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3rd AUST. DIV. ARTY. H.Q.

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21 rue Jacques d'Haene, HAZEBROUCK.

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Remarks and references to Appendices	1.	11. 17.	Weather - Misty.	Wind N.W.	Visibility indifferent.	Hour	Date	Place	
			Casualties - Nil.						
	2.	11.17.	Weather - Misty.	Wind Northerly.	Visibility poor.				
			Casualties - Nil						
	3.	11. 17.	Weather - Showery.	Wind Northerly.	Visibility poor fair.				
			Casualties - Nil.						
	4.	11. 17	Weather - Dull - overcast.	Wind. N.W.	Visibility poor.				
			Casualties - Nil.						
	5.	11. 17.	Weather - Dull - overcast.	Wind W.	Visibility poor.				
			Casualties - Nil.						
	6.	11. 17.	Weather - Dull.	Wind. W.	Visibility poor.				
			Casualties - Nil.						
	7.	11. 17.	Weather - Dull.	Wind. N.W.	Visibility poor.				
			Casualties - Nil.						
	8.	11. 17.	Weather - Showery.	Wind. Northerly.	Visibility fair.				
			Casualties - Nil.						
	9		2 WARNING ORDERS, re 3rd. Australian Divisional Artillery relieving 8th. Divisional Artillery in the Line, issued.					S/2/1. & S/2/3.	

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Summary of Events and Information

Remarks and references to Appendices	Date	Place
9. 11. 17.	Weather - Fine. Wind Northerly. Visibility good.	
	Casualties - 7th. F.A.Bde. : 2 O.R. killed.	
	Third Australian Divisional Artillery took over from the 8th. Divisional Artillery, and are now covering front extending from the RIVER LYS on the SOUTH to the RIVER DOUVE on the NORTH.	O.O. No. 100.
	A/o	
10. 11. 17.	Weather - Wet. Wind Northerly. Visibility fair.	
	Casualties - Nil.	
	Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 200 rounds. 4.5" Hows. 199 rounds.	
	Command of Divisional Artillery passed to C.R.A., 3rd. Australian Division at 10 a.m.	O.O. No. 100.
	During the absence of Brigadier General H.W. GRIMWADE, C.M.G. on leave in England, Lt-Col. W.G. ALLSOP, D.S.O., C.O. 8th. F.A.Bde., is acting as C.R.A.	
	Office of 3rd. D.A.H.Q. closed at HAZEBROUCK at 9 a.m., re-opening same hour in STEENWERCK in premises which we had once previously occupied, and which were vacated by us on June 13th. last. Conveyance of the Staff and Office equipment was effected by Motor Lorries.	
	Location Report issued, and copy is attached hereto.	
	Administrative Order DA/24/108 regarding move of 3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty. into Wagon Lines vacated by 8th. Divl. Arty., attached.	DA/24/108.
	A/o	

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STEENWERCK.

Remarks and references to Appendices	Date	Place	Hour
	11. 11. 17.		
	Weather - Showery. Wind West & N.W. Visibility Fair.		
	Casualties - 7th. F.A.Bde. : 2 O.R. wounded. 8th. F.A.B. 2 O.R. killed. 3 O.R. wounded.		
	Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 1584 rds. 4.5" Hows. 145 rounds.		
	Operations as per Intelligence Summary.		
	<i>af</i>		
	12. 11. 17.		
	Weather - Fine. Wind between N. & W. Visibility : in the early morning - bad, improving during the day.		
	Casualties - Nixx 7th. F.A.B. 1 O.R. wounded.		
	Ammunition expended - to noon : 217 rounds 18 Pdr. 4.5" Hows. 198 rds.		
	Operations as per Intelligence Summary.		
	10th. Aust. Infantry Brigade relieved 25th. Infantry Brigade, in reserve.		
	<i>af</i>		

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			<p><u>STEENWERCK.</u></p> <p>13. 11. 17. Weather - Fine. Wind mainly Easterly. Visibility indifferent.</p> <p>Casualties - 7th.F.A.B. : Lieut. R.A.Money, N.J.Heenan, & F.A.Shelley-Jones & 5 O.R. gassed. 8th. F.A.B.: 1 O.R. wounded.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 778 rounds. 4.5" Hows. 410 rds.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>During the day and night 13/14th., 10th. Aust. Inf. Bde. relieved 24th. Inf. Bde., establishing Headquarters at RUE DU SAC, B.3.c.85.60.</p> <p>9th. Aust. Inf. Bde. relieved 23rd. Inf. Bde. in the line on Right Sector (approx. West of DEULEMONT to West of FRELINGHIEN) of 8th. Divn. Front on night 13/14th., establishing Headquarters at BRUNE GAYE, B.10.a.6.7.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Alb.</i></p>	

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			<u>STEINWERCK.</u>	
	14. 11. 17.		<p>Weather - Showery. Wind N.W., N., N.E. 5 to 10 miles per hour. Visibility poor.</p> <p>Casualties - <i>Nil</i></p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 306 rds. 18 Pdr. 4.5" Hows. 52 rds.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p>	
		10 a.m.	<p>G.O.C., 3rd. Australian Division took over command of the front extending from RIVER LYS on the SOUTH to the RIVER DOUVE on the NORTH from G.O.C. 8th. Divn. at 10 a.m.</p> <p><i>Alf</i></p>	
	15. 11. 17.		<p>Weather - Fine. Wind N.N.W. 5 to 10 miles per hour. Visibility good.</p> <p>Casualties - 7th. F.A.B. 1 O.R. wounded.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 52 rds. 4.5" Hows. Nil.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>11th. Aust. Inf. Bde. arrived in this area to form Reserve Brigade for 3rd. Aust. Division. Headquarters were established at TROIS ROIX, T.20.c.6.8.</p> <p><i>Alf</i></p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	16. 11. 17.		<p><u>STEENWERCK.</u></p> <p>Weather - Fine, misty. Visibility very low. Wind Light westerly.</p> <p>Casualties - 8th. F.A.Bde. : 2 O.R. gassed.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 185 rounds. 4.5" Hews. 80 rds.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>Brigadier General H. W. GRIMWADE, C.M.G. returned from leave in England. Whilst there, General GRIMWADE visited the R.B.A.A. Camp at LARKHILL, and copy of his report thereon to Major General JOHN MONASH, C.B., V.D., G.O.C. 3rd. Aust. Divn. is attached.</p> <p>Commands were re-adjusted as follows :-</p> <p>The Acting C.R.A., Lt-Col. W.G.ALLSOP, D.S.O. took over command Left Group from Lt-Col.H.D.K. MACARTNEY.</p> <p>Lt-Col. H.D.K. MACARTNEY took over command of Right Group from Major T.A.J.PLAYFAIR, D.S.O., who returned to command of 26th. Battery, 7th. F.A. Bde.</p> <p>Location Statement issued, and is appended.</p> <p>Retaliation Scheme against Hostile Trench Mortars appended - Instruction 26, and Map.</p>	<p>Inst.26. and Map.</p>

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	17.	11.17	<p>Weather - Misty, Overcast, Dull. Wind Light & variable. Visibility very low.</p> <p>Casualties - Nil.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - 67 rds. 18 Pdr. 4.5" Hows. Nil.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Ab</i></p>	
	18.	11. 17.	<p>Weather - Hazy, Overcast. Wind variable between West & North. Visibility poor.</p> <p>Casualties - Nil.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon :</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Ab</i></p>	

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	19. 11.	17.	<p>Weather - Dull : overcast. Wind between S.W. & W. 5-10 miles per hour./Visibility poor. (increasing 15 to 20 miles per hour.)</p> <p>Casualties - 8th. F.A.B. 1 O.R. gassed.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 117 rds. 4.5" Hows. 119 rds.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p>	
	20. 11.	17.	<p>Weather - Dull : overcast. Wind W. or S.W. 10-15 miles per hour, increasing 20 to 30 m.p.h. Visibility low.</p> <p>Casualties - 8th. F.A.B. Major R.V.S. McPHERSON wounded.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 175 rds. 4.5" Hows. 106 rds.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>PROVISIONAL DEFENCE SCHEME issued, and copy attached hereto.</p>	
	21. 11.	17.	<p>Weather - Showery. Wind N.N.W. 25 to 35 m.p.h. Visibility poor.</p> <p>Casualties - 8th. F.A.B. 1 O.R. gassed.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 252 rds. 4.5" Hows. 122 rds.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>8th. F.A.Bde. moved into other Wagon Lines as per Administrative Order DA/24/113 appended.</p>	

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			<p><u>STEENWERCK.</u></p> <p>22. 11. 17. Weather - Dull and damp. Wind Northerly. Visibility low.</p> <p>Casualties - Nil.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 349 rds. 4.5" Hows. 200 rds.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Alf</i></p>	

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	23. 11.	17.	<p>Weather - Fine. Wind West, 15 to 20 m.p.h. Visibility good.</p> <p>Casualties - Sth.F.A.Bde. 4 O.Rs. Gassed.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 421 rds. 4.5" Hows. 210 rds.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>RETALIATION SCHEME :- Map No. 2 issued, and copy appended hereto,- covering memo "Addendum No. 1 to Instruction No. 26."</p> <p>Location Statement issued and appended.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Ake</i></p>	
	24. 11.	17.	<p>Weather - Showery. Wind West, 30 to 40 m.p.h. Visibility</p> <p>Casualties - <i>Nil</i></p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 584 rds. 4.5" Hows. 404 rds.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Ake</i></p>	

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			<u>STEENWERCK.</u>	
	25. 11. 17.		<p>Weather - Showery. Wind West or N.W., 35 to 45 m.p.h. Visibility good at times.</p> <p>Casualties - Nil.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 716. 4.5" Hows. 431.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>Amendment to Appendix III of Defence Scheme issued, an^d copy appended hereto.</p>	
	26. 11. 17.		<p><i>Alb</i></p> <p>Weather - Cold. Showers of sleet. Wind N.W., 25 to 45 m.p.h. Visibility fair; bad during afternoon.</p> <p>Casualties - Nil.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 985. 4.5" Hows. 380.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary. (See Appendix overleaf, - Gas Bombardment.)</p>	
	27. 11. 17.		<p><i>Alb</i></p> <p>Weather - Cold & Showery. Wind West. 20 m.p.h. Visibility - Generally poor, though at short intervals good.</p> <p>Casualties - Nil.</p> <p>Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 310. 4.5" Hows. 100.</p> <p>Operations as per Intelligence Summary.</p> <p>INSTRUCTION No. 27 issued - Warning of 2 Raids to be carried out in the near future. Copy appended hereto.</p> <p><i>Alb</i></p>	

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APPENDIX -	26.	11. 17.	<p><u>STEENWEROK.</u></p> <p>At 5.45 a.m., 300 Gas drums were fired from Levins projectors at CROSS TRACKS at U.12.c.3.0., the trench running North West from here, and RAILWAY crossing Cutting in U.12.c. The Operation was apparently successful.</p> <p>Our Artillery co-operated at immediately prior to Zero, opening a hurricane bombardment of enemy's trench system, subsequently directing fire against enemy's Roads and Communications, and centres of activity. There was heavy enemy retaliation on our front and support lines in U.11.b. & d.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">afe</p>	<p>O.O.No 37.</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	STEENWERCK.	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	28.11.17.		Weather - Fine. Wind - West. 20 to 30 m.p.h.	<u>Visibility</u> generally good, though at intervals Low.	
			Casualties - Nil.		
			Ammunition expended - to noon : 18 Pdrs. 466.	4.5"Hows. 167	
			Operations as per Intelligence Summary.		
			Operation Order No.38 issued. Copy appended hereto.		
	29.11.17.		Weather - Fine. Wind - S.W. 20 to 30 m.p.h.	Visibility good.	
			Casualties - Nil.		
			Ammunition expended - to noon : 18-Pdrs. 99.	4.5"Hows. 42.	
			Operations as per Intelligence Summary.		
			Addendum No.1. to Operation Order No.38 issued, and copy appended hereto.		
	30.11.17.		Weather - Dull. Slight drizzle at times. Wind - W. or S.W. 10 m.p.h.	Visibility -	
			Casualties - Nil.		
			Ammunition expended - to noon : 18-Pdrs. 210.	4.5"Hows. 35.	
			Operations as per Intelligence Summary. O.O. No. 38., and Instruction No. 27.		
			Location Statement issued and attached.	(Continued over page.)	

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	30. 11. 17.		<p><u>STEENWERCK.</u></p> <p>As noted in Intelligence Summary Nov.30th./Dec.1st. appended, Wire Cutting operations were carried out by our 4.5" Hows. during the day in preparation for the two Raids carried out by parties of our Infantry at 5.15 p.m. (30th.) and 1 a.m. (1st.). These Raids were against enemy front N. of CROSS ROADS in U.11.b., penetrating as far as the RAILWAY Embankment in U.12.c.</p> <p>Both these enterprises were successful, and our supporting Barrages and Bombardments were reported by our Infantry to have been excellent both in accuracy and punctuality.</p> <p>Our Artillery co-operation comprised a short, three minute bombardment, followed by the formation of a "Box Barrage" to enclose the whole objective. On arrival at the enemy works, the Infantry parties found a number of the enemy killed and wounded by our Artillery fire, and they disposed of what remained of the enemy garrison, and brought in prisoners, also a heap of material.</p> <p><i>Al Chouley Lieut. 3rd how arty 149ps A.S.F. 30/11/17.</i></p>	<p>O.O. No. 38.</p> <p>Inst. No. 27.</p>

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

ATTACHMENTS HEREUNDER.

In following order :-

Warning Order		S/2/1.
-do-		S/2/3.
PROVISIONAL DEFENCE SCHEME.		
Ammunition Supply.		DA/4/471.
INSTRUCTION No. 26.		
-do- No. 27.		
OPERATION ORDER No. 100.		
-do- No. 37.		
-do- No. 38.		
LOCATIONS. 2.11.17.		DA/24/108.
-do- Move of Wagon Lines.		-do-
-do- 10.11.17.		
-do- 16.11.17.		
-do- Move of Wagon Lines.		DA/24/113.
-do- 23.11.17.		
-do- 30.11.17.		
Map. No. 1 - Retaliation Scheme.		
" No. 2. - -do-		

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3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

S/2 /1.-- WARNING ORDER - 8.11.17. --

The 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery will relieve the 8th Divisional Artillery, already in the line, on or about the 15th instant.

The front will extend from the RIVER LYS to the RIVER DOUVE.

Further orders will be issued as soon as received.

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

Headquarters.
8.11.17.

(Sgd) A.L.CHOMLEY. Lieut.
for Major, R.A.,
B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divsl. Artly.

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7th & 8th A. F. A. Bdes.
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WARNING ORDER 8.11.17.

7th. & 8th. F.A. Brigades and 3rd. Aust. D.A.C. will hold themselves in readiness to take over line from 8th. Division tonight, 8th. inst.

The Relief will be completed tonight.

Further details will be forwarded as available.

ACKNOWLEDGE by wire.

Headquarters,
8.11.17.

Sgd. H.B. SEWELL,
Captain.
For B.M., R.A., 3rd. Aust. Division.

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---DISTRIBUTION of PROVISIONAL DEFENCE SCHEME.

Copy No.	1.	1st Anzac Corps.
	2.	R.A., 1st Anzac Corps.
	3.	3rd Aust. Divsn. "G".
	4/8.	Right Art. Group.
	9/18.	Left Art. Group.
	19.	38th Div. Art (Right Flank).
	20.	5th Aus. Div. Art. (Left Flank).
	21.	S.C., R.A., 3rd Aus. Div.
	22.	52nd H.A. Group.
	23.	1st Anzac H.A.
	24.	D.T.M.O., 3rd Aus. Div.
	25.	3rd Aust. D.A.C.
	26.	9th Aust. Inf. Bde.
	27.	10th Aus. Inf. Bde.
	28.	11th Aus. Inf. Bde.
	29.	69th A.F.C.
	30.	No. 6 Kite Balloon Coy.
	31.	"M" Sound Ranging Section.
	32.	R.A. Sig. Ofcr, 3rd Aus. Div.
	33.	C.R.A.
	34.	B.M., R.A.
	35.	R.O.
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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

-- PROVISIONAL DEFENCE SCHEME. --

Ref Maps :- Sheet 28 SW. } 1/20,000.
Sheet 36 NW }

1.
FRONT.

The 3rd Australian Division hold the front from the River DOUVE on the North, to the River LYS on the South.

The Divisional boundaries are as follow:-

Northern Div. Bdry. - From point where front line cuts River DOUVE in U.11.b. along Southern bank of River DOUVE to T.3.b.35.10.

Southern Div. Bdry. - From C.17.e.10.85. along River LYS (exclusive) to C.21a.9.4. and thence in direct line to C.19.b.15.15., thence along River (exclusive) to B.23.d.58.00. to B.23.d.0.0. Along Road to B.23.c.6.3. and thence SW along Road to B.28.b.15.65., thence along N of Railway to B.13.b.20.50.

Western Div. Bdry. - Approximately line running from B.13.b.20.50. to T.3.b.35.10.

2.
FLANK

The 38th Division is on our Right; the 5th Australian Division on our Left.

DIVISIONS.3.
DISPOSITIONS.

The front is held by two Infantry Brigades, with one Brigade in reserve. - Disposition as follows:-

Right Brigade. - 9th Aust. Infantry Brigade, with Headquarters at BRUNE GAYE. B.10.a.6.7.
2 Battalions in the line, with Right Battalion Headquarters at C.15.b.1.6., and Left Battalion Headquarters at U.27.b.8.2.

Left Brigade. - 10th Australian Infantry Brigade with Headquarters at B.4.c.1.7.
2 Battalions in the line, with Right Battalion Headquarters at U.15.c.9.5. and Left Battalion Headquarters at U.9.b.30.40.

Reserve Brigade. - 11th Aust. Infantry Brigade, with Headquarters at T.20.c.6.8.

The Dividing Line between Brigades is U.23.r.70.85. U.22.a.46.85. - U.21.d.70.00. and along road to U.26.b.1.1. - along WARMAVE River to C.1.b.2.0. to B.6. central.

3rd Aust. Div. Art. Defence Scheme.

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4.
ARTILLERY
DISPOSITIONS.

The Artillery covering the front of the 3rd Australian Division consists of two Brigades and is divided into two Groups, composed as follows :-

Right Group Headquarters - B.11.d.1.3.

(1 - 18 Pdr Battery and 1 - 4.5" Howitzer Battery).

Left Group Headquarters - T.21.d.3.1.

(5-18 Pdr Batteries & 1 - 4.5" Howitzer Battery).

5.
GROUP
ZONES.

Boundaries of Group Zones will be as under:-

Left Group. - North. - U.12.a.C.2.
South. - U.24.a.O.8.

Right Group. - North. - U.24.a.O.8.
South. - C.18.a.O.2.

In each case the boundary will be an East and West line through the points stated.

5.1. HEAVY ARTILLERY - See (x) below.

6.
ZONE CALLS.

The following squares are allotted for Zone Calls:-

Right Group. - D.1. D.7.
Left Group. - V.13. 19. 25.

7.

S.O.S. Lines run as follow:-

S.O.S.

18-Pdrs. - U.11.b.70.33.
U.11.d.72.81.
U.12.c.O.3.
U.18.a.35.22., thence along the East bank of the River LYS.

4.5" Hows. - As per Appendix VI.

Group Commanders have power to alter these S.O.S. lines at the request of the Infantry Brigadiers commanding the sector covered. 3rd Australian Divsl. Artly. Headquarters will be immediately advised of any change proposed.

Groups will cover that portion of the S.O.S. line which lies within their respective zones and will ensure an overlap of 50 yards on either flank.

Rate of Fire.

18 Pdrs. - 3 rds. per gun per min. for first 5 mins.
2 " " " " " " " second 5 "
1 " " " " " " thereafter.

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4.5" Hows /

5A. Heavy Artillery.

The 52nd H.A. Group will normally be the H.A. Group on whom the Divsl. Artly will call for assistance.

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Rates of Fire (contd).7.
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4.5" Hows. - 2 rds per gun per min for 1st 5 mins.
1 " " " " " thereafter.

Group Commanders have power to increase this rate of fire if the situation necessitates.

On receipt of an S.O.S. Signal, fire will cease after 15 minutes, unless the S.O.S. signal or message is repeated between 10 to 15 minutes after opening fire. Should the signal or message be repeated the 15 minutes will be completed, and fire will be continued for a further 15 minutes.

The S.O.S. Signal at present in use is Rifle Grenade Burst, bursting into 3 lights, Red over Green over Red. The Division on our Left use the same signal, but the Division on our Right use a Red Very Light.

One third of the 18 Pdrs will search communications. All 4.5" Hows and the remainder of the 18 Pdrs will open on the enemy's front line with H.E.

Rates of fire - As for S.O.S., but fire will not cease until orders are received from 3rd D.A.H.Q. Sweeping fire will always be employed.

Group Commanders perform the duties of Liaison Officers at Infantry Brigade Headquarters.

Battery Commanders will visit Battalion Headquarters in the line not less than twice a week.

All Battery Officers should visit the front line of trenches of their zone at least once a week.

Each Group will supply a Subaltern Officer as Liaison Officer at Battalion Headquarters in the line during the hours of darkness.

Each Battery will man its O.Ps. during daylight. Every Observing Officer will have an assistant with him to take his place if he is called away. This assistant must be capable of shooting the Battery.

Groups will in addition establish one Group O.P. which will be manned at night by an Officer and Telephonists. This O.P. must be so chosen that all Rocket Signals may be seen from it and the flashes of hostile guns picked up.

Normal retaliation for the shelling of our trenches will be Counter-Battery work by the Heavy Artillery, and the Divisional Howitzers and any 18 Pdrs that can reach hostile Batteries. A retaliation scheme has been made out and forwarded to Groups and Infantry Brigadiers for hostile French Mortaring. This retaliation will be given hot and strong, and it is essential that the moment hostile French Mortars open, the fact is reported to 3rd Aus. D.A.H.Q. A further Retaliation Scheme in connection with Back Areas is being prepared.

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13. COUNTER OFFENSIVE.

Schemes are in possession of all Group Commanders for a counter-offensive should the occasion arise. This counter-offensive will be put into operation by 3rd Aust. Div. Art. Headquarters.

14. AMMUNITION.

Number of rounds per gun to be kept in positions:-

18 Pdrs. - 300.
4.5" Hows - 200.

69th A.F.C.

15. R.F.C. LIAISON.

The/ Squadron, is the Squadron with which the 3rd Aust. Div. Artillery works.
Location - BAILLEUL.

The 6th Kite Balloon Coy, R.F.C.
Location - B.21.a.9.6.

16. SOUND RANGING SECTION.

"M" Sound Ranging Section -
Headquarters - B.11.b.1.2.

17. CAMOUFLAGE.

Camouflage Officer -
Location - Sheet 28. - M.30.b.3.7.

18. WORKSHOPS.

I.O.M. - 23rd Workshops. - A.29.b.8.8.

19. ANTI - TANK GUNS.

One Section 18 Pdrs per Group will be detailed to be ready to deal with enemy Tanks. The Section chosen should be so situated that :-

- (1) It can fire on ground suitable for the passage of Tanks, i.e., roads & hard ground.
- (2) It is capable of a big sweep.
- (3) It can have range on points in enemy country registered.
- (4) It can have ranges in our own lines carefully measured.

H.E. should be used.

20. F.O.Os.

Attention is drawn to "Trench Orders and Duties of F.O.Os." issued by 3rd Aust. Divsl Artillery, revised copy of which will be shortly issued.

21. APPENDICES.

- Appendix I. - Present Positions.
- " II. - O. Ps.
- " III. - Defensive Policy - Reinforcing and Corps Line Positions.
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- " VI. - Group Sub-Zones and Arrangements for S.O.S. Action.

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ACKNOWLEDGE.

Headquarters.
19.11.17.

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Major, ~~R.A.~~
B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divsn.

