

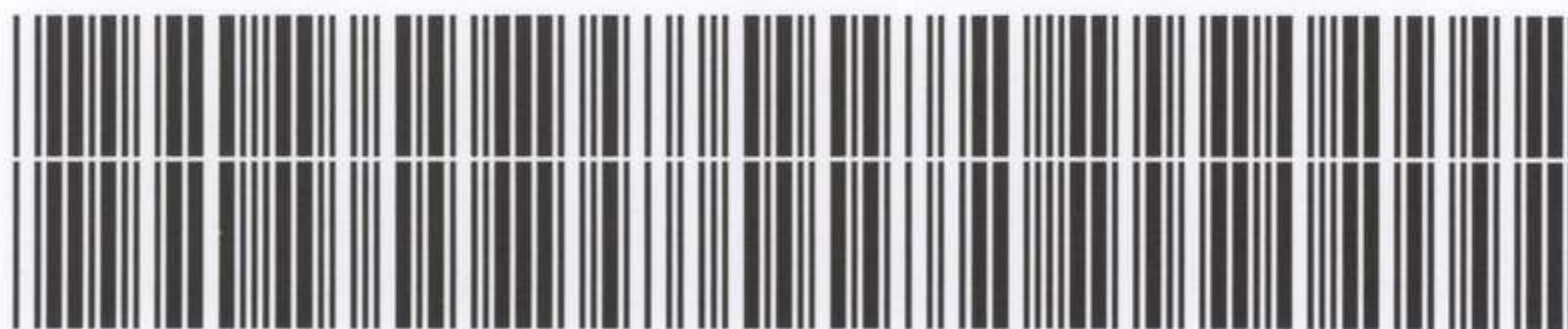
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WAR DIARY

2nd Australian Div

Army Form C. 2118

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~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915			
	Octr.			
ANZAC	1st		Enemy are using a mortar throwing heavy stick bombs. There was a fog this morning which necessitated special precautions being taken. Operation report attached.	Appx VI.
	2nd		Nothing to report. Operation report attached.	Appx VI.
	3rd		About midnight last night enemy made a demonstration, shouting loudly and sending up rockets and firing their rifles and machine guns. We made no reply. Enemy exploded a mine in front of COURTNEY'S POST near to where they fired a charge on a previous occasion but closer to their own lines. No damage was done to our trenches but part of the enemy's head cover was destroyed. Operation report attached.	Appx VI
	4th		A Turkish deserter's letter together with photographs of prisoners and an invitation to surrender was thrown over into the enemy's trenches at various points. Some Turks were seen in front of their lines and Interpreters were sent up but there were no surrenders. A few Turks endeavoured to storm one of our saps at LONE PINE this morning. The attack was repulsed by our men with bombs. Operation report attached.	Appx VI.



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915			
	Octr			
ANZAC	5th		Nothing to report. Operation Report attached.	Appx VI
	6th		Mine at Lone Pine ^{was} fired by us with satisfactory results. Sergeant Vince and Corporal Brennan of the 20th Battalion crawled up to the enemy's parapet and reconnoitred the hostile trenches on RUSSELL'S TOP. Special report is attached. Operation report attached.	Appx X. Appx VI
	7th		Another mine was exploded by us at LONE PINE. Enemy were heard working up to time of firing. At 8.50 p.m. 3 bombs burst in vicinity of BROWN'S DIP emitting gas which had no effect on the lungs but caused some irritation to the eyes. It is thought that this result was produced merely by the type of explosive used. The bombs were not gas bombs of an asphyxiating nature. Special report re bombs is attached. Circular received from ANZAC that troops are to wear equipment without packs when on duty in trenches.- Supply of S.A.A. and turnover of ammunition in the trenches - and location of enemy loopholes. Operation report attached.	Appx XI Appx XII
	8th		There was wind and rain. The enemy maintained more than the usual amount of sniping.	Appx VI.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915			
	Octr			
ANZAC.	8th		Circular received from ANZAC re use periscope rifles - provision for garrison in support trenches to avoid crowding in fire trenches - provision should be made to enable men to quickly mount the banquette and to give them standing room thereon.	Appx XIII
			Operation report attached.	Appx VI.
	9th		Opposite the Section B8 to WIRE GULLY the enemy fired a mine. A new crater appears to have been formed in front of the enemy's barbed wire. Opposite the front WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS we fired a mine with satisfactory results. Enemy's parapet and headcover fell in by explosion, his wire entanglements were also damaged.	
			Operation report attached.	Appx VI
	10th		Nothing to report. Operation report attached.	Appx VI.
	11th		Discontinuance of picquet on PLUGGE'S PLATEAU approved by Army Corps Commander.	
			Operation report attached.	Appx VI.
	12th		Instructions received from ANZAC relative to the preparation, reproduction and issue of Trench diagrams.	Appx XIV
			Operation report attached.	Appx VI.
			Hour stand to arms altered by ANZAC. From 13th October period to be from 5 a.m. to 5.30 a.m.	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915			
	Octr.			
ANZAC	13th		Major Newcombe R.E. carried out a reconnaissance last night of a crater opposite our front B8 to WIRE GULLY. This had previously been inspected by a non-commissioned officer and 2 men on the night of the 11th/12th. As a result of these reconnaissances it was decided not to occupy the crater. Special report attached.	Appx XV.
	14th		Operation report attached. Enemy exploded a mine near end of our left hand surface Tunnel on RUSSELL'S TOP. No damage was done to our deep levels and very little to the high level in question.	Appx VI.
	15th		Operation report attached. ANZAC asked that every endeavour be made to keep down sniping in MONASH GULLY. In view of this it has been decided to advance HINTON'S POST and establish another post in the bottom of this Gully.	Appx VI.
	16th		Warned by ANZAC to be prepared for possible fanatical Turkish attack during festival of Beirams. Operation report attached. We carried out a demonstration at 4 a.m. in accordance with orders received from ANZAC. Detailed report shewn in Operation Report. During the demonstration the mines opposite our front B8 to WIRE GULLY were fired by us.	Appx VI. Appx VI.



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Vol 1 - 41.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915			
	Octr			
ANZAC	16th		<p>These are the mines laid by us in connection with the crater reconnoitred by Major Newcombe on the 13th. <i>night of the 12th/13th.</i></p> <p>Turks were observed being forced at the point of the bayonet to repair damage done to their parapets by our Artillery. One of our machine guns was able to engage them and did considerable damage.</p> <p>Operation report attached.</p>	Appx VI
	17th		<p>At 2.30 p.m. today the enemy fired a mine opposite LONE PINE doing some slight damage.</p> <p>More copies of Turkish deserter's letter were thrown into enemy's trenches.</p> <p>Operation report attached.</p>	Appx VI
	18th		<p>We fired a mine at LONE PINE at 6.5 a.m. today. Results satisfactory.</p> <p>We put out a considerable amount of wire entanglement at various points along our front.</p> <p>Packets of Turkish prisoners' letters were thrown into the hostile trenches.</p> <p>Enemy exploded a mine opposite our right hand high level Tunnel at RUSSELL'S TOP. Little damage done.</p> <p>Operation report attached.</p>	Appx VI
	19th		<p>At 10.30 p.m. we blew 2 tunnels in front of LONE PINE in order to counteract hostile workings. No crater was formed and it was therefore assumed that the enemy's tunnels were</p>	



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Vol 1-42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915			
	Octr			
ANZAC	19th		blown in. It was today discovered that some of the Turkish front line trenches are not manned but filled with barbed wire. Operation report attached.	Appx VI
	20th		Nothing to report. Operation report attached.	Appx VI
	21st		Message sent to 5th Infantry Brigade that G.O.C. considers it inadvisable for them to use a password in the trenches. Operation report attached. Brigades instructed to report to Divisional Headquarters when any portion of our line is subjected to systematic bombardment, or unusual outbursts of rifle or machine gun fire, or there are indications of an infantry attack either on our own or adjoining fronts.	Appx VI
	22nd		Some trouble was experienced from enemy's stick bombs. (They are made from empty Q.F. cases; one which failed to explode was found on examination to contain 14 packages of "Excellite", 1/2 lb of black powder and 6 lbs of bullets.) Operation report attached.	Appx VI.
	23rd		Last night we killed 2 Turks and wounded a third, thereby stopping a hostile reconnaissance at head of MONASH VALLEY.	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915			
	Octr			
ANZAC	23rd		Operation report attached.	Appx VI
	24th		Catapult bomb throwers recently issued have given good results as regards the actual throwing of bombs, but they are fragile and soon ^{get} out of order. The greatest source of weakness is the indiarubber used as springs. Received Special Army Corps Order publishing message from Lord Kitchener re improving trenches as they may be subjected to more intense bombardment, on account of the operations in Serbia making more ammunition available for the enemy's Artillery in Gallipoli.	
	25th		Operation report attached. Nothing to report. Operation report attached. Hours approved for stand to arms from 26th October :- Morning - 5.30 a.m. to 6 a.m. Evening - 6. p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Appx VI Appx VI
	26th		One of our tunnels at LONE PINE struck hostile envelope running at right angles. Enemy fired on our men and a small charge was therefore placed and fired in the enemy's tunnel. This drove enemy off and a barricade was erected by us and a sentry will be posted. Some trouble was experienced from enemy's stick bombs. Operation report attached.	Appx VI



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915			
	Octr			
ANZAC	27th		<p>Sanction was obtained from ANZAC to proceed with experiments with a view to constructing a suitable mortar for firing stick bombs. A heavy from of bomb having a range of about 350 yards is badly needed in order to compete with the enemy's stick bombs. The Japanese mortar is useful but there is a lack of ammunition.</p> <p>Sanction was received for Private F.R. Devere, 24th Battalion, to proceed to the Ordnance Store Ship MUDROS to perfect his invention for silencing and absorbing the flash of a machine gun. It is hoped that this invention will have far reaching results.</p> <p>Operation report attached.</p>	Appx VI
	28th		<p>Nothing to report. Operation report attached.</p>	Appx VI
	29th		<p>We fired a mine opposite COURTNEY'S POST today to counteract hostile workings. An Engineer officer went down to investigate too soon after the explosion and was overcome by the fumes from the ammonal. A rescue party was organised and everyone was removed from the tunnel and shaft but two officers and 3 other ranks died and 3 officers and 21 other ranks were injured by the fumes.</p> <p>Operation report attached.</p>	Appx VI
	30th		<p>During the night 29th/30th there was a considerable increase in the number of bombs</p>	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1915			
	Octr			
ANZAC	30th		thrown by the enemy which would appear to indicate that a fresh supply of bomb ammunition has been received. Many of the enemy's stick bombs failed to explode. Operation report attached.	Appx VI.
	31st		The good results obtained from the 17th Siege Battery have been very marked during the month. The heavy bursting charge and accuracy of these guns has produced considerable effect. Operation report attached. Good progress has been made with the scheme for offensive mining mentioned in last months Diary under date 21st September 1915.	Appx VI.

Q. H. - Jackson
Major Q. S.
to 2nd Anzac
Div

30/9/15 - 1/10/15

October 1st 1915.

WAR DIARY OF

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION GENERAL STAFF.

ANZAC.

Enemy are using a Mortar, throwing heavy stick bombs. There was a fog this morning which necessitated special precautions being taken.

1. LONE PINE. Quiet 24 hours. Enemy using Mortar throwing broom stick bombs, and out of range of our Mortars. The exact position from which the bombs came, not yet located. B8 to WIRE GULLY. Quiet 24 hours.
2. WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. Quiet 24 hours. During the fog most of the enemy firing, seemed to come from his Second line of trenches.

3. CASUALTIES. :-

	<u>Killed.</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report.</u>
Officers	Nil.	Nil.
Other Ranks	3.	3.

	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil.
Other Ranks	Nil.

SICK AND WOUNDED EVACUATED DURING PERIOD OF REPORT.

	<u>Sick.</u>	<u>Wounded.</u>
Officers.	Nil.	Nil.
Other Ranks.	42.	7.

AMMUNITION.

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	7800 rounds
1800 - 0600		15400 "

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War Diary, October 1915

Daily Operation Reports.

Appendix VI



SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

1710-15

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 30th September to 0600 1st October 1915.

No. II Section.

No II SECTION
RIGHT. (LONE --
 PINE to COURTNEYS
 both inclusive)

LONE PINE - quiet 24 hours. Enemy using
 Mortar throwing broom stick bombs, and out of
 range of our bombs mortars. The exact position
 from which the bombs came not yet located.
 Little damage was done by these bombs.

