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5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

(PROVISIONAL).

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SECTION 1.

DESCRIPTION OF ENEMY FRONT.

1. ORDER OF BATTLE.

The 233rd Division is at present (beginning of October) holding practically the whole of the sector opposite this Division. A small portion to the south is being held by a Division not yet identified and which is believed to have relieved the 8th Division.

The enemy regiments holding the line from North to South of the 233rd Division are as follows:-

- 449th I.R.
- 448th I.R.
- 450th I.R.

The 233rd Division came into the line on the 5th October. North of the 233rd Division is the 195th Division. The northern boundary of the 233rd Division is a line just east of NIEUWMOLEN to the northern outskirts of MOORSLEDE. The southern boundary is a line running on the northern edge of CELTIC WOOD to the southern outskirts of WATERDAMHOEK. The 233rd Division is one of the new Divisions formed in January this year and is recruited from Northern Germany in the vicinity of STETTIN and DANZIC. It is composed chiefly of returned wounded from other Divisions, the "combed out", and 1918 class. It has been engaged in the recent operations and has been undoubtedly severely handled, and is expected to be relieved within the next day or two by the 220th Division.

2. ENEMY DEFENCES.

(a) The enemy appears to have reverted to his original system of holding a rigid front line - that is to say, instead of having an outpost line in shell holes and the main portion of his troops in a rear line of defence, he is now having the whole regiment distributed in depth, and disposed as follows:-

- 1 battalion holding the front line composed of organised shell holes.
- 1 battalion in immediate support,
- 1 battalion in reserve.

(b) The enemy holds a line approximately parallel to our own front line and running through the western edge of CELTIC WOOD. A raid carried out on CELTIC WOOD at 6.20 a.m. on the 9th October found the eastern edge of CELTIC WOOD strongly held and with numerous machine guns distributed in positions of advantage. The enemy's main defences on our front, however, appear to be on the KEIBURG SPUR, known as the PASSCHENDAELE - TERHAND LINE. This line is practically a continuous line and has been very strongly wired with three and sometimes four belts of wire in front of it, but according to prisoners' statements and air photographs this line has been practically destroyed by our artillery fire.

In rear of this line another line exists just east of MOORSLEDE and WATERDAMHOEK and west of DADIZEELE, and is known as the DADIZEELE LINE. Although not a continuous line, it appears to be strongly wired completely, mainly with two belts of wire. Movement by day on the eastern edge of PASSCHENDAELE RIDGE is inadvisable.

The enemy holds a line approx. parallel to our front line in front of CELTIC WOOD.

SECTION 2.

BOUNDARIES OF DIMENSIONAL SECTOR and DESCRIPTION OF FRONT SYSTEM.

1. BOUNDARIES.

RIGHT BOUNDARY. Sheet 28: I.16.c.00.15 - I.16.d.6.4 - HALF WAY HOUSE (inclusive) - I.18.a.0.3 - I.18.b.3.3 - I.18.b.7.8 - thence along road to J.8.e.65.20 - J.9.a.45.25 - J.9.a.5.5 - J.4.d.35.75 - J.5.b.30.15

LEFT BOUNDARY. Sheet 28: I.16.b.1.4 - thence along road (inclusive) to I.17.b.20.55 - I.11.d.25.00 - I.12.c.05.00 - thence along BELLEWARDEBEEK to I.12.d.0.4 - I.12.d.35.80 - I.12.b.6.0 - western edge and then northern edge of timber to J.7.a.00.45 - J.7.a.8.4 - J.8.a.9.9 - J.2.d.7.4 - thence along road to J.3.a.5.5 - D.29.a.0.4 - D.29.b.1.7.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE FRONT.

- (a) The front held by the 5th Australian Division includes that part of the PASSCHENDAELE RIDGE which lies between the NOORDEMHOCK re-entrant in J.5.b to the FLINT COPSE re-entrant in D.29.b.
- (b) The possession of the above ridge gives complete observation eastwards as far as the KEIBURG SPUR, and denies the enemy the observation over our back areas which he previously had.
- (c) The NOORDEMHOCK - BROODSEINDE Road running N.N.W. and S.S.E. marks approximately the crest line. Our front line runs parallel to this road and about 300 yards east of it - thus giving us fair depth to our ridge defences.

SECTION 3.

ORGANIZATION FOR DEFENCE.

The defensive system will be organized on the following principles:-

- (a) The first essential is to get a real wire obstacle out along the whole front. This should not be in regular lines - except for the actual wire in front of posts it is better to construct belts of tactical wire which can be properly flanked by fire.
- (b) The front line may be held lightly by a series of mutually supporting posts, each post containing a complete unit - either a section or a platoon.
 Later on it may for climatic reasons be necessary to join all such posts and this should be borne in mind when selecting them.
 Similarly the construction of communication trenches to posts should have regard to winter conditions and a connected line.
- (c) Behind the front posts and extending back as far as the TOKIO SPUR will be a series of posts arranged chequer-wise - in which full use will be made of machine guns (both on the forward slope and in rear of it).
 Such posts will be occupied by support troops and these will be known as support posts.
- (d) On the TOKIO SPUR a line of defence properly wired will be prepared. In and behind this line the regimental reserves will be quartered and the line will be known as the regimental reserve line which will be the rear limit of the front line system.
- (e) On the ANZAC SPUR a brigade reserve line will be marked out and wired. Trenches need not be dug at present except as may be necessary to provide cover.
- (f) The Divisional reserve line will be on the WESTHOEK RIDGE. It also need only be wired at present.
- (g) Throughout, the principle of defence will be an organization in depth from which prompt counter attack will be possible. Each body of troops quartered in rear of any post or line will provide the nucleus garrison thereof. The role of nucleus garrisons will be to form a bulwark to stem an attack and to give time for the remainder of the troops to form up for counter attack or defence.

SECTION 4.
DISTRIBUTION OF TROOPS.

Reference. Sheet 28. 1/40,000.

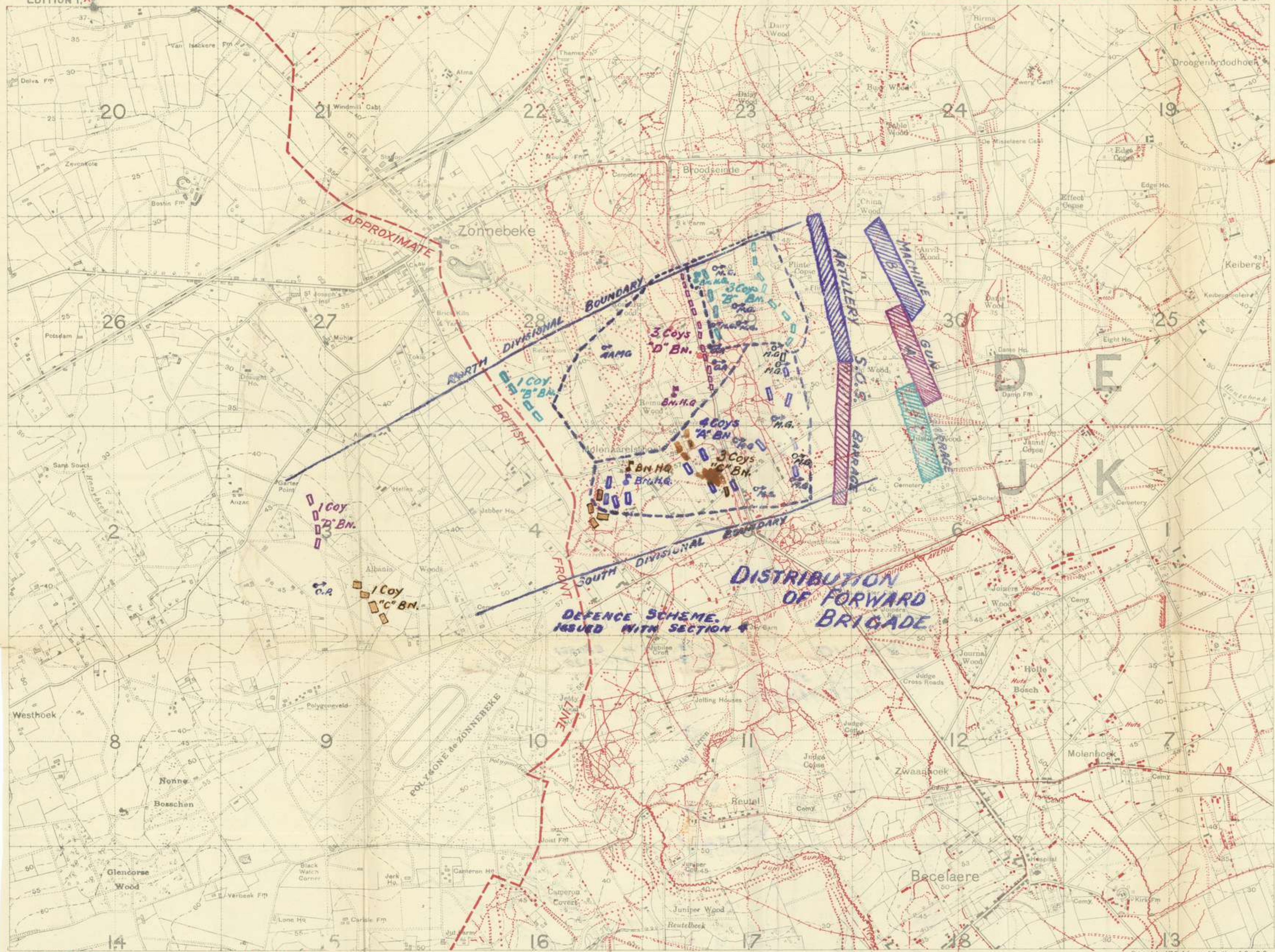
UNIT.	HEADQUARTERS.	
"A" BRIGADE (Forward)	Advanced-J.1.d.3.2. Rear H.29.a.9.2.	
"A" Battalion (Right)	J.4.b.7.4.	Detailed distribution shown on map attached.
"B" " (Left)	D.29.c.2.3.	
"C" " (Right Support)	J.4.b.8.6.	
"D" " (Left Support)	D.29.a.50.05.	
"B" BRIGADE (Support)	Advanced. HALFWAY HOUSE I.17.c.7.7. Rear-H.22.b.6.4.	
"E" Battalion	I.17.c.7.7.	Battalion in vicinity of H.Qrs. " " " " " "
"F" "	J.7.b.9.6.	
"G" "	J.7.b.9.6.	
"H" "	I.16.a.0.3.	
"C" BRIGADE. (Reserve)	G.30.a.7.3.	
"I" Battalion	I.19.b.3.6.	Working Battn. for forward OPERATION AREA. area. " " " "
"J" "	G.30.a.7.3.	
"K" "	G.24.c.8.4.	
"L" "	H.3 1.b.3.5.	

