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Summary of Events and Information.

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No 2 Post, ANZAC
Gallipoli
1 September 1915

Nothing unusual to report. Turks observed digging in various
direction.
Information of doubtful reliability states that the Enemy intend
to make a general attack all along the line on or before the
5 September. Movements in relief proceeding smoothly. Colonel
Braithwaite, G.S.O. took over command of the 1st Inf Bde at 10.30 a.m.

W.H. King G.S.

2 September 1915.
No 2 Post, ANZAC
Gallipoli.

Brigadier General F.E. Johnston, NZ Inf Bde, relieved Colonel
Braithwaite, G.S.O. NZCA Div assumed (temp) command of
the NZ Inf Bde.
Nothing unusual to report.
A Mountain Gun emplaced for the purpose in the A.P.E. Fortification
on Redoubt's Spur demolished in ground. The Enemy
bombproof on the PINNACLE (vide 17+18 August p107) - Range about
150 yds - no casualties to gun crew.
The NZMR Bde moved during the night to CHESHIRE RIDGE. No shelling from.

W.H. King G.S.

3 September 1915
No 2 Post ANZAC
Gallipoli.

The 4th 1st A.L. Horse Bde moved from MONASH Gully to its new Area.
Brigadier General HOLMES, 5th Aust Inf Bde assumed command
of his 3rd Section. Some troops & in gun section remain behind
but there will be withdrawal shortly.
Last night the 29 Inf Bde (less 2 Batt) moved to Reserve Position
on the W. Slopes of BANCROFT HILL.

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Saturday 4 September 1915. No 2 Post, ANZAC Gallipoli.	Divisional Order No 22 d/3 Sept issued. Nothing unusual during the day - work continued in trenches were put out etc. During night 2/3 Sept enemy somewhat more active than usual, especially opposite the 4th Bn. Eight new machine guns have recently been received & have been distributed to Regiments. Great difficulty is being experienced in getting gun. About 50 are necessary to place the Division on satisfactory basis and 20 are necessary to complete 4th Bn's complement.	Appendix 91 - 2/3 Sept 1915. W.M. May 91.
Sunday, 5 September 1915 No 2 Post, ANZAC Gallipoli.	Satisfactory progress being made with defence work. A certain amount of shelling on RHODODENDRON SPUR. One gun demolishes an observation post on BATTLESHIP HILL & puts a stop to Turkish work, parties during the day.	W.M. May 92.
Monday, 6 September 1915. No 2 Post ANZAC Gallipoli.	Are unusually quiet day - nothing to report beyond a little shelling. Report on Operations of the Division 6 July - 5 August 1915 forwarded to A. Cap. Headquarters.	Appendix 92 - Report on Operations. W.M. May 92.

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Hour, Date, Place.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices.
Tuesday 7 September 1915 No 2 Post ANZAC Gallipoli	A covered cart road between ANZAC & No 2 Post along the beach has been under construction for some time. This is necessary on account of Rifle & Machine Gun fire from SNIPERS RIDGE. A Mountain Gun fired at the enemy blockhouse known as the Pinnacle (opposite the APEX) - as no command shell was available little damage was done. Enemy working parties were fired on with effect during the night.	W.M. Mayo GS.
Wednesday 8 September 1915 No 2 Post ANZAC Gallipoli.	Enemy extremely quiet all along the line. Patrols sent out from the left of the 4th Post kept up the AGHYL DERE but met no Turks. They heard the sounds of digging & the driving of posts about the Farm. Artillery engaged various targets including the communication trench (Turk) on KATIAK AGHYL. Men of the Division sent to the 5th Division to help them to settle with their new stations, are being returned at the rate of 200 a night. A similar number of 5th Div men is being sent back in exchange. - Special Order of 7 Sept 1915 issued.	Appendix 93 W.M. Mayo GS.

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Thursday 9 th September 15 No 2 Post, ANZAC Gallipoli.	<p>Lieut Colonel M. G. Braithwaite (F.S.O.) relinquished the temporary command of the No 2 Infantry Brigade on the return of Brigadier General Johnston from sick leave and returned to No 4 D.</p> <p>Considerable activity shown by enemy snipers from SNIPERS RIDGE, slopes of CHANAK BAY.</p> <p>The APEX was shelled as usual during the day very heavily about 4 p.m.</p> <p>Divisional Order No 23 issued</p>	<p>Appendix 94 D/O No 23.</p> <p>W. H. M. G.</p>
Friday 10 September 1915 No 2 Post ANZAC Gallipoli.	<p>Considerable shelling during the day: sharpshooters active.</p> <p>Men of the 54 Division lent to us in exchange for our men, being gradually returned. Arrangements made with the 54 Div. to take 4 parties of 1 officer & some men each to instruct in trench warfare.</p> <p>Two Battalions 7th Australian Infantry Brigade arrived during the night & were attached to the Division.</p>	<p>W. H. M. G.</p>
Saturday, 11 September 1915. No 2 Post, Anzac Gallipoli.	<p>Nothing unusual to report.</p> <p>The H. Q. & two Battalions, 7th Aust Inf Bde arrived during the night & were attached to the Division.</p>	<p>W. H. M. G.</p>

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Hour, Date, Place.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices.
Sunday 12 September 1915 No 2 Post Anzac, Gallipoli	Major W. H. Pinning G.S.O(2) proceeded to join the N 2 Inf Bde temporarily as Staff Officer. War diary continued by Capt. W. H. Hastings, G.S.O(3). 7 th A.I. Bde began, gradually, taking over the trenches from the N. 2. Infy Bde, Mtd Rifle Bde and 4 th A.I. Bde. Hill 60 was bombarded from 6 pm. to 6.30 pm. to destroy the entanglements. a certain amount of damage was done.	
Mon. 13 th September 1915 No 2 Post, ANZAC	a quiet day - our mortar platoon dropped bombs in square 48 J. In the evening N. 2. Mtd Rifle Bde and 4 th A.I. Bde proceeded to MUDROS. No 1 Post and CAMELS HUMP are now connected by a continuous trench 2 Sec. Aust. Engineers arrived here with 1 st Coy N.Z.E. & 7 th Aust F. Ambt taking place of 9 th Aust F. Ambt Turks bombarded in the Gully 106-N. 5/6 were fired on by the Heavy Battery The Tunnel in Sq. 106-T. 7 was engaged, and 3 rounds bursting on the roof, much smoke was seen to issue. The fire trench on Lower CHESHIRE Ridge is being extended to meet that on the upper CHESHIRE Ridge. In the evening N. 2. Infy Bde proceeded to MUDROS, having handed over to Colonel J. BURSTON M.D. and 7 th A.I. Bde.	HM Capt G.S.
TUES. 14 th Sept. 1915 No 2 Post, ANZAC	The track to the post (TOLMAN) on W. end of RHODODENDRON spur is reported finished a new advanced fire trench is being completed on upper CHESHIRE Ridge Mortar engaged the tunnelled guns several times during the day. Reinforcement have been received by 7 th Indian Mtn Art. Bde, which now brings the Battery up to full strength.	HM Capt G.S.
WED. 15 th Sept. 1915 No 2 Post, ANZAC		HM Capt G.S.