BS to WIRE GULLY. - Quiet 24 hours.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - Quiet 24 hours.
 During the fog most of the enemy firing seemed
 to come from his second line of trenches.

This Section reports following deficiencies in
 periscopes & periscope rifles; - Periscopes 52
 Periscope rifles 68.48

No. II SECTION
LEFT. (QUINNS to
 RUSSELLS TOP both
 inclusive).

QUINNS

quiet 24 hours

POPES.

Mining progress satis-

RUSSELLS TOP.

factory.

This Section reports following deficiency in
 Periscopes :- Periscopes 15.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed.</u>	<u>Wounded during Missing</u> <u>period of report</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil.
Other ranks	3	3 Nil.

SICK AND WOUNDED EVACUATED DURING PERIOD IN REPORT.

	<u>Sick.</u>	<u>Wounded.</u>
Officers	Nil.	Nil
Other ranks	42	7

AMMUNITION.

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	7800 rounds
1800 - 0600		15466 "

Major, G.S.
 For G.O.C.
 2nd Australian Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 1st. October to 0600 2nd October 1915.



No. II SECTION.

No II SECTION
RIGHT (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS both
inclusive)

LONE PINE - Works - New sap has been commenced from Cemetery Road to old firing line.
General- Enemy's sniping and bombing greater than usual, particularly stick bombs.
B8 to WIRE GULLY.- General - Patrol sent out 25 yards to front near TIMBOUR reports enemy working on their positions towards left of this sub-section. Sounds of digging heard from North side of OWENS GULLY.
WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS.- Works - Shaft at No 9 sunk to 8½ feet. In tunnel D21E drive has been delayed on account of foul air. Tunnel D 9 B drive commenced South.

General - A few Garland bombs thrown during the day immediately drew fire from 75s. In tunnel D 21 E digging heard for half an hour at 1400.

The No II Section right reports deficiency in periscopes and periscope rifles as follows :- Periscopes 44 Periscope rifles 25.

No. II SECTION
LEFT (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP both
inclusive)

QUINNS - Works -Tunnels Nos 18 and 21 now out to a total footage of 32'8" and 43' respectively. Timbering main envelope proceeding.

General - Portion of our bomb screens have fallen by enemy rifle fire cutting the supporting guys. These are now repaired. Bomb screens made with 1" gas piping as supports tried but found unsatisfactory, cut through by enemy rifle fire in a very short time. Enemy heard working near Tunnel No 42 for about 4 hours.

POPES - General - No alteration to enemy trenches observable. Late in afternoon enemy fired about 9 H.E. shells on RUSSELLS TOP last fell short and burst over enemy trench. Shells appeared to come from somewhere behind BABY 700.

RUSSELLS TOP. - Works - Surface Tunnel No 2 Widened to 3 feet and deepened to 6 feet for 32 feet. Widening and deepening of Sap 4 completed. T heads between Saps 3 and 4 deepened for 12 feet widened for 3 feet. Tunnels from Sap 5 to Surface tunnel D deepened and widened for 28 feet and 38 feet respectively. Centre section deepened and widened. Deepening and widening of Tunnel E completed. T head at Southern end of Tunnel E driven in for 7 feet. T head Northern end of Tunnel E has been started. New sap at O sap has been cut for 37 feet. Tunnel from bomb proof crater is being widened and deepened. Surface tunnel D deepened and widened for 20 feet.

General.- Turkish bombing very quiet for last 24 hours. At 1800 15 cm (common percussion) shells burst over position, coming from East of CHUNUK BAIR apparently. Slow velocity, fairly steep angle of descent. Driving band clearly cut. No flash seen or report heard.

No II Section Left reports deficiency in Periscopes - 14 Periscopes

CASUALTIES

	Killed	Wounded during period of report	Missing
Officers	Nil.	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	4	2	Nil

SICK AND WOUNDED EVACUATED DURING PERIOD OF REPORT.

	Sick.	Wounded
Officers	2	Nil
Other ranks	24	5

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AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	9000 rounds
1800 - 0600	18130 "

G. Marshall

Major G.S.
For G.O.C.,
2nd Australian Division.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 2nd October to 0600 3rd October 1918



No II SECTION.

No II SECTION
RIGHT. (LONE
PINE to -----
COURTNEYS both
inclusive).

LONE PINE-quiet day. At 2345 enemy made a demonstration to which we did not reply.
B8 to WIRE GULLY.- About midnight enemy made a demonstration shouting loudly, sending up rockets and firing from rifles and machine guns. We made no reply.
WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Enemy exploded a mine in front of COURTNEYS near to where they previously exploded but closer to their own lines. No damage done to us but it destroyed some of their own head cover.
No II Section Right report the following deficiencies in Periscopes and Periscope rifles :-
Periscopes 44. Periscope Rifles 25.

No. II SECTION
LEFT (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP
both inclusive)

QUINNS.- Total footage of Tunnels 18 and 21 now 37'2" and 48'7" respectively.
At 1530 sounds of picking heard in front and above gallery No 42. Enemy worked here off and on for about 8 hours. Estimated to be distant from us 10 to 12 feet. He was also heard at about the same distance from No 23.
POPES - Nothing to report.
RUSSELLS TOP. - Surface workings - Tunnel 2 deepened and widened for 56 feet. Deepening widening and shoring bomb proof crater tunnel nearly completed. Surface tunnel Da further 6 feet widened and deepened. Deepening and widening tunnels from Sap 5 to Surface tunnel D completed. Of centre connecting tunnel a further 5 feet has been widened and deepened. New T head No 1 driven in 6 feet and cross head started. Deepening and widening Sap 4 completed. T head between Saps 3 and 4 widened and deepened for 6 feet. Engineers on removing tamping of mine exploded on night 28th/29th September reported having broken through in Turkish workings. On examination found chamber about 6 feet diameter by 6 feet high and roughly circular in form. No outlet from this tunnel. It is thought that the Turkish gallery which was below ours has been blown in and the chamber formed by the earth falling down into the Turkish gallery. Listeners and a guard have been placed in the chamber.
Slight damage was done during the day to fire and communication trenches by fire from 75s,6" gun and a light high velocity gun.
At 1500 one of our aeroplanes was fired on with shrapnel and by machine guns. Shrapnel fire apparently coming from North of CHUNUK BAIR.
No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during</u> <u>period of report.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil.	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	2	1	Nil
<u>SICK AND WOUNDED EVACUATED DURING PERIOD OF REPORT</u>			
	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	
Officers	Nil	Nil	
Other ranks	46	1	

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-
0600 - 1800 - 5000 rounds
1800 - 0600 - 18800 "

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 3rd October to 0600 4th October 1915.

No. II SECTIONNo II SECTIONRIGHT (LONE PINE to COURTNEYS both inclusive).

LONE PINE - Works - Shaft is being sunk at L.P.1 to counteract enemy tunnel at this point. Engineers also working on L.P.8.

General - Nothing unusual to report. Our expenditure of ammunition considerably less than usual. Enemy actively preparing parapets. Some shelling by enemy, damaged immaterial. Turkish deserter's letter together with photos of prisoners taken in Egypt and with invitation to enemy to come in one at a time thrown over their parapets from this position.

B8 to WIRE GULLY. General - About 1900 some Turks were reported to be out in front of their lines near C 3 Crater. Interpreters were sent up and an attempt made to get them into our lines without success. Copies of Turkish deserter's letter, photos and invitation to come in were thrown over into the Crater at 2100.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - Quiet day. Enemy were working during the night in the Crater opposite COURTNEYS and QUINNS but were shifted by M.G. fire from QUINNS. Early in the evening enemy appeared to be moving barbed wire in front of his position at COURTNEYS his activity was stopped by bombs. He also made progress with his communication trench between GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH and SNIPERS RIDGE.

No II Section Right report following deficiency in periscopes and periscope rifles :- Periscopes 15
Periscope Rifles 25.

No II SECTIONLEFT (QUINNS to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive)

QUINNS - Generally quiet day. At 1830 enemy heard working near Gallery 42 not close enough to make it necessary to blow him. Enemy also heard working intermittently near Tunnels 23 and 38.

POPES. - General - Enemy heard digging opposite our lines near dead ground. Some shelling from direction of CHUNUK BAIR and from somewhere behind LONE PINE.

RUSSELLS TOP - Works - Surface tunnel A driven in to 55 feet. T head between Saps 3 and 4 half finished. Surface tunnel D about 40 feet deepened and widened. Centre portion of B tunnel deepened and widened for 10 feet. T head No 1 completed. T head No 2 started. T head to 5 driven in for 4 feet. T head No 7 driven in for 4 feet. All new T heads are being driven in from Tunnel E. They are 7 in number and number from the right.

General - Turks are reported to be using a new bomb of very high explosive effect. Gun fire from direction of OLIVE GROVE and another from direction of CHUNUK BAIR which latter appeared to be very close, fired over RUSSELLS TOP about 20 shells A number burst over the rear communication trenches doing little damage. At 1715 2 H.E. shells burst high over top of MALONE GULLY they appeared to come from direction of OLIVE GROVE. At 1700 Turkish aeroplane dropped a bomb apparently in MALONE GULLY. When over TABLE TOP this aeroplane was fired on one shrapnel being burst near it, apparently from the Turkish lines.

At 1730 hostile aeroplane passed over Divisional Headquarters. It dropped one bomb, which appeared to fall in or near RESERVE GULLY.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.



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Appendix No 6



CASUALTIES.

	<u>KILLED</u>	<u>WOUNDED</u> during period of report.	<u>MISSING</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	3	7	Nil

Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	1	Nil
Other ranks	27	10

Ammunition

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	7100 rounds
1800 - 0600	14290 "

G. M. Massey

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

No. II SECTION.

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SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 5th October to 0600 6th October 1915

No. II SECTION

No II Section

Right (LONE PINE to COURTNEYS both inclusive).

LONE PINE. -General - Usual sniping throughout day and night. Our Artillery caused damage to enemy's trenches opposite Section 2 and between 2030 and 2300, we used kerosene flares on the breaches made and were successful in preventing enemy repairing operations and provoked considerable amount of fire.

Works - At L.P. 4 on the S.E. front of LONE PINE Enemy approaching L.P. 4 tunnel. Listener has been placed, charge has been laid and tamped and is ready to fire if necessary.

At B Sap enemy has mined close to barrucade, we are driving mine against him but cannot blow him at present without damaging B Sap itself. The situation is being carefully watched and steps taken to clear head of Sap and have retrenchments in case enemy intends to fire mine. Our mine is working towards him, work being done with scraper for silence. A listening hole has been prepared at end of B Sap.

B8 to WIRE GULLY. Usual sniping. At 2200 enemy made demonstration lasting 4 minutes. We made no reply.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - Sniping as usual by enemy and ourselves.

No. II Section Right report following deficiencies in Periscopes and Periscope Rifles :-

Periscopes 17, Periscope Rifles 29.
Estimated snipers' bag - 8.

No. II Section

Left (QUINNS to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive).

QUINNS. -General - Enemy have cleared away about 25 yards chevaux de frise opposite our centre. Enemy heard working to right No. 18 Tunnel, cannot be heard from No. 17. Also heard working to left of No. 42 but some distance away.

Works - Galleries 18 and 21 have been pushed forward to a total footage of 53'5" and 61'4" respectively. Surface tunnel started from No 1 D winze and progressed 3'9". Timbering and clearing main envelope proceeding.

POPES. - Quiet 24 hours. Enemy wired 4 panels which they had placed in position previous night. What appeared like a search light was seen at 2225 due East, it appeared again 2315 and 0410. It was also seen on the previous night.

Works- 12 panels of chevaux de frise have been put put by us during the night.

RUSSELLS TOP - Nothing to report.

No II Section left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

Estimated snipers' bag - Nil.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed.</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil.	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	3	Nil

Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.

	<u>Sick.</u>	<u>Wounded.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	64	9

AMMUNITION.

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	8000 rounds
1800 - 0600		14700 "

Major, G.S.

For G.O.C. Second Australian Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 6th October to 0600, 7th October

No II SECTION.No II Section

Right. (LONE
PINE to COURTNEYS
both inclusive)

LONE PINE. - General - Very quiet 24 hours.

Works - Mine in L.P. 4 was fired at 1345. It is thought that at least one Turk was killed by the explosion. Detailed examination not yet made.

