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**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,
1914-18 War**

Signals

Item number: 22/15/23

**Title: 5th Australian Division Signals
Company**

December 1917



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WAR DIARY

or

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
France. Sheet 28. M.35.d.3.2. Decr.1st. to 17th.			<p>On the 1st. December the whole Division with Artillery was holding a section of line extending from La-Douve River northwards to the Ypres-Comines Canal. divisional and Divisional Artillery Headquarters were located at Ulster Camp, near DRANOUTRE, with two Infantry and three Artillery Brigades in line. The dispositions of sections at this time was as follows :-</p> <p>No. 2 Section, attached 8th. Inf. Bde., had their Signal Office established in the dugouts at Midland Farm, on the right of the Divisional front.</p> <p>No. 4 Section, attached 15th. Inf. Bde., were located in Regent's Dugouts, forward of Mont Kemmel, on the left of the Divisional front.</p> <p>No. 3 Section, attached 14th. Inf. Bde., were in reserve at the Chateau, Kemmel.</p> <p>No. 1 Sub-section, attached 13th. Aust.F.Art. Bde., were at Regent's Dugouts, and No. 2 Sub-section, attached 14th. Aust. F.Art. Bde., were established near N.T. Test point, forward of Wulverghem.</p> <p>A Section attached to 3rd. Army.Art. Bde. Aust.F.Art., were located near V.D.Test box, between Wyschaete and Kemmel.</p> <p>The sections remained in these positions until the 11th. December.</p>	
	Dec.11th.		<p>In preparation for the Division moving out to rest in the SAMER area, a gradual relief of sections began to take place.</p> <p>An advance party from No. 3 Section left for the new area.</p>	
	Dec. 12th.		<p>The transport of No. 3 Section moved out with 14th. Inf. Bde. Group transport to trek to new area.</p>	
	" 13th.		<p>No. 3 Section, with 14th. Inf. Bde. closed their office at Kemmel and after travelling by train to DESVRES, opened office there at 3 p.m.</p>	
	" 14th.		<p>Transport of No. 4 Section moved off with 15th. Inf. Bde. transport to trek to new area.</p> <p>No. 3 Section closed their office at DESVRES, and marched on to FRENCQ, establishing office at ROSAMEL CHATEAU at 11 a.m. Communication was by sounder and telephone to 1st. Aust. Div. at SAMER.</p> <p>No. 4 Section, having had their men in forward exchanges and test points relieved, handed over their office at Regents Dugouts to 2nd, Inf. Bde. and moved back to Kemmel, opening office in the Chateau at 3.40 p.m. Advance party from 1st. Aust. Div. arrived during afternoon.</p>	
			Linemen under/	

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SAMER. Sheet 13 Calais. G. 5.	Dec.	15th.	Linemen under Area Officers in forward areas were relieved by men from 1st. Aust. Division and came back to Ulster Camp. Advance party of one office shift and mechanic left by motor lorry for SAMER, arriving there 4 p.m. This shift worked in with shifts of 1st. Aust. Division in their office. Transport of No. 3 Section with 14th. Inf. Bde. Group transport arrived at FRENCQ, after four days journey. No. 4 Section, with 15th. Inf. Bde., closed their office at Kemmel at 9 a.m., and entraining at DeKennebak Siding, journeyed to DESVRES, establishing an office on arrival there at 9 p.m.	
	"	16th.	Transport of Company Headquarters with 1 officer and 70 O.R. moved out at 8 a.m. en route for SAMER. The first day they journeyed as far as MERRIS. No. 2 Section, with 8th. Inf. Bde., having been relieved at all stations, handed over office at Midland Farm to 3rd. Aust. Inf. Bde. at 3 p.m. and moved back to Kemmel, establishing office there at same hour. An officer and party of Wireless operators arrived from 1st. Aust. Div. and went forward to relieve forward stations.	
	"	17th.	Headquarters transport moved from Merris to Renescure billeting there for the night. Snow began to fall and travelling was very difficult. cold. No. 2 Section, with 8th. Inf. Bde., closed office at Kemmel at 11 a.m., and travelling by train to DESVRES, opened office there at 9 p.m. No. 4 Section, with 15th. Inf. Bde, closed office at DESVRES, and opened at PARENTY 11 a.m.	
	"	18th.	Company Headquarters handed over office at Ulster Camp to 1st. Aust. Div. at 10 a.m. and opened office at SAMER at same hour. Personnel was conveyed by train from DeKennebak to Desvres, and from there to Samer by lorries.	
	"	19th.	Headquarters transport trekked from Renescure to Thiembronne, camping there for the night. Snow lay very thick on the ground but roads were still good. Dispositions of sections as at 18th. and until end of month were :- No. 2 Section with 8th. Inf. Bde. at DESVRES, No. 3 Section with 14th. Inf. Bde. at FRENCQ, and No. 4 Section with 15th. Inf. Bde. at PARENTY. Communication from all Brigades to Division was by telephone and telegraph over open wire routes. Division was connected direct to G.H.Q. at Montreuil. Transport of Company Headquarters completed their last stage from Thiembronne to Samer, having <i>taken</i> four days to come from Dranoutre. This last stage was finished under adverse circumstances. The numerous hills were covered with a thick mantle of snow which had frozen hard, and proved very trying on the horses. However, all managed to get through.	Transport of / <i>1/11</i>

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	Dec. 19th.		Transport of sub-sections, attached to Artillery Brigades, moved out en route for rest area, halting at Doulieu 1 p.m. and remaining there for the night.	
	" 20th.		Detachment with Divisional Artillery, having been relieved by detachment of 1st. Aust. Division, moved out per motor transport for LONGVILLERS. A halt was made at Doulieu for the night.	
	" 21st.		Transport of sub-sections and Artillery Headquarters detachment moved out from Doulieu, travelling as far as Renescure and remaining there for the night. Roads were still covered with snow frozen hard and travelling was very difficult.	
	" 22nd.		Sub-sections and Artillery Headquarters transport moved out from Renescure to Thiembronne and billeted there.	
	" 23rd.		Artillery H.Q. Detachment moved out from Thiembronne by road to Longvillers where they set up an office, with a D.R.L. Service to Div. Hd. Qrs. at Samer. No. 2 Sub-section with 14th. F. Art. Ede. moved out from Thiembronne and journeyed to Attin, where they remained, establishing an office for the circulation of despatches. No. 1 Sub-section with 13th. F. Art. Ede. journeyed to Montcavrel, and established a like office. In these positions the sections and sub-sections remained for a period of rest and training.	
<p><u>COMMUNICATIONS.</u> From 1st. to 17th. Dec. the communications in Divisional area remained identical with those shewn in diary for month of November. These communications were embodied in the xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx "Handing over report" attached as Appendix XV, and taken over by 1st. Aust. Div. in their entirety.</p> <p>During second half of month, with Divl. Hd. Qrs at Samer and Brigades and Artillery located in villages from six to twelve miles from Division, very scanty communication was maintained, and only lines of real necessity were authorised to be laid. The three Infantry Brigades each were connected to Division by open wire semi-permanent routes, over which telephone and telegraph were used.</p> <p>To the Divisional Artillery at Longvillers a cable route was run, connecting up with the exchange of No. 3 Section at Frencq. Beyond these lines, only a few local lines to staff offices in Samer itself were connected to Divisional Exchange. The Divisional Exchange was connected direct to G.H.Q. by telephone and telegraph. These lines were patrolled daily.</p>				
				Motor Cyclists/ <i>[Signature]</i>

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			<p><u>MOTOR CYCLISTS.</u> G.H.Q., Divl. Art.Hd.Qrs., and the three Infantry Brigades were connected by D.R.L.Service carried out by motor cyclists. Great difficulties were experienced at times in getting through to the different Headquarters on account of the deep snow drifts met with on the roads, and for a few days it was found necessary to send runners to meet motor cyclists on the main roads as it was impossible for the latter to ride their cycles along the third class roads. The cold also affected the machines, and many were put out of action temporarily during this period through frames breaking.</p> <p><u>PERSONNEL.</u> During the month 5 O.R.(including 1 permanently attached) were admitted to hospital sick, 8 O.R. rejoined from hospital, and 10 reinforcements were received from the Base. One N.C.O. was despatched to England to attend a Signal Service Cadet Course. Three Officers and eleven O.R. were granted leave to the United Kingdom, and one Officer and four O.R. to Paris.</p> <p><u>SCHOOLS.</u> A School for Battery Signallers was commenced at Dranoutre on 3rd. December, 65 O.R. attending. This school was closed temporarily on the move of the Artillery to rest on 20th. Sections with Infantry Brigades, on arriving in rest area, commenced schools for Battalion Signallers, and satisfactory work is being done in this respect. Courses of Instruction as shewn below were also attended :-</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td>Brigade Infantry School (1 week)</td> <td>2 N.C.Os.</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Linesmans Course, 5th. Army Signal School.</td> <td></td> <td>1 O.R.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wireless Course, do.</td> <td></td> <td>1 Officer.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2nd. Army Central School</td> <td></td> <td>1 Officer.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Veterinary Courses</td> <td></td> <td>2 O.R.</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>HORSES AND MULES.</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td>Present establishment</td> <td>47 rides</td> <td>71 light draughts.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Present strength</td> <td>49 rides</td> <td>47 " " and 19 mules.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Evacuated during month</td> <td>2 L.D.</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Brigade Infantry School (1 week)	2 N.C.Os.		Linesmans Course, 5th. Army Signal School.		1 O.R.	Wireless Course, do.		1 Officer.	2nd. Army Central School		1 Officer.	Veterinary Courses		2 O.R.	Present establishment	47 rides	71 light draughts.	Present strength	49 rides	47 " " and 19 mules.	Evacuated during month	2 L.D.		
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			<p><u>AUSTRALIAN CONSCRIPTION REFERENDUM</u> Polling in connection with the Australian Conscription Referendum took place on 11th. December.</p>	
			<p><u>APPENDICES.</u> The following appendices are attached :-</p>	
			<p>Appendix I. Visual Communications. " II. Wireless Communications. " III. General Route Plan . " IV. Right Infantry Circuit. " V. Left Artillery Circuit. " VI. Right Artillery Circuit. " VII. Centre Artillery Circuit. " VIII. Left Infantry Circuit. " IX. Route Plan - Samer Area. " X. Div. to Brigades circuit. " XI. Samer Billets. " XII. Personnel of Company as on 31.12.17 " XIII. Graph. D.R.L.S. and Telegraphic. " XIV. Graph - Telegraphic. " XV. Handing over report. " XVI. Company Routine Orders for month. " XVII. Brief Historical Resume of Company.</p>	

