

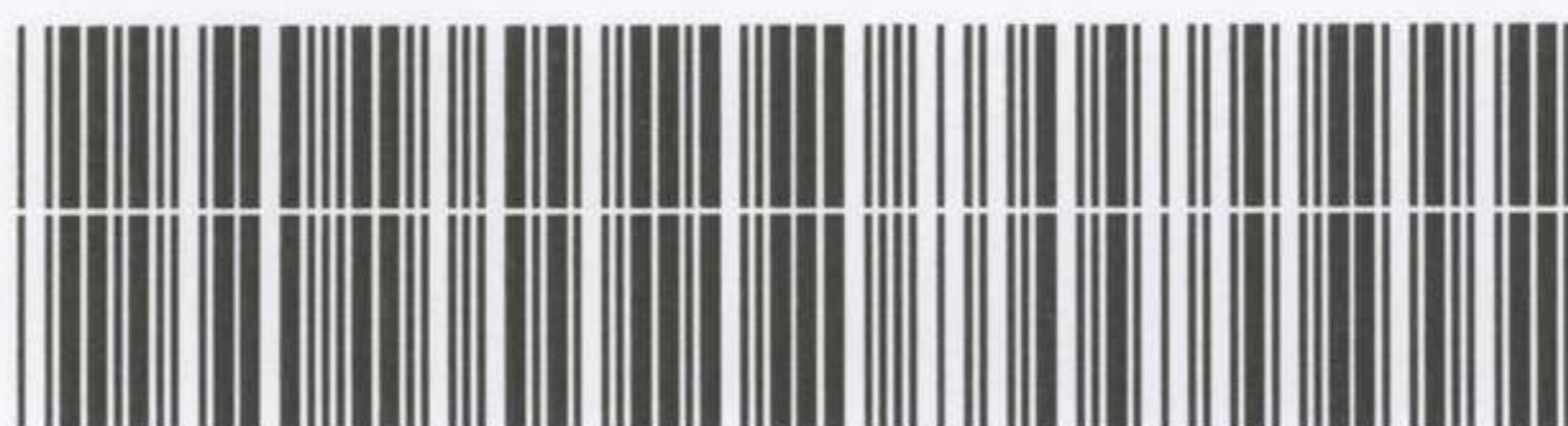
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Near YPRES	Oct 1	09:00	Divine Service held at SCOTTISH LINES. GOC 1ST ANZAC, GOC Division and GSO 1 Army Corp attended the service. The Army Corp Commander subsequently decorated members of the Brigade. The Brigade after the address by the Corps Commander, marched past in column of platoons.	Reference Map BELGIUM Sheet 28NW 1/20,000
		2	Training continued. GOC Brigade visited and inspected the various lines of the units of the Brigade.	
		3	08:30 Four officers per Bn visited Aerodrome for lecture on Aeroplane contact work.	
		4	10:00 Conference at Brigade Headquarters of COs, Adjs, QMs, & MJs with the GOC and staff on matters of training, efficiency and uniformity. Training continued.	
		5	10:00 Mounted officers parade & inspection by GOC - Training continued. BM visited HILL 60 sector.	
		6	20:30 Lecture by Lt Col. CH FOOTT, CMC, RAAT, CMC on Administration, delivered at 6 <sup>th</sup> Bn to officers of the Brigade.	
		7	05:00 GOC BM & SC visited the (left sector) HILL 60 sector of the Divisional Front preparatory to taking over.	
		8	10:30 Divine Service Inspection by GOC + march past.	
		8	15:45 Aeroplane contact practice held.	
		9	19:20 7 <sup>th</sup> Bn 1/2 MG Coy 2ALTM Bty entrained at BRANDHOEK to relieve part of 3 <sup>rd</sup> A & Bde. 7 <sup>th</sup> Bn relief complete 23:45. 6 <sup>th</sup> Bn moved by road to BELGIAN CHATEAU & completed relief by 22:25. MG " " 22:30 LTM Bty " " 22:15.	Appendix LIII B050 5/16
		9	19:30 8 <sup>th</sup> Bn 1/2 MG Coy entrained and moved out at 19:30. Relief completed at 23:15 and 21:50 respectively.	
			23:45 Bde Hqs relieved 3 <sup>rd</sup> A & Bde Hqs and command passed to GOC 2 <sup>nd</sup> A & Bde.	
		10	Enemy quiet. - Works of construction and sanitation pushed forward.	
		11	05:00 Quiet night. 17:10 Some mine-warper activity. - Work carried on continuously. 18:50 Patrols out till 04:30 nothing of incident. - Training parties out.	
		12	Quiet night & day till 16:30 Rands on both neighbouring sectors enemy retaliated mostly with Trench Mortars doing some damage to works at Trench 39 and BENSHAM STREET. Our T.Ms fired 45 rounds doing good damage to Hill 60. Visit to GOC by General COX. Visit to lines by Capt HENWOOD of 2nd Army G.S.	
			23:00 Patrols out - no incidents of note.	
		13	14:00 Day more activity from enemy. RAILWAY DUGOUTS (Bde Hqs) shelled at 18:00 with 42 hows. Maj Gen S. A. Russell visited GOC. GOC Bureau visited trenches. Work & training continued.	