B8 to WIRE GULLY. - General - Quiet throughout the period. Tunnels being continued towards JOLLY. Engineers report that tunnel is under C 3 Crater and are making listening tube up into it.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - Usual sniping only throughout 24 hours.

Estimated snipers' bag 2.

No II Section Right reports a deficiency of 12 Periscopes and 28 Periscope Rifles.

No II Section

Left. (QUINNS
to RUSSELLS TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS. - General - Quiet day. At 1515 party of about 12 enemy were observed passing along Ridge in Southerly direction 80 X 9. On this Ridge can be seen a number of small parallel ~~saps~~ saps. Party were a little to the South of these saps. Traffic through saps running off this Ridge also heavier than usual during the day. Enemy heard working during the day at galleries 18 and 23 - in both cases some distance away. Enemy working continuously in trenches facing Southern end of this post.

Works - Engineers progressing with timbering of main envelope and also No 38 Tunnel where the ground was found very broken. Galleries 18 and 21 total footage now 58 feet and 66'9" respectively. Surface tunnel total footage now 8'

POPES. - General - Quiet day - Enemy erected 12 panels chevaux de frise opposite left of this post at 2230. Enemy search light from position due East swept QUINNS POPES and RUSSELLS TOP. The battery on RUSSELLS TOP fired 3 shots apparently at the light.

RUSSELLS TOP. - General - No new wire has been placed by the Turks during the last 24 hours. Very little bombing has taken place during the same period. Also very little Artillery fire has been directed on the Position.

Works - Surface Tunnel A has been driven for 74'. Surface tunnel D has been deepened and widened for 72'. New T head No 2 Cross head started. No 3 8 feet driven cross head started. No 4 6 feet driven. No 5 finished. No 6 driven in 2 feet. No 7 finished. Surface tunnel 2 deepened and widened for 82 feet.

No II Section Left reports a deficiency of 14 Periscopes. Estimated snipers' bag 2.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed.</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers.	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	1	6	Nil

Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	40	6

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800 - 7000 rounds
1800 - 0600 18700 "

G. S. Marshall
Major, G. S.
For G. O. C.
2nd Australian Division.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 7th October to 0600 8th October 1915

No II Section.

No II Section Right. (LONE PINE to COURTNEYS both inclusive).

LONE PINE - Quiet 24 hours. Usual sniping at 2030 drew enemy fire opposite No. 1 Section. Charge in L.P. 8 was fired at 0603 enemy working up to time of firing and very close.

L.P.1 laid but not yet fired.

B8 to WIRE GULLY. - Usual sniping till 2030 when enemy replied with heavy fire to 1st Division demonstration.

During the afternoon a body of 200 to 300 of the enemy seen moving on SCRUBBY KNOLL Artillery informed and fired on target.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - Nothing unusual to report.

GAS BOMBS. - At 2050 during demonstration 3 bombs burst in vicinity of BROWNS DIP and emitted a gas which had no effect on the lungs but caused great irritation to the eyes. Special report is appended. Pieces of bomb are under examination by Chemist.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 13 Periscopes and 31 Periscope Rifles.

Estimated Snipers' bag - 1.

No II Section Left. - (QUINNS to RUSSELLS TOP both inclusive).

QUINNS. - During the night enemy were heard working behind crater formed by explosion on 3rd October. Enemy also heard working from Gallery 23.

Works - Gallery No 18 completed. No 21 progressed 5'10". Surface tunnel total footage 13'8" Timbering main envelope progressing.

POPES - Enemy rifle fire during last 24 hours slightly heavier than usual.

RUSSELLS TOP General - RUSSELLS TOP position has not been shelled during last 24 hours during which period Turkish bomb throwers have also been very quiet. Works - Surface Tunnel A total footage 77'. Surface tunnel D deepened and widened for 91'. T head No 2 finished. T.head No 3 finished. Cross head half completed. T head No 4 driven for 7 feet T head No 6 driven for 5 feet Bomb proof deepened to 6 feet and shored up where necessary. Tunnel C (Leading down to main gallery) has been deepened by 9" for a distance of 8'. New T head is about to be driven off Tunnel C, about 10 feet from mouth of tunnel, 7 feet towards Sap 2 and 2 feet towards Sap 3.

GAS BOMBS - No indication of use of gas bombs in No II Section Left.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes. Estimated snipers' bag 2.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed.</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	1	Nil
<u>Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.</u>			
	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded.</u>	
Officers	4	Nil	
Other ranks	42	3	

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600-1800	7000 rounds
1800-0600	19000 "

Major, G. S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 8th October 1915 to 0600 9th October 1915

No II SECTION

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS both
inclusive)

LONE PINE - General - Usual sniping on both sides during the day. At 1735 enemy shelled this portion of the line with 75s from the direction of WINE GLASS RIDGE and SCRUBBY KNOLL. During the ~~night~~ wind and rain the enemy maintained more than the usual sniping, at times his fire was brisk and he made much use of a large mortar. Bombs thrown by us ~~at~~ during the storm were answered by bursts of fire. The unusual darkness seemed to make the enemy very nervous and caused our men to maintain a heavier fire than usual. Patrols of the enemy were reported in OWENS GULLY last night. An attempt will be made to cut them off if their enterprise is repeated. Works - Working continued on L.P. 1, 4, 8, 11, 18, 19. L.P. 1 ready to blow on enemy affording a favourable opportunity. Continued T1 and T 4 (between A Sap and Sass Sap) Timbering B sap. Commenced sap from B5 to CEMETERY ROAD.

B8 to WIRE GULLY. - General - Enemy's sniping more vigorous than usual. A light gun shelled our parapets but did only slight damage. Enemy heard from our tunnel working in the Crater at a distance of about 15 feet.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - Generally quiet - Enemy were active at 2020. Made use of machine guns. The outburst was probably the result of nervousness, as at the time much dust was being blown towards their trenches. One Turk killed near Crater Post.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 14 Periscope and 30 Periscope rifles.

Estimated snipers bag 1.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP both
inclusive).

QUINNS - General - Enemy heard working to left of and some distance from Gallery 21. Also heard from Gallery 23. Possibly same party. At 2005 enemy brought heavy rifle and machine gun fire against centre of this post. Slight fire only against the flanks.

Works - Gallery 21 Total footage 46'4". Surface tunnel total footage 17'. Timbering and deepening main envelope proceeding. Clearing and tamping from No 45 37, 31 and 32 in progress. Bomb pit in central completed.

POPES. - Hardly a shot fired by the enemy during the day. About 2000 enemy started heavy machine gun and rifle fire to the right, very little fire being directed on this post.

RUSSELLS TOP. - General - At 1715 2 guns opened fire on this position. One from direction of OLIVE GROVE fired about 10 rounds shrapnel but did no damage. Second gun on the upper part of GUN RIDGE opened with shrapnel followed with percussion. About 15 shells were fired. BULLY BEEF SAP and parapet in vicinity being damaged. Bomb throwers report enemy have thrown no bombs for 48 hours.

Works - Tunnel D has been deepened and widened for 88 feet. Tunnel 2 deepened and widened 97'. T head No 3 finished. No 4 cross head half finished. No 6 driven for 8 feet. Tunnel C deepened by 9" for 10'. Cross head of T head has been driven for 3 feet one way.

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No 11 Section Left report a deficiency of telescopes.
Estimated snipers' bag 2.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded (during Period of report)</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	1	7	Nil

Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.

	<u>Sick.</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	3	Nil
Other ranks	37	8

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	8700 rounds.
1800 - 0600	23000 "

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 9th October to 0600 10th October, 1915.

No II SECTION

No II Section
Right. (LONE
PINE to COURTNEYS
both inclusive).

LONE PINE - General - Usual sniping during the day. Early in the evening Turks abnormally quiet but later their fire became fairly brisk. Parapets were improved by us during night. Enemy have placed chevaux de frise wire opposite Nos 2 and 3 Sections. Engineers report enemy very close to L.P. 8. We are now sinking a shaft to circumvent them.

B8 to WIRE GULLY. General - Enemy fired a mine South of Crater - no injury to our tunnels. One of enemy's tunnels appears to have sunk. New Crater appears to have been formed in front of enemy's barbed wire.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - General D 21 E was fired by us at 1715, result satisfactory no damage done to our parapets or tunnels. Enemy's parapet and head-cover fell in by explosion. His wire entanglements were also damaged.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 12 Periscopes and 31 Periscope Rifles.

Estimated snipers' bag - 4

No II Section
Left. (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS. - General - Enemy heard working. Works Extension of galleries 20 and 21 progressing. High level tunnel has been extended and deepened. Main envelope is being timbered and deepened.

POPES - General - Enemy again heard working on left. On being asked by POPES, RUSSELLS TOP machine gun opened fire. In the Gully opposite left of POPES enemy kept kerosene flares going all night. 7 panels of chevaux de frise wire were put out by us. At 0320 4 shells landed in the enemy's trenches.

RUSSELLS TOP - General - Turkish bombing very quiet during past 24 hours. At 1020 hostile aeroplane flew very low over RUSSELLS TOP in a Northerly direction. It was fired on without result.

Works - re surface workings Tunnel D finished. Deepening and widening of Tunnel 2. finished. T head to No 4 is almost finished. No 6 half finished.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes. Estimated Snipers' bag 1.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded (during period of report)</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	1	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	5	1

Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	1	Nil

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800 -	7500 rounds
1800 - 0600	19200 "

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 10th October to 0600 11th October 1915

No II Section

No II Section
RIGHT. (LONE
PINE to COURTNEYS
both inclusive).

LONE PINE - Enemy have made considerable improvement in their barbed wire entanglements.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - Enemy was observed inside pit between Crater C 3 and his fire trench on JOHNSTONES JOLLY. The enemy has extended pits in rear of his entanglements.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - Flares were used by us to try and locate hostile working parties. Results not very good.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 12 Periscope and 29 Periscope rifles.

No II Section
LEFT (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP both
inclusive).

QUINNS - report that during afternoon their machine gun caused the enemy several casualties amongst personnel and mules. Progress has been made with tunnels.

POPES - report 20 yards of bomb proof erected by the enemy opposite our right. 4 panels of Knife rest wire erected opposite our left.

RUSSELLS TOP. Nothing to report.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report</u>	<u>Missing</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	1	6	Nil

Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	2	1
Other ranks	30	5

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	12130 rounds
1800 - 0600	17000 "

Major, G. S.
For G. O. C.
2nd Australian Division.

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R. H. Jackson

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 11th October to 0600 12th October 1915

No II SECTION.

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS
both inclusive)

LONE PINE - Some of the enemy's obstacles destroyed by rifle fire and bombing. Enemy are improving communication between JOLLY and LONE PINE and erecting overhead cover from 80 X 7 to 68 B 3.
BS to WIRE GULLY. - At 1830 Crater C 3 was reconnoitred Result satisfactory.
WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - Enemy have improved their obstacles.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP both
inclusive).

Estimated Snipers' bag 1.
QUINNS report enemy sap on Ridge 80 X 9 has now been protected by sandbags from fire of our machine guns. Enemy still heard mining. Satisfactory progress being made with our mine.

POPES - report several panels of enemy's chevaux de frise destroyed by bombs. 6 panels of bomb proof netting damaged by our Garland Mortars. Suspected new enemy machine gun position is under observation near BLOODY ANGLE. Enemy's Artillery destroyed some 3 yards of our parapet. This has been repaired since. A peculiarly favourable light enabled enemy gun position to be located. An Officer of the 17th Siege Battery noted the position.

RUSSELLS TOP - Satisfactory progress with our tunnels. Enemy bombers have been very quiet for past 24 hours. Hostile gun apparently near OLIVE GROVE shelled Battery on RUSSELLS TOP. Fire was not accurate.

Estimated Snipers' bag 3

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 12 Periscopes and 32 Periscope rifles.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed.</u>	<u>Wounded (During period of report)</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	1	5	Nil

SICK AND WOUNDED EVACUATED DURING PERIOD OF REPORT :-

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	1	Nil
Other ranks	29	2

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	9000 rounds
1800 - 0600	-	14000 "

Major, G.S.
For B.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 12th October to 0600 13th October 1915

No II Section

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o COURTNEYS both
nclusive).

LONE PINE Sniping and bombing by enemy heavier than usual. This necessitated a larger expenditure of ammunition on our part. Enemy shelled us with 75s from direction of SCRUBBY KNOLL for 20 minutes, damage inconsiderable. Our heavy Howitzers did severe damage to enemy's first and second line trenches opposite East face. Enemy has completed overhead cover on SNIPERS RIDGE. Satisfactory progress has been made with our tunnelling. Enemy attempted to break down sandbags in L.P. 14 they were however driven out and our barriers strengthened.

