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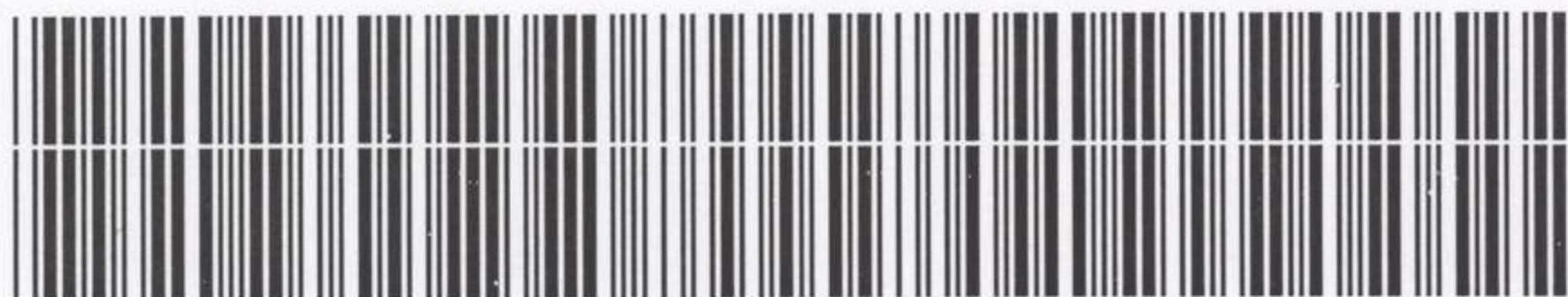
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 21st March - to - 6 a.m. 22nd March, 1918.

NOTE: Not to be taken into front line trenches.

FORECAST OF DISPOSITIONS.

1. OPERATIONS.

Artillery. Enemy working parties and hostile movement were engaged at frequent intervals throughout the period as follows:- During the morning movement in vicinity 0.18.c.60.65., 0.30.b.80.05 and wiring party about midday near road 0.18.a.25.85 were successfully engaged and dispersed. Throughout the afternoon small parties were seen at intervals at PARTYNTJE Fm 0.24.d., P.13.c., BOMB Fm 0.18.c., 0.18.a.60.65., POLL HOUSE 0.18.a., P.8.d.20.30., P.19.a.80.50 and P.14.d.40.99 and successfully fired on. Hostile T.M's were very active throughout the period and engaged repeatedly. 10.45 am active T.M. behind Pill-box at 0.18.a.60.65 was engaged and silenced. During the morning hostile T.M's in POLL Fm 0.24.a and BOMB Fm 0.18.c. were effectively silenced.

Hostile MINENWERFERS were very active from KIWI Fm 0.36.c and in vicinity U.6.c. throughout the night and engaged successfully.

At 6.15 am in reply to a "S.O.S" by Left Battalion our HOLLEBEKE Group opened up with 18 pms and 4.5" Hows on "S.O.S" lines; fire being continued for 15 minutes. Our M.T.M.B. replied to "S.O.S" call and fired some 10 rounds on Pill-box 0.18.a.20.95 at 6.25 am.

Our Centre Group received an "S.O.S" call at 7.10 am and immediately opened fire. This was continued till 7.22 am when all was reported quiet; no hostile action followed.

In anticipation of an enemy relief on our Right Group front annihilating fire was brought to bear on roads, tracks and centres of activity in U.12.b., V.1.d., U.6.d., V.2.c to V.2.a., U.6.c and U.6.a at irregular intervals between 9 pm and 10.45 pm.

In retaliation for a heavy MINENWERFER barrage on our front line at 3 am our field batteries and Howitzers opened up fire on enemy emplacements and successfully stopped their action.

Our M.T.M.B. effectively engaged active T.M. in 0.36.c., U.6.c., U.12.a., U.11.b at intervals throughout the period.

2. IDENTIFICATIONS. Nil.

3. HOSTILE SHELLING.

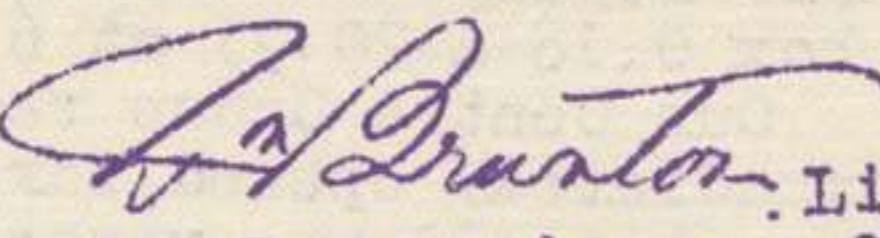
Enemy Artillery shelled all areas heavily throughout the period; fire being widely distributed over each Sector. Heavy gas shelling reported in vicinity of many battery positions early yesterday morning, but very slight damage done. Back areas were heavily shelled throughout period by H.V gun; but damage only slight. 2-5.9 H.V.fell beside some of our D.A.C. huts in S.5.b. central during night. Hut was badly damaged. Casualties 1 killed and 1 slightly wounded.

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See Table of Hostile Shelling.

4. ENEMY ATTITUDE. Yesterday mornings heavy gas shelling of battery positions most probably intended to neutralize our fire or carried out as a "Dummy Raid" in support of other enemy operations; however if this was so it failed in its object. Great increased activity of H.V. gun over back areas is noted. Fire being widely distributed over villages and camps in rear.
5. ENEMY DEFENCES. Nil.
6. HOSTILE AERIAL ACTIVITY. Below normal.
7. MOVEMENT AND ORGANISATION etc. Small enemy working parties engaged successfully (see Operations). Hostile T.M. at PILL Fm observed to have been lifted out of pit by a 4.5 How shell. Newly erected water tank (oblong iron) on a wooden stand behind trees in O.30.d and a Dump of Engineer's material near PONT MAHLET in P.31.B. . observed.
8. MISCELLANEOUS. Visibility was very poor throughout day owing to heavy mist. Peculiar rocket signals were fired at a true bearing of 89° from O.19.b.6.3. The rockets burst into four white stars. No hostile action followed. Flashes of hostile guns were also observed at the following true bearings from O.19.b.6.3., 93° , 102° (4.2 Hows), $92^{\circ} 30'$ (large gun) 104° and 106° .



Lieut,
for Reconnaissance Officer,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

H.Qrs, 22nd March, 1918.