EDITION 1, A

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German Trenches corrected to 21-9-17.

Part of Sheet 26



"A" BDE. H.Q.
J.I.d.3.2.

Battery Positions (Symbol)
 (Symbol) Probably Timber or Camouflage
 (Symbol) Probably Concrete
 Organised Shell Holes (Symbol)

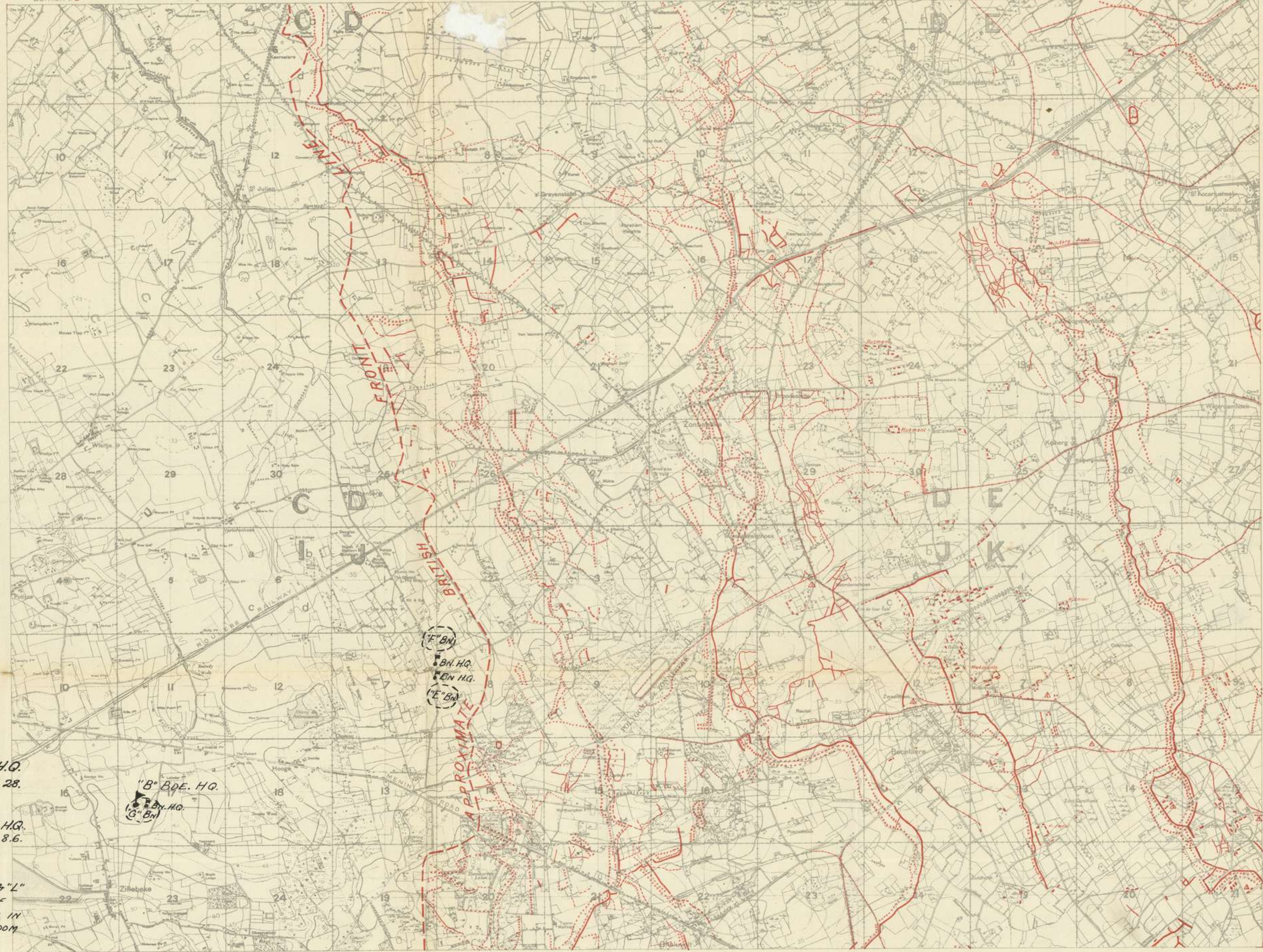
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POLYGON WOOD

EDITION I B

German Trenches corrected to 9-9-17. Part of Sheet 28.



"I" BN. H.Q.
1.15.d.28.

"H" BN. H.Q.
1.15a.3.6.

"J" "K" & "L"
BNS. OF
"C" BDE. IN
OUDERDOM
AREA

"B" BDE. H.Q.
"C" BN. H.Q.

"F" BN.
"G" BN. H.Q.
"E" BN. H.Q.

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DISTRIBUTION
OF SUPPORT BDE.
ISSUED WITH SECTION 4, DEFENCE SCHEME.

SECTION 5.

ARTILLERY ACTION IN DEFENCE.

1. DISTRIBUTION OF FIELD ARTILLERY.

Field Artillery covering the Divisional front is composed of two Divisional Artilleries under the tactical control of the C.R.A., 5th Australian Division with Headquarters at LIME GATE, I.14.a.85.26.

The Divisional front is divided into two sections each covered by a Divisional Artillery.

The Right Sector is covered by the 5th Australian Divisional Artillery ("B" Group) under command of Lieut-Colonel H.O. GADDY D.S.O., Headquarters HALF WAY HOUSE I.17.c.35.70.

The Left Sector is covered by the 1st Australian Divisional Artillery ("A" Group) under command of Lieut-Colonel H.D. MOORE, Headquarters HALFWAY HOUSE, I.17.c.35.70.

The boundary line between groups is J.4.b.15.75 - D.29.d.40.55.

