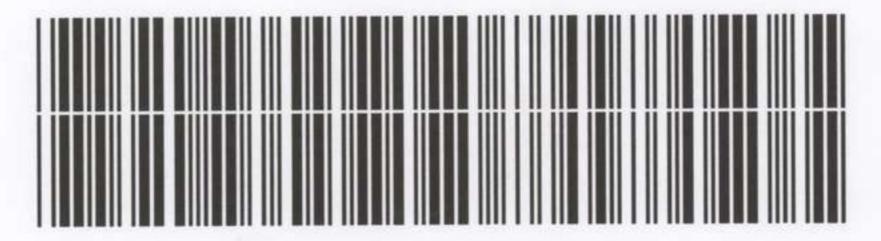
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ARTHWORKS COPSE, H.3.b.3.6.	1918. Sept.	2 a.m. 2 a.m. 4 a.m. 4 a.m.	All units of 11th Aust. Inf. Bde. in position ready longitudes, and withdrawar of this Brigade from positions won during the day commences. Relief of 9th Aust. Inf. Bde. by 11th Aust. Inf. Bde. complete. Brigade H.Q. closes at EARTHWORKS COPSE (H.3.b.3.6.) and reopens at H.1.a.2.2. at	
H.1.a.2.2.		6 a.m. ir H. 11 a.m.	The Brigade will spend the day in rest in the new area - 35rd Bh. Ind. 5., 54th Bh. A.27. 35th Bh. remains at disposal of 11th Aust. Inf. Bde. on the right flank in .6.b. and I.l.a. Divisional Commander visits Brigade H.Q. to discuss questions of reorganization, e-equipping and moral of men. Brigade Major visits 33rd and 34th Battalions. During the night 35th Bh. has a.m. Brigade Major visits 33rd and 34th Battalions. During the night 35th Bh. has everted to command of G.O.C. of this Brigade and is accommodated in Square G.2.	
H.1.a.2.2.	Sept.	The second second	3rd Aust Divisional General Staff Circular No.89A. distributed to units accompanied y B.M. memo.33/259, vide Appendix 2 . Units will re-organize on the basis of Appendix Pree Companies per Battalion, each Company consisting of three Platoons.	lix 2
H.1.a.2.2.	Sept.	8	Appendix 2). 33rd and 35th Battalions will each have two Platoons per Company and 34th Battalion three Platoons per Company. Each Platoon will consist of three Sections.	
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1.a.2.2.	Sept.4		Reorganization of units complete, as follows: 33rd and 35th Bns. Four Coys. each of 2 Platoons with 3 Sections per Platoon. Four Coys. of 3 Platoons each, each Platoon having 3 Sections.	
l.a.2.2.	Sept.	2.40 p.m. 4.5 p.m.	Brigade units ordered to be ready to move at two hours' notice. Orders received from 3rd Australian Divisiont to move to the area between CURIU and move to commence at 5 p.m.	
		10.0 p.m.	Units are now located as follows: 1 Section 13th A.L.H.Regt. 3rd A.M.G.BN. (less 2 Coys.) 23rd A.M.G.Coy. 27.a. early tomorrow morning. 33rd Battalion 34th Battalion 35th Battalion 35th Battalion 35th Battalion 4.1.c. 35th Battalion 4.1.a. 35th A.I.Bde.H.Q. 1 Coy. 3rd Aust.Pioneer Bn. 9th A.I.Bde.H.Q. 1 Coy. 3rd Aust.Pioneer Bn. 9th Aust.Field Ambulance 3UZANNE, moving to CLERY-sur-SOMME (H.4.d.) to establish Main Dressing Station. One Bearer Division will be attached to the Brigade from tomorrow (inclusive) 3rd Australian Div. Artillery In vicinity of SUZANNE; not moving today.	

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.1.a.2.2		10	Jo p.m. Large fires seen on the horizon. The enemy is retreating quickly and burning all villages through which he passes. Information just received to the effect that the First and Third French Armies have captured a further 7,000 prisoners and have advanced several miles across the VESLE (approaching the AISNE River). p.m. Brigade Routine Order No. X21 issued vide Appendix 3.	ppendix 3
.1.a.2.2	.Sept.	6	The Brigade remained at its present location in rest. The 11th Aust. Inf. Bde., acting as advance guard to the Division, continues its advance. Administrative Instructions issued by the Staff Captain vide Appendix 4.	
.1.a.2.2			The Brigade continued to rest and reorganize in preparation for a further advance. 7th and 8th A.F.A.Bdes. receive orders from Divisional H.Q. to move forward to bivouacs East of PERONNE on the 8th instant.	pendix 4
.1.2.2		2 p.n 12.45 2.30 4.30	Divisional H.Q. establishes command post at I.24.c.5.3. Memo. B.M.33/259/10 - report on operations of the Brigade from 26th to 31st August 1918 - completed and despatched to Division. (This report is appended to the August War Diary which was despatched to the Australian War Records Section on 9th instant). p.m. All units of the Brigade ordered to be prepared to move at shortest notice as a result of 3rd Aust. Div. Battle Instruction, Series "D", No.2. p.m. 9th Aust.Inf.Bde. Operation Instruction, Series "C", No.1 issued vide Appendix 5 App in terms of 3rd Aust.Div. informed this Brigade that we shall not be required to move immediately p.m. All units of the Brigade informed. Information received from Division to the effect that enemy resistance is stiffening. He is apparently taking up the line R.21.aR.27.bX.2.b. Machine guns are active from R.33.central. 5.9s. active on V.17 and V.18	pend iz 5
			engaged by artillery. Our line F.19.central to L.1.central and generally Easteof BLUE Line. Post established in K.30.d. A7092). Wt. W12839/M129* 750,000. 1/17. D.D & L., Ltd. Forms/C2118/14.	le

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QUENTIN, I.15.d.8.9.		-44	Appendix Brigade begins to move in accordance with Appendix 7 Brigade Headquarters closes at H.l.a.2.2. and reopens at I.15.d.8.9. (Mont St.Quentin) at the same hour.	7.
do.				
do.	Sept.	9.30	a.m. Brigadier and Brigade Major visited all units of the Brigade to discuss training and condition of men. a.m. Brigade Signal Officer visited all units in connection with the training of Battalion Signallers. Reinforcements for Divisional Signal Coy. appear to arrive quite freely whilst reinforcements in infantry signallers are not usually forthcoming up to requirements. This necessitates elementary training of selected infantrymen within Battalions. a.m. Intelligence Officer visited H.Q. 3rd Australian Division in connection with the supply of aeroplane photographs for purposes of lecturing to Company Commanders and Battalion Intelligence Officers. b.m. Divisional Commander visited Brigadier. p.m. 3rd Australian Divisional Battle Instruction, Series "D", No.4 received, vide Appendix10.	
do. Sé	ēpt.l	5.30	45 pm. Brigadier visited H.Q. 3rd Australian Division to meet Hon. W.M. HUGHES, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, and a party of politicians and press representatives. After lunch the party visited PERONNE and MT. ST. QUENTIN accompanied by Mr. C.E.W. BEAN, Australian Official War Correspondent, and proceeded to 33rd Battalion which was engaged in playing football. The Prime Minister delivered a short informal address to the men of this Battalion. p.m. Memo. B.M. 33/263 - Memorandum on training of the Brigade - prepared and despatched to units vide Appendix 11. Appendix	11.

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ONT ST. UENTIN, .15.d.8.9.	1918. Sept.		.m. Brigade Signal Officer lectured to Lieuts.R.H.FIETOHER,M.C., and H.C.BALE (Signal Officer and understudy respectively) 33rd Bn. and 2/Lieut. A.N.JENKIN (understudy Signal Officer) 34th Bn. on various methods of signalling, their use and value. The Brigade continued with training in the morning and sports and recreation in the afternoon.	
do.	Sept.		O a.m. Brigade Signal Officer lectured to min two Officers of 33rd Bn. and one Officer of 34th Bn. on inter-communication for open warfare, message-carrying rockets &c. p.m. Brigade Major, Seconds-in-command of Battalions and Company Commanders attended conference at DOINGT presided over by G.S.O.I. who lectured on details concerning the recent operations. Subjects touched on were as follows: Information and action. Negative reports, success signals, flares, joint posts and patrols. Reliefs in semi-open warfare. Co-operation by the use of fire-power. Inspection of rifles by patrol/leaders. Forward movement of supports and the system of refusing flanks by echeloning troops in depth minim in order to cover gaps in our line by fire.	
do.	Sept.	11	o a.m. Signal Officer lectured to the three Signal Officers on inter-communication for semi-open and stationary warfare, and Popham panel for contact aeroplanes. a.m. Brigade Intelligence Officer lectured to Company Commanders and Intelligence Officer of 33rd Battalion on aeroplane photographs. During the morning training was carried out by units in accordance with Appendix // Brigadier and Brigade Major attended Conference at DOINGT presided over by Divisional Commanderwho lectured on	aph 1
mim .	fi camba	ina.	(a) Lessons learned in recent operations in open, semi-open and trench warfare; communications and their use for the purposes of assisting co-operation; necessity for very early information to all arms concerning the position of our own troops; means of gaining this information; system of advancing by bounds and the use of combined posts on flanks; liaison at H.Q. and with troops engaged in battle; reliefs in the new form of warfare; location of H.Q. of formations - should be in the vicinity of last formed reserve; location of H.Q. should be specified in orders as the best means of disemination of information etc. A7092). Wt. Wiras 39/Micros 750,000. 1/17. D.D &L., Ltd. Forms/C2118/14.	

