

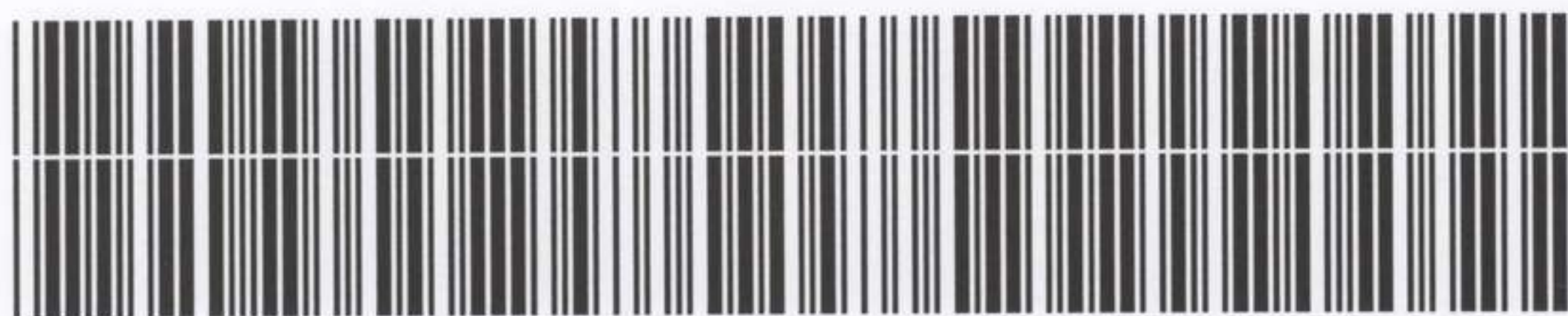
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June 1918



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Brigade Headquarters.
20th. June. 1918.

MAP REFERENCE, SHEET 27. S.E. 1/20.000.

INTENTION. 1. (a) The Brigade, in conjunction with troops on the left, will capture the enemy outpost line and consolidate on or about the objective line indicated on the attached sketch map on the night of 23rd/24th June.

(b) The attacking troops will consist of 2 Companies, 2nd. Battalion. Other arms will co-operate as set out herein.

(c) Zero hour will be notified separately.

ASSEMBLY. 2. (a) Tapes will be laid, under Battalion arrangements, 200 yards in rear of first artillery barrage line as in attached sketch.

(b) In order to allow the passage of the assaulting columns definite lanes will be cut in our wire and clearly marked.

(c) Assaulting troops will be in position behind the tapes at Zero minus 15, and the forming up will be covered by patrols which will come in at Zero minus 10.

(d) 3rd. Battalion two left posts will withdraw behind tape lines, by Zero minus 15.

FRONTAGES. 3. G.O. 2nd Battalion, will allot Company frontages in accordance with the degree of opposition likely to be met.

FORMATIONS

& DIRECTION. 4. Platoons will advance on definite points, each in fighting patrol formation preceded by Scouts.

CONSOLIDATION. 5 The new front line will be consolidated by the construction of 6 platoon posts and each Company will dig one Supporting post in a suitable site in rear.

In the first instance a trip wire and a properly staked belt of French wire will be put out 50 yards in front of the objective.

GARRISONS. 6. The present front line will be garrisoned by the remaining Companies of the Battalion, and 1 Company, 4th Battalion, will garrison the present Support line in the location now occupied by the Support Company. These Garrisons will be in position at Zero minus 10.

ARTILLERY. 7. At Zero the 18 pdrs, will open a hurricane bombardment on the foremost elements of enemy trench and M.G. positions in lifts as per attached sketch and will lift as under -

2. Para 7. sub-paras. (a), (b), (c) & (d) will be cancelled and following substituted in order to conform to artillery arrangements with flanks:-

(a) Zero to Zero plus 4 minutes on initial barrage line.

(b) Zero plus 4 lifts 50 yards.

(c) Zero plus 6 lifts 50 yards.

(d) Zero plus 8 lifts 100 yards.

(e) Zero plus 10 lifts 50 yards on Right.)

100 yards on Left.)

(f) Zero plus 12 lifts 50 yards on right.)

100 yards on left.)

(g) Zero plus 14 lifts to final protective barrage line 150 yards in advance of objective.

In addition a special flanking barrage will be put down on Right flank, -

(a) At Zero to Zero plus 4 minutes.

(b) At Zero plus 4 flank barrage lifts 100 yards.

(c) At Zero plus 8 flank barrage lifts to protective flank barrage line."

Sketch showing lifts and times will be forwarded later.

B. Zero plus 4 to Zero plus 7 ;-

2 guns on X.20.D.2.3. Trench System.

2 " " X.20.C.8.1. " "

2 guns sweep trench system vicinity of X.26.A. (as shewn on attached sketch.)

C. Harassing fire on special targets.

6" Newton Mortars will also fire on special targets at times arranged.

MACHINE GUNS. 9. Machine Guns will co-operate by overhead and flanking fire under instructions issued separately.

METHOD OF
ATTACK.

10. Each Company will attack with 3 Platoons with 1 Platoon in support for mopping up or reinforcing against any point of resistance.

Connecting files will be maintained between Platoons. Liaison patrols from Companies in the line, under an Officer, will be sent over after the attack to keep their respective Company Commanders informed as to the situation.

LIAISON. 11. Liaison between Companies will be arranged and the 2nd Battalion will have liaison with the Battalion on the left.

REPORTS. 12. Company Headquarters of each attacking Company will be established in the present front line and telephone and lamp communication established with the Battalion report centre. Every endeavour will be made to notify capture of objective, and identifications of prisoners taken to Brigade Headquarters in quick time.

MISCELLANEOUS. 13. (a) Medical arrangements will be made by C.O., 2nd Battalion.

(b) Details as to dumps, dress, equipment, rations, etc. will be arranged by C.O., 2nd Battalion.

(c) Prisoners of War will be despatched to Brigade Headquarters after having been searched. Searching of prisoners will take place as soon as possible after capture.

14. Orders giving full details of co-operation by the Brigade on our left will be forwarded to Units concerned.

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

(sgd) A.W. HUTCHIN. Major.
Brigade Major. 1st.Australian.Inf.Brigade.

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Headquarters 21.6.1918.

Battalion Order No. 28.

Reference Maps	Sheets 27 S.E. (3 B Local)	1:20,000
	36 a N.E. (7 A Local)	1:20,000

1. (a) The 1st Aust. Infantry Brigade, in conjunction with troops on the Left will capture the enemy outpost line and consolidate on or about the Objective Line as indicated on the attached sketch map on night 23/24th June.

(b) The attacking troops will consist of two Companies of 2nd Aust. Infantry Battalion.

(c) ZeronHour will be notified later.

2. 1st Australian M. G. Battalion will co.operate in the attack as follows.-

(a) O.C. 1st Aust. M. G. Company will arrange for two guns to be placed in position in vicinity of X.25.B.80.18. They will fire to the Right Flank of the attack and keep down enemy heads, and neutralize hostile Machine Guns by direct fire. At each of the above guns there will be 10 belts and 2,000 rounds bulk S.A.A. Guns will be in position and all necessary arrangements completed at Zero - 30 minutes. When the position is consolidated these guns will withdraw to their battle position.

(b) Ten guns will fire on a line approximately from X.26.C.85.85 to X.26.A.88.00 to X.26.B.78.00 from Zeronto Zero plus 30 minutes. Rate of fire 1 Belt per two minutes per gun.

(c) O.C. 21st A.M.G. Company will arrange that guns No. 15 and 16 keep farm GERBEDOEN (F.1.B.9.2.) under continuous harassing fire from Zero to Zero plus 30 .

(d) Other guns of 21st A.M.G.Co. will bring harassing fire to bear on selected targets.

3. Calculations for tasks detailed in para.2. will be forwarded to reach Battalion H.Q. by 18 pm. on 22nd June.

4. Watches will be synchronized from Brigade H.Q. 6, 3, and 1 hour before Zero.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE. *n. m.*

Maher: Irish

Lieut. & A/Adjutant,
1st Australian Machine Gun Battalion.

D I S T R I B U T I O N.

1	File	7	1st Aust. Division.
2	War Diary	8	1st A.I.Bde.
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"C" FORM.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2123.
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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

21st June 1918.

OPERATION ORDER No. 44.
SERIES 2.

Reference Map. METEREN. Edition 1.A. Local.

1. (a). The 1st Australian Infantry Brigade, in conjunction with troops on the left, is capturing the enemy outpost line and consolidating on or about the objective line shown on the attached map, on the night 23rd/24th June.
(b). The attacking troops will consist of 2 companies, 2nd Battalion.
(c). Zero hour will be notified later.
(d). The two left posts of the 3rd Battalion are being withdrawn by Zero minus 15.
2. This operation will be supported by the following Field Artillery :-
1st Aust. F.A. Brigade.
12th Aust Army F.A. Brigade.
2nd Aust. F.A. Brigade.
3. 6" Medium Trench Mortars.
3. (a). The attached barrage diagram shows lifts for 18-pdrs, final protective barrage and objective.
(b). The 9th Divisional Artillery are joining with each lift of the barrage on the METEREN BECQUE.
(c). Flank guns of brigades and batteries will fire on the same co-ordinates. In the case of flank guns of Brigades this will be arranged between Brigade Commanders concerned.
C.O., 2nd Aust. F.A. Bde will arrange for an overlap of 25 yards on the METEREN BECQUE.
4. The frontage of the barrage is divided into four lanes, A, B, C, D, as shown on the attached diagram. These lanes are allotted as follows:-

Lane A.	1. 18 pdr. Battery, 1st Aust F.A. Brigade.
Lane B.	2. 18 pdr. Batteries, 1st Aust F.A. Brigade.
Lane C.	12th Aust. Army F.A. Brigade.
Lane D.	2nd Aust F.A. Brigade.
5. 4.5" Howitzer batteries will fire as shown in Table A. attached. On lifting to the protective barrage each howitzer battery will be distributed across its own Brigade Lane.
6. Rates of fire will be as follows-

<u>18.Pdrs.</u>	
Zero to plus 10.	4 rounds P.G.P.M.
plus 10 to plus 16.	3 rounds P.G.P.M.
plus 16 to plus 29.	2 rounds P.G.P.M.
plus 29.	Stop firing.
<u>4.5" Hows.</u>	
Zero to plus 4.	4 rounds P.H.P.M.
plus 4 to plus 8.	3 rounds P.H.P.M.
plus 8 to plus 29.	2 rounds P.H.P.M.
plus 29.	Stop firing.
7. Ammunition :-

<u>18. Pdrs.</u>	50% A and 50% AX with 106 Fuze.
<u>4.5" Hows.</u>	106 Fuze.

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8. Medium Trench Mortars will fire as under:-

- (a). 1 Mortar.
Zero to plus 2 House X.20.D.33.74.
plus 2 to plus 4. Trench X.20.D.25.36 - X.20.D.34.40.
plus 4. Stop.
- 1 Mortar.
Zero to plus 4. Trenches X.20.D.10.30 - X.20.D.25.36
and X.20.D.11.38 - X.20.D.19.40.
plus 4. Stop.
- 1 Mortar.
Zero to plus 6. EWE FARM. X.20.D.05.13.
Plus 6. Stop.
- (b). Rate of Fire. Maximum.
- (c). Ammunition. T.M.G. 25% Delay Action.