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YPRES	13	1800	Details of relief by 7 <sup>th</sup> Bde arranged. Bde Hqs billeted. No incidents of importance occurred during the night which was quiet.	Reference Map Sheet 28 NW BELGIUM 1/20,000 HAZE BROUCK SA 1/100,000
	14		Day quiet Advance parties 7 <sup>th</sup> Bde arrived in line	
		19.20	Enemy opened a heavy bombardment with HE and mortars on front system, relief interfered with	
OUDE RDOM		23.12	Relief complete and command passed. Bde in Div. Res Area B.O No 51 14/16	Appendix LIV
	15	09.30	Brigade moved by march Route to STEENVORDE. Bde Order No 52 14/16	" LV
STEENVORDE		16.00	" Arrived & billeted in & around STEENVORDE.	" LVI
ARNEKE	16	08.30	" moved to ARNEKE area B.O No 53 15/16	
		15.00	Bde Billeted as follows Bde Hqs 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> ARNEKE 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> BUYSCHERE 7 <sup>th</sup> Coy LTM 2 <sup>nd</sup> Coy 2 <sup>nd</sup> FAmb NORDPEENE	
	17		Bde Group moved to EPERLECQUES area. At junction J of I in POINT DU JOUR the Artillery of the Division were on the road and column was held up till 10.50 when march was resumed. Group Billeted in EPERLECQUES area. but in view of Artillery on road ordered the route taken was LEBAS, SERQUES, MOULLE HOULLE EPERLECQUES B.O No 54 16/16	Appendix LVII
EPERLECQUES		18	Bde Group rested Advance parties went forward to No 6 area.	
	19		Bde " rested Routine work Bde Representative and Interpreter went forward. 0600	
		1500	The Corps Commander Lt Gen. Sir William Budge KC etc. presented ribbons to all personnel of the Division not previously decorated by him.	Appendix LVIII
		1500	Order to move to 4 <sup>th</sup> Army Area issued. B.O 55 19/16	" LIX
	20/21		Bde Group entrained at ARQUES according to schedule. B.O 55 & 56. Detrained at STRIQUIER trains being in order 9, 2, 3, 7, 4, 2, 1 hours late.	Ref Map 4 <sup>th</sup> Army Administrative Maps. Appendix LX
GORENFLOS			The Group was billeted as follows Hqs 5 <sup>th</sup> BN LTM Bty GORENFLOS 6 <sup>th</sup> BN BUSSUS 7 <sup>th</sup> BN 8 <sup>th</sup> BN YAUCOURT M & Coy ERGNIES 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fid Co Eng ERGNIES 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fid Amb. ERGNIES	Appendix LXI
	22	10.00	Transport commenced march in two stages to 15 <sup>th</sup> Corps Area B.O 57 21/16	
	23	11.52	Bde Group arrived at rendezvous for embarkation in Buses. B.O 58 22/16	
		12.52	Embarkation complete and convoy moved off.	
DERHANCOURT		21.30	Bde Group arrived at & Billeted in & around DERHANCOURT.	
MONTAUBAN	24	13.00	" moved to POMMIER CAMP, the 8 <sup>th</sup> BN to MAMETZ WOOD. B.O 59 23/16	Appendix LXII
		2100	move completed Conditions at POMMIER extremely bad only cover for 20% troops and ground ankle deep in mud, no drainage; move terribly hampered by road congestion troops had finally to proceed in single file worn out on road of the traffic.	Reference Map ALBERT (cont'd) 1/40,000.
	25		Bde remained in situ conditions terrible Repeated representations made to higher authority. Officers of the Bde went forward to visit front of 5 <sup>th</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup> Divisions.	

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MONTAUBAN	26 <sup>th</sup>	09:00	Officers + NCOs of all units visited the lines of the 29 <sup>th</sup> Div. and 5 <sup>th</sup> Aust Div. 6 <sup>th</sup> Bn + 2 Coy 5 <sup>th</sup> Bn moved back to ALBERT	Reference Map GUEUDEECOURT 57 D SW 1 Edition 2 A 1/10000
	27	06:00	Officers + NCOs of all units visited lines + trenches 29 <sup>th</sup> Div. Remainder of personnel engaged in cleaning + draining camp + endeavoring to erect some sort of shelter. Road making + fatigue supplied day + night. Propaname as 27 <sup>th</sup> repeated 60 Bell tents supplied + issued to Bns.	
GUEUDEECOURT	28		The Brigade relieved the 87 <sup>th</sup> Bde 29 <sup>th</sup> Division. commencing immediately after dark. 13060 <sup>23/16</sup>	Appendix LXII a
	29		Relief completed. 0500 and command passed to GOC 2 <sup>nd</sup> A.I. Bde. no event of importance occurred during relief.	
	30		Improvement of trenches commenced all being in bad condition with mud from ankle to waist deep. Rain caused all unrevetted work to fall in and make conditions worse than before. Enemy activity confined to shelling. Patrols reported NOMANSLAND very shell pitted and muddy and hard to cross. During the night 30/31 <del>101<sup>st</sup></del> 101 <sup>st</sup> RIR were taken and on the night 31/1 <sup>st</sup> 16 prisoners of 101 <sup>st</sup> + 102 <sup>nd</sup> RIR were taken first party included one officer wounded.	
	31		Tables for month October 1916. Reinforcements received. Casualties Strength as at noon October 31 <sup>st</sup> 1916 Officers + other ranks attending schools.	Appendix LXIII " " LXIV " " LXV " " LXVI

W. H. M. Moya  
Bde Moya 2<sup>nd</sup> A.I. Bde

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2nd AUST. INF. BRIGADE ORDER No 50 *Appendix No. 53*Headquarters  
2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.  
6th October 1916Reference Map. BELGIUM  
Sheet 28 N.W.

1. The Brigade will relieve the 3rd Aust. Inf. Bde. in the left Sector of the Divisional line on the nights 8/9th and 9/10th October 1916.
2. Relief will be carried out as follows :-
 

Night 8/9th October	7th Battalion	will relieve	12th Battalion.
	6th	"	11th
	2A L.T.M. Bty	"	3A L.T.M. Bty.
	Half No 2 M.G. Coy	"	Half No 3 M.G. Coy.
Night 9/10th October	8th Battalion	will relieve	9th Battalion.
	5th	"	10th
remainder	No 2 M.G. Coy.	"	Balance No 3 M.G. Coy.
	2nd Bde. Hqrs.	"	3rd Bde. Hqrs.