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NT ST. SENTIN, 15.d.8.9.		2.30	Brigadier held conference of Officers of Brigade H.Q. to decide upon the bandsmen at present employed on Brigade H.Q. who can be spared if asked for by Battalions. p.m. Intelligence Officer and Musketry Officer visit 35th Battalion to attend sports. p.m. Chaplain (Major) T.S.POWER and Pte.J.C.COATE, 33rd Battalion, mmm who embarked in 1914 reported to 3rd Aust. Div. Reinforcement Win g for return to Australia. This party is to proceed on 23rd instant to BRAY where Corps party will rendezvous and then proceed via ITALY.	
NT ST. ENTIN. 15.d.8.9.	Sept.	23.	New phase in training commences. Particular attemtion is now being devoted to hardening exercises, such as route marching and physical training. One hour's extra work per day will now take place, making a total of three hours in the morning and one in the afternoon. 9th A.L.T.M.Battery is now training a number of Officers and other ranks of Battalions in the use of enemy Minenwerfer.	
NT ST. ENTIN, 15.d.8.9.	Sept.	4. 10	.30 a.m. Brigadier visited 35th and 34th Battalions, the former employed in route marching by Companies, Platoon exercises, Lewis Gun training and instruction in enemy machine guns; the latter employed in Platoon exercises involving the use of smoke rifle grenades for blinding machine guns positions and Lewis Guns. Brigade Major and Brigade Musketry Officer visited 33rd Battalion on route march and 34th Battalion.	
NT ST. ENTIN, 15.d.8.9.	Sept.		Da.m. Party of 21 sappers, reinforcements recently drafted to 9th Field Coy. A.E., reported to the Brigade for duty as infantry. The G.O.C. addressed the men who were distributed among the three Battalions. P.M. A.D.M.S. 3rd Aust. Division had arranged to lecture to Officers of the Brigade	
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ENTIN, 15.d.8.9.	4.0 p	Op.m. Conference at Divisional H.Q. at which details in connection with the forthcoming operations were enumerated as a result of which Brigade conference was held at Brigade H.Q. at 8.30 p.m. Brigade memo. 3/C.138/164. despatched to Division; this gives the distribution to cities and towns in Australia, War Museum &c. of all arms and material captured by the Brigade from 8th to 31st August 1918, and is shown as Appendix 14. Appendix 16. Appendix 16. Conference at Brigade H.Q. at which the following details concerning the proposed operation were given out to Battalion Commanders and Adjutants: The operation will be undertaken in about 4 days by 30th American Division on right and 27th American Division on left. 5th Australian Division on right and 3rd Australian Division on left will push through Americans' objective and later 2nd Australian Division will push through 3rd and 5th Australian Divisions' objective. Prior to the operation 9th Aust.Inf.Bde. to concentrate in bivouac area S.E. of EFEHY. The Divisional uttack will be undertaken by 11th Aust.Inf.Bde. on right, 10th Aust. Inf.Bde. on left, 9th Aust.Inf.Bde. in reserve, with a possible special mission on the day following the operation. The 16th Battalion Tanks will be co-operating with the Brigade. Bach Brigade will work as a Group with its affiliated Engineers, Tanks, Artillery, machine guas and Ambulance. In case of counter-attack by enemy Reserve Brigade will be used. Brigade Groups will be fully deployed not later than passing the line of the Canal Tunnel, vide Appendix 15 Roads. Four available for the Corps; one for this Brigade. 3ignals. The intention is to confine signal activity to one single artery of communication. Both Forwardand Reserve Brigade H.Q. to be in close proximity. Open warfare. Open warfare conditions will obtain throughout, hence the Reserve unit must be in close touch with the Headcuarters of next higher formation. Captured aeroplanes. Cuards will be placed over any "crashed" aeroplanes. Appendix Wuxungahay Jawan Head.	

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ONT ST. UENTIN, .15.d.8.9		26.(00	contd) Pack transport. In all probability pack transport will be the only means of carrying forward supplies over the defensive system of the HINDENBURG Line. Pack transport will be used forward of bivouac position. Bearer Division. Stretcher-bearers of this unit will work forward as far as Regimental Aid Post and where the number of casualties demands still further in advance. Accumulations of wounded will be notified to the A.D.M.S. Watering. Engineer Field Companies are being largely employed on the location and construction of suitable watering points. Captured arms. Captured rifles and machine guns will be used as far as possible in order to conserve our own supplies of ammunition and material.	
ONT ST. SUENTIN,			Op.m. 9th Aust.Inf.Bde. Order No.54 issued vide Appendix 15. p.m. Brigade units commenced to move in accordance with Brigade Order No.54. Appendix 15.	
ONT ST. UENTIN, .15.d.8.9 .W. EPEHY		.28. 1	1.30 a.m. Move of Brigade complete with exception of Brigade H.Q. a.m. Brigade H.Q. closes at MONT ST.QUENTIN and opens at E.12.c.9.5, South-West of EPEHY.	
.12.0.9.5		5.0 p 8.0 p 9.0 p	p.m. Operation Instruction, Series "E", No.1 issued vide Appendix 16 p.m. Operation Instruction, Series "E", No.2 issued vide Appendix 17 p.m. Administrative Instruction to accompany Battle Instruction, Series "E", No.2 issued, vide Appendix 18.	
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		9.30	the move forward from area No.9 (vide Appendix) machine gun and field artillery fire was encountered clearly denoting that the enemy had not been driven from positions in the HINDENBURG Line according to plan. The whole of the Division was therefore under fire during the preliminary approach march. This fire, however, caused very few casualties. a.m. Information from 107th American Infantry Regiment was received to the effect that the attack had not succeeded and American troops had only reached the BROWN Line. At the same time American troops had been seen East of the HINDENBURG Line at one or two points opposite the front of the 27th American Division. These, however, had evidently not	
		10.10	arranged sufficiently strong moffing-up parties to cope with the exodus of nests of machine guns from deep dugouts mmmm in the HINDENBURG Line itself. Reconnaissance revealed that the 10th and 11th Aust.Inf.Bdes. were not advancing according to plan; consequently the following wire was despatched at 10.10 a.m. continue to advance a.m. Addressed 33-34-35th Battalions. "You will not/unless 10th and 11th A.I.Bdes. are doing so. Conform to their movements. Situation not yet clear." a.m. Low-flying plane which machine-gunned our troops brought down near DUNCAN POST F.17.d.7.5.	
		10.45	a.m. 35th Battalion report 10th A.I.Bde. did not move as reported previously. a.m. Situation advised to Division as follows: "35th Bn. moved forward 10.25 a.m. from F.18.a. following 11th A.I.Bde. 34th Bn. in F.17.b., 33rd Bn. in F.17.a. Brigade H.Q. F.17.a.3.1. with H.Q. 107th American Inf. Regt. at same place. Situation 27th American Division obscure. Wounded state they reached HINDENBURG Line 9.46 a.m. but this report is not considered reliable. a.m. Brigade Major 11th A.I.Bde. reported at Brigade H.Q. with information to the effect that 11th A.I.Bde. appear to be inTROLLOPE TRENCH, A.19.c. and A.25.a., at 10.45 a.m. Enemy holds BONY AVENUE where anti-Tank guns are active mmm firing from our Tanks in F.24.a.	
			Forty of the enemy were seen in A.14.c. and A.20.a. moving Eastward. A7092). Wt. W12839/M129# 750,000. 1/17. D.D & L., Ltd. Forms/C2118/14.	1/

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7.a.3.1.	1918. Sept.	29. 1	p.m. Following message received from 35rd Bn: "33rd Bn. is in trenches in F.17.b. The leading Company and Battalion H.Q. are in DOLEFUL POST. 34th Bn.A.I.F. and 35th Bn.A.I.F. are 500 yards East of us. Loth A.I.Bde. are in A.I.B. &c. and A.7.c. One Company of 7th Queens 55th Brigade 18th Division is here with us. G.S.O. I. 18th Division personally reported at 11.35 a.m. that he had a Brigade in F.6.a. and A.I.b.& d. He reports also having seen small parties of the enemy working towards us along GRUB LAME in A.7.c. and that there are enemy machine guns in WILLOW TRENCH. Hostile shelling moderate and machine gun fire fairly heavy. Our casualties - Capt.Cormack, Lieut.Bell, 2/Lieut.Hague and 1 O.R." all wounded." p.m. Following message sent to all Battalions: "Stand fast in present positions and make use of available cover. Mo information as to our employment yet available. Division on right is just East of Canal in A.28.a. & c; held up my M.Gs. from NaUROY Line." p.m. Message from 33rd Battalion as follows was received: "Enemy counter-attack appears to be developing from direction of VENDHUILLE. Small parties of enemy are working their way towards THE KNOLL, F.6.c. and F.12.a., from the North-Hast. We are in readiness". The counter-attack referred to did not eventuate and nothing further was heard of it. p.m. Situation still very obscure and acting on Divisional orders, the following message was despatched to all units: "lith A.I.Bde. on right loth A.I.Bde. on left have been ordered to mop up area up to GREEN Line advancing from present position at 3 p.m. today. 9th A.I.Bde. will follow in rear of 10th A.I.Bde. 35th Bn. will move on frontage from Basthand West grid line through F.18.a.O.O. to Eastwand West and through F.12.c.5.5. 34th Bn. from left of 35th Bn. to THE KNOLL in F.12.a. 33rd Bn. not less than 500 yards in rear of 34th and 35th Bns. 34th and 35th Bns. 1,000 yards in rear of 10th A.I.Bde. Report arrival HNDERBURG Line. p.m. 3rd Aust.Div. C.H.J.8. received calling for reports. These reports had seve	
			of 33rd Bn. from the Brigade to form a defensive flank for the Division facing N.E. in the mairection of THE KNOLL. Consequently at 3.25 p.m. the following wire was despatched to 33rd Battalion: "Enemy appears to be advancing on THE KNOLL via MACQUINCOURT VALLEY. 33rd Bn. will therefore not move in reareof 34th and 35th Bns. as ordered in B.M.26 (wire of 2.30 pm) A7092). Wt. W12839/M129* 750,000. 1/17. D.D &L., Ltd. Forms/C218/14.	12

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44	1918.	.29 (d	contd) "33rd Bn. will take up general line TAMBOIS TME - ISLAND TRAVERSE from F.11.b.central (approx.) to F.12.c.7.8. One Section 23rd A.M.G.Coy. will assist 33rd Bn. which will be prepared to counter-attack if the enemy gains THE KNOLL." p.m. 10th A.I.Bde. advise that their advance at 3 p.m. was subjected to fire by M.Gs. and artillery at close range and advance held up. p.m. 33rd Battalion commence to move, in accordance with message of 3.25 p.m. to form a defensive flank facing North East.	
		5.0 1	p.m. Situation still remains obscure. Many of our Tanks, apparently about 10 in number, appear to have been destroyed by enemy land mines. p.m. Division inform us that the Brigade may have to move back and then to the South and attack the HINDENBURG Line from the vicinity of trenches immediately East of QUENNEMONT FME. The attack of the 30th American Division on our right and the 5th Australian Division moving through them has been successful resulting in the enemy position opposite the front of this Division forming a very pronounced salient facilitating an attack along the HINDENBURG Line from the South.	
		7.0 p	P.m. Following message, timed 5.15 p.m., was received from 34th Battalion: "Battalion H.Q. F.12.c.7.2. Was in touch with 10th A.I.Bde. at 4.45 p.m. They were only able to move forward 100 yards and are still held up by machine gun fire. Enemy heavily shelling F.12.c. with 5.9s. Approximate casualties - 2 Officers 25 other ranks wounded." 9.m. 33rd Bn. complete dispositions for N.E. defensive flank. Situation remains unchanged. Enemy M.G. and artillery opposition very strong, holding up advance of 10th and 11th A.I.Bdes.	
		7.50	p.m. Brigade Signal Officer reports wireless personnel have notheen receiving any wireless messages for the past half hour, indicating a withdrawal of enemy wireless stations. p.m. 10th A.I.Bde. report situation unchanged (report timed 6.0 p.m.). p.m. Verbal orders received from 3rd Australian Division to carry out the attack referred to above at a time to be notified later. As a result of this order 9th Aust.Inf.Bde. Order No.55 (Appendix 19) was prepared but was later cancelled. This operation was rendered Append difficult by the following factors. The move to the jumping-off line would necessitate a march of at least 12,500 yards. The night was very dark and rainy with high winds. Enemy	ix 19.
			artillery very active, particularly 5.9s. and 4.2s. Our troops have not before seen the country over which they have to carry out the advance followed by an attack. The wire of the various trench systems is very thick making the country very enclosed and difficult to A7092). Wt. W12839/M129# 750,000. 1/17. D.D & L., Ltd. Forms/C2118/14.	3