2. CO-OPERATION WITH INFANTRY.

A liaison officer not below the rank of captain is attached to the Infantry Brigade Headquarters in the line, and keeps both Groups and D.A.H.Q. informed of the progress of events. This liaison officer is in direct telephonic communication with both Groups. Each Group finds a liaison officer with the battalion headquarters in the line which it covers; these liaison officers are in telephonic communication with the artillery liaison officer at Infantry Brigade Headquarters. In addition, each group finds a F.C.O. with an observing station on the BROODSEINDE RIDGE, who watches this group front from dawn to darkness and communicates direct with his group or battery as the case may be.

3. S.O.S.

The S.O.S. for the Field Artillery runs as follows:-
I.5 b.80.25 - D.29.d.70.60 - D.29.b.60.80

An overlap of 50 yards between Groups and with Divisional Artilleries to the north and south has been arranged.

The S.O.S. is at present a parachute light:- RED over GREEN over YELLOW.

As soon as S.O.S. is received the Field Artillery open and fire as follows:-

4 rounds per gun per minute for 10 minutes on S.O.S. lines, then

2 rounds per gun per minute for 5 minutes, searching and sweeping fire to be employed, then

1 round per gun per minute for 5 minutes on S.O.S. lines, and stop.

If more firing is required, the S.O.S. signal will be repeated by the Infantry when the artillery will repeat the above programmes.

4. HEAVY ARTILLERY.

The Heavy Artillery operating on the Corps Sector is the I ANZAC H.A., which is under the command of the B.G. H.A., who is under the direction of the G.O.C. R.A. I ANZAC Corps. The C.R.A. has a direct line to the I ANZAC H.A. and also to the I ANZAC Counter Battery Officer. In addition, close liaison is established with the H.A. by the C.R.A. having a direct line to the 59th H.A.G. This Group is a double bombardment Group who carry out special bombardments required by the Divisional Commander, and in addition, cover the Divisional front for S.O.S. purposes.

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5. The Heavy Artillery open for S.O.S. purposes at the request of the Division or Brigade covering the Sector. The fire of the Heavy Artillery for S.O.S. purposes is as follows:-
 6" Howitzer, 500 yards beyond the Field Artillery S.O.S. line.
 8" and 9.2" Howitzers, 700 yards beyond the Field Artillery S.O.S. line.

6", 8", and 9.2" Howitzers all search back for a depth of 200 yds. Rates of fire:-

- $\frac{1}{2}$ round per gun per minute for 5 minutes, then
- $\frac{1}{2}$ round per gun per minute for 10 minutes, then
- $\frac{1}{4}$ round per gun per minute whilst the situation is being cleared up.

In case of a serious attack, ^{double} the 57th H.A.G. also have a call on the Northern and Southern Counter Battery Groups; the S.O.S. zones for these Double Counter Battery Groups are allotted and superimposed on the zone of the 59th H.A.G. 12" and 15" Howitzers have especial important points allotted to them for S.O.S. purposes.

6. The C.R.A. has direct telephonic communication to the Divisional Artilleries on both flanks and in case of necessity these Divisional Artilleries open fire on their own fronts to assist this Division's flanks.

7. ^{H.A.G.} Artillery B.L's are situated at
 D29 C 6:7, D23 C 28:08
 D29 a 3:4

SECTION 6.

MACHINE GUN ACTION. - D. FENCE.

1. The Company in the line will be organized into two groups, and distributed in the following way :-

<u>Left Sector.</u>	8 guns
Front line	5 "
Support line	1 gun
Group H.Q.	Reserve 2 guns. - Both of these guns to be utilised as anti-aircraft guns during daylight hours.
<u>Right Sector.</u>	6 guns
Front line	3 guns
Support line	3 guns. - 2 of these guns to be utilised as anti-aircraft guns during daylight hours.
Company reserve.	2 guns at Company Headquarters.

2. Left Group Headquarters - D.29.c.60.97.
 Right " " J.5.a.70.90.
 Company Headquarters D.28.d.60.65.
3. A local reserve to replace casualties of 1 M.C.O. and 10 men will be located at each Group H.Q.
4. 15 ammunition carriers under carrier Sergeant will be located at GARTER POINT.
5. S.O.S. Group will consist of 16 guns and will be divided into 3 batteries - "A" and "B" Battery of 6 guns each, and "C" Battery of 4 guns. Battery tasks will be as follows:-
 "C" Battery J.6.a.50.50 to D.30.c.50.30
 "A" " D.30.c.50.30 " D.30.a.30.20
 "B" " D.30.a.45.10 " D.30.a.20.85.
 Rate of 300 rounds per gun per minute for first 10 minutes, then drop to 50 rounds per minute for 10 minutes or as situation demands.
6. Headquarters S.O.S. Group. J.9.b.45.95.
7. 25th Machine Gun Company will remain as mobile reserve under orders of the Divisional Commander.
8. The Machine Gun Company of Reserve Brigade will move under orders of its own Brigade.

SECTION 7.

PRINCIPLES OF D FENCE.

1. The following principles will be adopted in holding the front:-
- (a) The principle of disposition ^{in depth} will be adhered to.
 - (b) The front will be normally held by one Brigade with two battalions in the line and two battalions in Brigade reserve.
 - (c) The area will be held as thinly as is consistent with security. This will entail close and continuous observation on the part of artillery, F.O.O's., machine gun and infantry Observers and the signal Observers at cable head combined with good arrangements for flanking fire from Vickers machine guns, Lewis Guns and rifles. As a protection against surprise at night NO MAN'S LAND will be dominated by patrols.
 - (d) Troops will NOT fall back from one line to any other line, but all ground will be defended as long as possible, whether the flanks are turned or not.
 - (e) There are three kinds of attacks which may be anticipated:-
 - (i) A raid.
 - (ii) An attack on a minor scale to capture some locality accompanied by a bombardment.
 - (iii) A serious attack preceded by a heavy bombardment.
 - (f) As regards (e) (i) Vigilance, active patrolling, combined with a good system of listening posts and wire makes the failure of such attacks certain.
 - (g) As regards (e) (ii) should the enemy succeed in establishing himself in our line, he should be counter-attacked immediately from both flanks and from the support trenches where such are in sufficiently close proximity under the orders of the local Commanders i.e. company, platoon or section commanders or the oldest soldier. The extent and intensity of the enemy's bombardment, if closely observed should be an indication of his objective and enable preparations for counter attack to be made before his attack is delivered. The essential is to deny him time in which to consolidate. Should the counter attack fail, the captured locality must be isolated and firmly held in a pocket until more deliberate preparations can be made. Meanwhile the artillery will prevent German reinforcements coming up in support, and the infantry must do their utmost to reconnoitre and locate the exact position held by the enemy so that our artillery may bombard the captured locality with precision; thus further counter attacks by our reserves will be executed under the most favorable conditions. Artillery fire will not be opened on captured localities without the sanction of the Brigadier concerned.
 - (h) As regards (e) (iii) it is unlikely that such an attack will come as a surprise, and commanders will have time to make suitable dispositions. In any case, no good will be obtained by reinforcing the front line. Supporting troops must hold their ground and by means of fire and local attacks keep the enemy in check while sufficient reserves are available to resume the offensive in strength.

- (i) Every Commander will retain a reserve under his own hands, in a definite area, with which to deliver an immediate counter attack should the enemy succeed in penetrating outline at any point. The success of the counter attacks will depend to a large extent upon the rapidity with which they are made. Commanders must therefore consider the action to be taken and definite plans must be thought out beforehand, recorded, and the action to be taken made known to all ranks.
- (j) As soon as it is decided to employ the support brigade, the reserve brigade will be ordered to move forward from the OUDERDOM Area to replace it.
- (k) As soon as serious hostile counter attack threatens, all troops in Divisional Support and Reserve will be ordered to "STAND TO". Units will be ready to move at 20 minutes notice after the order to "STAND TO" has been received.
- (l) Constant touch and communication with brigades on flanks must be established and a definite plan for mutual protection and support and for guarding flanks if neighbouring brigades are forced back, must be carefully thought out and communicated to all ranks.
- (m) Brigades, battalions, and companies must keep each other informed of their plans to meet eventualities. G.O's.C. Brigade areas and Battalion Commanders etc. will maintain local defence schemes which must be kept up to date and handed over regularly on relief. All unit commanders will have a thorough reconnaissance made of all approaches from the support and reserve areas to the forward area.

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SECTION 8. *Amended*

ACTION OF DIVISIONAL SUPPORT BRIGADE.