W. Stanley
.....Major
G.O. 5TH AUST. DIV'L. SIGNAL CO.

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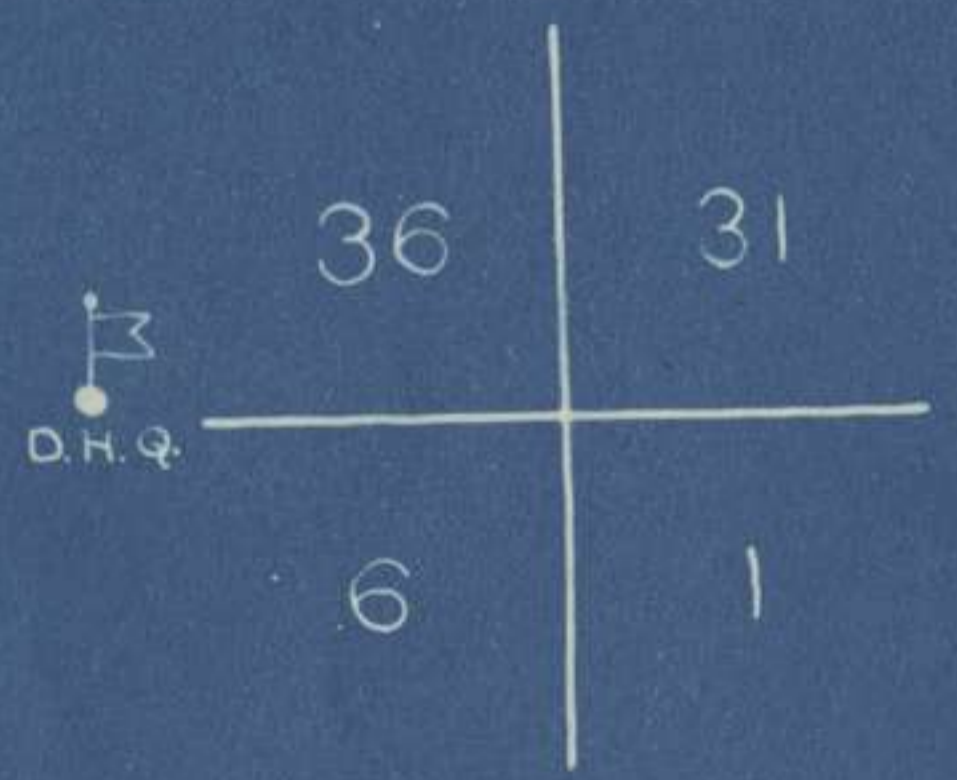
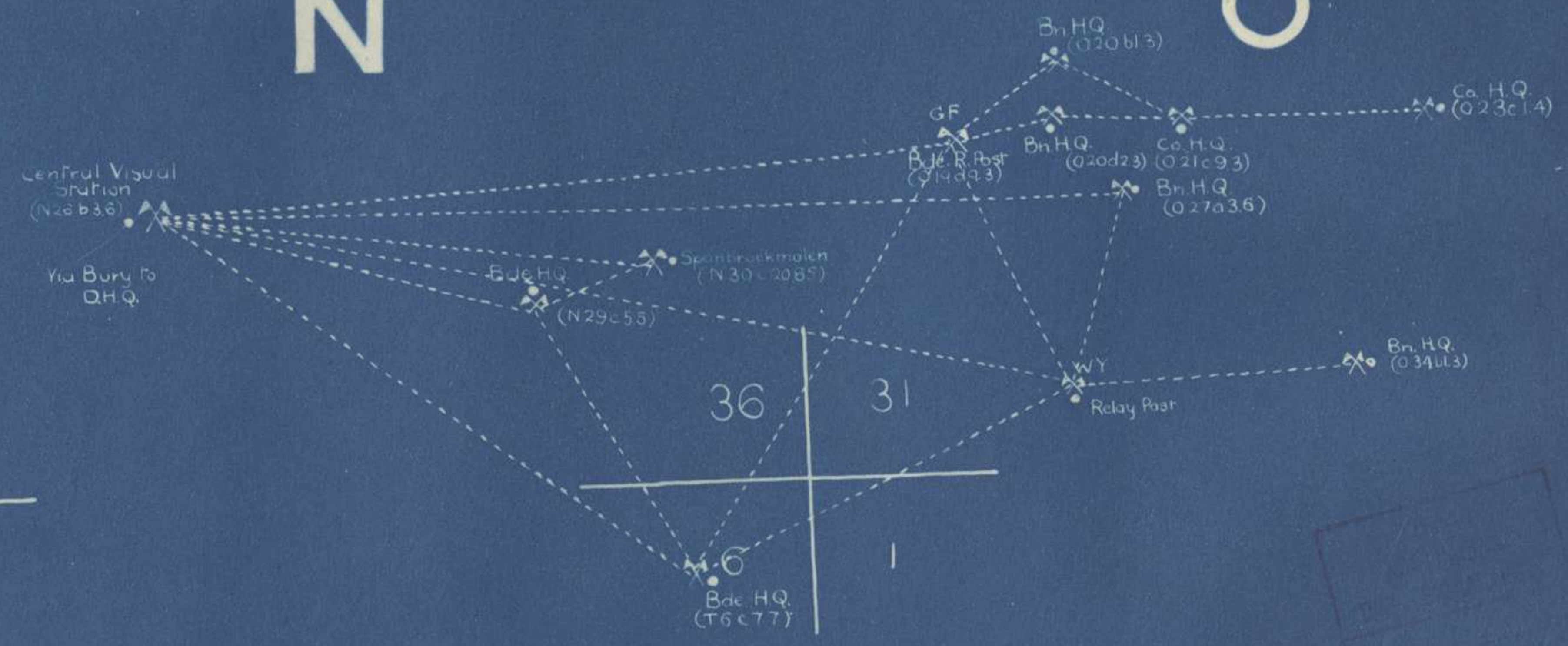
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To accompany War Diary, December

VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS
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COMMUNICATIONS

by
WIRELESS & P.B.A.

of
5th Australian Division

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D.H.Q.
Corps Directing Station
(M35d7.2)
[PT, MB, MG] 6

Bde HQ
FN26
(N24c55)
[MQ, CV, ZX]

[CY, PQMG] Bde. Fwd. Sqn.
FU2
(O27a7.7)
[CDU]

Co. HQ
FU25
(O28b1500)
[CEK]

Co. HQ
GU16
(U5b3510)
[CBR]

Bn. HQ
GU2
[MO, PD, ZG] [CDF]
(U10a67)

Co. HQ
FR43
(O10J25)
[CDQ]
Bn. HQ
(O10d1530)
[CP, Z, PE]

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FG71
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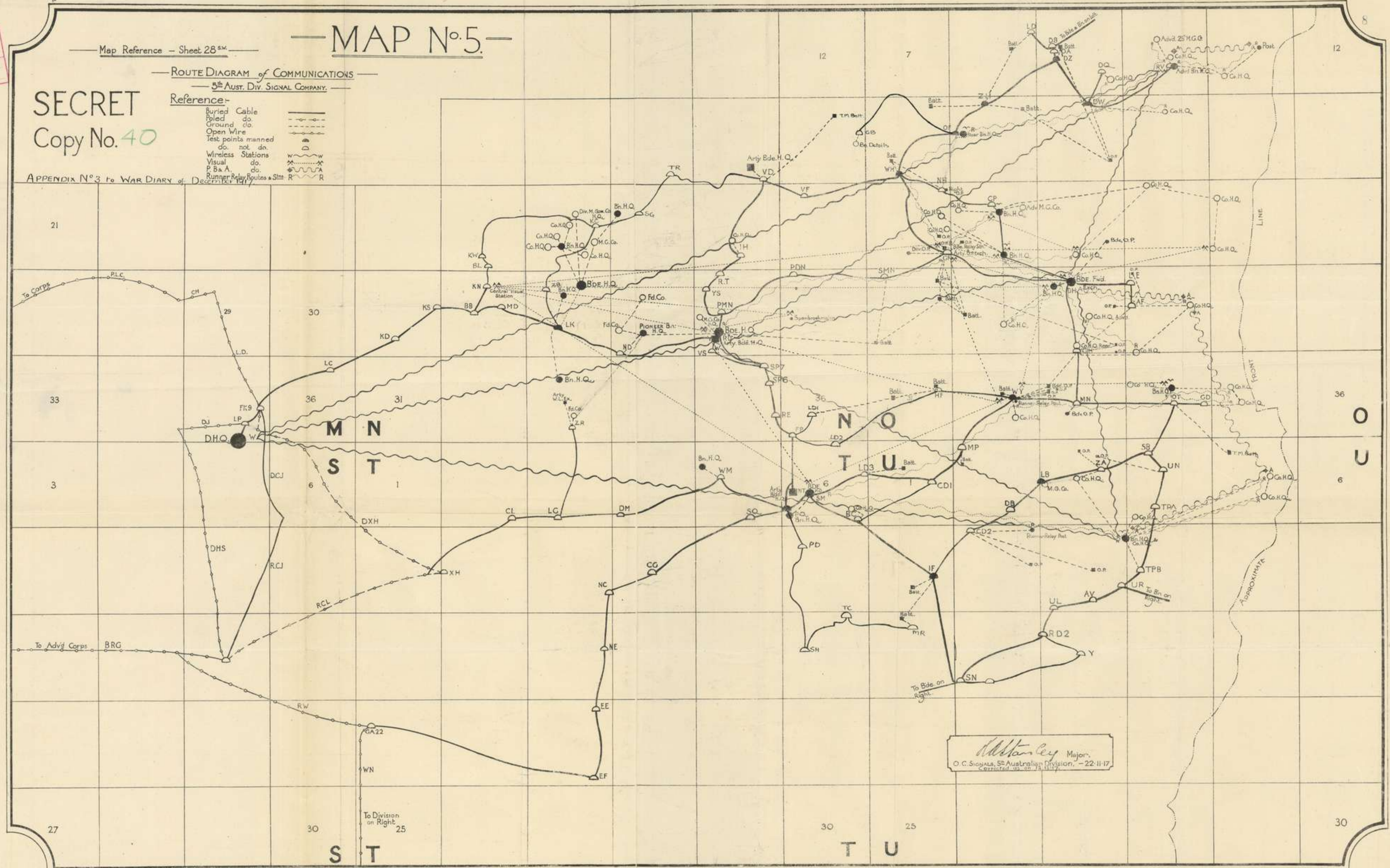
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ROUTE DIAGRAM of COMMUNICATIONS
5th Aust. Div. SIGNAL COMPANY.

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- Reference-
- Buried Cable
 - Poled do.
 - Ground do.
 - Open Wire
 - Test points manned
 - do. not do.
 - Wireless Stations
 - Visual do.
 - P. B. A. do.
 - Runner Relay Routes & Sites

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 O. C. SIGNALS, 5th Australian Division, - 22.11.17.
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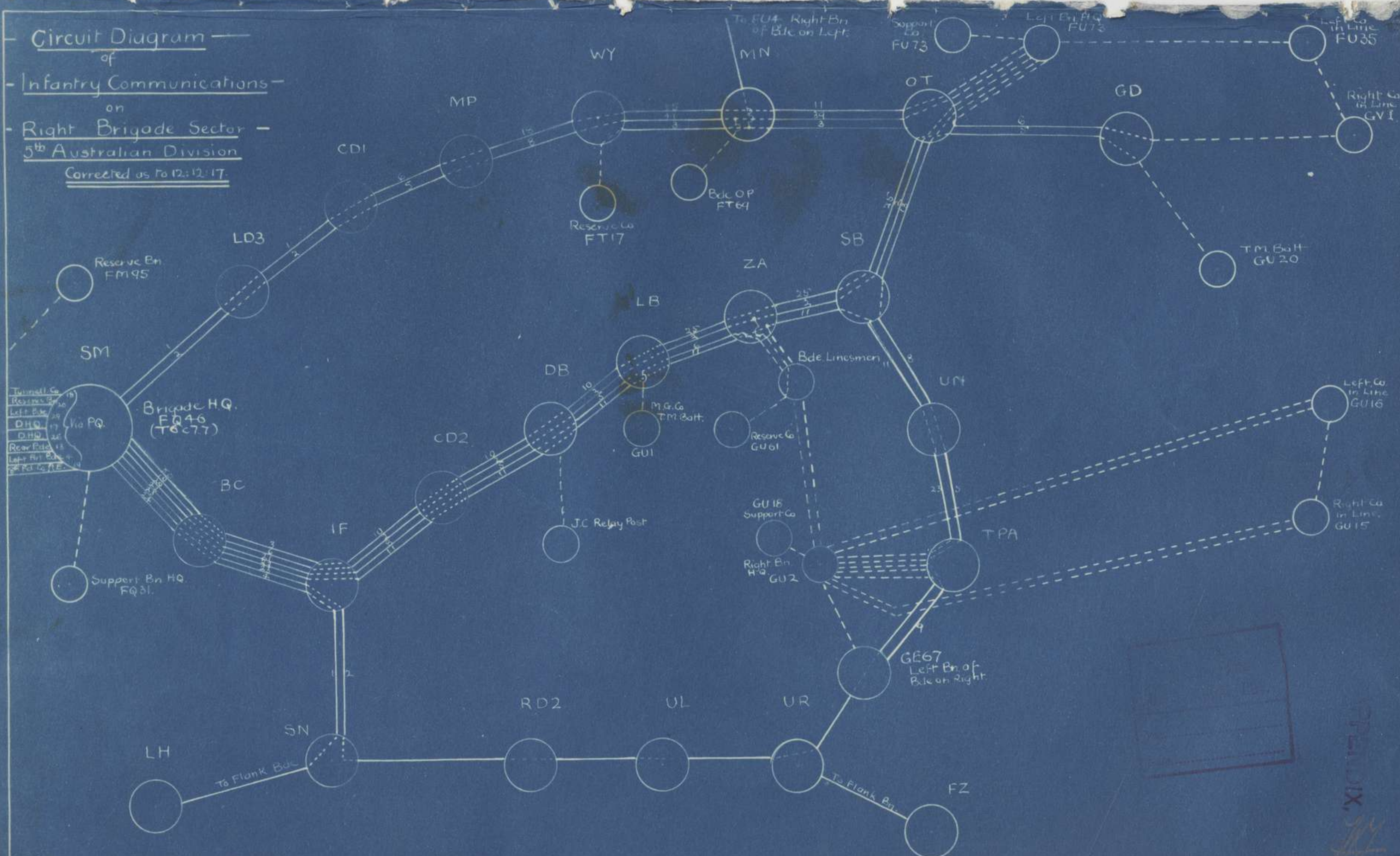
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Circuit Diagram
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Infantry Communications
on
Right Brigade Sector
5th Australian Division
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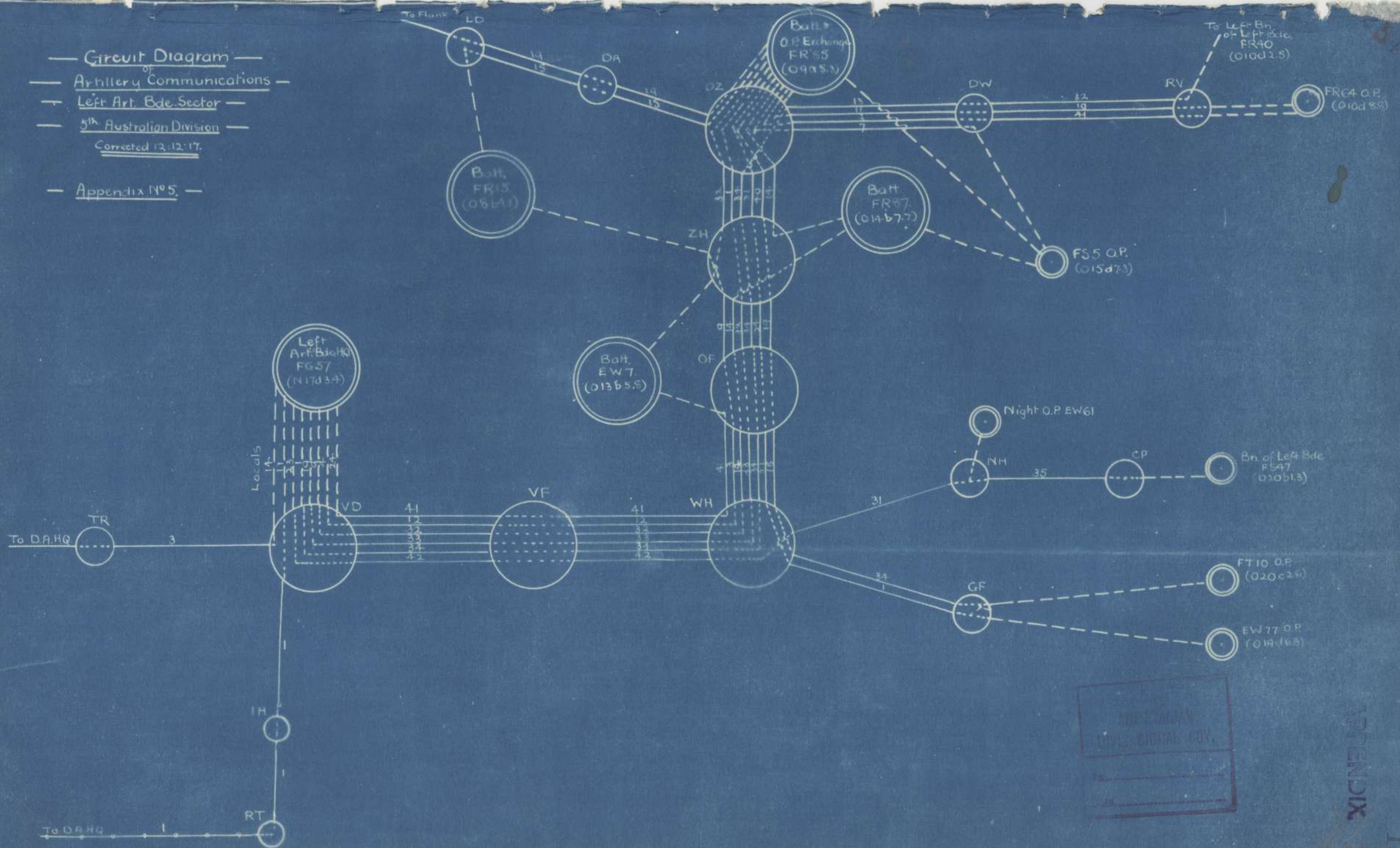