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HOSTILE SHELLING

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Time.	No. of Rnds	Nature.	Objective or Area shelled.	Direction or Grid Bearing	Observed from.	Remarks.
Right Group.						
8 to 9 a.m.	100	4.2 & 77	MESSINES U.1 & 7			Gas, mustard & Shrapnel.
9.15 to 9.45 am	100	5.9	MESSINES RIDGE	From COMINES		
9.15 to 10 a.m.	?	T.M.	Whole front line Sector			
10.05 a.m.	?	8"	BAILLUL	From VERVICQ		
10 to 10.45 a.m.	50	4.2	0.31.a.	20° L of DATUM HO. U.3.a.00.45		
11 to 11.20	25	5.9 & 4.2	U.7.d. U.2.c.	From BAS WARMETON		
11.25 to 11.30 am	15	M.T.H's	CAPRAARD			
11.35 to 11.45 am	10	5.9	0.33.a. & b.	From COMINES		
11.50 a.m.	6	4.2	U.14.			
12.05 to 2 p.m.	50	4.2	T.6.c. & U.8.d.	14° R from DATUM HO. 0.33.a.45.25		
12.35 to 12.45 pm	?	77mm	MESSINES RIDGE			
12.57 to 1 p.m.	70	77mm	U.1., U.7 & U.8	" " "		Gas & H.E.
1.05 to 1.15 pm	50	77mm	U.3.a & u.2.d.	BAS WARMETON		
1.40 to 1.50 pm	25	77mm	" "			
1.50 to 1.50 pm	?	5.9	CAPAARD			
1.55 to 1.50 pm	?	5.9	U.7.d. & T.12			
2.30 am to 3 pm	200	4.2 & 77	(0.31.b.55.09 & 0.31.b.90.45	120° T.B.	0.31.a.55.05	"
3.05 to 6.4 pm	18	5.9	U.7.a.			
9.10 pm	8	5.9	U.7.a.			
9.15 to 9.45 pm	14	4.2	MESSINES			Gas
10.15 pm	60	4.2 & 5.9	MESSINES			
3.10 to 4.15 am	12	5.9.	Front Line from 2nd System.			Barrage
Centre Group.						
6 am to 2.30 pm V.Heavy	77mm	0.25., 0.26.a.	86° T.B. from 0.25.b.68.33		0.25.b.7.4.	Gas
2.30 pm	" 4.2 gas, 5.9 0.27., 0.19.d & 0.28 How & 4.2 Gun					
10 am	Lightly	77mm	Front line	VERVICQ	0.27.b.80.05	
8.30 am	30	T.M	0.29.c.2.8.	LAKE Fm	0.28.a.35.05	
9.10 to 11.45 am	30	21 cm How	0.34.a.9.2	P.35.c.	"	
1.25 pm	50	4.2 H.V.	0.20.b.	99° 30'	"	
1.45 to 5 pm	200	4.2 How	0.25.b.	VERVICQ	"	
2 pm	50	4.2 H.V.	0.25.c.	P.34.b.8.8	"	
All day	Heavy	9.2" gun	KELLEL, DRANOUTRE & WULVERGHEN	96°	0.19.d.7.1	

Time	HOSTILE No. of Nature. Rnds		SHELLING Objective or Area shelled	continued Direction or Grid Bearing	22/3/18 Observed from. Remarks.
Centre Group continued.					
9 to 10.30 pm	?	9.2"	WULVERGHEM	95°	0.19.b.6.3.
2.25 pm	10	5.9" HV	PARNIA DUMP	L of WERVICQ	
8.35 pm	10	5.9" HV	PARNIA DUMP		
Left Group.					
7.25 am	-	-	0.9.a.	91° Grid	0.10.d.85.80
7.35 am	40	4.2	0.9.c.	HOUTHEM	0.11.a.40.30 CB inf 7.30 am
-	-	4.2 How	-	P.11 about 95° Grid	"
Midnight	-	9.2 Naval & N.32. central		-	WARNETON Group " " 11.30 am
		5.9 gun			
1 pm	-	4.2	0.8. b & 0.9.a.	100° Grid	P.10.d.90.90 " " 1 pm
12.00 pm	-	4.2	-	P.15.a.	0.11.a.30.38 " " 12.25 pm
11 am	30	4.2 HE	0.14.b.		0.14.b.20.65
11.55 am	-	4.2	0.14.b & 0.15.a.		0.11.a.30.38
12.15 am	-	4.2	0.9.a.	SB 103° Grid	0.10.d.85.80
12.40 am	-	77 mm	0.9.a.	100° Grid	0.10.d.85.80
12.15 pm	-	77 mm	"	94° & 96° Grid	0.10.d.85.80
8.20 am	20	4.2 & 5.9	ONRAET Wd	HOUTHEM	0.14.a.65.22
2.55 to 3.5 pm	-	77 mm	0.9.a.	SB 99° Grid	0.10.d.85.80
3.55 pm	-		Flash of big gun	104° 30' Grid	0.10.d.85.80
4.25 pm	-		Flashes	108° 30' Grid	0.10.d.85.80
4.50 pm	-	77mm & 4.2	Flashes 0.9.a.	100° Grid	0.10.d.85.80
5.10 pm	-		Flash	122° 39'	0.10.d.85.80

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War Diary

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 22nd March - to - 6 a.m. 23rd March, 1918.

NOTE: Not to be taken into front line trenches.

FORECAST OF DISPOSITIONS.

1. OPERATIONS.

Artillery. Minor bombardments were carried out at irregular intervals throughout the period on hostile MINENWERFERS in vicinity KIWI Fm WAM Fm 0.23.d., LAKE Fm 0.24.c., 0.24.a. 40.35 and HIGH Fm 0.18.c; bursts of fire being put over on these emplacements by our 18 prs and 4.5" Howitzers which effectively silenced them.

Enemy movement was engaged throughout the day as follows:- At irregular intervals movement was observed in vicinity 0.30.d.0.6., 0.30.a.75.95., CODE Fm 0.23.d., LAKE Fm 0.24.c., SQUARE Fm 0.30.b, MAHLET Fm and DUMP P.31. b and effectively engaged. At 11 a.m. working party under camouflage behind POLL HOUSE 0.18.a. were fired on by our 18 prs and dispersed. At 5.35 p.m. a party in vicinity P.7.c.35.10 were engaged and successfully dispersed. Other hostile movement throughout the day was observed and effectively engaged in suspected O.P., P.7.c.0.7, P.8.c.4.6, POLL HOUSE 0.18.a., P.2.c.85.05, P.20.a.00.30, P.8.c.15.90. Hostile Battery in vicinity P.14.a.0.6 were engaged by our 18 prs at 6 pm and silenced.

Registrations were continued throughout the day and Zero lines checked. A wire cutting shoot was carried out on enemy wire 0.29.a.95.25.

H.T.M.S. Our H.T.M.B's engaged active Minenwerfers at KIWI FM. 0.36.a. and U.6.a.40.40 during the night, effectively neutralizing their fire.