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Hour, Date, Place.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices.
THURS. 16 th SEPT. 1915 No 2 Post, ANZAC.	Communication between No 1 Post & DESTROYER HILL is now possible by day. 1 st & 2 nd Aust. Divisions made a demonstration, during which their own trenches on CHESHIRE Ridge & RHODODENDRON spur were subjected to heavy rifle fire. The artillery carried out some effective shooting on working parties. HMS "M19" destroyed the Turkish tunnelled emplacement ON ABDEL RAHMAN BAK 93 R. 4	AM Capt G.S.
FRI. 17 th SEPT. 1915 No 2 Post, ANZAC.	The road party in N. branch of SAZLI BEIT DERE has been doing excellent work, on the communications. The enemy's retreat was at the PINNACLE was engaged by 1 st (13 th) Battery - results very effective.	AM Capt G.S.
SAT. 18 th SEPT 1915 No 2 Post, ANZAC	Lt Col. W. G. BRAITHWAITE G.S.O. placed on sick list. Turks started a fire demonstration about 5 pm, which lasted $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. mostly rifle & machine gun fire, interspersed at intervals by rifle fired by enemy. No movement was reported. A few shells burst on the APEX and RHODODENDRON spur - there was no reply from our trenches. During the demonstration the action of the artillery was mostly confined to firing at the enemy's trenches to keep down his rifle fire and prevent his learning them. Arranged with 1 st & 2 nd Aust. Divs for 3 parties of 7 officers of 7 th A.I.B. to visit their trenches	AM Capt G.S.
SUN. 19 th SEPT 1915 No 2 Post, ANZAC	a quiet day. The G.O.C. Major Gen. A. I. GODLEY proceeded to MUDROS on inspection duty. Seen from RHODODENDRON spur the NEK has been much knocked about by our gun fire & much debris is scattered about. A new trench reported on BATTLESHIP HILL running about 80 Yds - R. 7 Army Corps Order No 18 issued, re-arranging the Section and re-organizing	AM Capt G.S.

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N.Z. & A. Dim

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	the boundaries: the section held by N.Z. & A. Dim is now No III Section Divisional order No 24 issued	Appendix 95 Gm. Staff
Mon. 20 th SEPT 1915 No 2 Post, ANZAC. Gallipoli	a special party has been detailed to deal with snipers on CHESHIRE Ridge and the APEX. at 3.40pm an 18 pr shell travelling at a very low velocity and with a steep angle of descent fell on RHODOBENDRON spur from East. It is now evident that the enemy have 18 pr as none of ours were firing at this time. Artillery expended their allowance on various targets - targets which presented themselves during the day, and in the evening the balance of the allowance was fired at the enemy's trenches. Major W. R. PINWILL GSO2, returned at night from MUDROS, having been recalled	
Tuesday 21 September 1915 OTAGO GULLY, ANZAC Gallipoli	Nothing unusual to report. A few high explosive bombs were thrown in to the APEX perimeter. Our guns opened on the PINNACLE trench and the bombing ceased. Improvement of fire and communication trenches continued during the day + night. During the afternoon Divisional Headquarters moved to dugouts which had been prepared in OTAGO GULLY Considerable activity by the artillery both Turk + ours during the evening.	4th Capt G.S. MMP Major G. Staff

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Hour, Date, Place.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices.
Wednesday 22 Sept 1915 OTAGO GULLY, ANZAC.	Exceptionally quiet during the day. Slight increase in bombing at the APEX. Guns fired as usual during day at hostile guns and trenches.	WMP Magin
Thursday 23 Sept 1915. OTAGO GULLY, ANZAC	Some high explosive rocket bombs fell in the APEX position. Improvement of trenches & communication carried on. A Trench Mortar was placed in position by the 3 A.L. Horse Bde for use in the SALLI BEITDERE where the scrub is very thick and enemy patrols have been somewhat active lately. Enemy shelling of trenches and bivouacs rather more severe than usual.	WMP Magin
Friday, 24 Sept 1915. OTAGO GULLY, ANZAC.	Nothing unusual during the day. During the evening a demonstration by the 1st & 2nd Aust Division drew considerable fire along the line. The 3 A.L. H. Bde cooperated. A considerable volume of fire, particularly from machine guns was drawn from BATTLESHIP HILL and CHUMOR BARR. Enemy trenches appeared to be fully manned within a few minutes of our fire opening. During the day two Vickers M. Guns were specially emplaced on M2 Post for anti aircraft defence (vide Appendix 96).	Appendix 96 Order issued to officers re anti aircraft Machine Guns. WMP Magin

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Hour, Date, Place.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices.
Saturday, 25 September 1915. OTAGO GULLY, ANZAC.	The 17 th Siege Battery arrived and A quiet day - nothing unusual to report.	WMPHug 9
Sunday, 26 September 1915 OTAGO GULLY, ANZAC.	The 17 th Siege Battery arrived - 4 6" Howitzers were placed in position behind the W Slopes of BAUCHOP HILL. Positions were selected for two 4" guns on the beach N. of this hill. These guns are expected to arrive shortly. A quiet day - nothing unusual to report.	WMPHug 9
Monday, 27 Sept 1915. OTAGO GULLY, ANZAC.	Army Corps Order No 19 received. Usual work proceeding in trenches. Apex position somewhat severely shelled during the morning and evening. Consequently preparations were made to meet an attack: Howitzers and other guns were laid on the Pinnacle and neighbouring enemy trenches. Our shells during the day did considerable damage to hostile trenches. This was to some extent repaired during the night.	Appendix 97 WMPHug 6