1. The Divisional Support Brigade will consist of the brigade quartered in the area from HANEBEEK exclusive to LILLE ROAD exclusive.
The Headquarters of the Support Brigade is at HALFWAY HOUSE.
2. In case of attack the Support Brigade will stand by ready to move on receipt of orders from Divisional Headquarters. Request for assistance from the G.O.C. Forward Brigade will be complied with immediately and action taken reported to Divisional Headquarters.
The most probable role of the Support Brigade will be an attack to recapture the portion of PASSCHENDAELE RIDGE within the Divisional boundaries.

SECTION 9.

ACTION OF DIVISIONAL RESERVE BRIGADE.

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1. The Divisional Reserve Brigade will consist of the Brigade quartered in the ~~ORDERDOM~~ Area. The Headquarters of the Divisional Reserve Brigade is at G.30.a.7.3.
2. In case of attack the Divisional Reserve Brigade will "STAND TO" ready to move to Support Brigade area on receipt of orders from Divisional Headquarters.

SECTION 10.

POLICY OF WORK.

1. By Infantry garrisons of trenches :-

- (a) Moving the front and support lines,
- (b) Improvement of trenches and posts and accomodation for the garrison,
- (c) Improvement of communications,
- (d) Provision of notice boards,
- (e) Provision of dummy trenches.

2. Under C.R.E.:-

- (a) Infantry track
One main infantry track called the HELLES track exists. This will be improved and doubled.
- (b) Infantry and mule track
The location of an infantry and mule track for the southern half of the area is now being surveyed.
- (c) Tramways. A 60 centimetre tramway for push trucks exists from WESTHOEK (D.7.b.7.7.) to J.2.d.9.8. This tramway is now being extended to ZONNEBEKE under Corps orders. A branch from this line has been surveyed to serve the centre of this Divisional area up to the BROODSEINDE RIDGE. Work has already been commenced on this and the line will run as follows:-
From J.2.d.6.6.- J.3.c.2.3 - J.3.d.2.3- J.3.d.5.7 and J.4.a.2.1.
Wooden mule trucks will be provided for this line as soon as the Corps portion of the line from WESTHOEK to ANZAC RIDGE is improved sufficiently to carry the necessary traffic. It is anticipated that Corps R.E. will provide sidings on the main line.
- (d) Accomodation. For dugout accomodation see map.
- (e) Advanced Headquarters
 - (i) Divisional
Divisional Headquarters could be constructed at J.7.d.9.9 (WESTHOEK RIDGE) by tunnelling. It is not considered, however, that it will be necessary to move the Advanced Divisional Headquarters forward from YPRES in the near future. This work therefore is not considered urgent.
 - (ii) Two suitable sites exist for Advanced Brigade Headquarters.
 - (a) J.3.d.3.9 - Concrete structures with a total of 7 rooms (average 7' x 12'). Additional accomodation should be provided by erecting cupolas. The site is wet and unsuitable for tunnelling. Tables and bunks should be provided.
 - (b) GARTER POINT. (J.3.a.central). Concrete structure with 3 rooms, average 10' x 12'. Additional accomodation should be provided by erecting cupolas. Site is unsuitable for tunnelling. Tables and bunks should be provided. ANZAC HOUSE (J.3.a.2.4) should be included in these headquarters as a signal office, but is at present in left Divisional area.

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(f) Tunnelling is being carried out on WESTHOEK and ANZAC RIDGES to provide accomodation for Headquarters and troops. The PASSCHENDAELE RIDGE should also be tunnelled to provide accomodation for support and reserve battalions.

APPENDIX "A"

ACCOMMODATION IN DIVISIONAL AREA.

Map Reference.	Nature of Accommodation.	At present occupied by.	CAPACITY		
			Off.	O.R.	Horses.
H.24.c.2.5	Shelters	21st M.G. Co. & Transport	8	157	54
H.24.c.2.5	"	1st M.G. Co. & Transport	6	171	50
H.24.c.2.5	"	8th M.G.Co. & Transport	8	215	52
H.30.a.0.7	15 dugouts, shelters	3rd F.Cq., A.E.	6	200	11
H.30.a.0.7	Shelters		11	62	100
H.23.c.6.5	"	S.A.A., D.A.C.	2	73	98
H.23.d.6.5	5 dugouts, shelters	12th M.G.Co.	10	200	58
H.29.a.5.9	Ruined Chateau	3rd A.F. Amb.	1	26	-
H.23.c.2.5	Shelters	122nd R.G.A.	4	196	228
H.29.b.7.5	Shelters & Tents	Salvage Co.			
H.29.c.0.5	Shelters	6th F. Engineers Transport	1	50	82
I.19.c.5.5	Swan Chateau Shelters	2nd Pioneer Bn.			
H.24.c.3.5	Shelters	3rd Bde. M.G.Co.	12	131	
H.29.a.3.5	Shelters, Tents	1st Bde. A.I.F.			
I.19.b.3.2	Dugouts	1st Anzac Cyclists	1	24	
I.19.c.3.7	Shelters	2 Cos. 4th Pioneers	33	900	87
I.19.b.3.5	Shelters	8th Fld. Co. A.E.			
H.23.c.4.6	Shelters	7th M.G.Co.			
H.30.b.9.2	Shelters	2nd A.M.G.Co.	6	69	54
H.24.b.9.2	Tents. Shelters	1 Sec. 1st D.A.C.	5	200	276
H.24.b.9.2	" "	2 Secs. 1st D.A.C.	6	200	
H.24.d.4.3	Shelters	6th Bn. A.I.F.			
H.34.c.3.5	5 dugouts, shelters	2nd Bde. H.C.			

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Map Reference.	Nature of Accommodation.	At present occupied by.	CAPACITY.		
			Off.	O.R.	Horses.
	Tents & Shelters	301 Con. Co.	5	228	10
H.30.a.4.9	5 dugouts, shelters	1st Cam.Regt.	19	720	55
H.29.b.5.5	Shelters	Beatty Dump	5	100	
H.24.b.2.6	8 dugouts, shelters	1st Herts.Regt.			
I.19.a.2.2	Tents, Shelters	5th Aust.D.A.C.	12	600	600
I.19.a.2.4	" "	51st Battery	2	150	140
I.13.c.21	" "	53rd Battery	1	100	156
H.24.b.0.1	" "	54th Battery	2	140	144
I.13.c.0.0	" "	55th Battery	3	100	150
H.24.b.7.1	" "	113th How. Battery	2	160	150
H.21.b.8.9		4th Bn. A.I.F.			
H.23.c.9.2	Dugouts & shelters	7th Bn. A.I.F.			
H.24.b.9.9	21 huts	49th Battery			
H.29.a.5.5	Shelters, 2 Tents	1st Bde. H.Q.			
H.23.d.6.6	Shelters, 3 Tents	2nd Bde. H.Q.			
H.30.a.4.9	2 Huts	3rd Bde. H.Q.			
H.29.b.5.5	Shelters	1 Bn. Transport			
H.29.b.5.5	"	2 "			
H.29.b.5.5	"	3 "			
H.24.c.3.5	"	4 "			
H.24.b.5.5	"	5 "			
H.24.b.5.5	"	6 "			
H.24.b.5.5	"	7 "			
H.33.a.4.3	71 Tents			800	
H.20.c.9.1	53 huts, 14 tents	R.F.A.		1200	300
H.27.d.9.3	44 huts	1st Fld.Co.			
H.27.b.7.7	63 huts, 18 tents				75
H.27.d.9.5				1600	

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Map Reference.	Nature of Accommodation.	At present occupied by.	CAPACITY.	
			Off.	O.R. Horses.
H.27.a.4.7				
H.27.d.7.9				
H.27.b.0.1				
H.27.a.9.2				
H.26.b.5.7	3 Cov.Standings			225
H.26.b.3.7				
H.27.b.3.5	1 Cov.Standing			75
H.28.b.6.8	2 Barns			
H.27.c.9.1	1 Barn			
H.32.a.9.9			100	
H.26.b.3.3			1 D.A.C.	
H.28.a & b			2 Bdes. F.A.	
G.30.a.7.3		Bde. H.C.		
H.25.c.4.0		1 Battalion		
G.30.a.7.3		"		
G.24.c.8.4		"		
H.31.b.3.5		"		
H.23.b.central		M.G. Co.		
G.30.a.6.3		T.M. Battery.		
G.24.c.5.4		1 Field Co.		