One guide per platoon will meet relieving unit at YPRES ASYLUM at time to be afterwards advised.  
Details of the relief will be inter-arranged direct by the C.O's of Units concerned.
3. The movement forward of the 7th and 8th Battalions, M.G. Coy. and 2A L.T.M. Bty., will be by rail to YPRES ASYLUM, thence route march. Time table will be issued later.
4. Advance parties of representatives of Intelligence Platoons, Bombers, Lewis Gunners, Signallers and at least 2 officers per Battalion and 2 N.C.O's per Company will be sent into the line 24 hours in advance to make themselves familiar with the duties and location of the line.
5. Trench Stores, Defence schemes, Log books, Photographs, Maps, Intelligence Reports and all documents and information of value to relieving unit will be taken over and receipt given. Duplicate receipt to be forwarded to Bde. Hqrs.
6. Train arrangements will be notified later.
7. Battalions will arrange for Matériel and personnel not required in the line to remain at the Wagon lines under command of their respective Quartermasters. C.O's to arrange for periodical inspection of their Wagon lines.
8. Completion of relief is to be notified at once by wire to Bde. Hqrs.
9. No person is to be taken into the line until equipped with Shrapnel Helmet and the New Gas Helmet.
10. The Band will not go into the line, but will remain at Bde. Hqrs. Wagon line under the command of Lieut. YOUNG who will receive orders direct from Bde. Hqrs.
11. Acknowledge.

*A.P. Denham* CAPTAIN.

for Bde. Major 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

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3.	1st Aust.Div.	"	D.R.
4.	1st Aust.Inf.Bde.	"	"
5.	3rd Aust.Inf.Bde.	"	"
6.	5th Bn. A.I.F.	"	"
7.	6th Bn. "	"	"
8.	7th Bn. "	"	"
9.	8th Bn. "	"	"
10.	No 2 M.G.Coy.	"	"
11.	2A L.T.M.Bty.	"	"
12.	2nd Aust.Field Coy.	"	"
13.	2nd Field Ambulance	"	"
14.	1st Pioneer Bn.	"	"
15.	3rd A.A.S.C.	"	"
16.	Left Arty. Group.	"	"
17.	Signals	"	Ord.
18.	Staff Capt.	"	"
19.	2nd Aust.Division	"	D.R.
20.	22 Spare.		

## 2nd AUST. INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER NO 51.

Appendix No. 54

Headquarters

2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

11th October 1916

Reference Map. BELGIUM  
Sheet 28 N.W.

1. The Brigade will be relieved on the night 14/15th October by the 6th Aust. Inf. Bde. in accordance with a table to be forwarded later.
2. Defence schemes, Log books, Trench Photographs, Maps, Intelligence reports and all Documents and information in connection with the Sector will be handed over and receipts in triplicate obtained; Trench Stores including petrol tins and gum boots, will be handed over and receipt obtained on A.F.W. 3405. Duplicate receipts will be forwarded to Bde. Hqrs. immediately after completion of relief.
3. On relief units will move in small parties to YPRES ASYLUM and entrain. Completion of reliefs will be at once wired in Code to Bde. Hqrs.
4. All <sup>attached</sup> details of the Bde. will rejoin their units in the Divisional Area on the 14th. Units will wire Bde. Hqrs. <sup>immediately</sup> all details at present detached.
5. The 2nd Field Ambulance will join the Bde. Group in the Divisional Reserve Area. The 2nd Field Coy. Engineers will come under the G.O.C. 2nd Bde. Group on their arrival at the ENGINEERS YARD (Sq. G. 27. B. 13). For the move to ST OMER the Divisional Sanitary Section will be attached to 2nd Bde. Group.
6. From the Divisional Reserve Area, the Edo. Group will move to the ST OMER training area by march route, commencing on the 15th October at an hour to be hereafter notified.
7. Steel helmets, Box respirators, Trench mortars and any extra stores not required on line of march will be dumped at the present Bde. Supply dump (RENNINGHELST SIDING).
8. Spare boots, extra clothing, one blanket and one waterproof sheet will be carried on the man. Commanding Officers will ensure that the boots of all men are well dubbed, and their feet inspected both before the commencement of a march and immediately on the completion of every march and dry socks substituted for Wet.
9. Additional transport of one motor lorry per Battalion will be arranged to carry authorized equipment nothing else will be taken.
10. Guards - The Gas N.C.O. and 4 men per battalion and one man per other unit under the senior N.C.O. will be detailed to guard and load steel helmets etc. at RENNINGHELST SIDING and remain with stores till they are again delivered to units. One Captain one N.C.O. and six men will be detailed by the 5th Bn. to remain behind for duty with Divisional details - To report to D.H.Q. when Bde. Group moves out.
11. Mobile reserve of S.A.A. and Grenades will be completed and move with the unit. Bde. Q/M to make necessary arrangements immediately.
12. No 2 Field Ambulance will move in rear of the Bde. Group and arrange for the Transport of Sick and footsore etc.
13. Billeting parties - One officer and two other ranks per unit will leave Bde. Hqrs. by motor bus on the days the Bde. Group moves; Four Cyclist orderlies from Bde. Hqrs. will follow the bus. The 2nd Field Ambulance will place a car at the disposal of the Staff Captain and their billeting officer.
14. Supply arrangements will be notified later; Bde. Q/M and Bn. Q/M's will maintain close touch with 3rd A.A.S.C.

15. The strictest march discipline is to be maintained and none other than C.O's and Adjutants will move outside Column of route.

16. Acknowledge.

*J. J. Ulrich*

MAJOR.

Bde. Major 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

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1	File	2100	
2	War Diary	"	
3	1st Aust. Division	"	D.R.
4	5th Bn. A.I.F.	"	"
5	6th Bn. "	"	"
6	7th Bn. "	"	"
7	8th Bn. "	"	"
8	No 2 M.G. Coy.	"	"
9	2A L.T.M. Bty.	"	"
10	1st Aust. Inf. Bde.	"	"
11	7th Aust. Inf. Bde.	"	"
12b	Left Group Arty.	"	"
13	2nd Field Ambulance	"	"
14	2nd Field Coy. A.E.	"	"
15	3rd Coy. A.A.S.C.	"	"
16	1st Aust. Div. S.S.	"	"
17	No 4 Sig. Section	"	Ord.
18	Staff Captain	"	"
19	Camp Cmmdt.	"	"
20	Bde. Int. Off.	"	"
21	Bde. Bomb Off.	"	"
22	Bde. Gas Off.	"	"
23	Bde. Q.M.	"	"
24 - 26	Spare		

1st Aust. Div. S.S. No. 4  
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Reference Map. BELGIUM  
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2nd AUST. INF. BDE. RELIEF TABLE.