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Hour, Date, Place.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices.
Tuesday, 28 Sept, 1915 OTAGO GULLY, ANZAC.	Nothing unusual unusual till 4.30 pm when several small bombs landed in the APEX positions. These were reported to emit a gas which caused the eyes to smart badly. Orders were issued for respirators to be at once taken into use. Enemy's patrolling in the vicinity of the FARM more active than usual. Orders were given for patrolling to be carried out more vigorously.	
Wednesday, 29 Sept, 1915 OTAGO GULLY, ANZAC Gallipoli.	Army Corps Order No 20 received. The G.O.C. Division inspected the trenches and bivouacs of the 7th Australian Infantry Brigade. Great improvements were noticed but certain points still require attention (vide Appendix 99). Nothing unusual during the day. At dusk our warships one cruiser and one destroyer put in some very good shooting at enemy trenches below CHURCH BARR.	Appendix 98 Army Corps Order No 20. Appendix 99
Thursday 30 Sept 1915 OTAGO GULLY, ANZAC Gallipoli.	A map showing disposition of Guns at the disposal of the G.O.C. is attached as an Appendix (100.) The two 4" Guns in S9 91 O/P are not yet mounted. Some shelling of the Apex during the morning + afternoon. Otherwise quiet. Strong hostile working party digging near the FARM after dark.	Appendix 100 - location of Guns. WMP map 9.

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N. R. P. Smith

Major,

General Staff,

N. Z. & Aust. Division.

Headquarters,

N.Z. & Aust. Division,
1st October, 1915.

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DIVISIONAL ORDER No. 22

Reference Map Sheet
KOJA DERE 1:20,000.

No. 2 Post, ANZAC.
 GALLIPOLI.
 3rd September 1915.

1. In order to place the defence of the front allotted to the N.Z. & A. Division (and attached Troops) on a satisfactory footing, the following instructions are issued.

In carrying out these instructions, Brigadiers will work in close co-operation with one another particularly as regards the points where Brigade Areas join.

2. Defensive works will be constructed in two Lines as follows

OUTER LINE : NORTH SPUR of HAPPY VALLEY - No. 1 POST -
 CAMEL'S HUMP - DESTROYER HILL (East end) - RHODODENDRON
 SPUR - APEX - CHESHIRE RIDGE - Bed of AGHYL DERE
 (Exclusive) where connection will be made with 54th
 Division.

INNER LINE : North Spur of HAPPY VALLEY - No. 1 POST -
 West end of DESTROYER HILL - TABLE TOP - CHAILAK DERE -
 Ring Contour West of LITTLE TABLE TOP - AGHYL DERE
 (South Fork) exclusive, where connection will be made
 with 54th Division.

3.
Construction
of
Defence Works

The various portions of the Defensive Line will be constructed under the orders of Brigadiers as follows :-
1st Light Horse Brigade

OUTER LINE :
 Trench across MALONE GULLY connecting North Spur of HAPPY VALLEY to No. 1 Post : wire entanglement in front.

Trench from CAMEL'S HUMP to DESTROYER HILL (East end) :
 wire entanglement in front.

INNER LINE : Trench from North Spur of HAPPY VALLEY to
 No. 1 Post.

Trench from No. 1 Post to West end of CAMEL'S HUMP.

Trench from West end of CAMEL'S HUMP to West end of
 DESTROYER HILL.

3rd Light Horse Brigade.

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OUTER LINE : Line of Posts with lengths of Trench Work from DESTROYER HILL to the back Machine Gun position on RHODODENDRON SPUR (80 J. 5)

Trench Work along the Spur overlooking the SAZLI BEIT DERE.

INNER LINE : Trench from West end of DESTROYER HILL up the Southern slopes of BIG TABLE TOP AND across the summit.

New Zealand Infantry Brigade.

OUTER LINE : Trench work round the APEX. Strengthening of RHODODENDRON SPUR Position by several lines of Trench Work. Communication Trenches to the Valleys East and South East of BIG TABLE TOP.

Trench work from the APEX to CHESHIRE RIDGE.

INNER LINE : Trench from the Summit of BIG TABLE TOP to the bed of the CHAILAK DERE (inclusive).

N.Z. Mounted Rifles Brigade.

OUTER LINE : Trench work along CHESHIRE RIDGE.

INNER LINE : Trench from bed of the CHAILAK DERE (exclusive to Ring Contour (exclusive) West of LITTLE TABLE TOP.

4th Australian Infantry Brigade

OUTER LINE : Trench work on CHESHIRE RIDGE (lower portion) - two lines of trenches being constructed where the ground admits of this.

INNER LINE : Trench from the Ring Contour (inclusive) West of LITTLE TABLE TOP to the bed of the AGHLY DERE (South Fork) exclusive.

4.
Outposts.

Where the distance between our lines and those of the enemy admits of it, regular Outposts will be posted at night. Where there is insufficient distance, "Listening Posts" will be established, entrenched either in or beyond the wire entanglement.

5.
Patrols

Patrols are to be sent out frequently during the night : These are to be encouraged in every way, and should always be accompanied by one or more specially selected scouts.

6. Particular care is to be taken by Brigadiers responsible for the SAZLI BEIT DERE and CHAILAK DERE to guard against a sudden advance in force down these Valleys. This applies to the Inner Line as well as to the Outer Line. Obstacles are to be kept ready to draw across in case of necessity.

(Sgd) W.R. Binwill Major,

Major General Staff,

N.Z. & A. Division.

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No. 2 Post, ANZAC.
10th September 1915.

Ref. Map
KOJA DERE
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REPORT ON OPERATIONS 6th July - 5th August 1915
(both days inclusive).

To : Headquarters,

A. & N.Z. Army Corps.

I beg to forward a report of the Operations in which this Division has been engaged between 6th July and 5th August 1915 (both days inclusive).

1.

During the period under report, the enemy has shown little activity opposite the front held by this Division. He has consistently shelled certain Posts, notably COURTNEY'S in No. 3 Section and RUSSELL'S TOP in No. 4 Section : and has at times inflicted a certain number of casualties on us.