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Place Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
1918 17.a.3.1.Sept		Message despatched to all units warning them to be ready to move for an operation.	3 AD 47
.17.a.3.1. Sept	12.5	30 a.m. Order received from 3rd Aust.Division (3rd Aust.Div. S.G.D.4/7 - Appendix)20 Appendix for 11th A.I.Bde. to carry out the operation referred to in 9th A.I.Bde.Order No.55 referred to previously, (attack on HINDENBURG Line from South facing North). 9th A.I.Bde. will move to area F.29.b. and d., 13.a. and A.25.b., and two Battalions will be placed at the disposal of the G.O.C. 11th A.I.Bde. to assist in the operation. 33rd and 35th Bns. were detailed to operate with 11th A.I.Bde. as per following message timed 1 a.m. despatched to 35rd and 35th Bns. "Upon receipt of this order 33rd and 35th Bns. will move to BENJAMIN POST, F.23.4.9.2. for operation this morning under orders of 11th A.I.Bde. Zero hour for operation will be 6 a.m., hence move with all haste." a.m. Bollowing message, timmed 11.30 p.m., received from 3rd Aust.Division: "Prisoners taken by 27th American Division state attack this morning not generally expected. No information available regarding method of holding HINDENBURG Line6vof troops in rear. Prisoners have no knowledge of impending counter-attack. Identifications: 153 I.R. 84 I.R. 27 R.I.R., 90 R.I.R. Casualties of 84 I.R. heavy on 27th." s.m. As a result of orders from 3rd Aust.Division, following message despatched to 34th Battalion: "Upon receipt of this order move your Battalion immediately to POT LANE and DUNGAN AVENUR in F.23.b. You will be carrying out an operation in rear of 11th A.I.Bde. which moves at 6 a.m. Move as quickly as possible. The operations ordered in 3rd Aust.Division S.G.D.4/7 (Appendix 20) did not everntuate for the following reasons. "Owing to adverse weather conditions 33rd and 35th Bns. could not reach jumping-off line in time to be employed. For the same reason one Battalion 11th A.I.Bde. to carry out the operation did not receive its orders until after the zero hour. Again for the same reason to 15th A.I.Bde., co-operating in the attack on the right of our Division, was late. Added to this the artillery barrage did not materialize probably for the same rea	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information		
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.17.a.3		.30.	Brigade dispositions as follows: Brigade H.Q. F.17.a.3.1. 33rd Battalion A.20.c.5.5. 34th Battalion F.29.b.7.8. 41st Battalion F.29.b.7.8. 9th A.L.T.M.Bty F.23.a.8.8.		
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1. Extracts from enemy pamphlet.

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4. Administrative Instructions for HALTE Sub-Area.

5. Operation Instruction, Series "C", No.1.

6. Report on operations of Brigade on 22.8.1918 near BRAY.

7. Order for move to PERONNE Area.

8. Administrative Instructions for HALLE Sub-Area.

Brigade Routine Order No. X22.

10. 3rd Aust. Division Battle Instruction, Series "D", No.4.

11. Memorandum on training of the Brigade.

12. Brigade Routine Order No. X23.

13. Brigade Routine Order No. 369.

14. Distribution of material captured by the Brigade.

15. 9th Aust.Inf.Bde. Order No.54.

16. Battle Instruction, Series "E", No.1. 17. Battle instruction, Series "E", No.2.

18. Administrative Instruction to accompany battle Instructions.

19. Brigade Order No. 55.

20. 3rd Aust. Division S.G.D.4/7.

21. Series of lectures delivered by Brigade Signal Officer.

22. Casualties within the Brigade for September 1918.

Officer compiling

Brigade Major

9th Australian Infantry Brigade.

APPENDIX Headquarters 33-34-38th Battalions. 9th A.L.T.M. Battery. 3rd aust. Div. (for information).

HEADQUARTERS MINTH INFANTRY BRIGADE B.M. No 13/480

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by this Brigade.

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When you go on leave remember the following:-

The difficulties (including the shortege of men-power) to be overcome by those in authority are enormous. You cannot expect to find your homes quite as orderly as in peace times.

You must also NOT:

- 1. Grumble about the scarcity of provisions. By this you only create discentent and bitterness and in any case you serve no good purpose.
- 2. If you find the rations in the field to be better than at home, so not brag about this to your relatives. This also creates discontent and bitterness.
- 3. You must not create or atimulate any such discontent omenget civilians who may be working for the "Vetherland". Their work is probably of no little importance as you well enough know. What would it means to you if you could not rely on recelving such munitions from home?
- 4. You must not expect the civilians at home to see only your individual sufferings and needs in the field, or that your work is the only and most important part of the campaign. Remember that most of them our only see their immediate troubles.
- 5. Remember that your are incapable of judging actual or supposed misunderstandings in compection with the control of prices fixed for food and goods, as you do not know the inner workings of State control. The authorities are doing all in their power but cannot be expected to know of every individual case of profiteering.
- 6. You should take much more care with your conversation and dealings as any cardessness may encourage the enemy in their belief that the emphilation of demany is in their hands. Peace and your return to your home depend on this, and you all know quite well that the fee is quite convinced of Germany's invincibility.
- 7. You should do all you can to strongthon their confidence in ultimate victory by humouring them to hold out. Speak of our power and mention the maccesses of your recent engagements.
- 8. Emphasize what it would mean if ever the fee onme into their territory; what the civilians in the war sone have to suffer; how they are murdered and plundered and the women and children driven from their homes. Also think what it would mean to the soldiers to know that their homes had been destroyed after the sacrifices that have been made.

It is essential that those at home and in the trenches should be united in these critical times.

You should be contented with the circumstances as you find them. Always remember that Germany is very much like a besieged fortress and that your home is part of it."

The pamphlet is not signed.

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3rd -ust. Div. 0.D. 4/5. 9th A.I.Bde. 33/259.

GENERAL TAFF CIRCULAR No. 89A.

and 74th Divisions meeting at 0.29.a.5.0., the Divisional responsibility for any portion of the forward area ceases.

The Division, therefore, will remain in the present Divisional

area, distributed in depth, the areas allotted to Brigades being;

lith A.I.Bde. The area between Southern and Northern Divisional boundaries East of H.1.

Divisional boundaries East of H.1.

10th A.I.Bde. East of A.29.

9th A.I.Bde. The area between SUZAHNE and A.29.

5rd A.M.G. Bn. will be congregated in the vicinity of CURLU.

Engineers and Pioneer Bn. will continue as at presentemployed,

under C.R.E., a maximum of labour being employed on

salving timber and material, and the construction

of shelters for troops from the material available,

and abandoned enemy materials shelters. New

material found in dumps and gun positions should

not be used for this purpose.

-ery will be issued later.

3. Light Horse attached to Brigades will report to 0.0. Squadron, rest and re-equip. Instructions as to their employment will be issued later.

6. 9th and loth aust. Inf. Bdes. and Support and Reserve Bas. of the 11th Aust. Inf. Bde. after a period of rest for the men will devote the majority of the time to reorganization and re-equipment.

Reorganisation will proceed on the lines as laid down in S. . G. A.I.F. Circular Memo. No.21/215 of 22.6.1918 and G.H. . No.O.B./1919 dated 17.7.18 forwarded under this office S.G.39/73 of 29.7.18. A brief report showing how each Battalion is reorganised will be forwarded to Divisional Headquarters by the 4th instant.

5. The greatest amount of rest should be given to the troops

com ensurate with -

(a). Provision of shelters.

(b). Protection of bivouses and horses against bombs.
(c). Readiness for again taking part in active operations, at short notice, should the military situation so demand.

(d). Necessity for placing the area in a sanitary condition.

(e). Salveging.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

2nd September 1918.

C.H. JESS Lieut.-Colonel General Staff.

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Div. Big. Coy.

9th Aust. Inf. Bde.

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Srd A.M.G. Bn.

Brd Aust. Pioneer Bn.

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3rd aust. Div. Train.

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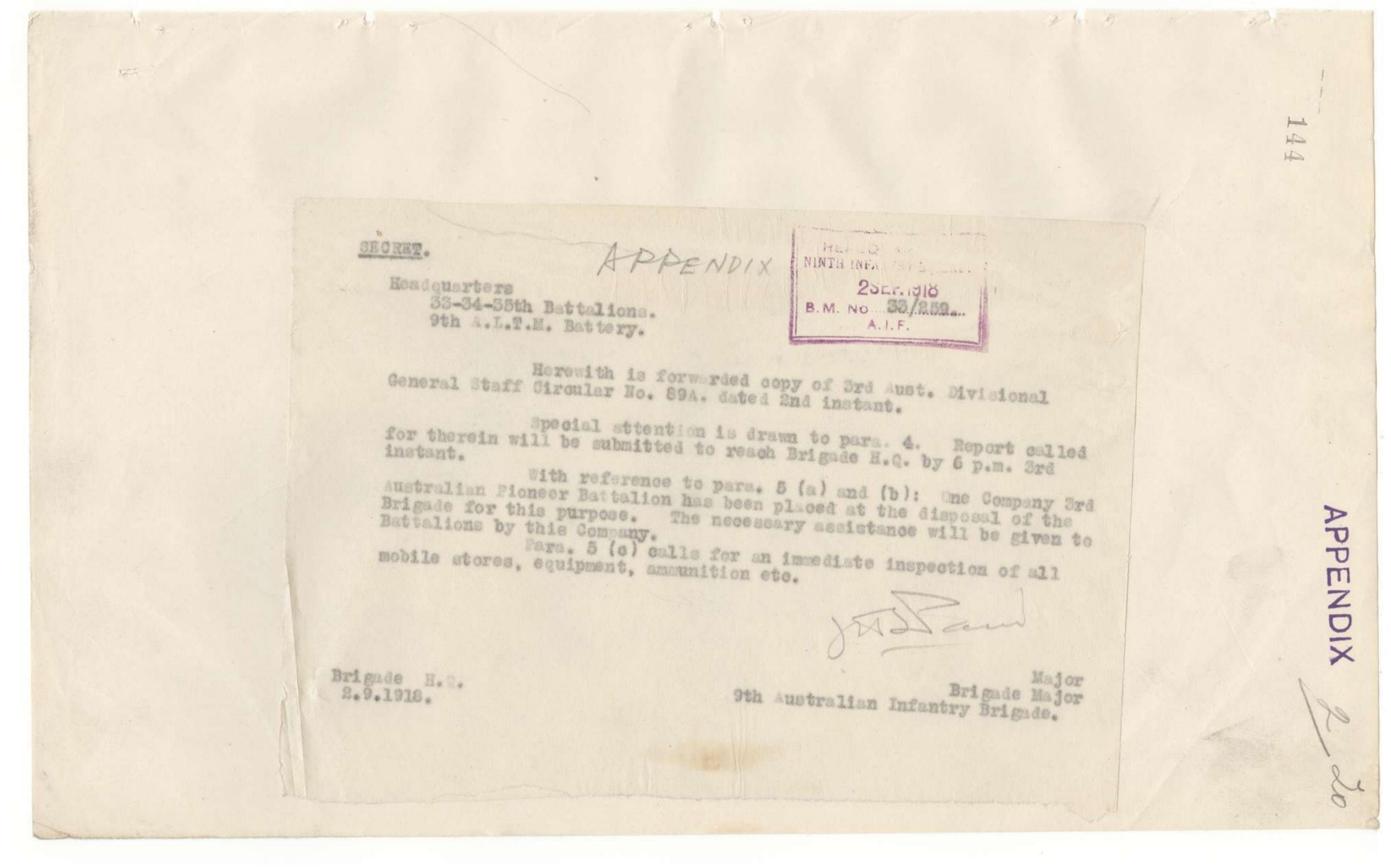
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Headquarters
3rd Australian Division.