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Date	Unit to be Relieved	Relieving unit	Unit relieved to move to.	Time of entrainment	Guides
13/14	6th Bn.		DEVONSHIRE CAMP		
14	5th Bn.		OTTAWA CAMP		
14/15	7th Bn. ) 8th Bn. )	21st Bn. part of 24th Bn.	DOMINION CAMP	On completion of relief.	One per platoon under an officer of each Bn. to be at LILLE GATE at 1830.  as may be arranged by C.O's.  do do
			SCOTTISH LINES	do	
	No 2 M.G. Coy. No 6 M.G. Coy.		SCOTTISH LINES	do	
	2A L.T.M. Bty. <del>Max</del> 5A L.T.M. Bty.		SCOTTISH LINES	do	
14/15	Hq. 2nd A.I. Bde.	Hq. 6th A.I. Bde.	BUSSEBOOM G. 22. B. 4. 5.	do	Companies in Line will be relieved by 21st Bn. Garrisons at S.P.9 and RAILWAY DUGOUTS, BATTERSEA FARM and GLASGOW POST by 24th Bn.

*W. Wick* MAJOR  
Bde. Major 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.  
13th Oct. 1916.

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Appendix LV

Appendix No. 55

2nd AUST. INF. BDE. ORDER NO 52.

Headquarters  
2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.  
14th October 1918.

Reference Map. HAZEEROUCK  
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Bde. Hqrs.  
No 4 Sig. Section.  
Div. Sanitary Sect.  
8th Battalion.  
7th Battalion  
6th Battalion  
5th Battalion.  
No 2 M.G. Coy.  
2A L.T.M. Bty.  
Brigaded G.S. Wagons  
2nd Field Ambulance.  
3rd Coy. A.A.S.C.

1. The Brigade Group will move to billets at STEENVORDE via Cross road N. of RENNINGHELST (at Ede. Hqrs) - POPERINGHE - ABEELE - STEENVORDE.
2. Head of Column will pass starting point at 0930. G.S. WAGONS, brigaded under the Edo. Transport Officer. COOKERS in rear of Battalions in front of 1st Line Transport. - LEWIS GUN CARTS in rear of Battalions in front of COOKERS. MOTOR LORRIES brigaded and independently of the column to STEENVORDE - A guard of 1 other rank will be detailed to each lorry. Edo. Transport officer to arrange meeting place to report to the STAFF CAPTAIN at the Town Major's office STEENVORDE.

3. STARTING POINT. CROSS ROADS at BDE. HQRS.

4. HALTS.	Time	Duration.
	0950	10 minutes
	1045	15 minutes
	1145	90 minutes (lunch)
	1400	15 minutes
	1500	15 minutes
	1600	16 minutes

At each billet halt, latrines if not already provided will be constructed by all units.

5. No leave will be given on line of march outside the billet area.
6. REAR GUARD. Strength  $\frac{1}{2}$  platoon under a selected Officer will be detailed by Rear Battalion. DUTY - Collect and bring forward all stragglers or men fallen out without chits.
7. REPORTS - to head of Column.
8. BILLETING PARTIES - In addition to the parties detailed in E.O. 51 para. 13, 2 cyclist orderlies from each Battalion will accompany the Bus referred to in E.O. para. 13.
9. C.O.'s units will report arrival in billets to Ede. Hqrs.
10. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*J. B. Black* MAJOR.

Ede. Major 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

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2	War Diary	"		12	3rd A.A.S.C.	"	"
3	1st Aust. Divn.	"	D.R.	13	Ede. Q.M.	"	"
4	5th Bn.	"	"	14	Ede. Transport Off.	"	"
5	6th Bn.	"	"	15	Staff Captain	"	Ord.
6	7th Bn.	"	"	16	Camp Smmdt.	"	Ord.
7	8th Bn.	"	"	17	No 4 Sig. Sect.	"	"
8	No 2 M.G. Coy.	"	"	18	O.C. Div. San. Sect.	"	D.R.
9	2A L.T.M. Bty.	"	"	19	- 20 Spare		
10	No 2 Field Coy.	"	"				

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Appendix LVI

Headquarters  
2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.  
15th October 1916.

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Reference Map: HAZEBROUCK  
SA 1.100,000.

Ede. Hqrs.  
No 4 Sig. Section  
Divn. San. Section.  
2nd Field Coy. Fngs.  
7th Battalion  
7th "  
7th "  
8th "  
No 2 M.G. Coy.  
RA L.T.M. Bty.  
Bridged G.S. Wagons  
2nd Field Ambulance.

1. The Brigade Group will continue the line of march, Bde. Hqrs., No 4 Sig. Section, 7th and 8th Bns. to ARNEKE via Road Junction N of second A in QUAFSTRABIE. 6th and 5th Bns. to BUYSSCHERE via OXELAERE; Remainder to NOORDPFENE via OXELAERE. On diverging Lt-Colonel H.G. BENNETT, C.M.G. will take command of column proceeding to NOORDPFENE and BUYSSCHERE.
2. Head of column will pass starting point at 0830 G.S. WAGONS Bridged under Brigade Quarter Master. COOKERS in rear of Battalions in front of 1st Line Transport. LEWIS GUN CARTS in rear of Battalions in front of cookers. MOTOR LORRIES Bridged and independently of the column to ARNEKE a guard of one other rank will be detailed to each lorry. Bde. Q/M to fix meeting place. A distance of 50 yards will be maintained between units.
3. STARTING POINT. RAILWAY CROSSING - S. of D in STEFNVORDE.
4. HALTS.
 