9. Corps Heavy Artillery are arranging to keep under fire during the operation all roads and tracks leading into X.26 and X.20.D. and also bridges over the METEREN BECQUE. The C.B.S.O. is arranging to neutralise all hostile batteries which can fire on the area of the operation.

10. (a). From Zero minus one hour to Zero plus one hour Corps Heavy Artillery are arranging to thicken their S.O.S. on that portion of the Divisional Front not covered by the operation.
- (b). From Zero minus one hour to Zero plus one hour 84th Army Brigade R.F.A. will be prepared to fire on any portion of the Divisional Front other than that covered by the operation, from which an S.O.S. signal may be sent up.
- (c). At Zero plus one hour all batteries will return to their normal S.O.S. Zones.
11. From Zero plus 30 till daylight 2nd Aust. F.A. Brigade will increase their harrassing fire 100%, paying particular attention to country in rear of the objective.
12. (a). The 12th Australian Army F.A. Brigade will supply a Liaison Officer with the Right attacking company, and the 2nd Aust. F.A. Bde. with the Left attacking company. These Officers will get in touch with company commanders as soon as possible after the objective is reached..
- (b). The 2nd Aust F.A. Brigade will supply a Liaison Officer with Headquarters 2nd Battalion. All three Brigades will be responsible for maintaining telephonic and alternative communication with this Officer.
13. The Liaison Officer, Left Infantry Brigade will synchronise watches with all three Brigades at Zero minus 6 hours, 3 hours and 1 hour.
14. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Alec M. Forbes
Major.
Brigade Major 1st Aust Div Arty.

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TABLE "A"

4.5" Howitzer Tasks.

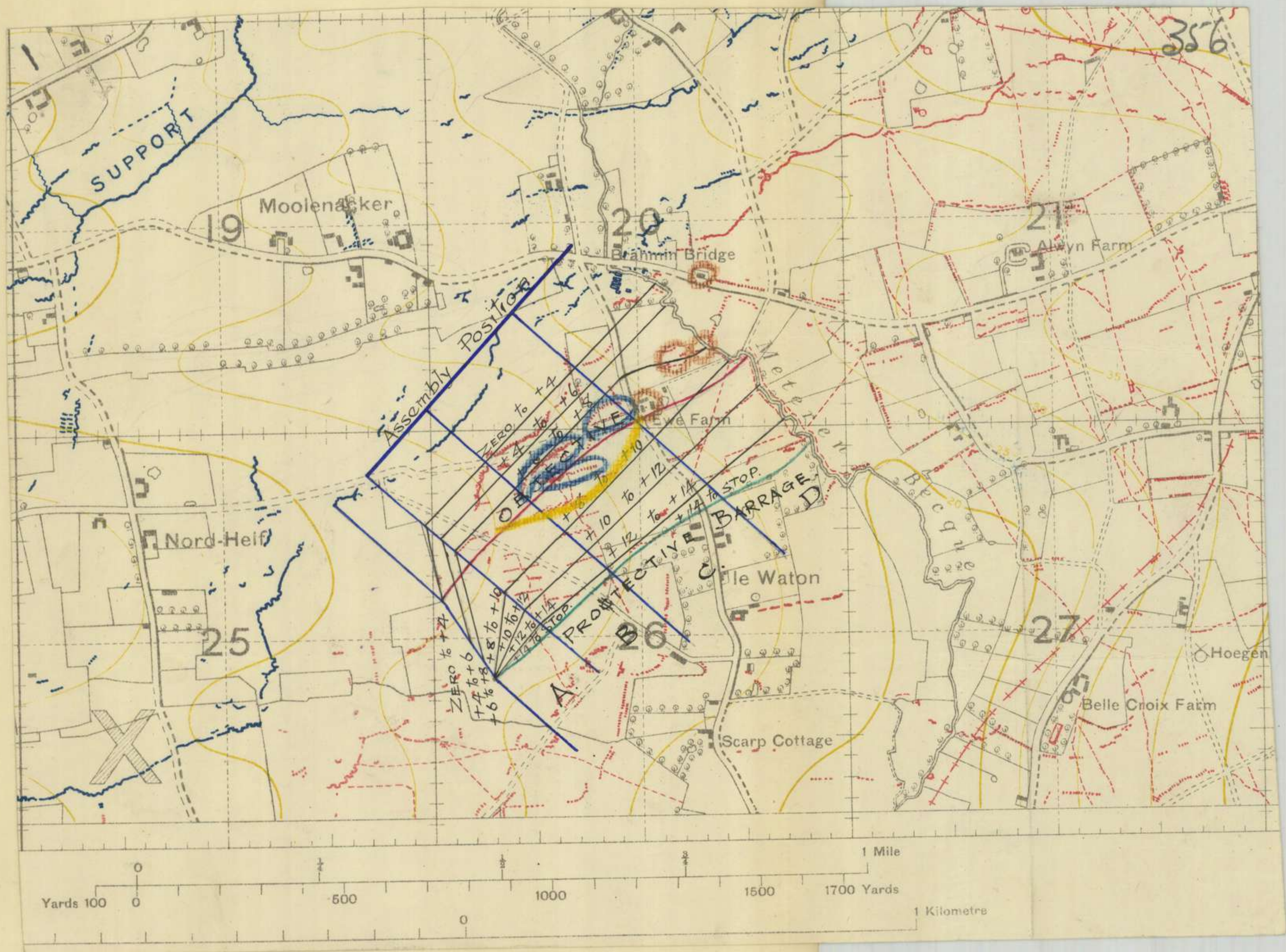
BATTERY	TIME.	TASK.
101st Battery.	Zero to plus 4.	Trench X.26.A.43.70 - X.26.A.68.95.
	Plus 4 to plus 8.	X.26.A.40.55 - X.26.A.72.66.
	Plus 8 to plus 29.	Protective Barrage.
112th Battery.	Zero to plus 4	Trench X.26.A.53.75 - X.26.A.80.83.
	Plus 4 to Plus 8.	X.26.A.72.66 - X.26.A.93.85
	Plus 8 to Plus 29.	Protective Barrage.
102nd Battery.	Zero to plus 4.	(3 hows. Trench X.20.C.76.03 - X.20.C.93.13.
		(3 hows. Trench X.20.C.79.03 - X.20.C.95.07.
	Plus 4 to plus 8.	X.26.A.93.85 to EWE FARM (inclusive).
	Plus 8 to plus 29.	Protective Barrage.

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1st Aust F.A. Bde.	1.
2nd Aust F.A. Bde.	2.
12th Aust Army F.A. Bde.	3.
64th Army Bde. R.F.A.	4.
D.T.M.O., 1st Aust Div.	5.
1st Aust Inf. Bde.	6.
Liaison Officer, Right Inf Bde.	7.
Liaison Officer Left Inf. Bde.	8.
1st Aust. Divn.	9.
9th Div. Arty.	10.
29th Div. Arty.	11.
R.A., XV Corps.	12.
H.A., XV Corps.	13.
1st Aust D.A.C.	14.
O.R.A., 1st Aust Div.	15.
Reconn. Officer.	16.
Staff Capt.	17.
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SECRET.FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

COPY NO.....

Headquarters.
21st. June. 1918.DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 98.

1. (a) The 1st.Aust.Inf.Brigade will carry out an operation against enemy defences on the right bank of the METEREN BECQUE during the night 23rd/24th June 1918.
(b) The 9th (Scottish) Division is co-operating.
2. The objective to be captured and consolidated is the approximate line X.26.A.1.4. - X.20.D.4.5.
3. The attack, which is being carried out by two Companies of Infantry, will be made under cover of an Artillery advancing barrage. Heavy Artillery and M.T.Ms are co-operating.
The C.R.A. will issue the artillery programme to all concerned.
4. Zero hour will be notified separately.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Geo. F. Wick
Lieut-Colonel.
General Staff.
1st Australian Division.

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12	C.R.E.1st.Aust.Div.
13	1st.Div.Sig.Coy.
14	1st.M.G.Battalion.
15	1st.Pioneer Bn.
16	A.D.M.S.
17	XV Corps.
18	29th.Division.
19	9th. Division.
20	A.P.M.
21	A.Q.
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S E C R E T.

XV Corps No. 636/18/10 G,
dated 22/6/1918.

XVI French Corps.

1. A minor operation is to be carried out on the left of the Centre Division and right of the Left Division South-West of METEREN on the early morning of the 24th instant. The exact hour will be communicated to you later.
2. It would be a great help if you would be so good as to allow your Heavy Artillery to assist by engaging enemy batteries?
3. If you concur would you very kindly permit the G.O.C. Heavy Artillery, XV Corps, to arrange direct with your Heavy Artillery?

XV Corps,
22/6/1918.

Copies to :- 9th (Scottish) Division.
1st Australian Division. ✓
G.O.C. R.A., XV Corps.

H. B. B. B.
for
Lieutenant-General,
Commanding XV Corps.

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Captain LAMBERT
Liaison Officer with Heavy Artillery
XVI French Corps.

Sender's Number.

Day of Month.

In reply to Number.

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In	reference	to	XV Corps	re-
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the	Zero	shows	selected	for
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J. H. L. Lambert
A. L. O. Langue

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From

1st Aust. Division

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XV CORPS HEAVY ARTILLERY OPERATION ORDER NO. 55.

Reference Map 1/20000: Combined Sheet 27 SE and 28 SW: Edition 1a.

1. On the night 23/24th, 9th. Division and 1st Australian Division are carrying out an operation as the result of which the line will run:-
 X.26.a.00.20 - X.26.a.60.80 - X.20.d.00.00 - X.20.d.50.38 -
 (Junction of Divisions), thence along track running N.E. to
 X.20.d.65.65 - X.20.b.80.32 - X.20.b.80.40 - X.20.b.80.75 -
 (Junction with present front line).

2. ZERO hour will be notified later.

3. In support of this operation, firing will be carried out by Brigades from ZERO to ZERO plus 29 minutes as under :-

33rd. Brigade:

- 2 - 6" How.batteries: Barrage line X.27.a.35.55 through ALWYN FARM, to X.21.b.00.50.
 1 - 6" How.battery: Search trench mortar area X.15.d.80.00 - X.16.c.05.00 - X.16.c.06.40 - X.15.d.65.40 - X.15.d.80.00.
 1 - 8" How.battery (less 1 section): Search area X.21.a.90.50 - X.22.a.07.40 - X.15.d.70.30 - X.15.d.30.00 - X.21.a.90.50, paying special attention to :-
 Trench X.21.b.20.75 - X.15.d.40.10.
 Short trench X.21.b.41.50.
 X.21.b.55.45.
 X.21.b.73.42.
 X.15.d.93.00.
 Post on road X.21.b.16.56.
 Machine guns X.15.d.50.10.
 X.15.d.43.39.

36th. Brigade:

- 1 - 6" How.battery: and 1 - 9.2" How.battery: Tracks and approaches in X.27. and F.3.a.

45th. Brigade:

- 2 - 6" How.batteries: and 1 - 9.2" How.battery: Tracks and approaches in X.26.d. and F.2.