In order to draw the enemy's fire and induce him to waste ammunition, ruses have been frequently practised in the various Sections. These have taken the form of short bursts of fire combined with the raising of dummy figures, throwing bombs, and burning coloured lights. These ruses have met with varying success : but on the whole it may be said that the enemy showed himself to be possessed of fire discipline and control of no mean order.

2.
MINING
OPERATIONS

Mining and countermining proceeded opposite QUINN'S and COURTNEY'S POSTS, POPE'S HILL, and RUSSELL'S TOP; but nothing decisive was effected by either our miners or by those of the enemy. It was, however, only by the exercise of the greatest watchfulness and care that QUINN'S POST was not successfully mined by the enemy.

The greatest credit is due to those Officers, N.C.O.'s and men who have been employed continuously on this arduous and dangerous work. On at least two occasions our miners broke into enemy galleries unexpectedly and fights occurred underground with rifle, revolver, and bomb

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which invariably ended to our advantage.

At QUINN'S POST, our position was such that any successful mining operation by the enemy would have been disastrous owing to the lack of depth. For this reason defensive mining was of the first importance, and offensive mining had to be subordinated to it.

3.
PRECAUTIONS
AGAINST "GAS"

Information having been received that the enemy intended to make use of asphyxiating gases, both from the trenches by means of cylinders, and by using special shells, all precautions were taken to meet such an attack.

Respirators and gas helmets were issued and the men fully instructed as to their use, and the methods to be adopted in case of gas attack. Chemical sprayers for neutralizing the gas were issued to all posts liable to such attack. The enemy, however, made no use of gas; but at times large incendiary shells were thrown into our trenches. These did little damage.

4.
EXPECTED
ENEMY ATTACK

About the middle of the month, reports indicated a possible general attack against our positions.

The 15th Battalion, 4th Australian Infantry Brigade, was lent to the 1st Australian Division.

All preparations were made to meet the attack if it came: defensive measures were reviewed, and all posts carefully inspected. Orders were given that gas helmets or respirators were always to be carried on the person by all ranks. On the 22nd July, working parties were discontinued in order that the men might rest before the expected attack.

In the event, no attack was made to the unqualified disappointment of the men.

5.
REST CAMP
AT IMBROS

As mentioned in my last report, Battalions of the Division were sent in turn to the Rest Camp, Imbros, to recuperate.

Units went as follows :-

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16th Battalion, 4th Australian Infantry Brigade.	5	- 11 July.
14th Battalion, 4th Australian Infantry Brigade.	11	- 15 "
Canterbury Battalion, N.Z. Infantry Brigade.	15	- 20 "
Otago Battalion, N.Z. Infantry Brigade.	20	- 23 "

An expected attack in force (vide para 4) led to the Otago Battalion being recalled, and in view of imminent offensive operations no more Battalions were sent to Imbros.

Those Units which went to the Rest Camp derived the greatest benefit from the change of scene, and from the strain involved in living under the conditions which existed at Anzac.

6. (a)
PREPARATIONS
- FOR AN -
OFFENSIVE
MOVEMENT.

Early in the month, preparations were begun for an offensive movement on a large scale. These preparations consisted in making and improving roads and covered communication trenches : and preparing terraced bivouacs for a considerable number of fresh troops. The work entailed was heavy, and had practically all to be done at night : but the men worked well, and early in August the work required had been completed.

The landing of guns and stores for the incoming Troops was also undertaken.

The exceptionally heavy work entailed by these preparations somewhat pulled the men down : but on the whole they stood the strain well.

- (b) In addition to the improvement of interior communications, steps were taken to ensure that Officers were given every opportunity to reconnoitre the ground over which the Division was about to operate i.e. the North West Spurs and slopes of the SARI BAIR. Parties of Officers went out daily in a Destroyer and examined the ground, which is exceptionally difficult and intricate, from various points of view : while Senior Officers

6. (b) frequently visited Nos. 1, 2, and 3 Outposts of No. 4
Cont. Section to examine the ground.

Special guides were selected from the N.Z. Mounted Rifles Brigade, both Officers and men, and some of these were sent to Imbros to practise leading Troops by night.

7.
MAPS

A new map of portions of the Gallipoli Peninsula was issued and brought into use on the 1st August.

It is a great improvement on the old one, and has proved to be very accurate.

8.
ARRIVAL OF
13th DIVISION

During the early days of August, the 13th Division and other Troops arrived at Anzac, and were eventually placed under my command for Active Operations (vide Report on Operations 6th - 10th August, No. G. 351).

Major-General,
Commanding N.Z. & A. Division.

SPECIAL ORDER

By

GENERAL SIR IAN HAMILTON, G.C.B., D.S.O., A.D.C.,
Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS,
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

7th September, 1915

The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, desires formally to record the fine feat of arms achieved by the troops under the command of Lieutenant-General Sir W. R. Birdwood during the battle of Sari Bair.

The fervent desire of all ranks to close with the enemy, the impetuosity of their onset and the steadfast valour with which they maintained the long struggle, these will surely make appeal to their fellow-countrymen all over the world.

The gallant capture of the almost impregnable Lone Pine trenches by the Australian Division, and the equally gallant defence of the position against repeated counter-attacks are exploits which will live in history. The determined assaults carried out from other parts of the Australian Division's line were also of inestimable service to the whole force, preventing as they did the movement of large bodies of reinforcements to the northern flank.

The troops under the command of Major-General Sir A. J. Godlley, and particularly the New Zealand and Australian Division, were called upon to carry out one of the most difficult military operations that has ever been attempted—a night march and assault by several columns in intricate mountainous country, strongly entrenched, and held by a numerous and determined enemy. Their brilliant conduct during this operation and the success they achieved have won for them a reputation as soldiers of whom any country must be proud.

To the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, therefore, and to those who were associated with that famous Corps in the battle of Sari Bair—the Maoris, Sikhs, Gurkhas, and the new troops of the 10th and 13th Divisions from the old Country—Sir Ian Hamilton tenders his appreciation of their efforts, his admiration of their gallantry, and his thanks for their achievements. It is an honour to command a force which numbers such men as these in its ranks, and it is the Commander-in-Chief's high privilege to acknowledge that honour.