Group.	Battery.	No. of Guns.	Position	Arc Right	Arc Left.
<u>RIGHT.</u>	26th	2	C.2. central.	C.11.c.43.80.	U.24.c.30.75.
		2	C.2.d.15.10.	C.16.b.92.82.	U.24.c.30.75.
		2	U.26.d.85.80.	C.16.b.9.8.	U.12.d.6.3.
	107th	2	C.8.c.16.75.	C.16.b.70.46.	U.17.d.65.50.
		2	C.7.b.85.40.	C.16.b.35.75.	U.17.d.6.2.
		2	C.7.d.2.3.	C.16.d.0.4.	U.17.d.7.6.
<u>LEFT.</u>	25th	4	U.26.b.30.72.	U.29.d.60.25.	U.6.a.45.85.
		2	C.3.a.30.86.	U.29.d.85.51.	U.6.a.37.75.
	27th	6	U.8.d.57.36.	U.23.b.41.85.	O.35.d.13.90.
	29th	6	U.13.c.90.24.	U.30.a.00.30.	O.36.c.00.50.
	30th	3	U.1.d.22.00.	U.24.d.00.00.	O.30.c.00.00.
		2	U.7.a.98.35.	U.17.a.40.33.	O.29.a.20.75.
		1	U.10.a.18.38.	U.22.b.85.40.	O.29.a.20.40.
	31st	6	U.1.d.86.30.	U.18.c.67.72.	O.30.a.89.46.
	108th	4	U.14.c.50.10.	U.23.d.65.60.	U.5.d.15.00.
		2	U.14.d.26.80.	U.23.d.60.85.	U.5.d.30.00.

No.	Location	Name	Nature of
1.	U.15.a.60.75.	ALTON	Splinterproof O.P. in trench accommodating 2 Observers with dug-out for Telephonists.
2.	U.11.e.60.60.	UNLIVEN	Periscope in tree.
3.	U.15.d.50.60.	SUNKEN ROAD NORTH	Dug into bank of Sunken Road
		SUNKEN ROAD SOUTH.	ditto.
4.	U.17.a.25.50.	AU CHASSEUR CABARET.	Old German M.G. emplacement.
5.	U.16.c.10.65.	CRATER.	O.P. dug into side of crater.
6.	U.11.c.82.99.	GIANT.	Periscope in tree.
7.	U.15.d.3.7.	BROKEN TREE	Periscope through roof of shelter.
8.	U.11.a.87.05.	DRAIN.	Weatherproof shelter in communication trench.
9.	U.13.b.15.20.	HEATH.	O.P. shelter and dug-out.
10.	C.9.d.25.40.	SURGELY FARM	Concrete Tower in house.
11.	C.10.c.6.9.	LONG HOUSE.	Tower in house.
12.	U.27.d.85.50.		Hollow steel broken tree - trunk 30 feet
13.	U.21.d.3.9.		ditto. do 15 feet.
14.	U.21.c.85.30.		Steel Tower in Wood.

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- DEFENSIVE POLICY. -

In the event of a threatened hostile attack on the Corps Front, Field Artillery Reinforcements for this Division available and anticipated are :-

- (a) One Brigade resting in Corps Reserve.
- (b) Possibly one Divisional Artillery.

The first Brigade sent forward will occupy positions from which it can effectively cover the Corps Line, and at the same time bring fire to bear against the enemy's present front.

(x) - See below.

The remaining Brigade will occupy positions from which it can effectively cover the Corps Line and from which it can support any readjustment or withdrawals of the forward Batteries.

Boundary between Groups, in the event of a retirement will be the WADSWORTH - PLOEGSTRAAT - DE ROOSRIJN - STEENWERCK Road.

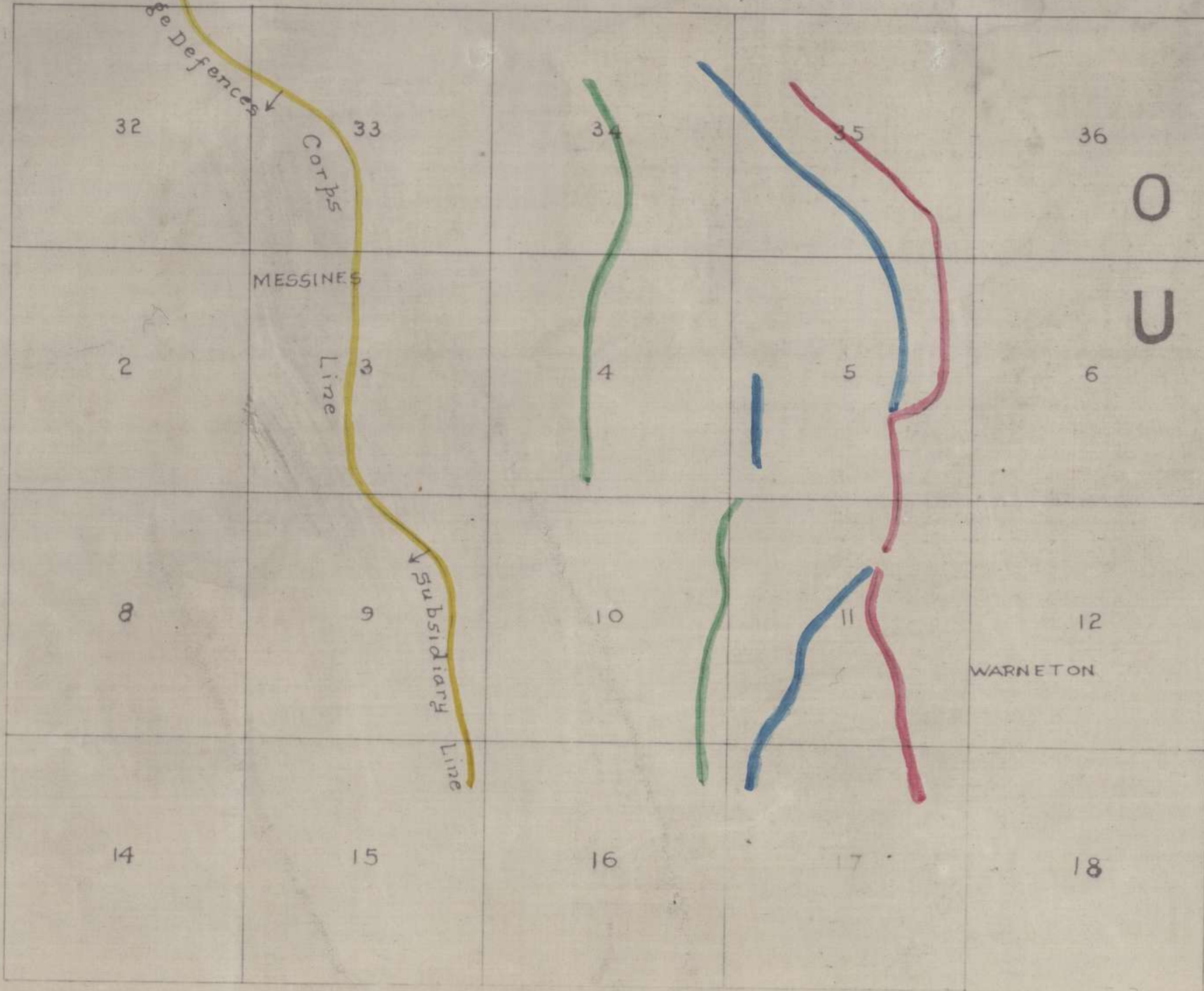
A Table is attached showing the positions covering the Corps Line, to which the Batteries at present in the line would retire if ordered to.

Note:- Map attached shows Corps Line.

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The second Brigade sent forward will, if circumstances permit, occupy positions in the present Field Artillery area within medium range, i.e., 3000 yards to 4000 yards of the present front.

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- █ Front Line.
- █ Support Line.
- █ Reserve Line.
- █ Corps or Ridge Line.

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Position B. Series already in action will move to, to cover German Line.

Group	Battery	Order of Move	Present Position	To cover Ridge Line move to.	New Zone until arrival of reinforcing Brigades.	O.Ps.
New Right Group B.11.d.1.3.	25th	1.	U.26.b.30.80. (4 guns) U.27.c.10.00. (2" ")	B.5.a.2.2.	W h o l e	
	26th	4.	C.2.central. (2 guns) C.2.d.15.10. (2 ") U.26.d.85.80. (2 ")	B.4.d.6.4.	G r o u p	
	107th	2.	C.8.e.16.75. (2 Hows) C.7.b.85.40. (2 ") C.7.d.20.30. (2 ")	D.5.c.2.2. (4 How) D.11.a.2.8 (2 ")	Z o n e.	
	27th	3.	U.3.d.55.40.	B.10.b.9.4.		
New Left Group T.21.c.3.1.	31st	1.	U.1.d.82.36. (4 guns) U.1.a.55.00. (2 ")	T.17.d.40.30.	W h o l e	
	30th	2.	U.1.d.20.00. (4 ") U.7.a.98.35. (1 ") U.10.a.18.38. (1 ")	T.23.b.4.8.	G r o u p	
	108th	3.	U.14.d.22.85. (4 Hows) U.14.c.50.10. (2 ")	T.23.d.2.7.	Z o n e.	
	29th	Will not move.	U.13.c.90.15.	Will not move. Alt. position T.23.b.5.5.		

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CORPS LINE POSITIONS TO BE OCCUPIED BY.

T.17.d.40.30.
T.23.b.4.8.
T.23.b.5.5.
T.23.d.2.7. (Hows) 8th A.F.A.Bde.

B.5.a.2.2.
B.4.d.6.4.
B.10.b.9.4.
B.5.c.2.2. (4 Hows),
B.11.a.2.8. (2 ") 7th A.F.A.Bde.

T.29.d.80.35.
T.30.c.05.05.
T.24.d.47.16.
T.24.d.10.75. (Hows) 1st Reinforcing Bde.

T.17.b.9.8.
T.18.a.94.40.
T.18.b.51.25.
T.18.d.62.84. (Hows)

T.24.a.7.4.
T.24.a.9.3.
B.11.d.60.75.
B.5.a.5.6. (Hows)

B.10.b.2.2.
B.10.c.65.60.
B.12.c.68.10. (4guns)
B.14.b.2.7. (2 ")
B.17.d.95.50. (Hows)

REINFORCING POSITIONS TO BE OCCUPIED BY SECOND REINFORCING BRIGADE (As alternative.).

Bty.	Location.	Range to U.23.cent.	Range to clear crest.	Platform and Camouflage.	Shelter for Detach- ments.	Approaches.	Remarks.
"A"	C.2.a.0.5.	3850 yds.	About 1000 yds.	Wheels on roadway Mud-coloured Netting.	SUPPORT FARM. If shelled, BORDER AVENUE.	DELENELLE FARM. C.1.b.2.0.thence along R.WARNAVE.	All batteries have unlimi- ted arc of fire.
"B"	U.23.c.3.4.	3550 yds.	About 1500 yds.	Wheels on roadway. Brown netting.	MAISON 1875. If shelled, LOUNDES AVENUE.	As for "A" Bty. crossing WARNAVE at SUPPORT FM. or by PLOEGSTEERT X Roads and U.26.a.1.0.	60cm.Lt.Rly runs within easy reach in rear of all Batts.as an alt.means of ammn. supply.
"C"	U.23.c.2.6.	3550 yds.	About 1500 yds.	Wheels on road or Sects.echeloned back on hard ground West of road,unlimited bricks available,mud coloured or green camouflage.	TOUQUET BERTHE FARM.Slit trenches could be dug behind guns.	PLOEGSTEERT Cross Roads & U.26.a.1.0. or as for "A" Battery.	do.
"D"	U.26.a.15.20	3500 yds.		Wheels on road Brown netting Camouflage.	Slight protection formguns by bank 6ft.high,3 yards in front, also trench for per- sonnel. Good 4.2 proof cover in deserted gun-pits at U.26.a.1.5.	PLOEGSTEERT Cross Roads and U.26.a.2.1. or if Cross Roads heavily shelled, by WARNAVE.	

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REINFORCING POSITIONS FOR RESTING BRIGADES.

Battery.	Location.	Range to U.23. cont.	Range to clear crest.	Platform & Camouflage.	Shelter for Detachments.	Approaches.	Remarks.
"A"	U.14.b.87.50 U.14.b.50.50.	2800 yards.	1600 yards.	-	In Trench.	By Main Road, RED LODGE, HYDE PARK CORNER, thence to position.	
"B"	U.14.e.18.18.	2900 yds.	1500 yds.	-	In Trench.	do.	
"C"	U.14.e.38.60.	2950 yds.	2000 yds.	-	Old gun position.	do.	
"D"	U.19.b.10. ^{.60.} U.19.b.92.65.	3900 yds	1000 yds.	made plat- forms.	In Cata- combs.	By main road RED LODGE, HYDE PARK CORNER, thence to position. In the case of the Hows: at U.19.b.92.65. these could be got into position via HUD ROAD or along Light Railway to South.	Old Pits water-logged, but could be made habitable.

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ADDITIONAL REINFORCING POSITIONS.

C.6.a.25.85.

C.2.c.4.5.

C.2.b.7.9.

C.7.c.0.4. (4 Hows.)

C.2.a.7.7.

U.8.a.2.3.

U.8.c.50.16.

U.14.b.4.3.

U.14.b.3.8.

U.20.a.9.9. (6 Hows.)

U.7.c.5.5.

U.7.b.25.50.

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U.12.c.20.30.2 4.5" Hows. on Railway - U.12.c.2.8.Division on Left attacked.Code Call - HELP-BASSIN.Action by Left Group - 2 18-Pdr. batteries barrage from
U.11.b.98.30 - U.6.c.10.30.1 4.5" How. on trench junction
U.12.c.12.70.1 4.5" How. on trench junction
U.12.c.00.90.SOUTHERN GROUP.This Division attacked.Code Call - HELP LE TOUQUET.

Division on Right barrages :-

1 Bty. 18-Pdrs. on enemy F.I.T.
from C.17.a.1.6. - C.11.b.2.9.1 Sect. 4.5" Hows. on DELLA ROWE
and GRISCHUP in C.11.d.Division on Right attacked.Code Call - HELP GS.26.

Action by Right Group :

1 Bty. 18-Pdrs. - C.17.a.20.70. -
C.17.a.72.00.4.5" Hows. - C.17.a.73.97.
C.17.a.97.65.
C.17.a.57.40.
C.17.a.80.31.
C.17.a.95.20.
C.17.a.41.61.

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-- HEAVY ARTILLERY DISTRIBUTION. --

BATTERY.	NATURE	LOCATION	ARC.
<u>BOMBARDMENT GROUPS.</u>			
<u>52nd H.A. Group - Lieut-Col. E. WIGHTON. D.S.O. - B.17.a.80.45.</u>			
259th Siege.	6" How (4)	B.6.c.central.	60 deg. to 120 deg.
264th Siege.	9.2" How (4)	(U.19.d.05.70)	68 " - 112 "
		(T.18.a.2.5.)	65 " - 115 "
366th Siege	9.2" gun (1)	(T.28.a.28.97.)	as required.
<u>12th H.A. Group - Lieut-Col. H. J. ... N.20.d.4.2.</u>			
70th Siege	8" How (6)	O.13.c.6.4.	45 deg. - 115 deg.
319th Siege.	6" How. (4)	O.9.c.05.85.	55 " - 125 "
285th Siege.	6" How (4)	O.19.b.2.3.	50 " - 120 "
263rd Siege	6" How (4)	O.13.d.35.62.	50 " - 115 "
<u>COUNTER BATTERY GROUPS.</u>			
<u>51st H.A. Group - Lieut-Col. H. ... N.20.d.2.5.</u>			
9th Siege	12" How (2)	(O.19.a.0.8.)	67 deg. - 127 deg.
151st Siege.	8" Mk VII (4)	(N.18.d.36.85.)	55 " - 115 "
		(O.8.c.8.2.)	60 " - 130 "
161st Siege	9.2" How (4)	(O.7.a.4.0.)	75 " - 133 "
		(O.8.a.6.5.)	80 " - 140 "
283rd Siege	6" How (4)	O.13.b.72.15.	55 " - 115 "
<u>1st H.A. Group - Lieut-Col. H. L. BOND - N.20d.2.5.</u>			
155th Siege	6" How (4)	O.8.d.65.55.	75 deg. - 135 deg.
255th Siege.	6" How (4)	O.9.a.60.90.	80 " - 140 "
405th Siege	6" How (4)	O.25.a.25.73.	65 " - 130 "
242nd Siege	8" Mk VII (4)	(O.2.d.46.12.)	80 " - 140 "
		(O.2.d.00.90.)	95 " - 145 "
.Riding H.Bty.	60-Pdr. (6)	(N.30.b.5.5.)	50 " - 100 "
<u>99th H.A. Group - Lieut-Col. I. B. F. ... T.27.b.35.95.</u>			
.Midland H.Bty.	60-Pdr. (6)	(B.6.b.10.00.)	45 deg. - 105 deg.
		(N.30.d.50.50.)	70 deg - 130 deg.
282nd Siege.	6" How (4)	U.1.b.75.65.	90 " - 150 "
82nd Siege.	12" How (2)	(T.12.a.35.40.)	56 " - 116 "
		(T.12.a.45.66.)	67 " - 127 "

Batteries withdrawn from the line (At rest)

245 th S.B. 6" How - 355th S.B. - 6" How.
 164 th S.B. 6" How - 6th S.B. - How.(6")

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HEAVY ARTILLERY - COUNTER OFFENSIVE OR S.O.S.

	Objective.	Remarks.
(S.O.S. of COU. DIV. OFFENSIVE. RIGHT DIVISION.)	52nd H.A.G. Bridge U.12.d.65.35. " U.18.a.98.55. Road Junction U.24.d.30.30. Point C.11.c.6.9.	One 6" How. on each.
	Cross Road U.12.d.55.80. Bridge U.12.d.75.55. SPINNING MILL U.18.d.01.80. Point U.29.b.80.10.	One 9.2" How. on each point.
	99th. H.A.G. Point C.12.a.10.60. " C.11.b.85.10. Road Junction C.11.d.65.60. House C.11.d.35.05.	One 6" How. on each point.
	52nd. H.A.G. Point U.29.b.80.10. Bridges. C.6.b.65.65. DURIEZ FARM. C.5.d. FM. DU GRANDE) VERQUIN.) D.7.c.	One 9.2" How. on each point.
(S.O.S. OF COUNTER OFFENSIVE. LE TOUJOUR.)	Road Junction U.24.d.30.30. Point C.11.c.55.85. " C.11.c.80.20. 99th H.A.G. As for "S.O.S. Right Divn. C.11.d.15.75.	One 6" How. on each point.
	99th. H.A.G. KINGSCLERE U.6.b. Railway Crossg U.12.b.35.35. Bridge U.12.b.45.10. Cross Roads. U.12.d.30.65.	One 6" How. on each.
(S.O.S. OF COUNTER OFFENSIVE BASSE VILLIE.)	52nd. H.A.G. Cross Roads U.12.d.55.80. Bridge U.12.d.75.55. SPINNING MILL U.18.d.01.80. Point U.29.b.80.10.	One 9.2" How. on each.
	House U.6.d.20.20. Road Junction U.12.b.30.70. Point U.12.b.05.25. Bridge U.12.d.15.90. " U.18.a.90.55. " U.12.d.65.35.	One 6" How. on each.
	Cross Roads. V.13.a.10.55. Road Junction U.24.d.30.30.	

RATES OF FIRE.-- 6" Hows. - 1 rd. per gun per minute.
8" & 9.2" Hows. - 1 rd. per gun per 2 minutes.

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--- S.O.S. ARRANGEMENTS. ---

RIGHT GROUP. -

The front between East and West lines drawn through C.18.a.00.50. and U.24.a.00.85. is allotted to Right Group and subdivided into Zones as follow:-

East and West line through	U.24.a.00.85.	}	Zone E.
	U.30.a.00.50.		
	U.30.a.00.50.	}	Zone F.
	U.30.c.00.00.		
	U.30.c.00.00.	}	Zone G.
	C.6.c.00.00.		
	C.6.c.00.00.	}	Zone H.
	C.12.c.00.50.		
	C.12.c.00.50.	}	Zone J.
	C.18.a.00.50.		

The 18 Pdr Battery night lines are placed to cover Zone F in instant readiness to switch to other Zones if required. Fire will be placed on E bank of LYS throughout these Zones, 4.5" How Battery's night lines are 1 How each :-

U.24.a.60.90.
U.24.c.90.30.
U.24.d.15.00.
U.30.c.20.75.
C.5.b.60.40.
C.11.d.65.54.

and to be ready to concentrate on any of these points as required.
NOTE:- In addition to the foregoing, one 18-Pdr Battery assistance over Zones C & D can be obtained from H.Q., Left Group, through Bde. H.Qrs. The Flank Divisional Artillery's support as per Appendix IV on the Right Flank.

LEFT GROUP. -

and a line running due East from the junction of R. DOUVE & front line trench in

The front between the River DOUVE on the North, and the line running East and West through U.24.a.00.85. on the South, is allotted to the Left Group, and is subdivided into Zones as follow:-

River DOUVE to East & West line through	U.11.d.35.88.	-	A Zone.
East & West line through	U.11.d.35.88.	-	B Zone.
	U.11.d.52.18.)	
	U.11.d.52.18.	}	C Zone.
	U.17.b.87.34.		
	U.17.b.87.34.	}	D Zone.
	U.24.a.00.85.		

One 18-Pdr Battery will be superimposed over B and C Zones. The 18-Pdr Battery night lines are placed to cover the whole Group Front.

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S.O.S. ARRANGEMENTS.

LEFT GROUP (continued)

~~4.5" How Battery's night lines are 1 How each:-~~

4.5" How Batteries' night lines are 1 How each :-

WICART FARM	-	M.24.a.15.95.
Bridge.	-	U.18.b.00.85.
Point.	-	U.18.c.75.70.
Point.	-	U.12.c.50.03.
Point.	-	U.12.c.70.56.
Point.	-	U.12.c.30.47.

and to be ready to concentrate on any of these points as required.

The Flank Divisional Artillery's support as per Appendix IV on the Left Flank.

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APPENDIX.

3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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Amendment No. 1 to 3rd Aust. Div. Art. Defence Scheme.Page 4 - Paragraph 16.

For " B.11.b.1.2. " "

Read " B.10.b.1.6. " "

Please Acknowledge receipt.

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for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divsn.Headquarters
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Defence Scheme, dated 19.11.17.

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Page 2, paragraph 7. - S.O.S. -

For. "thence along the East bank
of the River LYS "

Substitute. " thence along and 50 yards
East of the Eastern bank of
the River LYS."

Page 3, paragraph 7 (contd). -

For. " RED over GREEN over RED"

Substitute. " RED over GREEN over YELLOW"

(Note) - This new signal takes
effect from mid-day
on the 25th inst.

Appendix VI. - S.O.S. Arrangements.

Under heading "Left Group"

"A" Zone.

For. "River DOUVE to East & West line
through U.11.d.35.88."

Substitute. " N Div. Boundary to East and
West line through U.11.d.35.88."

ACKNOWLEDGE receipt hereof.

G. Hayfair

Major.

for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divsn.

Headquarters.
24.11.17.

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Amendment No. 3 to 3rd Aust. Div. Art. Defence Scheme,
dated 19.11.1917.

Ref. Appendix III. -

Herewith map showing continuation of Corps Line
South of RIVER DOUVE.

This cancels all lines South of RIVER DOUVE, shown
on previous Map, viz., Corps Line, Reserve, Support
and Front Lines.

ACKNOWLEDGE receipt hereof.

Headquarters.
25.11.17.