33/259.

(G.D.4/5) of 2nd instant, Battalions of this Brigade are now reorganized as follows:

33rd and 35th Bns.

34th Battalion

- 4 Companies, each Company having 2 Platoons of 3 Sections.
- 4 Companies, each with 3 Platoons of 3 Sections each.

Brigade H.Q. 4.9.1918. JAGoddand.

Brig. -Gen.

Commanding 9th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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ROUTINE ORIER No. X21

Brig.-Gen. H. A. GODDARD, D. S. O., Commanding 9th Australian Infantry Brigade.

5th September 1918.

65. COURT OF ENOUIRY. A Court of Enquiry, consisting of one Captain and two Bubalterns, to be detailed by C.O. 35rd Battalion, will assemble at Headquarters 33rd Battalion at 10.0 a.m. 6th September 1918 to enquire into and report upon missing personnel of 36th Battalion A.I.F.

Proceedings in duplicate will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters.

66. LEAXAGE OF INFORMATION THROUGH PRISONERS OF WAR. Reference G.R.O. 4791, para. 4. These Instructions will be read out to troops on parade on the first Sunday of each month, and a certificate rendered to this office by 6 p.m. on the same day to the effect that this has been done.

67. SANTTATION. Several cases of neglect having recently come under notice, special attention is drawn to Fourth Army Routine Order No. 2427 - Sanitation - of 20.8.1918. Units will give immediate effect to this order and wherever possible adopt suggestions for delousing &c. set forth therein.

68. APPOINTMENTS and PROMOTIONS.

9th Aust. Light Trench Mortar Battery. To be Temporary Sergeant, dated \$26.8.1918:

No.1607 Cpl. W.J.WILLIAMS vide Pont evacuated wounded.

To be Corporals, dated 26.8.1918:

No.124 Gnr. H.L. MARSHALL, M.M., vice Doig evacuated

No.2808 L/Cpl. L.J.LYNCH vice Murphy evacuated wounded 28.4.1918.

To be Temporary Corporals, dated 26.8.1918:

No. 2639 Gnr. S.W. SAWYER vide Grant evacuated wounded.
No. 2793 " C.B. DOHERTY vide Lowder evacuated wounded.
No. 1168 " H.W. LEGGETT vice Tonkin evacuated wounded.

69. REVERSIONS.

9th Aust. Light Trench Mortar Battery.
No.772 T/Sergeant F.C.H.GRANT reverts to his substantive rank
of Corporal on evacuation (wounded) 25.6.1918.
No.3022 T/Corporal J.S.CAMPERLL reverts to his substantive
rank of Gunner on evacuation (wounded) 8.8.1918.

Scholing Staff Captain

NOTICES.

CONCERT TROUPE. The Divisional Pierret Troupe show at 6.30 p.m. mightly at SUZANIR, immediately opposite Divisional Headquarters.

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Headquarters, a

53/54/35th Battalions,
9th A.L.T.L. Battar;
5rd Aust. H.G. Battalion,
"A" Company - 3rd Aust Piencer Bn.
9th Aust. Field Ambulance,
Bearer Div. (Att 9th Ede Group).
9th Field Coy Engineers
24th Coy. A.A.S.C.
Bdo. T.O. and Q.M.S.
11th A.H. G. Coy.
23rd A.M.G.Coy.,
7th Aust Art. Bdo.
3rd Aust. Art. Bdo.

must be maintained between Units of the Brigade Group - Brigade H.Q. and ivisional Train - in connection with the matter of supplies.

Locations of transport lines and Q.H. Stores will be notified daily by 9 a.m. to Brigade Headquarters. Any changes during the

day must be notified immediately.

A rendezvous for supply wagons of TRAIN will be selected daily by Brigade H.Q. and notified to Divisional Headquarters, Divisional TRAII and Units of Brigade Group. Baggage wagons will only be used for baggage on forward journey - being required to meet supply wa one of TRAIN at rendezvous - owing to shortage of motor lorries.

and and notified. Location of present A.R.P. is (620) H.l.c.5.7.

Sub section S.A.A. Section 3rd D.A.C. will move with Brigade and

will	carry :-				
	80.000	Rounds	S.A.A. Rifle	36	S.O.S.
	192,000		# H.G.	150	1" Red V. Lights
			Stokes unfused	150	1" Green do
	1,200	No. 36	Grenados fused	150	1" White do
		No. 23	11 11	960	Ground Flares - Red
		No. 27	" unfused	2,000	Pistol Webley.

move with Brigade under orders of senior A.A.H.C. Officer. This Office will be attached to Brigade Headquarters and will act as S.M.O. of Brigade Group for the purpose of clearing Brigade and as Liaison Officer between Brigade Staff and Officer Commanding the Forwardin clearance.

4. STATES: Units of Brigade Group (with the exception of 35-34 - 35th Battalions and 9th T.M.Battery) will please furnish a state to reach this Office by: 6 p.m. to-day as per proforma below:-

Unit Off. NCO's Men H.D. L.D. Rides Mules Bicycles

Vehicles
4 Wheels 2 Wheels

Brigade Headquarters, 6th Soptember 1918.

A Acting Staff Captain
9th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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BATTLE INSTRUCTION, SERIES "C", No. 1.

by the enemy may be expected on the 1. Resistance following throe lines:-

- (a) The HARGI COURT-LE VERQUIER-MAISSEMY-BOLNON Line;
- (b) The old British line, VILLERET-PONTRUET-FAYET;
- (e) The HINDENBURG Line.
- 2. The Main Guard will establish itself on general line HESBECOURT-VERDELLES and will maintain touch with the enemy by mounted troops.
- 3. Patrols will push forward towards BROWN Line to ascertain if anemy intends to make a stand and to ascertain line he is occupying.
- 4. General advance will not be continued until further A halt of not less than twenty-four (24) hours is anticipated. orders.
 - 5. During the period of halt:-

(a) Troops will be rested;

(b) Support and Reserve Brigades are being moved forward with a view to dealing with the enemy resistance on line in para. 1 (a);

(c) The Divisional Area and lines of supply will be organized and communications perfected.

6. 9th Australian Infantry Brigado will be prepared to move at the shortest notice.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

2.30 p.m. 8th September 1918.

Hajor Brigado Major 9th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Distribution:

Brigade H. Q. 33rd Battalion. 34th 35th 9th A. L. T. M. Battery. 24th Coy. A. A. S. C. Bearer Division (9th Fld.Amb.) War Diary.

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War Correspondents'
Headquarters.

France, August 24th (midnight).

Last night's fighting around Bray found the "diggers" at their very best, and the eternal wonder of their officers and

of those who have watched them the longest.

About five o'clock in the afternoon the Germans laid down a heavy barrage to the North of Bray. Shortly afterwards German infantry swarmed over the hill facing our positions, and began to come down the slope in the little groups known as "artillery formation". Every "digger" turned on them Lewis Guns, Vickers guns and rifles like a flash of lightning, and the guns crashed down like a hailstorm. The attack towards Bray was shattered, and

withered 500 yards away.

Further up the slope to the North, however, the Germans swept on gradually towards the line which was forced to fall back. Within a short space of time the Germans were working on in the valley here. To our own commanders in the rear the position of the Australian infantry on the right, holding the lines they had won that morning, seemed precarious. taken for granted that the trenches must be given up. and the infantry fall back to the positions from which they had started. But an Australian Colonel reconnoitring the line found that not one inch had been given up. On the contrary, the moment the flank was threatened by the German onrush, these astonishing "diggers" had gone out and reinforced an important post beyond their flank, where they were now holding on and inflicting heavy punishment on the German infantry passing on their flank. Further on, the Australian Battalion swung round and secured the position: so far was it from the situation of that valley being hopeless. that the fire of the "diggers" thereabouts, in addition to the tremendous onslaught of every rifle and machine gun in the Australian line, seems to have thrown the German attack into such confusion that it was unable to organize so as to take advantage of the position. All night parties of Germans, either patrolling or lost, appearing through the moonlight opposite the Australians were met with heary fire.

After aybreak the Germans advanced what appeared to be a storming party against the Australian flank. This was

utterly smashed and the German attack withered up.

Ine order to free infantry for the previous day's attack, a Battalion of Australian Pioneers was employed in the old front. When the infantry attacked, a portion of the Pioneers also advanced, and swung into line almost at outskirts of Bray. When the situation looked critical, their line was extended to guard against eventualities. This did not content the Pioneers, who pushed down the steep slope of the Somme and crossed the water in boats, dragged the boats across the grass, and launched them again to cross a further channel, and captured the village of Neuville, on the Southern side of Bray.

At the present time the Germans in Bray are almost surrounded by the very troops whom they attempted to cut off

last night.

These infantry are the same who, in the first battle of Villers-Bretonneux, with British cavalry on their flank, held out through a bitter day, when everything seemed lost, until the counter-attack by the cavalry on the left and this infantry on the right saved the situation. From the heights to the North of the Somme we watched today's magnificent attack on the Southern side.

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NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION FOR HALLE SUB-AREA.

1. ALLOTMENT OF AREAS: HALLE Sub-Area (shown on sketch attached) forms part of the PERONNE Ares. Units will be accommodated as under :-

9th Brigade Group.

Hors. 9th A.I. Bde - Hutments M' St. QUENTIN - I.15.d.

H.Q. - I.15.d.80.95. Q.M. - I.15.d.70.90. Transport - I.15.c.7.2.

33rd Battalion

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I.26. H.Q. - I.28.d.70.50. Q.M. - I.26.d.40.65.

Transport - 1.27.c.30.90.

34th Bettalion

I.15 and I.14 H.Q. - I.13, b.8.3. Q.M. I.13.b.4.0. Transport - L.13.d.3.8.

35th Battalion

I.l. H.Q. - I.1.d.7.8. Q.M. - I.7.a.8.5. Transport - I.1.b.9.8.

9th A.L.T.M. B. ttery I.15.central.

9th Field Coy. Engrs. H.Q. I.21.c.80.80.

9th Field Ambulance

HALLE - H.Q. 1.19.b.2.4.

24th Coy. A.A.S.C.

HALLE.

Lieut. J.R. PAUL, 33rd Buttalion, has been appointed Sub-Area Commandant, and is Located in HALLE.

2. SALVAGE: There are considerable quantities of salvage in the new area, and energetic steps must be taken to clear the area after men have settled down. Bat, paper, cardboard, cartons, solder, lead, rubber etc. are specially required.

33rd Battalion will be responsible for the salvage of "A" Area, 34th Battalion for "B" and 35th Battalion for "C" (see sketch herewith) Each Battalion will hetail an Officer who will act as Battalion Salvage Officer - name of officer detailed will he submitted to Brigade Headquarters.