B8 to WIRE GULLY- Engineering work continued throughout whole 24 hours. Major Newcombe R.E. reconnoitred C 3 Crater and found it to be very shallow, not at present occupied and not likely to be occupied by the enemy. We have a deep level drive running out to our ~~left~~ left of the Crater with a charge tamped under edge of Crater. Another deep level is being run out to our right of Crater, charge will be laid here also and the 2 mines sprang simultaneously. Enemy has been heard working on our right of our right ~~in~~ drive. This may prevent us getting as far as we want to with our tunnel before having to blow. As no real crater appears to exist but merely a series of broken bits of ground it is proposed to treat the situation purely as a mining operation.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - was shelled from MORTAR RIDGE 80 X 3. Our Howitzer appeared to knock out hostile emplacement. Enemy put out 9 panels more of barbed wire in front of new communication trench leading from GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 12 Periscopes and 33 Periscope Rifles.

Estimated sniper's bag 1.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP both
inclusive).

QUINNS - report enemy continue to work in front of Galleryx 21 and to left of 23, they are also within hearing distance of 22. 2 panels of Turkish chevaux de frise were damaged by our bombs.

POPES. - report enemy's bomb proof and chevaux de frise opposite our right considerably damaged. A sentry in the new tunnel on extreme left reports having heard digging and talking during the night. Throughout the night enemy used kerosene flares thrown well out from their lower trenches.

RUSSELLS TOP. Report satisfactory progress with high level drives. Crater has been sandbagged. All new T heads widened. 4 of these were unlidded last night. Very little bombing by enemy in the last 24 hours.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

CASUALTIES

	Killed	Wounded during period of report	Missing.
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	1	4	Nil

SICK AND WOUNDED EVACUATED DURING PERIOD OF REPORT.

	Sick	Wounded.
Officers	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	31	6

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	11900 rounds
1800 - 0600	-	19000 "

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 13th October to 0600 14th October 1915

No II Section

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS
 both inclusive)

LONE PINE - Enemy shelled PINE from the direction of the JOLLY at 0900, and at 1500 75 opened from right of SCRUBBY KNOLL. This and the WINE GLASS Battery shelled the position heavily for about an hour. Damage to parapets was considerable. At 1510 our heavy Howitzers opened on the JOLLY and did good work on trenches and entanglements. Enemy were observed making new trenches South of the RAZOR BACK RIDGE 1600 yards from our extreme right. A hostile trench mortar was located at the corner of the JOLLY. BB to WIRE GULLY - Shelled by the enemy little damage done. Shells seemed to come from direction of PINE RIDGE 68 H 9. Satisfactory progress with engineering works. Small additions to hostile entanglements on the JOLLY. WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Hostile gun observed firing from South side of ANDERSONS KNOLL.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 12 Periscopes and 35 Periscope rifles.

Estimated Sniper's bag 1.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP both
 inclusive)

QUINNS - report enemy still working underground from 23 Tunnel constantly, from 44 spasmodically. BOPEs - report enemy's fire trench extended about 10 yards to our left and about the same distance to our right. Our Artillery destroyed 2 panels of their wire and 2 panels of their bomb proof. RUSSELLS TOP - The new firing line and T heads were opened up and occupied during the night. Very little hostile bombing during last 24 hours. One of our aeroplanes appeared to have been brought down and landed in SALT LAKE. Enemy opened with Artillery and seemed to destroy the machine.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes. Estimated Snipers' bag 4.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed.</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	3	2	Nil
<u>Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.</u>			
	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	
Officers	1	Nil	
Other ranks	17	5	

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	11000 rounds
1800 - 0600	-	20800 "

Major, G.S.
 For G.O.C.
 2nd Australian Division.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 14th October to 0600, 15th October 1915.



No II Section

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS
both inclusive).

LONE PINE - Enemy repaired their parapets and put out entanglements opposite No 2 Section, No 1 Section and along SNIPERS RIDGE.
B8 to WIRE GULLY - Enemy observed working on his tunnel in rear of crater opposite the JOLLY.
WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Smoke and dust observed in rear of MORTAR RIDGE. Enemy seen working in trench at North end of JOLLY

No II Section Right generally - satisfactory progress with our mining and general work.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 12 Periscopes and 34 Periscope Rifles.

Estimated snipers bag 1.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP
both inclusive)

QUINNS + REPORT that at about 1030 large percussion bomb having pole attached fell in front of the A.M.C. dressing station. Bomb failed to explode, buried itself in the ground. It was dug up and sent to the bomb factory. At 1100 enemy ceased work to front of Gallery No 23 and has not been heard working there or elsewhere since. Enemy were much ~~quieter~~ quieter than usual last night both as regards bombs and rifle fire. Satisfactory progress was made with mining

POPES - report hostile snipers more active than usual Machine gun from GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH fired into upper part of BULLY BEEF GULLY. Enemy's trenches have been improved along face of cliff MONASH GULLY. 2 hostile machine guns from a position on CHESSBOARD fired a considerable number of rounds at RUSSELLS TOP.

RUSSELLS TOP - report enemy threw more bombs than usual during night and attempted to prevent improvements to our new firing line. Enemy also exploded mine near end of No 2 Surface Tunnel. No damage done to deep level tunnel and very slight damage to high level tunnel. 2 men were slightly gassed.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

CASUALTIES

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report</u>	<u>Missing</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	1	12	Nil
<u>Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.</u>			
	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	
Officers	Nil	Nil	
Other ranks	37	10	

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-
0600 - 1800 - 10000 rounds
1800 - 0600 16800 "

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.



SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 15th October to 0600, 16th October 1915

No II Section

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS both
inclusive.

LONE PINE - Enemy erected about 25 yards obstacles in front No 1 Section.

Demonstration - Our rocket answered one from RUSSELLS TOP at 0400, fired one aimed round per post. Cheered and blew whistles. Drew fair volume of rifle fire but very little machine gun fire from enemy. Enemy Artillery fired using Shrapnel and H.E. shells. Our Artillery fired on JOLLY with good effect. At 0430 position resumed normal conditions.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - The pits in rear of entanglements South side of Crater opposite JOHNSTONES JOLLY have been joined up by enemy and he appears to have formed forward fire trench. At 1630 enemy fired one 75 from direction 68 H 9, damage immaterial. Our engineering work continues.

Demonstration - At 0402 mines North and South of Crater were fired results not yet definitely known but apparently successful. Turks made weak rifle response for 20 minutes, no machine guns fired. ~~Enemy's line appeared to be weakly held.~~ Enemy's artillery ~~fire~~ fired 3 shells on our line - no damage.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - By day line exceptionally quiet. No artillery fire by enemy. Our engineering work proceeded on general scheme

Demonstration - Enemy's fire was never heavy and enemy Machine guns opened far less than usual. No artillery fire by enemy. Situation became normal about 0430.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 12 Periscopes and 36 Periscope rifles.

Estimated snipers bag - 3.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP both
inclusive.

QUINNS - About 1200 enemy heard working spasmodically between 34 and 35 tunnels and fairly regularly in front of 23. Engineer estimates they are about 6 to 8 feet distant. During demonstration enemy maintained fairly heavy rifle fire along the whole of the front of this post for about 20 minutes. There was very little enemy machine gun fire. At 1410 enemy from direction of COURTNEYS fired red rocket, 10 minutes later red flare and another red rocket followed from the same direction. Our mining work continues.

POPES - Early in the night sniper reported located position bomb gun throwing the heavy bomb with stick attached. The position is in trenches opposite POPES and can be pointed out. Sniper reports 6 bombs were fired but POPES only reports 2 having fallen, neither of which burst. Three positions suspected of being machine guns are under observation. During demonstration the enemy did not reply with rifle or machine gun fire and fewer flares than usual were thrown. The enemy fired one star rocket. No enemy artillery fire directed on this post during demonstration.

RUSSELLS TOP - New firing line not yet quite complete owing to difficulty of working under fire. During the demonstration enemy opened fire from 4 machine guns and a dozen rifles. Enemy's fire was not heavy. Some flares and bombs were thrown early in the demonstration. Enemy's bombing was silenced by ours. No enemy artillery fire directed on this post during demonstration or during 24 hours.

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No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 ~~per 1st. 40 per.~~

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report.</u>	<u>Missing</u>
Officers	Nil	1 <i>h. A. BROWN</i>	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	2	Nil

Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report

	<u>Sick.</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	1	Nil
Other ranks	24	2

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	8000	rounds
1800 - 0600		21000	"

G. H. Jackson

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.

2nd Australian Division

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION



SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 16th October to 0600, 17th October

No II Section

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS both
inclusive).

LONE PINE report enemy shelled position heavily from 1200 to 1230 from the direction of SCRUBBY KNOLL, BATTLESHIP HILL and GUN RIDGE. Considerable damage was done to parapets. This has been since repaired. Our heavy Howitzers replied and did very considerable damage to enemy's trenches and entanglements in front of No 2 Section. Enemy has not as yet been able to repair damage done owing to vigorous action on our part. Our sniping and bombing has been too heavy to allow them to work. Hostile trench on WEIR RIDGE were also badly damaged.

Hostile gun pit has been completed at 68 L 5-6. Our Artillery have been informed.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - report hostile trench South of Crater C 3 leading towards us appears to be in process of being opened but there is no parapet to it.

Our engineering work in this locality is proceeding. WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Enemy's artillery damaged our parapets slightly.

Enemy put up 5 new panels of knife rest wire opposite COURTNEYS.

Some big stick bombs were fired into our lines from concealed mortar in rear of trench facing QUINNS. At 1715 approximately COURTNEYS reported that a shell from PLUGGES PLATEAU struck the spot blowing man and mortar into the air. No II Section Right report a deficiency of 12 Periscopes and 38 Periscope rifles.

Estimated snipers bag - 1.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELL'S TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS report enemy did considerable amount of bombing during the night. Little damage resulted.

POPES report new enemy bomb gun fired a number of shots during the afternoon resulting in casualties. The position was located and RUSSELL'S TOP engaged the target with Garland Mortar making excellent practice, and getting on to the exact position. The 5th Battery also dropped shells well on to the target.

Hostile machine gun was also located and engaged by a catapult bomb thrower. After a few bombs the machine gun ceased firing. A Garland bomb also seemed to drop in the exact position occupied by the machine gun.

Turks were observed being forced at the point of the bayonet to repair damage done to Turkish parapets by our Artillery. Our machine gun at POPES got on to them and did considerable damage.

One of our guns shelled the hostile trenches opposite POPES and did considerable damage to bomb proof netting. The shelling was excellent.

An hostile gun was located at 68 I 6. It fired 15 rounds and our Artillery replied which shells fell short and to the right of the enemy gun.

2 6-inch shells landed in MONASH GULLY and others on RUSSELL'S TOP, evidently an old pattern charged with black powder. No damage done.

RUSSELL'S TOP - report, at about 1115 enemy fired shrapnel which burst erratically, putting several shells over our position, no damage was done. Gun appeared to be firing from East side of CHUNUK BAIR.

5 panels of enemy's bomb proof netting were destroyed by our bombs.

Work was continued in our new firing line and the sandbagging of the parapets is expected to be completed tonight.

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No II Section Left - General - It was noticed that there was little Artillery fire from the enemy except from old guns. The familiar modern hostile guns were not employed.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

CASUALTIES

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report</u>	<u>Missing</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	4	Nil

Sick and wounded evacuated during period of report:-

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	1	Nil
Other ranks	29	7

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	11160 rounds
1800 - 0600	-	15000 "

H. H. Jackson

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION



SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 17th October 1915 to 0600 18th October 1915

No II Section

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS both
inclusive)

LONE PINE - Enemy shelled position heavily from 1145 to 1215. Some damage was done to parapets and entanglements since repaired. Our Artillery replied both on enemy LONE PINE trenches and on JOLLY and vicinity of WEIR RIDGE. Result most effective. Serious damage being done to enemy's trenches and entanglements.

At 1430 enemy fired mine near L.P. 8 killing one of our sappers. Our high level tunnel was blown in and low level was blocked by us in course of clearing and rescuing operations. A barricade has been erected by us and sentries posted inside and outside tunnel. Our engineers laid and tamped a mine in L.P. 19 this was fired at 0605 this morning. Definite results not yet known.

