit and dash shewn in the recent operations of the Battalion by all Officers, N.C.O's and men respectively including services rendered by the following:-

Major	G.A. STREET, M.C.	
Captain	C.B. WITHY, M.C.	
T/Captain	G. STEEN	
Lieut.	W.M. BLAKE	
Lieut.	C. BOOTH	
Lieut.	W.J. JOHNSTON	
Lieut.	J.F. MANT	
2/Lieut.	J.P. KELLY (Killed)	
No.1490	Cpl CAHILL A.M.	"A" Coy.
7587	Sgt THOMPSON W.	"B" Coy.
1707	" WILKINS L.	"
6800	L/c BRUCE F.	" 3867 Pte NICHOLSON G.
1021	Pte CORPSE H.E.	" "A" Coy.
2781	" FISHER W.R.	"
5996	L/C DAVIES A.E.J.	"C" Coy.
2928	" WALKER E.	"
7633	Pte BROWN E.W.	"
7683	" ATOFF M.	"
5094	" STEVENS G. A.	"
2592	" HACKETT D.	"
2184	Sgt OSMAND N.H.	"D" Coy.
3092	" LANGFORD N.H.	"
838	L/Sgt HILL R.A.	"
3490	Cpl TAPLIN R.C.	"
9648a	Pte OGILVIE J.A.	"
6576	" WAX M.J.	"
2978	" COULEY J.	"
6718	" COWELL F.G.	H.Q. Sig. Section.
6809	" GRABHAM A.L.	"

also the good work performed by the undermentioned N.C.O's and men when on patrol during operations at CHIPILLY on 9/8/1918.

948	C.Q.MSS.	HAYES J.C.	"C" Coy.
3232	Sgt	ANDREWS H.D.	"
7082	Pte	FULLER A.	"
3845	"	KANE W.H.	"
5094	"	STEVENS G.A.	"
7061	"	TURPIN J.R.	"

7. Detailed programmes of work for following day to be submitted by  
O.C. Companies daily by 6 p.m.
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*W. H. Piddow*

Lieutenant  
A/Adjutant, 1st Aust. Inf. Battalion.

PART LL.

177. STRENGTH.

To be Lieutenants - dated 22nd July, 1918.

2nd Lieut. H.L.L. O'NEILL.

2nd Lieut. R.O. SAMUELS.

(Authority - A.I.F. Order No. 368 of 13/8/1918.)

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Lieutenant.,  
Adjutant, 1st Aust. Inf. Battalion.