Time	Duration
0850	10 minutes
0945	15 minutes
1045	15 minutes
1145	90 minutes
1400	15 minutes
1500	15 minutes
1600	15 minutes

At each billet halt, latrines if not already provided will be constructed by all units.
5. No leave will be given on line of march outside the Billet areas. CASSEL is out of bounds to all ranks except Staff Officers.
6. REAR GUARD. Strength  $\frac{1}{2}$  Platoon under a selected Officer will be detailed by Rear Battalion. DUTY - collect and bring forward all stragglers and men fallen out without chits.
7. REPORTS to head of Column.
8. BILLETING PARTIES. To be mounted and to include the Q.M.S. of units and to parade at Ede. Hqrs. at 0800.
9. C.O.'s Units will furnish daily as soon as march is completed, a return shewing the number of men who were unable to complete the march. C.O. 2nd Field Ambulance to furnish daily also a return shewing the name, unit and cause of all persons transported by his unit.
10. Men unable to march are to be evacuated by rail to ST OMER. Commanding Officers to apply direct to R.T.O. for necessary warrant.
11. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*J. March* MAJOR.  
Ede. Major 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

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2.	War Diary	"	
3.	1st Aust.Divn.	"	D.R.
4.	5th Bn.	"	"
5.	6th En.	"	"
6.	7th Bn.	"	"
7.	8th Bn.	"	"
8.	No 2 M.G.Coy.	"	"
9.	2A L.T.M.Bty.	"	"
10.	No 2 Field Coy.	"	"
11.	2nd Field Ambulance	"	"
12.	3rd A.A.S.C.	"	"
13.	Bde. Q/M.	"	"
14.	O.C.Wagon Line	"	"
15.	Staff Captain	"	Ord.
16.	Camp Cmmdt.	"	"
17.	No 4 Sig.Section	"	"
18.	O.C. Div. San. Sect.	"	D.R.
19 - 20	Sparo.		

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2nd AUST. INF. BDE. ORDER NO 54.

Appendix No. 57

Headquarters  
2nd Aust. Inf. Bde  
16th October 1919

Reference Map HAZFEROUCK  
5A 1.100,000.

1. The Brigade Group will continue the line of march via WATTEN to EPERLECQUES tomorrow, in two Columns.

COLUMN No 1.  
Ede. Hqrs.  
No 4 Sig. Section  
Div. San Sect.  
7th Battalion.  
8th Battalion

2. COLUMN No 1 will pass the starting point at 0830.  
COLUMN No 2 will ~~move~~ move under the orders Lieut-Colonel H.G. BENNETT, C.M.G. to rendezvous with Column No 1 at Road junction S of J in POINT DUJOUR at 0930.

3. STARTING POINT Level crossing N of ANNEKE Railway Station

COLUMN No 2.  
5th Battalion  
6th Battalion  
No 2 M.G. Coy.  
2A L.T.M. Bty.  
2nd F. Coy. Eng.  
2nd Field Amb.

4. HALTS	Time	Duration.
	0850	10 minutes
	0945	15 minutes
	1045	15 minutes
	1145	90 minutes
	1400	15 minutes
	1500	15 minutes
	1600	15 minutes

5. REAR GUARD. Strength  $\frac{1}{2}$  platoon under a selected officer will be detailed by Rear Battalion.  
DUTY - collect and bring forward all stragglers and men fallen out without chits.

6. REPORTS - To head of Column. The Senior officer with each Column will be in charge.

7. BILLETING PARTIES - To rendezvous at EPERLECQUES Town Major's office at 1000.

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8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*J. Blumenthal*

MAJOR.

Ede. Major 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

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1	File	1800	
2	War Diary	"	
3	1st Aust. Div.	"	D.R.
4	5th En.	"	"
5	6th En.	"	"
6	7th En.	"	"
7	8th En.	"	"
8	No 2 M.G. Coy.	"	"
9	2A L.T.M. Bty.	"	"
10	No 2 Field Coy.	"	"
11	2nd Field Ambulance	"	"
12	3rd A.A.S.C.	"	"
13	Staff Captain	"	Ord.
14	Camp Cmmdt	"	"
15	No 4 Sig. Sect.	"	"
16	- 18 Spare.		

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Headquarters

2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

19th October 1916.

Appendix LVIII

Reference Map. HAZEBROUCK 5A 1.100,000

1. The Brigade Group will continue move and entrain to 4th Army Area in accordance with the attached schedule.
2. ENTRAINING STATION - ARQUES -  
Detraining Station - ST RIQUIER -  
on Detraining the Bde. Group will be concentrated in Area No 6.
3. RATIONS. - for the day of entrainment will be carried on the man, those for the following day on the Train Supply Wagons.
4. The O.C. train will be responsible that the following instructions are complied with -
  - (i) INFANTRY BATTALIONS
    - (a) The Transport and one Company will arrive at the Entraining Station three hours before the departure of the train and the remaining companies one hour.
    - (b) OTHER UNITS. will arrive three hours less five minutes before the departure of the train.
    - (c) No member of a unit will be permitted to enter the railway premises until five minutes after the departure of the preceding train.
  - (ii) A complete marching out state showing the numbers of their horses, four and two wheeled wagons and bicycles will be sent with the first portion of every unit, so that accommodation in the train can be checked by the R.T.O. at beginning of entrainment.
  - (iii) The entraining of all units will be completed half an hour before time of departure of train.
  - (iv) No personnel or stores is allowed in brake vans at each end of trains.
  - (v) Breast ropes for horse trucks will be provided by Units; ropes for lashing vehicles on the flat trucks will be provided by the railway.
  - (vi) Picquets will be detailed for the journey for each end of the train to prevent troops leaving the train at stops.
  - (vii) After detraining troops will move clear off Station premises as soon as possible.
  - (viii) All vehicles will be carefully packed, loaded on to trucks and lashed.
5. On the departure of the General Officer Commanding, Lieut-Colonel G. COULTER being the last Commanding Officer to leave, will represent the Brigadier at EPERLEOQUES till his own departure.
6. On detraining units will be notified of billets allotted to them.