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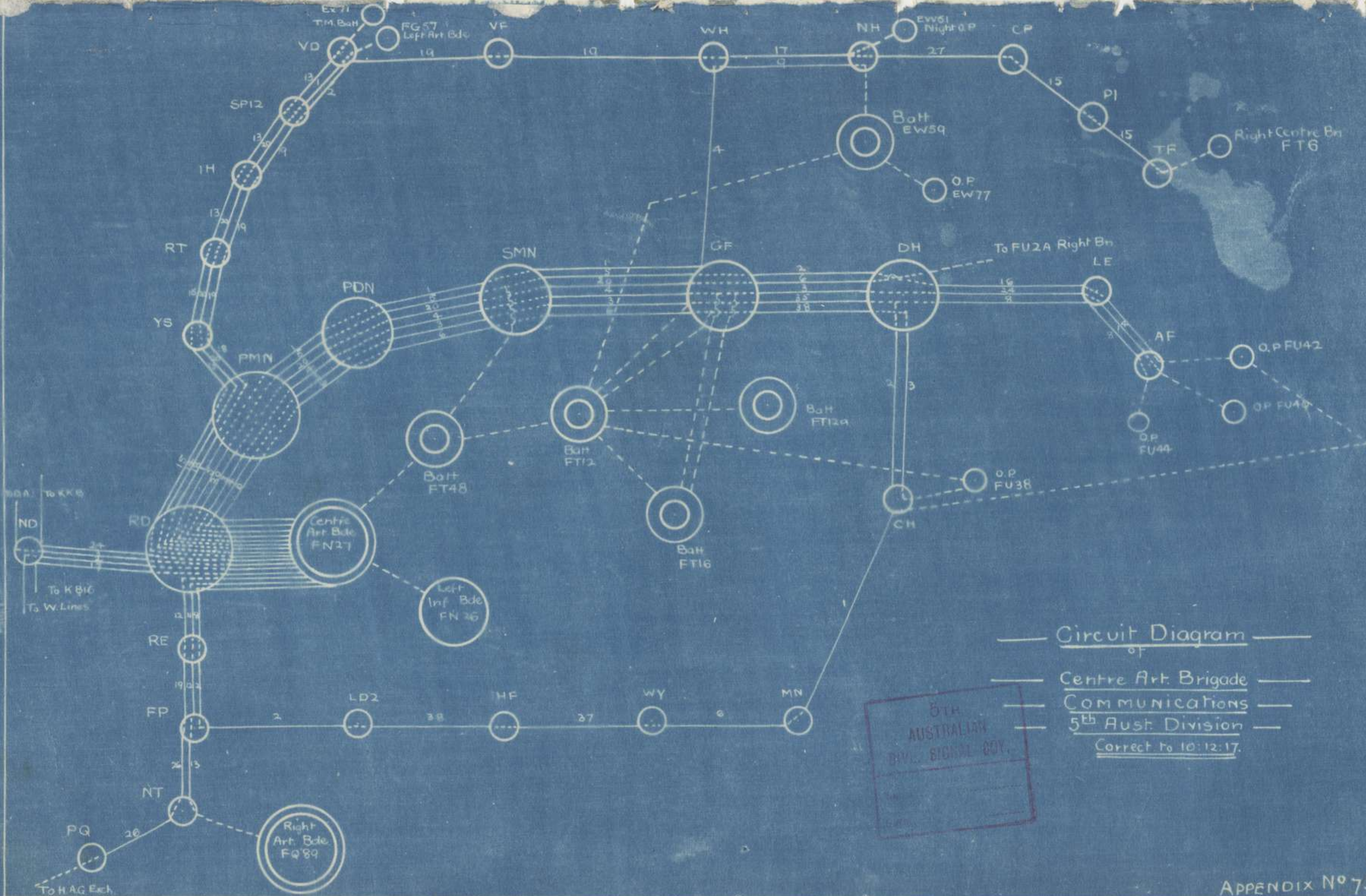
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 of
 — Artillery Communications —
 — Left Art. Bde. Sector —
 — 5th Australian Division —
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——— Circuit Diagram ———
 of
 ——— Centre Art. Brigade ———
 ——— Communications ———
 ——— 5th Aust. Division ———
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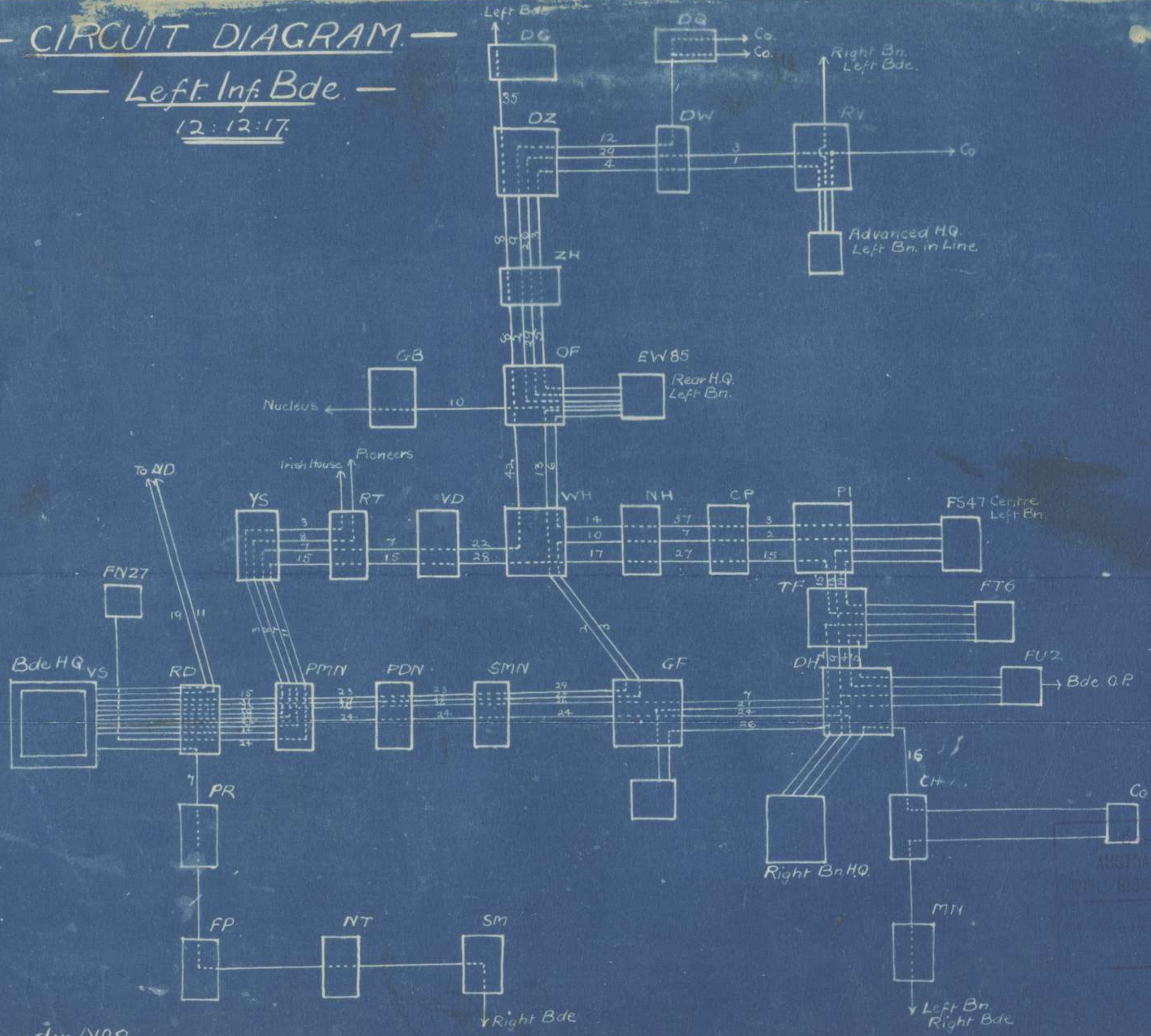
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CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

Left Inf. Bde

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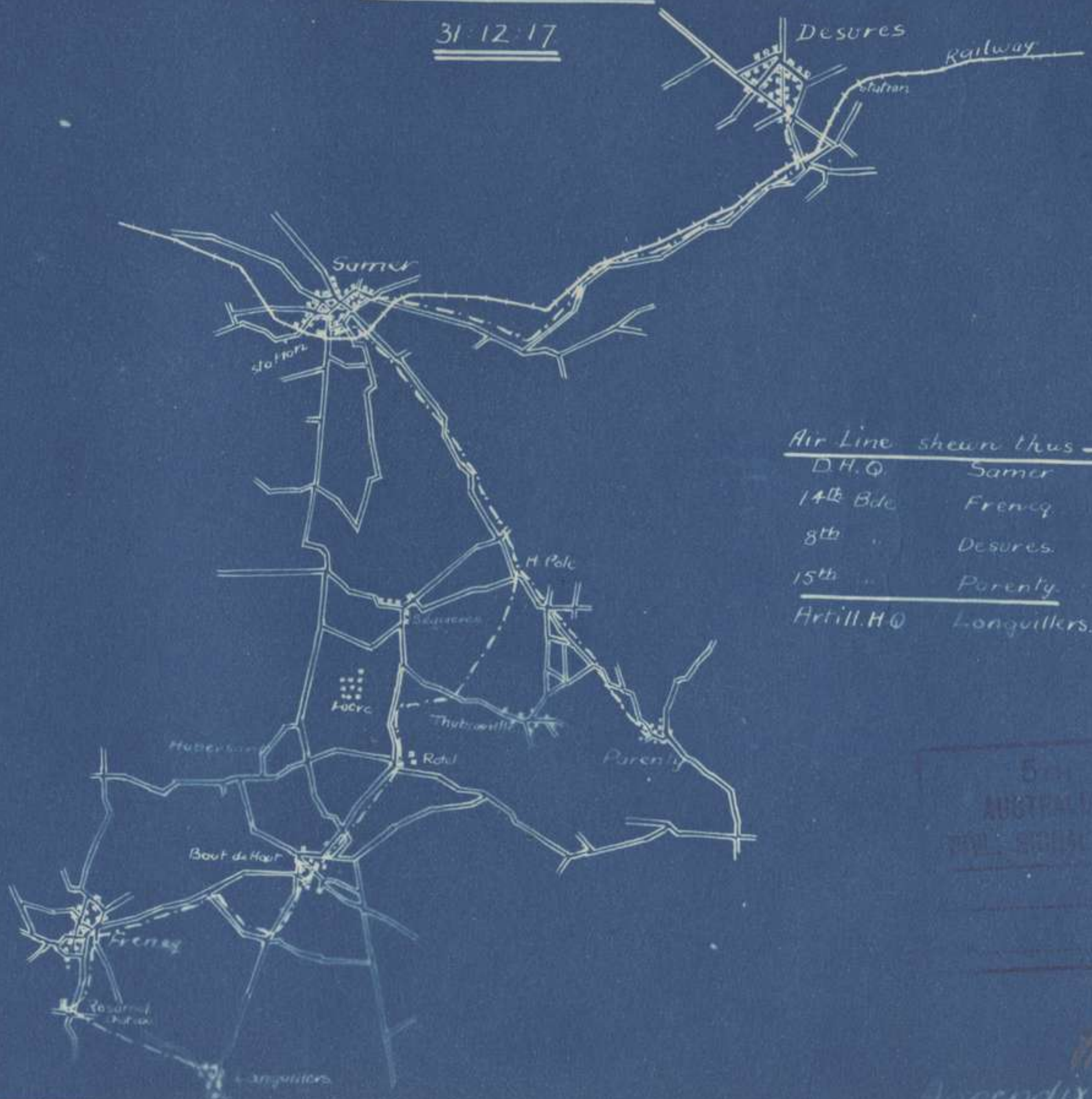
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ROUTE DIAGRAM