H. H. H. H.
Major.
for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divsn.

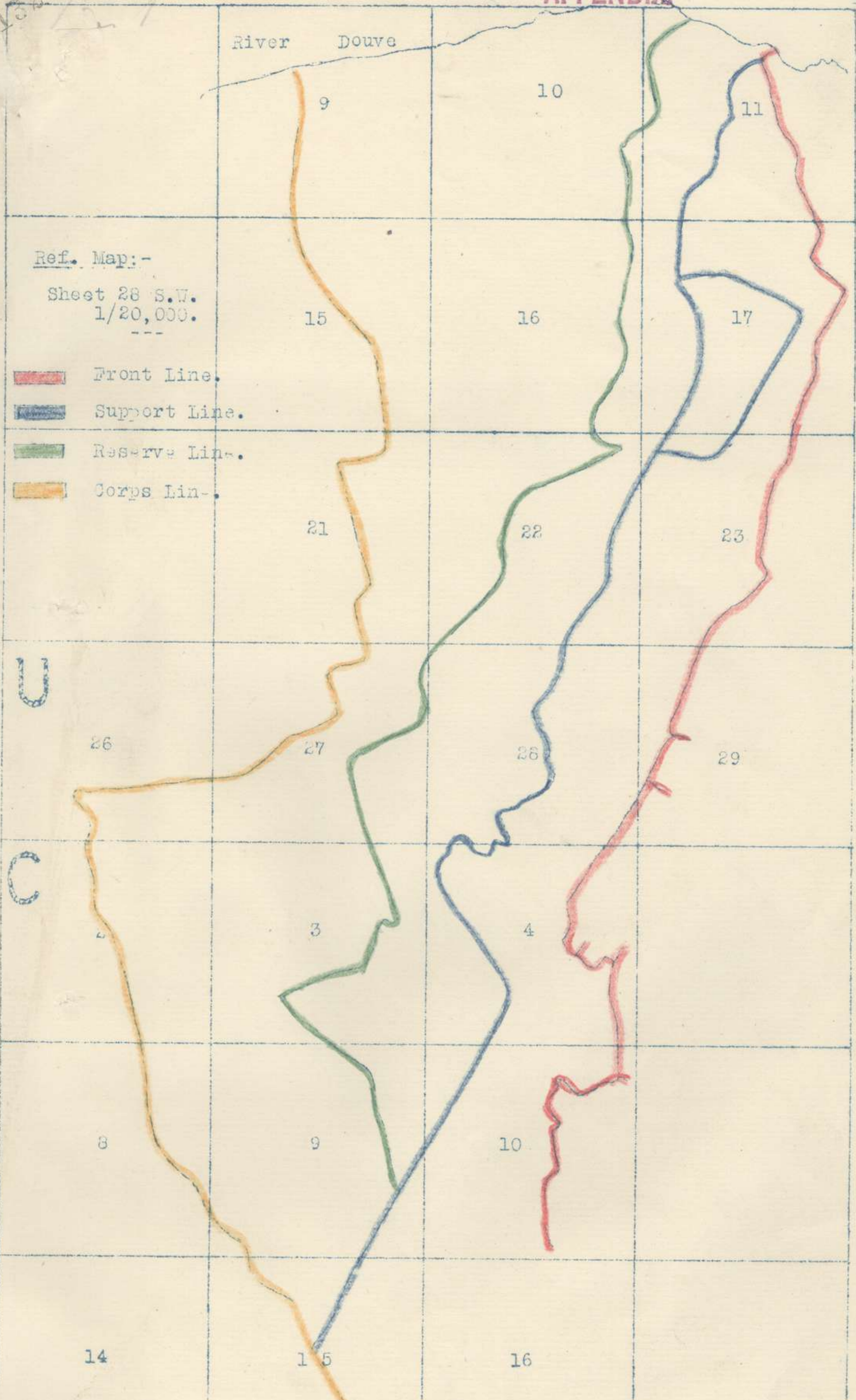
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River Douve

Ref. Map:-

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-  Front Line.
-  Support Line.
-  Reserve Line.
-  Corps Line.



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Amendment No. 31 to Defence Scheme, dated 19.11.17.

APPENDIX I. - 26th Bty position -

For 2 guns U.26.d.85.80.

Read 2 guns U.26.c.69.20.

APPENDIX III. -

Corps Line Positions.

For B.14.b.2.7. (2 guns)

Read B.18.b.2.7. (2 guns)

Present position of 26th Bty -

For U.26.d.85.80.

Read U.26.c.69.20.

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Amendment No. 5 to 3rd Aus. Div. Art. Defence Scheme.

Ref. Sheet "Appendix V (contd)"

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CANCEL WHOLE SHEET AND SUBSTITUTE the following :-

Appendix V (contd)

"S.O.S. 1st ANZAC."

Group	Battery	Target No.	Objectives	Remarks.	
12 H.A.G.	263 S.	1	O.12.b.40.45.)	One How. on each Point. Sweeping roads in vicinity. One Section on each sweeping roads in vicinity. Search area 106 Fuze not to be used.	
		2	O.12.d.85.75.)		
		3	P. 7.c.25.20.)		
		*	F.13.a.65.60.)		
	285 S.	5	P.13.a.95.10.)		Bridges over Canal.
		6	P.19.b.90.75.)		
		7	P.20.a.20.30.)		
		8	P.31.b.75.75.		Road Junction
	319 S.	9	P.13.d.70.05.)		
		10	P.20.a.40.00.)		Bridges over Canal.
		11	P.20.d.10.10.)		
		12	P.25.d.60.95.		Junction Fm.
	70 S.	13	O.12.b.40.45.		Bridge.
		14	P.13.b.55.32.		Cross Roads.
		15	P.20.a.10.00.		Cross Roads.
99 H.A.G.	N. Island H.B. (1 Xn.)	16	(P.20.a.95.10. - P.20.a.75.75. (P.14.a.30.10. - P.20.b.65.45.		
		17	KIMI FARM O.36.c.		
	282 S.	18	KINGSCLERE U.6.b.		
		19	U.12.b.35.35.	Road Junction.	
		20	U.12.b.45.10.	Bridge.	
41 H.A.G.	405 S.	21	O.36.a.	DATUM HOUSE	
		22	U.6.d.20.20.	HOUSE.	
		23	U.12.b.30.70.	Road Junction.	
		24	U.12.d.15.90.	Bridge.	
		25	U.12.d.65.35.	Bridge.	
52 H.A.G.	259 S.	26	U.18.a.98.55.	Bridge.	
		27	U.24.d.30.30.	Road Junction.	
		28	C.11.c.6.9.		
		29	U.12.d.55.80.	Cross Road.	
	264 S.	30	U.12.d.75.55.	Bridge.	
		31	U.18.d.01.30.	SPINNING MILL.	
		32	U.29.b.80.10.		

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

AMENDMENT NO.5 to 3rd.Aust.Div.Arty. Defence Scheme. (cont).

Group.	Battery.	Target No.	Objectives.	Remarks.	
<u>" S.O.S. BASSEVILLE. "</u>					
99 H.A.G.	282 S.	1	U.6.b. KINGSCLENE.	One How. on each point.	
		2	U.12.b.35.35. Crossing.		
		3	U.12.b.45.10. Bridge.		
		4	U.12.d.30.65. Cross Roads.		
52 H.A.G.	264 S.	5	U.12.d.55.80. Cross Roads.		
		6	U.12.d.75.55. Bridge.		
		7	U.18.d.01.80. SPINNING MILL.		
		8	U.29.b.80.10.		
41 H.A.G.	405 S.	9	U.6.d.20.20.		
		10	U.12.b.30.70. Road Junction.		
		11	U.12.b.05.25.		
		12	U.12.d.15.90. Bridge.		
52 H.A.G.		13	U.18.a.98.55. Bridge.		
		14	U.12.d.65.35. Bridge.		
		15	V.13.a.10.55. Cross Roads.		
		16	U.24.d.30.80. Road Junction.		
99 H.A.G.	N.M'land H.B.(1Xn)	17	Roads and tracks in U.6.b. and d.	Search & sweep.	
		18	Roads and tracks in U.13.e. and d.		Search & sweep.
<u>" S.O.S. LE TOUQUET. "</u>					
52 H.A.G.	264 S.	1	U.29.b.80.10.	One How. on each point.	
		2	C.6.b.65.65. Bridges.		
		3	C.5.d. DURIEZ FARM.		
		4	D.7.c. GRAND VERQUIN FM.		
	259 S.	5	U.24.d.30.30. Road junction.	106 fuze not to be used.	
		6	C.11.c.55.85.		
		7	C.11.c.80.20.		
		8	C.11.d.15.70.		
99 H.A.G.	282 S.	9	C.12.a.10.60.		
		10	C.11.b.90.15.		
		11	C.11.d.87.45. Road junction.		
		12	C.11.d.35.05. HOUSE.		
	F.M'land H.B.(1Xn)	13	Road from LA HOULETTE. D.13.a. to FRALINGNIEN		Search & sweep.
		14	DEULMONT and road to V.19.central.		

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5.12.17.W.A. Nicholls
Major R.A.

B.M., R.A., 3rd Australian Division.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.AMMUNITION SUPPLY ETC.Reference Maps:- Sheet 36 N.W., and Sheet 28 S.W.

Corps Depot - LA CRESCHE SIDING A.6.b.
 Ammunition Railhead - CONNAUGHT SIDING - O.X.D. T.26.c.3.5.

DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION REFILLING POINTS:-

ROMARIN - B.4.a.6.5. - 18-pdrs. & 4.5" Hows
 DOUDOU - B.5.c.4.7. - S.A.A. & T. Mortars.

AMMUNITION is brought to the Ammunition Railhead by broad gauge, and is then transferred to Light Railways, and taken to ROMARIN A.R.P.

Light Railways run from ROMARIN to Battery positions, except in a few cases where Trench Tramways join Light Railways up to Battery Positions.

Ammunition is normally sent up to Battery positions by Railways. The Staff Captain is arranging with Ammunition Railhead for the necessary trucks.

The alternative system of supply is by Wagons from ROMARIN Dump.

Groups will be notified time when trucks will arrive at ROMARIN Dump, and will arrange to have sufficient personnel there to act as guides and loaders.

ESTABLISHMENT. Present establishment at gun positions is 300 rounds per 18-pdr. gun, and 200 rounds per 4.5" Howitzer. Groups are responsible that Batteries do not get below this establishment.

ALLOTMENT. An allotment of ammunition to cover a certain period will be given to Groups periodically, and Groups will be notified when this amount will be sent up.

EXPENDITURE. Expenditure will depend on the allotment for the period, except in cases of S.O.S. Groups will, if possible, adjust subsequent expenditure to cover amount expended on an S.O.S.

ECHELONS. Must at all times be kept full, and will not be taken to Battery positions except in case of emergency. This Office will be notified when Echelons have been brought up, so that arrangements can be made to refill at ROMARIN.

DUMPS. D.A.C. personnel at Dumps are as follows:-

	Offs.	N.C.O's.	Men.
ROMARIN	1	-	10
DOUDOU	1	1	8

R.E.MATERIAL. Corps R.E. Park is at STERNWERCK STATION - A.12.a.9.4.
 Divsn R.E. Dump is at DE SEULE - B.1.b.2.3.

Division R.E. Dump is connected by Light Railway, and Material for Batteries can be sent forward by rail under arrangements between Staff Captain and Officer i/c Light Railways, CONNAUGHT SIDING.

Indents

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Indents will be submitted by Orderly, in duplicate, to 3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q., and will then be passed to C.R.E. for counter-signature.

Bricks and rubble can be obtained from ruined villages and houses on authority from C.R.E.

T. M. Smith
 Captain
 Staff Captain R.A.,
 3rd Australian Division.

Headquarters,
 10-11-17.

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SECRET.**3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.****INSTRUCTION No. 26a**

Herewith Map showing Retaliation Areas for Hostile Trench Mortar shoots. It is divided into 3 Areas - WANNETON, DEULMONT, and PEALINGHIM.

The area to be strafed, and the duration of strafing will be notified, together with the Zero Hour at which the Strafe will start.

Areas to be searched by Heavy Artillery are marked in PURPLE; those by Divisional Artillery in GREEN.

Groups will arrange to strafe with all available guns they can bring to bear on the area mentioned.

Rate of fire for Divisional Artillery will be 3 rds. per gun per minute, for the first minute; thereafter, 1 rd. per gun per minute.

A large percentage of H.B. will be used by 18 Pdrs.

It is very necessary for this retaliation to be effective, that immediately hostile Trench Mortaring takes place, 3rd. Aust. D.A.H.Q. be warned by Infantry Brigades, giving time at which shooting started.

Other Retaliation Schemes are being prepared by 3rd. Aust. D.A.H.Q., which will do away with all Group Retaliation Schemes.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

Headquarters,
16.11.1917.

W. A. Nicholls

Major R.A.
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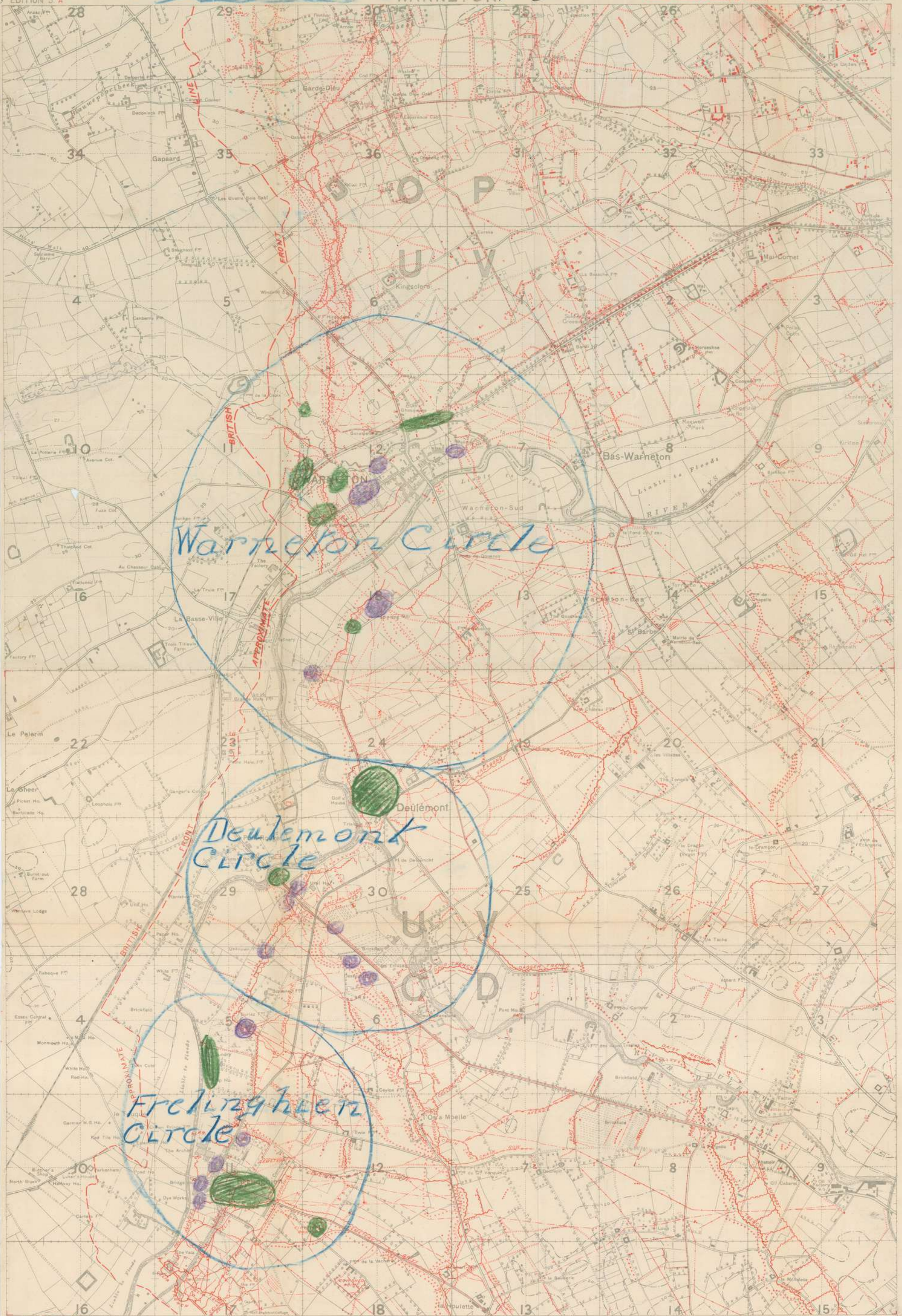
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52nd H.A. Group.	1.	do
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O.R.A.	1.	
B.M.R.A.	1.	do
R.O.	1.	do
FILE.	1.	
WAR DIARY.	3.	
9th Inf. Bn.	1.	" do
10th " "	1	" do
11th " "	1.	" do.

Added to 52nd H.A. Group. - Could you please arrange to do this for us.

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Retaliation Schemes

ATTACHED TO INST. No. 26



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Legend:

- Concrete Structures
- British Posts
- Shell-holes apparently occupied
- Battery Positions (Probably timber or Camouflage)
- (possibly strong points) (Probably Concrete)

APPENDIX.

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3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

Addendum No.1. to Instruction No.26.

Herewith Map No.2, showing two additional Retaliation Circles, namely, "BAS WASHINGTON" and "LA TACHE" for hostile shoots on area in rear of our trench system.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. Harpall

Headquarters.
23.11.17.

Major.
for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divn.

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Map to :-

- 3rd Aust. Divn "C".
- Right Art. Group.
- Left Art. Group.
- 52nd H.A. Group.
- 9th, 10th & 11th Aus. Infy Bdes.
- Rec. Ofcr, 3rd Aus. Div. Art.

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RETALIATION SCHEMES. BACK AREAS

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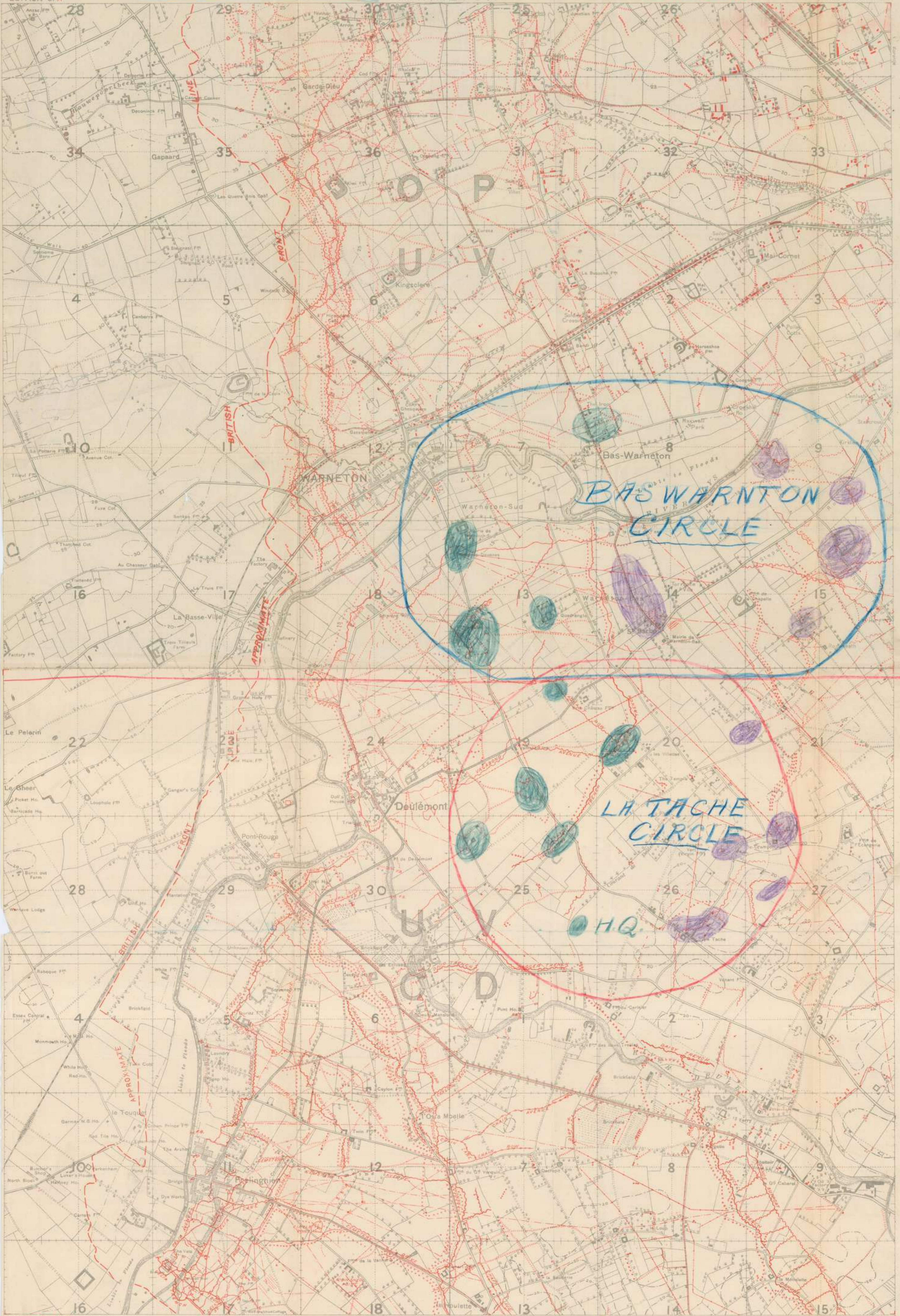
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WARNETON

German Trenches corrected to 7-10-17.



Concrete Structures
British Posts
Shell-holes apparently occupied
Battery Positions (Probably timber or Camouflage)
Ipsible strong points (Probably Concrete)

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INSTRUCTION No. 27.Ref. Maps. -

28 S.W. 4 (PLOEGSTELRT)

Edition 6A.

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and Special Sheet, WARMETON,

(part of Sheet 28)

Edition 2B.

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1. On Zero Night and at Zero Hour, to be notified later, the 10th Aust. Infantry Brigade intends carrying out two raids on the enemy's trenches between U.11.d. 90.35. and U.11.d. 97.75. and penetrating to U.12.c.12.75. and U.12.c.25.65.
2. The 1st raid is to be carried out, in darkness, by the 39th Battalion, under Captain BOOTH.
The 2nd raid is to be carried out, in moonlight, by the 40th Battalion.
3. The Left Artly Group, plus two 18-Pdr Batteries and one 4.5" How. Battery of the 5th Aust. Div. Artly, will co-operate; the Right Art. Group will create a diversion.
(Detailed instructions will follow).
4. On Zero Day (probably 30th inst), the 108th Howitzer Battery will be required to cut two gaps in enemy wire at points:-

U.11.d.89.50.

U.11.d.95.70.

400 rounds 4.5" ammunition with 106 fuzes have been issued today, and 100 rounds, with 106 fuzes, are available at dump, if required. Registration is not to take place before Zero Day, but a reconnaissance will be made and communications arranged.

The G.O.C., 10th Aust. Infy Brigade has agreed to vacate our Front Line on Zero Day; the C.O., Left Art. Group to advise the G.O.C., 10th Infy. Brigade the co-ordinates between which he requires our Front Line vacated.

5. AMMUNITION.
Dumps to be at Battery positions by 12 noon, 30th inst :-

18-Pdr. - 600 rds per gun.

4.5" How. - 500 rds per gun.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Headquarters.
27.11.17.

J. H. Kaffan
Major.
for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divsn.

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 20. 5th Aust. Div. Art.
 21. S.C., R.A., 3rd Aust. Div.
 22. 52nd H.A. Group.
 23. 1st Anzac H.A.
 24. D.T.M.O., 3rd Aust. Div.
 25. 3rd Aust. D.A.C.
 26. 9th Aust. Inf. Bde.
 27. 10th ditto.
 28. 11th ditto.
 29. 69th Coy, A.F.C.
 30. No. 6 Kite Balloon Coy.
 31. "M" Sound Ranging Section.
 32. R.A. Signalling Ofcr, 3rd Aust. Div.
 33. C.R.A.
 34. B.M., R.A.
 35. R. Ofcr.
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 39. File.
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SECRET.3rd. AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER NO.100.

1. 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery will take over from 8th Divisional Artillery by 5 p.m. 9.11.17.
2. The Artillery covering the front of 8th Division is divided into two Groups. -

Right Group consisting of :-

- 1 18 Pdr. Battery and
- 1 4.5" How. Battery.

Left Group consisting of :-

- 5 18 Pdr. Batteries and
- 1 4.5" How. Battery.

3. Allotment of Batteries to Groups is as follows :-

Right Group. 26th Battery, 7th A.F.A. Bde to take over from 3rd Battery R.F.A.
107th Battery, 7th A.F.A. Bde. to take over from 57th Battery R.F.A.

Left Group. 25th Battery, 7th A.F.A. Bde. to take over from 1st Battery R.F.A.
27th Battery, 7th A.F.A. Bde to take over from 32nd Battery R.F.A.
29th Battery, 8th A.F.A. Bde. to take over from 5th Battery R.F.A.
30th Battery, 8th A.F.A. Bde. to take over from 33rd Battery R.F.A.
31st Battery, 8th A.F.A. Bde. to take over from 36th Battery R.F.A.
108th Battery, 8th A.F.A. Bde. to take over from 55th Battery R.F.A.

