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OF

7TH FIELD COY. A. ENGRS.

FOR

MAY 1918

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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			<p>1st May 1918.</p> <p>Effective strength:- 10 Officers. 226 Other Ranks.</p> <p>Absent from Unit:- On leave 1. O.R. - Sick in Divisional Area. 1 O.R.</p> <p>Detached for duty - C.R.E. 2nd Aust Div. 1 O.R.</p> <p>2nd Aust Div Cinema 1 O.R.</p> <p>7th A.I.Bde Concert party. 3 O.R.</p> <p>Aust Corps R.E. Park 1 O.R.</p> <p>Aust Corps Baths Officer 1 O.R.</p> <p>R.M.O. 2nd Div Engrs, 1 O.R.</p> <p>A.E. & M.M. & B. Coy (Lt J.C. CLOSE) 1 Officer</p> <p>Actually with unit:-/</p> <p>O.C. - Major. E.N. WEBB M.C.</p> <p>Captain. - Captain. L. NOEDL . M.C.</p> <p>Subalterns - Lieut .J.R. FIDLER.</p> <p>Lieut. F.F. FERGUSSON.</p> <p>Lieut T.A. LAWRIE.</p> <p>Lieut L.W. GILL.</p> <p>Lieut. E.H. OLDHAM.</p> <p>Lieut. J.W. MOTT D.C.M.</p> <p>2nd Lt. W.C.D. VEALE. D.C.M.</p> <p>Attached- Captain. F.P.H. FEWELL . 14th Field Coy. Aust. Engrs.</p> <p>216 Other ranks.</p> <p>=====</p>	

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SHEET 62 D. V.20.d.7.3.	1st		Sections carried on usual works with following exceptions- No 4 sectn erected gas curtains at Bde H.Qrs. Captain Fewtrell accompanied by an officer of 520th Fld.Coy.R.E. made handing over reconnaissance of Left area while Lt Fidler with 2 officers same company reconnoitred the right area. 3am. O.C. and O.C. 520th Field Coy.R.E. reconnoitred the company area. 10.00am. Unit moved to QUERRIEU, leaving 5th A.I.Bde group and joining 7th A.I.Bde group on arrival at QUERRIEU. Forward sections moved independently as complete units. Captain Noedl in charge of transport and No 4 sectn. Lt Mott acted as billeting officer and unit billeted PONT NOYELLES arriving 4.00pm.	2
	PONT NOYELLES 2nd	8.00am.	Lieut Fidler proceeded with cyclists as billeting officer. Company complete moved at 1.30pm to CAMON- RIVERY area arriving at RIVERY at 5.00pm. Good billets were obtained and all personnel were comfortably housed.	
RIVERY.	3rd.		No 2 section warned to "Stand by" to await orders from C.E. Australian Corps to build bridges for emergency purposes across river. Morning taken up with inspection by O.C. and training. Afternoon recreation- swimming and football.	3
	4th		Company out on route march and carried our road reconnaissance. Afternoon - 7 O.R. from each section under Lt Gill and Mott.D.C.M. made reconnaissance of SOMME RIVER between CAMON and LAMOTTE and located positions for footbridges. Remainder - Lectures by section officers on explosives and demolitions.	
	5th		Church parade attended in morning and afternoon spent in recreation.	
	6th		No 2 section erected infantry footbridge over SOMME RIVER at Sheet 62D M.17.d.6.3., 1 N.C.O., and 2 sappers from No 4 section erected solder kiln at RIVERY. Remainder of sections carried out tactical scheme advancing and retiring in ARTILLERY formation with advance and rearguards.	
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Rivery	7th		No 2 section completed footbridge across SOMME - remainder of company, inspection gas drill and musketry and in the afternoon practical work with prismatic compass.	
	8th		No 4 section repaired approaches to steel bridge across SOMME river near LAMOTTE. No 2 section on tactical scheme in artillery formation. Other sections - gas drill and musketry & pontoon drill in the afternoon. Captain Fewtrell and Lt Veale reported to 567th. A.T. Coy. R.E. at LONGUEAU for work on BLANCY-TRONVILLE switch line. Captain Noedl .M.C. and Lt Fidler proceeded to HEILLY by motor lorry and made a reconnaissance of 11th A.I. Bde sector.	b
	9th		No 2 section marking tracks and erecting notice boards on bridges over SOMME river sheet 62.D. M.17. and 18. Remainder of company practising Infantry tactics retiring under fire by company. Lts Fidler and Lawrie with 4.O.R. proceeded to 11th Field Coy. A.E. H.Qrs near HEILLY to reconnoitre works.	
	10th		The company under Captain NOEDL M.C. moved from RIVERY to FRANVILLERS at 7.00am and arrived at 11th Fld Coy. A.E. Camp at I.5.d.9.7 at 10.30am. Major Webb.M.C. came on ahead and took over from 11th Field Company. A.E. - the disposition of the Division being 5th and 6th A.I. Bdes in the line and 7th A.I. Bde in reserve. The company arrived at camp at 10.30am and the transport moved into horse lines at C.28.d.8.3. while portions of section transport moved to H.Qrs camp. Captain Fewtrell and Lt Veale were relieved by officers of 9th Field Coy. A.E. and rejoined the unit during the afternoon. Section officers and M.C.O's reconnoitred works of 11th Field Company. A.E.	8
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62 D				
I.5.d.9.8.	11th		No 1 section commenced work on sawmill at BONNAY getting logs from standing timber in ANCRE valley and cutting materials as required. No 2 section. improved and extended accommodation of camp. No 3 section. commenced work on Bde H.Qrs D.O. at Heilly and worked 4 six hour shifts. No 4 section. commenced work on battalion dugout at J.13.c.0.6. and remainder of section improved camp. Transport carting material to various works.	
	12th.		No 1 section continued work at Sawmill . No 2 section commenced work on RESERVE AREA. No 3 section carried on work on Bde H.Qrs D.O. Heilly. No 4 section. working on Battn D.O. and improving emergency roads across ANCRE river near HEILLY. Transport carting materials to various works from QUERRIEU.	
	13th to 17th.		Sections and transport carried on each day with works as previously with following additions . No 4 section constructed tracks and erected infantry footbridges across ANCRE near RIBEMONT. On 16th and 17th. Infantry parties under Lts Fidler and Veale wired portion of HEILLY Bridgehead line.	
	18th.		Owing to forthcoming operations by 5th and 6th A/I.Bdes few Infantry parties were available for work. Nos 1 . 2 and 3. and 4 sections continued on same works as previously , working sappers only. No 4 section continued work on Battalion H.Qrs and emergency roads having Inf parties most of the day. Infantry parties under Lt Veale continued work wiring Bridgehead line and constructed two Strong posts in J.13.b. Transport continued cartage of stores from dumps to various works.	
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SHEET 62.D.	1.5.d.9.7.	19th	Sections continued same works as previous day working with sappers, as no infantry parties were available. At 2.00am a successful attack was made by 5th and 6th A.I.Bdes, resulting in our line being advanced an average depth of 300 yards on a 2000 yard front and the capture of the village of VILLE-SUR-ANCRE with 340 prisoners, 49 M.G's & 1 M.W.	11
Heilly.J.1ab.	15.95.	20th.	Work was continued as before and on the evening of 20th unit relieved 6th Field Coy. A.E. and handed over works to 6th Field Company. A.E. Coy. H. Qrs moved to HEILLY Nos 1 and 4 sections moved forward to D.26.b. and took over works from sectns of 6th A.E. No 1 section taking over construction of Battalion D.D.O. and double company Hd Qrs Dugout at D.27.a.2.4. No 4 section took over work on construction of dugout at D.30.a.9.4. and consolidation of front line positions in right sector. No 3 section moved back to FRANVILLERS No 2 sectn moved to billets in MERICOURT and took over construction of deep dugout at J.11.a.5.9. and consolidation of front line etc on left sector. No 4 section also took over work on excavation of tunnelled dugouts at E.25.a.40.75 and E.19.c.90.02.	13 23 23
Line - Ville-sur-Ancre. to K.7.central.	21.		No 1 section continued work on Battn D.D.O. and Double Coy D.O. at D.27.a.2.4. No 2 section. continued work on D.D.O. 1200 yards trench excavated. While siting Support Line Lt Gill was wounded & evacuated. No 3 section prepared material for forward work and repairing sluice gate at FRECHENCOURT. No 4 section continued work on D.D.O. and Tunnels.	23 23
	22		No 1 section constructed continued work on Battalion & Double Coy H.Qrs also erected 5 shelters in trench at D.28.a.4.5. No 2 section continued work on D.D.O. at J.11.a.5.9. also continued work on Support Line. No 3 section prepared stores for forward works. No 4 section continued work on tunnels and D.D.Os also linking up Support trench and constructed footbridge at E.25.d.3.2. Lt Didler with Infantry party constructed two footbridges at D.30.d.60.65 and E.25.a.50.10.	

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<p>MERICOURT Line. Ville-sur-Ancre to K.7. Central.</p>	23.	1.00am.	<p>An intense Gas and H.E. bombardment was opened on the village of MERICOURT and adjacent areas. This lasted until 5.30am. No 2 section thereby evacuated 33 other ranks. No 1 section continued work on battalion and Double company D.O. at D.27.a.2.4. and erected shelters in trench at D.28.a.4.5.</p> <p>No 2 section. Worked 1 shift on D.O. and remainder moved back to FRANVILLERS.</p> <p>No 3 section moved up to D.26.b. and dug in and took over works of No 2 section.</p> <p>No 4 section continued work on tunnels and deep dugout. and constructed wire obstacle in front of Support line. at D.24.d.8.5.</p> <p>Captain Noedl and large infantry party worked on digging New Support trench - 100 yds trench completed. also wired 700 yards support line from E.25.d.3.0. to K.1.a.9.0.</p> <p>Lt Fidler departed to attend course at Aust Corps L.G. School. BERTEAUCOURT.</p>	
	24th		<p>No 1 section continued on double company and Battalion H.Q's dugouts and erection of shelters and improvements to TASMANIAN TRENCH D.28.a.4.5.</p> <p>No 3 section continued work on D.D.O. at J.11.a.5.9 also digging support line and wiring same.</p> <p>No 4 section. continued work on tunnels and D.D.O. and deepening and widening Support line D.24.d.6.6. to D.24.d.7.4. also erected 500 yards double apron wire from E.25.a.4.8. to D.24.d.5.7. This wiring completed 1 belt of double apron 600 yds long in front of Support trench starting from Railway, first 400 yds was double apron 2 belts.</p>	
	25th		<p>No 1 section continued work on dugouts and erection of shelters in TASMANIAN TRENCH.</p> <p>No 3 section continued work on D.D.O. at J.11.a.5.9. and digging reserve line from J.12.b.5.8. to J.6.d.7.2. to an average depth 2 ft. erected 600 yards wire in front of KAURI SUPPORT from K.1.d.0 7. to K.7.a.7.7.</p> <p>Excavated and prepared materials for three rations shelters.</p> <p>No 4 section continued work on dugouts and tunnels and deepening and widening Support line and wiring support line.</p> <p>Tranvillere shelled during evening and 2 other ranks killed near Div R.E. Dump.</p> <p>Captain L. Noedl M.C. evacuated suffering from Gas poisoning.</p> <p>Q</p> <p>.....</p>	

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Line Morlanccourt Sector.	26th		No 1 section continued work on Double coy .H.q and Battn H.Q. D.27.a.2.4. also improvements to TASMANIAN TRENCH. No 2 section. resting. No 3 section. continued work on dugout at J.11.a.5.9. and widened and deepened SUPPORT LINE from K.7.a.4.4. to K.7.a.3.0. also completed 580 yds wire from K.7.a.8.9. to K.7.a.3.1. and from K.1.a.7.4. to K.1.c.8.8. No 4 section. continued work on Tunnels at E.19.c.8.0. and E.25.a.4.7. and Deep D.O. E.30.a.9.1. also track marking from D.30.a.9.1. to E.25.a.0.1. to E.25.c.8.4. and track cleared and blazed from E.25.b.0.2. to E.25.c.8.4.	
	27th		No 1 section. working on deep dugouts at J.27.a.2.4. & improvements to TASMANIA TRENCH. erected 200 yds double apron wire in front of SEYMOUR SUPPORT and constructing shelters. No 3 section. Continued work on Dugout at J.11.a.5.9. and making food containers. Completed 900 yds strengthening wire SUPPORT LINE K.7.a.3.2. to K.7.a.7.8. and J.6.d.8.6. to J.6.d.7.3. also digging Reserve Line 180 yds 3' wide at top, 2' at bottom and 3' deep. J.6.d.8.6. to J.6.d.7.3. No 4 section. Continued work on Tunnels and Dugout and completed 650 yds double apron fence and 620 yds single apron. E.25.a.3.2. to K.1.a.2.9. 8pm. Franvillers shelled during evening - 2 O.R. Killed.	
	28th.		No 1 section. continued work on D.D.O's and improvements to Tasmanian Trench & wired 120 yards in front of SEYMOUR SUPPORT. No 3 section. Continued work on D.D.O. and food containers and completed 500 yds wire E.25.a.2.2. to K.1.a.3.6. 186 yards trench dug 3' deep and wide in Reserve Line J.6.d.7.2. to J.12.b.4.8. No 4 section. Continued work on dugouts and tunnels and erected 950 yds double apron fence and 100 yds single apron. Bunking at Battalion H.Q. D.29.b.2.4. Completed gas proofing of 7th A.L.T.M. Battery H.Qrs. and strengthened roof at Bn H.Qrs D.26.b.2.3. 	