4. Rate of fire:- ZERO to ZERO plus 10 minutes: INTENSE.
 ZERO plus 10 to ZERO plus 29 minutes: RAPID.

5. Counter-battery work is being arranged by C.B.S.O.

6. S.O.S. lines for 36th Brigade from ZERO - 1 hour to ZERO plus 1 hour, if required, will be laid down as follows:-
 On 9th Division front of Brigade sector, normal., i.e. at plus 500 yards from Infantry front line at the moment by 1 how battery, and the fire of the remainder of the Brigade, i.e. 2 how batteries, will be divided along a line from X.26.c.9.5. to F.12.c.5.0.
 After ZERO plus 1 hour, S.O.S. lines will revert to normal, i.e. at plus 500 yards of new front line in brigade sector.

7. Watches will be synchronised with this office at an hour to be notified later.

8. Brigades please acknowledge by wire.

H.Q. H.A. XV Corps.
 22nd. June, 1918.

Brigade Major, Heavy Artillery, XV Corps.

Major,

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R.A. XV Corps.
9th. Division.
9th. Div. Arty.
1st. Australian Division.
1st. Australian Div. Arty.
6th. Balloon Coy. RAF.
4th. F.S.Coy. RE.



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9th DIVISION ORDER No. 237.

1. On the night 23rd/24th June S.A. Inf. Brigade will carry out a minor operation in conjunction with the Division on our right.
2. The objective to be gained and consolidated by the S.A. Bde. will be the line X.20.d.50.38, thence along track running North East to X.20.d.65.65. - X.20.b.80.32. - X.20.b.80.40. - X.20.b.80.75. The house at X.20.d.70.63. should also be secured.
3. The Divisional Artillery will cover the advance with a creeping barrage and will put down a protective barrage until Zero plus one hour on a line 250 yards beyond the objective. Details of artillery action have already been communicated to G.O.C., S.A. Brigade. C.R.A. 9th Division will arrange for co-operation of Heavy Artillery.
4. G.O.C., S.A. Brigade will arrange for the earliest possible information to be wired to Div. H.Q. regarding the course of the operation. Any prisoners or documents captured will be sent forthwith to Battalion H.Qrs. at X.7.a.5.1., where they will be examined by the Divisional Intelligence Officer, who will report identifications by 'Urgent operation priority' wire to Div. H.Q., repeating wire to XV Corps and Second Army Intelligence. He will forward all captured documents direct to Corps Intelligence by S.D.R. after reporting to O.C. S.A. Composite Battn. any information of urgent importance obtained from them.
5. O.C. 9th Div. Signals will ascertain that G.O.C., S.A. Inf. Brigade has at his disposal every means of communication which he requires to ensure the rapid transmission of information from the front line.
6. G.O.C., S.A. Inf. Brigade will send a preliminary report of the operation by wire to Div. H.Q. and a fuller report as early as possible by S.D.R.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

T. C. Munnick

Lt. Colonel

General Staff

9th (Scottish) Division.

22.6.18.

Issued through Signals at 6 p.m.
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AMENDMENT TO

1ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 99.

Brigade Headquarters,
22nd. June, 1918.

AMENDMENT to Brigade Order No. 99, para. 7 is cancelled and the following substituted :-

1. The attached sketch shows assembly positions, lifts for 18 pdrs., targets for 4.5 hows., the final objective, and protective barrage,
2. The details of action of the artillery and medium Trench Mortars are as follows :-

(a) Rates of fire will be as follows :-

18 pdrs.

Zero to plus 10.	4 rounds P.G.P.M.
plus 10 to plus 16.	3 rounds P.G.P.M.
plus 16 to plus 29.	2 rounds P.G.P.M.
plus 29.	Stop firing.

4.5" hows.

Zero to plus 4.	4 rounds P.H.P.M.
plus 4 to plus 8.	3 rounds P.H.P.M.
plus 8 to plus 29.	2 rounds P.H.P.M.
plus 29.	Stop firing.

(b) Ammunition :-

18 Pdrs. 50% Shrapnel & 50% H.E. with 106 fuze.
4.5" Hows. 106 fuze.

(c) Medium Trench Mortars will fire as under :-

(i) 1 Mortar.

Zero to plus 2.	House X.20.D.33.74.
plus 2 to plus 4.	Trench X.20.D.25.36.-X.20.D.34.40.
plus 4.	Stop.

1 Mortar.

Zero to plus 4.	Trenches X.20.D.10.30.-X.20.D.25.36.
	and X.20.D.11.38.-X.20.D.19.40.
plus 4.	Stop.

1 Mortar.

Zero to plus 6.	EWE FARM. X.20.D.05.13.
plus 6.	Stop.

(ii) Rate of Fire. Maximum.

(iii) Ammunition. T.M.G. 25% Delay Action.

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- (d) the operation all roads and tracks leading into X.26 and X 0.1 and also bridges over the METTEREN BECQUE. The C.B.S.C. is arranging to neutralise all hostile batteries which can fire on the area of the operation.
- (e) (i) From Zero minus one hour to Zero plus one hour Corps heavy artillery are arranging to thicken their S.O.S. on that portion of the Divisional front not covered by the operation.
- (ii) From Zero minus 1 hour to Zero plus 1 hour 64th Army Brigade R.F.A. will be prepared to fire on any portion of the Divisional Front other than that covered by the operation, from which an S.O.S. signal may be sent up.
- (iii) At Zero plus 1 hour all batteries will return to their normal S.O.S. Zones.
- (f) From Zero plus 30 till daylight 2nd Aust. F.A. Brigade will increase their harassing fire 100%, paying particular attention to country in rear of the objective.
- (g) (i) The 12th Australian Army F.A. Brigade will supply a Liaison Officer with the Right attacking Company, and the 2nd Aust. F.A. Brigade with the Left attacking Company. These Officers will get in touch with Company Commanders as soon as possible after the objective is reached.
- (ii) The 2nd Aust. F.A. Brigade will supply a Liaison Officer with Headquarters, 2nd Battalion.

R. R. Agnew

Capt.,

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

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ADDENDUM No. 11ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 99.

Brigade Headquarters,
22nd. June, 1918.

1. The 3rd. Battalion will co-operate as under with the attacking troops under cover of flanking barrage, stokes mortars and their own rifle grenades.

(a) One Platoon at W.25.B.65.10. will mop up and establish a post in the vicinity of enemy defences at X.25.D.9.9.

(b) One Platoon at X.25.B.8.4. will mop up and establish a post in the vicinity of enemy defences at X.26.A.1.2.

2. The Right attacking Platoon of 2nd. Battalion will mop up enemy defences about X.26.A.2.4. and establish a post at X.26.A.30.45.

3. Watches will be synchronised from Brigade Headquarters at 6, 3 and 1 hour before Zero.

R. R. Agnew
Capt.,

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

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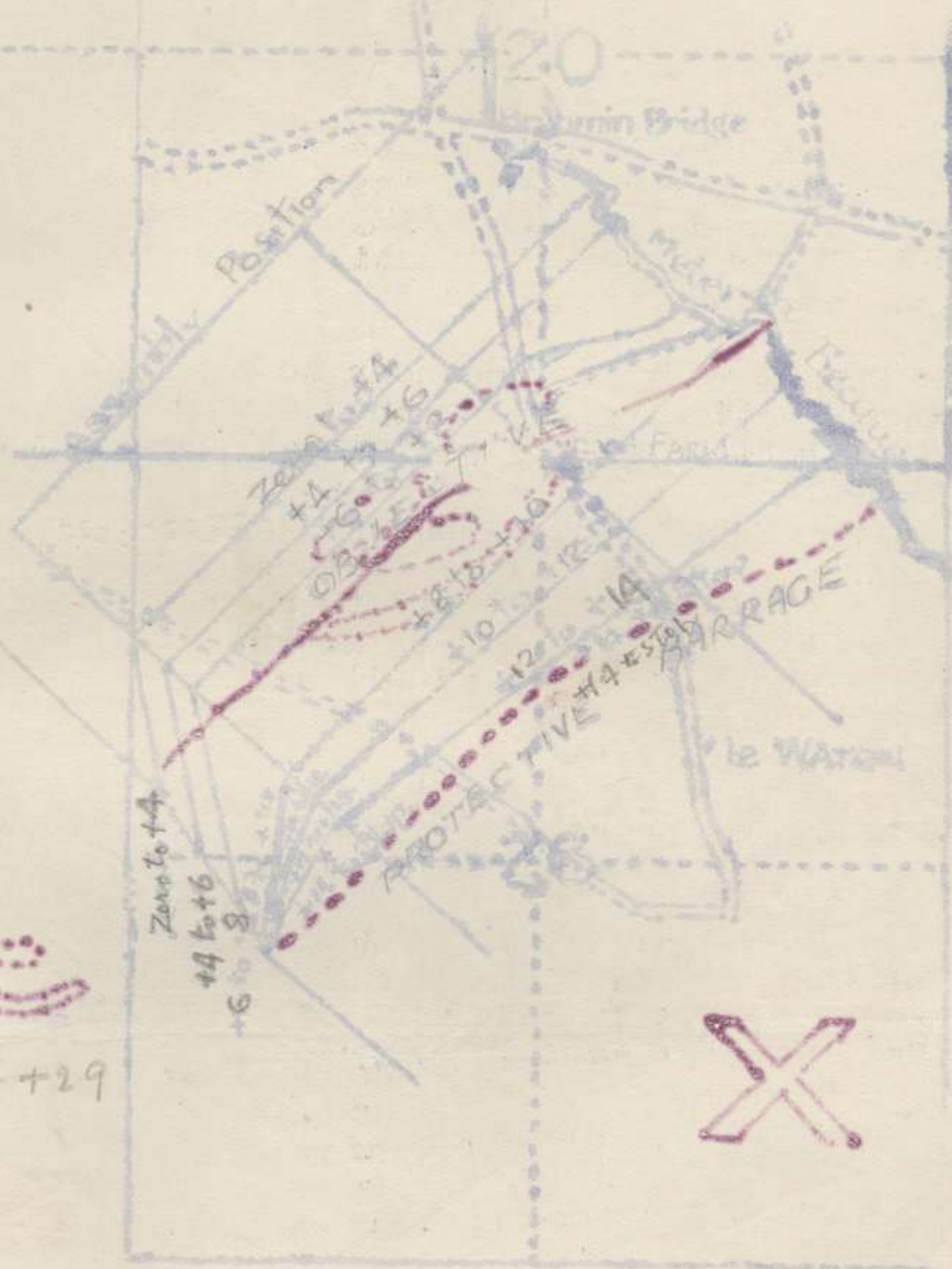
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REPORT ON MINOR OPERATIONS carried out by two Platoons "A" Company
3rd AUSTRALIAN BATTALION on 20th June 1918, and subsequent Enemy
Counter Attacks -

Right Co., Right Battalion, Left Brigade, Sector of
Australian Division Front, near MERRIS.

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3rd. Australian Battalion. H.Q.
23-6-18.