Copies of Turkish deserter's letter were thrown into enemy trenches from 1, 2 and 3 Sections. At 2200 enemy reported to be heard talking near L.P. 8 Interpreter brought there but he failed to understand dialect.

Engineering work continues.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - Conditions normal but enemy more active sniping than usual. A little damage done to our parapets by enemy Artillery since repaired. Enemy fired 6 bombs from trench mortar on JOLLY 80 X 7. Mortar located and pointed out to Artillery observing officer. Our Howitzers immediately opened and mortar has not since fired.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Extremely quiet. Nothing unusual to report.

Estimated Snipers bag 4.

No II Section
Left. (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP both
inclusive)

QUINNS - report considerable traffic seen through Sap near 80 X 9. Suggest this might be good target for Artillery. Perhaps 17th Siege Battery could get on to it. Owing to sandbag protection our machine gun cannot engage it.

POPES report enemy seen signalling with Morse code at 2030. RUSSELLS TOP dropped bombs near signal lamp. Enemy have taken the boots off 2 dead Turks in front of their firing line.

Two of the letters in Turkish were thrown into enemy's trench at 1730 and two other packets of 2 letters each fell within reaching distance of the parapet.

RUSSELLS TOP report that the enemy's stick bomb mortar opened fire in the afternoon. The position of the gun was located from POPES and Artillery fire asked for from the 5th Battery. A little later the position was located from RUSSELLS TOP but it was found the Mortar had been moved back out of range of our Garland mortar. When the 5th Battery opened the hostile mortar ceased firing. No casualties caused by stick bombs though explosion is violent. 6 of our corpses have been recovered from the NEK and their Identification discs handed in.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 12 Periscopes and 38 Periscope rifles.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

CASUALTIES.

	Killed	Wounded during period of report	Missing
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	2	7	Nil
Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report:-			
	Sick	Wounded	
Officers	Nil	Nil	
Other ranks	27	3	

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Ammunition

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	- 10230	rounds
1800 - 0600	- 11250	"

E. H. Johnston

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 18th October to 0600 19th October 1915.

No II Section.

No II Section
Right (LONE
PINE to COURTNEYS
both inclusive).

LONE PINE Enemy artillery shelled position at 0900 and 1500 damaging material. Trench Mortar observed in centre of SNIPER'S RIDGE 68 B 8 and small gun in centre of SNIPER'S RIDGE 68 B 7 -8. Artillery informed.

Enemy improved parapet in front of No 1 Section also in his third line of trenches. Letters from Turkish prisoner were thrown into enemy's trenches from Nos 1 and 3 Sections.

Engineering work proceeding as usual.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - At 1430 enemy shelled position from PINE RIDGE 68.H.9 and 80.O.6 damaging material. Our artillery replied with effect.

At 0320 enemy's sniping increased greatly in volume, probably drawn by noise made by our putting out obstacles of French wire and barbed wire in front of our lines. The obstacles were placed out at intervals all along this front. Our engineering work proceeding.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - This front has been extremely quiet. We put out during night obstacles of French wire with barbed wire interlaced opposite all salient points along the front.

Two packets of Turkish prisoners letter thrown into enemy's trenches from COURTNEYS POST.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 36 Periscope rifles.

Estimated snipers bag - 1.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS - A good deal of work is constantly going on at 80 X 9. Machine gun did considerable damage some time ago on this spot but sandbag obstruction was immediately erected. We were able to get on again by moving machine gun but only got in a few bursts when work was stopped. Further sandbag work has been erected. The work going on seems to be of some importance and the amount of traffic at this point is great indicating one of the main communications of the enemy. The target has been pointed out to the 17th Siege Battery observation officer on RUSSELL'S TOP, and G.O.C. 1st Divisional Artillery informed. Early morning would be the best time in order that machine guns at QUINNS may find targets disclosed by the Artillery. Two shells were fired by the 17th Siege Battery about 1700 yesterday over the ridge on to where it is supposed there is a somewhat large Turkish Camp. During the afternoon considerable number of cattle were seen grazing in this vicinity.

Very little bombing by enemy during the last 24 hours. Enemy was not heard working during the day but at 1130 started to work in front of gallery 23 and continued for some hours.

Our mining work has progressed.

POPES - No change observable in the enemy's trenches opposite POPES. Bombproof and chevaux de frise destroyed by our bombs were repaired and strengthened during the night. Enemy heard digging during night opposite centre of this position. On being bombed they stopped work.

RUSSELL'S TOP - Surface workings - The T heads are being connected to form continuous firing line. Bombing was fairly lively especially after exploding of enemy's mine opposite our right hand high level tunnel. D H 1

The enemy exploded a mine about 0800 yesterday near end of Tunnel H 1. A crater was formed about 5 yards to our right of the enemy bombproof netting and about 25 yards in front of our T heads. The end of Tunnel D was shaken and part of the roof fell in.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

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CASUALTIES

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report</u>	<u>Missing</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	1	3	Nil

Sick and wounded evacuated during period of report

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	4	Nil
Other ranks	43	1

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	8500 rounds
1800 - 0600	11000 "

2nd Australian

Major, G. S.
For G. O. C.
Division

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 19th October to 0600 20th October 1915

No II SectionNo II SectionRight (LONEPINE to COURTNEYSGROVE,both inclusive).LONE PINE

Enemy Artillery shelled position from 0845 to 0915 from direction of SCRUBBY KNOLL and OLIVE GROVE. Our Artillery replied. During the night enemy repaired some of his parapets which had been damaged by our Artillery fire. An enemy gun was observed to fire from centre of JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY. Our Artillery informed. Enemy observed improving his third line of trenches.

Our Engineers blew up LP 20 and LP 17 at 2230. B sap remains intact but badly shaken. No crater formed therefore it is surmised that the enemy's mine tunnels have probably been blown in. We are now filling up the end of B sap and taking protective measures.

Other Engineer work proceeding satisfactorily.

Turkish prisoner's letter thrown into enemy's trenches from Nos 1 and 3 Sections.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - Enemy shelled this portion of the line from 0845 to 0915, our Artillery replied and apparently with good effect.

Enemy heard working during the night in rear of crater.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Enemy shelled this portion of the line also from 0845 to 0915. 8 6-inch shells were fired into our trenches from an enemy Howitzer, apparently situate at approx. 80 K 4-7. These shells appeared new. Explosion much more severe than that of shells previously experienced. Damage caused also greater. One shell failed to explode and is marked VIII. A few 75s were fired into our trenches during the afternoon.

Our engineering work progressing satisfactorily.

At about 0800 as a result of some of our men shouting greetings towards the hostile trenches the enemy showed a disposition to parley. A tin of beef and a tin of jam were thrown towards the hostile trenches and fell short. 2 Turks came out of their trenches and recovered them. They then threw tobacco towards our trenches. These fell short, one of our men went forward over the parapet and recovered it. He had some distance to go and while out noticed that one hostile trench in our immediate front was not occupied but was filled with barbed wire. The 2 Turks who came over the parapet were clothed in dark grey woollen clothing and those who showed their heads and shoulders above the parapet appeared similarly dressed. All the enemy appeared to be sturdy men, clean well and warmly dressed.

Orders have been issued that all parleying with the enemy is to cease.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 37 Periscope rifles

Estimated snipers' bag 1.

No II SectionLeft (QUINNS toRUSSELLS TQ Pboth inclusive).

QUINNS - 6 panels bomb proof netting erected by us to replace screen considerably worn by enemy machine gun and rifle fire.

During the afternoon heavy traffic was again observed through Sap at 68 C 2 to 3. A bullock team was seen to pass round the end of this Ridge.

Enemy heard working spasmodically between and in front of Galleries 21 and 23 also heard to left front of No 44 but very distant.

Our mining work progressing satisfactorily.

POPES - Turkish working party observed on the sap opposite right of this Post, rifle fire caused them to take cover. One man appeared to be hit.

RUSSELLS TOP - Nothing of importance to report. Bombing much quieter than on previous day.

All engineering works progressing satisfactorily.

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No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14
Estimated snipers' bag 3.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed.</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report.</u>	<u>Missing</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	3	8	Nil

Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	32	15

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	8900 rounds
1800 - 0600	-	12000 "

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division

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SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 20th October to 0600 21st October

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No II Section.

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS
both inclusive)

LONE PINE - Enemy shelled position in the morning. Our Artillery fired effectively on WINE GLASS and WEIR RIDGE. Enemy are making new sap on North side of Plateau 400. Our Artillery have been informed.

There was an explosion from gas pocket in LP 8 ~~XXXXXX~~ gas was ignited by our own miner's candle. One man injured. Enemy heard working at LP 7. Protective measures at B sap are nearly completed.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - Enemy's Howitzer shelled our trenches from direction of PINE RIDGE 68 H 9.

Enemy's 3-pounder seen firing from JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY 80 X 7 towards LONE PINE. Artillery informed.

Engineering work continues satisfactorily.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Enemy observed digging South East of MORTAR RIDGE. Seemed to be connecting GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH and SNIPERS TRENCH.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 36 Periscope rifles.

Estimated snipers' bag - 6.

No II SECTION
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS - A new hostile deep sap has been observed at 68 C 2-3 above the one already reported. Very little traffic through this new sap up to date.

Enemy heard working from Gallery 44.

POPES - report enemy's bomb proof has been repaired. A good deal of work appears to be going on in the enemy's trenches, they are apparently being deepened and improved.

Enemy patrol seen and fired on in MONASH VALLEY at 2145.

RUSSELL'S TOP - report little bombing during the day. Hostile shrapnel from WINE GLASS burst over position.

A hostile trench which has not been noticed before was discovered at the head of MALONE GULLY. The trench is being closely observed.

A hostile working party on BABY 700 was dispersed by fire from our machine gun. Another of our machine guns fired on a large working party of Turks and it is thought caused considerable loss. The party scattered and work was stopped.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes

CASUALTIES

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during</u> <u>period of report</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	8	Nil
<u>Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.</u>			

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	5	Nil
Other ranks	36	6

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	7420 rounds
1800 - 0600	-	13000 "

L. H. Jackson
Major, G. S.
For G. O. C.
2nd Australian Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 21st October to 0600 22nd October 1915

No II Section

No II Section Right (LONE PINE to COURTNEYS both inclusive). LONE PINE - At 0810 enemy shelled No 1 Section from SCRUBBY KNOLL for 20 minutes, damaging parapet which has since been repaired. At 1410 enemy light gun shelled BROWNS DIP from CHESSBOARD. Our Howitzer replied on MORTAR RIDGE and the JOLLY. Enemy is attempting to renew his entanglements in front of No 1 Section recently destroyed by our Artillery. Endeavours will be made to frustrate this. Enemy heard working in LP 7, 8 and 9. At midnight we blew L.P. 8; some damage done to our parapets, since repaired. Results of this explosion not yet fully known. No further working by enemy in vicinity of Sap B has been heard since we blew L.P. 20 and 17. Engineering work progressing satisfactorily. At 0950 hostile aeroplane passed over, travelling towards SUVLA. Our anti-aircraft machine gun fired 600 rounds without effect, when the connecting rod broke. B8 to WIRE GULLY - Enemy heard working on obstacles near crater. We put out obstacles of French wire. Engineering progressing satisfactorily. WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. Very quiet 24 hours. Estimated SNIPERS' BAG - 7

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 36 Periscope rifles.

No II Section Left (QUINNS to RUSSELL'S TOP both inclusive) QUINNS At 0830 our Howitzer opened fire on ~~xxxxxxx~~ target 68 C 2-3. Overhead cover was demolished but sandbag obstruction appeared untouched; owing to this the machine gun was unable to get as good a target as was hoped for. Traffic through sap was however considerably reduced during the day. About 3 panels entanglements at GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH were destroyed by our Artillery fire between 1500 and 1730. Very little enemy digging heard. POPES - Enemy appeared to be digging from GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH towards COURTNEYS. Enemy patrol in MONASH GULLY approached our picquet, was fired on and one Turk killed. Body and arms recovered. RUSSELL'S TOP - Quiet 24 hours. No 75s have fallen in this position since 13th inst.

Enemy killed - 1.

Enemy arms obtained - 1 rifle 1 bayonet.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

CASUALTIES

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	6	Nil
<u>Sick and wounded evacuated during period of report.</u>			
		<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers		2	Nil
Other ranks		21	8

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800 - 7260 rounds
1800 - 0600 - 11000 "

For G.O.C.