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LINE. Morlancourt Sector.	29th		No 1 section. Continued work on dugouts and constructed ration shelter at D.27 a.2.4 No 2 section. Continued on Dugout and making food containers. 200 yds Reserve Line dug and camouflaged from J.12.b.5.8. to J.6.d.7.2. 600 yds double apron fence erected in front of KAURI SUPPORT K.1.d.0.7. to K.7.a.7.7. Preparing sites for rations shelters No 4 section. Continued work on dugouts and tunnels- erected 400 yds double apron wire D.30.d.8.5. to E.25.c.2.0.- deepened 82 yds trench to 6' - marked 200 yds track Buire to VILLE-sur-ANCRE - Demolition party blowing out rails at E.19.d.7.5.	19
	30th		No 1 section. Continued work on dugouts and excavated for shelters in Tasmanian Trench Salvaging material. No 3 section. Continued work on dugout and food containers. completed 300 yds wire completing wiring of Support Line. 200 yds of Reserve line dug from J.12.b.4.8. to J.12.b.5.4. Working on construction of ration shelters. No 4 section. Demolishing rails across Emu trench E.19.d.7.5. deepening and widening DAMPER SWITCH D.24.d.8.2. - Strengthening roof at Bn H.Qrs. continued work on dugouts and tunnels.	
	31st.		No 1 section. continued work on dugout J.11.a.5.9. completed 10 food containers to a at D.27.a.2.4. No 3 section. continued work on dugout J.11.a.5.9. and food containers. 10 food containers completed to date. Ration shelter completed. No 4 section. Track marked and laid to J.4.b.3.4. Light footbridge thrown across ANCRE RIVER at J.4.b.3.4. Continued work on Tunnels and dugouts. 14 notice boards erected. Orders received to hand over to 6th Field Company. A.E. Sections moved out from camps at 9.15pm and moved to camp recently occupied by 6th Field Coy. A.E. 1.5.d.9.7. } Orders for relief and move issued at 3.30pm. GENERAL. Transport worked through the period carting R.E. materials to various works from FRANVILLERS and QUERRIEU dumps. (gas) Total Casualties for month :- 2 O.R. Killed - WOUNDED - Lt Gill & Captain Noedl and Lt Fidler (remained at duty) - 35 O.R. (33 gas) evacuations from P .U. O. were also very heavy.	20. 21

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			<p>SYNOPSIS. The first day of the month saw the unit moving from the HENENCOURT area back for a short respite. Just 7 days were spent at RIVERY beside the SOMME and all ranks enjoyed the change and rest. A consistent program of training and was followed, infantry work and tactics forming the greater part. All gear, clothing and equipment was brought up to a high standard and the unit smartened considerably. Minor works were carried out and reconnaissances for various purposes effected. In view of the general situation, the unit was constantly ready to move at very short notice.</p> <p>On the 10th the unit moved up to the vicinity of FRANVILLERS and took over reserve works in the new area taken over by the Division. These included many interesting jobs in the shape of running of a sawmill with a steam plant, a number of dugout schemes, several emergency tracks, some trench and obstacle works, much survey etc. These were very scattered and took a considerable time to get round. The whole Divisional Area was ours and it took a deal of reconnoitring.</p> <p>On the 20th, just as works were in good going order, the company took over works in left forward area from 6th Fld Coy. A.E., corresponding Brigades having changed at the same time.</p> <p>Nos 1 and 4 sections were camped in a bank at D.26.b.1.8. and No 2 sectn at MERICOURT in three cellars and No 3 section at FRANVILLERS. No 2 section was to do the forward work on right and No 4 section on left while No 1 section had mainly two dugout jobs but also assisted in Field works on the left. On the right there was much new consolidation to do after the advance of 19th and most of the labor on that side was applied to trenches and wiring. On the left more men were employed on dugouts. On evening of 21st Lt Gill was badly hit with H.E. and on morning of 23rd No 2 sectn was badly gassed during an intense bombardment of MERICOURT and a large number of the section were evacuated while the remainder had to be given no duty for some days. No 2 section was therefore immediately replaced by No 3 section and Captain Noedl who had directed works in that right area was, on being evacuated, replaced by Captain Fewtrell.</p> <p>A large amount of work was done on both sides of the Bde area and much more wire would have been erected if shortage of wire and pickets had not hampered the work. Altogether some 9620 yards double apron and 2720 yds single apron wire were erected and 3615 yds trench dug under direct Engineer arrangements while much more Field work was done in the area either by Pioneers or separate infantry parties. About 41 shelters were erected in trenches and many notices etc placed on trenches & tracks. Good progress was made on all dugouts a total of 14904 cubic feet being excavated and timbered.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Major.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">O.C. 7th Field Company A.E.</p>	

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✓ 9.	R.E. 152 Proposals for defences & Bde-memo-re-same/
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✓ 23.	Plans of dugouts worked on shewing works completed by unit.
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25. Graph showing Man Workings for May 1918

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O.C. 7th Field Coy. A.E.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Engineer Order No. 58.....April 1918

Ref. Map - Sheet 62B - 1/40,000.

Issued under 2nd Aust. Division Warning Order dated 23rd April 1918.

1. The Division (less Artillery) will be relieved by the 47th Division (less Artillery) between the 30th April and 2nd May.

2. The following are the probable details of reliefs and moves :-

3. The 8th and 7th Aust. Inf. Bdes. will be relieved on the night April 30th/1st May, and the 5th Aust. Inf. Bde. on the night 1st/2nd May.

4. On completion of relief the Division will be in Corps support and will be concentrated as follows :-

7th A.I. Bde. Group	-	BOUILLERIE Area (M. 33).
8th A.I. Bde. Group	-	CAMON - RIVIERE Area (M. 16. - M. 1).
5th A.I. Bde. Group	-	QUERRIEU Area.

5. Moves will be carried out as follows :-

7th A.I. Bde. Group.

30th April/1st May.	-	To QUERRIEU Area.
May 2nd.	-	To CAMON - RIVIERE Area.
May 3rd.	-	To BOUILLERIE Area.

8th A.I. Bde Group.

30th April/1st May	-	To MONTIGNY Area.
May 2nd	-	To QUERRIEU Area.
May 3rd.	-	To CAMON - RIVIERE Area.

5th A.I. Bde Group.

1st/2nd May	-	To MONTIGNY Area.
3rd May	-	To QUERRIEU Area.

6. Field Companies will move in Brigade Groups with Brigades ~~with which they are at present working.~~ 5th 6th 7th Corps with 5th 6th 7th Brigades respectively

7. D.E.M.C. will move to BERTANGLES on 2nd May.

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Issued under 2nd Aust. Div. Order No. 183 dated 30th April 1918
and C.E. Aust. Corps Engineer Instruction No. 104 dated 29th April 1918.

1. The 6th Field Coy. will be relieved by ^{517th} 520 Field Coy. R.E. and the 7th Field Coy. by the 520 Field Coy. R.E. on night 1st/2nd May under arrangements to be made between C.Os.

The 2nd Aust. Pioneer Bn. will be relieved by Pioneers of 47th Div. relief to be completed by 4 p.m. on 1st May under arrangements to be made between C.Os. concerned.

2. On completion of relief the Field Coys. and Pioneers of 2nd Aust. Division will be placed at the disposal of C.E. for work but 25% will be rested daily.
Details of employment will be issued in a separate Engineer Instruction.

Receipts in duplicate will be forwarded to this office for all stores etc. handed over.

7th Field Coy. on relief will move to QUERRIEU on 1st May and join 7th A.I. Bde. Group.

6th Field Coy. on relief will move to WARLOY on 1st May and join 6th A.I. Bde. Group.

5th Field Coy. will join 5th A.I. Bde. Group at MONTIGNY.

2nd Aust. Pioneer Bn. on relief will stage at BEHENCOURT night 1st/2nd May and move on 2nd May to DAOURS.

3. Completion of reliefs to be reported by wire to D.E.H.Q.

4. D.E.H.Q. will close at BEAUCOURT and open at BERTANGLES 10 a.m. 2nd May.

7. Field Coys. to acknowledge.

H. Mann Lt. & Adjt.
for C.E. Second Australian Division.

Distribution.

1. Chief Engineer, Aust. Corps.
2. "C" 2nd Aust. Div.
3. "A.Q." " "
4. 5th Field Co.
5. 6th Field Co. ✓ *7th Co.*
6. 2nd Pioneer Bn.
8. C.E. 47th Div.
9. File.
- 10, 11 & 12. War diary.

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ENGINEERS, A.I.F.
No. 216

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Engineer Order No. 41..... May 2nd. 1918.



Copy No.

Issued under C.E. Aust. Corps Engineer Instruction No. 106... 1st. May 1918

1. The Field Coys. and Pioneers of 2nd Aust. Division will commence work under C.E. on 3rd. May 1918.

(a) 5th Field Coy. A.E. (less 1 section) and 6th Field Coy. A.E. (less 1 section) will be employed on Defences in vicinity of River HALLUE under direct orders of C.R.E. Corps Troops.

(b) One section 7th Field Coy. A.E. will be employed for bridging under direct orders of Captain BURNELL, A.E. Two sections to be available for other Corps work if required. One section to be available for rest or training.

(c) 2nd Australian Pioneers (less one company) to be employed on defences under direct orders of C.R.E. R.Z.D. (North) who is billeted in ST. GRATIEN.

2. Field Coy. and Pioneer Officers will obtain full particulars of the work on 2nd instant so that there will be no delay in starting on 3rd. May 1918.

3. The above instructions allow for 25% of the Engineers and Pioneers to be available for rest and training each day.

4. ACKNOWLEDGE. (Field Coys. and Pioneers)

R. H. Harris Lt. & Adjt.,
for C.R.E. Second Australian Division.

DISTRIBUTION.

1. C.E. Australian Corps.
2. "G" 2nd. Aust. Division.
3. 5th Field Coy. A.E.
4. 6th " " "
5. 7th " " "
6. 2nd Aust. Pioneer Bn.
7. File.
- 8,9,10. War diary.

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 O.C. 7th Field Coy A.E.
 FIELD COY
 ENGINEERS A.I.F.
 6/5/18
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Please arrange to take over from
 the 135th Army Troops Coy R.E. the
 work they are doing on the
 emergency bridges for Infantry in
 the area across the SOMME & the
 AVRE.

They will in ^{all} probability be leaving
 the Corps area 7/5/18 or near
 day.

They are to be found in the
 P. of W. cage just E. of
 LAMOTTE-BREBIERE.

If the O.C. Capt PHILLIPS has
 not received the Engineer Instr-
 uction at the time you can
 direct that he hand over to you
 please show him this as
 authority.

John G. Burnell C.M.M.
 J.E. Aust. Corps



TRAINING PROGRAMME

to 10th MAY 1918.

PLACE OF PARADE:- Billets- RIVERBY.

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Saturday.	Am.	Inspection and Route March.
4/5/18	Pm.	Reconnaissance Scheme.
		Lecture of Explosives.
Sunday.		Church Parade & recreation.
5/5/18		
Monday.		Tactical scheme.
6/5/18		
Tuesday	9-10	Inspection & Gas Drill.
7/5/18	10-11.30	Musketry.
	1.30-3.30	Compass Work.
Wednesday	9.10.	Inspection & section Drill (with Gas Masks on)
8/5/18	10.11.30	Pontoon bridging drill.
	1.30-3.30	Recreational Training.
Thursday	9-11.30	Retiring under covering Fire by company.
9/5/18	1.30-3.30	Reconnaissance Scheme.
Friday	9.-10	Inspection & Gas Drill.
10/5/18.	10 11.30	Gas-P Route March.
	1.30- 3.50	Recreational Training.

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L. H. Ford Captain.
for C.C. 7th Field Company Australian Engineers.

4/5/18.

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7th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

7TH FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.
No. 1139

APPENDIX. 517

HEADQUARTERS
7TH AUSTRALIAN
INFANTRY BRIGADE

No. 217/1168
Date.....

Headquarters,
May 3rd 1918.

Headquarters,
25th, 26th, 27th, 28th Bns.
T.M. Battery,
7th A.M.G. Company.

1. In continuation of "Instructions for the Defence No. 18" 2nd Australian Division, issued to Units on 1st May 1918.
reference para 3:- The 27th Battalion will place as a nucleus garrison on May 3rd -
(a) Two platoons in the BLANGI System from T.4.central to N.23.central,
(b) Two platoons in the GLIST System from T.2.a.0.0. to N.20.c.0.0.
Dispositions and strength of posts will be notified to Brigade Headquarters by May 3rd.
2. reference para 3 of above quoted Instructions. In the event of the Division being ordered, to man any one of the three Sectors of the front system of the Third Zone, the following will be the distribution of troops:-
(a) BLANGI SECTOR:- This will be manned by the 7th and 6th A.I. Brigades, the 5th A.I. Brigade being in reserve.
The portion of the line held by the 7th A.I. Brigade will be on the right.
The 26th Battalion will hold the line from T.9.a.0.0. to N.35.c.0.0. (inclusive). This includes the NICHOLAS LINE, the BLIST-NICHOLAS SWITCH, and that portion of the GLIST LINE South of T.2.a.0.0.
The 27th Battalion will hold this line from N.35.c.0.0. exclusive to the Railway (inclusive) in N.29.c.
The 6th A.I. Brigade will be on the Left from the Railway (exclusive) in N.29.c. to N.17.central, distributed in depth on both sides of the SOMME to cover the bridges over the SOMME from N.17.d. to LA MOTTE.
The 5th A.I. Brigade will be in Reserve in the vicinity of LES ALBOCONS G.29.c.
The 7th A.M.G. Company will put two sections in the brigade sector.
The 7th A.L.T.M. Bty will put four mortars in the BLANGI sector.
(b) QUERREUIL SECTOR. This will be manned by the 7th and 6th A.I. Brigades, the 5th A.I. Brigade being in Reserve.
The 7th A.I. Brigade will be on the Right.
The 28th Battalion will hold this line from N.5.central to H.28.d.0.0. (inclusive)
The 25th Battalion will hold the line from H.28.d.0.0. to H.17.c.0.0.
The 6th A.I. Brigade will be on the Left from H.17.c.0.0. to H.5.b.4.0. including the bridgehead defences of PONT NOYALLES.
The 5th A.I. Brigade will be in Reserve, in the vicinity of CARDONNETTE.
The 7th A. M.G. Company will place two sections in the Brigade sector.
The 7th A.L.T.M. Bty will place four mortars in the Brigade sector.

P.T.O.

(c) MONTIGNI SECTOR. This will be manned by the 6th and 5th A.I. Brigades, the 7th A.I. Brigade being in Reserve. The 6th A.I. Brigade will be on the right from, H.5.b.4.0. to B.18.c.0.0. including the bridgehead defences of FASCHENCOURT and BEHENCOURT.