Appendix

B

Approximate Map Location	ACCOMMODATION TABLE						Remarks
	Number on Map	Dugout or Trench ETC	Dimensions	N ^o of Men it will accommodate	Condition	Who now Occupying Giving Approx N ^o	
	1.	Concrete D ^o	23' x 14'	8	Good Slight Damage		Walls 3' thick one door facing Line
	2	"	24' x 20'	12	Good		(12 men) Walls 3' thick Two doors facing Line
	3	Group of Log Dugouts	abt. 8' x 12'	-	Walls Battered		Unfit for use
J3b	4	Concrete D ^o	17' x 20'	8	Good Dry		Walls 3' thick
J3d	5	"	17' x 17'	6	" Wet		Walls 4' thick one door facing Line
"	6	"	22' 6" x 21'	8	" "		Walls 3' thick.
"	7	"	19' x 13'	6	Fair Wet		" " " "
"	8	Rough Dugout Shelters	each abt. 8' x 10'	-	Practically Unfit for use		
"	9	Trench	566 Yards	-	Bad Water in it		Unfit for use
"	10	"	125 Yards	-	Good		
"	11	"	100 Yards	-	Good		Abt 40 Yds adjoining 11A is poor & not used
J9b	11A	D.O. concrete	15' x 12'	8	Good		2' Walls 1 door towards Line screened by Log
J3c	12	Trench	120 Yards	-	Fair		Communication
J3a	13	"	90 Yards	-	Indifferent and hot		
J3c	14	"	60 Yards	-	Good		
"	15	"	100 Yards	-	Good		
"	15A	D.O. concrete	16' x 12'	7	Good		2' 3" Walls 1 door towards Line
"	16	Trench	60 Yards	-	Good		Commun.
"	17	"	40 Yds	-	Fair		
"	18	"	100 Yds	-	Mostly Good		
"	19	"	80 Yds	-	Good		Commun.
"	20	"	30 Yds	-	Good		
"	21	D.O. concrete	15' x 9' 6"	2	Good		Walls 2' thick
J3a	22	Trench	(abt 4 feet) 180 Yds with branch 60 Yds	-	Newly Dug		
"	23	D.O. concrete	40' x 25'	30	Damp otherwise Good		Garter Point 3' Walls 2 openings towards Line
"	24	"	30' x 19'	10	Damp otherwise Good		Anzac. Walls 4' 3" and more thick 2 openings towards Line
J3a	25	"	6 x 8 x 5' 6"	3	Fair		Cracked slightly
"	26	2 "					Demolished
"	27	D.O. concrete	16' x 12' x 6'	12	Fair		2 Chambers shattered
J3c	28	Trench	100 Yds. 6' deep	-	Good		No rotting Clay Cleaned out
"	29	"	15 Yds. 4' 6" deep	-	Good		Cleaned up & part newly dug
J2d	30	D.O. concrete Cupola	25' x 12' 6" x 8' 15' x 6' x 8'	10 6	Good Good		
J9a	31	"	12' 6" x 12' 6" x 6'	12	Good		
"	32	"	"	12	Good		Cracked slightly
"	33	Shelters	-	50	Good		Cupolas Sandbags Splinter proof
"	34	D.O. concrete	AB.	12	Good		
J2c	35	D.O. concrete	26' x 12' 6" x 5'	12 20	Fair		One end badly smashed Being cleaned Contains dead
"	36	D.O. Cupola	12' 6" x 8' x 8'	6 6	Good		
"	37	D.O. concrete	8' x 5' 4" x 8'	2	Poor Fair		Shattered. poor accommodation
"	38	Trench	100 Yds. 4' 6" deep	-			Clear. fair condition. Clay No settlement Parapet east
J8b	39	D.O. concrete	60' x 20' 25' x 12' 6" x 6'	12	Good		
"	40	3 Cupola P.B. Gun Piazas	12' x 8' x 8'	-	Good		
"	41	D.O. concrete	12' 6" x 12' 6" x 6'	12	Fair Good		
"	42	D.O. concrete	12' 6" x 8'	6	Fair		
J8d	43	"	12' 6" x 8'	6	"		

J2c	44	"	14'6" x 8'	8	"		Opening to enemy Water Tying in it
"	45	"	12'5" x 8'	6	"		Slightly damaged
"	46	"	12'6" x 8'	6	"		" "
"	47	Log Shelter	14' x 8'	—	Poor Condition		At present unfit for occupation
"	48	Double DO concrete	2 Chambers 15' x 14'6"	20	Poor		Shattered Wet Unoccupied
"	49	DO concrete	12'6" x 8'	6	V Fair		
"	50	Double DO concrete	2 Chambers 15' x 12'6"	20	Fair		
"	51	DO concrete	12'6" x 8'	6	"		Slightly damaged
"	52	"	"	6	"		
J8d	53	"	12'5" x 8' x 3'6"	6	V Good		Shallow only 3'6" high
"	54	8 concrete DO's	12'6" x 8'	48	Fair		
"	55	Double DO concrete	25' x 12'6"	15	Good		
J1d	56	DO concrete	12'6" x 8'	6	Fair		Doorway 6' x 2'6" on enemy side Wet.
J8d	57	5 Double DO's	25' x 12'6"	20	"		Slightly shattered
J7b	58	DO concrete	25' x 12'6"	20	V Fair	N.O.	
"	59	Double P.O concrete	28' x 12'6"	20	Good		Doorway made inside away from Line
"	A59	Trench	100 yds	—	Fair		Being cleaned out
J1d	60	Double DO concrete	25' x 12'6"	15	Good		Shallow only 3'6" high
J7b	61	DO concrete	25' x 12'6"	15	Fair		Adjoining this are splinter proof shelters for 10 men
J1d	62	"	2 Chambers 7'9" x 3'	6	"		2 Doors on enemy side
J7b	63	Trench	200 yds	—	"		Being improved
J8c	64	"	300 yds	—	Good		Communication over rise
J7d	65	3 DO's concrete	4 = 8'3" x 7'8" (300) 1 = 8'5" x 7'10"	10	"		Adjoining are splinter proof shelters for abt. 300 men. 2 openings to enemy.
"	66	DO concrete	12'6" x 11'6"	18	Fair		Underground
"	67	"	13' x 7'	10	"		"
"	68	"	11' x 10'	8	"	1	A good deal damaged Entrance S.E.
"	69	"	3'8" x 15'	10	"		Entrance below ground level facing enemy
"	70	"	6'6" x 8'6"	30	Good		Adjoining are splinter proof shelters
J7a	71	"	2 Chambers 9'6" x 15'	15	"		Adjoining are splinter proof shelters to hold about 100 men
"	72	"	6'6" x 5'6"	2	Fair		Entrance from Nth
J7c	73	"	7' x 7'	2	"		Entrance facing Sth Wall facing enemy 2' thick
"	74	Splinter proof Shelters	—	39	—		13 Shelters Will hold 3 men each
"	75	"	—	16	—		8 shelters Will hold 2 men each
J18b	76	DO concrete	—	6	Needs repair		
"	77	"	—	6	Very Bad		
"	78	"	—	6	Needs repair		
"	79	"	—	6	"		
"	80	3 "	—	18	"		
J18d	81	Splinter proof Shelters	—	150	—		
J18c	82	DO concrete	—	6	Needs repair		
"	83	"	—	6	"		
"	84	"	—	6	"		
"	85	"	—	6	"		
J18a	86	3 DO's concrete	—	12	—		
"	87	DO concrete	—	6	—		
"	88	DO sand bag	—	4	New		
"	89	"	—	4	"		
J18c	90	DO cupola	—	8	incomplete		
"	91	2 DO's concrete	—	20	—		Large Dugouts
"	92	3 DO's cupola	—	6	—		
"	93	2 DO's cupola	—	20	—		
J11d	94	2 DO's cupola	—	20	—		