1. In order to obtain better observation of enemy position, and to deny it to him, it was decided to advance my RIGHT POST along a Trench running out at Right angles to our line. Thirty yards in front of my Right post we held a Bomb Stop in this Trench, and a further Forty yards out the enemy held a similar Stop.
2. METHOD OF ATTACK. - One Platoon was to advance up each side of Trench, enter it 200 yards from our line, and build a "STOP" and "T" head Trench. The attack to be made under cover of a short Stokes Mortar Barrage on objective, and Field Artillery to keep under fire known enemy M.Gs and defences from ZERO onwards. It was thought that a daylight attack would be a surprise, as he had been active at 7.30.a.m. daily, and from then on very quiet, and that at 9.a.m. only a small number of the garrison would be awake.
3. "A" Company (Capt. L.H.R. HIGINBOTHAM) held the Right Front Company Sector, and Nos. 1 and 2. Platoons (Lieuts. F.W. TAYLOR and C.J. McDONALD) detailed for the assault.
4. 20-6-18.
8.30.a.m. Nos. 1 & 2 Platoons were formed up for the assault as shewn on attached Sketch. The other two Platoons of "A" Company remained as Garrison in Nos. 3 & 4 Posts.
5. ZERO hour was 8.40.a.m. 20-6-18.
8.38.a.m. TRENCH MORTARS. - Four 3 inch Stokes Mortars of 1st. A.L.T.M.B. opened on enemy Trench (objective). and lifted 200 yards at zero.
8.40.a.m. The two Platoons advanced at a double, crossed the enemy barbed knife rests without difficulty, and entered enemy Trench. The Germans withdrew in great haste, and did not stop until our men were halted to build the Bomb Stop.
Enemy did not answer with much Artillery fire, but Machine Guns and Snipers at once opened up and swept parapet and parados of captured Trench inflicting a few casualties. Two of our Lewis Guns and some Riflemen remained on top, and fired with good effect on retiring enemy.
A Bomb Stop was then built as shewn on Sketch.
- 9.15.a.m. O.C. "A" Company ordered No. 3 Post forward. The Garrison No. 3 Platoon advanced and dug in (position shewn on Sketch) to protect left of new No. 1 post.
Lieut. F.W. TAYLOR Commanding No. 1. Platoon was hit just after gaining the objective and evacuated.
6. COUNTER ATTACKS. - Between 9.30.a.m. and 2.p.m. Enemy made Three
9.30. separate Counter Attacks each in the same formation as stated below,
a.m.- and each being driven off with Lewis Guns, Bombs, and Rifle Fire,
2.p. and Casualties inflicted by our men.
m. 20-6-18.
A Bombing party of approximately 25 enemy moved towards Bomb Stop and used Rifles and Stick Bombs.
On each side of Trench 6 to 12 flankers crawled through the Crops and sniped - A Machine Gun shewn on Map swept our Trench from Bomb Stop to our rear - A German Officer wearing a cap was conspicuous for his courage and skill in urging his men on and he himself advanced boldly and used a rifle with good effect. He exposed himself time after time, and appeared to bear a charmed life. He was killed about 4.p.m.
The Enemy Machine Gun on our Right Front and Snipers prevented

the digging of the "T" Head from the top, and even sapping was carried out under great difficulty.

Two Lewis Guns got into position in a Shell hole on the right of the Bomb Stop, and effectively dealt with Enemy Machine Guns, excepting the one marked on Sketch which could not be located.

Good shooting was done with No. 36 Rifle Grenades and many casualties inflicted.

4.30.p.m. Enemy shelled captured Trench and old front Posts for 10 minutes with 5.9. and 4.2 and Trench Mortars, and then lifted on to tracks.

At 4.40.p.m. he again attacked with a strong bombing party up the Trench, and about 25 flankers in the Crops. He was again driven off. His Bombers crawled along Trench, threw a Bomb, and rushed away back, other men taking their place.

5.p.m. to
9.p.m.

Quiet and Consolidation proceeded with.

9.30.p.m. From 9 to 9.40.p.m. Enemy commenced to shell, and at 9.40.p.m. fired yellow clusters, and then put down a very heavy Bombardment of 5.9. and 4.2. - most of these fell in rear of Bomb Stop.

At 9.50.p.m. Enemy again advanced to the attack with a strong flanking party of 100 on our left, and 30 on our right, and a Bombing party along Trench. Our Lewis Guns and Riflemen soon checked the flankers. The Bombing Party pressed the attack, and got within 20 yards of our Bomb block, but were then driven back.

The Company Commander (Capt. L.H.R. HIGINBOTHAM) whilst leading Reinforcements forward was hit by a Bomb, shattering his left leg.

Lieut. E.R. SHELLEY. MC., with 2 Platoons of ("D") Support Company were sent forward, and Lieut. SHELLEY took over Command of the Company Front, and his men relieved Nos. 1 & 2. Platoons in the captured Trench.

At 11.p.m. Enemy withdrew and Shelling ceased. The "T" head was rapidly lengthened, and the whole position improved.

21-6-18. Sniping and Machine Gun fire was maintained by both sides throughout day 21st and night 21st/22nd.

Two remaining Platoons of "D" Company moved into Right Company Front, and "A" Company were withdrawn to Support Line night 21st/22nd.

22-6-18. Day quiet with intermittent and scattered shelling.

Lieut. E.R. SHELLEY. MC. O.C. "D" Company evacuated (Septic Knee) and command passed to Lieut. McL. KESHAN.

7.45.p.m. Enemy fired Orange Cluster lights and White Lights. His Artillery immediately opened, and a heavy barrage was put down on my Right Company Front, and on Front of Battalion on RIGHT.

7.50.p.m. Enemy Barrage lifted to our Support Line and Tracks from Front Line. 8.10.p.m. Our Arty opened a Counter Bombardment.

8.30.p.m. Enemy shelling practically ceased. A Machine Gun fired on new post sweeping the parapet. A party of Enemy about 80 strong were observed in the Crop about F.1.A.5.5. and another 20 were seen creeping up Trench towards our Bomb Stop. Another party estimated at over 100 men was observed on our Right Front. Fire was immediately opened with Lewis Guns and Rifle, and many of the Enemy were seen to fall - the range was short and the Targets big. Very heavy casualties were inflicted. The Huns in the Crop broke and ran for Shelter, and many were seen to fall. The Bombing party in the Trench were driven back and at least 5 of his party were killed. Enemy were wearing Full Marching Order, and carrying Shovels and other Gear. All our Casualties - approximately 1 Officer (2nd Lieut. J. BRUGGY) and 11 Other ranks, were caused by Shell Fire. His attacking party did not inflict any casualties.

9.p.m. At 9.p.m. withdrew, and Front became quiet. Enemy Shell Fire was very accurate, our Trenches being blown in in many places.

7. Position captured gives good observation over ground we were unable to watch before.
8. ARTILLERY.-- 18 pounders and 4.5. howitzers opened at ZERO on known Enemy Machine Guns and Trenches. The fire appeared to be effective. All calls on Artillery were promptly answered.
9. MISCELLANEOUS.--
- (a) Enemy Stick Bombs appear to be of different size (slightly smaller) than those seen before and much more powerful. On two occasions our Bomb Stop was blown about and partly destroyed by them.
 - (b) One Lewis Gunner () fired 43 Magazines in 2 hours without a stoppage in the Gun, though the Gun was not overhauled or stripped during that time.
 - (c) Quite 12 pairs of Boots were left behind by the Germans and three or four pair of Breeches. More than 12 Rifles were picked up in the captured position.
 - (d) The high crops made observation difficult and movement by us in the Crops brought heavy Machine Gun Fire from the Enemy, making the cutting very difficult.
 - (e) Captured Enemy M.Gun was used by us with good effect in repelling Counter attacks.
10. APPENDICES.--
- (a) Map showing positions of old Line and New posts.
 - (b) Copy of Order issued.
 - (c) Details of our Casualties.
 - (d) Details of Enemy Casualties.

(sgd) D.T. MOORE.

Lieut-Colonel.

Commanding 3rd. Aust. Battalion.

3rd. Aust. Battalion. H.Q.
STRAZEELE. 23-6-18.

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OUR CASUALTIES.

Capt. L.H.R. HIGINBOTHAM - Wounded 20-6-18 - Died of Wounds 21-6-18.
 Lieut. F.W. TAYLOR. - do 20-6-18 - do. do.
 2nd. Lieut. J. BRUGGY. - do 22-6-18.

	20-6-18 to 21-6-18.	22-6-18.	total.
OTHER RANKS. - Killed.	9	3	12
Died of. W.	2	-	2
Wounded.	23	9	32
Missing.	2	-	2

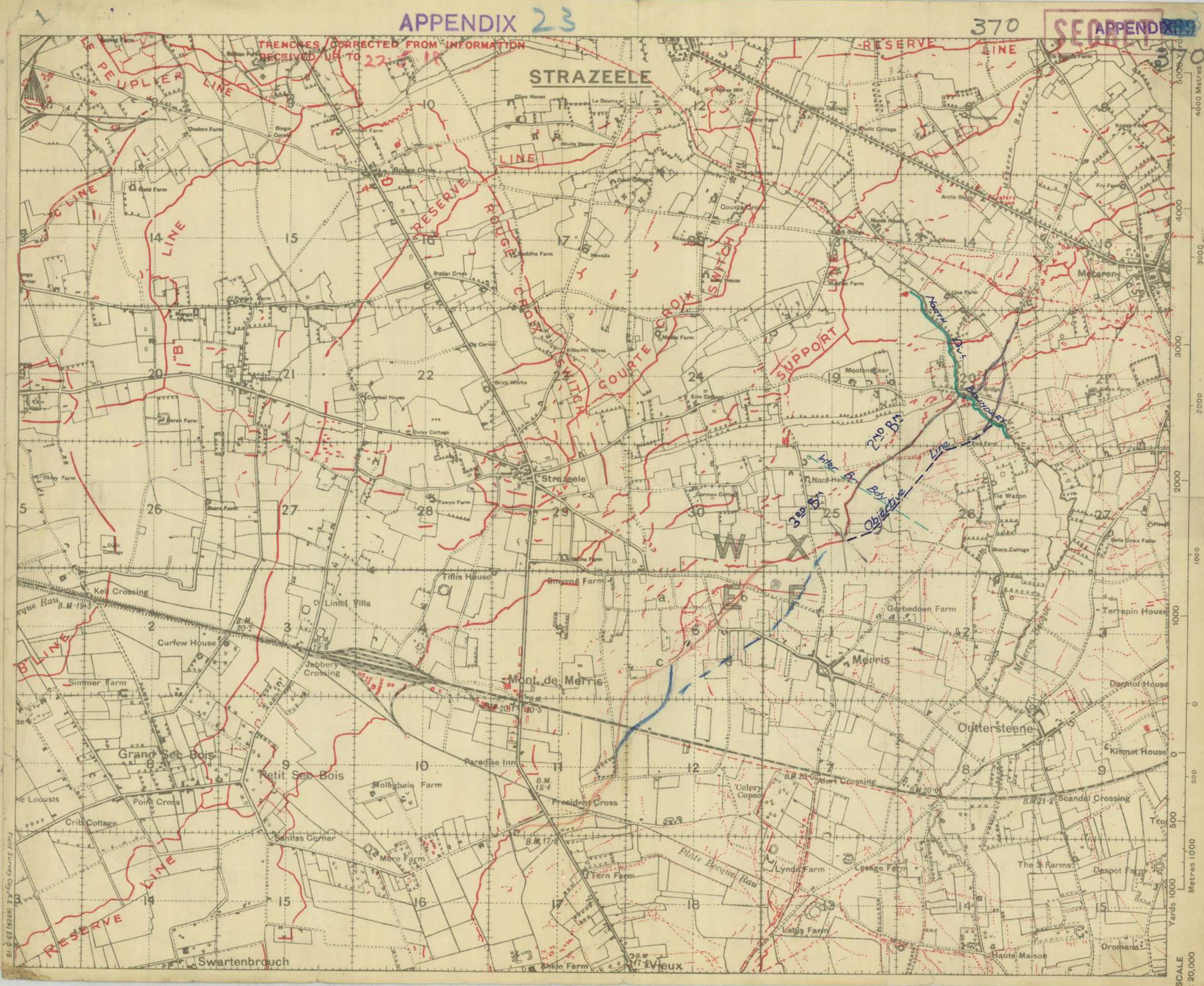
Does not include Casualties on Left Co Front.