The 5th A.I. Brigade will be on the left from B.18.c.0.0. to C.2.a.0.9, including the bridgehead defences of SAVELINCOURT.

The 7th A.I. Brigade will be in Reserve in the vicinity of RAINNEVILLE.

Instructions to man any one of these Sectors will be issued from Brigade Headquarters.

Necessary reconnaissance will be made at once.

Plans for reaching these positions and disposition of troops will be forwarded to Brigade Headquarters by May 4th 1918.

3. Acknowledge.

H. Lee

Major, Brigade Major,
7th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Copy to -

2nd Aust. Division.
5th A.I. Bde
6th A.I. Bde
7th Field Coy
7th Field Ambulance.

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Instructions for Defensive
Corps Support.
7th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

APPENDIX, 519

HEADQUARTERS,
7TH AUSTRALIAN
INFANTRY BRIGADE.
No. 217/169
Date.....

Headquarters,
May 4th 1918.

Headquarters,
25th, 26th, 27th, 28th Bns.
7th A.M.G. Coy
7th A.L.T.M. Bty
7th Field Coy
17th A.A.S.C.
7th Field Ambulance.
1/3rd S.A.A. Sec. D.A.C.

7TH FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.
No. 217/169

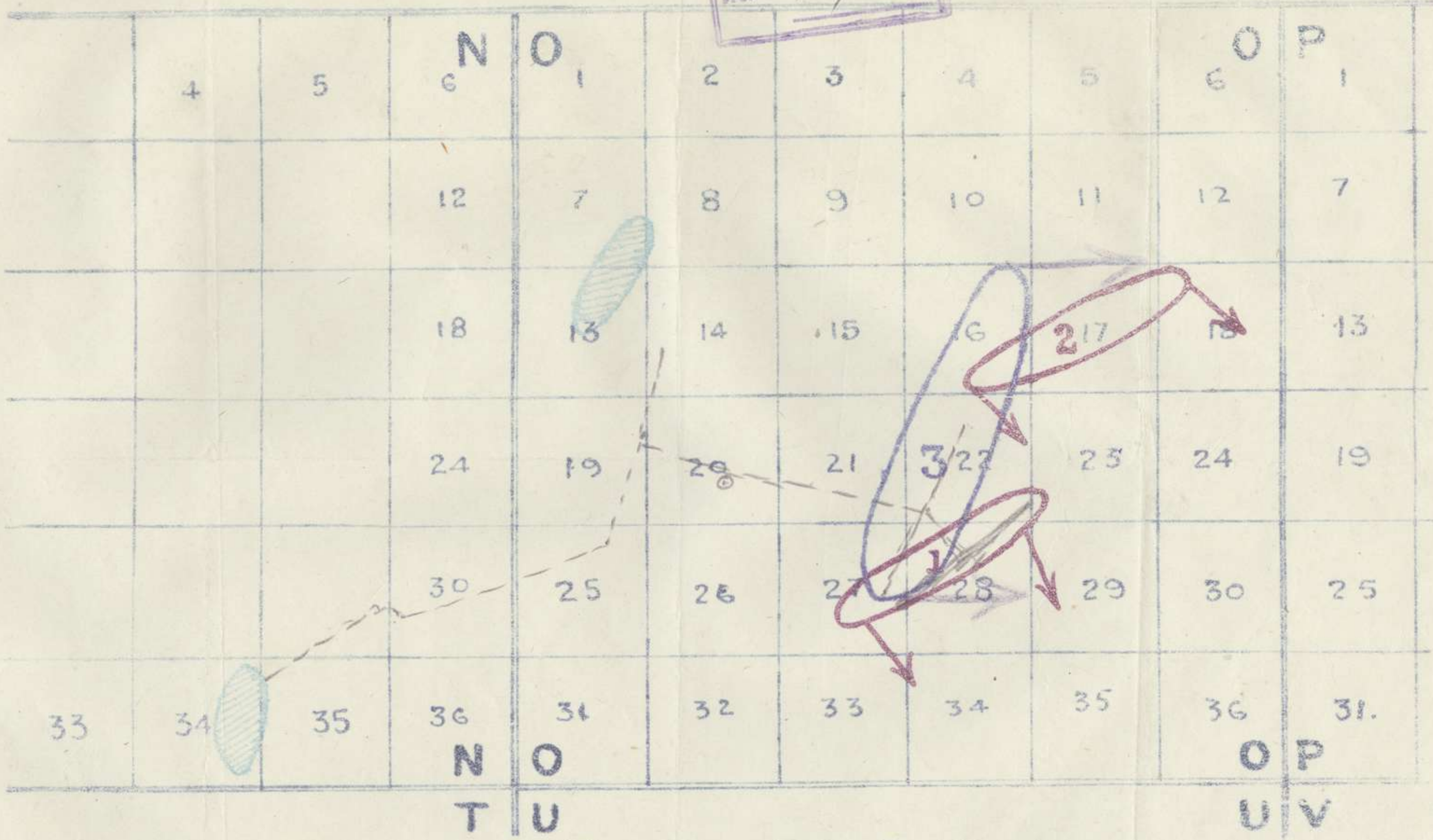
1. All indications point to an attack at an early date by the enemy between AARAS and ALBERT.
2. Should such an attack eventuate, the Division will be prepared to move North East to reinforce or counter-attack. The 7th A.I. Bde will move by bus.
3. Normally, units may expect to have three hours' notice before moving, but should a heavy attack take place, the Brigade may be required to move almost immediately.
4. While in Reserve, advantage will be taken of all available ground where there are high banks for musketry.
5. In attack by battalions by fire from rifles, Lewis and Vickers guns, direct fire should be used as much as possible, either enfilade from positions to a flank, or else the guns should be rushed forward from position to position.
6. Immediate steps will be taken for all units to be ready to move at short notice, packs and extra baggage being dumped, ammunition and bombs prepared so that it can be issued at very short notice.
7. In event of the present billets of units being heavily shelled, with or without gas, units would have to move to open ground near their present locations. Preferably cuttings or banks on higher ground will be chosen. These positions might have to be occupied for a few days should the present position be constantly shelled. Units will reconnoitre these positions and forward locations of alternative positions chosen by them, by midday 4th inst (today)
8. Acknowledge.

Lee

Major, Brigade Major,
7th Australian Infantry Brigade.

7TH FIELD COY
ENGINEERS A.I.F.
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Ref: Map. 62P Scale:- 1:40,000.

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7th Australian Infantry Brigade

W.L.
25th 26th 27th 28th
7th Inf Bn
7th Field Coy

7th FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.F.
No. 7 M.B. 21/52

HEADQUARTERS,
7TH AUSTRALIAN
INFANTRY BRIGADE.
No. 10 M.B.
Date 10/16

A motor lorry has been obtained to take officers forward to reconnoitre the 3rd Div Front. Officers from the 25th & 27th Bns 7th IM Bty & Field Coy will report to W.L. at 8.45am tomorrow the 8th inst. Officers from the 26th & 28th Bns & MG Coy will meet the lorry at X roads at N.2.C.1.8. at 9am tomorrow 8th inst. Each Bn will send 5 Officers
 7th Inf Bn 2
 7th IM Bty 1
 Field Coy 2

The lorry will proceed to HEILLY to the 9th and 10th A.I. Bde HQs. The lorry will bring officers back to the starting point tomorrow afternoon.

R.O. Major

Brigade Major
7th Aust. Infantry Brigade



SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

III

IN FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, All Engineer Headquarters,
No. *24/50*

HQERS. DIVISIONAL ENGINEERS
No. *18/97*
AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

May 7th 1918.

Warning Order.

1. Should the tactical situation permit, the Division will relieve the 3rd Aust. Division in the line about 10th May.
2. The Os.C. 5th and 6th Field Companies will arrange to get in touch with Os.C. 9th and 10th Field Companies respectively, and to have reconnaissances carried out as early as possible.
The O.C. 7th Field Company will arrange to get in touch with O.C. 11th Field Company, which is in reserve.
Field Companies' Headquarters are situated in the vicinity of Franvillers.
3. Field Companies to acknowledge. *acknowledged J.Y.*
Above issued under 2nd Aust. Div. Order 43/1/835.

H. Ham Lt. & Adjt.
for C.R.E. Second Australian Division.

Distribution.

- C.E., Aust. Corps.
- C.R.E. 3rd Aust. Div.
- 5th Field Co.
- 6th " "
- 7th " " ✓
- File.
- War diary.

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Divisional Engineer Order No. 42.

Issued under Second Aust. Div. Order 187.
Ref. Map - Sheet 62D. 1/40,000.

Copy No.

May 8th 1918.
18/103.

No. 24/51

1. The Division (less Artillery) will relieve the 3rd Aust. Div. (less Artillery) in "C" Divisional Sector and area between the 9th and 11th May 1918.

(a) The 5th, 6th and 7th Field Coys. will relieve 9th, 10th and 11th Field Coys. respectively; reliefs to be completed by 6 p.m. on 10th instant under mutual arrangements between C.O.s.

(b) The 2nd Aust. Pioneer Bn. will relieve the 3rd Aust. Pioneer Bn.; relief to be completed by 6 p.m. on 10th instant, under mutual arrangements between C.O.s.

2. Field Coy. Commanders will arrange to leave sufficient personnel to ensure continuity of work, upon which they are at present engaged until relief by relieving Coys. is complete.

C.O. Pioneer Bn. will similarly arrange to leave sufficient personnel in regard to any attached labour parties under his supervision until completion of relief.

3. Field Coys. and Pioneers will take over accommodation occupied by Field Coys. and Pioneers of 3rd Aust. Div.

4. Completion of reliefs to be notified to this office by wire.

5. D.E.H.Q. will close at ALLONVILLE at 10 a.m. on 11th May and open at St. GRATIEN at same hour and date.

6. Field Coys. and Pioneers to acknowledge.

Distribution overleaf.

Issued at 9 p.m.

for C.R.E. 2nd Australian Division.

Lt. & Adjt.

DISTRIBUTION.

1. 5th Field Coy.
2. 6th Field Coy.
3. 7th Field Coy.
4. 2nd Pioneer Bn.
5. C.E., Aust. Corps.
6. "G" 2nd Aust. Div.
7. "A.Q."
8. C.R.E. 3rd Aust. Div.
9. 5th A.I. Bde.
10. 6th "
11. 7th "
12. File.
- 13 & 14. War diary.



"A" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121.
(In pads of 100.)

Prefix.....	Code..... m	Words.	Charge.	This message is on a/c of : Service. (Signature of "Franklin Officer.")	No. of Message.....
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At..... m.					From.....
To.....					By.....
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TO { CRE
2nd Aust Div

Sender's Number. * RE 52	Day or Month. 16-5-18	In reply to Number.	AAA
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Herewith plan of proposals re defences for North bank of SOMME. Works proposed to be dry immediately shown in full green line, remainder of line in dotted green. M.G. posts are shown but no wire. L.G. would have to be largely used on account of the difficult country & short fields of fire.

- A front line system alone is shown and this assumes the Division on the right providing for the defence of
- (a) outlying spurs in J 27 and 28
 - (b) Corresponding valleys in J 28 and 29
 - (c) Very broken ground about 26288 and in 266 between two roads (in angle)
 - (d) Efficient control of fairly flat ground towards bank of river

From 7th Fd Coy A.E.		
Place		
Time		

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z) Webbman
Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.

* This line should be erased if not required.
(3795.) Wt. W 492/M1647. 650,000 Pads. 5/17. H.W. & V., Ltd. (E. 1187.)

7th Field Company Australian Engineers.
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C.R.E.
Second Australian Division.

The following report received from Lt Fidler is forwarded, please:-

" I have examined the Gravel Conveyor running from the Gravel Pit at (Sheet 62d) J.19.b.40.05. to Railway siding at J.13.a.95.95.

It has only been quite recently erected and was completed with the exception of putting in the necessary power plant at the Railway end. The overhead cable(about 1 1/2 inches) has been placed in position and is at present badly damaged by shell fire in 6 places. There is a large drum of cable at railway siding , also a number of pulleys and tipping buckets.

As the structure appears to be of very little value under present conditions , I would recommend that as much as possible of the detached parts be salvaged and steps taken to prevent the remainder from being cut down by unauthorised persons, quite a lot of timber has already been taken in this way. "

S. A. Sawrie Lieut
for O.C. 7th Field Company Australian Engrs.

12/5/18.



12/5/18

O.C. 7th Field Coy. P.E.

I have examined the Gravel Conveyor running from the Gravel Pit at Shet 62d. J196 40.05 to Railway siding at J13a 95.95. It has only been quite recently erected, & was completed with the exception of putting in the necessary power plant at the Railway end. The overhead cable (abt 1 1/2 in) has been placed in position & is at present badly damaged by shell fire in six places. There is a large drum of cable at Railway siding, also a number of pulleys & tuffing buckets. As the structure appears to be of very little value under present conditions, I would recommend that as much as possible of the detached parts be salvaged, & steps taken to prevent the remainder from being cut down by unauthorized persons, quite a lot of timber has already been taken in this way.

Fiddler Lt.
7th P.E.



7TH FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

SECRET.

Copy. No. 3...

Divisional Engineer Order No. 43..... 18th May 1918.

Issued under 2nd. Australian Division Order No. 189..... 17th May 1918.

Ref. Map - Sheet 62D.N.E. 1/20,000.

1. On a day and at an hour to be notified later, an operation will be carried out with the object of capturing VILLE-sur-ANCRE and straightening our line.

This operation will be carried out by the 5th and 6th A.I. Brigades, 5th A.I. Bde. on the right and 6th A.I. Bde. on the left.

2. 6th Field Coy. will co-operate with the 6th A.I. Bde. and 5th Field Coy. with the 5th A.I. Bde. and will assist by laying out jumping-off tapes and otherwise under arrangements to be made direct between Os.C. 5th and 6th Field Coys. with 5th and 6th A.I. Bdes. respectively.

3. (a)

On the night following the operation a communication trench will be dug by 2nd Aust. Pioneer Battalion from J.6.b.5.5. to the cross-roads at K.1.b.1.4.

(b) C.O. 2nd Aust. Pioneer Battalion will arrange for the necessary reconnaissances to be made for selection of best site, for trench and for marking it out.