Sulvage will be eleared from Q.M. Stares by returning ration

wagons. Attention is directed to Administrative Instruction No. 30, "S A L V-A G E" - issued by H.Q. 3rd Aust. Division.

3. SANITATION: (a) Units will be held responsible for the proper sanit ion of their areas, and not only, that portion occupied by them.

(b) Chloride of Time or "C" solution should be indented

for immediately.

(c) Special and parly attention will be paid tox the

burying of any dead bodies or houses.

d) Stable refuse and manure will be burnt. (e) Proper latrime accommodation must be provided. Latrime

seats are being made by 9th Field Coy. Engre. . rd can be obtained on application.

Attention is directed to G.R.O. 2427 - SINITATION.

4. SUPPLIES: Supplies will be drawn from RAILHEAD - (PLATEAU - A.21.a.) to Re-filling Points by horse transport for which purpose both supply and baggage wagons of Divisional Arain will be required. Re-filling point - Train Coy. lines in vicinity of HALLE.

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5. WATER: Sterilizing lorries for filling water carts are located at :-

PERONNE -I.28.a.5.8. Water pump & tank Wells and pumps I.25.a.0.9. I.26.d.8.8. = do = I.22.d.1.0. - do -I.27.d.3.6.

Horse troughs: The 9th Field Coy. Engrs. will arrange to construct horse troughs in suitable locations.

6. MEDICAL: The 9th Field Ambulance with No. 45 Dental Unit at HALLE. I.19.b.2.4. Units will wire 9th Field Ambulance. HALLE, before 10.0 a.m. if any cases require evacuation.

7. BATHS: Baths will be erected and clean clothing made available. Baths location and allotment will be notified later.

8. TRANSPORT: Units must avail themselves of this opportunity for over. hauling and repairing all transport. Steps must also be taken immediate to safeguard animals from the effects of hostile bombing.

9. NOTICE BOARDS: Suitable direction notices and notice boards will be erected in unit areas.

10. LOCATIONS:

3rd Aust. Div. - DOINGT.
D.A.D.O.S. - DOINGT
Div. Train H.C. - DOINGT Mobile Vet. Section - HALLE - (I.19.b.30.50) 3rd Aust. M.G. Bn. 3rd Pioneer Bn. - BUIRE. - DOINGT Area. Corps Depot - CORBIE Div. Wing Div. Wing - Pharmacy, BRAY.
Staging Depot (Corps) - PERONNE Div. Cantenn Central Store - DOINGT. Aust. Comforts Fund - At Div. Train Hors. Y. M. C. A.

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- Pharmacy, BRAY.

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ROUTINE ORDER NO. X 22

by

BRIC-GEN. H.A. GODDARD D.S.O. COLLINDING oth AUST. INF. BRIGADE.

TIELD GENERAL 70. The detail of Officers mentioned below will con-COURT M.RTIAL: stitute a Court to assemble at Sub-Area Commandant's Office, HALDM, at 10.30 a.m. on Monday 16th September, 1918, to try by Field General Court Martial such accused person or persons who may be brought before them :-

PRESIDENT.

Major H.J. COMMELL M.C.

35th Bn. A.I. ..

MEMBERS.

Captain E. BEAVER

34th Bn. A.I.F.

Orderlies etc. Adjutant Bn. concerned will prosecute.

Each Battalion will detail one junior officer to accent
the Court for instruction.

Proceedings will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters.

REVERSION: 71. 9th A.L.T.M. Battery: - No.2793 Temp. Corpl. C.B. DOHERTY reverts to his permanent grade on return of No.2095 Corpl. G.E. LOWDER - dated 31-8-1918.

APPOINTMENTS AND 72. 34th BATTALION: No.2412 Sergt. W. TOMBS to be PROMOTIONS: Temp. C.Q.M.S. vice WARWICK cvacuated wounded 4 dated 1-9-1918.

to be Lance Corporal - dated 1-9-1918.

13-9-1918.

Lieutenant.

Battle Instruction. Series "D". No.4.

1. The Fourth Army, in conjunction with the First French Army on the right and the third Army on the left, is to attack the enemys Defensive position in front of the HINDENBERG Line at ZERO hour on a date to be notified,

The Australian corps (with rourth Australian Division on the right and the First Australian Division on the left- each on a two-brigade frontage) is to attack in the centre of the rourth Army Front.

- 3. The 2 IX corps is attacking on the Aust. corps kight and the III corps on the left.
- 4. The 3rd. aust. Machine Gun Battalion is placed at the disposal of the First Australian Division forthwith.
- 5. The 3rd. Aust.Div.Artillery will come under the command of the G.O.C., R.A. Australian corps for use during the operation forthwith

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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(Sgd.)C.H.Jess. Lieut-Colonel. Ceneral Staff.

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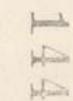
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APPENDIX

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

APPENDIX APPENDIX 144 HEADQUARTERS NINTH INFANT Y BRIGADE 15021118 Headquarters 33-34-35th Battalions. 9th A. L.T.M. Battery. During the current period training will be carried out as follows. The period of training will last one week. Intensive training will be carried out for three hours deally. All training will be carried out in the morning, while the afternoons will be devoted to sports etc. under regimental arrangements. At least two hours daily will be devoted to musketry (Musketry is here intended to include Lewis Gun and bombing. training). Particular use is to be made of all types of smoke grounde in the demonstration of small tactical schemes by Platoons involving the "blinding" of machine gun positions and strong points Lectures for officers and N.C.Os. will be arranged by Battalions. Special lectures will also be arranged by C.Os. for Platoons Commanders. (Time, date and place to be set forth in syllabus of training). The Brigadier ded res that particular attention be given to "smartening up" and to this end a small ceremonial parade will be held at the conclusion of each morning's training. This coremonial parade will, where possible, consist of a Battalion march past in any suitable formation. If Companies are widely dispersed the march past may be conducted under Company arrangements. The senior officer present on these occasions will take the salute. The attention of all ranks is to be specially drawn to the necessity and reasons for observing every rule regarding sanitation. The training of transport personnel, cooks, pioneers and other details will receive special attention. Bathing parties ordered by the Staff Captain will be used an an opportunity for training in route marching and march discipline. Signal Sections will be placed entirely at the disposal of Signal Officers for training. A special Class for the training of two Officers Sord Battalion and one Officer Sath Battalion will form the subject of a separate communication to Battalions concerned. Two N.C.Os. 3rd dust. Div. Signal Coy. have been detailed as instructors for 33rd Bn. signallers. Training of Battalion Signal Sections will be directed by the Brigade Signal Officer. Prominenco will be given to (a) Switchboard working (b) Message forms (c) Message-carrying rockets (a) Visual (e) Memorizing messages C.Os. will do all in their power to place the necessary facilities in the hands of Battalion Signal Officers. Units will submit syllabus of training for week commencing 16th instant and ending 21st instant by 12 noon on 16th instant. Brigade Major 9th Australian Infantry Brigade. Brigade H. Q. 15.9.1918. AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL RCDIG1008979



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19th September 1918.

75. COURT OF EMOUTRY. A Court of Enquiry, concisting of one Captain and two Subalterns, to be detailed by C.O. 33rd Battalion, will assemble at Headquarters 33rd Battalion A.I.F. at 3 p.m. Both September 1918 to investigate the circumstances attending the death of Mo. 3268 Private A. BRIMS, Sord Battalion A.I.F.

Proceedings in duplicate will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters.

37rd Battalion will arrange for attendance of witnesses. and will supply orderlies, stationery do.

74. REFERRE AGAINST GAS. The Western boundaries of the Gas Sones in the present Corps are are as follows:

> Alert Zone. WRAIGHES - HARGOURY - HAMEZEY - MARQUAIX all inclusivo.

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ROUTINE ORDER No. 369 APPENDIX 13.

Brig. -Ben. H.A. Goddard, D.S.O., Commanding 9th Australian Infantry Brigade.

25th September 1918.

2780. CORRIGENDA. Brigade Routine Orders No.X1 to X25 and paragraphs 1 to 74 of those Orders should be numbered 345 to 368 and 2703 to

2781. COURT OF ENQUIRY. A Court of Enquiry, consisting of one Captain to be detailed by 35th Battalion and two Subalterns to be detailed by 34th Battalion, will assemble at the office of the Sub-Area Commandant HALLE at 2 p.m. 26th September 1918 to investigate the circumstances attending the death of No. 3268 Private A. BRIMS, 33rd Battalion A.I.F.

Proceedings in duplicate will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters.

A/Staff Captain.

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Headquarters,
3rd Australian Division.

CAPTURED TROPHIES

Reference your wire Q.84 of 20th instant -

26 SEP.1918

The following is the proposed distribution of the trophies captured by Units of this Brigade:-

Captured by 33rd Battalion A.I.F.

4.2" Hows:	War Museum No	12124 FEUER 14920 FEUER
	Armidale N.S.W.	12596 16185 FEUER
77mm guns:	Armidale N.S.W. Tamworth N.S.W. Inverell N.S.W. 8th Aust.Field Artillery Bde.	141 11934 8/90 2481 5/70 4365 8107 3/49 8648 2043
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Anti-Tank rifle	War Museum	320
Machine Guns	War Museum Sydney N.S.W. Armidale N.S.W. Tamworth N.S.W. Inverell N.S.W. Barraba N.S.W. Tenterfield N.S.W. Glen Innes N.S.W. Manilla N.S.W. Narrabri N.S.W. Moree N.S.W. Currajong N.S.W. Currajong N.S.W. Guyra N.S.W. Guyra N.S.W. Guyra N.S.W. Guyra N.S.W. Singara N.S.W. Guirindi N.S.W. Tingha N.S.W. Black Mountain N.S.W. Black Mountain N.S.W.	7308, 6012, 7514, 6499, 1295 5695, 9675, 5089, 3247, 4382 1087, 3775. 7330, 189, 9707, 659, 5000 6842 4270, 5301, 1171, 7199, 4220 5669 6707, 1830 3686, 1382 8369, 1111 7798, 8152 3612, 7133 2690, 4705 22785,6127 28084,6417 2564, 8341 3367, 6922 8872 4255 2213 7159

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Machine Guns West Maitland N.S.W. 9977, 4677, 278, 952 8664, 9792

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Brigade Headquarters, 26th September 1918. Commanding 9th Australian Infantry Bde.

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NINTH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No.54.

Ref: WIANCOURT 1/20,000.
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27th September 1918.

- 1. In conjunction with the action of Corps on our with the hindence Line between BRILICOURT and VENDHUILLI will be breached by the II American Corps on a day and at a time to be notified later.
- Australian Division on the right and the 3rd Australian Division on the left are to exploit the success Eastwards from the CREEN Line to the RED Line. (Map showing GREEN and RED Lines has been issued to units concerned).
- shown on map already issued excepting inter-brigade boundary which is a straight line running from A.15.central to B.4.central.
- will be carried out by the 12th Australian Infantry Brigade Group on the right, 10th Australian Infantry Brigade Group on the left and 9th Australian Infantry Brigade Group in reserve.
- as under: 5. The 9th Aust. Inf. Bile. Group will be composed

1ess Tent Sub-divisions of 9th Aust. Field Ambulance
plus 3rd Army Field Artillery Brigade
Reserve M.G.Coy. (23rd A.M.G.Coy.)
Two Sections 16th Tank Battalion.