I 11d	95	3 D.O. cupolas	—	20	—	
I 17b	96	2 D.O. cupola	—	24	Bad repair	About a dozen small cupolas
I 12c	97	3 D.O.s	—	5	—	
I 17b	98	D.O. deep	—	80	—	Birr X Roads System
I 11d	99	D.O. cupola	—	2	—	
"	100	"	—	8	—	
J 3 b	101	"		4	Fair, Wet	Concrete 1" thick on elephant iron damaged
D 27a	102	"		4	" "	" " " " " "
J 4c	103	Buildings Proof with cellars				Unapproachable owing to shell fire
"	104	2 Concrete Dug Outs			Fair	
J 4 b	105	Concrete Dug Outs	12' x 12'			Badly damaged
J 4d	106	Trench	300 Yards		Fair	No revattment
J 4b	107	Common Trench	100 Yards		Poor	
"	108	Cupola Dug Out	12' x 10' x 5' 6"	8	Fair	Side away from enemy smashed
"	109	"	"	8	Good	Semi underground Not very strong
"	110	Concrete Dug Out	20' x 7'	16	Good	Doorway & window to enemy
"	111	"	12' x 12' x 12'	24	Good	
"	112	"	10' x 12'	8	Good	
"	113	"	"	"	"	
"	114	"	5' x 5'	4	Good	
"	115	"	8' x 8' 6' x 5'	8	Good	
"	116	Block House	10' x 12'	8	Poor	Needs cleaning
"	117	Concrete Dug Out	10' x 12'	8	Good	
J 5a	118	Block House	20' x 6'	10	Fair	Wet.
"	119	"	15' x 3'	4	Fair	
"	120	Trench	6' deep 150 Yds.		Fair	
"	121	Block House	10' x 10'	6	Fair	
"	122	Concrete Dug Out	8' x 12'	10	Good	
"	123	"	15' x 8'	12	Good	
D 29c	124	"	12' x 8' 5"	8	Good	
"	125	Trench	100 Yds.		Poor	
J 4b	126	Concrete Dug Out	8' x 6'	4	Good	Roof only 2' concrete
J 4a	127	"	12' x 8'	6	Bad	Unsafe
"	128	"	12' 6" x 8'	10	Good	
D 28d	129	"		6	Fair	
"	130	Log House		6	Poor	Log wall facing enemy & Log roof ^{Concrete sides}
"	131	Concrete Dug Out		12	Fair	2 doors facing Line
"	132	"		8	Good	1 " " " "
"	133	"		3	Fair, Wet	1 " " " "
D 29c	134	"		8	Good	
"	135	"		8	Good	One door to enemy
"	136	Log House		6	Fair	
"	137	Concrete Dug Out		6	Good	Under direct enemy observation
"	138	"		12	Snd, Wet	2 Doors to enemy
"	139	"		12	Good	
"	140	"		7	Good	
"	141	"		5	Good	Under direct enemy observation
"	142	"		6	Good	
"	143	Trench with 2 small doors		6	Good	Splinter Proof

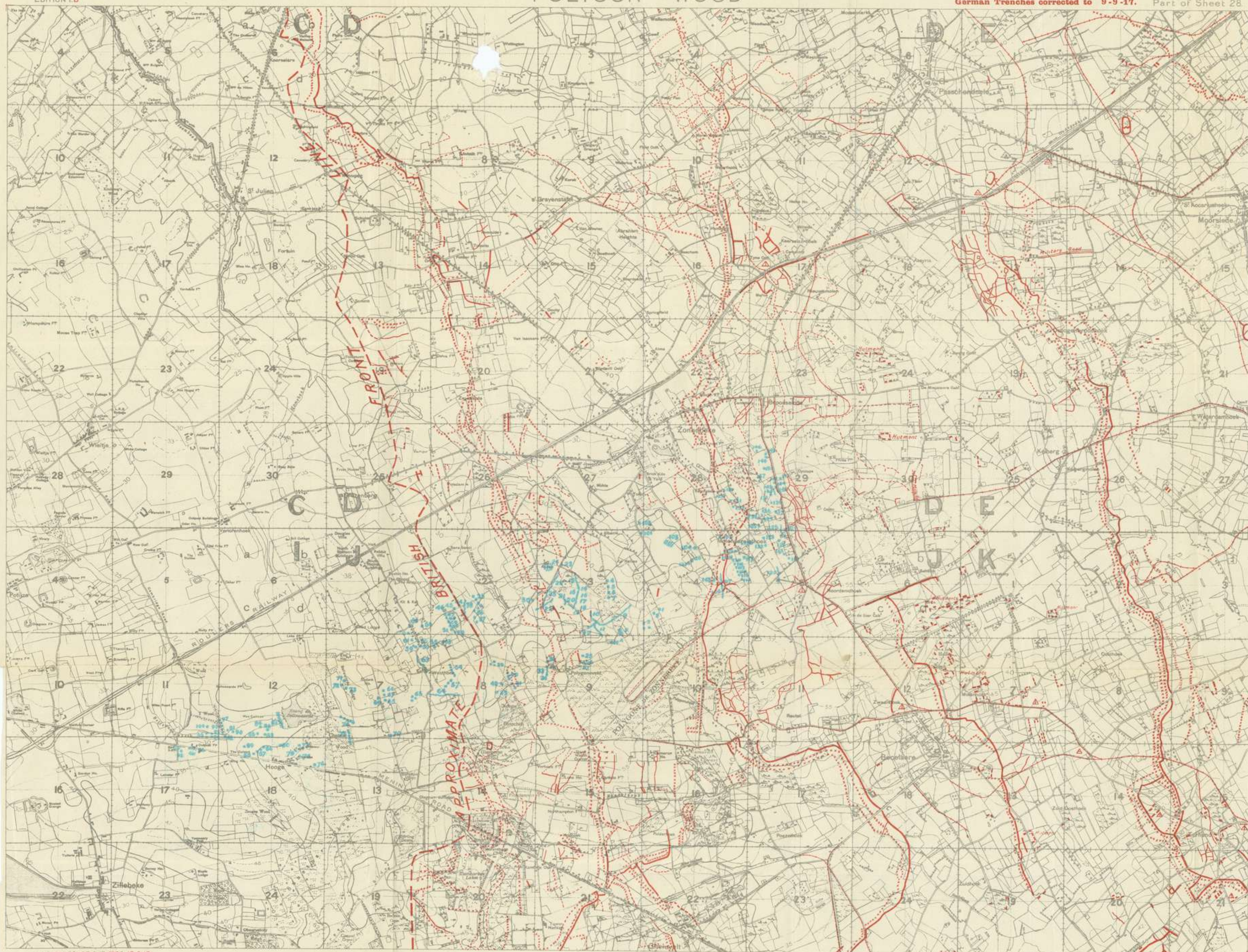
"	144	Concrete Dug Out		6	Good	
"	145			6	Good	
D29a	146			6	Good	1 door facing enemy
D29c	147			5	Good Very Wet	Entrance blocked up.
D29d	148			5	Good	
"	149			4	Good	
"	150			6		
J.3.a	151	Partly Concrete	12x6x6	8	Fair	Eastern side open.
D27.b	152	Brick Kiln.	12x8x6 12x16x6 12x28x6		Bad.	Falling away inside.
D.20.b	153	Concrete Shelters	8'x8'x5'6" 4'6"x6'x6'	4	Fair	Doors face East.
"	154	"	4'x8'x6' (3) 6'x6'x5'	10	Good	Doors face East.
"	155	"	"	8	Fair	" " "
"	156	"	(4) 6'x6'x6'	8	"	" " "
D28.a	157	"	7x8x7		"	Door faces N.W.
D28.b	158	Concrete Blackhouse	11'x6x5	4		
"	159	"	2 rooms 7'x9'6"x5'	16	Fair.	Doors facing East.
D.29.a	160	Concrete Dugout.			Good	Doorway facing East in Crater.
"	161	"			"	
D22.d	162	Concrete Blackhouse	3 rooms 4x7x6	4	"	Doors facing East.
D28.h	163	"	3 rooms	4	Fair	
"	164	Concrete old farmhouse		4	Good	
"	165	Concrete Blackhouse		4	Fair	
D.29.a	166	"	3 rooms 6'x6'x5'	6	"	Doors facing East.
D28.b	167	Deep Dugout			"	Door facing South.
D29.a	168	Hole	15'x20'		Bad	Timbered dugouts started.

E.A.V.

EDITION I B

POLYGON WOOD

German Trenches corrected to 9-9-17. Part of Sheet 28.



F.S.Co. 1003-22-44 1064 12 9-17

Tards 1000 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 900 Yards Scale 1:20,000

ISSUED WITH APPENDIX B
DEFENCE SCHEME.

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APPENDIX 'C'

Communication on the Divisional front is being maintained by the following methods:-

- (a) Telegraph and telephone.
- (b) Visual.
- (c) Amplifier and Power Buzzer.
- (d) Wireless.
- (e) Runners and despatch riders.
- (f) Pigeons.

TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE. Telegraph by Fullerphones and telephone communication is by buried cable to Support Brigade Headquarters at HALFWAY HOUSE and to Line Brigade Headquarters at J.1.d.7.2 thence on to cable-head at J.3.d.3.8 which is manned as an Advanced Divisional Signal Station. A cable route is now being buried from J.3.d.3.8 via REPALIATION FARM to D.29.c.6.6. From Cable-head, fullerphones are worked over a laddered line maintained forward as far as J.4.b.9.9 which is manned as a Brigade Forward Station. To this station battalions in line are connected by metallic telephone lines.

VISUAL. A visual station is manned by the Brigade in line at J.4.b.9.9 which is in touch with battalions. Messages are transmitted to Divisional Visual Station at J.3.d.3.8 and thence to Brigade Headquarters at J.1.d.7.2.

WIRELESS. Wireless stations are situated at line brigade headquarters at J.1.d.7.2 and Support Brigade Headquarters at HALFWAY HOUSE. These stations are in touch with Corps directing station at RAMPARTS from which station messages are delivered to Divisional Headquarters.

AMPLIFIER AND POWER BUZZER. A forward station is located at J.4.b.9.9 from which messages are sent to Power Buzzer Station at Cable-head J.3.d.3.8 and thence either over buried cable or to Power Buzzer Station at line brigade headquarters. Power Buzzer and Amplifier Stations are located at the following places at which messages are accepted for transmission:-

- J.3.d.3.8.
- J.2.d.9.8
- J.1.d.7.2

DESPATCHES. Despatches leave Divisional Headquarters by motor cyclist who delivers to first relay post at BIRR CROSS ROADS. Thence messages are conveyed by relays of runners to the Brigade Headquarters and thence by runners to front line. Relay posts are situated at following locations:-

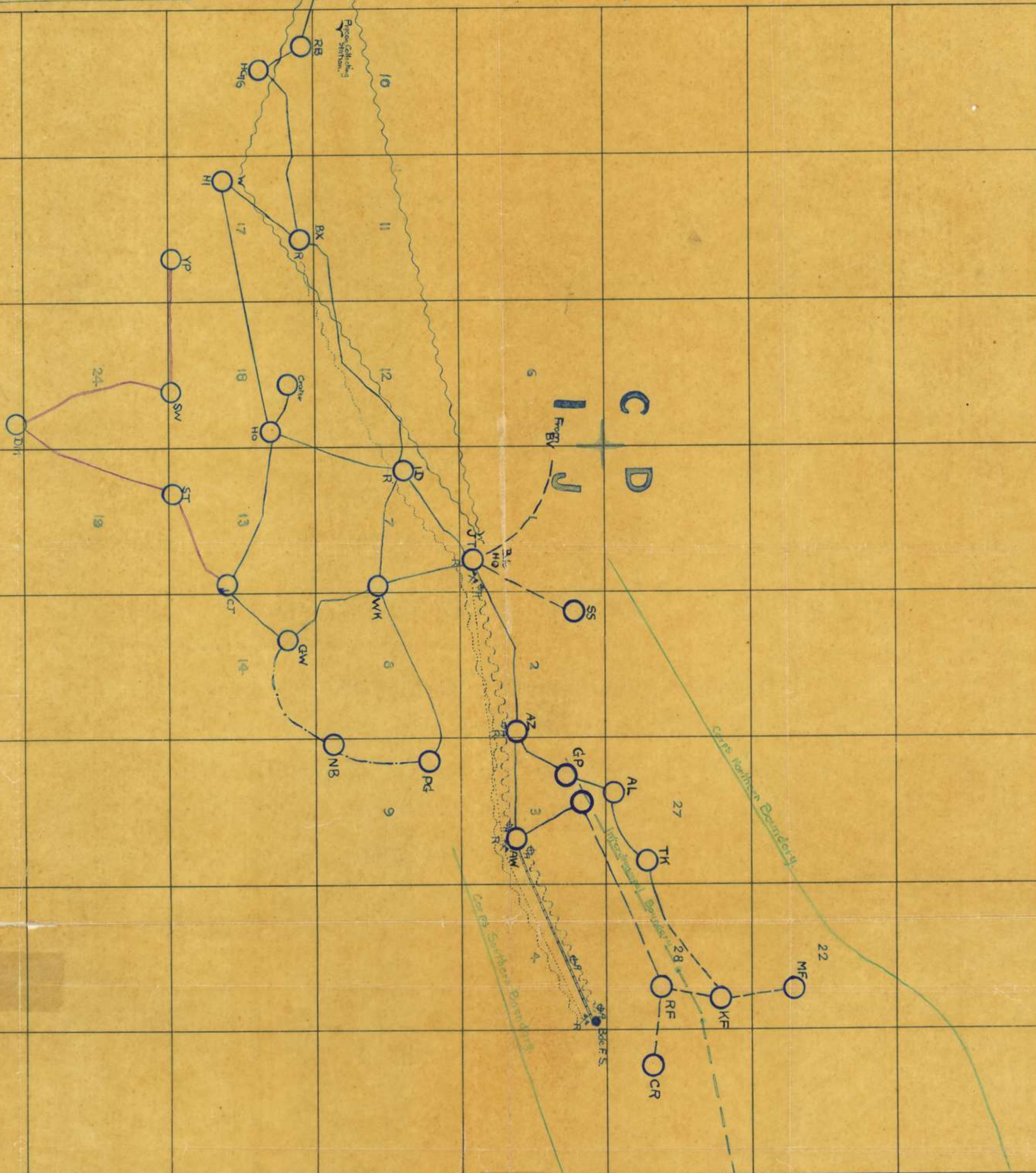
- BIRR CROSS ROADS
- ID J.7.a.3.2
- Bde H.Q. J.1.d.7.2
- AZ J.2.d.9.8
- Cable-head J.3.d.3.8
- Bde Forward Stn. J.4.b.9.9

PIGEONS. Pigeons are sent forward from the Lofts daily at 6 a.m. to a Collecting Station at I.10.c.3.3. From this Station the pigeons are collected by Brigade pigeoners and taken to Brigade Headquarters and distributed throughout the area.



ROUTE DIAGRAM
 OF
 COMMUNICATIONS
 5TH AUST DIVN.

Identification Trace for use with Artillery Maps.



NOTE.—(1). These traces are intended to facilitate the communication of information as to the position of targets, which have been located on a squared map.
 (2). The squares on this trace are 500 yards in length on the 1/10,000 scale, 1,000 yards in length on the 1/20,000 scale, and 2,000 yards in length on the 1/40,000 scale.
 (3). The squares on the trace are fitted to the squares of the map showing the targets, which are then drawn on the trace. Sufficient letters and numbers must also be added to enable the recipient to place the trace in the correct position on his own map. A little detail may also be traced, but this is not essential. The name and scale of the map to which the trace refers must be always given. The trace can be used for the 1/10,000, 1/20,000, or 1/40,000 scale.

Tracing taken from Sheet Part of 28
 of the 1:20000 map of Polygon Wood
 Signature _____ Date 11.10.17.

APPENDIX "D"LOCATION OF DUMPS, Etc.

Received at Main Divisional Dump, H.25.d.l.O, on application by wire to Corps. "K" Ammunition Park to deliver.

Main Divisional Dump, under charge of D.B.O., sends forward to Advanced Divisional Dump at WESTHOEK, either by pack or wheel, stocks according to requirements.

Staff Captains of Forward Brigades advise their requirements to Advanced Bomb Dump, who orders up by telephone from Main dump.

When pack transport is required to go beyond WESTHOEK, arrangements are made with Advanced Divisional Dump Officer for guides to be provided from Brigades requiring ammunition. It is then guided forward. If more than one mule train (80 mules) is required, the train on return reloads at WESTHOEK. WESTHOEK is kept filled by wagons.

All wheeled and pack transport for the supply of ammunition is supplied from the D.A.C. attached to the Division.

No responsibility is placed on the D.A.C. for the nature of ammunition supplied or for quantities on hand.

Division "Q" and the Divisional Bomb Officer are the responsible parties.

APPENDIX "E"

LOCATIONS OF ECHELONS, HEADQUARTERS, Etc.