(c) C.O. 2nd Aust. Pioneer Battalion will arrange to keep in touch with 6th A.I. Bde. in order to ascertain when the objectives have been gained and held and that the situation is clear, and will give the order for his parties to go forward and commence work.

(d) When work is completed C.O. 2nd Pioneer Battalion will notify 6th A.I. Bde. and C.R.E. of completion and Pioneers will withdraw.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

Distribution-over.

for C.R.E. 2nd Aust. Division.

Lt. & Adjt.



DISTRIBUTION.

1. 5th Field Co.

2. 6th " "

3. 7th " "

4. 5th A.I.Bde.

5. 6th " "

6. 7th A.I.Bde.

7. 2nd Aust. Pnr. Bn.

8. Chief Engineer.

9, 10, 11. War diary

12. G. 2nd Aust. Div.

13. File.

14. Spare.

7TH FIELD COMPANY AUSTRALIAN ENGINEERS.

WEEKLY WORKS REPORT

for

WEEK

ENDING

18th May 1918.

ENGINEERS A.F.

Job.	Location.	Progress.
P.O.W. Cage.	C.28.d.8.2.	Cage dimensions 36' x 36' completed.
Bde.H.q. shelters.	C.21.b.6.1.	2 shelters complete, No.3 is 75% cmpte.
Salvage.	RIBEMONT.	1000 square feet corr. iron. 500 sup ft timber.
Bttn. dugouts.	1.11.b.1.3.	No.1 Shaft - 20 sets erected. Now 30 steps down in this shaft. Depth of shaft 20'6". 2 sets have been placed on the level. No.2 Shaft - 20 sets erected, making 29 in all to depth of 20'6".
Bttn. shelters.	1.4.a.4.4.	1 shelter built complete. 1 excavtn completed.
"	1.9.b.7.7.	3 shelters completed.
"	1.14.b.3.1.	1 shelter complete, 1 75% cmpte, & 1 50% cmpte.
"	1.15.c.0.4.	1 day to cmpte. 3 shelters.
Timber & hurdles.	Various.	All timber has been obtained for shelters & all revetting done with hurdles.
4th A.F.A.Bde H.q.	D.13.d.approx.	6 bunks erected.
Survey.	General.	2 sappers daily.
	Lieut GILL	Officer in charge of above works.
Right Bde.H.q.	HEILLY.	95 ft excavated and timbered in 6'x3' passage. 20 ft excavated & timbered in 6' x 6' chambers. 16' excavated & timbered in 6' x 8' chambers. 6 doors made gas-proof. 2 windows " " " 2 bunks constructed. 120 ft rough retaining wall built to hold spoil. Lieut OLDHAM Officer in charge of above works.
Saw Mill Bonnay.		7340 sup.feet timber out. 135 Logs felled 15' x 12" 47 fascines made. 3 hurdles. " 1 Mat. 60 pitprops 6' 6" x 7" dia out. 33 yds road at Mill fascined.
Baths Bonnay.		Reconstruction completed. Lt Lawrie - Officer in charge works.
Corduroy Rd	J.13.a. & J.7.c.	230 yds corduroy track completed.
Dugout	J.13.c.0.6.	Whole place camouflaged. Left Half. Chamber 8' x 6' completed & drive continued down 2 steps. Right Half. Drive in 9' & down 2 steps.

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Footbridge J.5.a.1.5. Bridge complete except handrail.
across ANCRE. XBY28167710.

to

J.4.b.3.4.

Footpath across 2 streams bridged and 85 yds brushwood
swamp. D.28.c.7.0. & logs on swampy ground.

to

J.4.b.3.4.

Notice Boards. 9 notice Boards made, printed and 6
erected on emergency emergency rds.

Lt Mott. Supervising works.

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Wiring. J.14.c.2.4. to 2350 yds double apron wire- Bridge Hd
J.8.b.9.4. defences.

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Miscellaneous.

Wiring stores prepared - 3000 yds.

Signboards made for Bde Boundary - Div Dump.

4 sappers working on Divn'l Dump.

2 sappers working for C.R.E. repairing masonry.

2 sappers. Working on repairs - to washout on river. FRECHENCOURT.
20% complete.

Details, draughting, effecting extensions and improvements to coy
camp.

Transport - Carting Wiring stores and R.E. Materials for works.

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E. Fred Captain
for C.C. 7th Field Company Australian Engrs.



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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

7TH FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.I.

SECRET

No. 24/43

Copy. No. 5

Divisional Engineer Order No. 44..May 19th 1918, 18/106a.

Issued under 2nd Australian Division Order No. 190 dated 19th May 1918.

Reference Map - Sheet 62D NE 1/20,000.

1. The 7th Aust. Inf. Brigade will relieve the 6th Aust. Inf. Brigade in the left brigade sector of the Divisional front on the night 20/21st May.
2. The 7th Field Company will relieve the 6th Field Company, relief to be arranged direct between Field Company Commanders concerned.
3. Completion of relief to be notified by wire to D.E.H.Q.
4. On relief the 6th Field Company will take over the duties of the 7th Field Company.
5. Acknowledge.

DISTRIBUTION.

for C.R.E. Second Australian Division.

1. C.E. Aust. Corps.
2. "G" 2nd Aust. Division.
3. 5th Field Company.
4. 6th " "
5. 7th " "
6. 5th A.I. Brigade
7. 6th " "
8. 7th " "
9. 2nd Aust. Pioneer Bn.
10. 11. 12. War Diary.
13. File

Lt. & Adjt.,

File 21

V

Acknowledged
J. J.

Probably done

Attach to 20/5/18

7th A.T. Bde
Proposed Works Policy

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FRONT LINE

- (a) Wiring posts — especially gap ^E 25b80
- (b) Connecting up posts

SUPPORT LINE

Support Line to be constructed from
approximately K7a30 — K1c40 —
K1a60 — K1a central — E25c22

- (a) Dig posts
- (b) Connect up and wire
- (c) Extend line on left from E25a38 to D24b80

RESERVE LINE

Improve old line J12b50 — J6d70 —
J6b50 — J6b47

COMMUNICATION

- (a) Complete C.T. from about K1a20
to J6b60 avoiding road junction

(b) Bridges

Improve existing bridges E25a24
Construct further bridges and foot-bridges
in D30 or D29d & J5b.

Hd. Qrs

Construct tunnelled ^{Ans} Hd Qrs at J5d94
or about J6d28



7th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Headquarters,
May 21st 1918.

Headquarters,
25th, 26th, 27th, 28th Bns.
7th Field Coy,
5th A.I. Bde,
54th Inf. Bde.

7TH FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.

No. 24/76

HEADQUARTERS,
7TH AUSTRALIAN
INFANTRY BRIGADE.

No. 298/32

Date.

PROPOSED WORKS POLICY.

FRONT LINE.

- (a) Wiring posts - especially gap E.25.b.8.0.
- (b) Connecting up posts.

SUPPORT LINE.

- Support Line to be constructed approximately K.7.a.3.0 - K.1.c.4.0 - K.1.a.6.0 - K.1.a.central - E.25.c.2.2.
- (a) Dig posts.
 - (b) Connect up and wire.
 - (c) Extend line on left E.25.a.3.8 to D.24.b.8.0.

RESERVE LINE.

Improve old line J.12.b.5.0 - J.6.d.7.0 - J.6.b.5.0 - J.6.b.4.7.

COMMUNICATION.

- (a) Complete C.T. from about K.1.a.2.0 to J.6.b.6.0, avoiding road junction.
- (b) Bridges. Improve existing bridges E.25.a.2.4. Construct further bridges and foot tracks in D.30 or D.29.d. & J.5.b.

HEADQUARTERS.

Construct tunnelled Bn. H.Q. at J.5.d.9.4. or about J.6.d.2.8.

J. Roydhouse Capt
Major, Brigade Major,
7th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Works in 2nd Aust
Dw Rear Area.

7TH FIELD COS-18
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.

No. 1. Sect.

No. 21

(a) SAW MILL near BONNAY (I 17 d 99)
1 NCO & 6 to 8 sappers per shift 12 hrs
2 shifts 6 to 12 & 12 to 6

(b) 1 NCO & 6 saps. 6 hrs.

Cutting logs for mill, barkings etc.
Making fascines & improving emergency
hack!

2 hoses (tandem) 1 driver.

Lt Lawrence.

(b) 1 NCO & 6 saps 6 hrs repairing break
in river bank at Mill at FRECHE
NCOURT (M. DOUILLET)

Lt Ferguson

No. 2. Sect.

(a) Various on H.F. in 2nd Zone system.

Splinter proofs I 14 d 31, I 15 c 03
not complete, I 9 c 77, I 21 b 61 complete.

(b) Splinter proofs (2) and Bu H.F. Deep
Dug out I 11 d 22

2 NCOs 8 to 10 saps 4 shifts
40 hrs.

(c) Deep Dug out I 13 d 23 to be taken
over as early as possible from 5th 206.

Lt Gill.

No. 3. sect

2nd H.Q. deep dugouts J1c64

4 shifts 20 cr. sappers 60 to 80 inf
3 to 4 faces.

Lt Oldham

No. 4. sect.(a) deep dugout Bn H.Q. (Bridgehead line)

J13c07

1 H.C.O. 8 saps 36 inf

(b) Emergency tracks

① J12c40 to J13a87

2 H.C.O.s 8 saps 40 inf

② J2c00 to J8b46

③ J4a69 to J4b42

8 cr. saps 25 inf

Lt Mott

Details No. 3. ~~sect~~ sect1 H.C.O. 4 saps 50 inf (day)
100 inf night

8 to 12 inf limbers

wiring Bridgehead line (A) J8b04 to

J19c80.

Lt Fisher

also 12 inf at Coy H.Q. preparing wire
stores etc.12 inf at saw mill getting ^{logs} baskets.



Reports

Daily works report with workmap
up to date

Weekly consolidated report

Weekly progress plans of all digouts
to be submitted to CRE and 2nd Aust
Tunn. Coy.

Materials

Up to 60 sets as is available

Shortage of long pickets yb-wire
Plain wire being used where possible.

Finished report
05.11.44



To 7th A.I. Brigade.

7TH FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.

No. 24/74

BRIDGE HEAD LINE.
=====

J.19.c.7.0. to J.8.a.9.4.

Work done 10th to 20th May 1918.

Wiring. 1200 yds double apron wire and 3700 yds single apron wire erected, covering about 1600 yds of actual trench continuous (except for gaps) from J.8.a.9.3. to J.14.a.2.5. and from J.19.b.7.0. to J.14.c.1.7. Gaps 50 yds wide were left at each passable track and gaps about 4 yds at closer intervals. The wire is run in a series of criss-cross rays to a depth of 100 yds to 150 yds in front of the trench. In addition to wire erected stores for 2000 yds of wiring have been carted on to the work.

Digging. Two posts each about 60 yds long have been dug, at J.13.b.1.2 and J.13.b.2.5.

Deep Dugout. Progress made with Battn H.Q. dugout at J.13.c.0.6. Whole work camouflaged and 640 cub.ft. gallery driven and timbered.

21/5/18.

Webb Major,
O.C. 7th Field Company Australian Engineers.

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20.5-18.

File

O.C. 7th Field Coy.

7TH FIELD COY.
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.

No. 24/40

The following are a few rough notes on works in hand or suggested, somewhat inconsiderable in order of relative importance.

1. CONSOLIDATION OF RECENT GAINS :-

I need not emphasize the importance of developing depth to the defences forward of MARETT WOOD.

The three more or less connected lines now existing will form a useful basis.

2. LEFT FORWARD AREA - GENERAL :-

Forward posts might now with advantage be linked up south of railway line.

Supporting Switch facing North East behind EDGEHILL C.C.S. is worth improving for accommodation should the RAVINE become untenable and extending to the Brigade Boundary if the Brigade on your left fulfil their engagement to construct a corresponding line. This line



2.

has an exceptionally good field and is worth wiring.

C.T. between front line north of railway and the ravine should be deepened across railway formation and road.

Tunnels under Railway embankment require contiguous lagging and additional intermediate sets. I would also suggest the construction as branches of these, of tunnelled accommodation for Coy. H.Q.s. and personnel now living in a fool's paradise in the ravine. Accommodation so obtained will probably not be shell proof owing to water troubles as you go down, but if entrances are frequent this should not greatly matter.

DEEP DUG OUTS.

Coy. H.Q. under construction at D.30.2.9.1. will be useful but not shell proof, but is better than anything else available at the moment and is probably worth finishing.

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Left Forward Bn. H.Q. is certain soon to be discovered and shelled out. I have suggested to Division that a deep dugout be constructed for them in Quarry at D.28. b. 25.10.

Right Forward Bn. will probably find I.11.2.5.9. too far back for their H.Q. in which case the quarry near N.E. corner of MARETT WOOD might still be utilised. Dugout at I.11.2.5.9. could still be useful as a Support Bn. H.Q. in which case the extension work now in hand is worth carrying on.

This extension was undertaken to clear Officers & Sig. Office out of present accommodation which would then be useful for R.A.P. and personnel.

The value of deep dugouts under construction in D.27a and behind FRANVILLERS will depend on alterations in the tactical situation and in dispositions.

ACCOMMODATION GENERALLY.

Materials available and work

A
in hand have not enabled me to do much for Company H.Q. or machine gunners' shelters. Both are commended to you if you are able to undertake them. With this end in view I had all available corrugated iron and large English shelters delivered last night to S.D.8.4.

REAR LINES

The line running through MARETT WOOD is useless and we had commenced a diversion intended for covering the exit from the wood, should the enemy get possession of the latter.

The RIBEMONT-LAVIEVILLE line is extremely important and should I think be garrisoned by portion of the reserve battalion.

MATERIALS

A considerable amount of good timber is obtainable by salvage in MERICOURT, and a certain amount in BUIRE,

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including a Pioneer Dump which the Pioneers are not ^{now} using.

LABOUR:-

This has fluctuated considerably between peace and war conditions.

Permanent parties for clearing galleries of new dugouts have in every case been obtained from units (Company or Battalion) nearest to the job.

Extensions and wiring of forward posts have generally been done by line battalions - also carrying of mining materials from BUIRE.

Parties for TREUX line and C.T. forward of TREUX came from support battalion (right half) and those for line behind MARETT WOOD and new supporting switch behind EDGEHILL C.C.S. &c. from Support Bn (left half).