2. IDENTIFICATIONS Nil.

3. HOSTILE SHELLING. Enemy artillery have not shown any increased activity over Right and Centre Group Centres; shelling being slightly less than previous day. On the Left Sector forward areas shelling was fairly heavy, chiefly on 0.9.d., 0.8.b., 0.17.a, and 0.10.d. H.V. Gun was again most active on back areas throughout the whole day, especially in the vicinity of KEMMEL and DRANOUTRE. (see table of Hostile shelling) PALMA DUMP and vicinity intermittently shelled during the day and night by 5.9 H.V. Gun, firing from direction Left of VERVICQ. No damage was done.

4. ENEMY ATTITUDE. Artillery continues active, particularly with H.V. Gun over back areas.

5. HOSTILE AERIAL ACTIVITY. Below normal. Only one 'plane observed crossing our lines throughout the day.

6. MOVEMENT and ORGANISATION behind ENEMY LINES. Hostile parties observed and dispersed throughout the day at CODE? LAKE and MAHLET Farms, 0.30.d., 0.30.a. Single men observed at EEL Fm and TROUT Fm. The former appeared to be a sentry. 5.15 pm DUMP on fire 15° Left of COMINES CHURCH from 0.33.c.50.45, burning for 30 minutes. 5.30 pm smoke screen from COMINES CHURCH to 18° Left of COMINES CHURCH from 0.33.c.45.50, lying very low. DUMP exploded by Heavies

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14° Left of COMINES CHURCH from 0.33.0.50.45. Trains 4.45 pm train passing South behind WERVICQ. 5.5 pm train passing North in rear of WERVICQ. Flame and bursts of smoke observed in rear of KORTEWILDE Cemetery 0.10.d.90.95.

7. MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST. One heavy gun firing into back areas observed firing from T.H. 95° from 0.19.b.6.3. Time between flash and report 25 secs. 77 m.m. Battery firing into HOLLERBEKE Sector was observed at T.B. 87° 30' from 0.19.b.6.3. Hostile observation balloon was observed at the following times 11.40 am at T.B's of 71° and 74°.

Visibility. Poor during morning. Very good during afternoon.

Edgar H. Smith

Lieut,
Recnaissance Officer,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

H.Qs 23/3/18

Time	No. of Rnds.	Nature.	H O S T I L E Objective or Area shelled.	S H E L L I N G Direction or Grid	Observed from.	Remarks.
Right Group.					23/3/18	
10.15 am	4	5.9 & 8*	Back Areas	Q.14-a.		
12.30 am	10	4.2	U.7.	MB-115°		
12.52 pm	12	4.2	U.7.a.	-		
1.5 pm	40	4.2	U.5.b.			
1.10 pm	1	4.2	U.3.a.			
1.20 to 1.40 pm	25	77mm & 4.2	POLLARD Supports U.5.			
2.5 pm	6	4.2	U.7. U.5.			
3.30 to 5.15 pm	60	77mm & 4.2	POLLARD Supports & GARNARD 0.55.			
7.50 to 8.30 pm	20	4.2	MESSINES Rd & HUNS WALK			
8.25 pm	12	77mm	HUNS WALK			
8.45 to 9 pm	42	77mm	0.33.c.4.4 & U.7.			
10 pm	30	4.2 How	HUNS WALK			
11 pm	20	" "	0.33.c.			
12.30 pm	3	5.9 "	STEIGNAST			
12.45 pm	10	5.9	U.7 & U.8			
Centre Group.						
All day	?	9.2"Gun	KIEMEL & LOCRE	95°	0.19.b.6.3.	
2.30 pm	30	4.2 How	Front line			
6.45 to 11.45 am	Light	77 mm	0.28.	MERVICQ	0.28.a.35.05.	
Left Group.						
3 to 9 pm	250	77	0.9.d.	98°	0.8.b.08.70	Burst at 30° interval
3 to 3.30 pm	30	77	0.8.b.	98°	*	85% Gas, 15% H.E.
12.30 to 1.15 pm	45	4.2	GRIMEN Wd 0.17.a.		0.9-a.50.30	
3 to 6 pm	50	4.2	" "		0.19.d.85.80	
6 pm	24	77	" "			{Gas floated back towards enemy.
7.30 pm	-	-	0.10.d.			

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AMENDMENT NO 1 to FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No 176Headquarters,
23rd March, 1918.

The operations detailed in FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL
ARTILLERY ORDER No 176 dated 21st March, 1918, are CANCELLED.

Eg - H. Bott Lt
Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 10 p.m. to all recipients of Order No. 176.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No. 176

Headquarters,
23rd March, 1918.

1. Lieut-Colonel G.I. STEVENSON, C.M.G., with his Staff will relieve Lieut-Colonel H.E. COHEN, C.M.G., D.S.O., in the command of the HOLLEBEKE GROUP SECTOR, on 24th March, 1918.
2. Lieut-Colonel H.E. COHEN, C.M.G., D.S.O., with his Staff will relieve Lieut-Colonel H.O. CADDY, D.S.O., in the command of the MESSINES GROUP SECTOR, on the 24th March, 1918.
3. On completion of relief Lieut-Colonel H.O. CADDY, D.S.O., and his Staff will withdraw to their Wagon Lines.
4. All further details will be arranged between Brigade Commanders concerned.
5. Completion of reliefs will be reported to this Office.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Shulman

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 10 p.m. to:-

MESSINES Group
COOTAVERNE Group
HOLLEBEKE Group
D.T.M.O. 5th Aust. Divn
2nd Aust. Div. Arty
1st Aust. Div. Arty
HQ. 5th Aust. Divn
"Q" 5th Aust. Divn
R.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS
H.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS
C.B.S.O. (A.C.H.A.)

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No.27.

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Headquarters,
24th. March 1918.

1. - AMMUNITION. From 10.a.m. on 26th. inst., groups will take on charge, ammunition held at positions as under :-

MESSINES GROUP.

XA 17th. Battery.
XB 50th. do.
XC 18th. do.
XD 113th. do.
YB 16th. do.
YC 55th. do.
XRB 49th. do.
XXD 106th. do.

HOLLEBEKE GROUP.

YA 53rd. Battery.
YD 114th. Battery.
ZA 7th. do.
ZB 8th. do.
ZC 9th. do.
ZD 103rd. do.
ZRA 54th. do.
Z2Rc 51st. do.

Any ammunition on charge to Batteries which is at unoccupied positions will be taken on charge at the same time, by the Groups in whose area the position is.

2. - DUMPS will be handed over on 25th. March 1918 commencing 11.a.m. as under :-

LA POLKA to 1st. Aust. Div. Artillery.
D.V.L. to 2nd. do. do.
CLOVER BAR TO 2nd. do. do.

Receipts for all ammunition or stores handed over will be forwarded to D.A.H.Q. on completion.