W. P. BRAITHWAITE,
Major-General,
Chief of the General Staff.

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Appendix 94.

NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

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DIVISIONAL ORDER No. 23.

Appendix No. 94.

Divisional Headquarters,
No. 2 Post.
10th September 1915.

1.
ARRIVAL

The 7th Australian Infantry Brigade, consisting of the 25th, 26th, 27th, and 28th Battalions, on arrival at ANZAC will be attached temporarily to this Division (less 1 Captain, 1 Subaltern, 2 Sergeants, 4 Corporals and 100 men per Battalion which will be left in Reserve Gully at the disposal of the Army Corps Commander).

2.
UNITS TO BE RELIEVED

After the arrival of the 7th Australian Infantry Brigade, certain units of this Division will be sent to LEMNOS for a short change and rest.

The first party to proceed will consist of the undermentioned units :-

- N.Z. Mounted Rifles Brigade (including Otago Mounted Rifles Regiment).
- N.Z. Infantry Brigade (less Maori Contingent).
- 4th Australian Infantry Brigade.
- N.Z. Field Ambulance.
- 4th Australian Field Ambulance.

3.
RELIEFS

The line now held by the above units will be taken over by the 7th Australian Infantry Brigade as under, with Headquarters at the present New Zealand Infantry Brigade Headquarters :-

- One Battalion will relieve the New Zealand Infantry Brigade on the APEX.
- One Battalion will relieve the New Zealand Mounted Rifles Brigade on CHESHIRE RIDGE.
- One Battalion will relieve the 4th Australian Infantry Brigade on the lower slopes of CHESHIRE RIDGE.
- One Battalion will bivouac in Divisional Reserve on BAUCHOP'S HILL.

4.
DETACHMENTS
TO BE LEFT
BEHIND

Each Brigade proceeding to LEMNOS will leave behind in its present position detachments as under :-

N.Z. MOUNTED RIFLES BRIGADE : 1 Field Officer or Captain.
2 Subalterns.
50 N.C.O.'s and men (including Machine Gun detachments).
5 Machine Guns.

N.Z. INFANTRY BRIGADE : 1 Field Officer.
2 Captains.
5 Subalterns.
350 N.C.O.'s and men (including the Maori Contingent and Machine Gun detachments).
11 Machine Guns.

4th AUST. INFANTRY BRIGADE : 1 Field Officer.
1 Captain.
3 Subalterns.
200 N.C.O.'s and men (including Machine Gun detachments).
6 Machine Guns.

5.
MACHINE GUNS

Each Regiment and Battalion proceeding to LEMNOS will take with it one Machine Gun for instructional purposes.

6.
MACHINE GUN
CREWS

All Officers, N.C.O.'s and men left behind are to be the fittest and most efficient available, and all Machine Guns left behind are to have thoroughly fit and efficient crews as far as available, and failing these being available for all the guns, the men now under instruction will be left.

7.
NAMES OF
OFFICERS LEFT
BEHIND

The names of all Officers whom it is proposed to leave behind will be submitted to Divisional Headquarters by 12 noon Sunday, 22th September.

8.
ATTACHMENT
OF DETAILS
LEFT BEHIND

Detachments left behind will be attached for duty, rations, and discipline to the relieving units in their respective areas.

9.
EQUIPMENT

Units will proceed to LEMNOS fully equipped.
All camp equipment, cooking utensils, etc. will be taken.

10.
AMMUNITION

Each man will carry 100 rounds of ammunition on the person. All ammunition surplus to the above will be handed over to the relieving Battalions.

11.
TRENCH STORES
& EQUIPMENT

All trench equipment and stores is to be handed over to the relieving units. An inventory is to be made out showing articles handed over, and a receipt obtained for the same.

12.
SANITATION

The General Officer Commanding directs that special attention be paid to the condition in which trenches and bivouac areas are handed over to the relieving Units.

Brigadiers will take special steps to ensure that the relieving units have no cause to complain of the sanitary condition of the trenches and bivouacs taken over by them.

13.
RATIONS AND
WATER

Troops proceeding to LEMNOS will carry one day's rations on the person, and filled waterbottles.

14.
SUPPLY
DETACHMENTS

A certain proportion of supply personnel will accompany Brigades proceeding to LEMNOS.

15.
DATE

The dates on which these reliefs will take place will be notified to each Brigade concerned.

(Sgd) W.G. Braithwaite Lieut- Col.

General Staff

N.Z. & A. Division.

Copies as under at 3.30 p.m.

No. 1	War Diary	12	A.D.M.S.
2 & 3	Records	13	Senior Supply Officer.
4	1st A.L.H. Bde.	14	O.C. Div. Train.
5	3rd A.L.H. Bde.	15	O.C. Signals.
6	N.Z.M.R. Bde.	16	A.D.C. (for G.O.C)
7	7th I.M.A. Bde.	17	Anzac.
8	N.Z. Inftry. Bde.	18	1st Aust. Division.
9	4th Aust. Inf. Bde.	19	2nd. Aust. Division.
10	C.R.A.	20	54th Division.
11	C.R.E.	21 and 22	Admin. Staff.

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Appendix 95

NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION. Appendix No. 95

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DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 24.

Divisional Headquarters,
No. 2 Post,
19th September, 1915.

Reference Army Corps Order No. 18 dated 19th Sept. 1915.

1. Sections are renumbered as follows :-

No. 1 Section	allotted to	1st Australian Division.
No. II Section	" "	2nd Australian Division.
No. III Section	" "	New Zealand & Australian Div.
No. IV Section	" "	54th Division.

2. The line and area to be held by the New Zealand and Australian Division is as follows :-

Southern Boundary: along the most advanced trenches on Russell's Top, along the spur North of HAPPY VALLEY, thence down the Northern Spur of WALKER'S RIDGE to the sea at the old Beach Barrier.

Northern Boundary: The South Bank of the main AGHYL DERE to the sea.

This numbering and allotment will come into force at noon on the 20th September, 1915.

W. H. Hastings
Captain.

General Staff,

N.Z. & A. Division.

Copies as under at 8.30 p.m.