The reserve battalion have normally worked only on RIBEMONT - LAVIENNE line and



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on dugouts in D. 27 a.

I have also employed 30 men daily in FRANVILLERS in making B.W. concertinas. These were appropriately bandmen.

DUMPS :-

BUIRE - D. 30 a. 7. 2.

KELLY - J. 4. a. 6. 1. (being worked out)

PINE - J. 5. d. 2. 8.

PINE DUMP might now be pushed forward into or beyond TREUX.

RENDEZVOUS :-

QUARRY - D. 30 a. 9. 1.

QUARRY - D. 28. b. 2. 1.

BENDIGO. Line - J. 5. a. 30.

McHarris Major.
O.C. 6th Field Co. A.E.

7th Field Company Australian Engineers.

WEEKLY WORKS REPORT to 6am. 25/5/18.

Work & Location. Amount Done during week.

Support Line.
Digging. D.24.d.6.6. 260 yds dug 3'4" wide, 3'4" deep.
Deepening " " 175 yds deepened from 3'4" wide & deep to 6' wide at top and 6' deep with 18" firestep.

Wiring.
E.25.a.4.8. to D.24.d.5.7. 1000yds double apron wire erected.

Tunnelled D.O.
(a). E.19.c.9.0. (a). Drive 4' towards chamber.
10 extra sets put in and lagged 30' tunnel.
(b) E.25.a.4.8. (b). 12 extra sets put in and lagged 16' tunnel.
Drive 4' towards chamber.

16-6hr shifts

Dugout. D.30.a.9.2. 24 feet drive excavated and timbered.
Above works supervised by Lt Mott. DCM.

12-6hr shifts

Support Line.
E.25.c.2.2. to K.7.a.3.0. 1850 yards trench excavated.
Digging.

Wiring. E.25.c.3.2. to K.7.a.4.3. 1350 yards double apron wire erected covering 1500 yards of trench.
Above works supervised in turn by Lts. Gill, Veale & Oldham.

Deep D.O. J.11.a.5.9. Tunnelled and timbered to a depth of 8ft on the level from centre entrance, and in eastern entrance the level of drive is in to a depth of 16' 6".
32 sets have been put in.
Above work supervised by Lt Veale. DCM.

11-6hr shifts

Erection of shelters, improvements, wiring etc to TASMANIAN trench D.28.a. 350 yards double apron wire and 3 gaps cut in existing wire in front of trench from D.28.a.5.6. - North.
20 yards C.T. dug from accommodation trench in rear to TASMANIAN tr. at D.28.a.5.8.
Trench, fire stepped, parapet flattened and camouflaged and camouflaged in various places along its length.
24 shelters and 2 ammunition recesses put in and several shelters improved and strengthened.
7 excavns made but abandoned on a/c of casualties when digging.

Deep Dugout at D.27.a.2.4. No 1. 11 sets put in. 13' drive & 9' x 9' chamber excavated & timb'd.
No 2 13 sets erected put in & 15 ft drive
No 3 43' gallery excavated & temp'ly strutted.
No 4 20 sets put in, 9 x 5 chamber excavated & temp'ly strutted.
Lt Lawrie supervising above work.

Repairs to Wall of Dam Practically complete.
FRENCHCOURT
Lt Fergusson supervising.

Company Transport. Carting R.E. materials, wiring stores, mining sets etc for forward works. as above.

S. Webb Major,
D.O. 7th Field Coy. Engrs., A.I.F.

Headquarters.
7th. Aust. Inf. Bde.

18/5/18.

7TH FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.

No. 24/70

PROPOSED WORKS & PARTIES etc for 19th MAY 1918.

Job.	Rendezvous.	Time.	No of men.	Tools.
Dugouts.	I.11.a.0.6.	6.45am.	8	4 shovels. 4 picks.
Shelters.	28th Bn H.Qrs.	8.00am	8 60	40 shovels.
"	I.11.a.0.6.	12.45pm.	8	20 picks.
	Engr Officer - Lt GILL.			
Dugouts.	J.13.c.0.6.	7am. 1pm:	9 each shift.	
4 shifts.		7pm. 1pm.		
Foot bridge	Heilly church.	6.30am.	25.	
across ANCRE.				
Emergency Rd.	I.12.d.	8.00am.	40.	
	Engr Officer - Lt Mott.			
Dugouts.	Heilly chateau.	6am.12noon.	20 per shift.	
Bde H.Q.		6pm.12midnight.		
4 shifts.	Engr Officer - Lt OLDFHAM.			
Wiring	Post No 12.	6.30am.	50	Wirecutters.
	J.14.a.1.6.			
	Engr.Officer <i>Lt Vase. Capt. Xanthus</i>			
Wiring.	Post.No 7.	9.00pm.	100	Wirecutters.
	J.19.b.9.6.			
Preparing wiring stores.	ditto.	3.00pm.	15	
	Engr Officer - Lt Fidler.			
<i>Cutting picks</i>	7th Fld Coy.	9.00am.	12.	
<i>Preparing</i>	I.5.d.9.7.			
<i>Wiring stores.</i>	Engr Officer - C.S.M. Webster.			

TRANSPORT.

QUERRIEU.

4 limbers to report to ~~FRANVILLERS~~ DUMP at 8.00am.
4 limbers to report to FRANVILLERS DUMP at 7.00pm.

Spence Capt.
for C.C. 7th Field Company Australian Engrs.

*Report to Lt Lamm
sawmill
Bonmay*

7th Field Coy.

7th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

TABLE OF WORKING PARTIES - to report 18/5/1918.

Shown to Captain G.H.C.

7TH FIELD COY.
ENGINEERS A.I.F.
No. 24/63

HEADQUARTERS.
7TH AUSTRALIAN
INFANTRY BRIGADE.
No. 221
Date: 18/5/18

Job.No.	Unit Supplying.	Job.	Rendezvous.	Engineer Officer.	Time to Report.	No. of men.	Tools required.
1.	28th Bn.	Dugouts	I.11.a.0.6.	Lt.GILL.	6.45 a.m.	8	4 shovels 4 picks
2.	28th Bn.	Shelters	28th Bn. H.Q.	"	8.00 a.m.	60	40 shovels 20 picks.
3.	28th Bn.	"	I.11.a.0.6.	"	12.45 p.m.	8	
4.	25th Bn.	Dugouts 4 shifts.	J.13.c.0.6.	Lt.MOTT	7 a.m. 1 pm, 7 p.m. 1 am.	9 each shift.	
5.	25th Bn.	Footbridge across ANCRE	HEILLY Church.	"	6.30 a.m.	25	
6.	25th Bn.	Emergency Rd	I.12.d.	"	8.00 a.m.	40	
7.	27th Bn.	Dugouts Bde H.Q.	HEILLY Chateau.	Lt.OLDHAM.	4 shifts-6am 12 noon, 6pm, 12 midnight.	20 per shift.	
8.	25th Bn.	Wiring.	J.8.c. between Rd & railway.	Lt.YEALE.	9.00 a.m.	50	Wiring sticks required.
9.	25th Bn.	"	Gravel Pit near) Gravel Conveyor) J.7.d.0.6.HEILLY)	Lt.FIDLER.	9 p.m.	100	" " "
10.	25th Bn.	Preparing wiring stores for night party.	I.5.d.9.7.	CSM.WEBSTER.	9.00 a.m.	12.	
11.	28th Bn.	Baths.	7th Field Coy I.5.d.9.7.	Lt.LAWRIE.	7.45 a.m.	10.	

LIMBERS REQUIRED:-

26th Bn. 2, 28th Bn. 3, 27th Bn. 3 - total 8 G.S. limber wagons to report to QUERRIEU Dump at 8 a.m.
25th Bn. 3, 26th Bn. 1, - total 4 G.S. limbers to report to FRANVILLERS Dump at 7 p.m.

[Signature]
Captain, Staff Captain,
7th Australian Infantry Brigade.

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HEADQUARTERS,
7TH AUSTRALIAN
INFANTRY BRIGADE.

25/193.

No:.....
Date.....

7TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

Headquarters,
May 26th 1918.

Headquarters,
25th, 26th, 27th, 28th Bns.

General Purpose and Supporting Point Rations are being drawn from the Supply Service for installing in the forward and support areas.

3,000 Iron Rations for this Brigade are being drawn, and will be installed in positions at each Battalion H.Q. and at J.S.a.15.90 (in cellar), in dumps of 600 rations.

Each Battalion will be responsible for the safe keeping of these rations and will, when they are installed, mount a guard over them. The Line Left Battalion will mount a guard over dump at J.S.a.15.90 also.

Dumps at Battalion H.Q. will be well dunnaged and weather-proof shelters erected at once, ready to receive rations. The 7th Field Coy A.E. will arrange to supervise the construction of these shelters.

The rations taken over by the Right Line Battalion (from 6th Bde) consisting of 12½ cases Biscuits, 13½ cases P.M., 6 cases groceries, and 100 tins water, will be established in one dump at its H.Q., the preceding instructions being complied with.

Arrangements will later be made for a reserve of water to be established at these dumps on a scale of two quarts per man. Sufficient accommodation will be provided, when constructing dumps, to permit of this water being stored with the other rations.

Captain, Staff Captain,
7th Australian Infantry Brigade.

Copy to 7th Field Coy A.E.

Radiation Store

9" Earth Camouflage

Wall plate.
3"x2"

bracing
6"x1"

10'

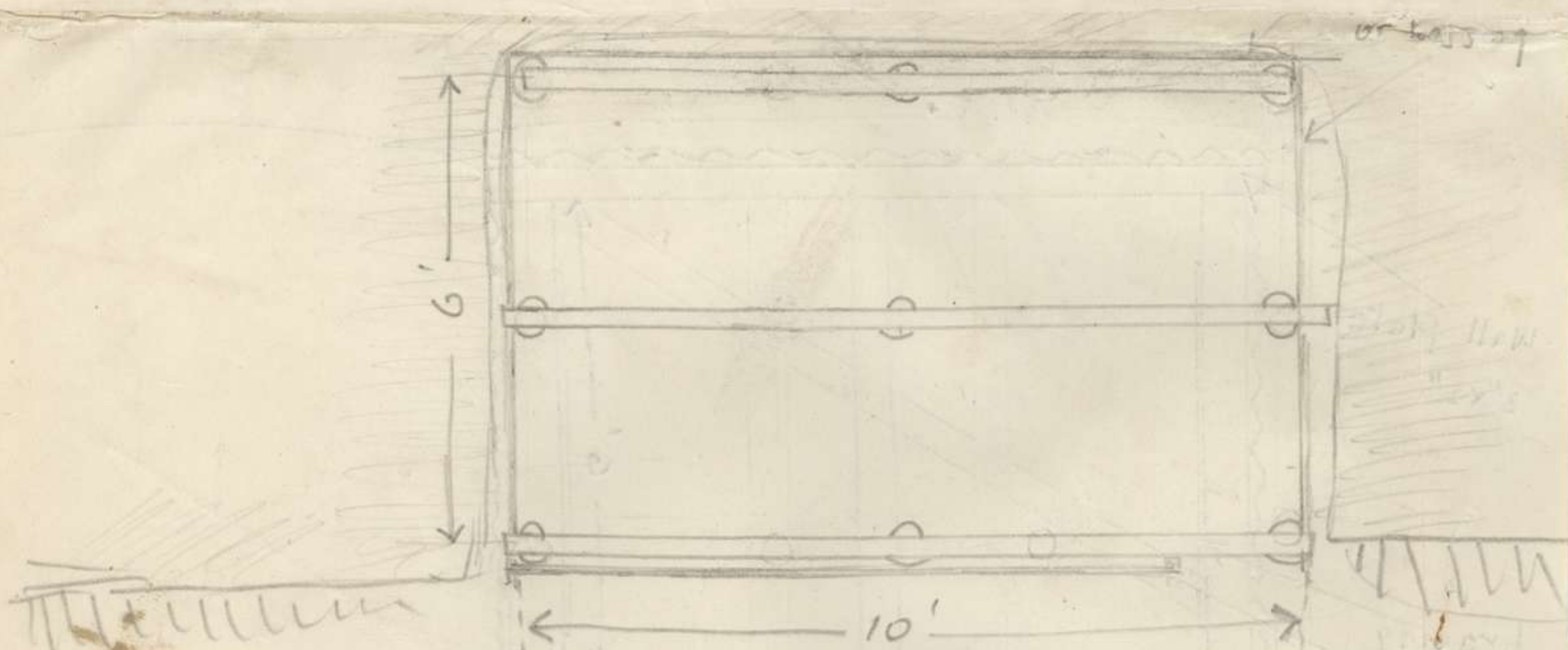
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Sketch of Elevation with Front Removed

Rough scale

Plan over.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 feet



Plan Roof. Removed.

Shelter to be put in bank. Where possible

Materials

9	pit props.	—	8' x 3" diam
3	pieces wallplate	10 1/2'	3" x 2"
4	pieces stays	11'	6" x 1"
5	con	6' sheets	roofing
80'	flooring	—	9" x 1"

7TH FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.

No. 24/103

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Engineer Order No. 45.....31st May 1918.

Issued under Second Aust. Division Order No. 192.....31st May 1918.

Reference Map Sheet 62D N.E. 1/20,000.

1. The 6th Aust. Inf. Bde. will relieve the 7th Aust. Inf. Bde. in the Left Bde. Subsector of the Divisional front on the night 31st May/1st June.
2. The 6th Field Coy. will relieve the 7th Field Coy. under mutual arrangements between O.Cs. concerned, relief to be completed by noon, 1st June.
3. Completion of relief to be notified by wire to D.E.H.Q.
4. On being relieved the 7th Field Coy. will take over the duties of 6th Field Coy.
5. Acknowledge. (Field Coys. only).

DISTRIBUTION.

for C.R.E. Second Australian Division.

1. C.E. Aust. Corps
2. "G" 2nd Aust. Division.
- 3, 4. 6th and 7th A.I. Brigades.
- 5, 6, 7. 5th 6th and 7th Field Coys.
8. File.
9. Spare.
- 10, 11, 12. War Diary.

H. H. H. Lt. & Adjt.,

7th Field Company Australian Engrs.
.....