3. - TRANSFER OF GUNS. Guns will be exchanged with 6th. (Army) Brigade A.F.A. in accordance with para 3 of 5th. Aust. Div. Artillery Order No.180.

The term "GUNS" includes the gun or howitzer with carriage, sights and aiming posts as laid down in G.H.Q. Circular No.2 dated 14.1.17, but guns with Air Recuperators will be handed over with all necessary parts. All outstanding indents for the latter will be passed to relieving Batteries.

4. - ANTI-TANK GUNS. will be handed over as ordered in 5th. Aust. Div. Artillery Order No.180, para 4 and ammunition for same will be taken over by Groups accordingly, copy of receipts being forwarded to this office.

5. - TRENCH MORTARS will be handed over and taken over as ordered in 5th. Aust. Div. Artillery Order No.181 paras 2,3 & 4. Copies of all receipts given and received will be forwarded to this office on completion.

Basil Morris
Captain,
Staff Captain,
5th. Aust. Divisional Artillery.

Distribution.

3rd. (Army) Bde. A.F.A.
6th. (Army) Bde. A.F.A.
13th. F.A. Brigade.
14th. F.A. Brigade.
5th. D.A. Column.
D.T.M.O. 5th. Aust. Div.
Officer i/c A.R.P. LA POLKA.
1st. Aust. Div. Artillery.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER NO 181.

Headquarters,
24th March, 1918.

1. At 10 a.m. 26th March, 1918, the OOSTTAVERNE GROUP will cease to function and Batteries of the 5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY will be superimposed as follows:-

ON THE LEFT GROUP SECTOR.

- 53rd Battery Australian Field Artillery.
54th Battery Australian Field Artillery.
51st Battery Australian Field Artillery.
114th Battery Australian Field Artillery.

ON THE RIGHT GROUP SECTOR.

- 55th Battery Australian Field Artillery.
49th Battery Australian Field Artillery.
50th Battery Australian Field Artillery.
113th Battery Australian Field Artillery.

2. The D.T.M.O. FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION will make preparatory measures for handing over 6-6" and 7-2" TRENCH MORTAR positions NORTH of WALBEEK with the D.T.M.O. FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION and 5-6" and 5-2" TRENCH MORTAR positions SOUTH of the WALBEEK with the D.T.M.O. SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

3. Arrangements will be made so that by 10 a.m. 26th March, 1918, the D.T.M.O. FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION has 12-6" TRENCH MORTARS ready to move and that personnel of the FIRST and SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY can relieve the personnel of the FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY at the positions to be handed over at short notice.

4. All other details will be arranged by D.T.M.O's concerned.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

H. H. Miller

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 6 p.m. to:-

MESSINES Group	Copy No.	Copy No.
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HOLLEBEKE Group	2 8th A.I. Brigade	13
D.T.M.O. 5th Aust. Divn	3 14th A.I. Brigade	14
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY Instruction No. 32.

Headquarters,
24th March, 1918.

S.O.S. SIGNAL.

1. Beginning at midday 28th March, 1918, the S.O.S. Signal throughout the Army will be a rifle grenade signal bursting into coloured stars RED over GREEN over YELLOW.
2. A supply of these is being issued to the 1st and 2nd Australian Divisions.
3. Between the 24th and 26th March, "Q" Branch of FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION will arrange to hand over to the 1st and 2nd Australian Divisions the S.O.S. Signal now in use. Equal quantities will be handed over to each Division.
4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

H. H. L. C. M.

— Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 12.30 p.m. to:-

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MESSINES Group	1
COSTTAVERNE Group	2
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 23rd March - to - 6 a.m. 24th March, 1918.

NOTE: Not to be taken into front line trenches.

FORECAST OF DISPOSITIONS. Change issued to all concerned.

1. OPERATIONS.

Artillery. During the day our Artillery engaged movement at PONT MAHLET (P.31.b.3.8), LAKE Fm (0.12.d.1.1), CODE Fm (0.23.d.8.8), HEAD Fm (0.30.d.15.95), R7:0.0.7, TRALEE Fm, POLL HOUSE (0.18.a.7.5), Party at P.13.d.45.85, APPLE Fm (P.19.a.9.3), at Pill-box at P.2.0.85.05, Party at P.7.d. 12.70, successfully dispersing it on all occasions.

A party of enemy officers observed at 0.30.d. 0.5 were quickly dispersed by a burst of fire from an 18-pr Battery.

Trench Mortars were very active on the Right between 6 pm and midnight, and in the early morning. At 6 am a concentration scheme was fired effectively silencing them. Trench Mortars firing from known positions on the Centre Group front were also successfully engaged during the night.

In anticipation of an enemy relief on the Left Sector, tracks, posts, and strong points in 0.12.d., 0.18.b., P.13.a. & c & P.19.a were actively searched between 9 and 10 p.m., and intermittent fire put over from midnight to 5.50 am. Wire cutting operation at RIFLE and LAKE Farms was carried out between 2.45 and 4.15 pm, covered by bombardment of VAM & WASH Farms.

Customary registering and calibrating was continued.

M.T.M. engaged hostile MINENWERFERS at 0.36.0. 55.50 and 0.36.a.20.10, effectively silencing them.

2. IDENTIFICATIONS. Nil.

3. HOSTILE SHELLING. Noticeably quiet on the Right, being very dispersed. Quiet on the Centre and general scattered shelling on the Left. Trench Mortars active on the Right and Centre. Very little gas shelling.

See Table of Hostile Shelling.

4. ENEMY ATTITUDE. Customary small parties and movement in vicinity of strong points. Artillery quiet except on back areas.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES. Nil.

6. HOSTILE AERIAL ACTIVITY. Nil during day. Several planes crossed at night.

7. MOVEMENT. As in para 1 "OPERATIONS".

Edgar H. Broadbent

Lieut,
Reconnaissance Officer,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

H.Qrs

24th March, 1918.

Time.	No. of Rnds	Nature.	H O S T I L E Objective or Area shelled.	S H E L L I N G. Direction or Grid Bearing	Observed from.	Remarks.
Right Group.					24/3/18	
6.55 to 7.45 am	20	4.2 gas	U.9.d.			
"	50	H.E.	"			
8.45 to 8.50 am	10	4.2	U.3.d.	MAS WARMETON		
9.30 to 9.35 am	10	4.2	U.4.b.	M.B 100° Flash	0.33.a.45.25	
10.15 to 10.50 am	15	4.2	U.4.b.	"	"	
10.55 to 11.8 am	15	4.2	U.3. a	"	"	
11 am	5	4.2	Back areas			
Centre Group.						
7.30 am	-	T.M.	WELL FARM	?	0.28.a.35.05	
9.55 am	40	4.2 How	MESSINES	COMINES	"	
6 am	12	77 mm	0.28.0.	"	0.28.0.25.95	
11.30 am	25	4.2 How	0.28			
Left Group.						
8 am	6	T.M.	0.17.a.		0.10.d.8.8	
9 to 10.45 am	50	5.9	0.8.b & 0.9.a.	84°		3 mins interval
10.30 am	20	4.2	0.10.d.	102°	0.10.d.85.80	
6 am	24	5.9	PARIA DUMP & Rly track		N.18.b.90.25	
11 pm	50	Gas	N.14.b.		"	
12 pm	50	"	0.14.b.		0.14.b.20.85	

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APPENDIX 24

Copy No. 22.

FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No. 179.

Headquarters,
24th March, 1918.

1. The Fifth Australian Division, less Artillery, will be withdrawn from the line between 24th and 26th March, 1918, and will move into Corps Reserve.

2. The FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISION will take over the present FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL front on the night of 24th/25th March and 25th/26th March, 1918, as far South as the WAMBEEK. The SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION will take over the present FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL front on the nights 24th/25th and 25th/26th March, 1918, as far North as the WAMBEEK.

3. The Command will pass in each case at 10 a.m. on 26th March, 1918.

4. From 10 a.m. 26th March, 1918, C.O. LEFT GROUP will be responsible for the defence of the present FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL front as far South as the WAMBEEK. From 10 a.m. 26th March, 1918, C.O. RIGHT GROUP will be responsible for the defence of the present FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL front as far North as the WAMBEEK.

5. The C.O. LEFT GROUP will select positions from which he can best cover the new NORTHERN SECTOR with the batteries of the THIRD AUSTRALIAN (ARMY) FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE. C.O. RIGHT GROUP will select positions from which he can best cover the SOUTHERN SECTOR with the batteries of the SIXTH AUSTRALIAN (ARMY) FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

6. With reference to para. 5 C.O.'s Brigades concerned will arrange to transfer to the selected positions the personnel of their own batteries. The personnel at present occupying the selected positions will be transferred to the positions vacated by the batteries of the ARMY BRIGADES.

7. From 10 a.m. 26th March, 1918, batteries of the FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY will be superimposed on their new respective Group fronts, and the FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY will be ready to move at short notice.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

Hutton

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 12/15 p.m. to:-

	Copy No.	Copy No.
MESSINES Group	1 "Q" AUSTRALIAN CORPS	12
OOSTAVERNE Group	2 8th A.I. Brigade	13
HOLLEBEKE Group	3 14th A.I. Brigade	14
D.T.M.O. 5th Aust. Divn	4 15th A.I. Brigade	15
2nd Aust. Div. Arty	5 SIGNALS, 5th D.A.H.Q.	16
1st Aust. Div. Arty	6 6th (Army) A.F.A. Brigade	17
"Q" 5th Aust. Divn	7 3rd (Army) A.F.A. Brigade	18
"G" 5th Aust. Divn	8 Staff Captain	19
R.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS	9 R.O.	20
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Copy No. 22

FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER NO. 180

Headquarters,
24th March, 1918.

1. The Batteries of the THIRD AUSTRALIAN (ARMY) FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE will remain in the positions which they at present occupy.

2. The Batteries of the SIXTH AUSTRALIAN (ARMY) FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE will exchange Gun positions with Batteries of the 5th AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY as follows:-

Div.

- 16th Battery 0.8.b.30.05 with 54th Battery 0.25.b.70.40
- 17th Battery U.1.d.38.39 with 49th Battery U.1.a.70.39
- 18th Battery N.23.b.69.10 with 51st Battery 0.31.a.55.05-4 Guns
0.31.b.90.45-2 "

3. Personnel will be moved across in each case. Guns will be exchanged "in situ". Attention is directed to G.H.Q. Circular No. 2 dated 14th January, 1917. Guns with air recuperators will be handed over with all necessary stores. Moves to be completed by 9 a.m. 25th March, 1918.

4. Anti-Tank Guns will be taken over as follows:-

By personnel of the 3RD A.F.A. BDE.

(a) 1-15 pr. at Q.10.c.8.2. at present manned by HOLLEBEKE Group
(b) 1-15 pr. at 0.15.d.8.5. " " " " "
(c) 1-15 pr. at 0.28.a.05.15 " " " " OOSTTAVERNE Group
and come under command of C.O. LEFT GROUP.

By personnel of the 6th A.F.A. BDE.

(d) 1-15 pr. at 0.27.d.95.55 at present manned by OOSTTAVERNE Gp
(e) 1-15 pr. at 0.33.d.0enl " " " " MESSINES Group
(f) 1-15 pr. at U.4.a.1.4 " " " " "
and come under command of C.O. RIGHT GROUP.

Relief to be completed by 10 a.m. 26th March, 1918.

5. On completion of relief in para. 3 the 16th and 18th Batteries will come under command of C.O. MESSINES GROUP.

The 54th and 51st Batteries will come under command of C.O. HOLLEBEKE GROUP.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

Haston

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 1.45 p.m. to:-

	Copy No.	Copy No.
MESSINES Group	1 "Q" AUSTRALIAN CORPS	12
OOSTTAVERNE Group	2 8th A.I. Brigade	13
HOLLEBEKE Group	3 14th A.I. Brigade	14
D.T.M.O. 5th Aust. Divn	4 15th A.I. Brigade	15
2nd Aust. Div. Arty	5 SIGNALS, 5th D.A.H.Q.	16
1st Aust. Div. Arty	6 6th (ARMY) F.A. Brigade	17
"Q" 5th Aust Divn	7 3rd (ARMY) F.A. Brigade	18
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 24th March - to - 6 a.m. 25th March, 1918.

NOTE: Not to be taken into front line trenches.

DISPOSITIONS. No 65 issued to all concerned.

1. OPERATIONS. Activity was confined to bombardments of Hostile MINENWERFERS, engagement of enemy parties, registrations, & minor bombardments.

An Instruction shoot was performed during the afternoon, targets being MURPHY Fm (0.18.b.30.65), APPLE Fm (P.19.a.90.30) and POLL HOUSE (0.18.a).