7. Acknowledge.

W. Ulrich

MAJOR.

Bde. Major 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

Copy No	To whom	Time	Method
1	File	1500	
2	War Diary	"	
3	1st Aust. Div.	"	D.R.
4	5th Bn.	"	"
5	6th Bn.	"	"
6	7th Bn.	"	"
7	8th Bn.	"	"
8	No 2 M.G. Coy.	"	"
9	2A L.T.M. Bty.	"	"
10	No 2 Field Coy.	"	"
11	2nd Field Amb.	"	"
12	3rd A.A.S.C.	"	"
13	Staff Capt.	"	Ord.
14	Camp Cmmdt.	"	"
15	No 4 Sig. Sct.	"	"
16	R.T.O. ARQUES	"	D.R.
17 - 18	Spare.		

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PROGRAMME OF MOVE 2nd BRIGADE GROUP  
via CALAIS  
From 2nd ARMY to 4th ARMY.

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Entraining Station  
ARQUES

Detraining Station  
ST RIQUIER

Train No	Date	Time of departure of train	U n i t . Type of train	O.C. Train.
3	20th	17.39	5th Bn. T.C.*	Major J.W.WALSTAB 5th Bn.
6	20th	20.49	Bde.Hqrs Sig.Sect. " M.G.Coy T.M.Bty.	Captain A.N.EAST-ALMOND M.G.Company.
9	20th	23.39	3rd Coy. Train " 2nd F. Ambulance	Lt-Col. W.M.HEARNE A.M.C.
12	21st	0249	6th Bn. "	Lt-Col. H.G.BENNETT.C.M.G. 6th Bn.
15	21st	0539	7th Bn. "	Lt-Col. C.H.JESS. 7th Bn.
18	21st	0849	1 Coy. 4 G.S.Wagons (Pioneer Bn. and teams) Hq.Div.Train Hq.Coy.(less Arty portion) 1st Aust.Sal.Coy 2nd Aust.San.Soc.	
31	21st	1129	8th Bn. "	Lt-Col. G.COULTER 8th Bn.
24	21st	1439	2nd Field Co.	Major S.H.HANCOCK Engineers

\* (1) Each train of a "combattant" type (T.C.) consists of one Officers' carriage, 14 fast trucks, 33 covered trucks.

(2) Each flat truck take an average of 4 axles

(3) Each covered truck will take - 6 H.D.Horses  
8 L.D. "  
or 40 men.

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*Appendix LIX*

Headquarters.

2nd Aust Inf Bde.  
19th October 1916.

Reference Map. HAZEBROUCK 5A 1.100,000.

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1. The Brigade Train Group will move to ARQUES via CALAIS ROAD passing S of ST OMER.

2. Will pass starting point at 1330.

ide  
Hd-Qrs.  
No 4 Sig  
Sec.  
No 2 M.G.Coy.  
2A L.T.M.Bty.

3. Starting Point = Road Junction at Church EPERLECQUES.

4. Halts -	1350	10 Minutes.
	1445	15 Minutes.
	1545	15 Minutes.
	1645	15 Minutes.
	1745	15 Minutes.

5. On arrival at ARQUES Station the O.C. Train will take command.

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

*W. M. M. M. M.*

Major.

Bde Major. 2nd Aust Inf Bde.

Copy No.	To Whom.	Time.	Method.
1	File.	1800	
2	War Diary.	"	
3	Staff Captain.	"	Orderly.
4	Camp Cmt.	"	"
5	No 2 M.G.Coy.	"	D.R.
6	2A L.T.M.Battery.	"	"
7	No 4 Sig.Sec.	"	Orderly.
8	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Am Bty</i>	"	<i>DR</i>



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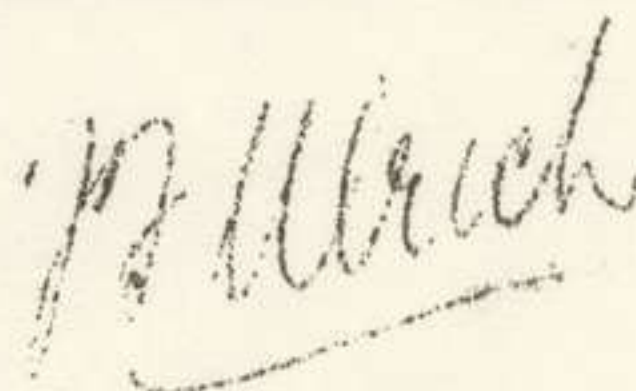
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Headquarters  
2nd Aust Inf Bde.  
21st October 1918

Reference: 4th Army Administrative Map 1/100,000.

1. The Brigade Group will be transferred from 10th Corps to 15th Corps from midnight 22/23rd October and will move from Area 6 to 15th Corps Area.
2. Billeting Parties 1 Officer per Bn, Engrs, Field Ambulance and A.S. and 1 M.G.C. from the Transport of each unit with 1 Officer to be detailed by O.C. 8th Battalion will report at Bde Hd-Qrs at 0800 and move with Lieut R.G. WEBSTER Brigade Billeting Officer to 15th Corps Area by Motor Ambulances.
3. Transport ready loaded and riding horses will rendezvous on 22nd October at road junction N.E. of S in BRUCAMPS at 1010 and move at 1015 via FLIXECOURT - BELLOY Sur SOMME to ARGOEVES in Brigade Group. On the 23rd the Brigaded Transport will rendezvous at road junction S of G in ARGOEVES at 0825 and move at 0830 via AMIENS - QUEMENEU - LAHOUSSAYE to 15th Corps Area.  
L.G. Carts will be attached to the rear of limbers of their own units. L.T.M. Carts to limbers of M.G. Coy.  
O.C. Brigaded transport Lieut H. STANLEY 5th Battalion.  
The move of transport will be under control of the O.C. Div. Train.
4. Personnel will be moved in one stage by Bus on the 23rd. Detailed instructions later.
5. Instructions with reference to additional transport for extra blankets will be issued later.