Order . No 916.

31/5/18.

Relief. The unit will be relieved by the 6th Field Company .A.E.
on the 31st/1st June .

Details of move.

Headquarters, Nos 1 , 3 and 4 sections will move
independently to camp at present occupied by 6th Fld Coy.A.E.
at I.6.c.2.6.

Present camps will be left in a thoroughly clean condition
and sections will move out not later than 9.30pm and not before
9.15pm.

Advance parties of 1. N.C.O. and 2 sappers per section
will meet C.S.M. Webster DCM at new camp at 8.00pm.

Captain Fewtrell will allot and take over camp.

TRANSPORT

Section limbers will report with tool-cart teams at 9.0 pm
to section H.Q.

G.S. wagon will report to H.Qrs at 9.00pm for Officers' and
H.Q. gear.

No 1 sectn and No 3 sectn officer's horses will ~~report~~ be
sent forward with limber & tool cart teams.

All necessary reconnaissance parties to be arranged with
officer of 6th Fld Coy.A.E. at 4.00pm.

Receipts for mauls and other area stores etc handed over
to be obtained and handed in to Orderly Room by 9am 1/6/18.

W. Webb
O.C. 7th Field Coy.A.E.

Major.

issued by runner at ...3.30...pm.

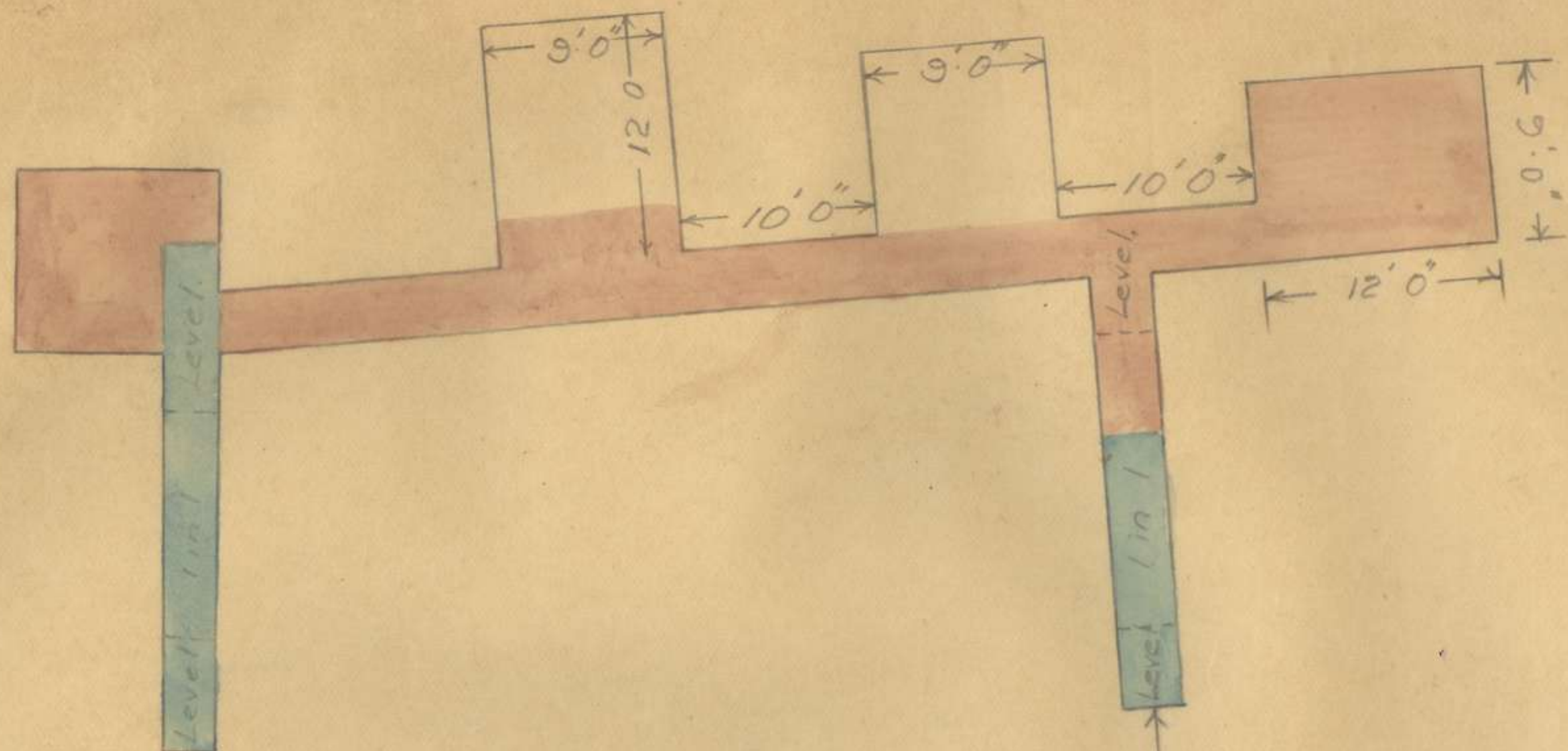


Double Coy H. grs. D.D.O. } No 1 gallery. 15 sets put in galleries. 5x9" chamber excavated
D.27.a.2.4. } and 3'8" completely timbered.
Reserve Batta H.C. } No 2 gallery. 35 sets put in galleries. Left chamber not
D.27.a.15.35. } started. Right chamber excavation complete 9' x 12', timbered
: 11' complete.
: No 3 gallery. 13 sets put in galleries. excavated chamber
: 26' x 6'. Timbered complete to 25'. One small telephone
: chamber excavated & timbered 6' x 2'9".
: No 4 gallery. 14 sets put in. Left chamber excavation complete
: 9' x 9', 7' 2" timbered. One girder and side lagging to
: complete. Right Chamber - Excavated chamber 9' x 7' x 4'.
: Chamber timbered complete. bunking 50%
: 150 yards wiring to join at road D.28.b.8.0.
Tasmanian Trench : 7 excavations made for shelters - frames for 7 shelters made
D.28.a.4.5. : and 2 shelters completed.
: 90 yds trench excavated 90 yds trench.
C.T. D.27.b.8.6. : 320 yds double apron wire erected.
Front of Seymour Support : 4 excavations for shelters 7' x 7' x 4'. 1 English cupola shelter
Seymour Support : erected. 3 small shelters erected. 2 frames for large Eng
D.30a.8.3. : shelters delivered.
: Erected ration shelter and camouflaged.
D.27.a.2.4. : 2000' lagging, 252' of 6" x 2"- 84' 5" x 5", 200' of 3" x 3"
Salvaging. : 42,771 pitprops. 50 long pickets wooden, 100 short pickets wood
: 30 coils wire.

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Captain.

APPENDIX. 22



DOUBLE COMPLY. HDQRS.

at D272 2.4. Sheet 620

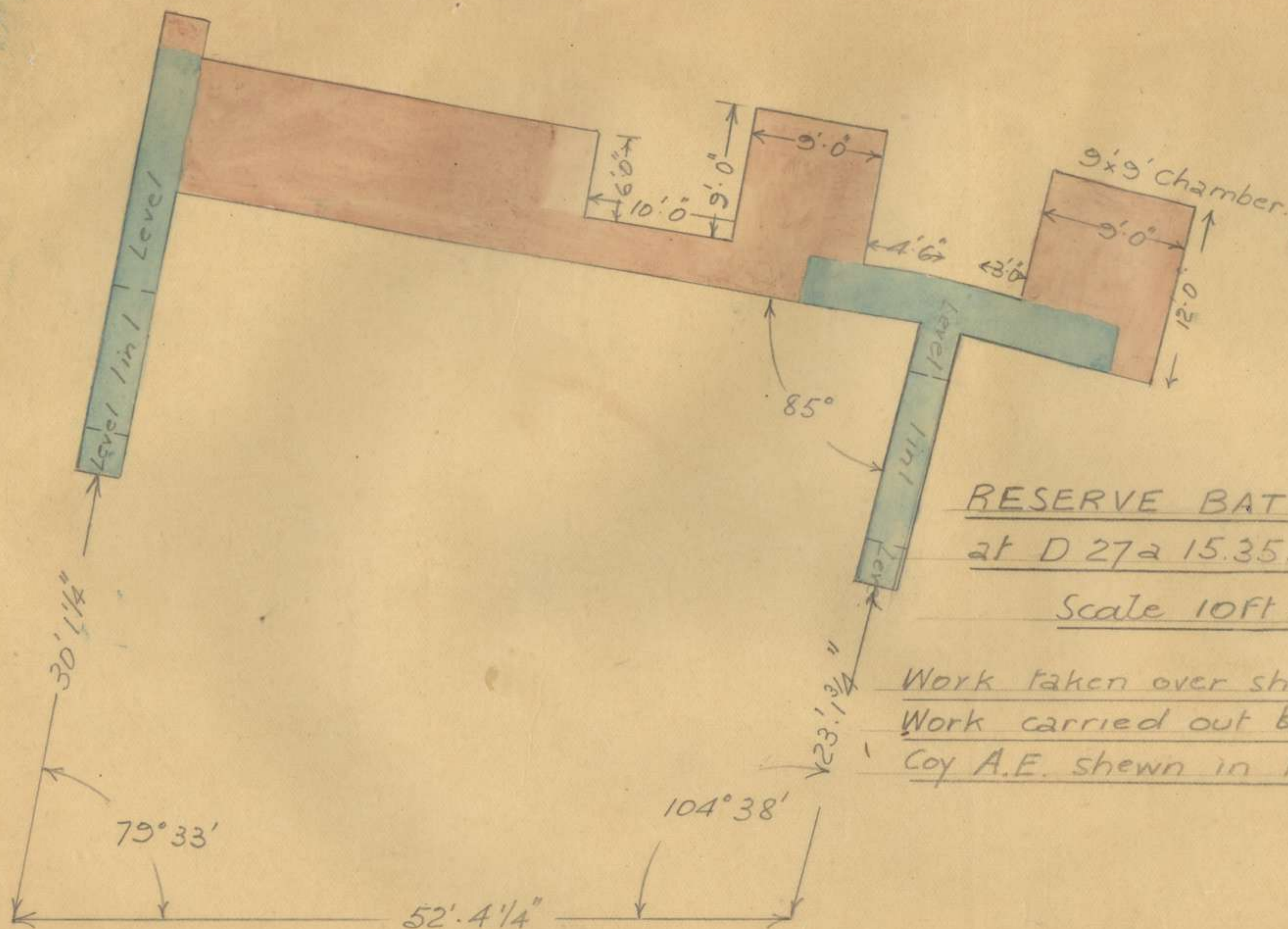
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Work taken over shewn in
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Work carried out by 7th Field. Coy A.E.
shewn in Red.

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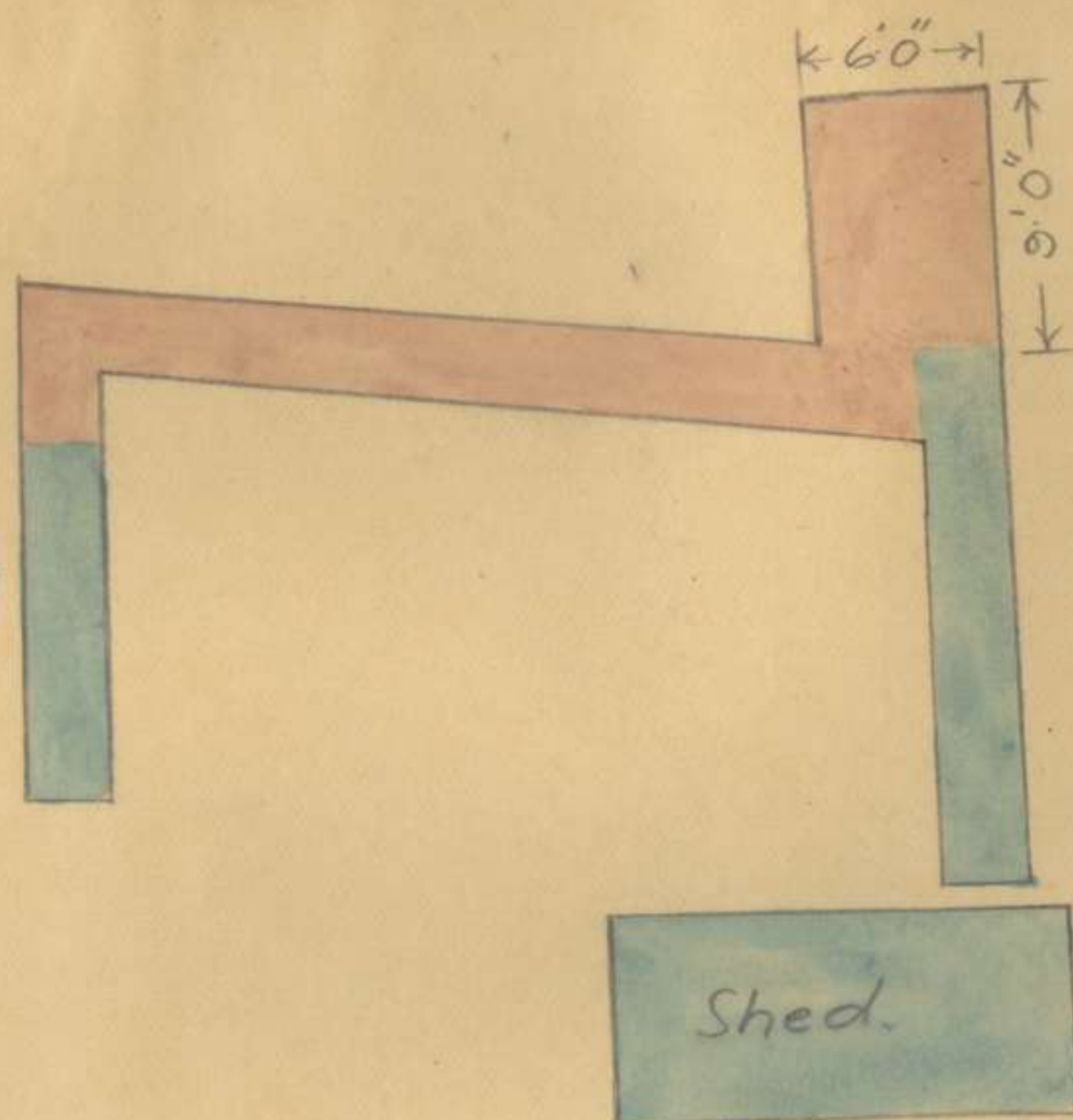
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RESERVE BATTN HQRS.
at D 272 15.35. Sheet 62D.