(SAMER AREA)

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Air Line shown thus	-----
D.H.Q.	Samer
14 th Bde	Frenay
8 th	Desures
15 th	Parenty
Artill. HQ	Longquillers

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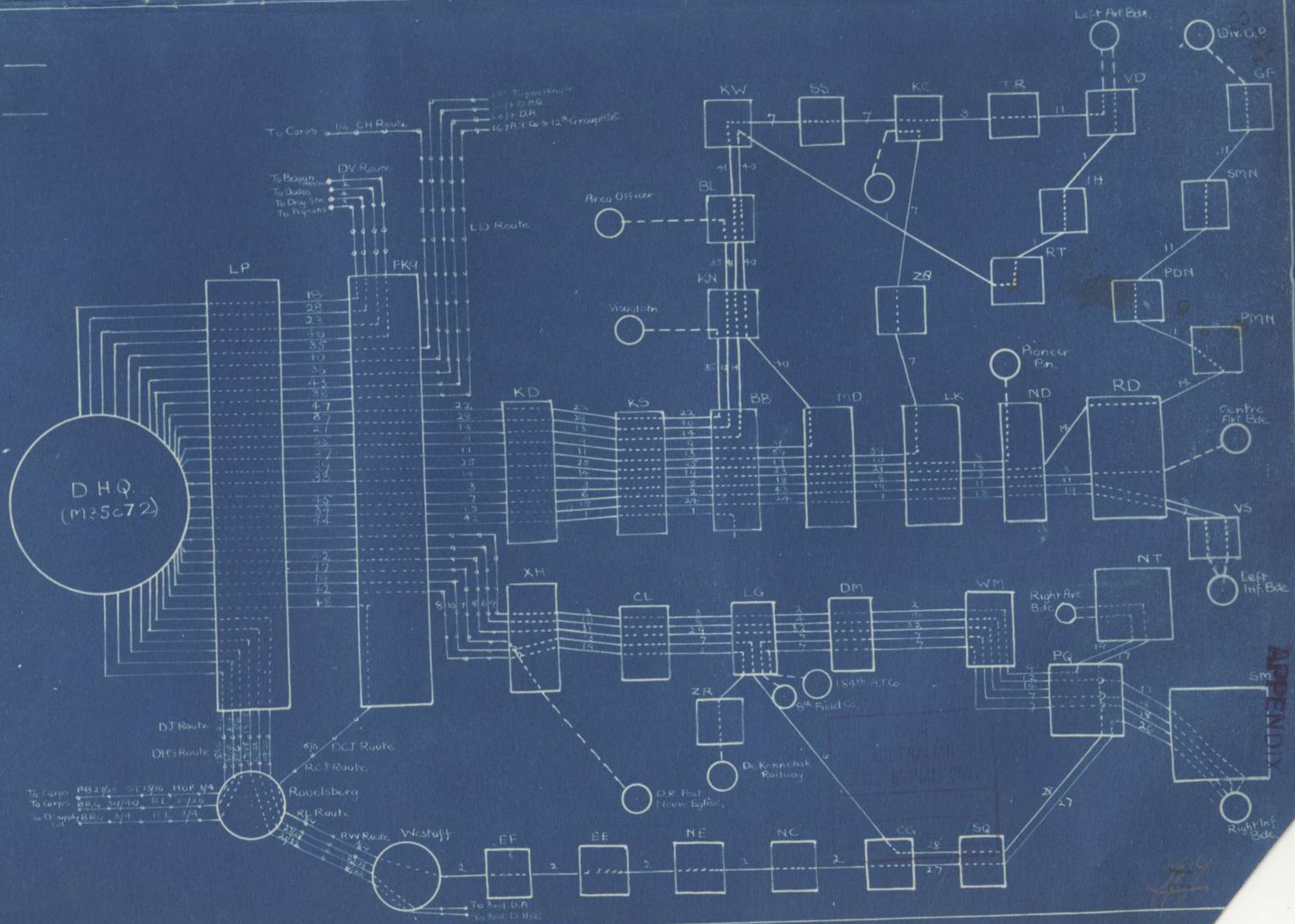
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Circuit Diagram
of
Communications
between
D.H.Q. & Brigade H.Q.
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PERSONNEL.

of a
DIVISIONAL SIGNAL COMPANY.
(War Establishment as on 31:12:17)
Yide (A.F. G1098-15A)

Total Present Authorised Strength

15 Officers (includes Supernumary),
362 O.R (ditto)
5 A.S.C.M.T. (Attached)
382.

1 Major: O.C. Sigs.

H.Q. Section.

1 Captain: O.C. & 2nd in Command.
1 C.S.M.
1 C.Q.M.S.
3 Sergeants.
5 Corporals.
2 2nd Corporals.
3 Lance-Corporals.
31 Sappers.
6 Drivers.
2 Batmen.

Attached:

5 Drivers A.S.C.(M.T.)
2 R.A.M.C. Privates (Abolished A.I.F. Order 1000.)

Supernumary:

4 Pioneer Bn Signallers. (G.S80).
1 Subaltern (Visual Officer G.S80)

D.A.H.Q. Detachment

1 Captain: O.C. Arty Sigs.
1 Sergeant.
1 2nd Corporal.
1 Lance-Corporal.
11 Sappers.
2 Drivers.
1 Batman.
Supernumary:
6 Signallers Arty. (G.S80)
6 Reinft Sigs. }

Nº1 Section.

A-Detachment:

1 Subaltern: O.C.
1 Sergeant.
1 Farrier Sgt.
2 Corporals
1 2nd Corporal.
2 Lance-Corporals.
16 Sappers.
12 Drivers.
1 Batman.

B-Detachment:

1 Subaltern: O.C.
1 Sergeant.
2 Corporals.
1 2nd Corporal.
2 Lance-Corporals.
1 Shoeing Smith.
16 Sappers.
12 Drivers
1 Batman.

Wireless Section.

1 Corporal.
1 2nd Corporal.
1 Lance-Corporal.
15 Sappers.
Supernumary:
1 Subaltern: O.C. Wireless (G.S80)

Inf. Bde. Sections.

Nº1 Sub-Section.

F.A. Bde.

1 Subaltern: O.C.
1 Sergeant.
1 Corporal
1 2nd Corporal.
13 Sappers.
2 Drivers.
1 Batman.

Nº2 Sub-Section.

F.A. Bde.

1 Subaltern: O.C.
1 Sergeant.
1 Corporal.
1 2nd Corporal.
13 Sappers.
2 Drivers
1 Batman.

Nº2 Section

1 Subaltern: O.C.
2 Sergeants.
1 Corporal.
1 2nd Corporal.
2 Lance-Corporals.
15 Sappers.
2 Drivers.
1 Batman.

Supernumary: (By G.S80)

8 Bn. Signallers
8 Reinft. do.
6 Power Buzzer Men
3 Pigeoneers
1 Subaltern

Nº3 Section

1 Subaltern: O.C.
2 Sergeants.
1 Corporal.
1 2nd Corporal.
2 Lance-Corporals.
15 Sappers.
2 Drivers.
1 Batman.

Supernumary: (By G.S80)

8 Bn. Signallers.
8 Reinft. do.
6 Power Buzzer Men.
3 Pigeoneers.
1 Subaltern.

Nº4 Section

1 Subaltern: O.C.
2 Sergeants.
1 Corporal.
1 2nd Corporal.
2 Lance Corporals.
15 Sappers.
2 Drivers.
1 Batman.

Supernumary: (By G.S80)

8 Bn. Signallers.
8 Reinft. do
6 Power Buzzer Men
3 Pigeoneers.
1 Subaltern.

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HEADQUARTERS.

O.C. Major R.A. Stanley
 2/ in Command. Captain C.H. Bath
 Artillery Captain V.D. Bowen .M.C.
 Supernumerary Lieut. W. Forrest (Visual Officer)
 Lieut. O.F. Metcher (Wireless Officer)
 Lieut. F.J. Murphy
 2/Lieut. H.F.J. Hiscock
 2/Lieut. B.E. Mudford

C.S.M. G.F. Fisher
 C.Q.M.S. E.C. Sjoberg
 Sergeant W.E. Jennings
 Corporal J. Williamson (Electrician)
 " J.L. Mounsey
 2/Cpl. L.C. Horner
 L/Cpl. T.G.B.C. Brown
 Sapper C.H. Allen
 " R. Hillier
 " E.R. Coombe
 " A.M. Wright
 " F. Jackson
 " A.J. Smith
 " I.C. Hammet
 " A.J. Hayes
 " F.E. Rumball
 " A.E. Giese
 " E.C. Lyford
 " W.S. Macauley
 " H. Holdsworth

Signallers and Despatch Riders.

Sergeant J.G. Johnston
 Corporal W. Hamer
 Sapper J.H. Pricor
 " I.W. Taysom
 " F.F. Coakley
 " R.R. Bieske
 " T.J. Gray
 " F.A. Guttridge
 " M.L. Edwards
 " H.A. Hambly

Drivers.

Driver W. Spencer
 " H.B. Shannon
 " H.M. Warneminde
 " E. Shaw
 " A.C. Bennell
 " E.G. Williams

Batmen.

Sapper G. Lee
 " C.H. Burgoyne
 " G. Saunders
 " W. Stevens

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HEADQUARTERS. (cont)Motor Cyclists.

Sergeant	E.W. Fysh
Corporal	F. Parnell (Artificer)
"	H.G. Broadbent
"	F. Hanley
"	W.G. Irons
"	E.R. Kittson
"	G.D. Lawson
"	H.F. Mitchell
"	J.L. Paddock
"	R. Power
"	W.H. Scope
"	H. Sparrow
"	J.F. Thiele
"	R.A.B. Vance
"	W.H. Keir
"	E.L. Goldsworthy

Unallotted.

Corporal	W.J. Buchanan
L/Cpl.	T.N. Suckling
"	E.A. Parker
Sapper	C.H. Angwin
"	H.M. Clyne
"	J.M. Graham
"	S. Bott
"	W.J. McDonald
"	C.A. Scott
"	M. Brown
"	W.E. Buckley
"	E. Gray
"	C.A. Dale
"	A.J. Nicol
"	J.N. Gardiner
"	S. Lunch
"	Law E.
"	Bawdon W.
"	W. Brown
"	U. Gilbert
"	W. Smith
"	R. Forrestal
"	C. Friend
"	J. Millard
"	L.A. Terrell
"	G.K. Gregor
Driver	W.T. Fraser

Wireless Section.

Corporal	J. Cain
2/Cpl.	T. Wallen
L/Cpl.	Jas. Clarke
Sapper	F.A. Wright
"	A.H. Wright
"	E.R. Byrnes
"	C. Ekberg
"	H.C. Coles
"	J.L. Hamilton
"	A.C. Birks
"	F.B. Hauser
"	J.R. Dillon
"	F. Grice
"	J.J. Cahir
"	E. Boyce
"	H.P. Lawley
"	H.D. Sutton
"	L.C. Waterworth
"	G.W. Williams

Power Buzzer Personnel.

Sapper	S. Hill
"	H.R. Richardson
"	D.S. Charles
"	G. Smyth
"	A.B. Cox
"	A.O. Thomas
L/Cpl.	H.C. Tollis
Sapper	G. Badcock
"	W.G. Lickiss
"	P.J. Conlon
"	W.G. Rigby
"	A. Bell
"	L. Ellis
"	S.Y. Pace
"	T. Taylor
"	F.R. Brown
"	R.J. Rumball.

No. 1 Cable Section.

Lieut. G.N.Dixon.M.C.
 Farrier Sgt. R.J.Farrer
 Sergeant. J.Clarke
 2/Cpl. J.M.Watson
 Sapper C.E.Hyde.

Corporal J.H.Clark
 L/Cpl. A.Paterson
 Sapper C.J.Shiels
 " H.L.Pender
 " E.J.Collins
 " G.A.P.Hume
 " R.J.Simes
 " G.T.Cannon
 " E.W.Whyte.
 " -
 Driver E.Hogan
 " S.Brassil
 " F.T.P.Bain
 " C.M.Fraser
 " E.E.Jennings
 " F.Farren

Corporal T.R.Pitchford
 L/Cpl. R.A.Jones
 Sapper E.V.Bradwell
 " H.Greenwell
 " C.J.S.Wells
 " K.Parnell
 " F.G.Pomeroy
 " L.R.Muller
 " F.J.Holden
 " A.V.Coudrey
 Driver H.G.Hale
 " C.Aspinall
 " R.Bentley
 " F.W.Ireland
 " J.H.Hussey
 " F.M.Doyle

No. 2 Cable Section.