2nd Australian

Major, G.S.
Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONSUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 22nd October, to 0600 23rd October 1915.
-----No II Section.

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS
both inclusive).

LONE PINE - Very quiet 24 hours. Enemy improved his parapets opposite Sections 1 and 3 with new sandbags. The situation at L.P. 8 and Sap B is satisfactory. South East angle rebuilt and in good state of defence but earth in the vicinity seemed much shaken.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - Extremely quiet. Enemy put out some wire in front of pits in advance of his front line of trenches on JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY.

Satisfactory progress with engineering work.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Extremely quiet. Enemy fired about 12 bombs from trench mortar-situate approximately 80 S 8. No damage done. Enemy strengthening his obstacles Northern end of GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH.

No II section Right report a deficiency of 36 Periscope rifles.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELLS TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS - Quiet 24 hours. Between 1440 and 1500 enemy threw some stick bombs on to COURTNEYS. Small cloud of smoke appeared to indicate position of gun. Garland and catapult threw bombs in this vicinity, and enemy's bombing ceased.

Enemy have not been heard working underground during last 24 hours.

Engineering work progressing satisfactorily.

POPES Enemy patrol (reported in Summary of Events, 22nd October) approached MONASH VALLEY picquet, about 2115 on 21st October. Was fired on. One Turk killed and body recovered. About 0330, 22nd October sentry on post observed a shadow, near the spot at which the first Turk was killed, picquet opened fire and after daybreak recovered another body. First Turk was armed with Mauser rifle and bayonet. Carried in pouches 100 rounds ammunition, also had in pockets of clothing one cricket ball match head bomb and one jam tin bomb. Second Turk was armed with rifle and bayonet and carried one cricket ball bomb in Hold-all. Both were miserably clad but appeared well nourished.

RUSSELL'S TOP - Quiet 24 hours. SNIPER'S NEST which has been very quiet for a considerable time was evidently occupied yesterday.

Engineering work progressing satisfactorily.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 3.

No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

CASUALTIES

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during</u> <u>period of report.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	2	Nil
<u>Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.</u>			
	<u>Sick.</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	
Officers	Nil	Nil	
Other ranks	26	2	

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	8130	rounds
1800 - 0600	-	9000	"

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Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

SUMMARY of EVENTS from 0600 23rd October, to 0600 24th October

No II Section

No II Section
North (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS both
inclusive).

LONE PINE - Quiet 24 hours, though enemy slightly more active than on previous day. Enemy fired a number of stick bombs. 2,75s shells were fired into position from direction of SCRUBBY KNOLL at 1100.

Enemy machine gun observed firing from 68 L 5-6. Enemy attempted to erect more posts and wire but were prevented by bomb and rifle fire.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - Situation very quiet. Enemy put out little more wire.

Our engineering work progressing satisfactorily.
WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Quiet 24 hours. Enemy has thrown up a large mound of earth at the Northern end of L7.

At 1000 we exploded a mine in No 9 Tunnel, crater being formed close to enemy's trench L9.
No II Section Right report a deficiency of 36 Periscope rifles.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELL'S TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS - Situation quiet. Enemy have not been heard working underground for last 24 hours.

Engineering progress satisfactory.

POPES - Quiet 24 hours.

RUSSELLS TOP - Bombs from our catapult destroyed panel of enemy's bomb proof screen. Bombing was a little more active than usual, accompanied by the usual bursts of machine gun fire from the enemy.

No enemy artillery fire directed on this position during last 24 hours.

Enemy were heard working in the vicinity of H 4, after a period of 3 hours work stopped.

Engineering work progressing satisfactorily.
No II Section Left report a deficiency of 14 Periscopes.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during</u> <u>period of report</u>	<u>Missing</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	6	Nil
<u>SICK AND WOUNDED EVACUATED DURING PERIOD OF REPORT.</u>			
	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	
Officers	3	Nil	
Other ranks	26	7	

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800 - 8500 rounds
1800 - 0600 - 13000 "

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Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600 24th October to 0600 25th October 1915

No II Section.

No II Section
Right (LONE
PINE to
COURTNEYS both
Inclusive).

LONE PINE - At 1400 enemy fired 12 shells on to position from SCRUBBY KNOLL. Hotchkiss on the JOLLY also shelled LONE PINE. Some damage to material. Our Artillery replied.

Enemy attempted to repair entanglements recently wrecked by our Artillery but was prevented by our rifle fire.

Engineering work progressing satisfactorily.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - A few 75s fell in this sub-section of the line from the direction of approximately 80.0.9. Some damage to material.

Between 0200 and 0500 sounds of wheeled traffic were heard behind enemy's lines.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Enemy rebuilt parapet at extreme Northern end of GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH.

Enemy fires after dawn more numerous than usual. Smoke particularly heavy behind MORTAR RIDGE.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 36 Periscope rifles.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 3.

No II Section
Left. (QUINNS
to RUSSELL'S
TOP both in-
clusive).

QUINNS - At 1400 the 17th Siege Battery shelled target 68 C 2-3. 5 shells dropped in the old sap and one in the new. Sandbag barricade at end of old sap untouched, shells fell a few yards short. Since bombardment only very slight traffic has been seen.

Enemy bombing active during the night.

Surface tunnel near No 18 Gallery broke into what appeared to be a tamping in one of the enemy tunnels. On clearing some of this away strong draught of air felt and some light observed on the left. Work was stopped and listeners put on. It is intended to explore this gallery today. In the meantime a charge of 350 lbs of ammonal has been placed at head of gallery 18 and partially tamped.

Enemy heard working to left of gallery 21 also to left front of gallery No 44.

POPES - At 0130 small enemy working party was observed opposite this post but was dispersed.

RUSSELL'S TOP - At 1230 a 75 shelled this subsection of the line, firing 39 rounds. Damage done slight. Gun appeared to be firing from direction of CHUNUK BAIR.

A number of stick bombs thrown by the enemy on to this post. They apparently came from the same position as previously noted on the CHESSBOARD.

About 1910 we blew mine at the end of Tunnel H 4 with the intention of destroying enemy's gallery. About 8 feet of roof of H 4. fell in. Amount of damage to enemy not yet ascertained.

Communication trench has been started to link up our left with Light Horse right on MALONE GULLY.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report</u>	<u>Missing</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	1	Nil

SICK AND WOUNDED EVACUATED DURING PERIOD OF REPORT

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	19	4

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800 7370 rounds
1800 - 0600 10300

G. H. Russell

AMMUNITION.

Major G. S.

For G.O.C. 2nd Australian Division



SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 25th October to 0600, 26th October 1915.

No II Section

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS both
inclusive).

LONE PINE. - At 1400 position was shelled by enemy from SCRUBBY KNOLL also from JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY, where the enemy appears to have 2 Hotchkiss guns.

Between 1425 and 1525 our heavy Howitzers shelled CRATER and JOLLY.

A Battery 69th Brigade shelled communication trench at intersection of GUN RIDGE and Mule Track apparently very accurately.

Enemy's action by night about normal but some talking and rattling of arms was heard in enemy's trenches.

Our trench mortars put in good work on enemy's over-head cover.

Engineering work progressing satisfactorily

Provision of cover for Winter and from shell fire proceeding rapidly.

BB to WIRE GULLY - Enemy shelled trenches at 1400 doing slight damage. Position of enemy's guns approximately 80 Y 7 and 68 H 9.

Engineering work proceeding. Provision of efficient Winter and shell cover well in hand.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS. - Enemy very quiet before this post during the day. By night their rifle fire rather more brisk. Their machine gun at South end of SNIPERS TRENCH fired for the first time for several nights.

No II Section Right report a deficiency of 36 Periscopes *rifles*.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 5.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS
to RUSSELL'S TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS - Between 1300 and 1320 enemy fired about 5 stick bombs towards COURTNEYS from the direction of L 7 Trench Diagram No 3) One landed in GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH and displaced many sandbags, another landed about 10 yds in front of the junction of QUINNS and COURTNEYS and remainder fell on the slope in rear of COURTNEYS without causing damage. Again between 1615 and 1630, 3 more of these bombs were fired, on this occasion from Direction Trench I 2. One landed near 5th Field Ambulance MONASH GULLY and 2 at the rear of COURTNEYS. No damage done.

Enemy hand bombing was again fairly active during the early part of the night.

Enemy artillery fired 3 small shrapnel shells which burst on slope between WELLINGTON GULLY and POPE'S res without doing damage.

Enemy heard working spasmodically to West of Galleries

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

(Engineer report on examination of point where surface tunnel near No 18 Gallery broke into trench workings - Summary of events 25/10/15 - is appended hereto)

POPES - Enemy heard digging in his second line of trenches opposite whole front of this Post, apparently improving his works.

Bomb proof netting destroyed by our Artillery on 24 inst has been re-erected.

Small working parties observed during the night in front of this post were dispersed by bombs and rifle fire.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

RUSSELL'S TOP - At about 1500 a gun firing from direction CHUNUK BAIR threw about 9 H.E. shells on to RUSSELL'S without doing any damage.

Enemy threw 3 stick bombs on to this position about 2300 knocking the 13th Light Horse machine gun down in trench and damaging it. Bombs seemed to come from the old position near A7.

Improvement of enemy trenches continues.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.



No 11 Section Left report a deficiency of 142
Periscopes.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 5.

CASUALTIES

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during period of report</u>	<u>Missing</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	3	Nil
<u>Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.</u>			
	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	
Officers	1	Nil	
Other ranks	20	8	

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	6900 rounds
1800 - 0600	11000 "

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 26th October to 0600, 27th October

No II Section.

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEYS
both inclusive).

LONE PINE - Quiet 24 hours.

At 1600 men working in L.P. 14 holed into enemy tunnel underneath, which crossed L.P. 14 apparently nearly at right angles. L.P. 14 had passed over enemy tunnel. Hole made was covered up, barricade erected and sentry posted. At 2100 the barricade was removed by Engineers and a start made to enlarge the hole into the enemy tunnel with a view to reconnoitring it. Enemy opened fire and our party was withdrawn. We then placed and fired a small charge in the enemy tunnel. ---In L.P. 14 near the hole and between it and our trenches barricade was erected and sentry posted.

During the afternoon a Turk was observed in OWENS GULLY leading 2 pack mules, the man and mules were all shot and no attempt was made during the night to remove either body, mules or packs. It would appear that the man must have been a stranger to the place and took the wrong turning out of the big communication trench at the back of the JOLLY.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

WIRE B8 to WIRE GULLY - Situation during the 24 hours extremely quiet.

Enemy shelled this portion of the line from direction of 80 X 3, doing but little damage.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Quiet 24 hours.

At 2145 enemy exploded a mine near our D.16 works, about D.26, A considerable quantity of earth was thrown up close to GERMAN OFFICERS TRENCH where communication trench runs off to SNIPER'S TRENCH.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 2.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS
to RUSSELL'S
TOP both in-
clusive).

QUINNS - Between 0800 and 0900 enemy was unusually active in bomb throwing. Most of the bombs however fell short, no material damage being done.

Between 1650 and 1720 6 enemy stick bombs fell in vicinity of COURTNEYS, MONASH and WELLINGTON GULLIES, 3 failed to explode. Bombs were fired from position at Trench I 3. This position was shelled by our Artillery and one shot was fired by our Japanese Mortar. Enemy did not again fire.

During the bombardment by naval guns clouds of smoke and earth were observed to rise over the Ridge from the vicinity of 80 X 9.

Enemy was heard working to left of Gallery No 21 during the night. At 1615 tapping was reported, heard from surface tunnel. Nothing has since been heard.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

POPES - Engineering work progressing satisfactorily.
RUSSELL'S TOP - From 0600 to 0915 enemy bombing was more active than usual.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.

CASUALTIES

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded during</u> <u>period of report.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	2	Nil
<u>Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.</u>			
	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	
Officers	1	Nil	
Other ranks	21	5	

AMMUNITION.

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800 - 9200 rounds
 1800 - 0600 - 13000 "

For G.O.C. Major, G.S.
 2nd Australian Division.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 27th October to 0600, 28th October 1915

No II Section

No II Section
Right (LONE
PINE to COURTNEY'S
both inclusive).

LONE PINE - Enemy subjected BROWN'S DIP and LONE PINE to brisk Artillery fire from 1145 to 1200. A hostile gun was located at 80.X 5-8, and 2 Hotchkiss emplacements one at 80 X.8 and another at 68 C.2. Artillery informed. A gun was also located, its muzzle being clearly visible, at 68 H.3. Artillery observation officer informed but said that his Brigade could not fire on the gun.