4. Major Playfair, D.S.O., will take temporary command of Right Group, with the Staff of the 7th A.F.A. Bde. Colonel H.D.K. Macartney will take temporary command of Left Group, with the Staff of 8th A.F.A. Bde.
5. 3rd Australian D.A.C., will take over from 8th D.A.C. (H.Q.- B.9.e.5.3.), by 5 p.m. on 9-11-17.
6. 3rd Australian D.T.M.O., will take over from 8th D.T.M.O., (H.Q.-HIEPPE) by 5 p.m. 9-11-17.
7. Guns will be handed over in situ, with Sights and Cases, Breech and Muzzle Covers and Aiming Posts.
8. Officers and all personnel to take over at the Gun Positions will report Mounted at 8.30 a.m. on 9-11-17 at Group Headquarters as follows:-

Right Group. B.11.d.1.3. Sheet 36 N.W.
Left Group. T.21.d.30.10. Sheet 28 S.W.

9. Wagon Lines remain unchanged until further orders.
10. Command of Groups will pass at 5 p.m. 9-11-17. Command of Div. Arty. will pass to C.R.A. 3rd Australian Div. Arty. at 10 a.m. 10-11-17.
11. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Issued at 7.40 p.m.
8-11-17.

Major,
B.M.R.A., 3rd Australian Division.

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3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
 APPENDIX.
 OPERATION ORDER NO. 100.

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- 5. 8th Division "G".
- 6. 7th Aust.F.A.Brigade.
- 7. 8th Aust F.A.Brigade.
- 8. 3rd Aust D.A.C.
- 9. D.T.M.O. 3rd Aust Divn.
- 10. S.C.R.A. 3rd Aust Divn.
- 11. R.A.Sig. Officer 3rd.Aust.Divn.
- 12. Rec. Officer.
- 13. 867th Coy. 3rd.Aust.Div.Train.
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- 17. FILE.

3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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SECRET.

- OPERATION ORDER NO. 37. -

Ref. Map:-
28 S.W. 4. (PLOEGSTEERT)
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1.

INTENTION.

It is intended to fire 300 gas drums from our trenches, probably on night 25/26th instant, as per 'L' Special Company R.E. Order (copy attached).

2.

ACTION OF ARTILLERY.

Left Group Artillery will co-operate as follows :-

(a) At Zero Hour - 1-18 Pdr Battery and
1-4.5" How. Battery
will fire two rounds per gun, gun fire, on approaches in U.12.b. & d. - mean point of impact to be 300 yards EAST of gas targets.

(b). At Zero plus 30 minutes.

All Batteries will concentrate on to gas targets and approaches for two minutes.

(c) At Zero plus 2 hours.

(x) except that half the number of guns will search back 300 yards East of gas targets. All concentrate as in

Rate of fire for (b) and (c) - 2 rds per gun per min.

3.

LOCATION 'L' Coy.

The O.C., 'L' Company will be situated at 10th Aust. Infantry Brigade Headquarters during operation.

4.

ACKNOWLEDGE.-

Headquarters.

H. Laffan
Major.
for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divsn.

Issued at 10 a.m. by D.R.L.S.
24.11.1917.

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2.	R.A., 1st Anzac Corps.	27.	10th ditto
3.	3rd Aus. Div. "G".	28.	11th ditto.
4/8.	Right Art. Group.	29.	69th Sq. A.F.C.
9/18.	Left Art. Group.	30.	No.6 Kite Bal. Coy.
19.	38th Div. Art.	31.	"M" Sound Rg. Sect.
20.	5th Aust. Div. Art.	32.	R.A. Sig. Ofcr.
21.	S.C., R.A., 3rd Aus. Div.	33.	C.R.A.
22.	52nd H.A. Group.	34.	B.M., R.A.
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25.	3rd Aus. D.A.C.	39.	FILE.
		40.	'L' Coy R.E.

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All Batteries will concentrate on to gas targets and approaches for two minutes.

(c) At Zero plus 2 hours.

All Batteries will concentrate as in (b) for 10 minutes, (X)

Rate of fire for (b) and (c) - 2 rds per gun per min.

3. LOCATION 'L' Coy.

The O.C., 'L' Company will be situated at 10th Aust. Infantry Brigade Headquarters during operation.

4.

ACKNOWLEDGE.-

H. Langford

Major.

Headquarters.

for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divsn.

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		40.	'L' Coy R.E.

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L.423.

Livens Gas Projector Attack by "L" Special Coy., R.E.

Ref.- 3rd Aust.Div.Order S.G.13/176. dated 21.11.17.
Trench Map Sheet 28.S.W.4.(PLOEGSTEERT)
1/10,000.

1. LOCATION OF GUNS AND TARGETS.

The guns and targets are located as follows :

<u>Site.</u>	<u>Target.</u>	<u>Description.</u>	<u>No.of bombs allotted.</u>
Between U.11.c.5.1. and U.17.a.5.6.	U.12.c.3.1.	IN DEN ROOSTER CABT.	102 C.G.
	U.12.c.2.4.	Battalion H.Q.	102 C.G.
	U.12.c.3.8.	Dug-outs in Embankment.	101 C.G.

2. ZERO HOUR.

The guns will be loaded and ready to fire by 12 midnight on the 25th/26th instant. The latest hour for firing before dawn would be 5.45 am. Zero Hour would therefore be at 5.45 am. on the 26th.

3. PRECAUTIONS.

All troops should be withdrawn from the line of fire and for 300 yards to either flank. Troops on flanks should adjust their box respirators just before Zero, and should not remove them until satisfied there is no Gas about. Arrangements for withdrawing Posts etc., could be made direct between O.C. "L" Spec.Coy. R.E. and the Brigade holding the line. Troops on the flanks should not start to move back to re-occupy posts until Zero plus 30 minutes.

4. COMMUNICATIONS.

The Officer firing the guns will be in telephonic communication at AU CHASSEUR CABARET and will send a priority wire at Zero to O.C. "L" Coy. R.E. at 10th Brigade H.Q.(G.I.2) who will in turn send a wire to the Artillery Group concerned. A Rocket Signal could be fired at Zero if considered desirable.

5. WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The guns will not be fired unless the wind is between N.W. and S.S.W. If weather conditions are unfavourable at Zero minus 2 hours, the Officer of "L" Special Coy.R.E. i/c of the guns will inform the Infantry Company Commander in the line that the guns will not be fired, and that he will not be required to withdraw his posts. The Artillery will be informed by wire. Otherwise it will be taken for granted the discharge will take place at the specified Zero. The final decision as to whether weather conditions are favourable at Zero Hour is left to the Officer firing the guns.

6. CODE.

The following code will be used :-

Guns have been fired - HAVRE.
Guns have not been fired- DIEPPE.

23.11.1917.

(Sgd.) H.L. NORBURY Lieut RE
O.C. "L" Special Coy., R.E.

APPENDIX

3rd Aust. Div. Art. Operation Order No. 38.

Distribution:-

<u>Copy No.</u>	
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	25. 52nd H.A. Group.
	26. 1st Anzac H.A.
	27. D.T.M.O., 3rd Aus. Div.
	28. 3rd Aus. D.A.C.
	29. 9th Aus. Infy. Bde.
	30. 10th ditto.
	31. 11th ditto.
	32. 69th Regt Sqdn, A.F.C.
	33. No. 6 Kite Bal. Coy.
	34. "M" Sound Ranging Section.
	35. R.A. Sig. Ofcr, 3rd Aus. Div.
	36. O.R.A.
	37. B.M., R.A.
	38. R. Ofcr.
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3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

--- OPERATION ORDER No. 38. ---

Ref. Maps:- 28 S.W.4 (P.O. 85.68.)
Special Sheet, WASHINGTON.) 1/10,000.

1.
INTENTION.

On the night 30th Nov/1st Dec., the 10th Australian Infantry Brigade intend carrying out two raids, entering enemy trenches at U.11.d.85.68. and U.11.d.85.50., and penetrating along trench to U.11.d.90.35. and U.11.d.97.75., and in depth to U.12.e.12.75. and U.12.e.25.65.

The 108th 4.5" How. Battery will cut wire opposite points of entry, on the 30th instant, using 106 fuzes.

The 1st raid is to be carried out by the 39th Battalion; the 2nd raid by the 40th Battalion.

2.
ZERO TIMES.

Zero times will be notified later. The 2nd raid will probably take place six or seven hours after the 1st raid.

3.
ARTILLERYCO-OPERATION.

The Left Group, 3rd Aust. Div. Artillery, plus two 18-Pdr Batteries and one 4.5" How. Battery, made available by the C.R.A., 5th Australian Division, under the command of Lt-Col. W.C. Allsop, D.S.O., will co-operate, as per Task Table "A" and Diagram attached.

The Right Group, 3rd Aust. Div. Art., under Lt-Col. H.D.K. Macartney, will create a diversion on the Right Group Front.

Corps Heavy Artillery has been asked to bombard strong points, M.G. Posts, and approaches, as per Task Table "B" and diagram attached.

The Staff Officer, Counter Battery, has promised the maximum amount of Counter Battery work possible, commencing at Zero Hour and continuing until Zero plus 50 minutes.

The 5th Australian Div. Artly has been asked to cut gaps in wire at about A L' HIRONDELLER C.LST., on the 30th instant, and also to create a diversion about this area at Zero Hour of both raids.

The Artillery action as above will be repeated for the second raid.

4.
LIAISON.

The C.O., Left Artly Group will detail 1 Officer, not above the rank of Captain, to act as Liaison Officer with the O.C., each raid; the 8th A. F. A. Bde. Signalling Officer to arrange necessary communications.

5/. Rate of Fire.

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5.

RATE OF FIRE.18-Pdrs.

Zero to Zero plus 3 minutes.	- 4 rds per gun per min.
Zero plus 3 mins. to Zero plus 18 minutes.	- 3 ditto.
Zero plus 18 mins. to Zero plus 40 minutes.	- 2 ditto.
Zero plus 40 mins. to Zero plus 45 minutes.	- 1 ditto.
Zero plus 45 minutes.	- STOP FIRING.

4.5" Hows.

Zero to Zero plus 23 minutes.	- 2 rds per gun per min.
Zero plus 23 mins. to Zero plus 45 minutes.	- 1 ditto.
Zero plus 45 minutes.	- STOP FIRING.

6.

S.O.S.

S.O.S. on the Left Group front will be inoperative from Zero minus 15 minutes to Zero plus 45 minutes of both raids.

S.O.S. on the Right Group front will be operative throughout.

7.

ACKNOWLEDGE receipt.

Headquarters.



Major.
for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Div. Art.

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PHASE I. - Zero to Zero plus 3 minutes.

30th Bty.	1 Gun enfilade Trench	U.18.a.05.66.	to 19.50.
	1 Gun sweep Trench	U.18.a.07.76.	to 10.80.
	4 Guns barrage Trench	U.18.a.15.85.	to U.12.c.10.03.
27th Bty.	6 Guns barrage Trench	U.12.c.10.03.	to U.12.c.00.20.
29th Bty.	6 Guns ditto.	U.12.c.00.20.	to U.11.d.88.38.
25th Bty.	6 Guns ditto.	U.11.d.88.38.	to U.11.d.90.54.
31st Bty.	6 Guns ditto.	U.11.d.90.54.	to U.11.d.97.73.
5th Aus.)	5 Guns ditto.	U.11.d.97.73.	to U.11.d.99.96.
Div.Art.)	1 Gun bombard M.G.	U.11.d.87.87.	
	5 Guns search Trench	U.11.d.99.96.	to U.11.b.78.12.
	1 Gun enfilade Trench	U.11.b.78.29.	to U.11.b.63.26.
108th 4.5")	1 How bombard M.G.	U.18.a.05.66.	
How. Bty.)	1 How ditto.	U.18.a.21.82.	
	1 How " T.M.	U.12.c.42.11.	
	1 How " M.G.	U.12.c.49.22.	
	1 How " Trench	U.12.c.12.75.	
	1 How " "	U.12.c.25.65.	
4.5" Hows,)	2 Hows " "	U.12.a.47.20.	to U.12.c.50.99.
5th Aus. Div)	1 How " M.G.	U.12.a.45.29.	
Artly.)	1 How " Trench	U.11.b.79.19.	
	1 How " M.G.	U.11.b.85.65.	
	1 How " T.M.	U.12.a.09.61.	

Table "A" continued next Sheet.
PHASE II.

3rd Aust. Div. Art. Operation Order No.38. - TABLE "A" (Contd).

PHASE II.

Zero plus 3 mins. to Zero plus 45 mins.

30 the Bty.	As in Phase I.	
27th Bty.	ditto.	
29th Bty.	6 Guns enfilade	U.12.c.12.08. to U.12.c.34.40.
25th Bty.	6 Guns "	U.12.c. 34.40. to 56.77.
31st Bty.	2 Guns barrage	U.12.56.77. to 62.89.
	4 Guns enfilade	U.12.c.62.89. to 39.91.
5th Aus.)	6 Guns enfilade	U.12.c.39.91. to U.11.d.99.96.
Div. Art.)	5 Guns as in Phase I,	U.11.d.99.96. to U.11.b.78.12., except that a portion
		of the barrage will be placed beyond trench between
		U.11.d.99.96. and U.11.b.81.00., as in Phase II diagram
		attached.
	1 Gun enfilade trench	U.11.b.78.29. to U.11.b.63.26.
108th How.)	1 How bombard M.G.	U.18.a.05.66.
Bty.)	1 How " Trench	U.18.a.10.60.
	1 How " M.G.	U.18.a.21.82.
	1 How " Trench	U.12.c.30.06.
	1 How " T.M.	U.12.c.42.11.
	1 How " M.G.	U.12.c.49.22.
5th Aust.)	Hows - as for Phase I.	
Div. Art.)		

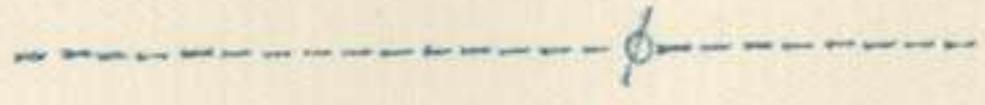
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-- TABLE "B" --

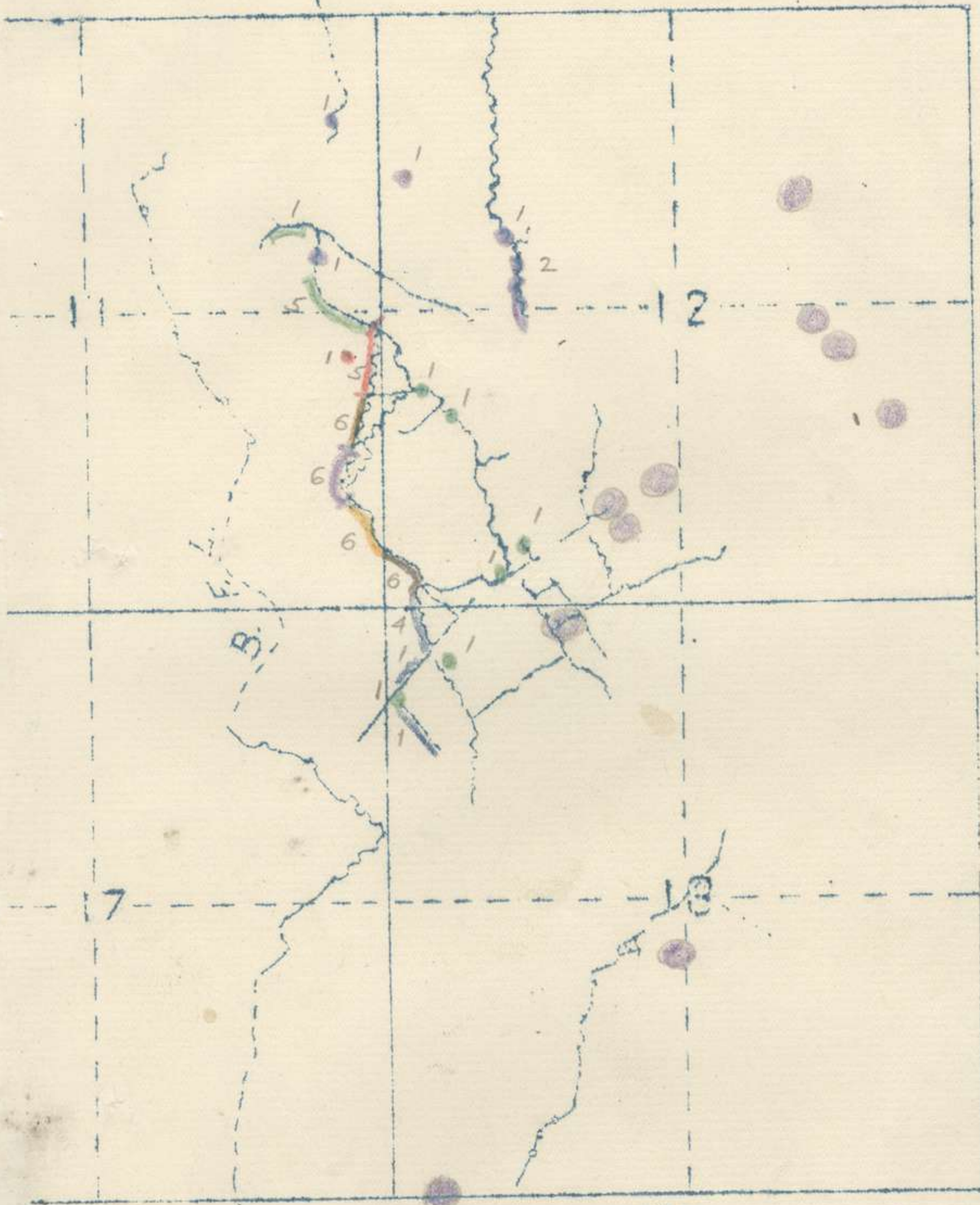
1st ANZAC Corps Heavy Artillery has agreed to bombard the following points :-

Road.	U.12.b.40.35.
Road Junction.	U.12.d.45.97.
Road Junction.	U.12.d.55.80.
Road Junction.	U.12.d.7.6.
T. M.	U.12.c.74.34.
T.M.	U.12.c.80.25.
Trench.	U.18.a.55.95.
WIGART FARM.	U.18.c.15.00.
SPINNING MILL.	U.18.c.94.84.
TOWER.	U.12.c.9.4.



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Ref. Map:- WARBTON (Special Sheet) - 1/10,000.



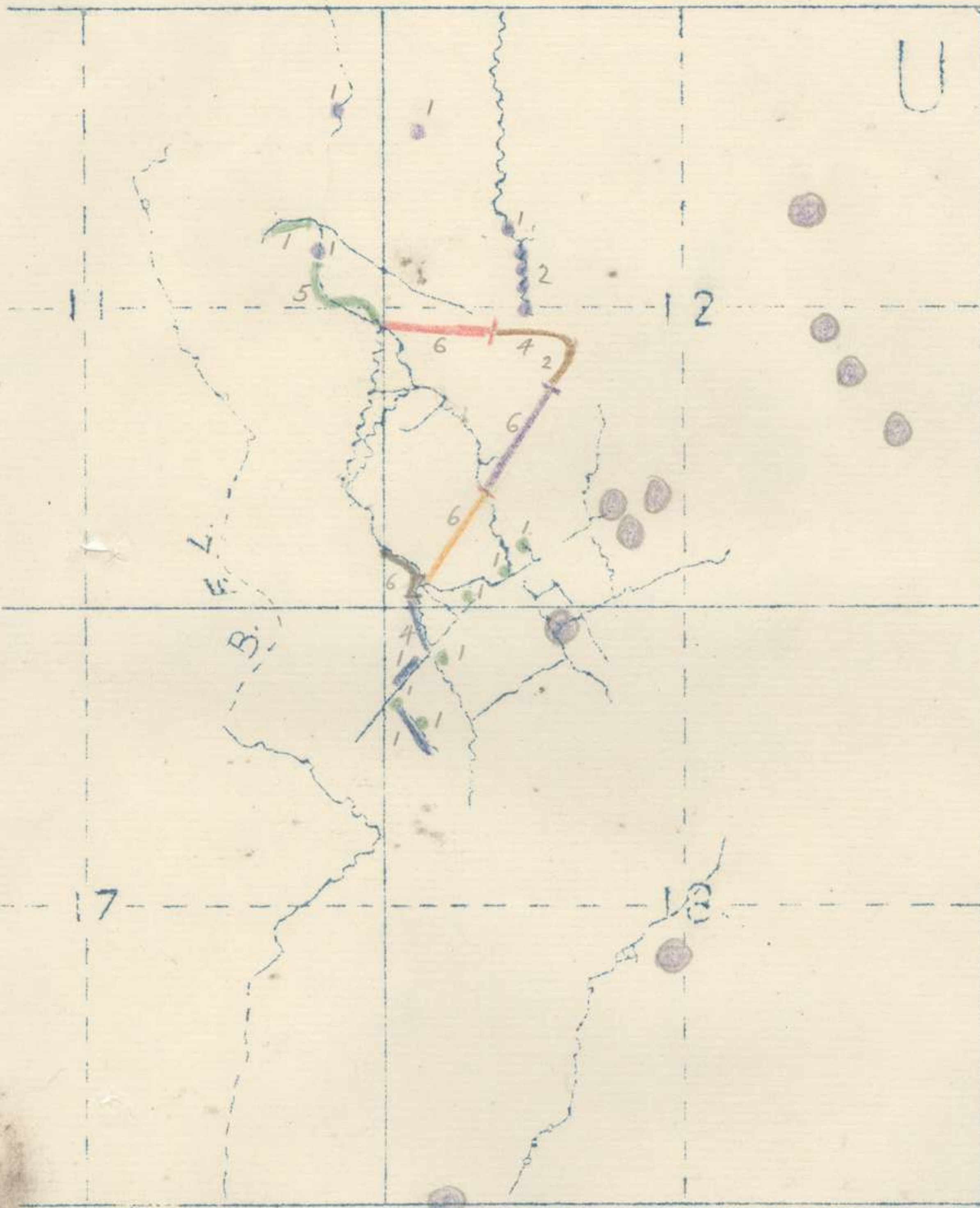
Phase I

References :-

- | | | | | |
|------------|---|---------|--|--------------------|
| 30th Bty. | - | BLUE. | | |
| 27th Bty. | - | BLACK. | | |
| 29th Bty. | - | YELLOW. | | |
| 25th Bty. | - | PURPLE. | | 5th Aus. Div. Art. |
| 31st Bty. | - | BROWN. | | Bty. |
| 108th How. | - | GREEN. | | 1-18 Pdr/- RED. |
| Bty. | | | | 1-18 " - GREEN. |
| | | | | 1 How Bty- PURPLE. |

H.A.

Ref. Map: - WARNETON (Special Sheet) - 1/10,000.



Phase II

Reference :-

- | | | | | |
|------------|---|---------|--|--------------------|
| 30th Bty. | - | BLUE. | | |
| 27th Bty. | - | BLACK. | | |
| 29th Bty. | - | YELLOW. | | 5th Aus. Div. Art. |
| 25th Bty. | - | PURPLE. | | Bty. |
| 31st Bty. | - | BROWN. | | 1-18 Pdr/- RED. |
| 108th How. | - | GREEN. | | 1-18 " - GREEN. |
| Bty. | | | | 1 How Bty- PURPLE. |

H.A.



3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

Copy No. 39Addendum No.1. to Operation Order No.38.1.
INTENTION.

The Infantry propose to enter shell hole and capture machine gun at U.11.d. 87.87.- The 5th Divsl Battery flank barrage will be placed as shown in GREEN on PHASE II Diagram, 100 yards distance from this point.

2.
AMMUNITION.

Ammunition expenditure to be :-

50% "A"
50% "AX"

"A" to be 75% bursts on graze.

3.
SYNCHRONISA-
TION OF
WATCHES.

One Officer per Battery from Left Group Artillery and 5th Australian Divsl. Artly Batteries co-operating will report at 8th A. F. A. Brigade Headquarters (T.21.d.3.1.), at 2 p.m. on the 30th instant.