Lieut. S.L.Butler M.C.
 Sergeant -
 2/Cpl. R.Monckton
 S. & C.S. L.Sykes
 Sapper C.A.Wild

Corporal W.A.Grigg
 L/Cpl. L.H.Harris
 Sapper A.Farrow
 " R.M.Bright
 " W.L.Allnutt
 " F.E.Stone
 " A.W.Cooper
 " R.J.V.Williams
 " W.Scriven
 " E.K.Abraham
 Driver R.J.Kirkland
 " V.C.Kent
 " G.M.Welsh
 " W.P.Cole
 " W.T.Phillips
 " F.McCreddin

Corporal A.W.Sutherland
 L/Cpl. W.H.M.Taylor
 Sapper D.C.Anderson
 " R.J.Murray
 " R.Cornall
 " S.Temple
 " T.A.Perrott
 " H.A.Leeming
 " R.James
 " C.V.Hall
 Driver V.Henderson
 " J.T.Welsh
 " R.H.Batchelor
 " H.W.Harris
 " H.B.Doyle
 " K.P.Nance



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NO. 2 SECTION.

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Lieut. T.R. Collier
Sapper E. Wynne
"
Driver A. McDonald

Telephone Detachment.

Sergeant	A.F. Makeham
2/Cpl.	O.V. Hoskin
Sapper	R. Lovell
"	J.J. Mills
"	C.J.V. Raymo
"	W.J. O'Brien
"	J.E.B. Willington
"	W. Round
"	W.P.E. Lewin
"	C.W. Smith
"	A.H. Watson
L/Cpl.	T.J. Burley
Driver	J.C. Mills

Signallers and Despatch Riders.

Sergeant.	J.F. Harrison
Corporal	G.H. Roberts
L/Cpl.	G.E. Volk
Sapper	E.A. Wilson
"	J.D. Wilson
"	F.S. Withers
"	M.D. Clark
"	A.H. Dodd

Supernumerary.

Sapper	N.L. Moors
"	J.P. O'Connell
"	W. Scaife
"	B. Taylor
"	S.W. Canning
"	A.E. Clark
"	W.F. Doust.

NO. 3 SECTION.

Lieut. J.E.S. Stevens
Sapper J.F. Bowen
Sapper T.J. McElgunn
Driver L. Fitch

Telephone Detachment.

Sergeant.	A.E. Sheppard
2/Cpl.	S. Archbold
L/Cpl.	A.W. Roberts.
Sapper	J.W. Davis
"	E.L. Barrett
"	H.R. Marks
"	C.J. Evans
"	J. Gittens
"	J. Wilkie
"	R.H. Tannebring
"	A.A. Weir
"	H.W. Dadswell
Driver	R. Wardlaw

Signallers and Despatch Riders.

Sergeant	J.E. McAllister
Corporal	A.V. Browne
L/Cpl.	A.E. Stodart
Sapper	A.W. Davis
"	F. Eastwood
"	R. Crichton
"	R.H. Young
"	G.N. Cogle

Supernumerary.

Sapper	A. Hargreaves
"	R.G. Blackburne
"	S.K.S. Summers
"	A.A. Linton.



NO. 4 SECTION.

Lieut. J.D.Schwoder
 Sapper A.Noble
 " -
 Driver R.B.Noble

Telephone Detachment.

Sergeant. T.D.Henry
 2/Cpl. E.R.Jarvis
 L/Cpl. A.J.Matheson
 Sapper W.E.Baillie
 " J.Ford
 " W.G.Goode
 " J.R.Lowe
 " J.S.McBain
 " P.E.Nance
 " M.R.Tregale
 " G.T.R.Wilson
 " G.W.Taylor
 Driver D.C.N.McKay

Signallers and Despatch Riders.

Sergeant. R.S.Owen
 Corporal W.G.Duncan
 B/Cpl. C.C.Schrader
 Sapper P.H.Allen
 " J.A.Berryhill
 " J.Callender
 " A.J.S.Day
 " A.W.Green

Supernumerary.

Sapper G.Hildebrand
 " H.G.Jarman
 " R.Wallace
 " R.A.Radecki.

R.A.H.Q. DETACHMENT.

Sergeant. R.T.Millar
 2/Cpl. E.W.Readford
 L/Cpl. A.M.Coulson
 Sapper J.Mathieson
 " G.T.H.Yates
 " A.E.Godbold
 " G.Baker
 " J.E.Stone

Sapper N.Walsh
 " T.D.Parmeter
 " R.C.Gordon
 " E.A.Webber
 " M.Donovan
 " D.Webster
 Driver E.Brady
 " R.S.Brunton.

NO. 1 SUB-SECTION.

Lieut. G.W.Young, M.C.
 Sergeant A.Voce
 Corporal C.Colman
 2/Cpl. A.L.Fulwood
 L/Cpl. -
 Sapper J.Pittard
 " A.C.Lickiss
 " H.L.Jones
 " W.N.Riley
 " A.H.Fearn
 " C.P.Drinkwater
 " L.M.Crawley
 " V.Cliff
 " G.Robinson
 " W.K.Birks
 " W.F.Douglas
 " E.Davies
 Driver J.E.Gerald
 " W.Holmes
 " C.Lowe

NO. 2 SUB SECTION.

Lieut. A.J.Sweetman
 Sergeant A.C.Jones
 Corporal H.H.Roberts
 2/Cpl. -
 L/Cpl. H.J.Wilkes
 Sapper G.M.Dingwall
 " A.P.Davoren
 " E.C.N.Biscombe
 " F.R.Briggs
 " O.R.Hanson
 " W.Guest
 " F.J.Hyland
 " G.G.Jones
 " G.S.Neville
 " S.Rowland
 " R.M.West
 Driver A.E.Smith
 " J.H.G.Stening

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Traffic Chart, D.R.L.S. & Telegrams, December 1917.

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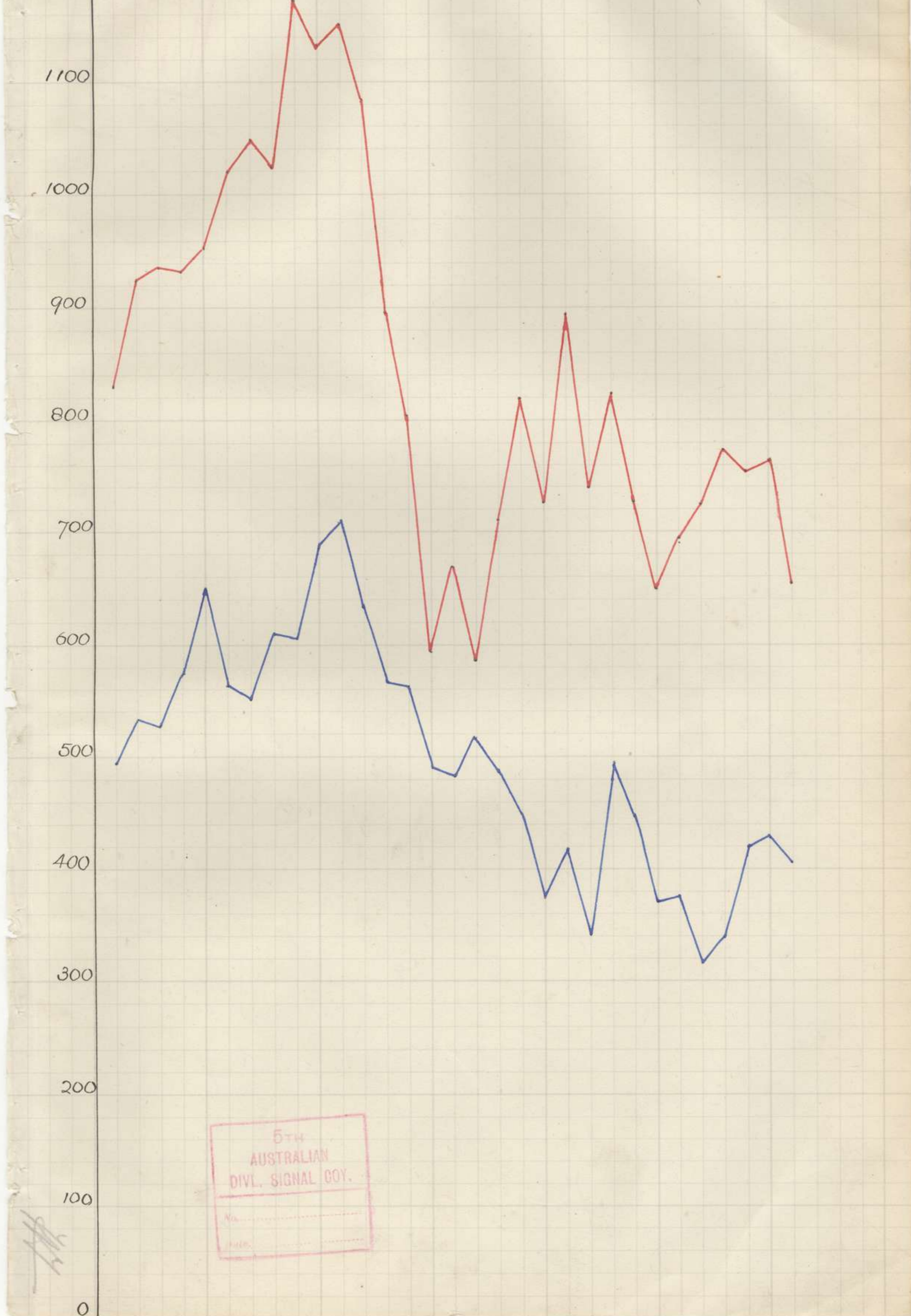
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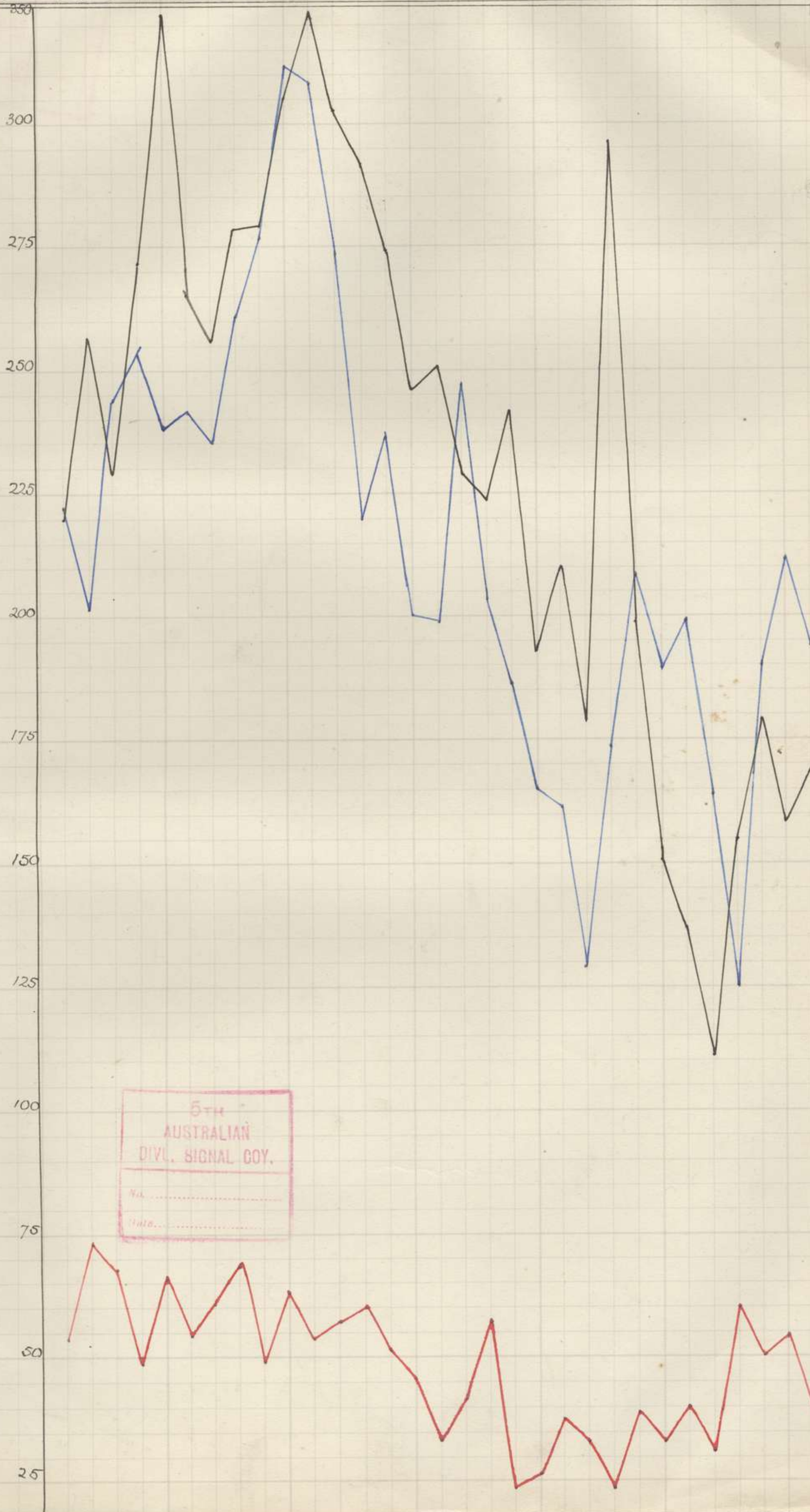
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BURIED CABLE. 600 yards 21-pair cable has been buried between Fc 56 and C.B. to replace old cable between Fc 56 and C D.1, also 250 yards of 42 pair cable between HF and BF.