Enemy opened new trench opposite the right centre of LONE PINE position, about 100 yards distant from our lines and about 20 to 30 yards in length.

Enemy's action in sniping and bombing considerably more active.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - Position briskly shelled by the enemy from 1145 to 1215, particularly with 75s and shrapnel. 2.8.2" shells, one of which failed to detonate, fell in our trenches.

For the last few nights the enemy has done little individual sniping, but has swept the parapets of this portion of the line with machine gun fire at intervals from JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY. Flashes of the gun are not visible and it appears also to be practically silent.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Very little Artillery fire directed by the enemy towards this portion of the line.

Enemy machine gun was observed firing from loophole about 20 yards along trench from extreme South end of MORTAR RIDGE fire being directed on SCOTT'S POINT and portion of the line B8 to WIRE GULLY.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 2.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELL'S TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS - Enemy somewhat active between 0530 and 0600 otherwise quiet day at this post.

Our engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

POPES - Enemy appears to be generally improving his works before this post.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

RUSSELL'S TOP - At 1130 enemy artillery opened briskly on this portion of the line with 75s and a 12-pounder. Most of the 75s landed in HAPPY VALLEY. The 12-pounder shrapnel burst most erratically.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.

CASUALTIES

	<u>Killed.</u>	<u>Wounded during</u> <u>period of report.</u>	<u>Missing.</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	4	15	Nil
<u>Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.</u>			
	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	
Officers	Nil	Nil	
Other ranks	30	11	

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600	-	1800	8600 rounds
1800	-	0600	14000 "

Major, G.S.
For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 28th October to 0600, 29th October 1915.

No. II SECTION

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEY'S
both inclusive).

LONE PINE - Quiet day.

Engineering work continuing satisfactorily.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - Quiet day.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEY'S - Quiet 24 hours, but sniping a little more vigorous during the early evening.

A gun, probably a Hotchkiss, located at approximately 80 X.9.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

GENERAL - About 1630 a heavy Howitzer apparently firing from a considerable distance to the right of SCRUBBY KNOLL threw shells over this sub-section of the line. Several are reported as falling in the Sea. 8 are however said to have fallen in the vicinity of SHRAPNEL GULLY but only one detonated.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.

2 Australian bodies, old casualties, were recovered and buried at LONE PINE.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELL'S TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS - Between 1845 and 1900 4 kerosene waste flares were thrown by the enemy. 2 landed on our parapet and were promptly extinguished. At the same time enemy did some moderate bombing and a few short bursts of machine gun and rifle fire directed on two or three points on the front of this post.

More than the usually heavy exchange of bombs took place between 2000 and 2100. Very few enemy bombs reached our trenches.

Engineering proceeding satisfactorily.

POPES - Quiet day.

Engineering proceeding satisfactorily.

RUSSELL'S TOP.- Generally quiet 24 hours but between 1830 and 2045 enemy's rifle fire from the CHESSBOARD was more lively and insistent than it has been for some time. Machine guns were however quieter than they have been for a night or two.

Good progress is being made with engineering work.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 3.

CASUALTIES

	Killed	Wounded during period of report.	Missing.
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	6	Nil
Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.			
	Sick.	Wounded	
Officers	3	Nil	
Other ranks	35	7	

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800 9500 rounds
1800 - 0600 12000 "

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For G.O.C.
2nd Australian Division.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 29th October to 0600, 30th October 1915.

No II SECTIONNo II Section-Right (LONE PINE to COURTNEY'S both inclusive).

LONE PINE - At 1145 this portion of the line was shelled by a 75 from SCRUBBY KNOLL and also by a small gun, probably a Hotchkiss, from the same direction. This action was repeated at 1338.

At 1635 enemy's 10-pounder from GUN RIDGE shelled LONE PINE.

Between 1140 and 1150 our Howitzers shelled JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY.

During the night there was a considerable increase in the number of bombs thrown by the enemy which seems to indicate a fresh supply of bomb ammunition. The enemy used a considerable number of large rocket ~~fxkxxx~~ bombs firing from a trench mortar apparently situated on SNIPER'S RIDGE. Several entered our trenches but did no damage. We used catapults with effect and enemy's bombing activity was met by a vigorous return from us which apparently was effective as groans were heard in the enemy's trenches opposite left of LONE PINE.

Engineering work continuing satisfactorily.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - At 1145 enemy shelled this portion of the line from the direction of 80 Y.6 mostly with shrapnel.

About 1810 7 stick bombs came into our trenches apparently from South of LONE PINE.

At 1215 we exploded a mine in C.2 Sap. As a result of premature investigation of the effect an Engineer Officer was overcome by fumes. Rescue parties were also overcome. 2 Officers and 3 other ranks are dead and about 20 more or less affected.

In the early part of the evening shouting and whistle blasts were heard in the enemy's trenches.

Enemy sniping fire seemed weaker than usual during the night but there were occasional heavy bursts of machine gun fire.

Engineering progress satisfactory.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - At 1720 enemy shelled COURTNEYS apparently from CHESSBOARD, shells had very low velocity and could be seen during the whole of their flight.

An enemy Hotchkiss gun firing from knoll South of MORTAR RIDGE 80 X.9 shelled this portion of the line at intervals throughout the day.

During the night enemy commenced bombing which was silenced by our bombs.

Engineering progress satisfactory.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 7.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELL'S TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS - Enemy threw an unusual number of bombs between 1600 and 1700. We opened with Garland Mortar Fire appeared to be effective. There was little bombing during the night.

Engineering progress satisfactory.

POPES - Enemy threw during the day about 12 stick bombs from different positions.

Engineering progress satisfactory.

RUSSELL'S TOP - During bombardment commencing at about 1145 2 guns only appeared to be firing on this section of our line and appeared to be searching for the 3-pounder and 18-pounder Battery. One of these guns seemed to be firing at comparatively short range, possibly 80 O. 7-8.

At 1600 17th Siege Battery opened fire on blockhouse near 80 K.1. 8th round entirely wrecked blockhouse.

Engineering progress satisfactory.



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Estimated enemy accounted for - 6.

General - Enemy have evidently located the well sinking apparatus recently placed near the well below the junction of REST and MONASH GULLIES. Considerable 5.9" Howitzer fire was directed on it yesterday resulting in casualties among the 13th Light Horse, in bivouac close by. The ultimate destruction of the apparatus in its present position is only a matter of time. Meanwhile it serves to draw hostile artillery fire on a principal avenue of traffic.

CASUALTIES.

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	<u>Missing</u>
Officers	2	1	NIL
(Lieut F.D.A. BOWRA 4th Field Engrs. Lieut C.H.W. THOM 4th Field Engrs)			
Other ranks	5	17	Nil

Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report

	<u>Sick</u>	<u>Wounded</u>
Officers	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	34	4

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800	-	9750 rounds
1800 - 0600		13700 "

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Major, G. S.
For G. O. C.
2nd Australian Division

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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SUMMARY OF EVENTS from 0600, 30th October to 0600, 31st October 1915.

No II SECTION

No II Section
Right (LONE PINE
to COURTNEY'S
both inclusive).

LONE PINE - Very quiet during the day.

By night rather more activity on the enemy sniping and using stick bombs.

Opposite the Eastern face about 15 yards was added in the 3rd line of enemy trenches.

One enemy machine gun located at 68 H. 1-2.

Talking and wheeled traffic heard in OWEN'S GULLY and MULE VALLEY.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

B8 to WIRE GULLY - Very quiet 24 hours.

Between 1815 and 1845 loud talking of an argumentative nature was heard from enemy's trenches in JOHNSTONE'S JOLLY. Vehicles heard moving in rear of the JOLLY.

Enemy active at night with machine guns and stick bombs.

Engineering work proceeding satisfactorily.

WIRE GULLY to COURTNEYS - Very quiet 24 hours.

Sounds of wheeled transport heard during the early evening from the direction of mule track near SCRUBBY KNOLL.

Engineering proceeding satisfactorily.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.

No II Section
Left (QUINNS to
RUSSELL'S TOP
both inclusive).

QUINNS - Enemy heard working to the left of the left arm of Gallery 21.

Engineering proceeding satisfactorily.

POPES - Several stick bombs fired towards RUSSELL'S TOP burst over MONASH VALLEY. Appeared to be fired from about C.29 and A.7.

Engineering proceeding satisfactorily.

RUSSELL'S TOP - Enemy bombing intermittently between 2045 and 2430, about 40 stick bombs being fired on to the vicinity of RUSSELL'S TOP. There appear to be at least 2 guns firing. They fire from various positions previously located, being apparently moved from one to another after every few rounds. The positions appear to have been carefully selected so as to be just out of range of our Garland Mortar.

No 5 Battery fired 3 rounds which stopped the bomb mortar for a time. An unusually small proportion of these bombs failed to explode last night.

During the bombardment by enemy's stick bombs we retaliated vigorously with Garland and Catapult. Owing to shortage of ammunition the Japanese Mortar could be little used.

By arrangement with 2nd Field Artillery Brigade the position from which the enemy bomb guns fire is being registered to enable our Artillery to fire at night.

Engineering proceeding satisfactorily.

Estimated enemy accounted for - 1.

CASUALTIES.

	Killed	Wounded during period of report.	Missing
Officers	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other ranks	Nil	7	Nil
Sick and Wounded evacuated during period of report.			

	Sick	Wounded
Officers	7	Nil
Other ranks	21	6

AMMUNITION

Ammunition expended :-

0600 - 1800 - 9700 rounds
1800 - 0600 - 11000 "

Lieut-Colonel, G.S.

For G.O.C. 2nd Australian Division

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Headquarters,

8th October 1915.



Headquarters,

A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

With reference to Intelligence Summary of this Division for 7th October :-

1. Forwarded herewith is copy of report and sketch submitted by Scout Sergeant C.H. Vince, 20th Battalion, A.I.F.
2. The officer commanding 20th Battalion states that as the result of personal observation and after consultation with the Post Commanders he came to the conclusion that valuable information might be gained by sending the Battalion scouts out to reconnoitre the ground in front and to the left of the NEK. Close examination showed that little could be gained by advancing forward from the CRATER more especially as periscopes were being used by the enemy behind his bomb-screens. A steady fire was maintained from the fire trenches on to any periscope exhibited, while a party of scouts ascended unobserved from "Surface Tunnel" No 2 and Sergeant Vince and Corporal Brennan creeping forward at the rate of about 4 yards per minute by the route shown by a dotted line on sketch; in order to avoid Turkish wire and because bodies of dead afforded cover - gained the Turkish parapet at a point identified as A.1. (Trench Diagram No 3) and thoroughly examined the enemy trenches in view.
3. As the result of examination of Sergeant Vince by the General Staff, it appears that :-
 - (a) Trenches 4.5.6.7 and 8 - Sergeant Vince's sketch - identified as A1, A2, A3, A4 Trench Diagram No 3 - were considerably in trace but are not traversed.
 - (b) They are protected by heavy overhead cover in places with open pieces of trench between.
 - (c) Trenches marked 1, 2, 3 by Sergeant Vince - the unnumbered ones to left of NEK on Trench Diagram No 3 -



are occupied each by a look out man who observes down the valley and not towards RUSSELL'S TOP.

(d) The ground over which Sergeant Vince moved together with the trenches examined by him is open to view and to enfilade fire from SNIPERS RIDGE.

(e) The trenches looked into appear to be shielded by formation of ground from BABY 700 and the CHESSBOARD.

(f) The works recently constructed on the NEK - formed of sandbags, ~~blank~~ blankets filled with earth, and mud bricks, and thought to be machine gun emplacements, are now considered to be for the purpose only of facilitating observation of the Valley. No guns were seen in them.

(g) The men seen in the trenches were big, with reddish round faces and were working in pairs in an indolent manner.

4. This reconnaissance indicates that with the menace of SNIPERS RIDGE and the fact that the enemy may, while employing only observers in the front line, have large numbers resting in the rear of the front fire trenches, an overground attack of his position would be costly.

5. Further enterprises of this nature will not be carried out without a definite object, as it is desired not to attract undue attention to this part of our line.

6. It is for consideration whether it would not be advisable to consider the possibility of setting fire to and burning the scrub on SNIPERS RIDGE. Scouts consider that this is used as a natural screen for enemy works.