11th A.M.G.Coy. is attached to operate with this Group.

- with March Table issued herewith.

 6. Units will move from present area in accordance
- the HINDENBURG Line on the Divisional front is being carried out by the 108th American Regiment on the right, the 107th American Regiment on the left and the 105th American Regiment in reserve, the line being held by the 106th American Regiment.
- move from their bivouac areas on "Z" day in sufficient time to reach the original jumping-off line, shown in BROWN, by 9.0 a.m.
- 10th Aust. Inf. Bde. Group. Details concerning distances and formations will be notified later.
- BROWN Line at 9.0 a.m., passing through the 106th American Regiment and will cross the Canal tunnel in open warfare formations and so advance to the GREEN Line.
- rear of the 9th Aust. Inf. Bde. Group for the purpose of exploiting to the RED Line North of LE CATELET.
- by Whippet Tanks and will commence at 11 a.m., being pushed forward beyond.
- the whole of the forward march will be off the roads unless absolutely unavoidable.
- Line will cease at about 9.20 s.m. After completion of the GREEN barrage on the GREEN Line the 3rd Army Mela irtillery Brigade will notified later.

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(11) Heavy Artillery, under Corps arrangements, will continue the bombardment of forward selected areas and strong points (which will be shown on maps to be issued), and will be employed as under:

(a). From 11.0 a.m. all fire will be East of grid line between B.19. and 20.

(b). From 12 noon East of grid line between B.20. and 21. o). From 1.0 p.n. East of grid line between B.21. and 22.

(2). From 2.0 p.n. East of RED Line.

(iii) 3rd Army Field Artillery Brigade will notify this Headquarters of requirements in personnel for making tracks through wire and sonstructing crossings over trenches.

(17) The Reserve Company of the Machine Cun Battalion will move with this Brigade Group but will maintain close lisison with the 10th Aust. Inf. Bde. Group for the purpose of strengthening the left flank if necessary.

9. Engineers. 9th Field Coy. A.E. will move with this Brigade Group and will be available for such special duties in the forward area as the C.R.E. may allot.

10. Aircraft. Contact aeroplanes will fly over the forward area at times to be notified later. Positions of advanced troops will be indicated by flares, discs and groups of rifles. A Popham Panel will be displayed at this Headquarters. Arrangements for ammunition dropping by aeroplanes will be arranged by Divisional Headquarters if possible.

11. Communications. One main signal route will be erected and maintained by Divisional Signal Company, viz, RONSSOY -BLUE ROAD - BONY - YELLOW ROAD - MT ST MARTIN - RUE NEUVE - BELLEVUE VALLEY - B.C.c.central. Communications within the Brigade will be in accordance with the schemes already outlined to Battalion Signal Officers.

Prisoners. Prisoners when captured will not be 12. despatched to rear by independent units but will be retained under guard at places selected by Battalions until orders as to their disposal are received from Brigade H.Q.

Synchronization. Synchronizationeof watches 13. will be carried out on the afternoon and evening of "Y" day.

14. Administrative Instructions will be issued separately.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

Ma jor Brigade Major.

27th September 1918.

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Copy No.1-2 Brigade H.Q. Copy No.12 24th Coy. A.A.S.C. 3 33rd Battalion. 13 11th A.M.G.Coy. 14 23rd A.M.G.Coy. 4 34th Battalion. 35th Battalion. 15 9th Fleld Coy. A.E. 16 9th Aust. Field Amb.

17 Bearer Division. 7 loth Aust.Inf.Bde. 8 11th Aust.Inf.Bde. 18 3rd Aust. Division.

19 14th Aust.Inf.Bde. 9 3rd hast.M.G.Bn.

20 105th American Inf. Regt. 10 D.A.P.M. 21-23 War Diary. 11 16th Tank Bn. 24 File.

MARCH TABLE to accompany 9th Aust.Inf.Bde.Order No.54.

Serial	No. Dete	Unit.	Fron	To	Route	Starting pt.	Time.	Remarks.
1.	1918. Sept.28.	H.Q. 9th A.I.Bde.	MONT ST. QUENTIN.	No. 9 Area.	BUSSU - TEMPLEUX la FOSSE - VILLERS-FAUCON - ST. EMILIE (B.24.central).	I.22.d.7.	7	H.Q. opens No.9 rea at 11.0 s.m.
2.	Sept.27.	33rd Dn.	ST.RADEGONDE	11	-do-	do.	0.15 p.m.	
3.	п	34th Bn.	MONT ST. QUENTIN.	11	-do-	đo.	8.30	100 yards between unit and its transport.
4.	11	35th 3n.	OLERY.	11	-do-	do.	0.45) p.m.)	
5.	n	9th A.L. T.M.Bty	MONT ST. QUENTIN.	11	-do-	do.	9.5 p.m.	
6.	11	9th Fld. Coy.A.E.	QUINCONCE.	TI .	-do-	do.	9.15	150 yards U between Sections
7.	11	Bearer Division.	HALLE.	n	-do-	do.	9.30 p.m.	
8.	п	M.G. Coy.		17	LONGAVESNES - VILLERS-	J.10.c	- 10	100 yards between Sections
9.	11	11th Aust M.G. Coy.		11	-do-	do.	10.20 p.m.	do.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

ISSUED WITH 9th AUSTRALIAN INF. BOE. ORUER No. 54.

- 1. PERSONNEL: A party of one N.C.O. and 10 men will be detailed by 34th Battalion to report at A.R.P. at E.22.b.0.7. at 3.0 p.m. 27-9-18 for detonating work. Party will be detailed from Battalion nucleus, and will carry 24 hours rations.
- TRAFFIC CONTROL: The D.A.P.M. assumed responsibility for Traffic control in "B" Divisional Area from 10.0 a.m. 25-9-18. Traffic personnel of 27th American Division. Will work under orders of D.A.P.M., 3rd Australian Division.

Notice boards will be placed on all truffic routes by D.A.P.M. B

H. T. Roads

M. T. Roads

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BATTLE STRAGGLERS: Battle Straggler Posts will be located as follow (a) Prior to ZERO Hour Battle Straggler Posts will be :-3.

E.30.c.1.9. - E.24.a.9.2. - E.18.d.4.5.

(b) At ZERO Hour First Phase Battle Straggler Posts will be :-

Sh. 62C - F. 26.d. 4.O - F. 21.c. 4.8. - F. 15.d. 7.7. (c) At ZERO Hour Second Phase, Battle Straggler Posts will move Sh. 62B - A. 16.d. 9.8. - A. 11.a. 3.4. - A. 5.d. 3.9.

Battle Straggler Collecting Station: a) For First Phase: E:24.a.9.3.

(b) For second Phase: F.27.c.3.8.

4. PRISONERS OF WAR: Prisoners will be escorted to Brigade Headquart ers where they will be taken over by D.A.P.M. and escorted to Divisional Pro. W. Cage - F.27.c.3.8.; thence to Corps P.O.W. Cage - K.10.Central.

5. BRIGADE NUCLEUS: During operations Brigade Nucleus will be accommod ated in Divisional Reinforcement Wing. Nuclues will include all personne who enlisted in 1914, and are desirous of returning to MISTRALIA on 6 months' furlough. Nucleus will report at 3rd Australian Divisional Wing 24 hours rations will be carried. by 27th instant.

6. TRANSPORT: Advance parties for fixing lines can be sent during daylight. About 30 pack saddles will be available for the Brigade and will be distributed when received.

Baggage wagons from Train are reporting to units at 8 a.m. 27-9-18. Area for transport lines is being reconnoitred to-day in vicinity

of - Sh. 620 - D.24.d. - D.30.b. - E.19.c. - E.25.a. Each Battalion will detail a mounted man from transport Section to report to Brigade Transport Officer at Brigade Headquarters at 2.0 p.m. to-day to proceed to reconnoitre new transport lines. Man will return, and act as guide during move to-night - 27/28th instant.

7. DISPOSAL OF DEAD: Divisional Burials Officer - C/- Third Australi Pioneer Battalion Headquarters. Burials will, as far as possible, be carried out in the undermentioned Cemeteries, or sites selected by Divisional Burials Officer. Burial Returns will be rendered to Div. Bur Officer daily.

CEMETERIES.

F.11.b. F.15.a.8.3. Sh. 620 TOR BOIS FARM Cemetery JEMPIRE British F.21.b.3.7. ROSNOY Communal E.24.b.8.9. ST. EMILIE British " E.9.b.5.1. SATULCOURT Communal " .D.E.A.A. goo dias

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8. AREA STORES: A very small number of trench shelters for fighting troops will be available after midday to-day at S.A.A. A.R.P. E.22.b.0.7. Their allotment to units is being arranged by Staff Captain who is reconncitring new area to-day. Shelters will not be erected till after dark.

AMMUNITION: A. R. P. - Artillery Sh. 62C - E.28.a.0.0.

A. R. P. - S. A. A. & Grenades Sh. 620 - E.22.b.0.7. S. A. A. Section Sh. 62C - E.21. Central.

10. SUPPLIES: RAILHEAD - TINCOURT.

Div. Train Headquarters - Sh. 62C - K.10.d.2.9. 24th Coy. A.A.S.C. - TINCOURT. with

supply re-filling points at Train Coy. lines.

Further particulars as to supply arrangements will be notified. Units must ensure that Brigade Headquarters and Train Headquarters are advised immediately of changes in location of Q.M. Stores and transport lines.

11. WATER: Water carts will be taken forward full. Units will draw water for drinking and cooking purposes, and water their horses at the following points:-

Drinking Water:

J.5.a.2.2.) Standpipe - TEMPLEUX-la-FOSSE for D.28.d.8.6.) 9th Brigade and M.G. Bn. All water will be chlorinated at source of supply.

Horse Troughs:

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D.28.d.8.6.) Troughs TEMPLEUX-la-FOSSE for 9th J. 5. a. 2.2.) Brigade and M.G. Bn.

E.24.b.O.5. - Deep well - C.R.E. arranging trough.

Water points are under construction at :-

E.15. v. 0.5. - E.21.c.0.3. -E.27.c.8.6. E.24.0.0.5.

Horses will not be sent to water in groups of more than 50 at one time. An Officer will superintend atd watering. petrol Units will, advise Brigade Headquarters of number of/tins in possess: on on arrival in bivouac on night of 27/28th instant.

12. VETERINARY: Third Australian Mobile Veterinary Section will be located at Sh. 620 - J.27.d.2.4.

hours restens will be obserted 13. BILLETING: Arrangements have been made for billeting parties to report to Staff Captain at E.22.b.O.7. at 11 a.m. to-day.

14. BRIGADE DUMP: All spare kits, surplus baggage, packs etc., will be dumped at Brigade Dump, PERONNE, under charge of Lieut. RICHARDSON. LOUGHER - BELLEVILLE - LOUGHER - V 33rd Battalion.

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24th Coy. A.A.S.C. 13 3rd Aust. Division. 14-16 War Diary 17 File.