One Officer per Battery of Right Group will report at Right Group Artly Headquarters at 2.30 p.m. on the 30th instant, to receive signal time from a Staff Officer from 3rd Aust. Divsl. Artly Headquarters

4. If it is thought advisable to cancel the second raid, the code word "HOBART" will be wired to all concerned.

5. 106 Fuzes will not be used in barrage.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Headquarters.
29.11.17.

M. J. Fair
Major.
for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divsn.

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3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

Amendment No.1. to 3rd Aust. Div. Art. Operation Order No.38.

Ref. TABLE "A".

down
Cancel task laid/for two 18-Pdr Batteries of the 5th Australian Divsl Artillery in Table "A", Phase II, and Paragraph 1 of Addendum No.1, and substitute the following :-

6 Guns	bombard	U.12.c.39.91. to U.12.a.06.01.
5 Guns	"	U.12.a.06.01. to U.11b.80.10.
1 Gun	" trench	U.11.b.78.29. to U.11.b.63.26.

The task for 5th Aust. Divsl. Hows. remains as laid down in Table "A", Phase II.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

Major.

for B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Divsn.

Headquarters.
29.11.17.

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3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

D.A./24/108.

The 7th A. F. A. Brigade Headquarters will be located at 28 RUE DE LILLE, BAUMEUL, as from 12 noon today.

Location Report of 23.10.17 (D.A./24/108) is amended accordingly.

H. S. Smith

Headquarters.
2.11.17.

H

Captain.
Staff Captain, 3rd Aust. Div. Art.

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*Secret*THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.WAGON LINES.

Reference Maps: Sheet 36 N.W.
Sheet 28 S.W.

Reference 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 100.,
para. 9.

1. 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery will move into Wagon Lines at present occupied by 8th Divisional Artillery, on 10th instant, as follows. No moves to take place before 11 a.m., but moves to be completed by 5 p.m.:-

<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Take over from</u>	<u>Location.</u>
7th F.A.Bde. H.Q.	33rd Bde. H.Qs.	T.21.d.3.1.
25th Battery.	32nd Battery	B.14.a.3.6.
26th "	33rd Battery	B.14.c.8.3.
27th "	36th "	B.14.c.9.6.
107th How. Bty.	55th How. Bty.	H.1.b.6.9.
8th F.A.Bde. H.Q.	45th Bde. H.Qs.	B.9.b.7.2.
29th Battery.	1st Battery	G.10.a.9.8.
30th "	3rd "	A.28.a.3.0.
31st "	5th "	G.10.a.7.9.
108th How. Bty.	57th How. Bty.	A.22.d.1.2.
3rd Aus. D.A.C. H.Q.	8th D.A.C.	B.9.c.50.30.
No. 1 Sect. 3rd D.A.C.	No.1 Sect. 8th D.A.C.	B.19.c.40.70.
No. 2 " do.	No.2 " do.	B.25.c.40.50.
"B" Echelon do.	"B" Echelon do.	B.27.c.80.80.
3rd Aust. D.T.M.O.	6th D.T.M.O.	B.15.d.90.80.
3rd Aus. T.M. Billets	8th D.T.M. Billets (Nieppe)	B.16.a.3.0.
867th A.S.C. will remain in present position		G.4.b.10.50.

2. Wagon Line advance parties will report at new wagon lines at 9 a.m. 10th instant, and take over camps, all trench and area stores.
3. Rear parties will be left at old wagon lines to hand over ~~to~~ all trench and area stores and inventories to camp wardens.
4. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

T. Morell Captain
Staff Captain R.A.,
3rd Australian Division.

Headquarters,
9-11-17.

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6. 8th Division "G". 26. FILE.
7/11. 7th Aust. F.A. Brigade
12/16. 8th Aust. F.A. Brigade
17. 3rd Aust. D.A.C.
18. D.T.M.O. 3rd Aus.Divn.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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LOCATION STATEMENT.

As at 6 p.m.
10. 11. 17.

Ref. Maps 20 S.W. }
36 N.W. } 1/20,000
20 S.E. & 30 N.E. }

UNIT. LOCATION MAGN. LINES.

3rd. Aust. Div. Artys. STLENWERCK. (Commanded by Lt-Col. W.G. ALISOP, D.S.O.)
HEAD QUARTERS.

RIGHT GROUP. (Major T.A.J. PLAMFAIR, D.S.O.)

7th. F.A. Bde. H.Qrs.
26th. Bty.

C.2.central. (2 Guns.)
C.2.d.15.10. (2 do.)
U.26.d.25.20. (2 do.)
C.5:c.16.75. (2 Hows.)
C.7:b.25.40. (2 do.)
C.7.d.20.30. (2 do.)

B.11.d.1.3.
B.14.c.8.9.
H.1.b.6.9.

107th. How. Bty.

LEFT GROUP. (Lt-Col. H.F.K. MACARTNEY.)

8th. F.A. Bde. H.Qrs.
25th. Bty.

T.21.d.30.10.
U.26.b.30.50. (4 Guns.)
U.27.c.10.00. (2 do.)
U.5.d.55.40.
U.13.c.91.75.
U.1.d.26.00. (4 Guns.)
U.7.a.90.35. (1 Gun.)
U.10.a.10.30. (1 do.)
U.1.d.02.20. (4 Guns.)
U.1.d.55.00. (2 do.)
U.14.d.22.05. (4 Hows.)
U.14.c.50.10. (2 do.)

D.14.a.3.6.
B.14.c.9.6.
G.10.a.9.6.
A.25.d.3.0.
G.10.a.7.9.
A.22.d.1.2.

3rd. Aust. D.A.C. Headquarters

B.9.c.5.3.

No. 1 Section.

B.25.c.4.5.

No. 2 do.

H.19.c.4.7.

"B" Echelon.

B.27.c.0.6.

3rd. Aust. D.T.M.O.

P.15.d.8.3.

Trench Mortar Billets

NIEPPE.

Trench Mortar Positions

C.4.a.1.5. (9.45" new type.)
U.10.d.central (do.)

AMMUNITION

DUMPS.

AMMUNITION RAILHEAD

CONNUGHT SIDING CXD.

ROLARIN DUMP.

B.4.a.6.5. (15 Pdr. & 4.5" How.)

DOUDOU "

B.5.c.4.7. (S.A.A. & T.M.)

P.T.C. R.E. Dumps.

Cont.

LOCATION

STATEMENT.

-- (((R.E. DUMPS.))) ----

CORPS R.E. DUMP.
DIVISION R.E. DUMP

STEINWERCK STATION
DE SEULE

A.12.a.9.9.
B.1.b.2.3.

M I S C E L L A N E O U S .

G.O. VIII Corps Troops.
23rd. Mobile Workshops.
Camouflage Officer.
857th. Coy. 3rd. Aus. Div. Train

G.5.b.central.
A.29.b.8.C.
T.21.d.9.C.
G.4.b.I.5.

Headquarters,
10th. Hvy. 17.

Atchouley

Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

SECRET,LOCATION STATEMENT.

as at 6 p.m. 16.11.17.

(28.5.17. & 3.7.17.) 1/20,000
 (36.11.17. & 1.12.17.)

UNIT.	LOCATION.	VAGON LINES.
3rd. Aust. Div. arty. HEADQUARTERS.	SUDENWARTH.	Commanded by : BRIG. GEN. H. W. GRINWADE C.M.G.
<u>RIGHT GROUP.</u>	(Lieut-Col. H. D. E. MACLENNAN.)	
7th. F.A. Bde. H. Qrs.	B.11.d.15.48.	B.11.d.1.3.
23th. Battery.	C.2.central. (2 Guns) C.2.d.15.10. (2 Guns) U.26.d.65.80. (2 Guns)	B.14.c.8.8.
107th. How. Bty.	C.8.c.16.75. (2 Hows) C.7.b.85.40. (2 Hows) C.7.d.20.30. (2 Hows)	H.1.b.6.9.
<u>LEFT GROUP.</u>	(Lieut-Col. A. G. ALLSOP D.S.O.)	
8th. F.A. Bde. H. Qrs.	A.21.d.30.10.	
25th. Battery.	U.26.b.30.80. (4 Guns) U.27.c.10.00. (2 Guns)	B.14.a.3.6.
27th. Battery.	U.8.d.55.40.	B.14.c.9.6.
29th. Battery.	U.13.c.91.05.	G.10.a.9.8.
30th. Battery.	U.1.d.20.00. (4 Guns) U.7.a.90.35. (1 Gun) U.10.a.18.33. (1 Gun)	A.28.a.3.0.
31st. Battery.	U.1.d.82.26. (4 Guns) U.1.d.55.00. (2 Guns)	G.10.a.7.9.
108th. How. Bty.	U.14.d.22.35. 2 (Hows) U.14.c.50.10. 4 (Hows)	A.28.a.90.35.
3rd. Australian D.A.C. Headquarters.	- B.9.c.5.3.	
No.1. Section.	- B.25.c.4.5.	
No.2. Section.	- B.19.c.4.7.	
"B" Echelon.	- B.27.c.3.8.	
3rd. Australian D.T.M.O.	- B.15.d.90.80.	
French Mortar Billets.	- MILPEE.	
French Mortar Positions.	- C.4.a.10.50. (9.45" How Type). U.10.d.central. (do. do.)	

AMMUNITION DUMPS.

AMMUNITION RAILHEAD.	- COMMUNIST SIDING. QRD.
ROMARIN DUMP.	- B.4.a.6.5. (18 Pdr. & 4.5" How.).
DOUDOU DUMP.	- B.5.c.4.7. (S.A.A. & T.M.).

D.T.O. R.M. Dumps.

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WAGON LINES.

Reference Maps:- Sheet 36 N.W.)
 Sheet 28 S.W.) 1/20,000.

1. INTENTION. 8th Aust. F.A. Brigade will move from present Wagon Lines on 21st instant and take over wagon lines at present occupied by 1st F.A. Brigade, 1st Australian Division as follows:-

<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Take over from.</u>	<u>Location.</u>
8th F.A. Bde. H.Qs.	1st F.A. Bde. H.Qs.	T.21.d.2.1.
29th Battery	1st Battery	T.27.d.2.4.6.
30th "	2nd "	T.27.d.2.8.
31st "	3rd "	T.27.d.6.1.
108th How. Bty.	101st How. Bty.	T.28.d.1.9.
2. STARTING POINT. Cross Roads, A.22.d.40.95.
3. TIME. 10.30.a.m.
4. ROUTE. STEENWERCK, TROIS ARBRES, PONT d'ACHELLES.
5. ORDER OF MARCH. 108th Battery, 30th Battery, 31st Battery, 29th Battery.
6. INTERVAL. 300 yards between Batteries.
7. ADVANCE PARTIES will report at new wagon lines at 8 a.m. 21st instant, and take over camps and all area stores.
8. REAR PARTIES will be left at old position to hand over camps and Area Stores to 2nd Divisional Artillery marching in on 21st instant. Camps to be left in thoroughly clean state.
9. TURN-OUT. Marching Order. No unauthorised equipment to be carried on vehicles.
10. BAGGAGE WAGONS. Will be detailed by 867th A.S.C., to report at Battery Wagon Lines at 8 a.m., 21st instant.
11. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Headquarters,
 20-11-17.

T. J. J. J.
 Captain
 Staff Captain R.A.,
 3rd Aust. Divsl. Artillery.

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- 3/8. 8th F.A. Bde. (Copies for Wagon Lines)
- 9. 867th A.S.C.
- 10. B.M.R.A. 3rd Aus. Divn.
- 11. R.C., 3rd Aus. Div. Artly.
- 12. R.A. 3rd Aus. Div. Sigs.
- 13/15. WAR DIARY.
- 16. FILE.
- 17/20. SPARE.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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LOCATION STATEMENT.

As at 6 p.m. 30.11.17.

(28.S.E. & S.W.)
Ref. Maps : (36.N.E. & N.W.) 1/20,000.

UNIT.	LOCATION.	MAGON LINES.
3rd. Aust. Div. Arty.	STEENWERCK.	Commanded by : BRIG. GEN. H.W. GRIMWADE, C.M.G.
<u>RIGHT GROUP.</u>	(Lt.-Col. H.D.K. MACARTNEY.)	
7th. F.A. Bde. H.Qrs.	B.11.d.15.48.	B.11.d.1.3.
26th. Battery	C.2.central (2 guns.)	B.14.c.3.8.
	C.2.d.15.10. (2 guns.)	
	U.26.c.69.20. (2 guns.)	
107th. How. Bty.	C.3.c.16.75. (2 Hows.)	H.1.b.6.9.
	C.7.b.85.40. (2 ")	
	C.7.d.20.30. (2 ")	
<u>LEFT GROUP.</u>	(Lt.-Col. W.G. ALLISON, D.S.O.)	
8th. F.A. Bde. Hqrs.	T.21.d.20.10.	
25th. Battery	U.26.b.30.80. (4 guns.)	B.14.a.3.6.
	U.27.c.10.00. (2 ")	
27th. Battery.	U.8.d.55.40.	B.14.c.9.6.
29th. "	U.13.c.91.05.	T.27.b.3.6.
30th. "	U.1.d.20.00. (3 guns.)	T.28.c.2.8.
	U.7.a.98.55. (2 ")	
	U.10.a.18.38. (1 ")	
31st. "	U.1.d.82.26. (5 ")	T.27.a.55.60.
	U.1.d.55.00. (1 ")	
108th. "	U.14.d.22.35. (2 Hows.)	T.27.c.7.2.
	U.14.c.50.10. (4 ")	
3rd. Aust. D. A. C. H.Q.	B.9.c.5.3.	
No.1 Section.	B.25.c.4.5.	
No.2 "	B.19.c.4.7.	
"B" Echelon.	B.27.c.8.8.	
3rd. Aust. D.T.M.O.	B.15.d.9.8.	
Trench Mortar Billets.	NIEPPE.	
Trench Mortar Positions.	C.4.a.1.5. (9.45")	
	U.10.d.4.5. (")	
<u>DUMPS.</u>		
AMMUNITION RAILHEAD	COMBAUGHT SIDING OXD.	
ROMARIN DUMP	B.4.a.6.5. (18-Pdr. & 4.5" How.)	
BOUDOU DUMP	B.5.c.4.7. (S.A.A. and T.M.)	
CORPS R.E. DUMP.	STEENWERCK STATION. - A.12.a.9.9.	
DIVISION R.E. DUMP.	DE SEULE. - B.1.b.2.3.	
<u>MISCELLANEOUS.</u>		
83rd. Mobile Workshops.	A.29.b.8.8.	
867th. Coy. 3rd. Aust. Div.		
Train.	C.4.b.1.5.	
D.A.D.O.S. 3rd. Aust. Div.	B.1.d.3.5.	
Headquarters,		
30.11.1917.		

*A. R. Howland*Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer
3rd Australian Divisional Artillery.

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LOCATION STATEMENT.

As at 6 p.m. 23.11.17.

(20 S.E. & S.W.)
Ref, Maps. (36 E.E. & N.W.) 1/20,000.

UNIT.	LOCATION.	WAGON LINES.
3rd. Aust. Div. Arty. HEADQUARTERS.	STEENWERCK.	Commanded by : BRIG. GEN. H.W. GRIMWADE, C.M.G.
<u>RIGHT GROUP.</u>	(Lt.-Col. H.D.K. MACARTNEY.)	
7th. F.A. Bde. H/qrs.	B.11.d.15.40.	B.11.d.1.3.
26th. Battery.	C.2.central. (2 guns.)	B.14.c.8.8.
	C.2.d.15.10. (2 guns.)	
	U.26.d.05.00. (2 ")	
107th. How. Bty.	C.8.c.16.75. (2 Hows.)	H.1.b.6.9.
	C.7.b.05.40. (2 ")	
	C.7.d.20.30. (2 ")	
<u>LEFT GROUP.</u>	(Lt.-Col. W.G. ALLSOP, D.S.O.)	
8th. F.A. Bde. H/qrs.	T.21.d.20.10.	
25th. Battery.	U.26.b.30.80. (4 guns.)	B.14.a.3.6.
	U.27.c.10.00. (2 guns.)	
27th. "	U.8.d.55.40.	B.14.c.9.6.
29th. "	U.13.c.91.05.	T.27.b.3.6.
30th. "	U.1.d.20.00. (4 guns.)	T.28.c.2.8.
	U.7.a.98.35. (1 gun.)	
	U.10.a.18.38. (1 ")	
31st. "	U.1.d.02.26. (4 guns.)	T.27.a.55.60.
	U.1.d.55.00. (2 ")	
108th. How. Bty.	U.14.d.22.85. (4 Hows.)	T.27.c.7.2.
	U.14.c.50.10. (2 ")	
3rd. Aust. D.A.C. H/qrs.	B.9.c.5.3.	
No. 1 Section.	B.25.c.4.5.	
No. 2 "	B.19.a.4.7.	
"B" Echelon.	B.27.c.8.8.	
3rd. Aust. D.T.M.O.	B.15.d.9.8.	
Trench Mortar Billets	NIEPPE.	
Trench Mortar Positions	C.4.a.1.5. (9.45" new type.)	
	U.10.d.4.5. (-do-)	
---- DUMPS ----		
AMMUNITION RAILHEAD	CONNAUGHT SIDING OXD.	
ROMARIN DUMP	B.4.a.6.5. (18 Pdr. and 4.5" How.)	
DOUDOU DUMP (B.5.c.4.7.)	(S.A.A. and T.M.)	
CORPS R.E. DUMP	STEENWERCK STATION. - A.12.a.9.9.	
DIVISION R.E. DUMP	DE SEULE. - B.1.b.2.3.	
<u>MISCELLANEOUS.</u>		
23rd. Mobile Workshops	A.29.b.8.8.	
867th. Coy. 3rd. Aus. Div. Train	- G.4.b.1.5.	
D.A.D.O.S. 3rd. Aus. Div.	B.1.d.3.5.	

Atkinson

Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

Headquarters,
23.11.17.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

CONFIDENTIAL.INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.From 6 a.m. 9.11.17. to 6 a.m. 10.11.17.OUR FIRE.

During the period, Registrations have been carried out by our 18 pdrs.

100 rounds, 4.5" How., were directed against WICKART FARM at U.24.a.15.95.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Enemy's Artillery has shown normal activity, but shelling has been intermittent and well distributed over the whole of the sector.
Main areas shelled were :-

Front & Support Line Trenches in U.11.a.b. & c.
40 rds. 15 cm. on Western Slopes MESSINES RIDGE (U.2.b. & d)
80 rds. chiefly 10.5cm. & 77 mm. on UMPIRE ROAD and UMPIRE SWITCH, U.23.c. & U.22.d.
40 rds. 10.5 cm. on LAWRENCE FARM and vicinity from Sound Bearing 162 degs. from U.22.d.90.45.

General direction of Hostile Fire was BAS WARNETON, Le MARGUERITE, and COMINES.

INTELLIGENCE.

AIRCRAFT. Enemy's aircraft were inactive during the period.

Visibility Poor.

No further reports to hand to time of issue of this Summary.

Headquarters,
10th. Novr. 1917.

Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer.
For Brig-Gen.Com/y.3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.CONFIDENTIAL.From 6 a.m. 10.11.17 to 6 a.m. 11.11.17.Ref, Maps 28 S.W., 28 S.E., 36 N.W., 36 N.E., 1/20,000.OUR FIRE.

During the period, 18 Pdrs. checked Registrations & Calibrations.

4.5" Hows. fired 100 rounds. on V.19.b.1.2. Considerable enemy movement had previously been observed in this vicinity.

During the night, 18 Pdrs. carried out harassing fire, and Hows. engaged Targets at D.8.d.2.2. & D.8.c.0.2.

At 2.15 a.m., 18 Pdrs. fired 870 rds. on enemy's support trenches while assisting in raid carried out by Division on Left.

TRENCH MORTARS. Activity Nil.

HOSTILE FIRE

Enemy's Artillery has shown normal activity during the period.

9.12am. 200 rds. 15 cm. were directed against O.P. at U.17.a.0.6., the entrance being blown in.

During the night, 25 rds. 77 mm. were directed against U.27.d.3.1.

50 rds. 10.5 cm. Shrapnel & Gas Shell fell in FLOEGSTEERT WOOD.

10.30 & 11.45 p.m. - Roads in vicinity of C.7.b. & d., and C.8.a. & c. were lightly shelled with 15 & 10.5 cm. Gas, - approximately 100 rounds reported to have fallen in these areas.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Flashes of a 10.5 cm. Battery were observed 89deg.30' T.B. from SURREY FARM C.P.

INTELLIGENCE

Nil.

VISIBILITY POOR.

Headquarters,
11th. Novr. 1917.

A. H. Chouley

Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer,
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

HOSTILE ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

<u>AREA.</u>	<u>TIME.</u>	<u>ROUNDS.</u>	<u>CALIBRE.</u>	<u>DIRECTION</u>	<u>REMARKS.</u>
FLOEGSTEERT WOOD.	6.30 to 6.45 a.m.	12.	150 mm.	115deg.	T.B. from C.9.d.25.35. (F)
do. U.21.c.	9 to 10 a.m.	30.	150 mm.	135 deg.	T.B. from U.29.a.6.3. (S)
U.27.c.0.0.	10.45-11.45 a.m. & 4.20-4.40pm.	145.	105 mm.	106 & 147degs.	T.B. from U.29.a.6.3.
LAURICE FARM vicinity	7.20 to 7.30 a.m.	15	150 mm.	162 degs.	T.B. from U.22.d.95.65. (S)
SUPPORT FARM	12.25 to 12.30 pm.	20	105 mm.	106 degs.	do U.29.a.6.3. (S)
UMPIRE SWITCH & vicinity of 22 Post to 24 Post, U.23.c. to U.23.b.)	3 pm. to 3.35 pm.	35	77 mm.	158 degs.	do do (S)
UMPIRE SUPPORT LINE U.22.b.	8.30 to 8.50 a.m. and 10.10 to 11.20 a.m.	40	105 mm. & 77mm.	97 & 137 degs.	T.B. from U.22.d.95.65. (S)
UMPIRE SWITCH U.23.c.4.6.	2.20 to 2.40 p.m. and 4 to 4.25 p.m.	48	105 mm. & 77 mm.	do do.	(S)
FRONT LINE U.23.c.7.6.	3.40 to 3.50 p.m.	18	77 mm.	97 degs.	T.B. from U.22.d.95.65. (S)
FLOEGSTEERT WOOD.	12.20 to 12.40 p.m. and 2.15 to 2.45 p.m.	40	150mm. & 105 mm.	150 mm. from 72degs.	T.B. from C.9.d.25.35. (S)
C.9.d.9.6.	3 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.	22	77 mm.	86 degs.	T.B. from C.9.d.25.35. (S)
C.9.b.	1 to 1.30 p.m.	15	77 mm.	76 degs.	do do. (S)

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.INTELLIGENCE.CONFIDENTIAL.ENEMY DEFENCES & ARTILLERY TARGETS.

TRENCHES. U.12.c.67.38 - Water being baled out of trench at this point.

M.C. GUNS. C.11.c.(BRIDGE HOUSE)) These M.Gs. have all been active
U.18.c.9.9.(SPINNING MILL)) during the past 24 hours.
U.18.a.62.65.(SPINNEY))

TRENCH MORTARS. U.29.b. (PONT ROUGE) Active.
U.24.a.4.7. Heavy T.M. active from behind WICART FARM. This
Mortar has probably been moved to this co-ordinate as a result
of our shelling.
U.12.c.45.55. - T.M. active.

NO MAN'S LAND. Very heavy going in the WARNETON Sector.

SCREENS. U.18.c.65.15. Camouflage Screen reported yesterday has
been lengthened by about 100 yards.
Another Screen is reported at V.19.a.55.70 .

DUGOUTS. U.24.b.6.7. Movement observed here at 1.30 p.m. 10/11/17.
Examination of Aeroplane Photos show no sign of
a dug-out at this point, but as the movement
and fresh earth reported yesterday at this point
was seen from the HALT, U.23.a.9.9.approx., it
is probable that it refers to a dugout clearly
visible on photo No. 42 B 2107 at V.19.a.15.50,
which is in a straight line with the HALT and
U.24.b.6.7.

ENEMY

MOVEMENT. ROAD & TRACK - U.12.c.98.50.:- At 8 a.m. 10.11.17,
a man appeared from behind ruins and walked towards tower.