MINENWERFERS active on the Right, and effectively silenced, MINENWERFERS at V.6.d.09.05, U.12.b.4.9., 0.36.0. 5.5 (two occasions), 0.36.c.6.6 and U.6.b.2.3. On the Centre light T.M. at 0.24.a.40.35 opened up at 1 pm, but was immediately stopped. On the Left H.T.M. at BOMB Fm (0.18.0.65.95) and medium at POLL HOUSE (0.18.a) were active at intervals during the early morning, and appear to be strongly emplaced. Enemy parties engaged and dispersed at POLL HOUSE (0.18.a), KIWI Fm (0.36.0.5.5), at P.7.c.00.70 on two occasions, HOLLEBEKE MILL ((0.12.0), at 0.23.b.80.80 on two occasions, at 0.18.d.85.50 and at QUAD Fm (0.30.d.20.95). Considerable movement of working parties between P.7.c.05.60 and P.7.c.00.70 was engaged at different periods. A working party was seen at CODE Fm between 11.15 am and 5 pm, a bombardment of this point at 3.15 pm blowing-up a lot of new concrete and timber. Minor bombardments also carried out against Buildings in HOUTTEM, and against CIRCLE Fm (P.31.a.45.85), YANCO Fm (P.31.a.80.30), CIRCLE Fm (P.31.a.45.85) and ESPERANCE CABT (0.36.b.25.50). Ammunition Dump between P.7.c.05.60 - P.7.c.00.70 blown up.

2. IDENTIFICATIONS. Nil.

3. ENEMY SHELLING. Quiet on whole front. Shelling of back areas by H.V. guns continued. See Table of HOSTILE SHELLING.

4. ENEMY ATTITUDE. Numerous working parties, apparently constructing defences. Artillery activity noticeably decreased.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES. New work at LAKE Fm and CODE Fm. Ammunition Dump, S.A.A., was at P.7.c.05.60.- P.7.c.00.70.

6. AERIAL ACTIVITY. Enemy planes patrolled front all day, but only two crossed and were driven back.

7. MOVEMENT. As in para 1 "OPERATIONS".

8. MISCELLANEOUS. 8.30 pm - 9.30 pm 23/3/18 Red light suspended in sky Left of COMINES for half an hour. 3.30 am 24/3/18 peculiar sprays of yellow light accompanied by large bank of cloud Left of COMINES. 2 pm enemy fired three strange projectiles from direction of P.19 which made a noise in the air like a slowly revolving propellor. All three projectiles failed to explode and fell in 0.7 or 0.14. They are being searched for. Between 4 & 5 pm small enemy propaganda balloons fell near ANZAC & KILO Fms.

Visibility poor in morning, fair in afternoon.

Edgar H. Bott

Lieut,
Reconnaissance Officer,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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HOSTILE SHELLING.

Time	No. of Rnds.	Nature.	Objective or Area shelled.	Direction or Grid Bearing.	Observed from. Remarks.
Right Group.					
11.30 am	30	77mm	MESSINES & HUNS WL	28° R V.4.0.48.83	0.33.0.50.45
10.30 am	6	4.2	RIGHT BTN H.Q.	"	"
3.30 pm	30	4.2	GAPAARD		0.23.0.90.40
Left					
Front Group.					
7 am	-	H.T.M.	0.17.a.	BOMB Fm	0.10.d.90.95
8 am	-	M.T.M.	0.1 "	PUMP Fm	"
2.25 to 3 pm	-	4.2 How	Advanced Posts	-	" Intermittent fire.
12.40 pm	-	Large gun	-	109° Grid	0.11.a.30.38 Firing from approx P.22.b.CB infd 2 p
-	-	77mm & 4.2	0.11.a.	-	Firing at irregular intervals
2.30 pm	-	Heavu How	Back areas	109° Grid	0.11.a.10.40 Firing from approx P.22.b.
4.30 pm	-	8" approx	-	113° Grid	0.10.d.85.80 Flash to sound 21
11.30 am-12.15 pm	40	77mm	0.10.d.	SB. 104° Grid	"
-	-	77mm & 4.2	0.11.a	Flash 109° Grid	0.11.a.30.38 Firing at irregular intervals from P.22.b.approx.
5.20 pm	-	5.9 How	0.16.d.	76° 30' Grid	0.15.d.70.50 CB inf 5.25 pm
Centre Group.					
11.30 am	6	77 mm	WALL Fm	93° 40'	0.28.c.25.95
12.55 pm	20	77mm	" "		
1.55 pm	25	4.2 How	KILO Fm		
2 to 3 pm	Lightly	8"	0.23.a & c.		
2.30 pm	"	4.2 How	0.28.d.	WIERVIOQ	0.27.b.80.05
3.40 pm	"	4.2 How	"	"	"
3 pm	20	77mm	WALL Fm	87° 40'	"

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AMENDMENT No 1 to FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No 181.

Headquarters,
25th March, 1918.

1. Delete para. 3 and substitute -

"Arrangements will be made so that by 10 a.m. 26th March, 1918, the personnel of the FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY can be relieved at short notice. In the event of the FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL TRENCH MORTAR Batteries being withdrawn the C.R.A. FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY will arrange to supply the FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL TRENCH MORTAR Batteries with 7-6" Trench Mortars and the C.R.A. SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY will arrange to supply the FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL TRENCH MORTAR Batteries with 5-6" Trench Mortars".

2. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

H. H. M. L. M.

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 11.30 a.m. to:-

	Copy No.	Copy No.
MESSINES Group	1	8th A.I. Brigade
OOSTTAVERNE Group	2	14th A.I. Brigade
HOLLEBEKE Group	3	15th A.I. Brigade
D.T.M.O. 5th Aust. Divn	4	SIGNALS, 5th D.A.H.Q.
C.O. 5th Aust. D.A. Column	5	6th (Army) A.F.A. Brigade
2nd Aust. Divl. Arty.	6	3rd (Army) A.F.A. Brigade
1st Aust. Divl. Arty	7	Staff Captain
"Q" 5th Aust. Divn	8	R.O.
"G" 5th Aust. Divn	9	File
R.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS	10	War Diary
H.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS	11	
C.B.S.O. (thru' A.C.H.A.)	12	
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER NO 182.

Headquarters,
25th March, 1918.

1. The S.A.A. SECTION of the FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN will be withdrawn from this Area in accordance with Table below:-

Unit.	Date.	From	To	Remarks.
1 S.A.A. Section 5th Aust.D.A.C.	28/3/18	Present Location. GODINVAERSVILDE.	GAEESTRE	Entrain in accordance with orders to be issued later.

Remaining 1 Sec-
tion 5th Aust.D.A.C.

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2. ACKNOWLEDGE.

H. M. M.

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 2 p.m. to:-

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11th Aust.F.A. Brigade
14th Aust.F.A. Brigade
3rd (Army) A.F.A. Brigade
6th (Army) A.F.A. Brigade
D.T.M.O. 5th Aust. Divn
O.O. 5th Aust.D.A.Column
2nd Aust.Divl. Arty
1st Aust. Divl. Arty
"Q" 5th Aust. Divn
"G" 5th Aust. Divn
R.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS
H.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS
C.B.S.O (thru' A.C.H.A)

1	"Q" AUSTRALIAN CORPS	14
2	8th A.I. Brigade	15
3	14th A.I. Brigade	16
4	15th A.I. Brigade	17
5	SIGNALS, 5th D.A.H.Q.	18
6	Staff Captain	19
7	R.O.	20
8	File	21
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ROUTINE ORDER NO.17,

* by *

Brig-General A.J.BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O. - C.I.A. 5th.Aust.Divn.