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OPERATION INSTRUCTION, SERIES "E", No. 1.

(in continuation of Oth Aust. Inf. Edg. Order No. 54 of 27.9.18). 28th Soptabor 1918.

(1) Oorps Heavy Artillery are carrying out the following 1. HEAVY ARTILLERY. Brogramme on 27th instant and succeeding days:-

(a) Counter-battery work.
(b) A rolling barrage in depth along the whole Corps from.

(c) Concentrations on the HINDLANBURG trench systems along the whole dome front.

(d) Brigade concentrations on specially selected targets.
(e) Eombardment of selected positions and strong points.

(f) Heavy harassing fire on communications, roads and tranch systems generally. (g) Wire cutting.

(ii) The object of this preparation is chiefly to complete the demoralisation of the enemy and secondly to destroy his debnoes to the utmost extent possible.

(111) From the cessation of the protective barrage on the GREEN Line on Z day, Heavy Artillery will engage selected targets to the

East of that line. (iv) From 11.0 a.m. no Heavy Artillery will fire West of of the grid line between B.1. and D.2. except on the enemy strong point at LORKISSET Farm in B.13.b. where fire will be maintained until 11.15 am.

(v) From 11.15 a.m. no targets will be engaged West of the grid line through B. 2. central. (vi) From 11.45 a.m. no fire will be delivered West of grid line through B.2. and B.3.

(vii) From 12 noon no fire West of grid line through B. 3.0 entral.

(viii) From 12.30 p.m. no fire West of grid line between (ix) From 1.0.p.m. no fire West of grid line through B. 3. and B. 4.

(x) From 1.30 p.m. no fire West of grid line between B.4. ontral.

(xi) From 2.0 p.m. fire will be East of grid line B.5.cent. B.4. and B.5. (xii) In the foregoing areas, bombardeent will take place on targets which have been selected including BEAUREVOIR Line and village. (xiii) Notwithstanding (vi), fire will be maintained on the ridge in T. 20. a. & b. throughout the operation.

2. CAVALRY. (a) If the tactical situation permits, the 5th Cavalry Bde. will move out through the Right Division and operate in an Easterly and North-Easterly direction. No cavalry will move through the RED Line

prior to 2.0 p.m. Ib) The following signals will be employed by the cavalry-A WHITE star bursting into RED on a parachute, fired from 13" Very pistol, meaning - "Advanced troops of cavalry are here".

-moo of its . ARMOURED CARS. (a) Armoured cars will move by the YELLOW Road as far as the GREEN Line, and thence by the most suitable routes, and will operate East and North-East against the main FOHAIN-ST.QUENTIN railway systems. (b) These armoured cars will be marked WHITE RED & WHITE, similar to the Tanks to be employed, and will be accompanied by Whippet Tanks . no he disprint out and abatto-not impoo an Exequit and not LE SILLIE .

(a) The action of "A" May. (8) Whippet Tanks, attached to the Division, will be to operate against BEAUREVOIR Village and ridge

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from the South-East.

(b) Instructions should be issued to ensure that all troops are made aware of this operation in order that our Tanks may not be mistaken for enemy Tanks.

(c) The Tank of the Section Leader flies a GREEN flag, with the number of the Section thereon. The following signals will be employed by all types of Tanks -

Tricolour flag - "Tank returning to refill".

(RED WHITE & BLUE) Diagonal flag (YELLOW & RED) "Broken Down".

5. ROLDS.

(a) The BLUE Road is allotted to the 9th Australian

Infantry Brigade Group.

(b) This road will be marked by BLUE notice-boards. (c) East of the BROWN Line from Zero to 9.0 a.m. no

traffic, except urgent signal traffic and Engineers and Pioneers repairing roads will be permitted.

(d) Proforence will be given to American troops on all roads up to Zero hour as far as the BROWN Line.

6. HEADQUARTERS. During the advance Drigade Headquarters will move along the line E.12.0.9.5.- F.17.a.3.1.- A.15.0.5.9. and A. 12.b. 3.0. and at each of these points Report Centres will be established.

7. AIRCRAFT. Aircraft units will be working on the Corps front on "Z" day as under -

(a) 3rd Squadron A.F.C.
(1) Markings. Rootangular black panels 1 feet by I foot on both lower planes about 3 feet from fuselage.

(11) Roles. Contact Patrols.

Count or -at tack patrols. Dropping smoke bombs.

(b) 8th Squadron R.A.F.

(i) Harkings. Black bands on under side of tail. Roles. Co-operation with Tanks.

Reporting of location and progress of Tanks.

(o) Eight single-seater Army Squadrons. will be employed on low altitude attacks on enemy organizations and troops. Those machines will not carry any distinotive markings.

Contact Patrols in Second Phase. The 3rd Squadron A.F.C. will watch and report on progress of troops of the 3rd and 5th Aust. Divisions during our advances from the GREEN Line to the RED Line.

All the normal means of indicating the positions of our troops will be used by both the 3rd and 5th Aust. Divisions during the advance when our contact machines sound the call on the Klaxon or fire a white Very light.

Contact patrol machines will fly over the RED Line along the whole corps front at Zero plus 10 hours.

Counter-attack Patrols.

(1) From Zero onwards coubter-attack machines will be constantly in the air with the object of observing hostile concentrations orabnormal movement.

(ii) In the event of an enemy come entration indicating a counter-attack, the counter-at tack aeroplane will signal this information to the artillery by wireless. In the case of a counter-stack actually developing a WHITE parachute flare will be fired by the aproplane in the direction of the troops moving for the impending counter-attack, for the information of the in antry. a High contract and the contract of the contra

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Snoke Bombing. In order to cover the advece of the 3rd and 5th Aust. Divisions up to the GREEN and from the GREENLine towards the RED Line, arrangements have been made with 15th Wing R.A.F. for smoke bombs to be dropped to deny the enemy observation from the high ground still in his possession at various stages of the battle.

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DISTRIBUTION.

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13-15 War Diary.

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BATTLE INSTRUCTION, SERIES "E", No.2,

(in continuation of 9th Aust. Inf. Bde. Order No.54 dated 27.9.1918).

28th September 1918.

1. MOVE TO BROWN LINE

(a) The Brigade will move forward from the bivouac area to
the BROWN Line, heads of columns crossing the LEMPIRE Road in F.10.a.& c
as follows:

35th Battalion (right) and 34th Battalion (left) at 9 a.m. 33rd Battalion 500 yards in rear of 35th and 34th Bns 9th A.L.T.M.Battery will move with 35rd Battalion. 11th and 23rd A.M.G.Coys. and 9th Field Coy.A.E. will

move 500 yards in rear of 33rd Battalion.

(b) Frontages whilst crossing the BROWN Line are allotted

as follows:

35th Battalion A.13.a. 34th Battalion A.7.c.

2. MOVE FORWARD FROM BROWN LINE.

(a) 35th and 34th Bns. will move forward from the BROWN Li at 10.0 a.m. keeping in close touch with the rear of the 10th A.I.Bde. which will be in front. Other units of the Brigade Group will follow i rear at a distance of 1,000 yards from 35th and 34th Bns.

(b) Frontages in the HINDENBURG Line are allotted as follows 35th Bn. A,15.a.

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3. MOVE FORWARD FROM HINDENBURG LINE

(a) 35th and 34th Bn.. will move forward from the HINDENBU

(b) Frontages in LE CATELET Line are allotted as follows:

35th Bn. A.17.2.

34th Bn. A.11.c.

(c) On reaching this line the Brigade will be disposed

as follows:

35th and 34th Bns. LE CATELET Line.

33rd Battalion HINDENBURG Line, A.9.d.

11th & 23rd A.M.G.

Coys.& 9th ALTMBty. A.8.d.

4. SUBSEQUENT MOVEMENT.

The subsequent movement and employment of the Brigade depend upon the situation and will be carried out under orders which will be issued as the situation develops. Later in the day, however, it is intended to occupy the BEAUREVOIR Line with 35th Bn. in B.7.d. and 34th Bn. in B.8.a., whilst 33rd Bn. will remain in reserve in A.12.c.& d.

11th and 23rd A.M.G.Coys.will be prepared to move forwar

to the vicinity of A.12.a. & b. and A.5.d.

Information concerning the movement of 10th A.I.Bde. will be forwarded to Brigade H.Q. by 35th and 34th Bns.

5. TANKS.

(a) A "composite" Company of Tanks will assemble in "Z" COPSE, F.17.c., and will be prepared to move forward with the Brigade (b) Tanks are allotted to units as follows:

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Two Tanks will be in support and two in reserve.

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6. ARTILITRY.

3rd Army Brigade A.F.A. will assemble in on area selected in rear of the BROWN line immediately after the first phase. 3rd Army Bile. A.F.A. will then prepare to advance with the Brigade to assist in any operation which may be ordered.

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ISSUED WITH BATTITY INSTRUCTIONS SERIES "E" Ho. 2.

1. AMELTERS: All trench shelters will be returned to Brigade Headquarters to-morrow, 29th instant.

2. PETROL TINSE The following tins are available at A. R. P.;

E.22.b.0.7. : 33rd Battalion 34th

25 11 50 11 35th "

Orders on Dump herewith.

3. (a) WATER BOTTLES: 300 per Battalion and 50 for 9th 1.L.T.M. Bty., complete with carriers have been issued to-night.

(b) PACK SADDLERY: 11 sets per Baltalion and 7 sets for 9th 4. L.

50 tins

T.M. Bty. have been issued to-night.

(e) WIRE CUTTERS: 20 wire cutters per Battalion will be delivered as soon as received.

It is to be borne in mind that these issues are battle stores and returnable later, unless destroyed in action.

Supplies: Supplies will be delivered to present Q.M. Stores tomorrow and until further notice. If Q.M. Stores are noved, one guide is to remain at old location to take wagons forward.

IMMUNITION: S. A. A. Section of 3rd D.A.C. located at E.27.b.5.9. A. R. P. ... E.22.b.0.7. Units will refill Mobile Echelons, if necessary, at this 1.R.P. on demand.

- 6. WATER: Owing to scarcity of Water Points and congestion at same, greatest economy is necessary. Location of new water points will be notified as soon as possible. In the meantime traffic controls will direct to nearest point.
- 7. RUM: This has been issued to-night. A further supply will be available to-porrow.
- 8. ROADS: Traffic Control: Horse transport will use YELLOW and BLUE TECTICAL Roads west of Control Line S.E. Road JEANCOURT to L.4.b.8.0. -F. 28.a. 5.3. 4 F. 22.c. 4.7. - thence line to F. 15.b. 0.4. - thence road to 1.4.c.9.0. only after the troops having priority are clear. No wheeled transport other than artillery will go forward of Control Line before 8.0 p.m. on "Z" D.y.
- MEDICAL: M. D. S. Loth Aust. Field Ambulance ... LONGAVESNES. 9. ... St. EIILLE. A. D. S. 11th - Co -... in vicinity of Reserve 9th - do -LONGAVESNES.

Wheld Ambulances will be in position by 9.0 p.m. 28th instant, an will asceivs patients from that time onwards.