U.12.b.37.37. - Movement observed at this point twice
during 10th. inst.

ENEMY
ATTITUDE

WARNETON SECTOR - The enemy is alert and uneasy, but not
offensively active. Besides firing
heavily on our Patrols, he put up a
large number of lights. He also fires
Rifle Grenades, and throws Bombs indis-
criminately into NO MAN'S LAND.

FRELINGHEIM - DEULEMONT Sector - Generally quiet.

A. L. Chaudry

Lieutenant.

Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Art.,

Headquarters,
11th. Novr. 1917.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

CONFIDENTIAL.INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 11.11.17. to 6 a.m. 12.11.17.

Ref. Maps - 28 S.W., 28 S.E., 36 N.W., & 36 N.E. 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE.

18 Pdrs. fired 24 rounds on Zero Points U.12.b.02.21. & U.12.c.0.4., and carried out further registrations. 4.5" Hows. & 18 Pdrs. of the Right Group carried out Registrations and Calibrations, and continued programme of harassing fire - 275 rounds expended.

NEUTRALISATION FIRE - During the night, 4.5" Hows. fired 48 rounds on Hostile Battery position at D.8.c.2.2.

TRENCH MORTAR ACTIVITY - Nil.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Enemy's Artillery showed increased activity during the period. General direction of Hostile Fire - FRELINGHIEN - COMINES - LA HOULETTE - and LA CROIX.

Main areas shelled were as follows :-

9.30 am. to 3 pm. - 150 - 15 & 10.5cm. were directed against the MESSINES to HYDE PARK CORNER ROAD, and Tracks in U.14., direction of fire being COMINES.

11.30am. to 3.30pm. 80 rounds 15 cm. fell in U.13.c., - sound bearing 90 degs. T.E. from U.13.c.90.15.

3 p.m. to 4.30pm. 100 rounds 15 cm. fell in U.19.b. PLOEGSTEERT VILLAGE - RAPEQUE FARM - GUNNER'S FARM & LE BIZET BRICK WORKS - and HYDE PARK CORNER received customary shelling from enemy's 15cm. & 10.5 cm. Hows., and 77 mm. Guns.

On the Right Group front, enemy's Artillery was quiet during the night.

On the Left Group Front, 300 rds. 10.5cm. (Mustard Gas Shells) fell in U.14.c., whilst Tracks in U.7.a. & c. were intermittently shelled by 10.5 cm. & 77 mm.

(Detailed shelling report attached.)

INTELLIGENCE. AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS.

From 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and at 3 p.m., 3 enemy Aeroplanes were active over our trenches.

During the morning, a large flight of Gothas, escorted by fighting machines passed over STEENWERCK and BAILLEUL, and dropped Bombs in the back area.

5 enemy Observation Balloons remained up during the day.

VISIBILITY FAIR.

A. E. Howley

Headquarters,
12th. Novr. 1917.

Lieutenant,
Reconnaissance Officer,
3rd. Aust. Divl. Art.

HOSTILE ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

AREA.	TIME.	ROUNDS.	CAL/re.	DIRECTION.	REMARKS.
FLOEGSTEERT WOOD.	8 am. to 2.50pm.	40	10.5cm.	92 & 145 degs.	T.B. from U.29.d.95.65. S.
do.	9.35am. to noon.	64	4.2	70 & 103 dges.	T.B. from C.9.d.25.35. S.
FLOEGSTEERT Village.	9.30pm. to 10. pm.	120	Gas.	76 & 72 degs.	T.B. do do. F.
do. & C.2.d.	11am. & 3.30 pm.	100	15 & 10.5cm.	72 & 103 degs.	T.B. do do. S.
C.9.d., C.14.a. & b., and C.15.c.	Intermittent.	260	15, 10.5cm. 77mm.	70 degr.	T.B. do do. F.
C.8.a.	2.20pm. to 2.30 pm.	20	Gas.	76 degs.	T.B. from C.9.d.25.35. S.
UMPIRE SWITCH	8.25am. to 9 am.	60	105mm. & 77mm.	97 & 137 degs.	T.B. " U.29.d.95.65. S.
LOOPHOLE FARM	8.15am. to 8.30.am.	20	77mm.	97 degs.	do. S.
SUPPORT LINE U.23.a.1.b.	9.50am. to 10.20 am.	40	77mm.	97 degs.	do. S.
do	10.35am. to 11.20am.	40	10.5 cm.	92 degs.	do. S.
NINA POST. U.22.d.95.65.	12.40pm. to 2.15 pm.	60	10.5cm.	137 "	do. S.
				and 106 " "	" U.29.a.6.3. S.
U.27.c.0.0.	12.40pm. to 3.15pm.	70	10.5cm.	100 & 147 degs.	" do. S.
U.21.	2.40 to 2.55 pm.	30	15 cm.	102 degs.	" do. S.
UMPIRE SWITCH U.22.a.- d.	8.45 am. to 8.55 am.	40	10.5 cm.	147 degs.	" do. S.
20A POST. U.21.a.5.9.	8.20 to 8.40 a.m.	25	10.5 cm.	106 degs.	" do. S.
PROWSE POINT. U.14.d.	8.20 am. to 3.50 pm.	48	H.E.	79 degs.	" U.15.d.55.70. S.
St YVES. U.15.c.	1.15pm. to 3 pm.	20	10.5cm. & 8".	95 degs.	" do. S.
				79 dges. (8")	" do. F.
U.11.c.70.65.	8.45 am. to 3.35 pm.	100	10.5 cm.	130 degs.	" U.11.a.9.1. S.
U.15.d.	12 noon to 3 pm.	110	15 & 10.5 cm.	H.M.E.	
U.16.b.	5 am. 2.30 pm.	82	do	H.E.	
U.23.b.	8.45 am. to 9.15 am.	30	77mm.		
U.17.d.	7 am. to 10.50 am.	42.	10.5cm. & 77 mm.		
U.10.c.	12.15 pm. to 2.30 pm.	40	15 cm.		

12.11.1917.

APPENDIX.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

CONFIDENTIAL.I N T E L L I G E N C E .From 6 a.m. 11.11.17. to 6 a.m. 12.11.17.----- ENEMY DEFENCES & ARTILLERY TARGETS. -----WIRE.

U.18.a.1.8. - U.11.d.9.3. Wire very thick.

U.18.a.0.6. - U.18.a.20.45. Wiring Party 30 strong, with large covering party were discovered by Patrol, and dispersed by L.G. fire.

SNIPERS.

C.11.a.6.3. - Sniper suspected.

R.G.s.

C.11.c.(BRIDGE HOUSE) R.G. active.

U.18.c.9.9. (SPINNING MILL) Active.

U.18.a.02.65.(SPINNEY) Active.

U.6.c.4.6. Active firing up DOUVE VALLEY.

UNDETERMINED
WORK.

U.18.c.8.8. Work heard at night.

U.18.a.15.90. Work in progress on the front line.

ENEMY
MOVEMENT.U.18.d.00.70. Transport heard behind the SPINNING
MILL before dawn.TRAIN. Train going South at 12.30 p.m.*A. J. Chouley*Headquarters,
12th. Novr. 1917.Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

CONFIDENTIAL.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 12.11.17. to 6 a.m. 13.11.17.

Ref. Maps. - 28 S.W., 28 S.E., 36 N.W., 36 N.E., 1/20,000.CUR FIRE. During the day, 18 Pdrs. fired 54 rounds carrying out further Registrations, and testing S.O.S. Lines.

How. Fire - Nil.

During the night, 18 Pdrs. fired 360 rounds harassing fire on targets in rear of enemy's lines. From 9 pm. to 12 midnight, Left Group fired 446 rounds 15 Pdr. and 115 rds. 4.5" How. on enemy's Strong Points and M.W. emplacements - retaliation called for by Infantry.

During the evening, the Infantry reported attempted enemy Raid on Post in "E" Sector. At 8.32 p.m., Hows. and 18 Pdrs. opened fire, and searched River Bank from the LAUNDRY to SCAP HOUSE, paying particular attention to M.Gs. and M.Ws. in this area - firing 130 rounds.

HOSTILE FIRE. Enemy's Artillery showed increased activity during the day. Main areas shelled were :-

3pm. to 5 pm. - 300 rounds, 21, 15, & 10.5cm. fell in C.7.b.c. & d. - from direction of DEULEMONT & FRELINGHIEN.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - 400 rounds 10.5cm. H.E. & Gas were directed against SEAFORTH FARM and vicinity in U.O.d. - direction of fire - Sound bearing 110 degs. T.E. from U.O.d. 57.36.

During the night, 150 rounds 10.5cm. & 77 mm. H.E. and Gas fell in U.14.d.

20 rounds 10.5cm. fell in FLOEGSTEERT WOOD.

On the Right Group front, enemy's Artillery generally quiet. A few rounds 10.5cm. were directed against Roads in the back area, from direction of FRELINGHIEN.

COUNTER BATTERY WORK. - From 6 a.m. to 7 a.m. 110 rds. 77mm. H.E. & Gas Shells fell in vicinity of 107th. Howitzer Battery in C.O.C., - direction of fire South of FRELINGHIEN. During this shoot, Officers' quarters were destroyed.

INTELLIGENCE. AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS.

2 enemy Observation Balloons remained up throughout the day.

Enemy Planes were active over our trenches during the early morning, - flying high.

VISIBILITY - In early morning bad, improving during the day.

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Lieutenant.

Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

Headquarters,
13th. Novr. 1917.

 HOSTILE ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

AREA.	TIME.	ROUNDS.	CAL/RE.	DIRECTION	REMARKS.	
U.28.b.	9.10am. to 9.40am.	30	77mm.	111degs. T.B.	from U.29.a.55.25.	S.
U.29.a. & c.	10.5am. to 11.40 am.	40	10.5cm. & 77mm.	141 degs. T.B.	from do.	S.
U.22.	1.10pm. to 1.50 pm.	20	15 cm.	61 "	" do.	S.
U.29.a.	3.30pm. to 3.40 pm.	30	15 cm.	91 "	" do	S.
U.28.b. & c., and C.10.d.	8.20 pm. to 9.40 pm.) 3.10 pm. to 3.30 pm.) 3.40 am. to 4.15 am.) 10.12 am. to 10.55 am.)	337	10.5cm. & 77mm.	137, 112,) 89 & 97)	" C.4.a.60.92.	S.
U.22.c.	10.30 to 11 pm. 11.15am. to 12 noon. 3.35pm. to 4 pm.	150 35 13	Gas. 10.5 cm. 77 mm.	97 degs. " 89 & 97dges " 97 degs. "	" " " " " "	F. S. S.
C.16.a.	6.30am. to 7.10 am. 2 pm. to 3 pm.	50 39.	10.5 cm. 10.5 cm.	137 degs. " 112 " "	" " " "	S. S.
C.4.a.	4.12pm. to 4.20 pm.	20	10.5 cm.	137 " "	" "	S.
C.9.v.	8 pm. to 9.30 pm.	40	10.5cm.	70 " "	" C.9.d.25.35.	S.
C.14.a.	9 pm. to 10 pm.) 12.30pm. to 1 pm.)	30	10.5 cm.	60 & 65dges "	" "	S.
C.9.d.9.6.	2-3pm. & 3-3.30pm.	120	15 cm.	70 " "	" "	S.
C.8.a. & C.14.a.	7-8am., 4.20-4.50pm.) 3 - 4.30pm.)	220	10.5cm., 77mm. & Gas.	70 & 86 " "	" "	S. S.
FLOEGSTEBRT VILLAGE	12.30pm. to 1 pm.	36	10.5cm. & 77mm.	90 degs. "	" "	S.
PROMSE POINT.	12.15. to 12.40 pm.	80	Gas.	130 " "	" U.11.a.9.1.	S.
do	2.40 to 3.40 pm.	48	15 cm.	120 " "	" "	S.
U.11.a.9.1.	10 am. to 11.40am.	25	10.5 H.E. & Shrap.	122 " "	" "	S.

Other bearings - Flashes : 110 degs. T.B. from U.16.b.75.50.
 do - Sound : 79 & 95 degs. & 195 degs. T.B. from U.15.d.55.70.

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APPENDIX.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

CONFIDENTIAL.INTELLIGENCE.ENEMY DEFENCES & ARTILLERY TARGETS 6 a.m. 12th. to 6am. 13.11.17.

MINOR ENTERPRISES. About 8 p.m., a party of 50 men attacked one of our patrols who returned to POST 12 A at 0.4.0.75.55. The enemy tried to surround the post, but were driven off with Rifle and L.G. Fire. Our casualties nil. The enemy are believed to have suffered casualties, but No Man's Land was searched without result.

ENEMY DEFENCES.

(a) Posts.
U.29.a.9.0. - Post suspected. Movement seen.

(b) Trenches.
U.12.a.14.05. - Supporting rods of a canvas screen have been fixed up again this morning.
UNCLEAN TR. - The whole of this trench appears to be very shallow. Helmets can frequently be seen above the parapet.
U.10.a.31.35. - The enemy appears to be digging a trench to join up from here to SPINNEY.

(c) Wire.
U.18.a.1.4. - Party of men wiring here. Dispersed by Artillery.
U.11.b. a d. - Wire in good condition and very thick all along enemy's line.
U.18.a.29.35. - Enemy wiring from the SPINNEY to this point.

The double belt of wire running in front of the SPINNEY S.E. from the road is not carried across the Road itself, nor round the North end of the SPINNEY. The N. hedge of the SPINNEY, however, has been wired together so as to form an impenetrable obstacle.

(f) M.Gs.
U.11.d. 90.00. - M.G. fire.
U.18.a.03.65. - M.G. No.3 active. This gun was seen in action by our Patrol when they were in rear of the SPINNEY.
U.10.a.16.78. - M.G. Active.
C.5.c. - M.G. Active.
(LAUNDRY)

(g) T.Ms.
U.16.a. (SPINNING HILL) - NO.15. }
(WICART FARM. - No. 3.) Active in early morning.

(1) No Man's Land.
C.5.a.15.75. to)
C.11.a.35.55.) Approx. No Man's Land badly flooded.

ENEMY MOVEMENT.

Track. U.10.a. - Movement seen several times during the day round WICART FARM and the SPINNING HILL, and smoke was seen to rise from the former.
U.12.d. - Horse Transport and an engine heard in WARNETON, 6.30 a.m.

(2)

GENERAL.(a) Signals and action.

V.23.b.40.25. - Helio signalling.

(b) C.5.c.57.20. - At 2 p.m. large white board marked
4 B. seen on the river bank.ENEMY DEFENCES. (Continued.)Undetermined Work.

U.18.a.18.80. - New earth has been thrown up here.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

CONFIDENTIAL.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 13.11.17. to 6 a.m. 14.11.17.

Ref. Maps. - 28 S.W., 20 S.E., 36 N.W., 36 N.E., 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE.

During the day, 10 Idms, and 4.5" Hows. carried out further Registrations, and tested Calibrations, - firing 330 rounds. There was no fire during the night.

HOSTILE FIRE.

There was a marked decrease noticeable in enemy's Artillery fire, - the day was generally quiet, and no heavy shelling was reported. Main areas shelled were as follows :-

- 11.30 a.m. - 40 rds. 10.5cm. fell in U.S.c., - from direction of FRELINGHIEM.
 12.45 pm. - 45 rds. same calibre were directed against RESERVE FARM.
 2 p.m. & 2.30 pm. - 50 rds. 10.5cm. fell in vicinity of AU CHASSEUR CABT in U.17.a., - 2 guns firing from DEULMONT direction, 115 degs. T.B. from U.18.c. + 10.65.
 ... - 10 rounds of the above (H.E. & Gas.) fell near St. YVES AVENUE in U.15.c.
 4.30 pm. - 50 rounds 10.5cm. fell in vicinity of U.14.d.2.8., from direction 102 degs. T.B. from U.14.c.5.1.

During the night, enemy's Artillery on the Right Group front was inactive. On the front of the Left Group, his fire consisted of :-

- 20 rds. 10.5cm. Gas on MOUNTAIN GUY FARM in U.27.
 10 " " in FLOESTERT WOOD - U.20.

About 6 p.m., 300 rounds 15 cm. & 10.5cm. fell in U.S.d., and 50 rds. 15cm. in U.14.a.

With exception of this shelling, the night was quiet.

INTELLIGENCE. AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS.

At 9 a.m., an enemy aeroplane flew low over our trenches on Right Group Sector.

From 10 to 10.30 a.m., an enemy plane over U.S. was driven off by A.A. Fire.

MISCELLANEOUS. When firing on TELEPHONE HOUSE at U.18.a.20.85, a Dump was blown up. It was apparently a large quantity of VERY Lights.

At 11 a.m., a fire was observed burning at C.11.b.2.4.

VISIBILITY - Low in morning, improving later.

Headquarters,
14th. Novr. 1917.

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Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

.... HOSTILE ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

AREA.	TIME.	RDS.	CALIBRE.	DIRECTION.	REMARKS.
SUPPORT LINE.	8.50 am. - 10.10 am.	31	5.9	E.S.E. from U.12.a.87.06.	(S).
SUBSIDIARY LINE.	12.30 pm. - 1.00 pm.	20	5.9 HE.	do.	
PROUSE POINT.	2.20 pm. - 2.35 pm.	40	4.2	Mag.E. do.	
ST.YVES. J.15.b.	12.40 pm. - 12.50 pm.	20	H.E.	R-S WARHETON - 79 ^{T.B.} deg. from	U.15.d.55.70. (S).
AU CLASSEUR CABL. U.17.a.	(11.40 am. - 12 noon. (2.10 pm. - 2.30 pm.	22	4.2	T.B. 79 deg. from	U.15.d.55.70. (S)

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 14.11.17. to 6 a.m. 15.11.17.

Ref. Maps. - 28 S.W., 28 S.E., 36 N.W., 36 N.E., 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE. At 3 p.m., 13 Idrs. fired 40 rounds - registration.Trench Mortar activity - Nil.HOSTILE FIRE. Enemy's Artillery showed little activity during the period, and with exception of 200 rds. 15cm. & 10.5cm. Gas in U.15.c., 40 rds. 77mm. in U.26.b., and an occasional round of 77mm. H.E. directed against out Support Trenches in "E" Zone, the front was generally quiet.

During the night, there was intermittent shelling of the whole front, the enemy's fire being light and well distributed. Main features were :-

130 rds. 10.5cm. Gas & Lachrymatory Shells fell in vicinity of U.1.c.5.9.

100 " 10.5cm. & 77mm. H.E., including a number of Gas, fell in PLOEGSTEERT WOOD.

12 midnight - A number of 77mm. H.E. and Gas Shells were scattered around HYDE PARK CORNER.

From midnight to 6 a.m., the enemy intermittently shelled our back areas on the Right Group front, fire consisting mainly of Gas Shells directed chiefly against our Roads & Tracks.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

At 8.30 a.m., Hostile 15cm. Battery was active firing from sound bearing 120 degrees T.B. from U.8.d.57.36.

INTELLIGENCE. AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS.

Aircraft inactive.

Owing to poor visibility, for the most part of the day, enemy's lines could not be seen.

Headquarters,
15th. Novr. 1917.*(Signature)*Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 15.11.17. to 6 a.m. 16.11.17.

Ref. Maps. - 28 S.W., 28 S.E., 36 N.W., 36 N.E., 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE. At 1.30 p.m., a retaliation of 60 rds. was fired by our 18 Pdrs. on Hostile Batteries at D.7.b.7.5. & D.8.a.6.5. 18 Pdrs. also fired 110 rounds Registration and in testing Calibration. 4.5" Hows. fired 15 rounds registration on WINDMILL at U.13.a.2.8.

HOSTILE FIRE. There has been a slight increase in activity of enemy's Artillery during the period, and our front Line and Supports on whole sector, Farm Houses in vicinity of Battery positions, Roads and other targets in the back areas have been intermittently shelled. Main areas receiving attention during the day were:-

Time.	Rds.	Calre.	Area shelled.	Direction, T.B.
9.30-11am.	65	77mm.	U.26.b.	79degs. T.B. from U.26.b.3.8.
10.30-noon.	80	15cm.	U.13.a.3.2.	30 " from U.13.c.90.22.
12.15pm.	40	77mm.	F.L. & Spts. about U.17.d.6.4.	
12.15-3.15pm.	150	15cm. (Area shoot)	0.32. & U.2.80 "	" " U.8.d.5.4.
Inter/t.	150	10.5 & 77mm.	F.L.Ts. on Right Group front.	FRELINGHIEN and 50degs. T.B. from C.9.d.3.4.
1pm.-4pm.	100	15cm.	U.27.a.	FRELINGHIEN.
1.30-2.15pm.	40	10.5cm.	C.2.c.	
11am. to 12 noon.	52	15cm.	C.7.d.	
			(Fired in salvos of 4, and mainly directed against houses in which the enemy apparently suspects one of our Bty. positions.)	
During the night.	200	15cm.	Road in U.14.d.	
	150	10.5cm. H.E.	Gas & Lac/y. U.1.d.	
	30	10.5cm.)		
	60-77mm, &	20-15cm.)	PLOEGSTEERT WOOD, U.24.b.	
	25	10.5cm. Gas.	do.	

There was intermittent shelling of HYDE PARK CORNER and SEAFORTH FARM area with 15cm. & 10.5cm. throughout the night.

Between 4 am. & 4.30 am., our Front Line Trenches in "D" and "E" Zones received 100 rds. 10.5cm. H.E.

At 5.30 am., approx. 50 rds. were directed against our trenches in "E" zone.

INTELLIGENCE. + AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS. Activity normal. Enemy planes more active during the morning.

At 8 a.m., two of our planes engaged 6 enemy planes, no decisive result being observed.

At 12.30 p.m., an E.A. attempted to pass over DOUVE VALLEY, but was driven off by A.A. fire.

Balloon observed over WARNETON at 1 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS. (13.11.17.) Reports received show that 3 men were observed in vicinity of WARNETON Tower, - probably used by enemy as O.P.

At 1 p.m. 15th., small parties of men were observed on Hillside at PAUL BUCQ - W.2.c.6.8.

Visibility poor.

Headquarters,
Novr. 16th. 17.

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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 16.11.17. to 6 a.m.17.11.17.

Ref. Maps.- 22 S.W., 23 S.E., 36 N.W., 36 N.E., 1/20,000.

CUR FIRE. 18 Pdrs. fired 44 rounds on enemy's Strong Points in retaliation called for by our Infantry at 9 a.m.
19 rds. were expended in carrying out registrations.

HOSTILE FIRE. Enemy's Artillery activity during the day was below normal, main operations being :-

<u>Time.</u>	<u>RDS.</u>	<u>Calre.</u>	<u>Area shelled.</u>	<u>Direction.</u>
10.30-11.5am.	40 -	10.5cm.	U.15.b.	Immed. S. of COMINES.
11 am.	20 -	77mm.	DEAD HORSE Cr. U.21.a.25.95.	
11-noon.	40 -	10.5cm.	U.27.a.	FRELINGHIEN.
12.45-2.30pm.	30 -	10.5cm.	F.L. & S. Trenches in U.17.c.& d.	
4 pm.	10 -	77mm.H.E.	LA TOU QUET FARM	do.

During the night, the enemy again made frequent use of Gas Shells, which were directed intermittently against our Roads and Farm Houses in vicinity of our Battery positions. Main features were as follows :-

*fwd. and
back
areas on
whole
sector.*

	200 -	10.5cm.H.E.	U.13.b. & d. and Gas.	DEULEMONT.
10.30pm.	50 -	10.5cm.	Gas.Vic.B.9.a.3.2.	
1.30 am.	30 -	10.5cm.	Gas.LA TOUQUET STATION.	
	35 -	do.	LA BIZET.	

HYDE PARK CORNER was shelled periodically during the night.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE. - A 10.5cm. Battery was active throughout the day, and was located, by flashes, approx. between V.14.c.75.40 and V.14.c.9.2. These emplacements apparently run along Hedge between these points.

INTELLIGENCE.

AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS. - No enemy Observation Balloons were seen during the period.

At 3.20 p.m., two E.A. crossed our lines in Left Group Sector, flying high.

Enemy aircraft was generally inactive.

VISIBILITY very low.

Headquarters,
17th. Novr. 1917.

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Lieutenant.
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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 17.11.17 to 6 a.m. 18.11.17.