Headquarters,
25th.March 1918.

114. - STAFF TRAINEES.

Capt. T.R.Mellor ceased to be seconded as Brigade Major Trainee, attached 5th.Div.Art. and resumed Regimental Duties.
Dated 10.2.18.

Captain A.J.Fullerton Andrew is seconded as Brigade Major (Artillery) Trainee, attached 5th.Div.Art. vice Mellor.
Dated 14.2.18.

(Authority - A.I.F. List No. 309 dated 19.3.18).

115. - PROMOTIONS.

To be Lieutenants :-

2/Lieut. E.Sherwen.	Dated 1.2.18.
" W.E.Hopkins.	" 1.2.18.
" L.A.Baker.	" 1.2.18.
" H.E.B.Thomas.	" 3.2.18.
" J.Quinlan.	" 3.2.18.

(Authority p A.I.F. List No. 309 dated 19.3.18).

116. - POSTINGS.

The following is the posting of Officers consequent on the reorganisation of Trench Mortar Batteries. :-

9th. M. T. M. Battery.

Lieut(T/Capt) A.G.Macallister
M.C. D.C.M.

Lieut. H.J.Filshie.

Lieut. E.A.Christensen.

Lieut. W.E.Hopkins.

(Authority - A.I.F. List No. 309 dated 19.3.18).

10th. M. T. M. Battery.

Lieut(T/Capt) E.J.Ferguson
M.C.

Lieut. A.D.Newmarch.

Lieut. R.E.Forrest and remain on Regimental Seconded List.

Lieut. O.J.Taylor.

117. - ORDERS.

Attention is directed to the undermentioned orders which have been issued to Units :-

General Routine Orders. - Paras 3634 to 3665.

3642. - Iron Ration.

3645. - Special Winter Clothing - Scale for Winter 1918-19.

3649. - Ammunition 18.pdr. and 4.5 inch How.-Fuzes No.101E.

3650. - Telephones, magneto ringing, method of supply of Spare Parts.

3653. - Courts of Enquiry under Section 72. A.Act.

3654. - Missing - Procedure for Reporting.

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117. - ORDERS (Cont'd.).

3656. - Indicators, Range. Q.F. 18.pdr.
 3660. - Apparatus, Illuminating Aiming Point Sets, - Covers, waterproof.
 3661. - Ordnance Q.F.13.pdr. Ordnance Q.F.13.pdr. 9 cwt.
 Ordnance Q.F.18.pdr. - Triggers Mk.II and Mk.I*
3665. - Leave - New Allotment.

A.I.F. Orders. - Paras 1156 to 1160.

1159. - Organisation M.T. Units of Australian Corps.

Second Army Routine Orders. - Paras 1881 to 1906.

1887. - Officers' Clubs and Rest Houses.
 1889. - Waste Paper.
 1891. - Issues of Spare Parts.
 1898. - Instructions for dealing with Salved S.A.A. •303inch.
 1899. - Horse Shoe Nail Boxes.
 1900. - Improved eyepieces for Box Respirators.
 1901. - S.A.A. Boxes (empties).

Australian Corps Routine Orders - Paras 70 to 81.

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|---|-----------------------------------|
| 72. - Bounds. | 73. - Horse Manure. |
| 75. - Venereal Disease. | 76. - Army Standing Order No.611. |
| 77. - Italian speaking Non Commissioned Officers and Men. | |
| 79. - Salvage of Rubber. | 81. - Returns - Machine Guns. |

5th.Aust.Div.Routine Orders. - 152 to 168.

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| 155. - Corrigendum. | 156. - Vaccination. |
| 157. - Discipline. | |
| 158. - Absence from Unit - Reporting of. | |
| 159. - Clipping. | 160. - Small Box Respirators. |
| 161. - Return to Australia. | 164. - Bounds. |
| 166. - Venereal Disease. | 167. - Misuse of Light Railways. |
| 168. - Machine Gun Return. | |

Bast Morris
 Captain,
 Staff Captain,
 5th. Aust. Divisional Artillery.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERYSECRET.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No.28.
-----00000000-----Headquarters,
25th. March 1918.MOVE.

In anticipation of a possible move of the 5th. Aust. Div. Artillery, the following instructions are issued for guidance and action.

SUPPLIES. will be drawn from the present Supply Depot until further orders.

D.A.D.O.S. will remain in present location until further notice.

WINTER CLOTHING. Every endeavour should be made to return to D.A.D.O.S. forthwith all Sheepskin Vests, Leather Jerkins, Cardigans, gloves, cap comforters, Boots, F.S., and any other article of clothing that can be conveniently done without.

SECOND BLANKET. Units are at liberty to return to D.A.D.O.S. the 2nd. Blanket if they so desire.

SURPLUS BAGGAGE. All surplus baggage will be collected at Headquarters wagon lines under Brigade arrangements. Approximate quantity will be notified to D.A.H.Q. when arrangements will be made to have them stored under guard. An inventory of all such baggage and stores will be made out and kept with the guard. It is imperative that all surplus baggage is ready for removal by 7.a.m. on 26th. inst.

AREA STORES. In the event of a move all Area Stores will be handed over 'in situ' and usual receipts given and taken.

MARCHING IN AND OUT OF AREAS. Army Standing Order 611 must be strictly adhered to when Units are marching in and out of an Area.

AMMUNITION. All echelons are to be kept full.

Basil Morris

Captain,
Staff Captain,
5th. Aust. Divisional Artillery.

Distribution.

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14th. F.A.Brigade.	6 - 10
5th. D.A.Column.	11 - 18
D.T.M.O.5th.Aust.Div.	15 - 17
"Q" 5th.Aust.Div.	18
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APPENDIX 2.
"P" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY SECTOR. AUSTRALIAN CORPS.
LIAISON DARRAGAS.

DEFENCE SCHEME.

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ASSISTANCE GIVEN.