7. Sergeant Vince has on a former occasion reached point marked ~~Q~~ on his sketch and has repeatedly done excellent work with his scouts, showing much coolness and resource. Corpl Brennan has already been brought to notice of Army Corps Commander for good work done on previous occasions.

(Sgd) J.G. LEGGE

Major-General

Commanding 2nd Australian Division.

RUSSELLS TOP

5th October 1915

Result of reconnaissance in front of RUSSELLS TOP

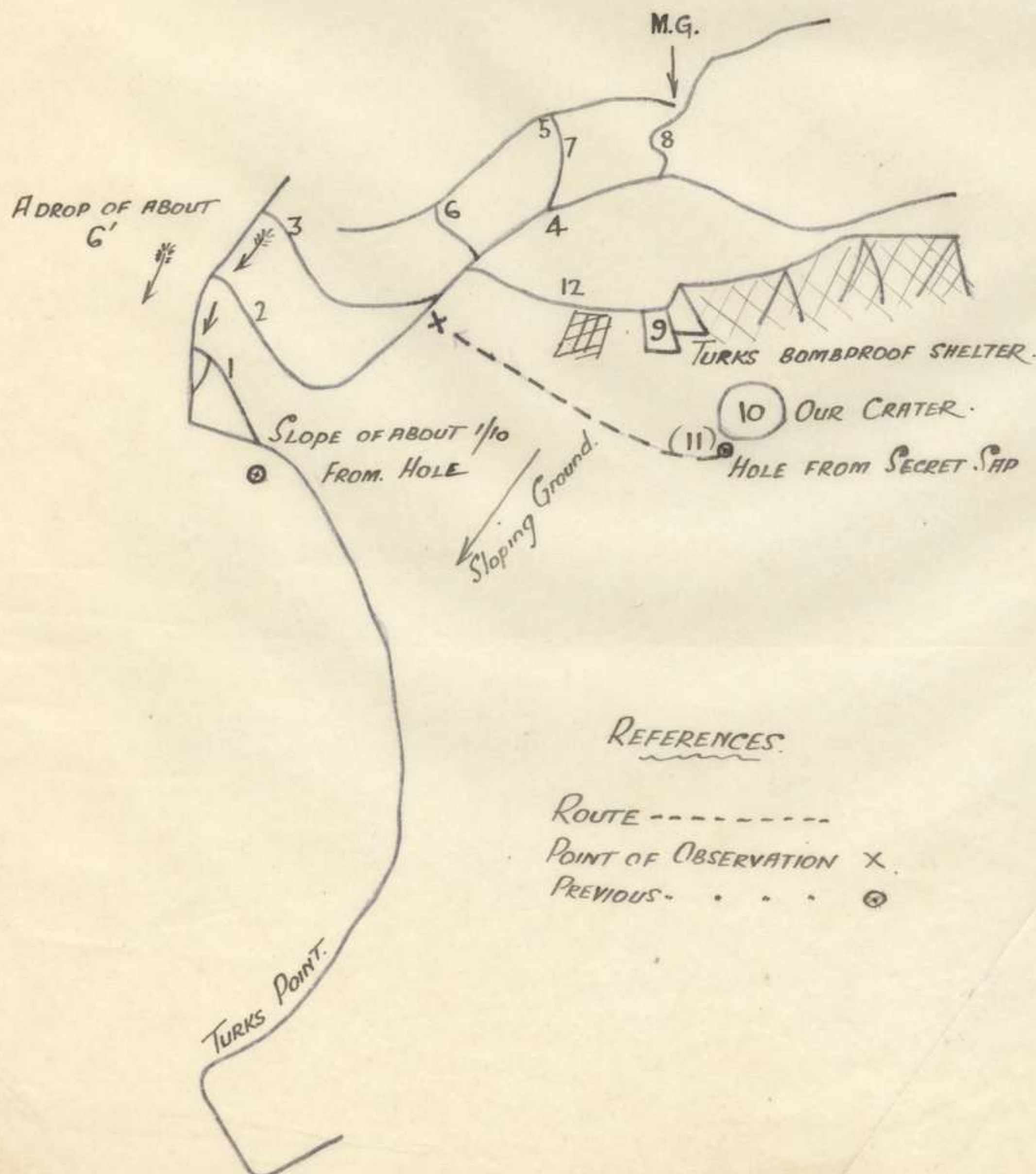
I find that it is easy for a small body of men to take the first trenches Nos 4 and 5, as I did not see any of the enemy. I only saw a periscope in No. 12 and one in No 4.

I did not hear any movement in their bomb-proof shelter.

There were two men in each of the terraces, marked 1, 2 and 3. In the middle of No 8 appears to be a machine gun.

We were all open to SNIPERS' RIDGE but they did not fire on us. Corporal Brennan thinks he saw two machine guns on SNIPERS' RIDGE about 10 o/c from Hole No 11.

(Signed) C.H. VINCE, Sergt. Scout.
20th Battalion.



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6th Inf. Bde.

WIRE GULLY

Octr 8th 1915.

To 2nd Aust. Div.

re New Bomb used by enemy.

Herewith are the pieces of the bomb used. On explosion this bomb emitted a gas which caused a violent sensation to the eyes, causing them to water freely. The smell is pungent, sickly and sweet and suggests methylated spirits. It does not appear to have any effect on the lungs, although one man was sent to the 22nd Medical Officer apparently suffering from effects of asphyxiation - the Medical Officer reported that this man recovered immediately he was given air, and in his opinion was suffering ~~from~~ more from shock than the effects of any gas. The Medical Officer is unable to state what the smell is produced by in nature of chemicals. One of these bombs fell in the lines of 22nd Bn and one fell in BROWNS DIP. The same effect was produced in both cases. There is still a strong smell in 22nd lines in vicinity where bomb fell and the effect on the eyes is still strong on passing through. This bomb fell about 2230 last night.

The small stick belongs to a small enemy bomb and suggests that these are fired from a smooth bore sporting ~~rifle~~ gun.

Should anything further suggest itself or be brought to notice a report will be immediately furnished.

H. J. Smith

Major
B.M. 6th Inf. Bde. A.I.F.

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No. Ga. 587.

Army Corps Headquarters,

7th October, 1915.

From:- General Staff,
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

To :- 1st Australian Division.
2nd Australian Division. ✓
New Zealand & Aust. Division.
54th Division.

MEMORANDUM.

All troops on duty in trenches will wear equipment without packs. Supply of small arm ammunition in trenches should wherever practicable be from receptacles at firing points and not from equipment pouches. The turn over of ammunition in equipment pouches will be arranged regimentally.

It is often impracticable to fix the position of loopholes in enemy trenches by periscope observation alone. From points of vantage loopholes can be located however by officers using field glasses or magnifying periscopes. In order that we may attain a complete ascendancy over enemy snipers it is essential that all possible steps be taken to deal with fire from enemy loopholes. To this end officers commanding fire units in the trenches will be instructed to endeavour to locate enemy loopholes and direct fire on to them.

Cumwagstaff
Major

for Brig-General,
General Staff,
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

Repeated to 5th & 6th Bdes & 13th L.H.
+ following added.

"It should be borne in mind that Turkish loopholes are often made diagonally & therefore fire has to be brought from an oblique direction in order to destroy enemy using loophole."

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No. Ga. 608.

Army Corps Headquarters,

8th October, 1915.

From:- General Staff,
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

To :- 1st Australian Division.
2nd Australian Division. ✓
New Zealand & Aust. Division.
54th Division.

MEMORANDUM.

I am directed to call attention to the following matters requiring immediate remedy or attention:-

- i. Periscope rifles are frequently used in portions of the trenches which are separated from the enemy's lines by some hundreds of yards. Periscope rifles are designed for use at close ranges to minimise the risk of firing from loopholes. They are not accurate at ranges much over 100 yards. At ranges exceeding 100 yards, therefore, firing will in future be done from loopholes.
- ii. In order to avoid the crowding of men in fire trenches it is essential that adequate provision should be made for the garrison in support trenches close behind the firing line; and that from these trenches there should be a sufficient number of communication trenches.
- iii. The absence of a sufficiently wide banquette and proper steps up to it from the base of the fire trench constitute sources of weakness. In every trench provision will therefore be made to enable men quickly to mount the banquette and to give them proper standing room thereon.

C.B.B. White

Brig-General,
General Staff,
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

Repeated to
5th & 6th Bdes 9.10.15

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Army Corps Headquarters
12th October 1915

From : General Staff
A. & N. Z. Army Corps.
To : 2nd Australian Division.



MEMORANDUM

1. In reply to your letters 94/28 of 29th Sept and 94/39 of 8th October on the subject of maps. I am to say that the Corps Commander greatly appreciates the work now being done by your Division in connection with the revision of trench diagrams.

2. It will answer many of the questions you raise to state the policy decided on with to the issue of trench diagrams in this A C.

The following are considered necessary :-

(1) Large scale accurate diagrams of our own trenches, scale 60' to 1". These will be prepared by Divisions concerned with help from G.H.Q. or other sources if required, and will be reproduced by G.H.Q. if required, and issued to Divisions for distribution to unit commanders. They will be marked secret and treated accordingly.

(2) The same diagrams as in (1) with the addition of underground workings. These additions will be made under Divisional arrangements and only a very limited number issued - 1 copy to the Engineer officers concerned and one to the Commander of the Subsection concerned, one to the Divisional Staff and one to Army Corps Staff. These will be marked secret.

(3) Diagrams showing our own front line trenches and as much as possible of the enemy trenches, on a scale of 1/1800. These will also be prepared by Divisions - the information of our own line being obtained from the data from which (1) was compiled, and the information of the enemy trenches from aeroplane photographs supplied through the Army Corps, and from personal observation both being checked as far as possible by survey. The lettering and numbering of enemy trenches will be done by the Army Corps to ensure uniformity of system. These diagrams will be reproduced under arrangements made by G.H.Q. and will be issued as follows :- To every officer, one map of the area concerning him.

(4) Diagrams showing trenches of the enemy, on a scale of 1/10,000. ~~XXXXX~~ These will be prepared from time to time by the Army Corps or G.H.Q. and will be issued on the scale of one per company officer as far as the issue allows.

This does not limit the supply of such other maps, diagrams and sketches which it may be found advisable to issue, but the above 4 classes will be the normal and should be maintained in Divisions.

3. Your suggestion to make Major Newcombe responsible for centralizing and supervising the mapping work of your Division is approved.

4. The questions raised by you as to the reproduction were discussed today by Major Newcombe, Lieut Nicholas - officer in charge maps G.H.Q. and Capt Smythe of the A.C. Staff, and it was arranged as follows:- Diagrams of classes (1) and (2) would be reproduced by the Staff under Major Newcombe, both for your own Division and for other Divisions if they desire it, and if difficulty arose with the reproducing plant G.H.Q. would assist.

5. That diagrams of class (3) would be prepared in such form and size as would facilitate reproduction, and that G.H.Q. would reproduce 100 copies of each in one colour.

Diagrams or maps of class (4). A map now with G.H.Q. showing our whole line would be reproduced by G.H.Q. in 2 sheets, one colour, 125 copies of each, and a more elaborate map now in course of preparation by G.H.Q. would be supplied as soon as available.

C.B.B. WHITE
Brig-General G.S.

A. & N. Z. Army Corps

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Divisional Headquarters

13th October 1918

5th Infantry Brigade
6th Infantry Brigade
1st Australian Division
1st Australian Divisional Artillery.



Owing to the reconnaissance of C 3 Crater GULLY carried out last night by Major Newcombe R.E. it is now not proposed to treat this situation other than as an ordinary mining operation.

A deep crater does not exist and it is not at present occupied or likely to be occupied by the enemy. If he dees try to establish himself there we shall be able to compete with him through our C 3 high level tunnel.

The mine on our left of the crater is laid ready for firing.

A mine on our right will be laid. Whether the enemy will allow us to work on and so lay this latter mine in the exact locality we wish to, remains to be seen. He has been heard some 6 feet away from our right hand deep level tunnel. A mine is now being laid in this tunnel and should be ready for firing at 12 noon tomorrow in case the enemy by his work forces us to act. If not the explosion of the mines will probably be postponed, in any case when the time comes they will be fired simultaneously and all concerned must be informed.

First Divisional Artillery will receive notification from 2nd Divisional Headquarters in case they may wish to do any shooting after the explosion.

The above notes are forwarded merely for information. The situation is controlled by the Brigade Commander 6th Brigade advised by his Engineers.

(Sgd) S. H. Jackson
Major,
General Staff.