No. 1 War Diary ✓	10 C.R.E. ✓
2 & 3 Records ✓	11 A.D.M.S. ✓
4 1st A.L.H. Bde ✓	12 Senior Supply Officer ✓
5 3rd A.L.H. Bde ✓	13 O.C. Div. Train. ✓
6 7th Ind. M. Art. Bde ✓	14 O.C. Signals.
7 29th Bde ✓	15 A.D.C. (for G.O.C.) ✓
8 7th A. Inf. Bde ✓	16 & 17 Admin. Staff. ✓
9 C.R.A. ✓	18 Anzac. ✓

ANTI-AIRCRAFT MACHINE GUNS.

Orders to the Officer-in-Charge.

The Officer in charge of the two Anti-Aircraft Machine Guns of the Division is responsible for the following -

- (a) That the machine guns are always ready to engage hostile aircraft at any time of the day or night.
- (b) That a constant lookout is kept for all aircraft and that all observations regarding them are kept in a log book, the following points being recorded - Direction when seen, nationality, direction of flight, time of disappearance, if hostile number of rounds fired & result, any remarks of a useful nature.
- (c) Hostile aircraft when sighted will be at once reported by messenger to Divisional Headquarters (unless previous notification regarding it has been received from Divisional Headquarters).
- (d) That fire is only opened on hostile aircraft. These are to be recognised by a black Maltese Cross painted on the planes - British and French machines have colored circles.
- (e) That fire is not opened even on a hostile craft when such would be dangerous to any of our own troops. Efficient stops are to be fixed in the gun emplacements to prevent the guns being inadvertently trained in a dangerous direction. Firing out to sea will only be carried out if there is NO POSSIBILITY of hitting any of our shipping.
- (f) That ground occupied by your detachment is kept in a thoroughly clean and sanitary condition.

(Sgd) W.R. PINWILL, Major,
General Staff,

N.Z. & A. Division.

Headquarters,
24th September, 1915.

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Appendix No. 94

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Anzac Cove,

27th September, 1915.

ARMY CORPS ORDER NO. 19.

1. The 29th Brigade will move to LALA BABA on the night of the 29th/30th September, by march route, under arrangements to be made by the C.O.C. Brigade.
2. Machine gun sections in action with other formations will join their battalions during the afternoon of 29th September, under arrangements made by the formations they are with. Moves to be completed by 5 p.m.
3. Transport will be arranged
for Headquarters,
(a) by the N.Z. & A. Division, 5th Battalion Connaught Rangers and 10th Battalion Hamps Regiment.
(b) by the Commandant, Advanced Base, for 6th Battalion R.I.R. and 6th Battalion, Leinster Regiment.

Transport taken to LALA BABA will be returned the same night, so as to arrive back at ANZAC before 5 a.m. 30th Sept.

Any heavy kits and stores which cannot be taken by pack transport will be sent off by sea under arrangements to be made by G.O.C., 29th Brigade, with the Military Landing Officer.

Issued to -

29th Infantry Brigade
N.Z. & A. Division.
2nd Australian Division.
5th Aust. Infantry Bde.
Commandant, Advanced Base.
Military Landing Officer
Administrative Staff, Anzac.

(Sgd) C.M. Wagstaff,
Major,
for Brig-General,
General Staff

Australian and New Zealand Army
Corps.

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ARMY CORPS ORDER NO. 20.

Appendix 98

Anzac Cove,

29th September, 1915.

1. The march of the 29th Infantry Brigade to LALA BABA tonight is cancelled. Instead the Brigade will embark for Mudros tonight the 29th instant.
2. Battalions of the Brigade will be concentrated in their present bivouacs by 8 p.m. this evening, as in Army Corps Order No. 19 of 27th September.
3. Troops will be embarked at Walker's Ridge Piers, under detailed arrangements to be made by the Military Landing Officer.
4. The following scale of kits etc will be embarked with the troops:-

S.A.A. 50 rounds per man carried on the person.
3500 rounds per machine gun in belt boxes.

Rations per man: Unexpended ration.
1 days iron ration.
1 days landing rations.

Kits. Full packs. Waterproof sheet, extra blanket (if in possession.)

Water. Water bottles filled.

Messes etc. as on arrival at Anzac.

5. Base kits will be collected at the North Beach Depot this afternoon, and will be embarked or not as directed by the Military Landing Officer.

Rations not actually carried on the man will be collected during the day at Walker's Ridge Pier and loaded at 5 p.m.

6. Units will embark in following order:-

Leinster Regiment	}	Rendezvous, Reserve Gully.
R.I.R.		

Headquarters	}	Rendezvous, No. 2 Post.
Hampshires		
Connaughts		

Units from No. 2 Post will move by the covered way which will be kept entirely free of other traffic after 8.30 p.m.

Commandant, Anzac Base, will arrange to advise the units at Reserve Gully and No. 2 Post when they are to begin moving to the

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the beach.

7. Transport for moving kits will be arranged by N.Z. & A.
Division for units at No. 2 Post.

(Sgd) C.W. Wagstaff,
for Brig-General,
General Staff,
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

Issued to -

29th Infantry Brigade
N.Z. & A. Division.
2nd Australian Division.
5th Australian Infantry Brigade.
Commandant, Anzac Base.
Military Landing Officer.
Administrative Staff, Anzac.

Headquarters,

7th Australian Infantry Brigade.

INSPECTION OF TRENCHES BY GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING
NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

With reference to the G.O.C's inspection of your
trenches on the 29th Sept:-

I am directed by the General Officer Commanding, New Zealand and Australian Division, to inform you that he considers the work carried out by units under your command since he last visited your trenches, to be highly creditable to all concerned. He is particularly pleased with the efforts that have been made to increase the number of rifles that can be effectively placed in the front line, to provide well-concealed machine gun emplacements, and to ensure that the fire and communication trenches are rendered as safe as possible. The tidiness and organisation of the trenches has been much improved: much, however, remains to be done in this respect.

2. The following notes made during the inspection are communicated to you for guidance in further improving the position held by your Brigade -

25th BATT. A.I.FORCE:

Fire Trenches: Clean and tidy.

Pivouage: More neatness required: much equipment lying about.

Bombs: Should be kept in tins with the fuzes protected by an empty cartridge case.

Ammunition: Should be in tins: easily get-^{atable} ~~skunkin~~, and free from dust which clogs the belt action.