Major

Edo Major. 2nd Aust Inf Bde

Copy No.	To Whom.	Time.	Method.
1	File.	2530	
2	War Diary.	"	
3	1st Aust Divn.	"	D.R.
4	5th Battalion.	"	"
5	6th	"	"
6	7th	"	"
7	8th	"	"
8	No 2 M.G. Coy.	"	"
9	2A L.T.M. Bty.	"	"
10	2nd Field Coy.	"	"
11	2nd F. Ambulance.	"	"
12	3rd A.A.S.C.	"	"
13	Lt STANLEY. 5th Bn.	"	"
14	Staff Capt.	"	"
15	Camp Cndt.	"	"
16	Signals.	"	"
17-19	Sparo.		

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Reference Map (4th Army Administrative) 1/100,000.

1. The personnel of the Division will move to 15th Corps Area by Bus by Brigade Groups tomorrow 23rd inst. The Brigade Group Billeting at BERNANCOURT.

Bde. Hd-Qrs. 2. The Brigade Group will rendezvous at FAMEGHON.  
No 4 Sig. Sect. The head of the Column will pass the cross roads N.W.  
No 3 M.G. Coy. of the F in FAMEGHON at 0930.  
SA L.T.M. Bty. The ST RIQUIER - ALLIX FLIXECOURT Road will not be used.  
5th Battn.  
6th Battn. 3. The Group will be formed up at the SOUTHERN side of the  
7th Battn. MOUFLERS ALLIX-LE-CLOCHER Road with the head N of the  
8th Battn. cross roads, at the Northern entrance to MOUFLERS.  
2nd Field Coy.  
2nd Field Qmb. 4. The column will be formed facing MOUFLERS with the fours  
closed up. When formed the Column will be in the field  
at the edge of the roadway S of road.

5. BUSES are to be filled from front to rear - The men first entering to move into the forward seats. Troops will be instructed as to this before moving from Unit parade.

6. DRESS - Personnel will be cloaked and carry two blankets, one in pack and one rolled on pack.

7. ROUTE. FLIXECOURT - PICQUIGNY South of SOMME - AMIENS - QUERRIEU - RIBEMONT - BUIRE. AMIENS out of bounds.

8. While in 15th Corps Area, the following intervals will always be maintained on the march.

- (i) Between Companies and Regimental Transport - 200 yards
- (ii) Between Battalions, Field Coy's Engineers, Field Ambulances - 400 yards
- (iii) Between Brigades - 1000 yards.

9. Motor vehicles will proceed to and assemble at La FOLIE at 0830.

10. Unexpended portion of the days ration will be carried on the man.

11. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*J. H. Ulrich*

Major.

Bde. Major 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

Copy No.	To whom	Time	Method.
1	File	2030	
2	War Diary	"	
3	1st Aust. Div.	"	D.R.
4	5th Battn.	"	"
5	6th "	"	"
6	7th "	"	"
7	8th "	"	"
8	No 3 M.G. Coy.	"	"
9	SA L.T.M. Bty.	"	"
10	2nd Field Coy.	"	"
11	2nd Field Qmb.	"	"
12	Staff Capt.	"	"



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Copy No.	To whom	Time	Method
1	File	2300	
2	War Diary	"	
3	1st Aust. Div.	"	D.R.
4	5th Battalion	"	"
5	6th "	"	"
6	7th "	"	"
7	8th "	"	"
8	No 2 M.G. Coy.	"	"
9	2A L.T.M. Bty.	"	"
10	2nd Field Coy.	"	"
11	2nd Field Amb.	"	"
12	3rd A.A.S.C.	"	"
13	21st (Imp.) Brigade.	"	"
14	Staff Capt.	"	"
15	Camp Cmmdt.	"	"
16	Signals	"	"
17	Ede. Billeting Off.	"	"
18	- 20 Spare.	"	"

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 Headquarters  
 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.  
 29th October 1916.

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Reference Map. ALBERT (combined sheet)  
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The Brigade will relieve the 87th Brigade (on the right of 29th Divisional Sector) on the night of the 29/30th.

The 6th Bn. will take over the firing line, 5th Bn. will be in Support 7th and 8th Bns. in Reserve. No 2 M.G. Coy. and 2A L.T.M. Battery will relieve these Units of the 87th Bde., guns of L.T.M. BTY to be exchanged and relief to be completed by day.

The distribution will be -  
 6th Bn. GRFASE TRENCH, HILT TRENCH, GUN POSITIONS, SUNKEN ROAD TRENCH.  
 5th Bn. SUNKEN ROAD TRENCH, PILGRIMS WAY, PIONEER TRENCH.  
 7th Bn. (BULLS ROAD) GAP TRENCH, SWITCH TRENCH. 1 Coy. to BERNAFAY CAMP.  
 8th Bn. RESERVE Area at BERNAFAY CAMP.  
 The transport of all units will take over the lines of the 87th Bde. at POMMIERS CAMP.

The Brigade will move to relieve according to following schedule -

6th Bn.	ALBERT to BERNAFAY CAMP } marching at 0800	thence as in Para. 3.
5th Bn.	do do	do
7th Bn.	POMMIER to SWITCH TRENCH	marching at 1600.
8th Bn.	MAMETZ to BERNAFAY CAMP	" " 0900.
M.G. Coy.	POMMIER to BERNAFAY CAMP } marching at 0800	thence as in Para. 3.
L.T.M. Bty.		

Details of the relief, including guides, will be arranged direct between C.O's units concerned. Special care will be taken to ensure the relief of such points as advanced bombing posts. Machine Gunners and T.M. Personnel, Snipers, Bombers, Observers and other Specialists may be relieved by day, but parties of troops moving forward of LONGUEVAL by day will not exceed 4 or 5 and will not march in formed parties.