Scale 10ft = 1 in.

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Work carried out by 7th Field
Coy A.E. shewn in Red



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Work carried out by 7 Fld Coy
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Red.

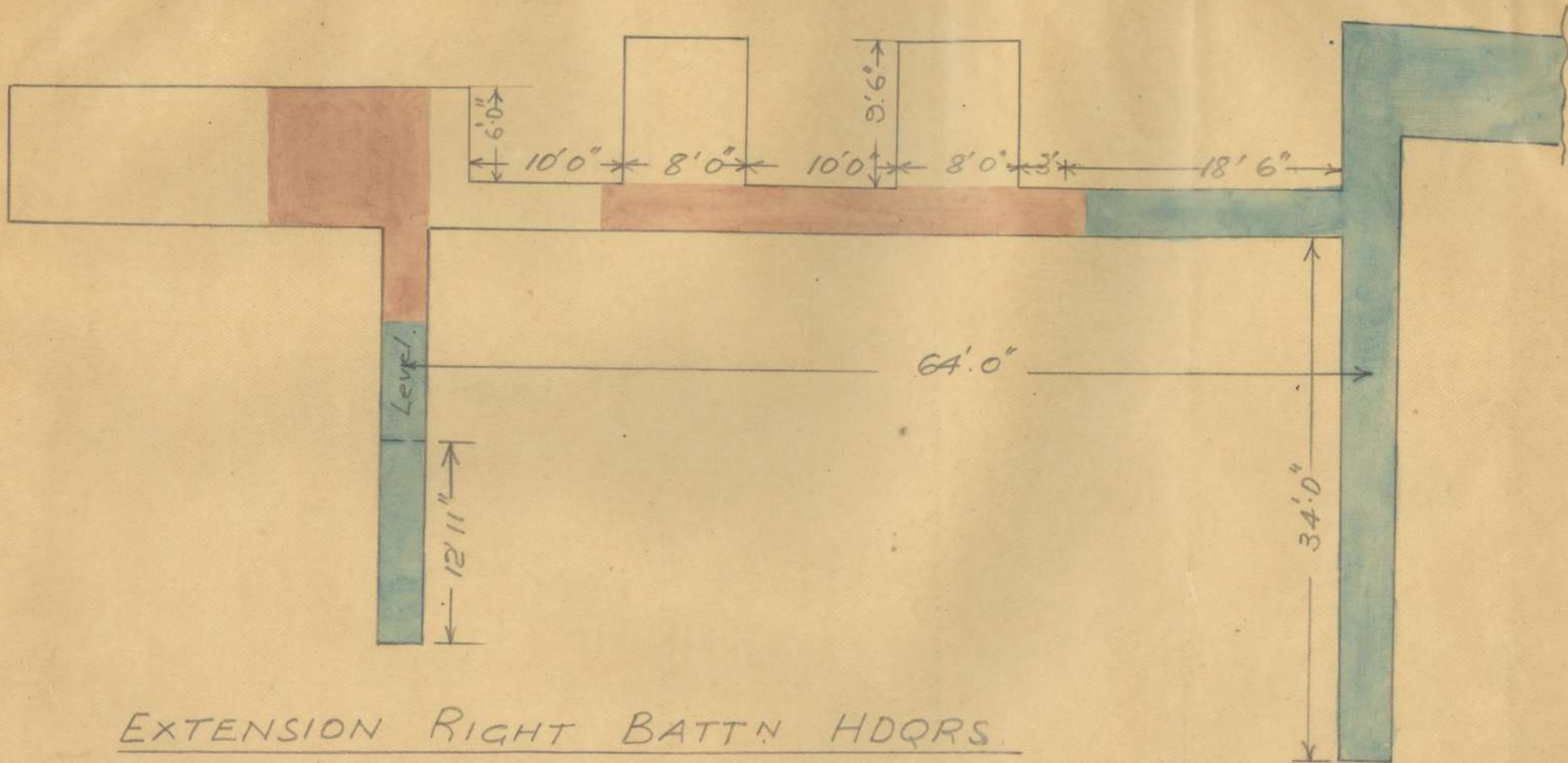
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at D 302 9.1. Sheet 62^D.
Scale 10ft = 1in

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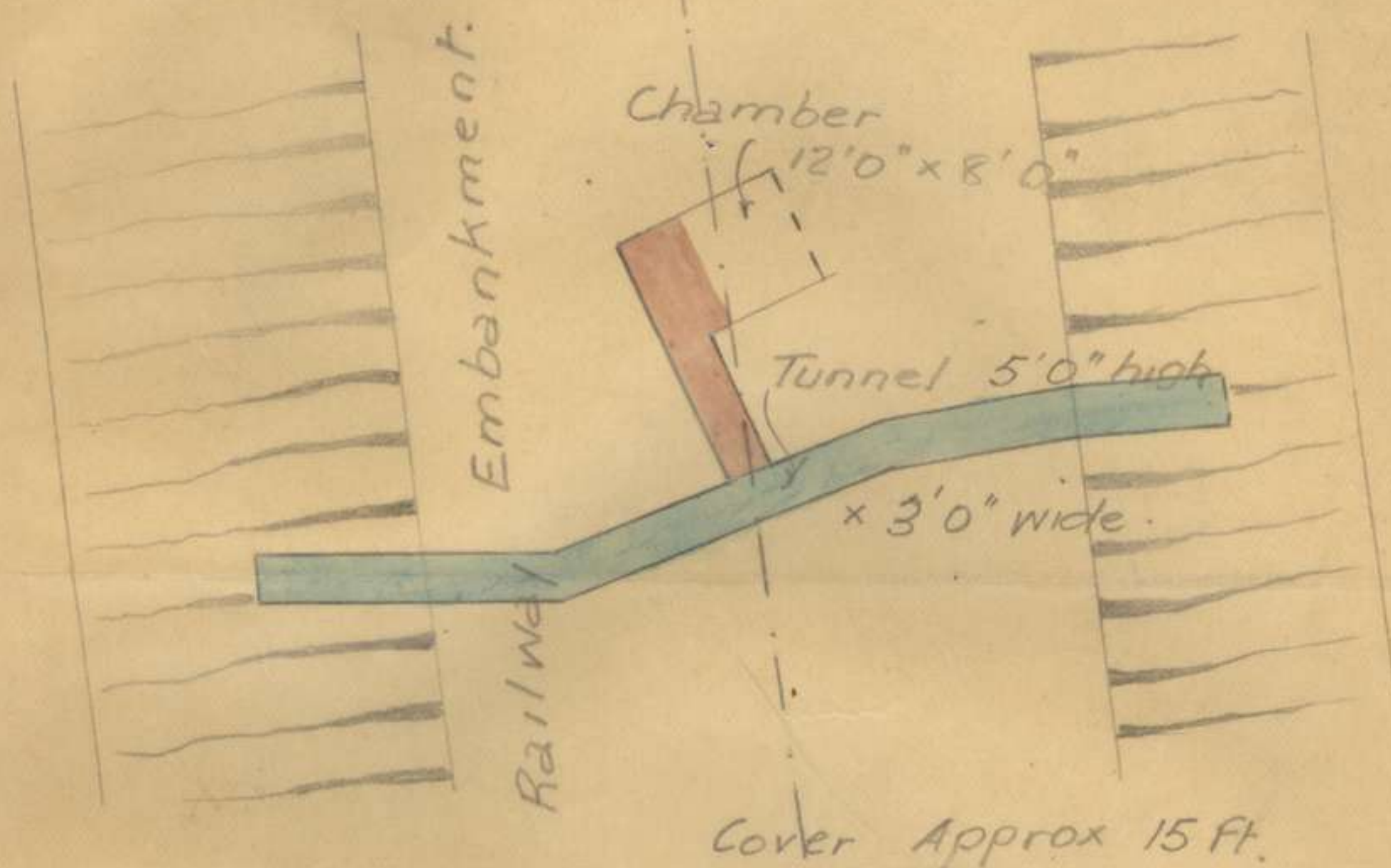
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at J 112 5.9. Sheet 62^D.