Iron loopholes: Many seen lying about - should be utilized or returned to Brigade Depot.

27th BATT. A.I.FORCE:

Fire Trenches: Too many men in fire trenches by day: they should be kept handy but not in the trenches except at specially dangerous points or where attack is expected. Much equipment lying about - should be neatly hung up or folded. Firing platforms were very uneven in places - this should be remedied at once. The height of parapet above firing platform must be correct.

Bombs: Should be neatly arranged in tins, & the fuzes when exposed protected by an empty cartridge case. Sufficient bomb throwers should be always available in case of attack, and regularly told off to various posts.

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Communication Trenches require deepening here and there.

28TH BATT. A.I. FORCE:

The exact point of junction of the 27th & 28th Battalions requires definitely settling.

Fire Trenches: More neatness and arrangement necessary before they can be considered satisfactory. Firing platforms requiring levelling and parapet adjusted to the correct height.

Communication Trench: Blocked with men, sandbags, earth, etc. in some cases. This should be remedied.

Bomb Throwers require to be properly organized and told off to Posts.

Bombs & Ammunition should be neatly arranged in tins. Dust on cartridges will certainly jam the rifle when rapid fire is opened.

Rifles should be placed in proper racks with a cardboard box over the muzzle. On no account should a bullet be placed in the muzzle: if forgotten it will certainly burst the rifle.

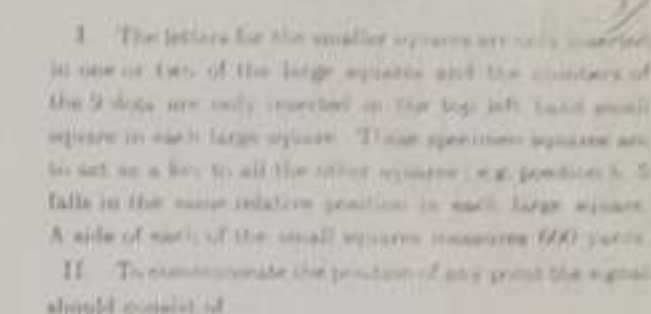
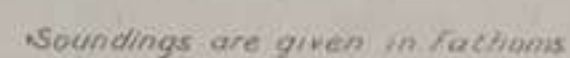
Periscopes should not be used in pairs - must be in groups of 3 or more. They should not be stuck up higher than is absolutely necessary. They are not to be used from immediately behind loopholes.

Sandbags A single sandbag will NOT give any protection against rifle fire, when laid singly they are a source of danger rather than a protection for they give a false sense of security.

Major,

General Staff,

M.2. & A. Division.



- III—When observation periods of greater accuracy, instead of the 504 numeral, the distance in terms of yards from the South and West sides of the square should be signalled. Care must be taken that the distance from the South side is given before the distance from the West side

IV. THESE SQUARES BEAR NO RELATION TO THOSE ON THE 1:40,000 GALLIPOLI MAPS, OR TO THOSE ON THE 1:20,000 MAP OF SOUTHERN GALLIPOLI.

NOTES:—

1. The orientation of the sheet and of the square is along the magnetic north.
2. Heights are given in metres. Contours are at 10 metre intervals.

Instructions sur l'emploi des carrés.

1. Les lettres indiquant les petits carrés sont marquées sur un ou deux des grands carrés, et les numéros des 9 points sont seulement marqués sur le petit carré en haut et à gauche des six à dix grands carrés. Ces carrés spécimens servent comme guide pour tous les autres grands carrés.
- Exemple: la position 10 tombe dans la même position relative dans chaque grand carré. Une côte de ces petits carrés mesure 549 mètres.
11. Pour communiquer la position d'un point, le signal doit consister de

III. Quand l'observation permet une plus grande exactitude, au lieu du numéro du point, on devra signaler les distances en dizaines de mètres des côtés Sud et Ouest du petit carré.

On doit avoir soin de donner la distance du côté Sud en premier lieu et ensuite la distance du côté Ouest.

IV. CES CABLES N'ONT AUCUN RAPPORT AVEC CEUX DES CARTES DE GALLIPOLI A L'ÉCHELLE DE 1:40,000, OU CEUX DES CARTES DE GALLIPOLI SUD À L'ÉCHELLE DE 1:20,000.

NOTES

- 1° L'orientation de la rive et celle des courants
coïncide avec le Nord Magnétique
- 2° Les hauteurs sont données en mètres. Ces
hautours sont à 10 mètres d'intervalle.

Conversion table from metres to feet.

10 metres	= 32.8 feet
20 "	= 65.6 "
30 "	= 98.4 "
40 "	= 131.2 "
50 "	= 164.0 "
60 "	= 196.9 "
70 "	= 229.7 "
80 "	= 262.5 "
90 "	= 295.3 "
100 "	= 328.1 "
200 "	= 656.0 "
300 "	= 984.0 "

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. 4th SEPTEMBER, 1918.

Aeroplane Reconnaissance. At 80.W.5 two emplacements.

AK BASHI LIMAN four large and one small steamer sunk.

Guns observed firing from 58.F.4.

Enemy Movements and Works. A good deal of work was noticed on enemy's position at East end of "W" HILLS. A new work is reported on SHIPER'S RIDGE. It appears to be a gun emplacement well concealed. Trench in Sq 105.U.3 has been continued thro' scrub between 105.U.3 and 105.U.5.

Sq 68.Y.5 6. Party working on what is apparently a revolving turret emplacement. There is an enemy unit in GABA TUBE which wears white coats.

10th Division Report. From observations on CHOCOLATE HILL it would appear that the Turks have constructed two fresh trenches leading N and S to meet E of their position on HILL 60, north of KATAJIK AGHALA. New gun emplacement located at 93.S.2.

Army Corps Head-quarters. Ig / 948.

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NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

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Summary of events from 6 a.m. 3rd Sept. to 6 a.m. 4th Sept. 1915.

NO. 3 SECTION

During the night, the Turks fired 3 green rockets in front of QUINN'S, and also made use of flare lights.

NO. 4 SECTION

Of the shells fired by the Destroyer yesterday evening at the Turkish trenches in front of this Section, a number failed to burst.

A new work is reported on SNIPERS RIDGE - it appears to be a gun emplacement, and is well concealed.