ENEMY CASUALTIES.

Estimated number of Enemy killed to Midnight 50.
 21st inst -

Estimated number of enemy killed to Midnight
 22nd inst - Cannot yet make an estimate.

Prisoners taken. 1.
 Machine Guns captured. 1.
 Trench Mortars Captured. 1.
 Rifles Captured. 20.





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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Headquarters.
23rd. June 1918.

- C.R.A. 1st. Aust. Div.
- C.R.E. 1st. Aust. Div.
- 3rd. Aust. Inf. Bde.
- 2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde.
- 1st. M.G. Battalion.
- 1st. Div. Sig. Coy.
- 1st. Pioneer Bn.
- A.D.M.S.
- A.P.M.
- A.Q.
- 31st. Division.
- 9th. Division.

In reference to this Division Order
No. 98 dated 21st June, the Zero hour selected is 12.30.
a.m. 24th June 1918.

Please acknowledge.

Geoffrey
Lieut-Colonel.
General Staff.
1st Australian Division.

APPENDIX 23

1st. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Copy No 11

SECRET.Brigade Headquarters,
23rd. June, 1918.*1st Aust Div*
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Reference Brigade Order No. 99 of 20th. instant.

ZERO HOUR is 12.30 a.m. night of 23rd/24th. June, 1918.

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Frederick
Brigade Major, 1st. Australian Infantry Brigade.SECRET.ADDENDUM No. 21ST. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ORDER No. 99.Brigade Headquarters,
23rd. June, 1918.

1. Machine Gun barrage from 12 Vickers Guns will be put down on the line X.26.B.85.60. - X.26.B.3.2. - X.26.B.1.1. - X.26.A.8.0. - X.26.C.8.8. from Zero to plus 29.
2. Success signals will be used.
Each attacking Company of the 2nd. Battalion will carry three signal Rocket grenades, RED over GREEN over YELLOW, which will be fired to denote objectives gained.

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

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION.

Headquarters 23.6.1918.



Corrigendum to BATTALION ORDER No.28.

1. Para 2 sub-para (a) is cancelled, as enemy posts about X.25.D.9.9. are to be rushed and mopped up, and our own troops will be consolidating in that locality. It will therefore be impossible to fire.
2. Para 2 sub-para (b). The 10 guns will fire on the line X.26. C.85.85 to X.26.B.95.75 and not as in this sub-para stated. Also, instead of firing from Zero to Zero plus 30 they will fire from Zero to Zero plus 29.
3. Guns number 21 and 22 will also bring indirect harassing fire to bear on enemy works in the vicinity of X.26.B.75.15 and road X.26. D.35.40.
4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Major. Smith

Lieut. & A/Adjutant,
1st Australian M. G. Battalion.

To all recipients of B.O.28.

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1st Aust Div
FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

Headquarters.
23-6-18.

ADDENDUM TO ORDER NO 44.

1. ZERO Hour will be 12-30 A.M. on 24th. ^{June} ~~day~~, 1918.
2. ACKNOWLEDGE. *ackd*

Alec M. Forbes Major.
Brigade-Major, 1st. Aust Div Artillery.

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1st Australian Division "G".

1. We are engaged in clearing nightly from the neighbourhood of MERE FARM gas cylinders which failed to discharge completely during the recent gas attack, and are leaking.

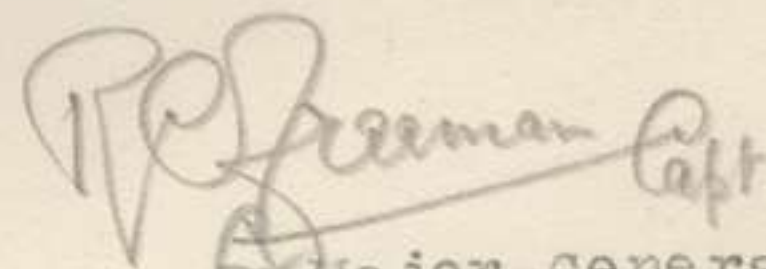
2. It is understood that you are carrying out an operation to-night.

3. When any operation is carried out on your front a certain amount of artillery fire is directed on the neighbourhood of MERE FARM.

4. It is desired to ensure that the movement of these cylinders shall not take place during your operation, as they would be particularly vulnerable and dangerous while being transported.

Will you kindly therefore say at what hour this operation is taking place?

The bearer of this letter has been instructed to wait for an answer if you can conveniently give it him at once.



Major-General,
Commanding 31st Division.

SG 125/24.

23.6.18.

R.C.F.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Headquarters,
23rd June, 1918.



31st Division.

Reference your S.G.125/27 of to-day.

The operation mentioned in 1st Aust.Div.Order No. 98, a copy of which was sent to the 29th Division, will take place to-night 23rd/24th. Zero Hour has been provisionally fixed at 12-30 a.m. and if any alteration is made you will be notified by priority wire giving the alteration in minutes, plus or minus, for example if the time is altered to 1-30 a.m. the wire "Plus sixty" will be sent to you.

A copy of the covering order is attached hereto.

G. Q
G. -
J. L

Sd. H. B. W.

Major-General.

Commanding 1st Australian Division.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.


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XV Corps.

Divisional Headquarters.
23rd. June 1918.

In reference to this Division Order No. 98 dated 21st June 1918, the Zero hour selected, in consultation with the right brigade of the 9th (Scottish) Division, is 12.30.a.m. The liaison Officer with the XVI French Corps H.A. has been advised.

Attached is a copy of the Brigade Order.


Major-General.
Commanding 1st Australian Division.

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Headquarters.
2nd. Aust. Battalion.
24th. June 18.

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Headquarters.
1st. Aust. Inf. Bde.

Reference Brigade Order 99 and 2nd. Aust. Bn.
Order No 16, I have to report. At 12.15.a.m. night 23/24th
inst the Battalion was assembled as follows:-

"A" Coy. Major. GILDER. left attacking company - 3 Platoons
in front line, and one Support and Mopping up.

No.1. Platoon. Lieut. HILLMAN. Right.

No.4. Platoon. Lieut. JOHNSON. Centre.

No.2. Platoon. Lieut. TODD. MM. Left.

No.3. Platoon. Lieut. TAYLOR. Mopping and Support.

"B" Coy. Capt. COLLINGWOOD. MM. Right attacking Company 3
Platoons in front line, one Support and Mopping up.

No.6. Platoon. Lieut. BYRNE. Right.

No.7. Platoon. Lieut. WEST. Centre.

No.8. Platoon. Lieut. DONALDSON. Left.

No.5. Platoon. Lieut. HINDMARSH. Mopping and Support.

"G" Coy. Capt. T.G. MANN. Left Support.

"D" Coy. Major. YODEN. DSO. Right Support.

The Artillery barrage opened at 12.30.a.m. and was very
satisfactory troops immediately moved forward from tapes to
fringe of barrage. At 12.34 barrage lifted attacking Troops
moved forward gaining first objective on the left with no
opposition, in the right centre enemy showed some stubbornness
which was soon overcome, by the mopping up platoon.

At 12.50.a.m. the 6 attacking Platoons had gained their
objective, with very little resistance or opposition by the enemy
artillery or infantry.

Lieut. BYRNE was wounded on arriving at his objective.
Lieut. WEST was wounded before reaching the 1st Objective,
Lieut. HINDMARSH, then took Command of this Platoon and moved
forward to final objective.

No attempt has been made by the enemy to gain lost ground.
Our posts are now established as follows:- X.26.A.10.25. -
X.26.A.30.40. - X.26.A.50.60. - X.26.A.60.70. - X.26.A.90.90. -
X.20.D.15.00. - X.20.D.40.20.

Wiring and Consolidation is being carried on.

6 M.Gs were captured, also 50 Rifles, much S.A.A. Stick Bombs
and Rifle Grenades 10 cases of Minenwerfer Ammunition.

11 prisoners were taken (7 wounded) On our front there are at
least 100 enemy dead.

(sgd) A. BORLASE. STEVENS. Lt-Col
Commanding 2nd. Aust. Bn.

24-6-18.

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No. 2 SPECIAL COMPANY, R.E.

Zero Time: 1.30 am.

Serial No. 13/18
of report.

REPORT ON OPERATIONS 22/23 June 1917.

Section & Subsect.	All sections & all Sub-sections.	
Corps & Divn. to which att'd.	XV Corps 1 st Aust. Div.	
Map Ref. of emplacements.	Mortars X.19.d.30.30. X.19.d.35.45. X.19.d.70.45.	Projectors X.19.d.00.85. X.19.d.10.85.
No. of guns in emplacements and spars.	38 Mortars.	480 Projectors.
Purpose of Operation.	To gas and kill enemy personnel.	
Nature of ammunition.	C.G. & P.S.	
No. of rounds allotted.	570 C.G. } Stokes. 570 P.S. }	480 Projectors.
No. fired.	553 P.S. } Stokes. 558 C.G. }	
Reason for discrepancy (if any)	A Stokes bomb exploded in one of H section emplacements. 3 misfires.	
Casualties: Names of Officers, No. of O.R.	Wounded. The H. JONES and 2% Wounded (gas) 4%	
Direction and strength of wind.	N.W. 5-7 M.P.H.	
REMARKS.	The discharge was successful. No enemy flares were observed from the areas affected. Enemy directed light M.G. fire from the flanks on to MORTAR emplacements. Lieut. W.H. SPENDLOVE who was acting as observer reports that a good cloud was seen to drift in the direction of OUTERSTEENE.	
Names of Officers i/c Operations.	Lt. W.H. Spendlove A.J. Eggington M.C. R.V. Clark J.H. Bayliss Lt. J. L. Grier W.D. Pierce Lt. R. Grant H.P. Harker Maj. J.B. May E. Waller C. MacCallloch C.S. Habbajam.	

A copy of this report has been forwarded to :-

XV Corps G.

1st Aust. Div. G.1st Aust. Inf. Bde.

C.S. H.E. Second Army.

sd/ H. May, Capt.

O.C., No. 2 Special Company, R.E.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

COPY NO.

Headquarters.

24th. June. 1918.

DIVISIONAL ORDER. NO. 99.