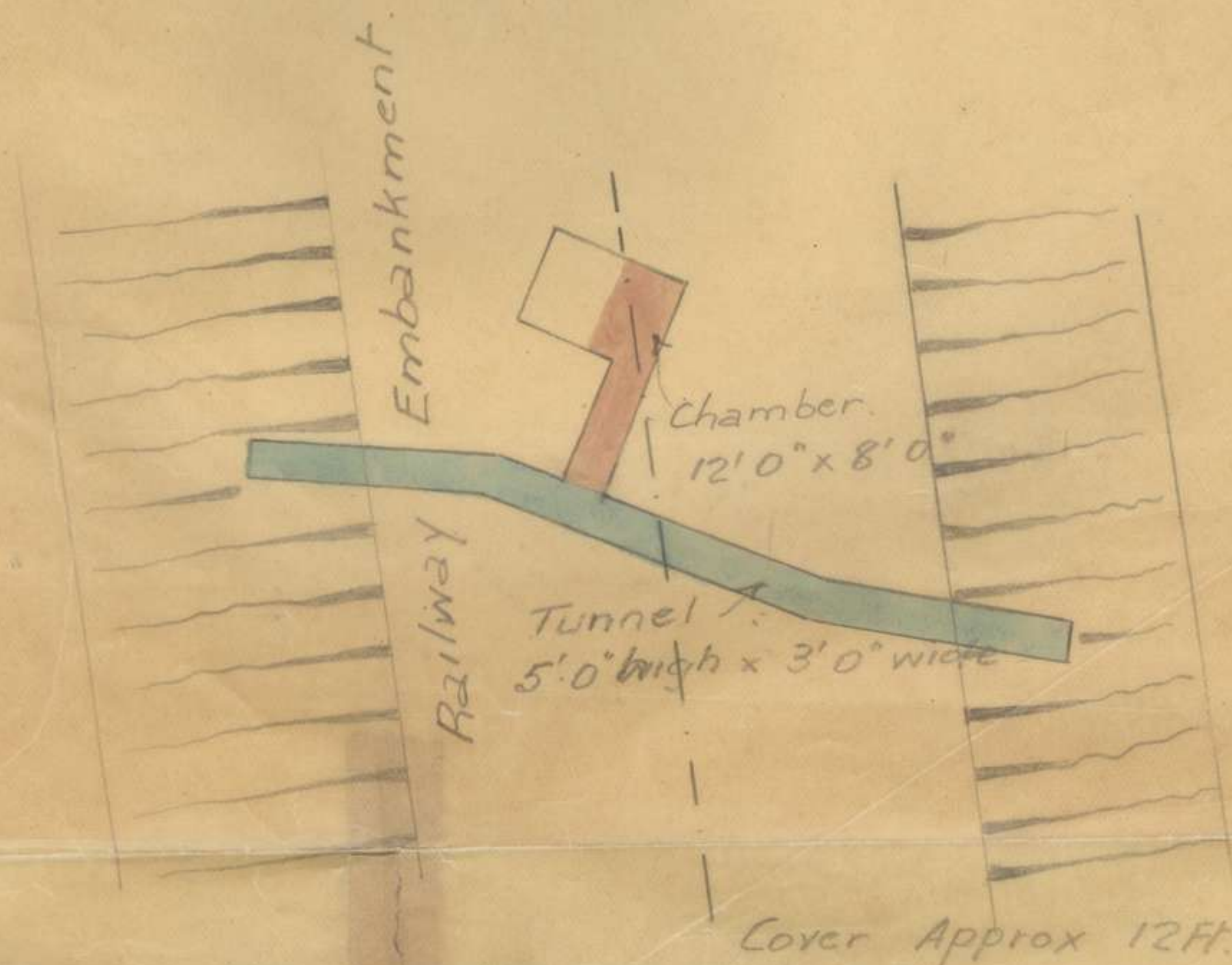
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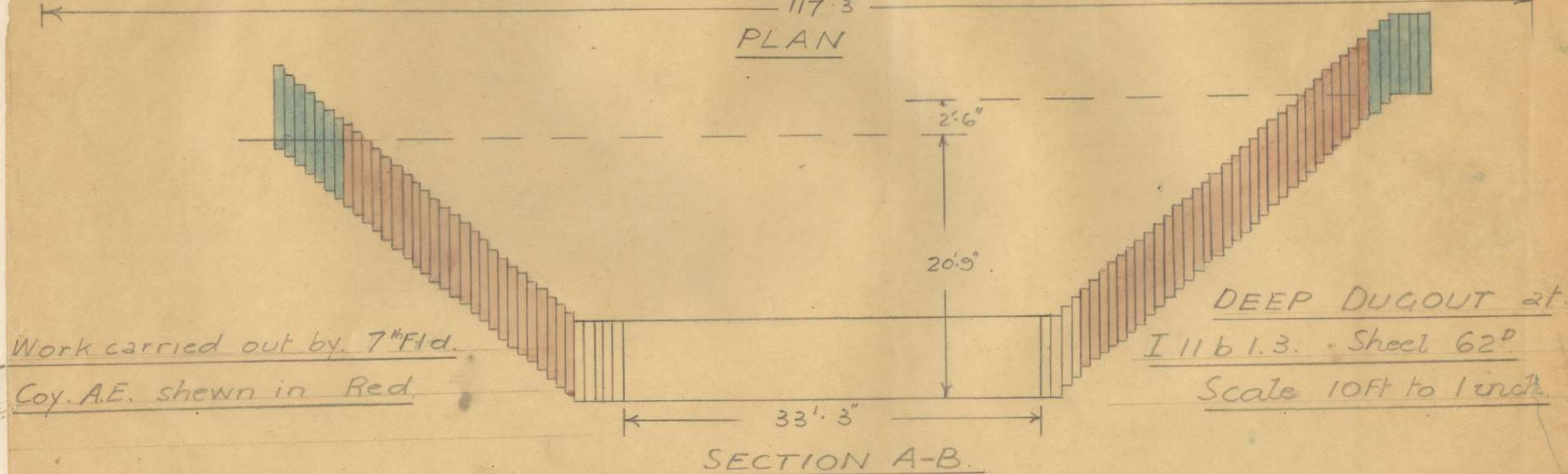
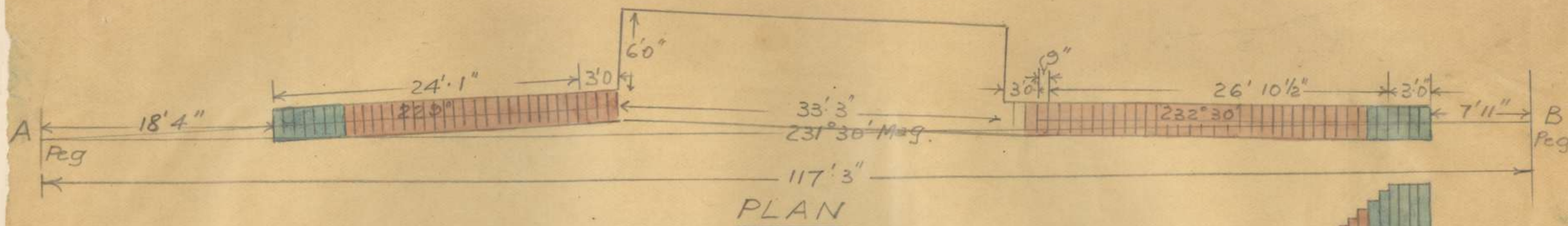
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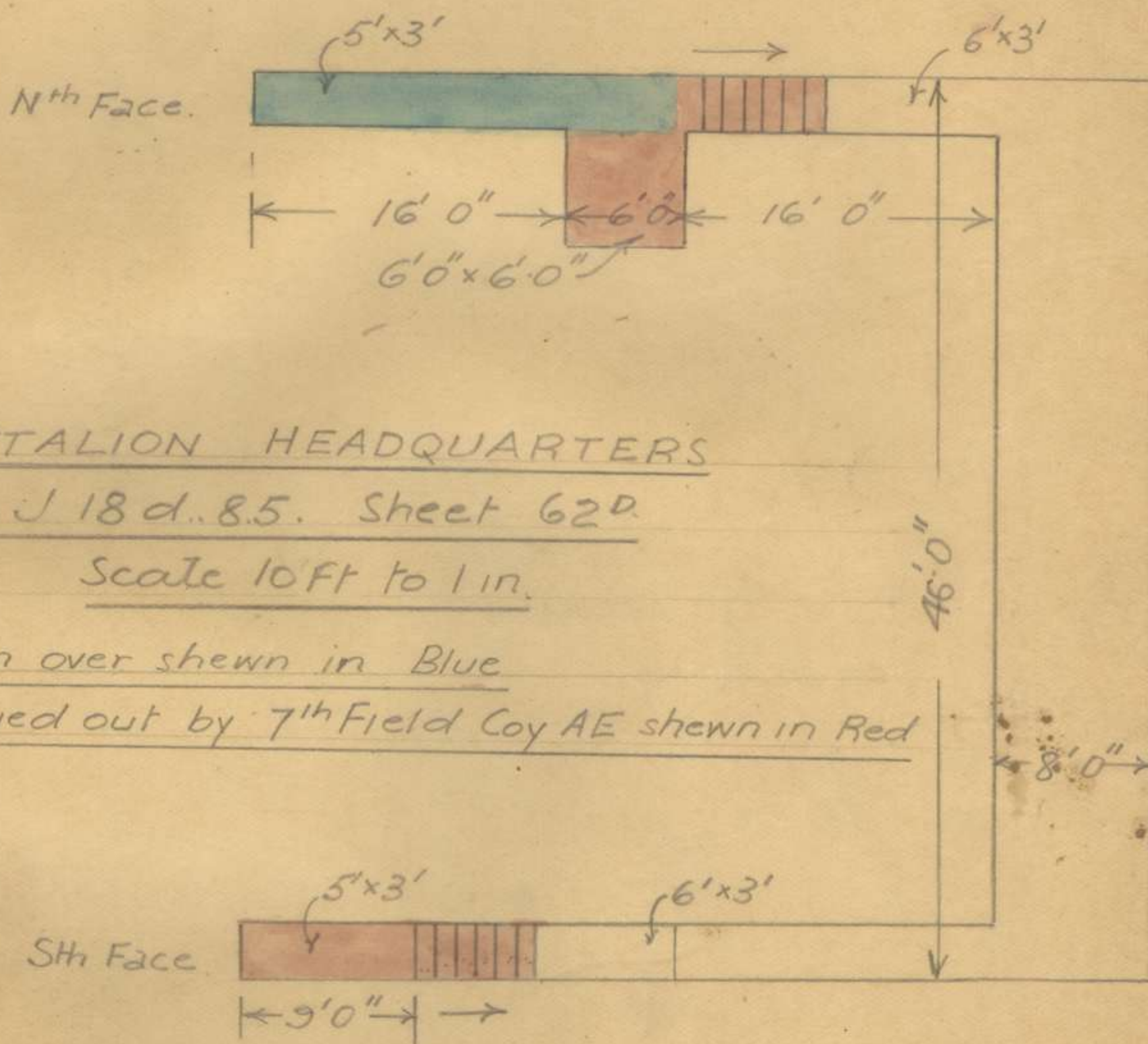
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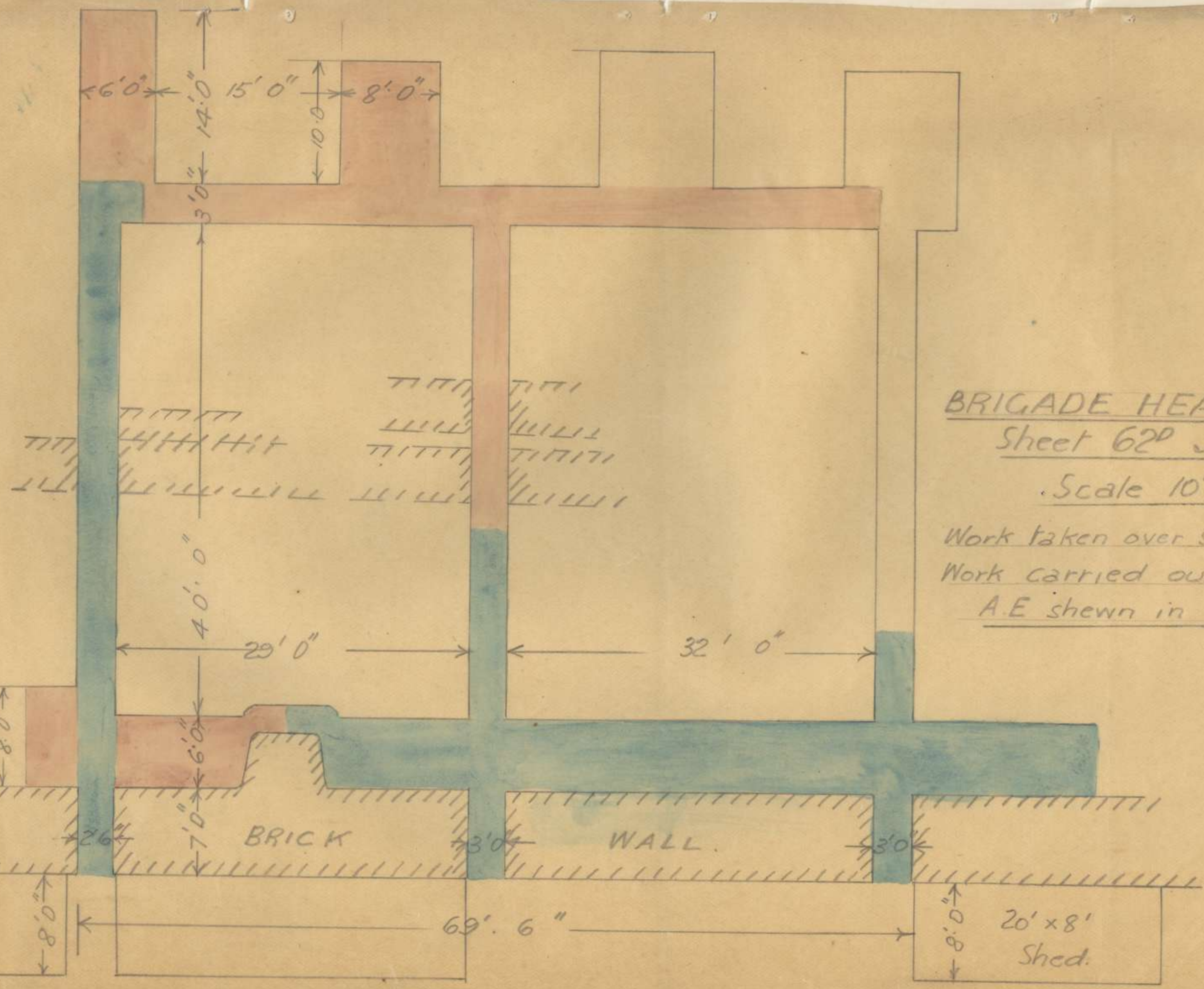
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BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS.

Sheet 62^d J 1 c 8.2.

Scale 10' 0" to 1".

Work taken over shewn in Blue

Work carried out by 7th Fld Coy.

A.E. shewn in Red.

APPENDIX. 23 62



"A" Form.
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2121.
(In pads of 100.)

No. of Message.....

Prefix..... m Words. Charge.

Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

Sent

At.....m.

To.....

By.....

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* *RE 78* *22-5-18*

Herewith alternative plans of
proposal for Bde H.Q. near *HEILLY*.
The alternative sites are within 800
of each other so that excellent
liaison can be maintained in
either case.

In disposing of spoil it is desirable
that cupola shelters be erected &
used to make additional cover
for additional accommodation.

7TH FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.

No.....

From *7th Field Coy A.E.*

Place

Time *11-30 pm*

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

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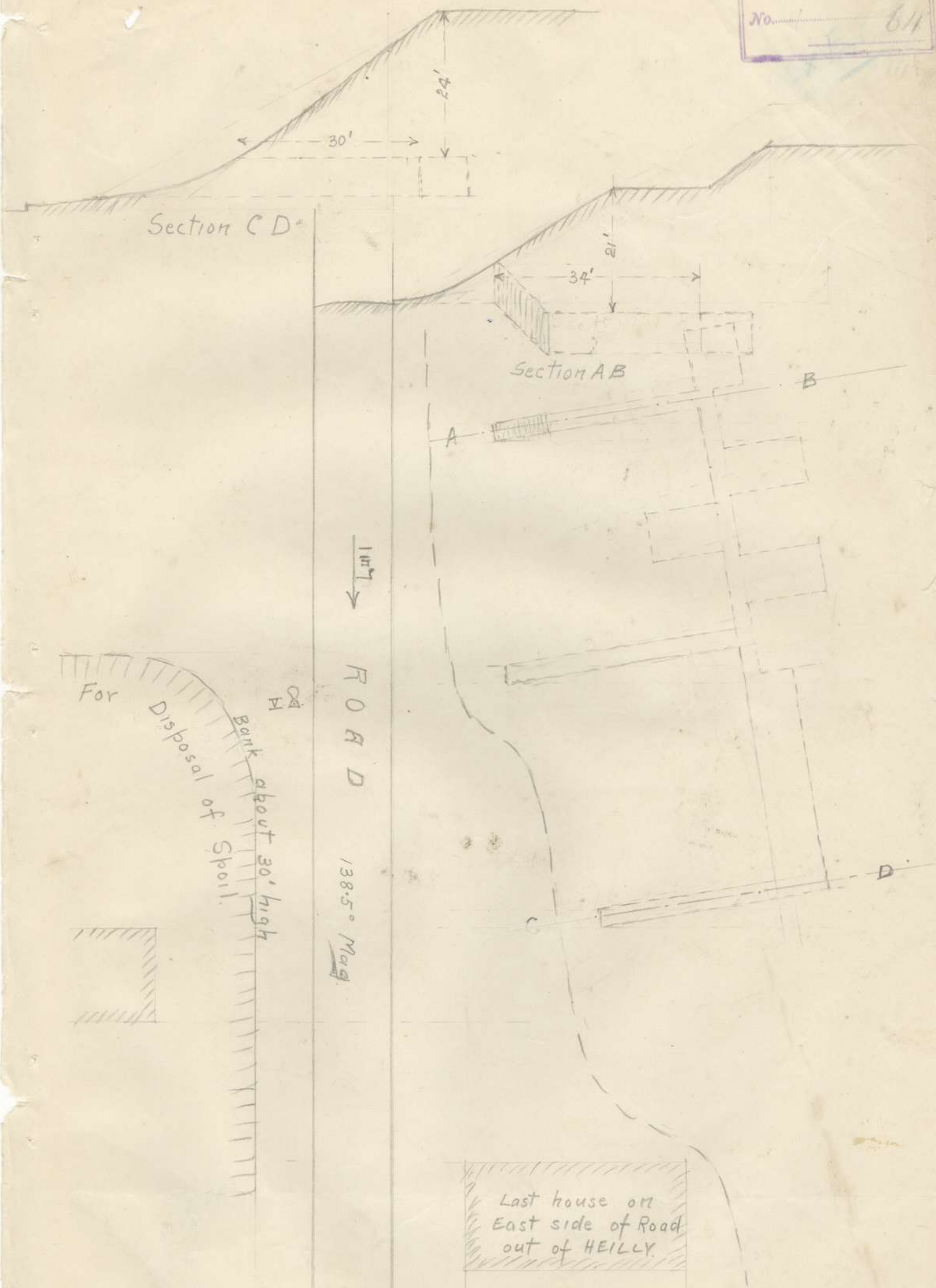
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718 FIELD COY
ENGINEERS, A.I.F.
No. 64



ALTERNATIVE BDE Hd Qrs

JIC 97

Fall from AB to CD about 4'

Scale 20' to 1"

Wells
m m

No.

Scale. 1" = 20'

APPENDIX, 24

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GRAPHS

shewing Man-Wastage in 7th Field Coy. Ausⁿ Engrs.
during month of May 1918.

Ration Strength shewn ———
Effective " " ———