MAINTENANCE. Maintenance of buried cable is undertaken by two area parties each under command of an Area Officer. One party is situated on the left at KEMMEL, the other on the right at PQ test point forward of NEUVE EGLISE. To the left area party 1 N.C.O. and 10 men from Division and 3 from Brigade in line are attached, and to right party 1 N.C.O. and 8 men from Division and 2 from Brigade are attached for period division is in the line. These men are distributed in small parties among forward test boxes.

WIRELESS. Corps Wireless Station is located at Divl. Hd.Crs, Ulster Camp, M.35.c.7.2. Forward Wireless Stations are located at :-

Left Bde. H.C.	Regent's Bugeuts	N.29.c.5.5.
Left Bn., Left Bde.,	Ravine Wood	O.10.d.1.3.
Right Bn., Left. Bde.,	Derry House	O.27.a.7.7.
Right Bn., Right Bde.,		U.10.a.0.7.

Power Buzzer and Amplifier Stations are located as under :-

Left Bn., Left. Bde.	O.10.d.2.5.
Right Bn., Left. Bde.	O.27.a.7.7.
Right Bn., Right Bde.	U.10.a.0.7.

working with forward stations at Company H.C. at

O.11.b.2.1.
O.28.b.4.0.
U.5.b.3.1.

Diagram of complete scheme is attached.

CHARGING ACCUMULATORS. A Corps Charging station is established at GUY FARM, and serves stations on left. This is manned by Div. Wireless personnel. The right sector has accumulators charged from a lead off Lighting set at MIDLAND FARM. A mechanic is required to supervise charging.

MOTOR CYCLISTS. 1 Motor cyclist takes despatches to Reserve Bde. at Kemmel, Left Bde. Hd.Crs., Left and Centre Groups Artillery. A second cyclist to Right Bde., Right Group Artillery and D.R.Post at NEUVE EGLISE. Time table is attached. Orderlies deliver round camp and to local deliveries in BRANOUTRE itself. Div. Relay Post at NEUVE EGLISE is manned by 1 D.R.Clerk with phone and orderly with cycle. List of deliveries is attached.

VISUAL. Visual Station is located on MONT KEMMEL, just below the tower at M.25.b.2.6. This is a receiving station only, and is always manned. Forward stations are located at :-

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Left Bde. Hd.Crs.	N.29.c.5.5.
Left Bde. Adv.	O.19.d.9.3.
Right Bde. Hd.Crs.	T.6.c.7.7.
Right Bde. Adv.	O.32.d.4.9.
Bn. of Left Bde.	O.27.a.3.6.

These stations work laterally and to forward stations as shown in attached diagram. Forward visual stations test once daily to ensure instruments being in working order. Diagram is attached.

PIGEONS. Pigeon Left in charge of Sergeant is located in DRANCUTRE. This is connected to Div. by telephone. A motor cyclist from Divl. Signal Co. carries the pigeons forward to Bde. Hd.Qrs. 12 pigeons (2 per Battalion in line) are carried forward to Bde. Hd.Qrs in afternoon. Bde. pigeoneers take these on to Battalions at night, and remain with the birds all next day. If birds are not released, he brings them back in time to meet motor cyclist in afternoon.

DISTRIBUTION OF PERSONNEL.

Headquarters : 3 office shifts
1 Mechanic
8 motor cyclists
1 motor car driver.
3 electric light lorry personnel.

Horse Lines : C.O.S.S. and Stores.
Horse and Wagen lines
50-cwt. lorry
Canteen.
Accommodation for men.

Drancoutre Test Box 1 Lineman.

Pigeon Left : 1 motor cyclist
1 orderly

Left Area Officer 1 N.C.O. 10 linemen

Right Area Officer 1 N.C.O. 8 linemen

Visual Mont Kemmel 1 N.C.O. 3 men (Pioneers)

DR Post Kemmel 1 telephonist or DR Clerk + 1 orderly

Wireless :

Forward Stations :

W/T. Left Bn Left Bde.	O.10.d.15.30.	3 operators
W/T. Left Bde. Hd.Qrs.	N.29.c.5.5.	3 "
W/T. and Amp.R.Bn.LB.Bde.	O.27.a.7.7.	4 "
W/T. and Amp.L.Bn R.Bde.	U.10.a.0.7.	4 "
Amp.Stn complete	U.10.d.15.30. O.10 d. 25	2 "
do. Co.H.c.	O.11.b.2.1.	2 "
P.B.Stn complete	Co. H.c. O.28.b.45.00	2 "
do.	U.5.b.35.10	2 "
Charging Set	Guy Fara (Corps)	1 mechanic
		4 carriers
Accumulator Charging Set	S.Midland Fara	
run off Lighting Set.		1 mechanic
		4 carriers

ELECTRIC LIGHT. Electric light is provided by Div. Lighting set.

DIAGRAMS. Route diagrams of lines of communication also Wireless and Visual are attached.

RATIONS.Extra rations to be indented for :-

		O.	O.R.
Area Party	Kemmel	1	50
do.	P.Q.	1	24
Pigeoniers	Branoutre	-	6
Corps Operators	D.H.Q.	-	2
" Wireless	"	-	4
Linemen	Branoutre Test Box	-	2
Total		2	88

Rations for detached parties delivered by limber at :-

Kemmel	Area party and Div. linemen 56	=	60
	Visual 4		
WH Wytschaete	Linemen 12, Wireless 24,	=	36
P.Q.	Area party & Div. linemen 36	=	48
	Wireless 12		
D.H. Post, Neuve Eglise	DR clerk & orderly	=	2

Note - Carriers with wireless have been collecting rations at W.H and P.Q. and distributing them to forward parties.

The following parties call for rations :

Branoutre Test Box	Div. linemen 1, Corps line-an $\frac{2}{3}$,	= $\frac{3}{2}$
Pigeoniers	1 Div. orderly, 6 Corps men	= 7

LIST OF UNITS IN DIV. RELAY POST AREA. (Delivery of packages)

177 Tunnelling Co.	F.9.a.7.1.	Call	3	times daily
184 " "	F.5.c.5.8.	"	4	" "
102 Labour Co.	F.3 Central	"	4	" "
162 " "	F.13.d.1.4.	"	2	" "
106 " "	F.10.b.9.6.	"	4	" "
81 " "	F.3.c.9.5.	"	4	" "
C.O., O.X.F.	F.3. cent.	"	1	" "
C.A.R.O., O.X.F.	"	"	1	" "
Town Major Neuve Eglise		Delivered.		
13 Area Signal Detachment		"		
R.F.O. De Kennebak		"		
R.E. Dump De Kennebak		"		

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Subscribers to Telephone Exchange.30-line board.

1. Div. O.P.
2. First Anzac
3. G.O.C.
4. 167 A.T.Co. (2) 12 Group A.S.C. (3)
5. Left Inf. Bde.
6. G.S.O.1
7. First Anzac
8. C.R.E. (Adjut 2, C.R.E. 3).
9. Kennel Exchange
10. Junction to 10-line board
11. First Anzac
12. O.C. Signals
13. Right Inf. Bde.
14. "G". Staff
15. D.R. Post Neuve Eglise
16. "G" Staff
17. Corps Forward Belgian Mission (2) Div. Baths (3)
18. Reserve Inf. Bde.
19. Right Div.
20. Left Inf. Bde.
21. 8 A.A. Section
22. D.A.D.O.S. (2) Div. Train (3)
23. 5th Pioneer Bn.
24. Right Inf. Bde.
25. Message Phone
26. No. 5 Aust. Div. Supply Col.
27. 5th. Aust. Div. Art.
- 28.
29. A.D.M.S. (2) 15th. Aust. Ft Amb. (3)
30. Signals Orderly room.

10-line board.

1. Area Lines Officer, Kennel (Lt. Harris)
2. Branouire Test. Box.
3. A.P.M.
4. P.O. Test Box (2) De Kennebak Rly. (3)
5. Left Div.
6. Pigeon Loft.
7. Westhoff Farm (G.A.1.)
8. 1st. Aust. Fun. Co.
- 9.
10. Junction to 30-line board.

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ROUTES.

Pairs used on open wire routes and buried cables.

- 1st. Anzac AYE on DJ route 21/22, on DHS route 15/16, on HOP route 3/4, on SJ route 15/16, on FB route 27/28.
- 1st. Anzac. AYE on DJ route 3/4, on DHS route 9/10, on RL route 25/26, on BRG 39/40, on EUI 39/40, on BRM 29/30, on BRS 29/30, on SLM 19/20.
- 1st. Anzac. AYE on LD route 1/2, on CH 3/4, on PLC 3/4, on JP 3/4, on SJJ 13/14, on XJA 11/12, FLH 5/6.
- 5th.D.Sup.Col. AYE -3-LP-on DJ route 5/6, on DHS route 5/6, on RL route 3/4 on BRG route 3/4, on EUI route 3/4 - local to Sup.Col.
- Div. O.P. AYE to LP-53-FK9-14-KD-14-KS-19-BE-23-MD-21-LK-14-MD-14-RD-14-PMM-11-PDM-11-SMN-11-GF-thence local to O.P.
- Left. Bde. AYE to LP 45-FK9-7-KD-6-KS-2-BE-43MD-19-LK-11-MD-11-RD-8-VS-thence ground line to Bde. H.Q.
- Left. Bde. AYE to LP 34-FK9-15-KD-15-KS-24-BE-24-MD-1-LK-18-MD-19-RD-7-VS- thence ground line to Bde. H.Q.
- AYE to Reserve Bde. AYE to LP 27-FK9-11-KD-11-KS-13-BE-59-MD-59-LK-7-ZB-7-KC-thence on No.5 ground pair to Bde. H.Q. at Chateau Kennel.
- Div. to Westhoff Farm AYE on DHS 19/20, RL 27/28- BE-27/28.
- 5th.Field Co. Line. From Right Bde. on local to SM, SM-18-PC-7-VH-7-IM-7-LC-thence ground line to Company.
- Div. to Right Bde. AYE to LP 48, FK9 on ICJ 4 pair on RCJ 5/6, on RL 5/6, on RW 5/6, on WH 8-BE-21-RE-2-CC-27-SC-27-PC-26-SM-on local to Bde.
- Div. to Right Bde. AYE to FK9 thence on DXH 6 to XN 10, CL-10-LG-3-IM-4-WM-12-PC-17-SM- thence ground line to Bde.
- Div. to P.Q. Box (Pilot) AYE on DXH 8 to XN, 31-CL, 31-LG-29-IM-22-WM-14-PC.
- AYE to Le Kennelbak. AYE on DXH 8 to XN-19-CL-19-LG-17-ZR-thence local to Hwy. Note : Latter two are party to XN.
- Right D.A. AYE to LP on DHS 21/22, 15/16 on RL, 37/38 on TAP, to Right D.A. ground line.
- Div. to Right Div. AYE on DHS 17/18, DJ 17/18, ICJ 13/14, RL 21/22, RW 21/22, WH-7/8- WM-7/8, BR 5/6, TAP 15/16, STA 15/16, to AYC.
- AYE to Pioneers. AYE to LP 29, FK9-29-KD-29-KS-25-BE-17-MD-10-LK-8-MD-thence ground to Pioneers. 14th Field Co, 15th Field Co. and LK Dump are party ground line to Pioneers Exchange.
- AYE to Kennel Exchange. AYE to LP 47-FK9-22-KD-22-KS-23-BE-22-MD-22-KN- to Kennel Exchange. Kennel Exchange local.

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AYE to Mr. Harris. AYE to LP 37-EK9-28-KD-28-KS-10-KN-35-EL- thence local to Mr. Harris.

184 A.I. Co. Right Bde. to SM local, SM-18-PQ-7-WH-7-DM-7-LG- thence local.

8 A.A. Section. AYE to EP 44-EK9-12-KD-1-KS-thence local to Section.

Centre Art. Bde. AYE to EK9-3-KD-3-KS-8-BB-18-MD-8-LK-3-ND-3-PL-thence local to Art. Bde.

Left Art. Bde. AYE to LP 21-EK9-13-KD-13-KS-14-BB-14-MD-41-KN-41-KW-7-SS-7-KC-3-TR-11-~~VB~~-thence local.

do. AYE to LP 25-EK9-9-KD-9-KS-9-BB-9-MD-40-KN-40-KW-1 airline ~~RP~~^{VD}-1-VD-thence local.

167 A.I. Co. AYE to LP 38-EK9-thence on LD route No. 6 pair to Bde. by local from route

Also 12 Group ASC party up to junction with LD route, thence ground line.

Belgian Mission. AYE to LP 46-EK9-thence on DV route 1 and local to Mission.

DADOS & Div. Train party. AYE to LP 23-EK9-thence ~~xx~~ on DV 8 and local to subs.

15th. F. Amb. AYE to LP 28-EK9-thence on DV 4 and local to Dressing Stn.

Francoultre Pilot. AYE to LP 41-to EK9-on Francoultre box.

Pigeons. AYE to LP 26 - EK9-then on DV 3 and local to Pigeons.

1st. Aust. Fun. Co. AYE to LP 40-EK9-then on LD route No. 14 pair ~~to~~ local to Co.

Right Art. Bde. AYE to LP 17-EK9-on DXH 9-to XH-3-CL-3-LG-3-IM-2-WK-9-~~JP~~-19-NI-thence local to Bde.

do. AYE to LP 19-EK9-then on DXH 10 to XH-13-CL-13-LG-6-CG-28-30-28-~~28-28~~-P.Q.-17-NI-thence local to Bde.