Defence Schemes, Secret documents, Maps, Plans and orders for Special Operations will be taken over by units on relief.

Additional runners will be detailed to report to Bde. Hqrs. as follows :-

5th Bn.	2	6th Bn.	1
7th Bn.	2	8th Bn.	3
M.G. Coy.	1.		

Bde. Hqrs. will be at DFLVILLE VALLEY S.12.E.8.6.

C.O's units will report to Bde. Hqrs. when in position.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

*W. Illrich* MAJOR.

Bde. Major 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

No.	To whom	Time	Method.	Copy No.	To whom	Time	Method.
1.	File	0900		11	2nd Field Amb.	0900	D.R.
2.	War Diary	"		12	3rd A.A.S.C.	"	"
3.	1st Aust. Div.	"	D.R.	13	87th Bde.	"	"
4.	5th Bn.	"	"	14	Staff Capt.	"	Ord.
5.	6th Bn.	"	"	15	1st A.I. Bde.	"	D.R.
6.	7th Bn.	"	"	16	3rd A.I. Bde.	"	"
7.	8th Bn.	"	"	17	Camp Cmmdt.	"	"
8.	No 2 M.G. Coy.	"	"	18	Signals		
9.	2A L.T.M. Bty.	"	"	19 - 20	Spare		
10.	2nd Field Coy. A.E.	"	"				

Appendix LXIII

Reinforcements joined during period 1/10/16 to 31/10/16

## Appendix No. 63

U n i t.	Officers	O'Ranks	Total	R e m a r k s.
5th Battn.	2*	187	<del>190</del> 189	* <del>Lt. G. LUSH</del> 2/Lt. G. FINDLAY " H.C. MORRISON
6th Battn.	2φ	11	13	φ 2/Lt. R.V. MCKENZIE " S.A. THOMPSON
7th Battn.	2≠	80	82	≠ 2/Lt. A.E. BUNBURY " O.G. REYNOLDS
8th Battn.	4✓	186	190	✓ Capt. E.B. AYRIS " E. KIRBY ) 2/Lt D. WEEKS ) from Supry. List. " N.A. DALTON )
Total	10	464	478	

## CASUALTIES FOR PERIOD 1/10/16 to 31/10/16.

Appendix LXIV

Appendix No. 64

Unit.	Killed.		Wounded		Missing.		Remarks.
	Off.	O'Rs.	Off.	O'Rs.	Off.	O'Rs.	
A.L.T.M.Bty				3			
th Bn.		1		5			
th Bn.		1	1*	9			*2/Lt. S.A.THOMPSON
th Bn.		1	1 <del>o</del>	12			<del>o</del> 2/Lt. W.E.SCOTT
th Bn.		2	1 <del>o</del>	17			<del>o</del> 2/Lt. W.D.JOYNT
Total		5	3	46			

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2nd AUST. INF. BDE.

RETURN NO 1.  
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Unit.	On establishment				Attached.				Remarks.
	Off.	O'R.	Total	Horses	Off.	O'R.	Total	Horses	
Hq. 2nd A.I. BDE.	5*	21	26	17	7	80	87	6	includes 3 Chaplains 5th Bn off 2 18 6th " 4 22 7th " 15 8th " 1 16 3rd A.I. Bde 2 MASC 6 S.A.C. 1 <u>7-80</u>
No 2 M.G. Company	12	151	163	56		19	19		Reserve same 17 2 <u>19</u>
No 4 Sig. Section.	1	48	49	9					
2A L.T.M. Battery	3	52	55			17	17		For instructional purposes.
5th Battn.	34	877	911	56	1	7	8		same. 1-5 amm Sgt 1 Interpreter 1 <u>1-7</u>
6th Battn.	41	931	972	56	2	6	8		same. 1-5 Chapln station 1-1 <u>2-6</u>
7th Battn.	43	824	867	53	2	7	9		same. 1-5 Chapln station 1-1 amm Sgt 1 <u>2-7</u>
8th Battn.	41	874	915	55	3	7	10		same. 1-4 Chapln station 1-1 amm Sgt 1 Interpreter 1 <u>3-7</u>
TOTAL	180	3778	3958	302	15	143	158	6	

Total.

OFFICERS. 195...

O'RANKS. 3921...

TOTAL, 4116...

HORSES. 308.....

31/10/16

CAPTAIN. Staff Capt.

for G.O.C. 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.



HEADQUARTERS 2nd AUST. INF. BDE.

RETURN NO 3

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U N I T.	Str. as per previous Day.		Details as per previous Day		O f f i c e r s.			Other Ranks			Str as at noon this Day		Details as at noon this Day.	
	Off.	O'Rs.	Off	O'Rks	Casualties	Arrivals	Sick	Casualties	Arrivals	Sick	Off.	O'Rs	Off.	O'Rs
2nd A.I. Bde.Hqrs.	1	14									1	14		
No 2 M.G. Company	12	150	1	2							12	150	1	2
3A L.T.M. Battery	3	51		9					1		3	51		9
5th Bn.	34	875	11	133				1			34	874	11	131
6th Bn.	41	929	12	76							41	929	12	76
7th Bn.	43	831	6	79				3		6	43	822	7	85
8th Bn.	42	872	7	72						1	42	871	7	72
TOTAL	176	3722	37	371				4	1	7	176	3712	38	375

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*J. J. Macnamara*  
CAPTAIN. Staff Capt.

for G.O.C. 2nd Aust. Inf. Bde.

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SCHOOLS FOR MONTH OF OCTOBERAppendix LXVI  
Appendix No. 66

COLD SHOEING			1 other rank
MUSKETRY INSTRUCTORS	1 Officer		3 N.C.O's
TRANSPORT DUTIES	1 "		
SIGNALLING	1 "		7 other ranks
LEWIS	3 "	50 "	" "
SNIPERS COURSE	1 "	3 "	" "
SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION WISQUES	4 "	4 "	" "
L.T.MORTARS	3 "	8 "	" "
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	14 Officers	76 other ranks.	
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