1. (a) On the 27th inst and the night 27/28th inst the 2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde will relieve the 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde in the Left Brigade Sub-Sector.
(b) The 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde on relief will move to the Reserve Brigade Area and will take over the duties of the Reserve Brigade.
2. On the 27th inst. (a) The 2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde. (less D Battalion) will move to the LA KREULE bivouac area. Move to be complete by 12 Noon.
(b) D Battalion 2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde will relieve D Battalion, 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde which will move to SERCUS Area on relief.
3. On night 27/28th.
(a) 2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde. (less D Battalion) will relieve the 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde. (less D Battalion). On relief troops of 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde will move to LA KREULE bivouacs.
(b) Brigade Headquarters may move to SERCUS.
4. On 28th inst 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde (less D Battalion) will move to SERCUS by direct march route.
5. Command will pass on completion of the relief of the battalions in the line.
6. (a) The nucleus Battalion of the 2nd. Aust. Inf. Bde will be reformed and will take over the duties and quarters of the nucleus Battalion of the 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde.
(b) On relief, the personnel of the 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde nucleus Battalion will rejoin their units.
7. Advance parties of all units will be sent forward 24 hours in advance.
8. All Maps, photos, plans of work and defence Schemes connected with the area, and special duties supplied under Divisional orders will be exchanged between Brigades.
9. S.O.S. Signals, Ammunition, trench and area stores will be handed over on relief and receipts passed. A copy of all receipts to be forwarded to Divisional Headquarters.
10. Routes - The route LES CINQ RUES (avoiding LA HTE LOCE) will be used by all units.
11. Troops are to be warned against exposure to aerial observation at LA KREULE as well as in the forward area.
12. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Geo. F. Weeks.

Lieut-Colonel.
General Staff.
1st Australian Division.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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Headquarters.
25th. June. 1918.

DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 100.

In reference to Divisional Order No. 99 the following instructions regarding the movements of Brigades will be observed;-

1. The 2nd. Aust. Inf. Brigade will strike the Camp at SERCUS and will re-pitch the tents and shelters at the following Camp sites. -

- | | | |
|-------|--------------|------------------------|
| (a) | A Battalion | - LA KREULE. |
| (b) | B Battalion. | - Square V.21.B. |
| (c) | C Battalion. | - Square V.15.A.C.&.D. |
| * (d) | D Battalion. | - Square V.20.B.&.C. |
| (e) | L.T.H.Bty. | - LA KREULE. |

The Field Company will establish a Camp in Square V.8. "Q" will provide the necessary transport.

2. The 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde on relief will not move to SERCUS but will move to the Camps detailed in para 1. The 'D' Battalion will take over the tents and shelters on arrival at V.20. and will pitch its own Camp.

* Battalion relieves direct but sends guard with tents. 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde sends party to take over at V.20.

Geo. F. Wicks

Lieut-Colonel.
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SECRETFIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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Headquarters.
26th. June. 1918.DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 101.

1. The boundary between the Right and Centre Divisions will be re-adjusted to run as follows;-

Along the PLATE BECQUE RAU to E.12.C.07.20. - thence along water course to E.11.D.0.0. - thence along East and West grid to E.11.C.0.0. thence South of MOLENGHEIN Farm to where ditch meets support line at E.9.D.40.85. - along North side of hedge E.9.A.85.25. to E.2.D.85.00. thence along East and West grid to railway bridge over Canal at D.5.C.0.0., inclusive to Right Division (N.B.- Junction of "E" Line and road at E.1.C.9.1. is therefore in centre Division area), - thence along North bank of Canal to bend at D.4.A.2.5. to original boundary at road junction D.3.B.4.5. inclusive to Right Division.

2. The G.O.C. 3rd. Aust. Inf. Brigade will take over the extra area by midnight 27th/28th June and will arrange for liaison posts in the various lines at the new boundary. Completion to be reported to Divisional Headquarters by wire.
3. Garrisons and Nucleus garrisons concerned will reconnoitre the new area at once.
4. The O.C. 1st. Aust. M.G. Battalion will consult the G.O.C., 3rd. Aust. Inf. Brigade in regard to any re-adjustment of M.G. defence.
5. The sections allotted to Field Companies in the 'D' line will now be as follows;-
 - Right - Right boundary to Railway (inclusive)
 - Centre - Railway (exclusive) to HAZEBROUCK-BORRE Road (inclusive)
 - Left - HAZEBROUCK-BORRE Road (exclusive) to Left Boundary.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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SECRET.FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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Headquarters.
26th. June 1918.DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 102.

1. On the morning of 28th June 1918 the 31st Division is taking part in an operation being carried out under the orders of the 11th Corps. Zero Hour will be notified later.
2. The objective of the 31st Division is the line ANKLE FARM - LA BECQUE - GARS BRUGGHE.
3. The Attack is being carried out under cover of an Artillery advancing barrage and the Objective is to be reached at Zero plus 90 minutes.
4. The 1st. Aust. Divisional Artillery will co-operate in the attack to the extent of 4 18-pdr Batteries and 3 4.5 How batteries. The C.R.A. will arrange direct with C.R.A. 31st Division.
5. The O.C. 1st. Aust. M.G. Battalion will arrange direct with 31st M.G. Battalion to engage certain M.G. targets.
6. (a) Simultaneously with the above attack the 1st. Aust. Division will simulate an attack on MERRIS. This action will be confined to the area between F.L.B.6.1. and a point approximately 1.000 yards to the SOUTH.
(b) ARTILLERY - The field artillery action will take the form of an advancing barrage which will be put down 200 yards outside of our front line posts at Zero and then advance at the average rate of 100 yards in 2 minutes. Arrangements will also be made for Heavy Artillery to take part.
Field Artillery Action will be divided into two phases
(i) Zero to Zero plus 20.
(ii) Zero plus 50 to Zero plus 65
but the procedure will be the same in each case.
A percentage of smoke will be used throughout.
The C.R.A. will issue the artillery programme to all concerned.
(c) MACHINE GUNS. The O.C. 1st. Aust. M.G. Battalion will arrange for 6 Vickers Guns to fire on suitable targets from Zero plus 55 minute to Zero plus 60. Fire to be at the rate of 200 rounds per minute.
(d) 3rd STOKES MORTARS - 3rd Stokes Mortars (of the Right Brigade) covering the area will engage suitable targets from Zero plus 50 to Zero plus 52.
(e) INFANTRY - There will be no set Infantry action.
G.O.C. Right Brigade will arrange for
(a) Two Strombos horns, situated near the Front Line, to give a series of short blasts at Zero plus 5 and at Zero plus 55.
(b) A Front Line Post to fire a Rifle Grenade Signal (Not S.O.S.) at Zero plus 55.
7. As the main object of the simulated attack is to prevent the enemy switching the fire of the guns covering this front to the South, Infantry garrisons should be accommodated in the trenches where hostile fire is least likely to fall.
8. Should a hostile attack develop against our front during the operation and the S.O.S. Signal or message is given, artillery will revert to S.O.S. fire.

- (2)
9. A General Staff Officer will Synchronise watches at Divisional Artillery Headquarters at 6.p.m. and at Right Brigade Headquarters at 6.30.p.m.

10. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION
DIVISIONAL ORDER OF THE DAY.

To -

All officers, N.C.Os., and men
of the 1st Australian Division.

After nearly 4 years service in this Division, first as Commander of the 1st Brigade and for the last 3 years in Command of the Division, I am being transferred to another Command and must say farewell to you.

Having been so closely associated with the Division's glorious career from the landing in GALLIPOLI; at LONE PINE; POZIERES, its advance to BAPAUME, LAGNICOURT, BULLECOURT and YPRES up to this day you will realise with what regret I leave you.

No one can appreciate more than I do or has had better opportunities of appreciating than I have had the valour, initiative, steady self reliance and all those qualities which go to make a fighting man and a soldier which have been so consistently exhibited by all ranks in this Division. It has indeed lived up to the motto which it laid down for itself in its earliest days.

No Divisional Commander has been served better, for as well as I have been and I am proud to have commanded you.

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R B Walker Major General.

FRANCE,
June 30th, 1918.

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FRANCE,
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1st Aust. Div.

DIVISIONAL GAS OFFICER 1ST AUSTRALIAN DIV.
No. F 6.444
Date 1.7.18.

War Diary report for period
1st to 30th June 1918 inclusive.

The Division has been in the line,
Merris - Strangell Section, for the period
under review.

The enemy has not shown his usual
activity in gas shelling, and no new
features have been employed by him
during the month.

Appended is a Summary of enemy
gas shell bombardments for the period.

W. Morrison Lieut.
D.S.O. 1st Aust. Div.

War Diary
[Signature]

Summary of Enemy Gas Shell Bombardments
on 1st Aust. Div. Sector for period 1st 5.30^h June 1918 inclusive

DIVISIONAL
GAS OFFICER,
1ST AUSTRALIAN DIV.
No.
Date 30.6.18.

Date	Time	Location	Approximate No. of Shells.	Nature of Gas Shells.
1/2. 6.18	10.30 pm.	W. 18. A.	25	Yellow Cross
	9.10 pm.	W. 23. C.	15	" "
	1.20 am.	W. 30. A. & B.	40	" "
	1.30 am.	W. 32. A.	12	" "
	1.30 am.	W. 23	30	" "
2/3. 6.18	during night 2/3 rd	W. 14. W. 15. W. 21.	250	Yellow Cross & Blue Cross
	2.30 am.	X. 19. A. W. 23. B. W. 24. A.	150	Yellow Cross
3/4. 6.18	8.30 pm to 11 pm.	X. 25. C. W. 30. D.	60	" "
	11 pm to 1 am.	W. 18.	50	" "
	12 midnight	W. 8. D. W. 9. B. W. 15. C.	220	" "

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		2.		Approximate No. of Shells.	Nature of Gas Shells.
Date	Time	Location			
4.6.18	11.30 am	W.22.A.		22	yellow Gas.
	11.30 am	W.28.B. & D.		30	" "
5.6.18	10 pm	W.18.C. & D.		150	" "
6.6.18	2.30 am	X.19.C. & D.		20	blue Gas.
6/7.6.18	11 pm to 1 am	W.5.	W.6. W.10. W.11.	1000	yellow Gas
		W.12.			
7.6.18	3 am to 8 am	E5.B.8.5		100	yellow Gas.
	midnight	W.11.A & B.	W.12.A.	100	" "
8.6.18	7.15 am. 8 am.	W.27.A.		100	" "
	10 pm	X.19.C. & D.		60	" "
9.6.18	2 am	W.17.D.		100	" "
	2.30 am to 6.40 am	X.19.B & C.	W.18.D.	170	Green Gas
	7 pm to 10 pm	W.18.B & C.		10	Green Gas 1.
10.6.18	9.15 pm to 11.45 pm	X.13.		162	Green Gas 1.
	10.25 pm	W.25.D.		60	Green Gas.
	11.30 pm	W.21.B.		30	yellow Gas.
11.6.18	3 am	X.25.A.	W.24.B.	50	Green Gas.
	3 am	W.23.C.		25	" "