12th. H.A. Group. AYE to LP 22-EK9-8-KD-8-KS-8-BB-4-MD-4-KN-9-EL-thence ground to group.

D.R. Post, Neuve Eglise. AYE to LP 17-EK9- on DXH 5 to XH-ground line all way to post.

Left. Div. AYE to LP 35-EK9-then on LD 10 etc. to Div.

Left. D.A. AYE to LP 45-EK9-then on LD 3 etc. to Div. Art.

Corps Heavies. AYE to LP 17-EK9-3/4 on DJ route, 1/2 on LCD route thence local.

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INSTRUMENTS.

Instruments used in Signal Office :-

Switchboard 30-line	1
do. 10-line	1
Test Panels	5
" Galvo.	1
Transformer Panels 4-way	2
S.C.Sets	6
Battery Boxes 10-cell.	8
Strip of 20 terminals	1
Message phone	1

Company phones in use :-

"G" Staff	Table set	1
G.S.O. 1	" "	1
G.O.C.	" "	1
"A" and "Q" Branches	" "	1
A.P.M.	" "	1
C.R.E.	" "	2
A.D.M.S.	" "	1
G.C.Signals	" "	1
Signals Orderly Room	" "	1
Message phone	" "	1
Testing phone	" "	1
Pigeons	" "	1
15th. Field Ambulance	" "	1
Div. O.P.	Trench Phone	1
Div. Relay Post.	" "	1
Div. Bomb Dump	" "	1
5th. Div. Supply Col.	" "	1
Div. Train	" "	1
D.A.D.O.S.	" "	1
5th. Pioneer Bn.	" "	1
A.A.Battery	" "	1
Div. Baths	" "	1
Div. Visual Stn.	" "	1

Visual Station.

Trench phone	1
Lucas lamps	1
Telescopes	2

Trench Test Box.

With Div. Linemen under Area Officer on Left.

Phones D.III.	8
P.O. 44	2
Q. and I.	2

With Div. Linemen under Area Officer on Right.

Phones D.III.	7
P.O. 44	1
Q. and I.	3

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WIRELESS INSTRUMENTS.

Wireless Station complete	H.29.c.5.5.	Div.
Wireless and Amplifier Station complete	O.27.a.7.7.	W/T. Corps Amp. Div.
Wireless Stn. complete	O.10.d.15.30	Div.
Amplifier Stn. complete	O.10.d.2.5.	Div.
do. do. do.	O.11.b.2.1.	Div.
Wireless and Amplifier Station complete	U.10.a.0.7.	Corps.
Power Buzzer Stn.	O.28.b.45.00	Corps.
do.	U.5.b.35.10	Corps.
Charging Set	Goy Farm	Corps.
Lighting Set.	S. Midland Farm	Area Stores.
Div. Lighting Set.	Ulster Camp	Div.

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-----I ANZAC CORPS.

Leave 1 ANZAC Corps	7 a.m.	12 noon	4 p.m.	8 p.m.
Leave 5th Aust. Div.	8.15 a.m.	1.15 p.m.	5 p.m.	9.15 p.m.

Right Infantry and Artillery Brigades.

Leave 5th Aust. Div.	7 a.m.	11.30 a.m.	2.30 p.m.	9 p.m.
Arr. Right Art. Bde.	7.40 a.m.	12.10 p.m.	3.10 p.m.	9.40 p.m.
Leave do	7.45 a.m.	10.25 a.m.	3.15 p.m.	9.45 p.m.
Arr. Right Inf. Bde.	7.50 a.m.	12.15 p.m.	3.20 p.m.	9.50 p.m.
Leave do	7.55 a.m.	10.30 a.m.	3.25 p.m.	9.55 p.m.
Arr. 5th Aust. Div.	8.35 a.m.	11.10 a.m.	4.5 p.m.	10.35 p.m.

L.Rs also call at D.R. Post NEUVE EGLISE en route.

Orderlies from 5th D.A.C. call at D.R. Post NEUVE EGLISE at 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily.

Reserve and Left Infantry Brigades.Left and Centre Artillery Brigades.

Leave 5th Aust. Div.	7 a.m.	11.30 a.m.	2.30 p.m.	9 p.m.
Arr. Res. Inf. Bde.	7.30 a.m.	12.45 p.m.	3 p.m.	9.30 p.m.
Leave do	7.35 a.m.	10.45 a.m.	3.5 p.m.	9.35 p.m.
Arr. Left Art. Bde.	7.55 a.m.	12.20 a.m.	3.25 p.m.	9.55 p.m.
Leave do	8 a.m.	10.25 a.m.	3.30 p.m.	10 p.m.
Arr. Left Inf. Bde. and Cent. Art. Bde.	8.35 a.m.	12.15 p.m.	4.5 p.m.	10.35 p.m.
Leave do	8.40 a.m.	10.30 a.m.	4.10 p.m.	10.40 p.m.
Arr. 5th Aust. Div.	9.25 a.m.	11.15 a.m.	4.55 p.m.	11.25 p.m.

(Sgd)

R.A. Stanley,

Major,
O.C. Signals, 5th Aust. Division.

20th. November, 1917.

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by

Major R. A. STANLEY, O.C., 5th. Aust. Divl. Signal Co.

1st. December, 1917.

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COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE - PRELIMINARY NOTICE :

A referendum poll on the question of compulsory military service outside Australia will be held between 1st. and 10th. December, and full details regarding the method of taking the vote etc. will be communicated later.

571.

LIGHTS. (2nd. Army R.O. 1335).

" A number of the lights shown in the Army area are likely to
" serve as guides to hostile aircraft.
" For the safety of the troops and civilian inhabitants, and
" of factories, railways, etc., engaged on work for the Armies,
" it is essential that such lights shall cease to be shown.
" All lights will, therefore, be extinguished or completely
" shaded one hour after sunset.
" All ranks will assist the police and gendarmes both by
" complying with the order themselves and by bringing to notice
" any infringement of the order.

572.

DEFENCE AGAINST GAS.

" The Western boundaries of the zones in Second Army area
" are as follows :

- ALERT ZONE Pont de Nieppe - Petit Pont - Walverghem -
Spanbroekmolen - Voermezeels - Trois Rois -
Ypres Ecole - Wieltje - Boesinghe (aall inclusive)
- READY ZONE Estaires - Steenwerck - La Creche - Branoutre -
Loere - La Clytte - Dickebusch - Brielen -
Eilverdingne - Woesten - Kortkeer - (all
inclusive).
- PRECAUTIONARY Zone. Steenbecque - Morbecque - Pradelles - Fletre -
Godewaersvelde - Abeele - Watou - Houtkerque -
Kruystraete - Les 5 Chemins -(all inclusive).

" Notice boards are being put up in accordance with the
" ~~above~~ above. All existing notice boards indicating "Wind Safe,
" (Dangerous) "or" Gas Alert On (Off) "etc., will be destroyed. "

573.

PAY WHILST ON FURLOUGH. (A.I.F. Order 973)

" Approval has been given for the following increases in the
" amounts payable to non-commissioned officers and men on leave
" from France who so desire and have sufficient funds to their
" credit :

- For Privates £1.10.0 per diem for the number of days
for which ordinary leave is granted.
- For N.C.O's £2.0.0. per diem for the same period.

" The maximum amounts payable in each case will be £21
" and ~~£28~~ £28 respectively. "

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PRECAUTIONS AGAINST FIRE. (G.R.O.2717).

1. Fires, stoves, braziers, naked lights and smoking, are forbidden in any room or barn which contains hay, straw, or other inflammable material.
2. Where stoves and braziers are allowed in billets or huts, they must be placed on sheet iron or an earth or brick floor, and definite precautions must be taken to prevent ashes or bits of burning coal from falling out of the stove or brazier.
3. No open lighted brazier or naked light is to be left unattended in any hut or billet.
4. Cookhouses, Field Cookers, Forges and Incinerators will not be placed against the walls of any buildings, or in the vicinity of ricks or stacks of inflammable material. Their precise position will be fixed by an Officer.
5. Tent lanterns, when available, will always be used in billets, huts or tents; when these are not available and candles are used, they must be fixed in an empty tin to protect them on three sides and top and bottom, and placed as far as possible from any canvas or tarred material in the billet.
6. Petrol must not be used in any heating or cooking stove. Petrol, paraffin, oil and candles must not be stored near any stove, brazier, fireplace or lamp.
7. Buckets or tins containing water, sand or dry earth will be kept ready to hand in every billet or hut or tent for use in case of fire.
8. The greatest care must be used in throwing away matches or cigarette ends, knocking out pipes, or handling lighted candles. It is the duty of every man to realize the danger to life and property caused by carelessness in such matters.

With a view to ensuring that the instructions in the above are observed, Lieut. ISAACS, 8th. Field Co. has been appointed Fire Inspector. He will visit all Unit billets, huts, dug-outs, etc. and report to Headquarters of the Formation or Unit whether the instructions regarding fires are being properly carried out, or if there are any defects.

Harold J. [Signature]
Major
C.O. 5th Aust. Div. Signal Co.

NOTICES.

It is proposed to hold a competition amongst artists, sculptors, etc. for models of a metal plaque which it is intended to give to the next of kin of Officers and men who have been killed or died of wounds, etc. in the war, and applications for reasonable leave for persons qualified to take part in the competition will be considered.

Applications, supported by credentials, should be submitted to this office as early as possible.

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by

Captain C.H. BATH, A/O.C. 5th. Aust. Divl. Signal Co.

15th. December, 1917.

575. PRIVATE TELEGRAMS. (1st. Anzac R.O. 495.)

Private telegrams cannot be accepted at Signal Offices. They can be despatched from the French Civil Post Office, BAILLEUL, but must bear the Censor Stamp of the Town Major, BAILLEUL.

576. WASTAGE IN HORSES. (2nd. A.R.O. 1406).

Every effort will be made to prevent wastage in horses. DRAUGHT HORSES, including those in officer's mess carts, are not to be trotted. The only exceptions allowed will be :- (a) When the transport is under fire. (b) In other emergencies, under an order signed by an officer. Whenever draught animals are sent out on a duty which may be of long duration and involve periods of standing, rugs are to be carried on the vehicles and put on the horses during halts. Feed will also be taken. All horse-drawn vehicles will be fitted with two 4-gallon or four 2-gallon petrol tins for the carriage of water, and water will be carried if there is likely to be any difficulty in finding it for the animals. The method of carrying petrol tins is shown in Army Standing Orders, Part II, sheet 5. RIDING HORSES are not to be trotted :- (a) On pave or down the centre of hard roads. (b) At a pace exceeding 9 miles an hour. All officers will make it their duty to see that these orders are obeyed, and control posts will report every case of disobedience.

This order is to be read on parade three times to all mounted men and drivers.

577. DAMAGE TO RAILWAYS.

Second Army Routine Order 572 is republished for information. Riding or walking along railway tracks in the Second Army Area is forbidden. There have been numerous reports of damage to railways caused by troops riding or walking along lines contrary to the above order, especially in the wet weather. Units will take severe disciplinary action against all offenders.

578. CLOTHING --- UNAUTHORISED ALTERATIONS TO . (Corps R.O. 407).

G.R.O's. 2855 and 1850 are republished for information :- 2855. A certain number of service dress garments returned by the troops are found to be in a condition which renders them unfit for re-issue, although the material itself is frequently quite serviceable. Such clothing has been improperly altered in pattern. Especially is this the case with trousers, which have either been reduced in length or taken in to fit the shape of an individual soldier's leg presumably to give neatness in folding the puttees. This practice which is causing waste at a time when the most rigid economy is essential, must cease. 1850. It has come to notice that certain units have been in the habit of wearing shorts as part of the recognised S.D. uniform, and that the trousers issued to the men have been cut down for this purpose. The practice of cutting down trousers into shorts is to cease.

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579. RATE OF EXCHANGE. (A.I.F. Order 1004).

" The rate of exchange for issue of cash to the troops of
 " the Expeditionary Force has been fixed at the rate of five francs
 " equals three shillings and eightpence for the month of December, 1917."

580. FORFEITURE OF PAY - VENEREAL DISEASE. (A.I.F. ORDER 1005).

" Any member of the A.I.F. will forfeit his pay and field
 " allowance for every day he is in hospital suffering from venereal
 " disease, unless it can be proved to the satisfaction of the D.M.S.,
 " A.I.F., that such venereal disease was inherited or acquired prior
 " to his enlistment in the A.I.F. "

581. POSTAL ADDRESSES. (A.I.F. ORDER 1007).

" A considerable portion of mail matter addressed from the
 " United Kingdom to members of the A.I.F. in FRANCE fails to reach
 " addressees because of the wording of the address. A letter addressed
 " to a soldier at " 3rd. Divl. Amm. Column, B.E.F." for instance,
 " would first go to the Imperial unit of that name, and would then be
 " marked "Undeliverable", and returned to the sender. The British
 " Army Postal Service does not re-direct letters.

" To ensure delivery, relatives and friends in the United
 " Kingdom should be instructed to use the word "Australian" or
 " A.I.F." in every case. The correct form of address is as follows :-

No. 0000 Driver BONESUCH. A.P.
 3rd, Australian D.A.C.
 A.I.F., ABROAD.

" The use of the letters "B.E.F." in addresses to members
 " of the A.I.F. is forbidden.