Ref. Maps - 28 S.W., 28 S.E., 36 N.W., 36 N.E., 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE. In co-operation with the Heavy Artillery, Counter-Battery work was carried out against Hostile Batteries at D.7.a.70.04. and D.7.d.15.75., Hows. firing 100 rounds at each of these positions, whilst 18 Pdrs. engaged same with Shrapnel, firing 50 rounds.

At intervals during the night, these positions were searched by 18 Pdrs., 120 rounds Shrapnel being fired.

18 Pdrs. of the Left Group brought harassing fire to bear on Roads in U.12.b. & c. - 60 rounds being fired.

At 9.30 p.m., retaliatory fire was directed against Minenwerfers in Wood in C.11.b., - Infantry request.

HOSTILE FIRE. - Enemy's Artillery activity for the period has been normal, main operations being :-

<u>Time.</u>	<u>Rds.</u>	<u>Calre.</u>	<u>Area shelled.</u>	<u>Direction.</u>
8.30-11.30am.	100	10.5cm. & 77mm. Gas.	C.2.central; C.9.a., & C.14.a.	FRELINGHIEN.
9 a.m.	20	15cm.	Road from LA HUTTE CHATEAU to HYDE PARK CORNER U.14.d.	BAS WARNETON.
10 a.m.	150	10.5cm. H.E. & Gas.	U.25.d.	S. of COMINES.
12.30 p.m. to 3 p.m.	40	10.5cm.	U.26.b. & U.27.c.	DEULEMONT.
2.30 p.m.	50	10.5cm.	U.26.d.	FRELINGHIEN.
3 - 3.45pm.	55	10.5cm. H.E. and Gas.	C.3.a. & .	
9.15 p.m.	90	10.5cm.	Spt. Trenches in U.11. & U.17.	
10 p.m.			F.L. & Spts. on Right Group Sector were lightly shelled by 10.5cm. Hows. - 20 rounds being fired. A number of 10.5cm. H.E. & Gas fell in C.2.c.	
11.30 p.m.			12 rds. 15cm. fell in vicinity of HYDE PARK CORNER from a direction 110 degs. T.B, from U.13.c.9.1.	
			105 rds. 10.5cm. H.E. & Gas fell in U.26. & U.27.	

INTELLIGENCE. Nil.

VISIBILITY very low, rendering observation impracticable.

A. Chouley.

Lieutenant,
Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

Headquarters,
13th. Novr. 1917.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

CONFIDENTIAL.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 18.11.17. to 6 a.m. 19.11.17.

Ref. Maps - 28 S.W., 28 S.E. 36 N.W., 36 N.E. 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE. - 18 Pdrs. fired 33 rds. on Screen at U.19.a.45.60.

Hows. fired 47 rounds in carrying out registrations. During the night, 18 Pdrs. and 4.5" Hows. fired 48 rounds and 72 rounds respectively in retaliation against enemy's Trench Mortars in and around FRELINGHIEN.

From 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., 30 rds. Shrapnel were directed against SPINNING MILL - U.18.d.0.8, - several working parties have been located here at night quite recently.

HOSTILE FIRE. - Enemy's Artillery again showed normal activity during the period, and again made frequent use of Gas Shell during the hours of darkness. Main features were :-

<u>Time.</u>	<u>Rds.</u>	<u>Cal.</u>	<u>Area shelled.</u>	<u>Direction.</u>
9.45am.to 2pm.	30	21&15cm.	SUGAR REFINERY & Min.CARLIN in U.17.d.	
2pm. to 4 pm.	100	15cm.	-do-	
8.25 to 8.40am.	55	10.5cm.HE & Gas.	C.14.a. & b.	FRELINGHIEN.
10 a.m.	50	10.5cm.Gas.	Scattered over C.2.	102d.T.B.from C.9.d.3.4.
11.45a.m.	25	8"	U.23.a. & b. (100d. T.B. from U.8.d.6.4.)	
1 p.m.	50	77mm.	C.1.d.	
9.15 p.m.	20	15cm.HE & Gas	HYDE PARK CORNER	DEULEMONT.
9.30-Midnight	Int.	10.5cm.	Track in U.14.d.	-do-
11-11.30 p.m.	100	10.5cm.Gas.	U.25.b., U.26.a.	-do-

During the night, approximately 200 rds. Gas Shell fell in areas C.2.c., & C.8.c. from direction of FRELINGHIEN.

(All bearings "Sound" unless otherwise specified.)

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

2.30 p.m. - Flashes of a 15 cm. Battery were observed 110degs.30' T.B. from U.13.d.3.7.

INTELLIGENCE.

AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS. At 8 a.m., an E.A. flew low over 25th., 29th., and 31st. Battery positions.

At 8.15 a.m., an E.A. flew at a very low altitude over our Front Line system on Right Group Sector, and was heavily engaged by our M.Gs.

MISCELLANEOUS.

At 2.15 p.m., a Lamp was seen signalling at a bearing of 102degs. 30' T.B. from U.13.d.3.7.

VISIBILITY - low throughout the period.

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Lieutenant.

Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

Headquarters,
19th. Novr. 1917.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

CONFIDENTIAL.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 19.11.17 to 6 a.m. 20.11.17.

Ref. Maps - 28 S.W., 28 S.E., 36 N.W., 36 N.E., 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE. - 13 Pdrs. fired 26 rounds registration on WICKART FARM, U.24.a.10.95., and SPINNING MILL at U.18.d.0.7.
4.5" Hows. fired 30 rounds calibration on target U.18.a.2.3.

During the night, at the request of our Infantry, a further 60 rounds were directed against the SPINNING MILL at U.18.c.20.35., and a further 50 rounds against WICKART FARM. Hostile Trench Mortars were again active in this vicinity.

Hows. and 18 Pdrs. of the Right Group directed 72 rds. and 50 rds, respectively against hostile M.W. and M.G. emplacements and other strong points around DEULEMONT.

HOSTILE FIRE. - During the day, enemy's Artillery again showed usual activity, the bulk of his fire being directed against the Forward areas. During the night, his Artillery was inactive against the Right Group front, but showed increase against that of the Left Group, from where heavier shelling has been reported. Comparatively few Gas Shells were used by the enemy through the night. Main features were :-

<u>Time.</u>	<u>Rds.</u>	<u>Calro.</u>	<u>Area shelled.</u>	<u>Direction.</u>
6 - 6.30am.	80	10.5cm.H.E. and Gas.	C.2.c.	FRELINGHIEN.
9 a.m.	30	10.5cm.H.E.	LA TOUQUET STATION.(C.9.d.8.6.)	
9.30 a.m.	30	10.5cm.Gas.	108th.Bty.Det.Section at U.14.d.2.8.	
10.10-2.25pm	100	15cm.	U.5.a.	COMINES.
10.15 a.m.	30	10.5cm.Gas.	MOTOR CAR CORNER,C.14.a.	
11.55-2.50pm	80	15cm.	RAILWAY CROSSING at U.23.a.85.95.	
7 p.m.	150	H.E.& Shrap.	PLOEGSTEERT WOOD,U.20.b.	
	40	77mm.Shrap.	U.5.d.	
9 p.m.	30	10.5cm.	U.14.c.	
11 p.m.	25	15 cm.	U.19.b.	
During the night	250	15cm.H.E.	U.1. from direction of	COMINES.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE. - Flashes were observed as follows:-

12.30pm. & 1.55pm. - 106 degs. T.B. from U.15.d.80.65. 15 cm.
9.5pm. & 2 a.m. - 108 & 106 degs. T.B. from U.13.d.3.7. -do-

INTELLIGENCE.

AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS. - One enemy Obs. Balloon was up over FRELINGHIEN.

10.15am.-An E.A. flew low over Battery positions in U.1. & U.7., & 4pm. and was driven off on both occasions by A.A. fire.

MISCELLANEOUS. - 11.25 am., Smoke was seen rising from enemy's lines about U.24.a.8.3.

12.15-12.20 pm.- White Smoke observed East of DEULEMONT,- apparently from a train moving Northwards.

2 p.m.- Fire observed burning behind DURIEZ FARM - dense clouds of white smoke could be seen.

Head quarters,
20th. Nevr. 1917.

Althouley.

Lieutenant, Reconnaissance Officer
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 20.11.17 to 6 a.m. 21.11.17.

Ref. Maps - 28 S.W., 28 S.E., 36 N.W., 36 N.E. 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE. - During period, 4.5" Hows. fired 30 rds. on active Trench Mortar at U.12.d.2.5., - 18 Pdrs. firing 28 rds. on this position.

71 rds. were directed against WAUSTINE FARM, WICART FARM, and TELEPHONE HOUSE, - registration and calibration.

At 3.53 p.m., 18 Pdrs. fired 36 rds, and Hows. 72 rds. retaliation on enemy's Trench Mortars in and around FRELINGHIEN, - C.11. & C.5.

HOSTILE FIRE. - During the day, enemy's Artillery on Right Group sector showed little activity, but was rather more intense against our Left sector. Main features were :-

<u>Time.</u>	<u>Rds.</u>	<u>Calre.</u>	<u>Area shelled.</u>	<u>Direction.</u>
10.15-2pm.	90	15&10.5cm.	U.14.a.b. & c.	DEULEMONT.
11.15-3pm.	30	10.5cm.&77mm.	C.9.d.	
noon-2.30pm.	30	10.5&15cm.	U.17.d.	
1.25-2.40pm.	30	15&10.5cm.	U.19.b. & d.	
1.40 p.m.	330	21, 15&10.5cm.	U.7.a.b. & d.	WARNETON. (Apparently directed against our Bty. positions in this area.-)
3 to 6 pm.	80	15cm.	Roads in vicinity HYDE PARK CORNER.	
3 p.m.	100	10.5cm.	In front of MESSINES.	
3.5pm.	50	10.5cm.	PLOEGSTEERT WOOD, U.25.	
5 - 8 p.m.	150	15 cm.	U.19.a. & b.	
1.45 p.m.	50	10.5cm. H.E. and Gas.	DUCKBOARD TRACKS, U.19.a. & b.	

During the night, vicinities of U.7. & U.13.b. were intermittently shelled by a section of 5.9", whilst Roads and Tracks in U.13.c. and d. also received attention.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE. -

Flashes of a 10.5cm. Battery were observed 73deg.30' T.B. from SURREY FARM, - 25 rounds were fired by this Battery into PLOEGSTEERT vicinity. Heavy Artillery were notified, and subsequently engaged the above with good effect. (3.15 p.m.)

At 9.45 p.m., flashes of 10.5cm. Bty. were observed 95deg. T.B. from U.8.d.57.36., - others as follows:-

1.30-2pm.- 51 degs. T.B. from U.15.a.6.7., - area shelled unknown.

Between 4pm. & 6 p.m. - 59deg., 61deg., 78 deg., 81 deg., 86 deg., and 112.30' T.B. from U.13.d.3.7.

INTELLIGENCE -

AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS. - 2 formations of enemy aeroplanes crossed our lines between 2.30 and 2.45 p.m., one consisting of 6 machines, the other of 5.

ENEMY DEFENCES. - 10 a.m. - Work is in progress at U.11.b.6.4. A considerable quantity of new material is clearly visible at this point.

VISIBILITY low.

Headquarters,
21st. Novr. 1917.

A. H. H. H. H.

Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer.
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THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 21.11.17. to 6 a.m. 22.11.17.

Ref. Maps - 29 S.W., 28 S.E., 36 N.W., 36 N.E. 1/20,000 .

OUR FIRE. - At 9 a.m., 18 Pdrs. and 4.5" Hows. of the Right Group each fired 50 rounds against enemy 10.5cm. How. Bty. at D.2.c.00.18. This shot was repeated at 10 p.m.

At 10 a.m. and 11 p.m., similar operations to the above were carried out against an enemy 77 mm. Gun at D.7.a.70.04.

18 Pdrs. directed 15 rounds against WICART FARM, and during the night 4.5" Hows. fired 20 rds. on active M.W. at U.12.b.8.2.

HOSTILE FIRE. - During the period, enemy's Artillery has shown increased activity. His fire was mainly directed against our back areas, whilst our Battery positions were subjected to a light shelling at intervals. Main features were:-

Time.	Rds.	Calre.	Area shelled, and direction of fire.
8.30-11.50am.	70	10.5cm. (2 Guns.)	U.13.b. & d., and U.19.c. - 112degs. T.B. from U.13.c.9.6.
9.15-11.50am.	90	10.5cm. (4 Guns.)	U.8.d. & U.14.b. - 83 & 93 degs. T.B. from U.15.a.e.8.
9.15-9.30 am.	30	10.5cm.	C.2.d., apparently directed against section of Bty. at C.2.d.2.1.
10.25 a.m.	10	10.5cm.	Vic. of CAMPAC DUMP - 80 degs. T.B. from SURREY FARM. (Flash). This Battery was subsequently engaged by our H.A. with apparently good effect - large volumes of Smoke were observed rising from the position.
10.30-1.15pm.	72	10.5cm. (4 Guns.)	U.17.d.5.4. - 116degs.30' T.B. from U.15.d.9.7.
Intermittent.	85	10.5cm.	Vic. of RABEQUE FARM, apparently directed against section of 107th. How. Bty. at C.8.c.15.70., - damage nil.
-do-	150	15&10.5cm.	C.2.d. Objective apparently section of 25th. Bty. at C.2.d.2.1., damage nil.
During day.		10.5cm. Hows.	C.2. & C.3. - 75d. T.B. from SURREY FARM.
		-do-	LE BIZET - from FRELINGHIEN.
		-do-	C.14.a. - from hostile Bty. which appears to be approx. at D.7.a.52.30., - along row of trees.
6pm. to 8pm.	200	15&10.5cm.	Vic. of 30th. Bty. position.
Intermittent.			MESSINES ROAD in U.14.s. & d., and Tracks in U.14.s.
9pm. to 10pm.	50	10.5cm. Gas.	Vic. Bty. in C.8.c.
4am. to 4.30am.	25	-do-	C.2.d.
4.20 a.m.	50	10.5cm.	Det. Sec. 108th. How. Bty.

At intervals during the night, our Back Areas were shelled with 15cm. H.E. and 10.5cm. H.E. & Gas - approx. 300 rounds. in all. Fire was erratic, and came from direction of FRELINGHIEN.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE - Nil. Enemy Aircraft inactive. Visib. very low.

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Reconnaissance Officer.

3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

Headquarters,
22nd. Novr. 1917.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 22.11.17. to 6 a.m. 23.11.17.

Ref. Maps. - 28 S.W., & S.E. 36 N.W., & N.E. 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE. - At 8 a.m., 18 Pdrs. & 4.5" Hows. each fired 50 rds. against an enemy 10.5cm. How. at D.7.b.59.95., repeating the operation at 4 p.m. They also fired 50 rds. each at enemy 77mm. Gun at D.8.a.53.75., - repeating operation at 5 p.m.

In response to Infantry request, Hows. fired 60 rds. retaliation at enemy T.Ms. in FRELINGHIEN, and later, 20 rds. against an active M.W. at U.12.c.8.2. (WARNETON).

18 Pdrs. carried out a light harassing fire on enemy's Roads, Communications etc, also firing 34 rds. registration and calibration, - including 20 rds. directed against TELEPHONE HOUSE, and a further 24 rds. against target at U.12.b.4.2.

During the night, 18 Pdrs. fired 120 rds. on active M.W. positions, whilst Hows. gave attention to M.W. at WICART FARM (30 rds). 18 Pdrs. directed 10 rds. at CROSS ROADS

V.l.d.4.3.

HOSTILE FIRE. -

For the period, normal activity has been shown by enemy's Artillery, but throughout the night, unusually heavy Gas Shelling has been reported, mainly directed against our back areas. Main features were as follows:-

<u>Time.</u>	<u>Rds.</u>	<u>Calre.</u>	<u>Area shelled and direction.</u>
9 - 10.15am.	35	10.5cm.HE and Gas.	Vic. ESTAIR FARM - intermittent and somewhat erratic.
9.30 a.m.	30	10.5cm.	C.3.c.8.7.- searching fire, no damage.
10.5-10.25am.	30	10.5cm.	C.8.c. - from FRELINGHIEN.
11.30-1.50pm.	30	10.5cm.	U.23.a.9.7. - 111degs. T.B. from U.15.d.30.65.
2.15 p.m.	20	15 cm.	C.7.d.
2.30 p.m.	30	77mm.4 guns.	U.23.c.4.4. - from FRELINGHIEN.
8.30-9.30pm.	100	10.5cm.Gas.	FLOEGSTEERT WOOD.
9 - 10pm.	50	-do-	ROAD U.15.a.
10-midnight	100	10.5H.E. & Gas	ROADS and TRACKS in U.8.b. - COMINES.

At intervals during the night, the enemy shelled vicinity of our Bty. positions, Farm Houses, Roads and Tracks in this area with approx. 200 rds. 10.5cm. Gas, and 50 rds. 77mm. Gas.

LE TOUQUET STATION, RABEQUE AVENUE, and MOTOR CAR CORNER were also lightly shelled with Gas by enemy's 10.5cm. Hows.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE. -

Flashes from enemy 10.5cm. Batteries were observed 68, 70, and 72 degrees T.B. from SURREY FARM. These Batteries were particularly active during the night in the use of Gas Shell.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE. -

AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS. - An E.A. flew at medium over Battery position U.26.a.3.7. (9 a.m.), and at same hour, 5 Enemy planes were active over our Front Line system.

Several enemy balloons were up all day.

VISIBILITY - very low.

Headquarters,
23rd. Novr. 1917.

A. H. Howley

Lieutenant.

Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 23.11.17 to 6 a.m. 24.11.17.

Ref. Maps. - 28 S.W., and S.E., 36 N.W. and N.E. 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE. - At 9 a.m., 18 Pdrs. and Hows. of Right Group engaged 10.5cm. Battery at D.2.c.00.18., repeating the operation at 10 a.m., and 11 p.m.

From Gam. to Sam., 60 rds. were directed against active M.Ws. in vicinity of WARNETON, and 23 rds, retaliatory fire were directed against targets in U.12.d.

Between 1.30 and 3 p.m., 18 Pdrs. fired 35 rds., and 4.5" Hows. 25 rds. registration and calibration. 18 Pdrs. of the Right Group fired 49 rds. on WICART FARM, and Screen in U.19.a. Left M.W. positions in U.12., and WINDMILL U.18.a.2.8. received 30 and 62 rds. respectively from our Hows.

During the night, 18 Pdrs. and Hows. of the Right Group fired 50 rds. each against enemy 77 gun at D.7.a.70.04., - on two occasions. Our Artillery of the Left Group engaged numerous active M.Ws. on the Group front - expending 100 rds. 14 Pdr. and 70 rds. 4.5" How.

HOSTILE FIRE. - There has been an increase in enemy's Artillery Operations during the period. Throughout the day, our Front Line and Support system on whole sector, and vicinity of our Battery positions, were subjected to moderately heavy shelling. During the night, with exception of a little activity around C.2., there was nothing to report on our Right Group front, but operations were more lively against the Left Group sector. Main features were :-

Time.	Rds.	Calre.	Area shelled and direction of fire.
8.45-12.45pm.	100	15&21cm.	PLOEGSTEERT WOOD & vic. HYDE PARK Cr. from 111degs. T.B. from U.15.a.7.6. (Gun pit in house, another gun 30' left, another 1 deg. right.) (Flash)
10am-3.40pm.	290	77mm. H.E. and Gas.	C.8.c. and vicinity - from FRELINGHIEN.
10.30-11am.	200	10.5cm. & 77 mm.	F. & S. Lines in C.10.d. to C.16.b. from FRELINGHIEN and DEULEMONT.
10.45am.	50	77mm.	F. & S. Lines U.28.d. - same direction.
10.50 am.	100	105&77mm.	F. & S. lines C.4.d. to U.28.b. - from same direction as above.
2.15 pm.	30	10.5cm.	U.21. a, & c. - 109degs. T.B. from U.13.b.15.20. flash.
3.25-3.40pm.	60	10.5cm. & 77 mm.HE. & Gas.	U.26.a. - FRELINGHIEN.
6.30-8.30pm.	300	15&10.5cm.	Area shoot over U.1.a.b.c. & d.
7.30pm.	100	15&10.5cm.	U.8.a.
9 p.m.	50	10.5cm.Gas.	U.8.c. - N. of COMINES.
10.30-midnight	100	15&10.5cm.	U.14.a. - S. of COMINES.
8.45-9.50pm.	50	77mm. Gas.	U.3.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE. - Flashes were observed as follows:-

55degs.45', 63 degs., 64d.30', 79degs., 80degs., 81d.50', 84d.30', 82degs., 92degs., and 87 degs. T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.

Cont.INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS. - Enemy aircraft were active throughout the day. An E.A. flew from direction of DEULEMONT to about U.21.b., and was evidently observing shoot on to heavy Battery Position. (11am.) 4 enemy machines, flying high, were over our back areas during the morning.

1 p.m. - Hostile Balloons were up - 76d.30' and 128d.30' T.B. from U.15.d.85.65.

2.30 p.m. - Hostile Balloon up 108d.30' T.B. from U.15.d.85.65.

Enemy planes were over our lines on bombing operations during early part of the night.

MISCELLANEOUS. - Flashes of a Signalling Lamp were observed 94d.30' T.B. from U.15.d.85.65. - about 2 miles in rear of enemy's front line.

X COUNTER BATTERY. - Heavy Artillery engaged Hostile Battery VY 12 - V.20.d.6.3. Fire appeared to be directed about 1d.10' to right of building from which flashes have been previously observed, although correct line was obtained for gun situated behind trees.

VISIBILITY good.

Headquarters,
24th. Novr. 1917.

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For Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer.
3rd. Aust. Divl. Arty.

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 THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 24.11.17. to 6 a.m. 25.11.17.

Ref. Maps : 28.S.W. & S.E. 36.N.W. & N.E. - 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE.

At 8 a.m. 10 Pdrs. & 4.5" Hows. of Right Group each fired 50 rds. against an enemy 4.2 How. at D.17.b.59.95. and repeated the operation at 4 p.m.

At 9 a.m. & 5 p.m. an enemy 77mm gun at D.8.a.53.75. received similar attention.

During the night (10.15 pm) 18 Pdrs. & 4.5" Hows of Right Grp. fired 580 & 120 rds. respectively on WARNETON Circle - retaliation to active hostile M.W.

At 5.25 am. 18 Pdrs & 4.5" Hows. each fired 30 rds on active M.W. at WICART FARM.

During the morning 18 Pdrs. of Left Group fired 50 rds. on target at U.12.c.8.2. and 20 rds. on U.7.b.9.1. and 20 rds. on suspected O.P. at U.12.c.3.4. Hows. of Left Group fired 30 rds. on active M.W. at U.12.c.8.2.

71 rds. were directed against WARNETON TOWER and vicinity. 5 direct hits were obtained. During this shoot one round was observed to burst at mouth of loophole, and a Very Light was immediately fired from vicinity of the Tower.

HOSTILE FIRE.

On the Right Sector an unusually quiet day was recorded, whilst on the Left, the only areas receiving attention were U.11.d. and U.3.a. Hostile Artillery activity during the night was normal. Main features were as follows :

<u>Time.</u>	<u>Rds.</u>	<u>Calre.</u>	<u>Area shelled & direction of fire.</u>
9.15 - 10.45am.	150	H.T.M.	U.11.d. - from U.13.b.20.15.
10.15 am.	105	4.2	do. - Flash - 59deg.T.B. from U.15.a.65.80.
1.45 pm.	30	5.9	U.3.a. - Flash - 25° 10' T.B. from O.31.d. & O.32.c.
5.30 - 10.30pm.	100	5.9	Flash - 31° 31' from U.13.b.20.15.
7 p.m.	40	4.2	Flash - 58°, 63° 30', & 58° T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE. - Flashes were observed as follows:-
 82 deg. T.B. from U.8.d.55.40. 61 & 31 deg. T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.
 80°, 84° 30', 92° and 87° T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

ENEMY DEFENCES. - Building at C.11.b.22.57. is apparently used as a Sniper's Post or O.P.

AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS.

7.30 am. - 1 E.A. crossed our lines on Left Group front, flying at a great height.