After 9.0 a.m. ZERO Day Ambulance cars will use roads as far

forward as possible. .9th Aust. Field Ambulance will probably open an A.D.S. in vicinit of junction of BLUE and YELLOw roads, west of BCNY fter 4.0 p.m. "Z" Day

Bearer Division of 9th Aust. Field Ambulance under Major FTZPATE will assist in general clearance of wounded of this Brigade. Headquarte

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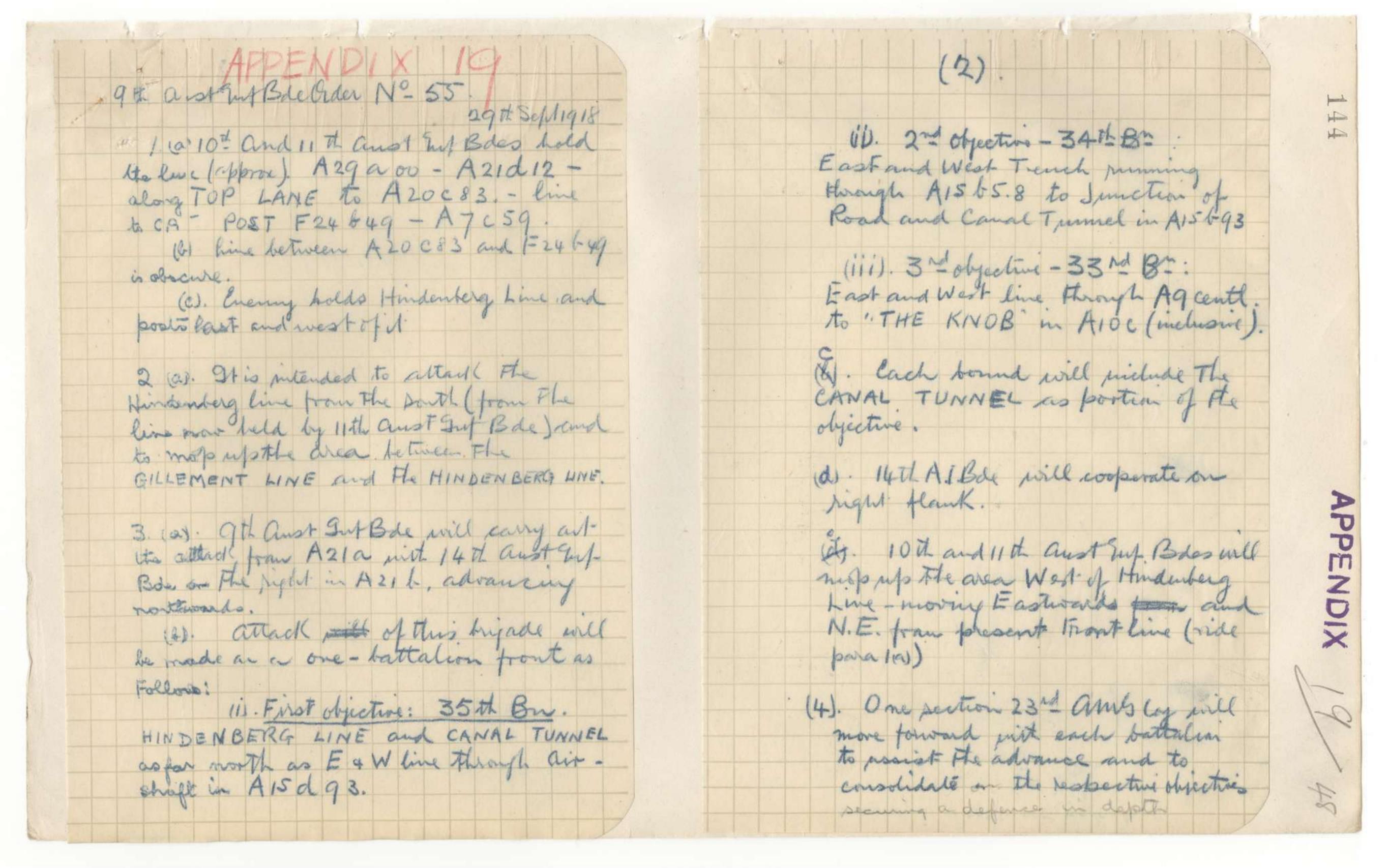
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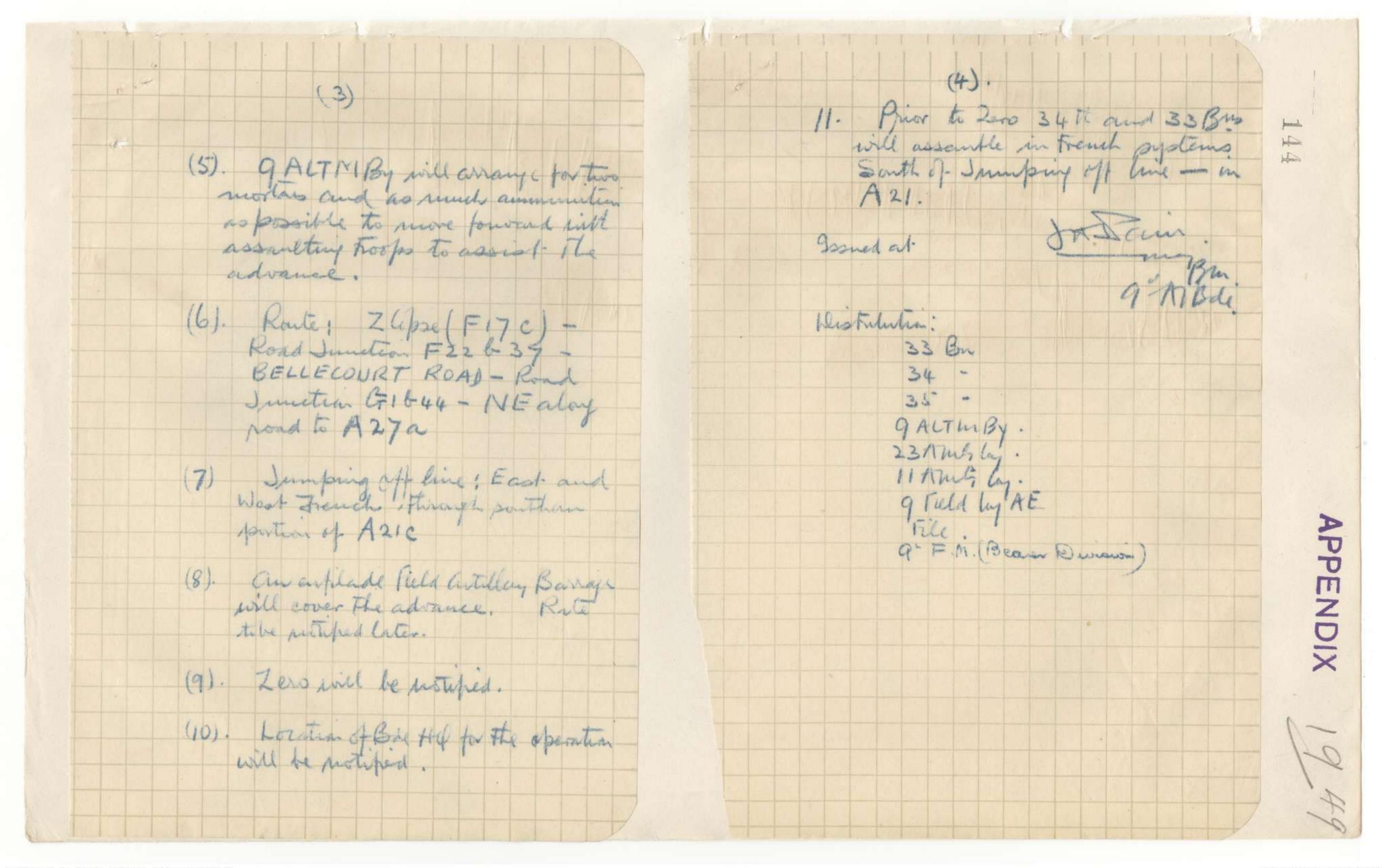
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27th.American Division.

APPENDIX 20 S.G.D. 4/7.

1. The following amendment is made to operation of 30th. instant.previously communicated to brigades.-

- 2. The 11th. Bde. will carry out the operation instead of the 9th. Bde. The 9th. Bde .will move to area in F.29.B.&d.
 13.a. and A.25.b. and two Battalions will be placed at the disposal of the G.O.C. 11th.Bde. to assist in the operation.
- 3. The Right Boundary of the 3cc. Austrakian Division attack will be a line generally Notth through A 22.c.3.o.
- 4. The 11th.Bde. will employ 3 Battalions in the operation. leaving one Battalion in the present line on right of 10th Bde.
- 5. The attack will be carried out on a one Battalion front. each Battalion being given a definate area of the HINDENBURG LINE and tunnel to mop up and guard entrancesfrom tunnels. the next succeeding Battalion moving through and carrying on Similarly.Two Battalions of the 9th.Bde.wlii be placed at the disposal of G.OC 11th.Bde.for usek in mopping up or garrisoning as required.
- 6. The final line to be gained and consolidated will be a lime generally from A.S.Cent. 9.Cent. and the knob inclusive. thence connecting with that of 14th.Bde. whose objective is RAILWAY RIDGE inclusive.
- 7. The junction between Bdes. on final objective should be arranged on BONY POINT(A.10.c.2.3.) or on railway in VAUSAN VALLEY. and at intermediate points throughout the advance.
- 8. The reserve Battakion of 11th.Bde. and reserve Battalion of 9th.Bde. will be under the orders of G.O.C. 9th.Bde.and as the advance of the 11th.Bde. proceeds northwards. these Battalions will co-operate by cleaning up groung in A.14. and then in A.8.c.&.d
- 9. The 23rdmM.G.Coy. is placed at the disposal of 10th Bde. for implayment on the left flank on withdrawl of 9th.Bde.from its present location.
- 10. Arrangements are being made with 27th. American Diw. For re-capture of the KNOLL.
- 11. The operation will be markindxaukcarried out covered by enfilade barrage from the left by arrangement through Artillery Officattached to 11th.Bdw. with C.R.A. 3rd.Aust.Div.Arty.
- 12. Phesphorous grenades will be used throughout the advance to indicate our position to the artillery.
- 13. ZERO HOUR will be 6 a.m. 30th.Inst.unless otherwise altered.

ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

(Sgd) C.H.JESS.Lt-Col. General Staff.

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APPENDIX Lectures Delivered By O.C. No. 2. Section. From 16th Sept to 26th Sept 1918.

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sep.16th.	10.a.M.	"Signal Communication Methods & their value"	Battn (33rd)2 & 34th.1 Understudy Signal Officer
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25th.	п	"Intercommunication for open Warfare"	All Bastalion Signal Officers 3 Off.per Bn,9th Fld Coy, Enga
26th.	#	"Field Cipher"	9th T.M.Bty Hqrs.

(Sgd) A.S.HARRIL GIFFORD. Lieut.
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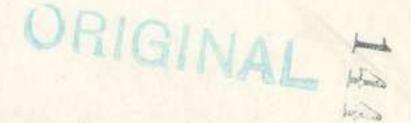
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