Date	Time	Location	Approximate No. of Stills.	Nature of Gas Stills.
11. 6. 18	4.30 am	X. 19. A.	20	Green Cross.
	10.15 pm	W. 23. B.	30	Lachrymator.
	10.15 pm	E. 6. A. 7.3.	40	Blue Cross.
12. 6. 18.	3.45 am	E. 5. C.	20	Green Cross.
	2.30 am to 5.30 am	W. 18. D. W. 24. A & B.	80	Yellow Cross.
	2.18 pm	X. 19. A.	20	Green Cross.
13. 6. 18	8.50 am.	W. 18. B.	6	" "
	9.10 pm	W. 11. C & D. W. 12. W. 17.	112	Green Cross &
14. 6. 18.	10.15 pm	W. 4. W. 11. W. 12.	30	Blue Cross.
14. 6. 18	10.15 pm	W. 4. W. 11. W. 12.	30	Yellow Cross.
15. 6. 18	12 noon.	X. 25. C.	6	Blue Cross.
	9.30 pm	X. 7. C. X. 13. A.	42	Green Cross.
	9.40 pm	W. 11. W. 16. X. 19. A. X. 13. C.	47	" "
16. 6. 18	1.25 am	X. 13. C.	10	" "
	3.40 am	W. 12. C.	8	" "
18. 6. 18	12 noon	W. 16. A. W. 10. C.	40	" "
19. 6. 18	7 am.	X. 25. A.	80	Blue Cross.
	11.10 pm	X. 25. C.	16	" "

Date	Time	Location	Approximate No. of Shells	Nature of Gas Shells
20.6.18	9.5 pm	X 25 D	8	Yellow Cross.
23.6.18	2.30 am	W 30 D	10	Blue Cross
25.6.18	1.30 am	W 30 D	15	Green Cross
	5 pm	W 30 D	20	Green Cross
26.6.18	3.20 am	W 30 D	40	Blue & Green Cross
	5.45 am	X 20 A	5	Green Cross
	1.30 pm	W 30 D	16	" "
	2.30 pm	W 30 D	10	" "
	4.30 pm	W 30 D	5	" "
	11.30 pm	X 19 C	12	" "
	11.45 pm	W 29 D	10	" "
	midnight	W 28 B	50	" "
27.6.18	1.25 am	W 30 C.	10	Yellow Cross
	1.30 am	W 29 D. 8. 9.	8	Blue Cross
	2. am	E 6 A. B & C.	100	" "
28.6.18	3 am	X 20 C. 2. 8	20	Yellow & Blue Cross.
				g. Morrison's Unit.
				D.G.D. 1 st and 2 nd Div.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

NUMBER OF OFFICERS AND OTHER RANKS SENT TO SCHOOLS

DURING MONTH OF JUNE, 1918.

Course.	Nature of Course.	Duration.	Vacancies		Remarks.
			Off.	O.Rs.	
Army Signalling School DUNSTABLE.	Advanced Course for Sergeant Signallers, also Officers.	9 weeks.	1	3	
2nd Army Cookery School, LUMBRES. Off.Mess Cooks. Company Cooks.	Training of cooks for Officers Mess. Training of men for Company Cooks.	3 weeks. 3 weeks.		5 10	Covers 2 Courses. Covers 2 Courses.
Battalion Sergeant Musketry Instructors Course HAYLING ISLAND.	Training of Sergeants to be Battalion Sergeant Musketry Instructors.	3 weeks.		2	
2nd Army Anti-Gas School. WISQUES.	Training of Anti-gas personnel.	7 days.	4	4	
Courses in Intelligence Duties, LYNDE (Corps)	Instruction for Brigade and Battalion Intelligence Officers.	10 days.	8		Covers 3 Courses.
Courses at Army Schools. Central School, WISQUES. Musketry School, LUMBRES. S.O.S. School, LUMBRES.	General training. Musketry Training. Training of personnel in Scouting, Observation and Sniping, and also the use of telescopic sighted rifle.	5 weeks. 2 weeks. 2 weeks.	15 22 2	16 36 3	Covers 2 Courses.
XV Corps Gas School, SELLES.	Training of anti-gas personnel for Gas Officers and N.C.Os	5 days.	8	52	Covers 4 courses

Course.	Nature of Course.	Duration.	Vacancies.		Remarks.
			Off.	O.Rs.	
Instruction at Australian Vet. Hospital, CALAIS.	Instruction in Vet.duties, for transport personnel	10 days.	3	15	
5th Army Artillery School SAILLY-FILBECOURT.	Instruction for Artillery personnel.	3 weeks.	1	1	
Course of Instruction in Provost Duties, HARDELOT.	Instruction for A.P.M. personnel.	2 weeks.		2	
5th Army L.T.M.School. SAILLY-FLIBEAUCOURT.	Instruction for personnel of L.T.M.Batteries.	3 weeks.		3	
Signal Base Depot. ABBEVILLE.	Instruction for Signal personnel.	1 month.		1	
2nd Army Artillery School, TILQUES.	Training of Artillery personnel only.	2 weeks.	6	7	Covers 2 Courses.
XV Corps Signalling School. SELLES.	Training of personnel in Signal duties, etc.	6 weeks.	2	28	
XV Corps School, QUESQUES.	General training and instruction.	Bombing.	2 weeks.	4	10
L.T.Mortar		2 weeks.	1	8	
Lewis Gun		2 weeks.	5	25	
Hotchkiss		2 weeks.		4	
Infantry.		3 weeks.	9	24	
L.T.M.Course at the G.H.Q. L.G. and L.T.M. School, LE TOUQUET.	Instruction for personnel of L.T.M. Batteries.	2 weeks.	1		
L.G.Branch of the G.H.Q. Small Arms School, LE TOUQUET.					
"A" Course.	Company Commanders Course.	8 days.	2		Covers 2 Courses.
"B" Course.	Junior Officers and N.C.Os Course.	16 days.	1	5	

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Course.	Nature of Course.	Duration.	Vacancies		Remarks.
			Off.	O.Rs.	
Course at G.H.Q. P.&B.T. School. HARDELOT PLAGE.	Training of N.C.Os to be Physical and Bayonet Fighting Instructors.	2 Weeks. 3 weeks.	.	3	
C.W.Wireless Course at XV Corps Wireless School B.11.d.7.7.	Training of Wireless personnel	1 month.		5	
Lewis Gun Course at Army Central School, WISQUES.	General instruction in the use and handling of the Lewis Gun.	2 weeks.	2	5	
Divisional Signal Class V.10.c.8.7.	Instruction for personnel of units who are to become signallers.	1 month.		55	

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SECRET.FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.Headquarters.
26th. June. 1918.DEFENCE ORGANISATION SERIES "B" NO. 25.

1. The following instructions are issued for guidance and will be embodied in the Defence Scheme of the Centre (STRAZEELE) Division Sector at an early date.
2. The enemy's preparations for attack are sufficiently far advanced to admit of his recommencing operations at an early date. The Division must therefore take every possible step to obtain information of the enemy's intentions.
3. Dispositions will be in depth throughout all units of the Brigades holding the Forward Zone, and will approximate as far as possible to battle dispositions.
4. All ground is to be fought for. The Main Line of resistance (Out Post Zone) is to be effectively garrisoned and the garrison will not be reduced for the purpose of counter attacking further forward.
5. The Reserve Battalion in each Brigade in the line will be given written instructions as to counter attack, especially in regard to assembly positions.
6. The Brigade in Divisional Reserve will carry out the necessary reconnaissance to enable it to be used for any of the following purposes -
 - (a) To counter attack on the low ground South of STRAZEELE.
 - (b) To Counter attack in the vicinity of STRAZEELE or ROUGE CROIX.
 - (c) To recapture or occupy the Reserve Line.
 - (d) To occupy the SECOND ZONE.
 - (e) To operate in the territory of the Division on either flank.
 - (f) To operate in the territory on either flank of the CORPS.
 - (g) To garrison the EAST HAZEBROUCK Line.
7. Every unit and formation will test the arrangements for distributing orders and assembly of troops. Speed in these matters cannot be exaggerated.

Geo. F. Weeks

Lieut-Colonel.
General Staff.
1st Australian Division.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

HEADQUARTERS
1st AUSTRALIAN DIVISION
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Headquarters,
June 24th 1918.

XV Corps.

MACHINE GUNS.
Tactical and Technical Lessons learnt
during the month.

TACTICAL.— The experience of the past month emphasises the desirability of constructing strong M.G. positions in isolated houses and ruins, as —

- (a) from experiences to date, houses have not received more attention from hostile artillery than have trenches, roads and hedges, and —
- (b) the number of M.G. positions in fields which were well concealed when first constructed, now have well defined tracks leading to them which discloses their position in aerial photographs.

TECHNICAL.— The 'Page' A.A. Mount. Attached is a diagram of an A.A. Mount for use with Vickers Machine Guns invented by Private E. PAGE, Artificer of 2nd Aus. M.G. Coy. It is composed of two parts. Figure 1 on the diagram represents the bracket, the stem of which fits into a post bored to receive it. The top part of the bracket represents a cross-head joint pin. The joint marked 'A' is a groove in which the slot marked 'A' in figure 2 engages.

Figure 2 consists of a bar of flat steel or iron which runs along the right side of the gun just below the mouth of the feed-block. Point 'A' is the slot which engages in groove in figure 1. Point 'B' is an aperture which allows the connecting of the bar to the elevating bracket by means of a bolt and nut.

The belt box carrier containing the belt box fits on to this bar in line with the feed-block. This enables a straight feed to be obtained regardless of elevation or depression of the gun.

The mount is very simple and occupies very little space. It can be packed in the gun box or in canvas bag with the gun.

It is made to allow the use of existing fittings, viz., service belt box and belt box carrier, and it obviates the necessity of two men being constantly at the gun.

The auxiliary tripod may be fixed to the gun in case of emergency without interfering with the gun while on A.A. work.

The mount has been tested under service conditions by an experienced officer and found to work efficiently.

Major-General,
Commanding 1st Australian Division.