582. PARCELS POSTED IN THE UNITED KINGDOM. (A.I.F. ORDER 1008).

" Members of the A.I.F. should instruct that all parcels
 " posted to them from the United Kingdom should be handed in at a
 " principal British Post Office such as the following :-

London, Glasgow, Manchester, Birmingham, Sheffield, Bristol,
 Croydon, Bournemouth, Exeter, Baddersfield, Edinburgh, Belfast, Cambridge,
 Nottingham, Dublin, Uxbridge, Hull, Chester, Liverpool, Carlisle, Bath,
 Salisbury.

" Arrangements have been made that they will be delivered
 " direct to the Australian Post Office in London. If posted in a small
 " British Post Office in the United Kingdom they will be bagged amongst
 " other miscellaneous parcels, and sent to the British Post Office for
 " primary sorting. The Christmas rush has caused congestion at the
 " British Parcels Section, which occasions a delay of from 3 to 12 days.

" If the above instruction is followed quicker delivery of
 " parcels will be ensured and the British Post Office will be saved
 " unnecessary work at a time of great pressure. "

583. DRESS (A.H.C. 1467).

" Soldiers will be properly dressed when walking in towns,
 " and elsewhere whenever they leave a Battalion area to visit other
 " areas. Belts or bandoliers are to be worn. "Slacks" are not to be
 " worn. When overcoats are worn they will be kept buttoned. "

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584. RESTRICTIONS IN CONTENTS OF LETTERS (CORPS H.O. 485)

* G.R.O. 2041 is republished for information.

* It is forbidden to send or attempt to send to unauthorised persons intelligence summaries, Orders, Report Maps or any other Official documents, or to disclose or attempt to disclose their contents, except in the course of Official duty.

* It is forbidden to send or attempt to send to unauthorised persons any documents captured from the enemy, or found in places occupied by the enemy or other documents which may contain information about the enemy.

* It is forbidden to despatch or attempt to despatch to ENEMY or NEUTRAL countries :-

(1) Photographic or pictorial illustrations of any kind.
 (2) Newspapers, books, prospectuses etc., except when sent through the medium of publishers or authorised agents.
 (3) COMMUNICATIONS TO THE PRESS. All communications to the press on the subject of the war or on matters directly or indirectly connected with military matters are forbidden.

* All ranks are reminded that under King's Regulations, para. 453, they are responsible if persons to whom they write letters publish them. The fact of a communication bearing a censor stamp is not in any sense to be regarded as an authority for publication.

* PHOTOGRAPHS. The taking of photographs is not permitted, and the sending of photographs and films through the post is prohibited. This prohibition does not include photographs taken officially and bearing an endorsement that they have been passed by the Chief Field Censor.

* CIPHER. All correspondence must be in clear. The use of codes, ciphers or shorthand is prohibited.

* This order is to be read on parade and a copy initialled by every officer as it is reported that picture postcards, silk postcards photographs are being sent to neutral countries from units of the Corps franked by Officers and are being intercepted and stopped causing disappointment and useless expense to the senders.

585. PUNISHMENTS.

No. 1682a Sapper H.L. JONES was awarded two days F.P. No. 2 for the following offence committed on 2.12.17 :-

Neglect of duty, i.e. failing to keep a Signal Register correctly.

No. 16832 Sapper H. SCRIVEN was awarded two days F.P. No. 2 for the following offence committed on 4.12.17 :-

Disobedience of Orders in that he used petrol in a heating stove.

No. 76 Sapper V.A.G. CLIFF was awarded eighteen days F.P. No. 2 by C.O. 5th Bn. F.A. Bde. for the following offence committed on 26.11.17 :-

Absenting himself without leave from 10.30 am to 8.30 p.m.

No. 650 Sapper B. STEVENS was awarded seven days F.P. No. 2 for the following offence committed on 7.12.17 :-

Absence without leave from 12.30 p.m. 7.12.17 until 9 p.m. 9.12.17.

586. LEAVE - PARTICULARS IN PAYBOOKS. (Corps H.O. 493).

* Attention is directed to A.I.F. Order 959 (published below).
 * These orders will be read on parade once a month, and the men warned that non-compliance with this order may entail their being sent back to their units from the port of embarkation.

* When men are transferred from one unit to another the C.O. transferring will ensure that the date of the last leave or that the man has as yet had no leave is entered in his paybook. In the case of a man arriving at a unit with no entry in his paybook it will be presumed that he has just returned from leave.

* A.I.F. Order 959. Commanding Officers will make an entry on the inside back cover of Soldier's paybook in all cases of

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586. " members of the A.I.F. proceeding on leave, showing the date on
cont. " which such leave is granted and for what period.
" before a new paybook is issued to any member of the A.I.F.
" an entry will be made on inside back cover showing the date of
" last grant of leave. "

When a soldier is nominated for leave, his paybook will be forwarded by the C.C. Section to Company Headquarters, where the necessary entry will be made. The paybook will be returned with the leave warrant.

587.

SPECIAL ORDER

by

General Sir W.R. BIRDWOOD, K.C.B., K.C.S.I., K.C.M.G., C.I.E., D.S.O.,
A.D.C.
Commanding 1st. ANZAC Corps.

" 521. The Corps Commander regrets the necessity of drawing
" attention to the number of cases of desertion and absence without
" leave occurring in units of the Corps. This serious indiscipline
" is bringing into reproach the fair name of the gallant men of the
" Australian Imperial Force. The remedy lies, not in punishment,
" but in the hands of the men themselves. The Australian soldier
" has a great reputation to maintain and he cannot and will not
" allow his good name to be besmirched by the discreditable action
" of a small proportion of men who are unworthy to be called
" Australians.

General Birdwood, therefore calls upon every Officer and
" man of the Corps to assist him in removing the present blot on
" the name of ANZAC. Officers can help by obtaining the confidence
" of their men, and by being untiring in their care of them. The
" men can help by insisting that all shall live up to one standard
" of courage and discipline - the standard of ANZAC.

This order will be read to all troops now out of the line,
on three parades, and to all other troops as they are withdrawn
from the line.

588.

LEAVE.

While in training area, 10 men per day will be granted
leave to BOULOGNE. Personnel granted leave will not enter
BOULOGNE before 2 p.m. and will leave the town by 8 p.m.
Men granted leave will be correctly dressed, and wear belts or
bandoliers. They will be inspected by an Officer before they
leave their units. Every man granted leave will be issued with
a pass signed by the A.P.M., stating the day for which it is
issued. On and after 18th. inst. lorries will be available
to transport leave personnel to BOULOGNE. Fine table will be
issued later.

The distribution of this allotment amongst Sections
will be notified later.

James A. [Signature]
Major
C.O. 5TH AUST. DIV'L. SIGNAL CO.

N O T I C E S .

MAGAZINE TO BE PUBLISHED BY THE A.I.F. IN FRANCE.

1. Contributions are required for a magazine to be published by the A.I.F. in France. This magazine will appear in the new year under the title of "AUSSIE". It will contain original verses, short stories, paragraphs, pen-and-ink sketches, and jokes by members of the A.I.F. It is proposed to publish it every ten days if material suffices.

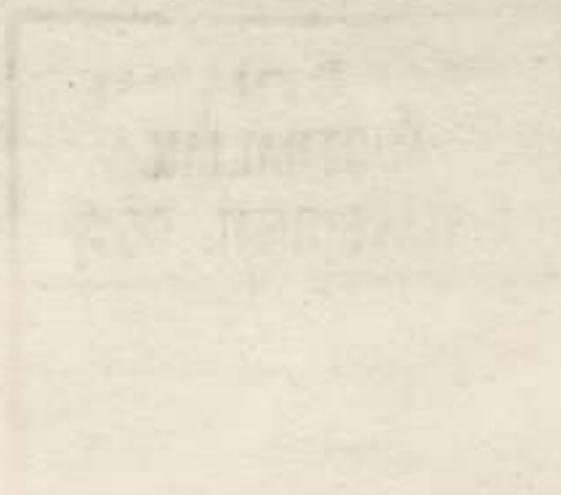
2. In order that each Division may have the credit for its contributions the magazines will be divided into six parts, viz., one part for each Division and one for Corps troops, Base, etc.

3. All contributions must be short, bright and snappy. Poems should not exceed six verses, nor prose 1000 words. Prizes of £5 each will be given for each of the following sent in the currency of the first five issues :-

- (a) Best verse (serious)
- (b) Best verse (humorous)
- (c) Best short story
- (d) Best paragraph or joke
- (e) Best humorous drawing.

4. As it is desired to make this magazine thoroughly worthy of the A.I.F. and of Australia, it is hoped that every effort will be made to ensure a production of which every member of the force may be proud.

5. Lieut. L. NICHANAN, 51st Battalion, has been appointed Editor for this Division and will receive contributions.



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EGYPT.

The 5th. Aust. Divl. Signal Company was formed at TEL-EL-KEBIR, Egypt, on March 1916, under the Command of Captain R.A. Stanley. On March 27th, 1916, the Company marched out from Tel-el-kebir for Ferry Post on the Suez Canal, taking over the Signal Office from the New Zealand Divisional Signal Company. The Company was stationed at Ferry Post until June 3rd, 1916, on which date the first stage in the transfer of the Company from the Egyptian scene of operations to that of France took place. Office was opened at MOASCAR, ISMAILIA, on that day, and the company here awaited final embarkation orders until June 16th, 1916, when entrainment for ALEXANDRIA took place, and the company embarked on H.M.S. "MANITOU" for MARSEILLES, France, on June 18th, 1916, from that port, arriving on June 25th, 1916, disembarkation commencing the following day.

FRANCE.

On June 26th, 1916, Headquarters Section entrained for ELARINGHEM (NORD), where it arrived on the 29th. The transport entrained on June 27th. for ABBEVILLE, remaining there three days for overhaul of wagons and equipment, and then proceeding by road to ELARINGHEM also.

The company remained at ELARINGHEM until July 8th, 1916, on which date it moved to SAILLY-SUR-LA-LYS (Pas-de-Calais), halting four days at CROIX-DU-BAC en route. From July 12th. until October 14th, the company was stationed at Sailly-sur-la-Lys. One offensive operation on this front took place on July 19th.

On October 14th, the company left Sailly, and opened office at MERRIS, this being the first stage in a change of the theatre of operations to the SOMME area. front. On the 17th. October the company entrained at BAILLEUL WEST and proceeded to PONT REMY, disentraining there on 18th. October and trekking to AILLY-LE-HAUT-CLOCHER, where office was opened. At this place the first voting in connection with the Forces in the Field took place on an Australian Conscription Referendum.

On October 20th, the company proceeded by road to BELLEVUE FARM, near ALBERT (SOMME), and maintained office here until October 22nd, entering into action on that date on the Somme front with Headquarters established at ERICOURT, and Advanced Headquarters at CARLTON TRENCH. The company remained in action from October 22nd. until November 5th, 1916, on the latter date staging at RIEHMONT - sur-l'ANCRE for VIGNACOURT, where office was opened on November 7th, 1916. Here the company rested until November 18th.

On November 18th, the first staging in the return to action took place, office being opened at RIEHMONT, and on November 22nd the company entered into action with Headquarters at BERNAFAY WOOD. From 22nd. November until 23rd December the company remained on this front; and on the latter date moved to RIEHMONT en route for VIGNACOURT, where office was opened on January 4th, 1917. Here the company remained until 14th. January, when it moved to RIEHMONT AND from there into action again at BERNAFAY WOOD on January 18th.

From January 18th. until April 21st. the company remained in action. On March 17th. BAPAUME was occupied by troops of the Division, the whole of the earlier days of the month being notable in connection with the German withdrawal along this front.

On March 28th, the company headquarters moved forward in connection with this withdrawal from Bernafay Wood to BEAULENCOURT, where office was established in connection with the movement to maintain touch with the enemy. On April 21st, the company moved into rest at the DINGLE CAMP, near CONTALMAISON, remaining in this camp until May 10th, when it again entered active operations, with the Headquarters at THE MONUMENT, near BAPAUME, and an Advanced Headquarters at VAUX-VRAUCOURT.

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From the 10th. April, 1917, until the 25th. April, the company remained in action on this BULLFCOURT front, and on the latter date proceeded to BANCOURT-les-BAPAUME, the first stage to a resting area. On June 17th, office was established at RUEEMPRE (Somme), where the company remained at rest until the 31st. July, 1917, proceeding thence to BLARINGHEM(NORD) en route for the YPRES front. At Blaringhem, the company remained from July 31st until September, 18th, when the move into line took place, an office being opened on that date at RENINGHELST, the staging area.

BELGIUM.

On the 22nd. September, 1917, the company moved into line on the POLYGON WOOD front, with Headquarters established at WALKER'S CAMP near DICKEBUSCH. The period in action on this front was from the 22nd. September until October 1st. 1917. The company moved out of line on the 1st. October for the rest area at SCOTTISH CAMP near OUDERDOM, and remained there until the 10th. October, 1917, when it again moved into action on the YPRES front, with Headquarters at LILLE GATE, YPRES. From the 10th. October until the 28th. October, the company remained in action on this front.

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On October 28th, the company was relieved and moved to SCOTTISH CAMP, whence the company moved to BAILLEUL on the 11th. November, and from there into action again at ULSTER CAMP, DRANOUTRE, taking over a two-divisional front on November 15th, and remaining in action until the 17th. December, when the company moved to the rest area at SAMER (pas-de-Calais).

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