Divisional Headquarters

"G" Branch	RAMPARTS I.14.b.1.5
Adv. "A" & "Q" Branch	RAMPARTS I.14.b.1.5
Rear "A" & "Q" Branch	WALKER CAMP H.27.b.7.7
C.R.A.	RAMPARTS I.14.b.1.5
C.R.E.	RAMPARTS I.14.b.1.5
A.D.M.S.	RAMPARTS I.14.b.1.5
D.A.D.V.S.	WALKER CAMP H.27.b.7.7
Claims Officer	WALKER CAMP H.27.b.7.7
Liaison Officer	WALKER CAMP H.27.b.7.7
D.A.D.O.S.	G.15.c.2.4
Divisional Paymaster	WALKER CAMP H.27.b.7.7
Sanitary Section	STEENVOORDE
Mobile Veterinary Section	H.27.b.7.7
French and Belgian Missions	WALKER CAMP H.27.b.7.7

HEADQUARTERS.

Artillery	"B" Group	I.17.c.3.7
	"A" Group	I.17.c.3.7
	5th D.A.C.	I.19.b.3.6
Infantry	Forward Brigade	J.1.d.3.2
	Support Brigade	I.17.c.7.7
	Reserve Brigade	G.30.a.7.3
Engineers	8th Field Company	I.12.a.5.2
	14th Field Company	G.24.c.5.4
	15th Field Company	I.8.c.4.3
Pioneers	5th Pioneer Bn.	H.21.b.3.9
A.A.M.C.	8th Field Amb.	L.23.a.4.3
	14th Field Amb.	H.27.c.2.8
	15th Field Amb.	I.19.c.6.6
A.A.S.C.	H.Q. Div. Train	WALKER CAMP H.27.b.7.7
	S.S.O.	WALKER CAMP H.27.b.7.7
	10th A.A.S.C.	H.32.central
	18th A.A.S.C.	L.29.central
	28th A.A.S.C.	G.32.a.9.4
	29th A.A.S.C.	G.26.a.8.5

TRANSPORT LINES.

Forward Brigade	H.29.b.3.7
Support Brigade	H.22.b.5.2
Reserve Brigade	G.30.a.7.3
Engineers : 8th Field Company	H.19.a.4.0
14th Field Company	H.23.b.1.6
15th Field Company	H.17.d.2.0
A.A.M.C. 8th Field Ambulance	L.23.a.4.3
14th Field Ambulance	H.27.c.2.8
15th Field Ambulance	I.19.c.6.6
Pioneers 5th Pioneer Battalion	H.21.b.3.9

WAGON LINES.

"B" Group	I.14.d.1.8
"A" Group	H.20.a.2.0
5th D.A.C.	I.19.a.central

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SECRET.

Headquarters,
5th Australian Division,
13th October, 1917.

5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR EVACUATION OF WOUNDED AND SICK FROM
5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION SECTOR (FRONT FROM J.5.b.6.3. to
D.29.b.2.6. APPROXIMATELY).

Map reference Sheet 28, 1/40,000.
Sheet 27, 1/40,000.

- R.A.P's. Right Forward. J.4.b.7.5.
- Left Forward. D.28.d.6.7.
- Reserve R.A.P. J.8.b.8.6. & J.8.b.2.6.
- RELAY POSTS. Right. J.4.a.
J.3.b.3.2. (Also an R.A.P.)
- Left. J.3.b.5.4. (HELLES)
- COLLECTING POSTS. J.3.c.1.8. (IDEAL POST OR CARLISLE POST)
J.2.d.1.2. (TUNNELS)
J.7.b.8.7. (VESTHOEK POST)
J.7.a.3.2. (BELLEWARDE POST)
- ADVANCED WAGGON LOADING POST. I.12.c.6.7. (SI ON'S POST).
- WAGON LOADING POST. I.17.b.3.8. (BIRR CROSS ROADS)
- ADVANCED DRESSING STN. I.9.c.6.6.
- RESERVE BEARER POST. I.7.d.2.1. (ESPLANADE DUGOUTS)
- CORPS MAIN DRESSING STN. AND GAS CENTRE. H.27.c.2.8.
- CASUALTY CLEARING STN. GROUP. RENEY SIDING, L.23.a.3.4.
- 5th AUST. DIVISIONAL REST STATION. RENEY SIDING, L.23.a.4.3.

SCHEME OF EVACUATION.

Cases are cleared from the battle field to R.A.P's by Regimental Stretcher Bearers; from R.A.P's by relays of Field Ambulance bearers to BIRR X ROADS; thence lying cases by Divisional Ambulance Cars to ADVANCED DRESSING STATION for lying wounded, I.9.c.6.6. and walking cases by motor bus or motor lorry to ADVANCED DRESSING STATION for walking cases I.9.c.6.6.

C.O. 15th Australian Field Ambulance will make all possible use of light railways as they become available for evacuation of cases to ADVANCED DRESSING STATION.

From ADVANCED DRESSING STATION cases are despatched by M.A.C. Cars or motor lorry to YPRES for conveyance to CASUALTY CLEARING STATION, Group at RENEY SIDING by broad gauge train, or if no trains available direct to Casualty Clearing Station group at RENEY SIDING.

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A Field Ambulance Medical Officer is stationed at each of the following forward posts

J.4.b.7.5. D.28.d.6.7. J.2.d.1.2. J.7.a.3.2.
I.17.b.3.8.

Headquarters of 15th Australian Field Ambulance is at ADVANCED DRESSING STATION for walking wounded, I.9.c.6.6

In the event of an advance, R.A.P's will be established further forward by R.M.O's, and Field Ambulance Medical Officers will be stationed at J.4.b.9.1. and D.28.d.6.7.

C.O. 15th Australian Field Ambulance has at ADVANCED DRESSING STATION, I.9.c.6.6. a number of guides. These guides will be supplied on demand to R.M.O's going forward, and are to be used as a means of establishing communication between R.M.O's and the nearest Field Ambulance Post.

A stock of stretchers, blankets, medical and surgical requisites and medical comforts is maintained at all R.A.P's and Field Ambulance Posts. A large reserve stock is held at CORPS MAIN DRESSING STATION.

LOCATION OF MEDICAL UNITS.

8th Aust. Field Ambulance. Tent Division and Transport at L.23.a.4.3. REMY SIDING. Bearer Division attached 15th Aust. Field Ambulance.

14th Aust. Field Ambulance. One tent sub-division and H.Q. and transport at CORPS MAIN DRESSING STATION, H.27.c.2.9. One tent sub-division at No. 3 Canadian Casualty Clearing Station, REMY SIDING. One tent sub-division at No. 17 Casualty Clearing Station, REMY SIDING. Bearer Division attached 15th Aust. Field Ambulance.

15th Australian Field Ambulance. Tent Division and H.Q. at ADVANCED DRESSING STATION, I.9.c.6.6. Bearer Division, also Bearer Divisions of 8th & 14th Aust. Field Ambulances at ADVANCED DRESSING STATION and forward. Transport at CHATEAU HENDRIQUES, H.29.a.5.9.

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A.D.M.S. 5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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| 1. 8th Aust. Field Ambulance. | 33. D.M.S. 2nd Army. |
| 2. 14th " " " | 34. D.D.M.S. 1 ANZAC. |
| 3. 15th " " " | 35. A.D.M.S. 1st Australian Divn. |
| 4. Headquarters "G" | 36. " 2nd " " |
| 5/27. " "A&Q" | 37. " 4th " " |
| 28. 8th Aust. Inf. Brigade. | 38. " 21st Division. |
| 29. 14th " " " | 39/41. War Diary. |
| 30. 15th " " " | 42. File. |
| 31. C.R.E. | |
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APPENDIX "G".

SUPPLY ARRANGEMENTS.

- 1. DICKEBUSCH is the Railhead for the Division.
- 2. Supplies are drawn from Railhead by means of an improvised column consisting of second line (Train) transport and taken to Brigade Supply Dumps. From these Dumps supplies are issued to units and are taken to Quartermasters' stores, second line transport again being used.
- 3. At 11 a.m. daily, supplies (for consumption on the following day), tied up in special waterproof bags, are loaded on to pack animals and despatched to places selected by Battalions, which are as under :-

Brigade in line	H.3.d.2.9 $\frac{1}{2}$,	Sheet 28.
Brigade in support (Two Battalions).	J.1.d.6.2,	Sheet 28.

From this point supplies are manhandled forward to front line under Battalion arrangements.

- 4. Supplies for Divisional Troops, for the Brigade in reserve and for two Battalions of the Brigade in support, are taken from Quartermasters' stores to units on wheels, (first line transport).
- 5. Water - For the forward Brigade and two Battalions of the support Brigade, petrol tins are filled with water at the Quartermasters' stores, loaded on pack mules and despatched in the same convoy as the supplies.