Our planes were active during early part of morning, but no enemy machines were observed. Weather afterwards rendered flying impracticable.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

9.15 am. - 1 man was observed leaving WARNETON TOWER.
 9.50 am. - Smoke, apparently from train, was observed
 & 2.15 pm. 106 dog. T.B. from U.15.a.65.80.

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OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY (cont).

- 12.10 pm. - 5 men carrying timber were seen in vicinity of WARNETON TOWER.
- 1.30 pm.) - Smoke was observed rising from building in vicinity of LOMPRET, apparently a large factory.
- 1.50 pm.) - Train was observed in this vicinity, proceeding in a Northerly direction.
- 1.40 pm. - At intervals during the afternoon, considerable pedestrian traffic was observed on roadway leading up hillside in direction of house at W.2.c.6.E. (84 deg.T.B. from U.15.a.65.80.)

VISIBILITY - Good at intervals.

A.L. Howley

Headquarters,
25.11.1917.

Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer,
3rd. Australian Divisional Artillery.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 25.11.17. to 6 a.m. 26.11.17.

Ref. Maps: 28.S.W. & S.E. 36.N.W. & N.E. - 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE.

9 a.m. - 18 Pdrs. & 4.5" Hows. each fired 50 rds. against an enemy 10.5 cm. Battery at D.2.c.00.18. Fire was also directed against this battery at 11 p.m.

10 pm. - 18 Pdrs. & 4.5" Hows. each fired 50 rds. against an enemy 77mm. gun at D.7.a.70.04., and repeated the operation at 10 p.m.

60 rds were fired by 18 Pdrs. & 4.5" Hows. on active lines at U.18.c.20.00. and at WICANT FARM.

During the afternoon Working Parties observed at the following points were engaged and dispersed by the fire of 18 Pdrs. :-
U.12.b.25.20. U.12.b.40.20. U.11.b.85.55. - 33 rds. fired.

At 5.45 am. 18 Pdrs & 4.5" Hows. engaged enemy's approaches in U.12.b. & d. in co-operation with G.A. Projector Attack carried out at this hour.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Enemy's Artillery during the day showed normal activity. HYDE PARK CORNER, PLOEGSTERTHURM WOOD & VILLAGE, LE BIZET, and our trench system in C.4.a. & d. were lightly shelled at intervals. Enemy's fire during the night increased, and heavy shelling of U.1.d., U.7.b., U.14.d. and plank road in U.7.a. being reported. Main features during the period were as follows :-

Time.	Rds.	Calibre.	Area shelled & direction of fire.
12 noon - 5 p.m.	35	15 cm.	HYDE PARK CORNER & U.26.a. from DEULMONT.
3.15 - 4.45 pm.	50	"	Nvy. Bty. position Flash bearing in U.19.b. 108 deg. T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.
10.30 am. - 1.30 pm.	20	10.5 T.B.	C.4.a. & d.
12 noon - 12.30 pm.	35	15 cm. & 10.5 cm.	S. & N. side of PLOEGSTERTHURM WOOD. from DEULMONT.
1 p.m. - 3.20 pm.	30	10.5 cm.	LE BIZET. from FRANKLIGHAN.
3.20 pm. - 8.10 - 9.30 p.m.	25	"	PLOEGSTERTHURM. DEULMONT.
5 to 9 p.m.	70	"	U.8.a. & d. CO. INES.
	(60	" & 15cm	
	(30	15 cm.	U.19.d.

During the night U.1.d., U.7.b. were shelled by enemy's 10.5 cm. Hows. - 200 rds. fired. Intermittent shelling of area U.14.d. with 10.5 cm. from direction of DEULMONT. During the early morning 100 rds. 10.5 cm. & 15 cm. were directed against plank road in U.7.a.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE. - During the night flashes of 15 cm. battery were observed 108 deg. T.B. and 10.5 cm. battery, 81 deg. 30' T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. (cont).INTELLIGENCE.AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS.

Owing to unfavourable weather conditions, aeroplane activity was below normal.

MOVEMENT OF ENEMY.

Visibility was at times good, but with the exception of working parties mentioned previously, no movement on the part of the enemy was observed.

MISCELLANEOUS.

- 1.30 am. - An ammunition dump in enemy's lines, opposite "A" sector, was blown up.
- 5.45 am. - Another dump in enemy's lines, to right of "D" sector, was also blown up.

VISIBILITY : At times good.

Headquarters,
28. Novr. 1917.

Althaus
Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer,
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-----OUR FIRE.

Harassing fire by 18 Pdrs. & 4.5" Hows. was directed at intervals during the day on hostile batteries at D.7.b.59.95. D.8.a.53.75. 18 Pdrs. checked registrations - 30 rds. fired.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Enemy Artillery during the day was slightly below normal. Our F.L. Support & Communication Trenches were lightly shelled, but fire for the most part was well distributed over the whole Sector.

During the night enemy's Artillery fire was again below normal, and with the exception of light intermittent shelling of area C.2.d. with 10.5 cm. H.E. & Gas, and a few 10.5 cm. scattered over the back areas, the night was comparatively quiet.

Main features during the period were as follows :-

<u>Time.</u>	<u>Rds.</u>	<u>Calibre.</u>	<u>Area shelled & direction of fire.</u>
3 - 4.30 pm.	100	10.5	U.26.a. & d. FRELINGHIEN. apparently directed against Sect. of 18Pdrs.
10.15-12.55 pm.	60	15cm & 10.5cm.	Support trenches & Subsidiary Line in U.17.d. & U.23.b.
12noon- 3 p.m.	120	10.5cm.	U.26.d. & F.L.trenches, Left Grp.Sector.
1.30pm-4 p.m.	20	15cm.	U.19.b. Flash 108deg.T.B. from U.13.b.20.15. This enemy bty.was subsequently engaged by Heavy Artillery.
11.15 - 11.45am.	30	77mm.	Support trenches in U.22.a.
8.30 - 9.30 pm.	60	10.5 & 15 cm.)	From direction of FRELINGHIEN. F.L.trenches, Right Group Sector.
6 - 10 pm.	Intermittent.	10.5 Gas & H.E.	C.2.d.
9.30 - 10.30pm.	40	10.5cm.	U.26.d.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE. - During period, flashes of Hostile Batteries were observed as follows :-

1.30 - 1.40 pm.	- 108deg.	T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.
2.15 pm.	- 64 "	" " U.15.a.6.8.
4 p.m.	- 64 "	" " U.13.b.20.15.
	- 96°30'	" " do. 10.5cm How.(4guns) firing on F.L.T.
8.15 pm.	-110 deg.	" " do. do. firing on PLOEGSTEERT WOOD.
8.30 - 9 p.m.	- 69°58' 61°	" " do. direction & calibre unknown.
10.30 p.m.	- 76 deg.	" " do. 10.5 cm. How.

INTELLIGENCE.

ENEMY DEFENCES. - Enemy wire at U.11.d.9.6. appears to have been damaged by Arty fire on morning of 26th. Wire still appears to be thick in places.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY. - 10.30 am. - An engine on Light Railway was observed moving in N.W. direction from 80 deg. to 80 deg.T.B.from U.15.a.65.80.
1.30 p.m. - A Goods Train was observed moving as above,(from U.15.a.65.80.).
12.55 p.m. - Considerable pedestrian traffic observed on roadway and hillside in W.2.c.
1 p.m. - 2 of the enemy observed walking among ruins of WARNETON at U.12.c.9.4.

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INTELLIGENCE. (cont).


AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS.

Activity normal on both sides.

About 3 p.m. an enemy machine flew over Section of
18Pdr. position in U.26.

VISIBILITY - Fair; bad during afternoon.

Headquarters,
27th November, 1917.


Captain.
for Reconnaissance Officer,
3rd Australian Divisional Artillery.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.CONFIDENTIAL.INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 27.11.17. to 6 a.m. 28.11.17.Ref. Maps. 28.S.W. & S.E. 36.N.W. & N.E. - 1/20,000.
-----OUR FIRE.

4.5" Hows. fired 30 rds. whilst checking registrations.
4.30 p.m. - 18 Pdrs. & 4.5" Hows. of Right Group each fired 50 rds. on hostile battery at V.25.b.38.65.

66 rds. were expended whilst carrying out further registrations on S.O.S. Lines.

Enemy relief took place during the afternoon, and searching and sweeping fire was brought to bear on communication trenches and approaches in U.12.b. - 130 rds. fired.

Harassing fire was brought to bear on enemy's communications and approaches during the night.

1 a.m. - 18 Pdrs. & 4.5" Hows. fired 80 rds. & 20 rds. respectively on active hostile M.Ws. and M.Gs. - retaliation for enemy's M.W. fire.

HOSTILE FIRE.

There was a slight increase in enemy's Artillery activity during the day.

LE TOUQUET STATION, U.28.b. & d. C.2.d. C.3.b. & c.

U.27.b. our F.L. & Support and Subsidiary Lines, HANTS FARM in U.26.b. all received equal attention. General direction of fire appears to have been FRELINGHIEN & DEULEMONT, and the bulk of the fire from 10.5 cm. Hows. and 77 mm. guns.

During the night 30th Battery position was shelled; 30 rds. fired; no damage reported. The 103th Bty. detached Section and vicinity was intermittently shelled from 6 p.m. to 12 midnight; 150 rds. 15 cm. fired. Direction - 82 deg. T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.

Main features during the period were as follows :-

<u>Time.</u>	<u>rds.</u>	<u>Calre.</u>	<u>Area shelled & direction of fire.</u>
8.30 - 10.25 pm	110	10.5 & 77mm	U.28.b. & d.
10.45 - 4 p.m.	190	do. H.E. and Gas.	U.27.b. & C.3.a. b. & c.
2.30 - 4 p.m.	250	10.5 cm H.E. & Gas.	Scattered over C.2.d.
noon - 1.40 pm.	50	15cm. 77mm. & L.M.W.	Directed against our F.L.T. in C.4.d. & C.10.d.
10.30 am. - 3.50 pm	96	10.5cm.	Fell in U.26.b. & d. & U.27.c.

At intervals during the night C.2.d. area was lightly shelled with 10.5 cm. H.E. & Gas - 100 rds. fired; from direction of FRELINGHIEN.

5.30 pm. - 7 p.m. - 100 rds. 10.5cm. were scattered over areas U.1.d. U.2.a. U.17.b.

During the night 50 rds. 10.5cm. fell in U.8.b. and a similar number were fired on U.14.a. & b.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Flashes were observed as follows :-

10.15 am. - 85 deg. T.B. from U.15.a.65.80.
2.55 & 3.50 pm. - 127 " " " do.

3rd. Aust. Divl. Artillery INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY (cont.).
-----INTELLIGENCE.AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS.

11 a.m. - 1 Enemy Aeroplane crossed our lines.

During the early part of the evening, enemy's planes were active in bombing operations.

Between 10 and 11 p.m., while our planes were over the enemy's lines, flashes of A.A. guns were observed 97 deg. T.B. from U.13.b.20.15., and an enemy searchlight could be observed at a bearing 75 deg. 30' from same map-spotting.

MISCELLANEOUS.

2 p.m. - 2.10 p.m. - Flames and smoke from a fire caused by our Artillery fire were observed 113 deg. T.B. from U.15.a.65.80.

VISIBILITY - Generally poor, though at short intervals good.

Headquarters,
28th Novr. 1917.

A. R. Howley
Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer,
3rd Australian Divisional Artillery.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.CONFIDENTIAL.INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 28.11.17. to 6 a.m.29.11.17.Ref. Maps : 28.S.W. & S.E. 36.N.W. & N.E. - 1/20,000.
-----OUR FIRE.

During the day, test S.O.S.Rockets were sent up, but these were not observed from any C.P. or Battery position by Rocket Guards, and consequently fire was not opened on S.O.S.Lines until report was received by phone from Liaison Officer.

18 Pdrs. registered road in U.19.a., and directed fire against enemy's F.L. whilst carrying out Group concentration.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Enemy's Artillery again shewed considerable activity.

During the day 300 rds. 10.5 cm. fell in C.l.d., apparently directed against tramline in this locality. Hostile battery appears to have been firing from the vicinity of DELENELLE FARM.

During the morning C.2.d. was shelled by 15cm & 10.5cm Hows., from FRELINGHIEN - 100 rds. fired.

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. 200 rds. 15 cm. were directed against Heavy Battery position in U.19.b. 2 guns were firing from a flash bearing of 132 deg.T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.

At 11.10 am. and from 2.30 to 4 p.m. vicinity of 27th Battery position was shelled by 15 cm. hows., firing from direction of COMINES. - 130 rds. fired. No damage reported.

12.30 - 2.15 pm. - 40 rds. 15 cm. fell in U.26.a., from flash bearing of 104°30' T.B. from U.15.d.80.65. These guns are in the remains of a building behind a line of trees. This information was passed to H.A. The battery was engaged with good effect and the guns silenced. Direct hits were observed on the building in which the guns are situated.

Other areas receiving attention during the day were :-

U.9.c. - 60 rds.15cm. THE CHATEAU in U.13.d. U.14.c.
U.26.a. & d. C.8.a.

The enemy again opened fire on vicinity of 27th Battery position from 6.30 to 7.30 p.m., firing 50 rds 10.5cm.how.

At intervals during the night enemy brought light harassing fire to bear on our roads in U.1. and U.7.a. 6.20 pm. - 50 rds. 10.5cm. H.E. & Gas were directed against C.l.d. while NICHOLSON AVE. and our Support tranches in this vicinity were lightly shelled from FRELINGHIEN direction. Our F.L.System in U.28. & DESPIERRE FARM were also subjected to light shelling.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Flashes were observed as follows :-

8.50 am.	-	108deg.T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.
11.10 am.	-	64 " " " U.15.a.65.80.
11.40 am.	-	108°, 108°30', & 107°15' T.B. from U.15.a.65.80.(3 guns firing).
4.15 pm.	-	75 & 81deg.T.B. from U.13.b.20.15. 77mm Bty. & 15cm Bty. Area shelled - U.9. & 10. Both these Batteries were engaged & silenced by Heavy Artillery.

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3rd. Aust.Div.Artillery INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY (Cont).
-----HOSTILE FIRE (Cont)HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE. (cont)

5.15 pm. - A section of 15cm or possibly 21cm Battery was firing from 105deg.T.B. from U.13.b.20.15. Area shelled - HYDE PARK CORNER.

6.30 pm. - A 10.5cm. Battery was firing from 77 deg.T.B. from U.13.b.20.15. on U.10.

6.45 pm. - U.8.a. and U.2.c. were shelled by 10.5 cm. Battery firing at a bearing 86 deg.T.B. from U.13.b.20.15. This battery was silenced by Heavy Artillery, but opened fire again at 8.15 pm., and continued shelling of same vicinity.

Gun flashes of 77mm guns observed 50deg.T.B. from SURREY FM.

INTELLIGENCE.

AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS. 12.30 pm. - 1 E.A. flew over C.2.

1.20 pm. - 3 enemy machines remained over our F.L.system, flying high.

Our planes were active over WARNETON on bombing operations.

2.30 pm. - One of our Observation Balloons broke away from its moorings, and drifted over the enemy's lines. Our A.A. guns opened fire, but failed to bring it down.

3.30 - 4 pm. An E.A. remained over our lines, over area U.8. 9. & 10.

Hostile balloons observed 65 deg. & 72°30' from U.13.b.20.15.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

12.40 - 1.10 pm. - Considerable movement was observed in vic. of W.2.c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

12.5 pm. - Smoke was observed rising from 2 Chimneys in vic. of DEULEMONT, 113°30' from U.15.d.80.65. (T.B.).

10.30 am.- The following were observed :-
Lamp signalling on a bearing 107°30' T.B. and at 11.45 am. a train on bearing 72°30' T.B., both from U.13.b.20.15.

6.28 pm. Enemy sent up a number of green lights, bursting into two along whole of Left Group Sector. This was followed immediately by fire from enemy's M.Ws.

VISIBILITY - Generally good; though at intervals low.

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Headquarters,
29th Novr. 1917.

Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer,
3rd Australian Divisional Artillery.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

CONFIDENTIAL.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 29.11.17. to 6 a.m. 30.11.17.

Ref. Maps. :- 28.S.W. & S.E. 36.N.W. & N.E. - 1/20,000.

OUR FIRE.

During the morning 18 Pdrs. fired 26 rds. on working parties in U.12.c. and at C.5.d.3.3., parties being dispersed in both cases.

During the early afternoon 18 Pdrs. fired 160 rds. on enemy's support line in U.12.c. (retaliation), and 20 rds. whilst testing S.O.S.

At 12.55 pm. 4.5" Hows. fired 50 rds. on UNCLEAN TRENCH and at 5.45 pm. 30 rds. on hostile M.W. at C.11.c.60.50. - retaliation at request of Infantry.

A 4.5" How. shoot on C.11.d.65.52. with balloon observation was abandoned owing to low visibility.

HOSTILE FIRE.

Hostile Artillery activity during the period was normal over our Left Group Sector, but below normal over Right Group Sector. Throughout the morning the enemy bombarded the whole forward system in Left Sector, - F.L.Trenches, Supports & Communication trenches of both Right & Left Battns. being shelled; 1500 rds. 15 cm. & 10.5 cm., and 80 rds. 77mm were reported.

From 1.45 - 2.50 pm. 30 rds. 10.5 cm. were directed against U.15.b. & U.9.d. Between 4 pm. & 4.30 pm. vicinity of 27th Bty. position in U.8.d. received 50 rds. 10.5 cm. At intervals during the day 175 rds. 15 cm & 21 cm. fell between Road at GABION FARM & U.1.d.8.3. - vic. of 31st Bty. position.

During the night enemy's Artillery was abnormally quiet over Right Group Sector. Over Left Group Sector shelling was at times heavy. 50 rds. 4.2 & 77mm. from direction of FRELINGHIEN fell in back areas of Right Sector. 80 rds. 10.5 cm. were directed against our F.L.T. in "D" Zone & our trenches in A, B, & C Zones were intermittently shelled throughout the night. 100 rds. 10.5cm. chiefly gas shells, fell in vicinity of U.7.a., while harassing fire on roads & tracks in U.14.c. & d., roads in U.8.d., by 15cm & 10.5cm. Hows. was reported. Other areas receiving attention during the night were :- U.19.b. & d. - 30 rds. 15 cm.
U.26.b. - 200 rds. 10.5 cm.

HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE. - Flashes were observed as follow :-

- 95 & 95°30' T.B. from U.13.b.25.15. - 10.5 & 15 cm.
- 108 deg. " " do. " do.
- 103 " & 94° " " U.15.a.35.80.
- 98 deg. " " U.8.d.7.3. (Sound) 10.5cm.
- 83°30' & 89° " " U.13.b.25.15. Anti-Aircraft.
- 96°30')
- 84°30') " " U.13.b.20.15.
- 66°30')

P.T.O.

3rd.Aust.Div.Artillery INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY (cont.)
-----INTELLIGENCE.AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS.

Enemy Aircraft shewed continuous activity throughout the day, several times penetrating well behind our lines. A number of bombs were dropped.

9.30 am. an E.A. flew low over Bty. positions in U.1. & U.7.
11 am. to 4 p.m. - 4 enemy observation balloons remained up during this period.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

2. - 3.15 pm. - Small parties of men were observed passing building at regular intervals. This building appeared to be at V.14.c.50.15.
8.7 am. - Several of the enemy were observed on road C.12.b.25.27., proceeding towards FM. DU GRAND WERQUIN.

Working Parties were observed during the morning, and fired on and dispersed by 18 Pdrs.

MISCELLANEOUS.

During the night enemy fired golden shower rockets and double green rockets at frequent intervals. No apparent action followed.

VISIBILITY - Good.

A. H. Rowley.

Headquarters,
30th Novr. 1917.

Lieutenant.
Reconnaissance Officer,
3rd Australian Divisional Artillery.

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.CONFIDENTIAL.INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY from 6 a.m. 30.11.17. to 6 a.m. 1.12.17.Ref, Maps : 28.S.W. & S.E. 36.N.W. & N.E. - 1/20,000.
-----OUR FIRE.

At 9.15 a.m. a working party at U.5.d.30.25. was fired on and dispersed by 18-Pdrs.

Between 10.30 am. and 3.15 p.m. 18 Pdrs fired 1524 rds. on enemy's F.L.trenches, Support trenches, and U.18.c.7.6., covering wire cutting operation by 4.5" Hows. The latter fired 350 rds. (100 fuze) on wire at U.11.d.85.25., U.11.d.85.50., and U.11.d.75.53. - 3 good gaps being cut, whilst a diversion was caused by the bombardment of M.G. and M.W. positions in the vicinity of GASOMETER, - 480 rds. 4.5 How. being directed against these positions. *reported*

At 3.30 p.m. 18-Pdrs registered TELEPHONE HOUSE - U.24.a.6.8., 52 rds. being expended.

Whilst supporting Raid by 10th Australian Infantry Brigade at 5.15 pm. barrage was put down by Left Group, 18-Pdrs firing 2957 rds. and 4.5" Hows. 409 rds.

The Right Group expended on diversions, 972 rds. 18-Pdr, and 4.5" How.

At 1 a.m. the second raid was carried out on the same Objectives as for previous enterprise. While affording covering fire for this operation 18-Pdrs. fired 2960 rds. and 4.5" Hows. 409 rds. Batteries of 5th Aust. Divl. Artillery co-operated during both operations.

HOSTILE FIRE.

During the period enemy's Artillery shewed little activity, and a very quiet day was reported.

From 11.30 am to 3.30 pm. 120 rds. 15 & 21 cm. fell in vicinity of U.7.b.9.9.

During the afternoon GUNNERS FARM received the usual attention - 100 rds. 10.5cm H.E. being directed against this target. Other areas shelled during the day were -

C.7.b. and C.8.a. - by 77mm guns.

U.8.c. and U.26.d. - by 10.5 cm Hows.

C.2.d. received a somewhat severe area shoot during the day, commencing in the early morning. Approximately 20 rds. every half hour fell in this vicinity. Fire from 10.5cm. from direction of FRELINGHIEN continued until late in the afternoon.

A number of rds. fell in vicinity of Section of 18-Pdrs. at C.2.d.1.5. but no damage was caused to this position.

During the night the enemy's Artillery shewed normal activity. DESPIERRE FARM, PLOEGSTEERT WOOD, and LE BIJET received attention from enemy's 15 and 10.5 cm. Hows., firing from direction of FRELINGHIEN & DEULEMONT.

Light intermittent shelling of C.2.d., C.13., and back areas was also reported.

The enemy's reply to our 1st Raid was light and erratic.

During the second Operation his fire was slightly more energetic, but was not at any time intense.

P.T.O.

3rd. Aust. Div. Artillery INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY (cont).

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HOSTILE FIRE (cont)HOSTILE BATTERIES ACTIVE.

Many flashes of hostile batteries were observed during the period. These have already been passed to Counter Battery Office.

3.30 pm. - Flashes observed 31 deg. T.B. from U.13.b.20.15. 2 guns firing. This battery was subsequently engaged by Heavy Artillery, but the majority of the shells appeared to fall just short of the position.

INTELLIGENCE.AIRCRAFT & BALLOONS.

Hostile Aeroplanes were active during the morning over our F.L. system and back areas of the Right Group Sector.

11.45 am. - 1 Enemy Aeroplane flew low over STEENWERCK.

10.30 am to

11.15 am. - Hostile balloons were up - 72, 60, 64, 67, & 109 degs. T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.

11.10 am &

12.5 pm. - An enemy Aeroplane flew low over our Left Grp. Sector.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

1.30 p.m. - The head & shoulders of a man were observed in trench at U.11.d.95.31. He was wearing a soft cap with a blue band.

MISCELLANEOUS.

10.40 am. - Lamp Signalling was observed 105° T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.

12.5 pm. - Smoke from a train moving in a N.W. direction was observed 85 deg. T.B. from U.15.a.35.80.

6.12. pm. - Enemy Searchlight was seen 119 deg. T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.

8 p.m. - Numerous double green lights were fired from the enemy's lines on Left Group front. No apparent action followed.

8.50 pm. - A fire was observed in enemy's lines 130 deg. T.B. from U.13.b.20.15.

VISIBILITY During morning, fair. During afternoon, low.

Headquarters,
1st Decr. 1917.

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Reconnaissance Officer,
3rd Australian Divisional Artillery.