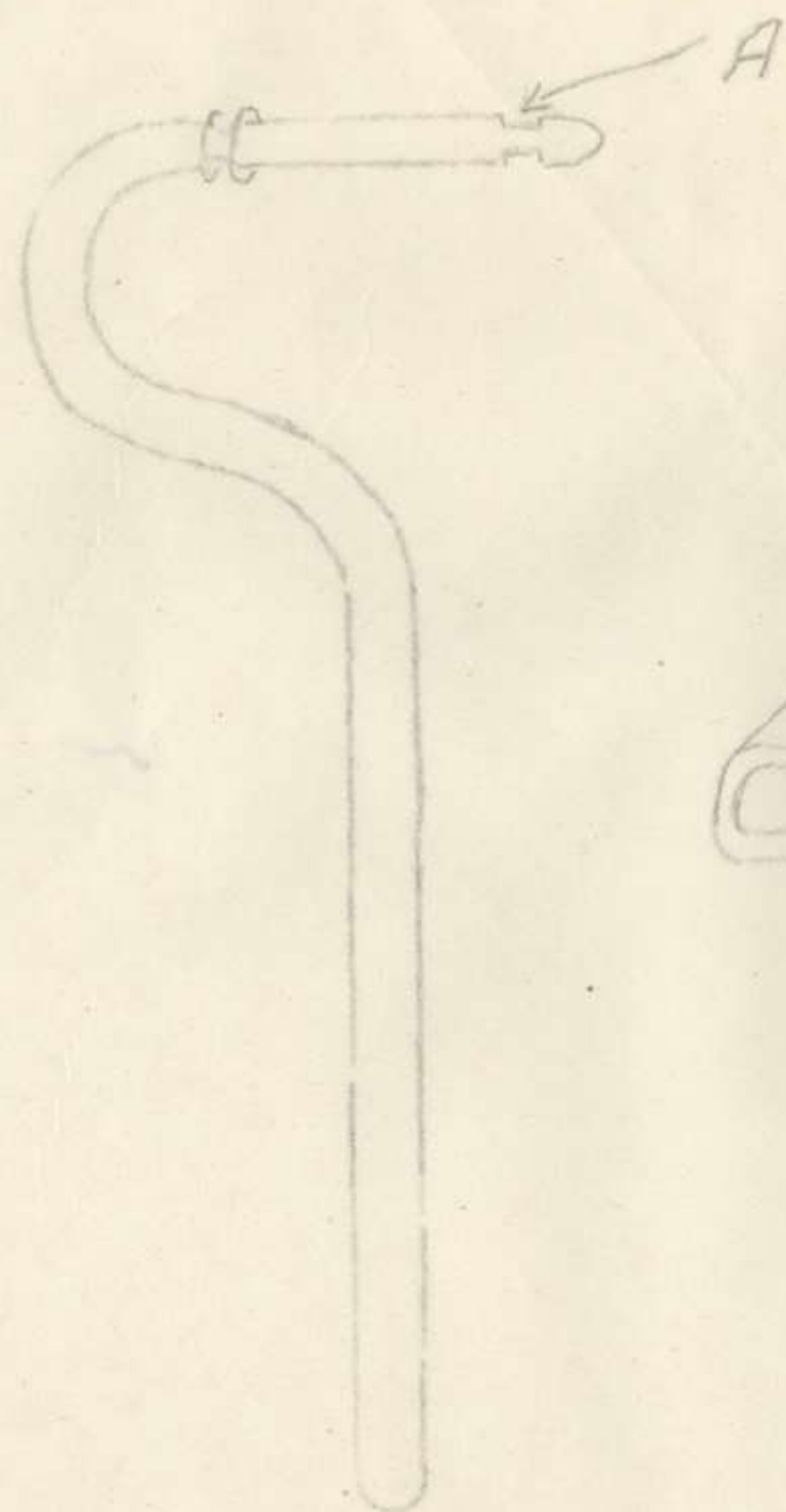


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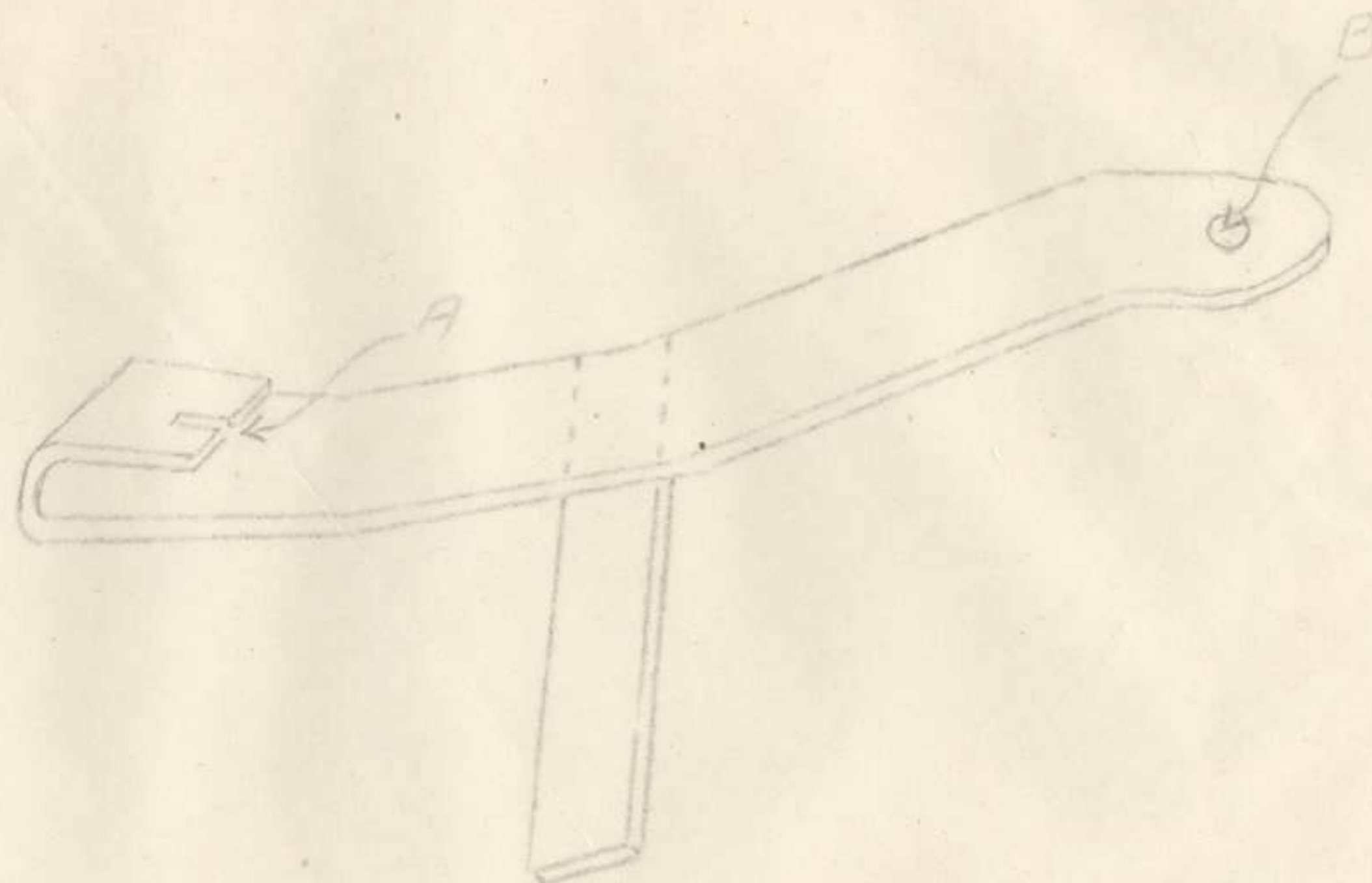


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Divisional Headquarters,
11th. June. 1918.

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C.R. & 1st. Aust. Div.
1st. Div. Sig. Coy.
1st. Pioneer Bn.
1st. M.G. Battalion.

1. Prisoners' statements have established the fact that the enemy has installed listening sets on this front, and has over-heard some of our messages.
2. The Divisional Commander wishes strict orders issued that in front of Battalion Headquarters;-
 - (a) The telephone will only be used for conversation or transmission of messages in case of emergency, and by no one under the rank of Officer.
 - (b) Only messages of an urgent nature will be sent by buzzer, and these must invariably be coded.

Geo. F. Dyer

Lieut-Colonel.
General Staff.
1st Australian Division.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Daily Strength as at Noon... 1/6/18... 1918.

UNITS.	On Establishment.			Attached.			Remarks.
	Off.	O.R.	Total.	Off.	O.R.	Total.	
DIV. HEADQUARTERS.	36	106	142	6	247	253	
DIV. ARTL.	90	2400	2490	5	18	23	
DIV. ENGINEERS.	24	614	638	2	49	51	
Div. Signal Coy.	16	339	355	-	77	77	
PIONEER BATTALION.	42	1296	1338	1	3	4	
1st INF. BDE. H.Q.	5	16	21	4	46	50	
1st Battalion.	25	720	745	1	-	1	
2nd Battalion.	34	637	671	1	3	4	
3rd Battalion.	35	799	834	1	2	3	
4th Battalion.	29	625	654	2	2	4	
1st A.L.T.M. Battery.	2	35	37	-	16	16	
1st A.M.G. Coy.	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2nd INF. BDE. H.Q.	7	23	30	-	69	69	
5th Battalion.	36	786	822	2	2	4	
6th Battalion.	32	805	837	3	4	7	
7th Battalion.	35	768	803	2	2	4	
8th Battalion.	32	903	935	2	2	4	
2nd A.L.T.M. Battery.	4	45	49	-	15	15	
2nd A.M.G. Coy.	-	-	-	-	-	-	
3rd INF. BDE. H.Q.	6	23	29	1	37	38	
9th Battalion.	26	622	648	1	5	6	
10th Battalion.	29	668	697	1	12	13	
11th Battalion.	28	673	701	2	4	6	
12th Battalion.	27	677	704	2	2	4	
3rd A.L.T.M. Battery.	5	69	74	-	-	-	
3rd A.M.G. Coy.	-	-	-	-	-	-	
DIVISIONAL TRAIN.	24	449	473	2	66	68	
1st Field Ambulance.	10	246	256	1	5	6	
2nd Field Ambulance.	10	239	249	1	7	8	
3rd Field Ambulance.	11	226	237	2	30	32	
Div. Salvage Coy.	1	62	63	-	1	1	
Mob. Vety. Section.	1	20	21	-	-	-	
21st A.M.G. Coy.	46	872	918	1	15	16	
TOTALS.							

APPENDIX.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Daily Strength as at Noon... 30/6/18... 1918.

UNITS.	On Establishment.			Attached.			Remarks.
	Off.	O.R.	Total.	Off.	O.R.	Total.	
DIV. HEADQUARTERS.	35	118	153	8	232	240	
DIV. ARTL.	96	2408	2504	3	18	21	
DIV. ENGINEERS.	23	608	631	2	49	51	
Div. Signal Coy.	17	357	374	-	61	61	
PIONEER BATTALION.	42	1243	1285	1	3	4	
1st INF. BDE. H.Q.	4	15	19	5	49	54	
1st Battalion.	30	737	767	1	-	1	
2nd Battalion.	33	627	660	1	1	2	
3rd Battalion.	32	650	682	1	3	4	
4th Battalion.	39	641	680	2	2	4	
1st A.L.T.M. Battery.	3	36	39	-	29	29	
1st A.M.G. Coy.	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2nd INF. BDE. H.Q.	7	23	30	7	65	72	
5th Battalion.	33	657	690	2	3	5	
6th Battalion.	23	630	653	3	4	7	
7th Battalion.	28	576	604	1	1	2	
8th Battalion.	35	688	723	2	2	4	
2nd A.L.T.M. Battery.	3	47	50	-	-	-	
2nd A.M.G. Coy.	-	-	-	-	-	-	
3rd INF. BDE. H.Q.	4	23	27	3	34	37	
9th Battalion.	29	569	598	-	1	1	
10th Battalion.	23	582	605	4	22	26	
11th Battalion.	26	542	568	2	6	8	
12th Battalion.	22	519	541	2	2	4	
3rd A.L.T.M. Battery.	6	60	66	-	-	-	
3rd A.M.G. Coy.	-	-	-	-	-	-	
DIVISIONAL TRAIN.	23	450	473	4	63	67	
1st Field Ambulance.	9	236	245	4	22	26	
2nd Field Ambulance.	11	230	241	1	16	17	
3rd Field Ambulance.	11	230	241	4	35	39	
Div. Salvage Coy.	1	51	52	1	7	8	
Med. Vety. Section.	1	20	21	-	1	1	
21st A.M.G. Coy.	45	843	888	3	15	18	
TOTALS.							

CASUALTIES FOR MONTH OF JUNE.

<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded</u> <u>Officers.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
6	52	2

<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded</u> <u>Other Ranks.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
142	766	4

SICK WASTAGE FOR MONTH OF JUNE.

<u>Officers.</u>	<u>Other Ranks.</u>
67	1853.

Number of Officers and Other Ranks joined the Division
for month of JUNE.

<u>Officers.</u>	<u>Other Ranks.</u>
151	1169.