The enemy's 75 m.m. gun shelled this position about 5 p.m. and at the same time, a gun from the direction of GABA TEPE dropped a few shells on MULE GULLY.

NO. 5 SECTION

More wire entanglement was placed in front of the APEX - the party placing the entanglements drew more fire than usual. Improvement of the trenches continues.

ARTILLERY

The 4th Battery did some effective shooting at 6 a.m. and 7 a.m. at the enemy working on new trenches East of Hill 60.

The 5th Battery was constantly engaged with the enemy's guns on ABDEL RAHMAN BAIR. A few rounds silenced them on each occasion.

Late in the afternoon, some overhead cover near 93 R. 4 was demolished, and the Q guns which opened on ANZAC about the same time were engaged, and soon ceased fire.

Machine guns no longer attempt to fire from the North West slopes of BATTLESHIP HILL, and the working parties also seem demoralised by the fire of the Mountain gun in No. 2 Post.

CASUALTIES (7 p.m. 2nd Sept. to 7 p.m. 3rd Sept).

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Other Ranks.</u>
<u>KILLED</u>	-	3
<u>WOUNDED</u>	-	29
<u>MISSING</u>	-	2
<u>SICK</u>	1	96

Headquarters,
No. 2 Post,
4th September 1915.

Alford
Major-General,
Commanding N.Z. & A. Division.

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NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Summary of events from 6 a.m. 4th Sept. to 6 a.m. 5th September 1915.

NO. 4 SECTION

The Naval guns destroyed all except a few Sections at either end of the entanglement in front of the enemy's Trench A 1 - the parapet was also carried away, and much damaged.

The sandbag barricade at the North West end of the same trench was also shelled, and practically destroyed.

NO. 5 SECTION

Firing was consistent throughout the night on the enemy's parties at the FARM and enemy's work in front of the APEX of RHODODENDRON SPUR.

Additional entanglement was put out, and saps and mines proceeded with.

ARTILLERY

The 2nd Battery fired 40 rounds at movement on the flat, and at working parties of the enemy.

The 4th (Howitzer) Battery fired at Hill 60 and at the enemy in the open.

The 5th Battery kept the SARI BAIR guns under observation. One firing from a tunnel was silenced in 3 rounds at 11. 15 a.m. One firing about 6 p.m. from behind the crest about 93 R. 1 was more persistent, but was silenced by "C" Battery, 69th Brigade, and the 5th Battery firing together.

An enemy's gun was located and engaged at 93 R. 4 - it ceased firing, but opened again later.

The gullies in Square 93 L. 7 were searched as men were seen moving on the reverse slopes.

4 direct hits were obtained on a house at 92 D. 1.

CASUALTIES

(7 p.m. 3rd Sept. to 7 p.m. 4th Sept. 1915.)

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Other Ranks</u>
<u>KILLED</u>	1	1
<u>WOUNDED</u>	1	19
<u>MISSING</u>	Nil	Nil
<u>SICK.</u>	2	100

2/Lieut. W. Cameron, 9th Light Horse Regiment.

Headquarters,
No. 2 Post,
5th September 1915.

A. Brodie
Major-General,
Commanding N.Z. & A. Division.

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NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

RUSES EMPLOYED BY THE ENEMY.

(Issued with Notes on Trenches and Trench Fighting
G. 3, dated 5th September, 1915).

The following ruses have on various occasions been employed
by the enemy against us :

- (a) A Party of Turks approached the 2nd Australian Inf. Brigade dressed in Australian uniform. This is a common practice, and must be guarded against carefully.
- (b) An order purporting to come from ANZAC was given to a portion of the Troops to cease firing. Immediate steps should be taken to verify any doubtful order of this sort.
- (c) On one occasion Turks advanced dancing towards our trenches and retired dancing, having seen what they wanted to see.
Always take the opportunity of killing an enemy fairly.
- (d) On the night August 22nd, a number of Turks approached the left flank defences at KAIAJIK AGHALA shouting and with both hands held over their heads. As it was thought they wanted to surrender, they were allowed to approach though they had rifles in their hands and bombs on their waist-belts. On our men attempting to take away their rifles, a scuffle ensued and some were shot, the rest bolting.
It is thought that they intended to gradually collect and bomb our trenches.

(Sgd) W.R. PINWILL, Major,

General Staff,

N.Z. & A. DIVISION.

Anzac,
5th September, 1915.

SOME NOTES FOR OFFICERS.

1. When taking over trenches, Platoon Commanders must see for themselves that each man takes up his fire position and makes it comfortable for himself before they attend to anything else.
 2. Trenches must not be too deep for the men to fire from.
 3. Loopholes should usually be made slantwise, and not to fire straight from the front, otherwise they are easily located by the enemy.
 4. At night, all firing should be over the parapet, and not through loopholes.
 5. Officers are not to fire, but to direct the fire of the men.
 6. An observer must always be in the trenches, and should be provided with glasses, and keep a written record of what he sees.
 7. Be on the look-out for snipers continuously. Never let the men walk about exposed.
 8. Select men who are picked shots and have initiative, to go forward and lie up for snipers every night. They should fire to a flank. They should not be employed on other duties. It may be found useful for these men to connect themselves back to the trenches with a piece of cord or wire.
 9. Improve cover and communication trenches continually.
 10. When attacking, it will often be useful for a proportion of the men to carry sandbags, to assist in forming cover rapidly.
 11. See that a proportion of men in each trench have been trained in bomb throwing, and that a supply of bombs is available.
 12. See that a sufficient reserve of ammunition is always maintained in the trenches, and that loose ammunition is not allowed to accumulate in other places than the proper ones.
 13. Ascertain the means of communication with their next superior and with the artillery, and see that it is in sufficient working order at all times.
 14. Platoon Commanders must send in sketches of their own trenches and of those of platoons on their right and left.
 15. Company and Battalion Commanders must send in the same to their next superiors.
 16. Send in reports twice daily, at daybreak and at 3 pm - the latter to enable artillery arrangements to be made before dark.
 17. Locate their own trenches and those of the enemy on the map by means of ranges and cross bearings.
 18. See that proper rest hours by day are observed by the men, and that quiet is maintained. Sleep is essential.
 19. Attend to cooking places and sanitation, and maintain strict discipline with regard to these matters.
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