Unit attacked.	Call Sent.	To Whom Sent.	ASSISTANCE GIVEN.
"C" Divl.Arty on Right.	Help CANAL.	HOLLEBEKE Group.	1 18-pr.Battery 0.12.b.25.80 to 0.12.b.85.40. 2 4.5" Hows. on HOLLEBEKE CHATEAU. 2 4.5" Hows. on LOCK 5.
HOLLEBEKE Group on Left.	Help AUSTRAL.	"C" Divl. Arty.	3 18-pdr.Batteries 0.12.a.80.58 to 0.17.b.85.93. 2 4.5" Hows. on LOCK 5. 2 4.5" Hows. on bridges 0.12.d. 2. 4.5" Hows. on PUMP FARM - 0.12.b.30.11.
HOLLEBEKE Group on Rig.	Help HOLLEBEKE.	OOSTTAVERNE Group.	2 18-prs. FLY BLDGS. to 0.17.d.74.45. 2 18-prs. 0.17.d.74.45 to 0.17.d.83.90. 2 18-prs. 0.17.d.83.90. to BANG FARM 0.17.b.90.30. 1 4.5" How. on HIDGE FARM-0.24.a.1.8. 1 4.5" How. on CENTRE FARM- 0.18.c.6.1. - 1 4.5" How. on DOMB FARM 0.18.c.6.9.
OOSTTAVERNE Group on Left.	Help OOSTTAVERNE.	HOLLEBEKE Group.	1 18-pr. Battery 0.18.c.0.0. to 0.24.a.0.9. to 0.23.d.5.6. 1 4.5" How on PILL FARM -0.24.a.5.3. 1 4.5" How. on EEL FARM-0.24.c.4.7.
OOSTTAVERNE Group on Right.	Help OOSTTAVERNE.	MESSINES Group.	1 4.5" How. on CENTRE FARM -0.18.c.6.1. 1 18-pr. Battery 0.29.d.4.0. to 0.29.d.7.9. 1 4.5" How on PIKE HOUSE -0.30.a.45.05.1 4.5" How. on FLATHER FARM 0.30.c.4.8.
MESSINES Left. Group on Rig.	Help MESSINES.	OOSTTAVERNE Group.	1 18-pr. Bty. 0.29.d.40.00 -0.35.b.25.55 -0.35.b.95.00. 2 18-prs. enfilade MILITARY ROAD 0.25.b.50.50 to 0.36.a.55.30. 1 4.5" How. on HEAD FARM, 0.30.d.05.80. 1 4.5" How on OTIRA Trench 0.36.a. 67.95 to 0.30.c.77.07.
MESSINES Group on Right.	Help MESSINES.	"A" Divl. Arty.	2 18-pr. Batteries U.11.b.98.30 - U.6.c.10.30. 1 4.5" How. on U.12.c.12.70. 1 4.5" How. on U.12.c.00.90.
"A" Divl. Arty on Left.	Help BASSEVILLE.	MESSINES Group.	1 18-pr. Battery U.11.b.98.30 - U.12.c.20.30. 2 4.5" Hows. on U.12.c.2.8.

March, 1918.

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As at 10 a.m. 26/3/18

FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

D I S P O S I T I O N .

5th Aust. D.A.H.Q. - ULSIER CAMP, DRAEOUTRE - M.35.d.0.2.

Reference Maps 1-40,000 - Sheet 28.

GROUP.	UNIT.	GUNS.	POSITION.	WAGON LINES.
LEFT GROUP	Headquarters (3rd Army)	-	N.18.b.90.25	N.20.d.8.1
A.F.A.Bde				
7th Battery	6	0.9.a.50.30	N.20.a.7.2	
8th "	6	0.7.d.55.05	N.32 central	
9th "	6	0.8.d.70.80	N.32 central	
103rd "	6	0.14.b.20.65	N.32 central	
- Anti-Tank {a}	1	0.10.a.8.2		
" " {b}	1	0.15.d.8.5		
" " {c}	1	0.28.a.05.15		
Superimposed.				
51st Battery	6	N.23.b.69.10	T.20.c.2.2	
53rd "	4	0.25.b.65.78	T.3.b.2.9	
53rd "	2	0.26.a.20.90		
54th "	6	0.8.b.30.05	N.33.a.7.7	
114th "	6	0.19.b.25.30	S.12.a.8.5	
RIGHT GROUP	Headquarters (6th Army)	-	T.6.c.15.75	T.21.d.2.1
A.F.A.Bde				
16th Battery	6	0.25.b.70.40	S.30.a.6.6	
17th "	6	U.1.a.70.39	S.30.d.2.7	
18th "	4	0.31.a.55.05	B.1.b.1.5 Sheet	
18th "	2	0.31.b.90.45	36	
106th "	6	U.1.b.40.68	T.15.b.20.40	
- Anti-Tank {d}	1	0.27.d.95.55		
" " {e}	1	0.33.d.0en1		
" " {f}	1	U.4.a.1.4		
Superimposed.				
49th Battery	6	U.1.d.38.39	T.20.a.8.0	
50th "	6	U.13.a.80.80	N.21.a.6.5	
55th "	6	N.30.d.95.12	N.27.a.4.8	
113th "	6	U.7.d.09.70	T.26.b.5.5	
13th Aust. F.A.Brigade	Headquarters (cease to function)	-	T.20.a.8.0.	T.20.a.8.0.
14th Aust. F.A.Brigade	Headquarters (cease to function)	-	N.29.c.5.8	N.33.c.7.7
5th Aust. D.A.Column	Headquarters		S.5.b. central	
	No.1 Section		S.6.a.2.6	
	No.2 "		S.5.b. central	
	S.A.A. "		S.5.b.8.5	
3rd (Army) Aust.F.A.Brigade Ammn. Colum				N.32 central
6th (Army) Aust.F.A.Brigade Ammn.Column				T.8.c.9.1
5th Aust. Divl.T.M.	D.T.M.O.		PARMA DUMP	N.18.b.2.7
	9th M.T.M.Bty		CRIGORY X RDS	T.5.a.5.0
	10th "		PARMA DUMP	N.18.b.2.7
CLOVER BAR DUMP	T.5.c.1.4	FUZEVILLE		RENINGHELT
LA POLKA DUMP	N.21.d.5.8	Divl Camouflage Officer	M.30.b.3.7	
DE KENNEBUNK DUMP	T.5.d.9.9	No.23 Workshops		T.14.b.90.90
	No.4 Gun Park	GODINVAERSVELDT.		
			Lieut.	

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 29.
-----00000000-----Headquarters,
27th March 1918.

1. The 5th. Australian Divisional Artillery (less S.A.A. Section D.A.C.) will entrain for X on 29th. inst., and a Second date to be notified later.
2. The above movement will be carried out by rail, in two groups, as follows :-

No.1 Group	-	Entrain at HOPOUTRE & GODE AERSVLEIDE.
H.Q. 5th. Aust. Div. Artillery.		
14th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.		
5th. Aust. D.A. Column. (less S.A.A. Section).		
10th. Aust. A.S.C.		
3. Timings. Times of departures of trains will be as laid down in Appendix "A" to be issued later.
4. Command. The Senior Officer with each train will be O.C. Train and will be responsible for entraining and arrangements of his train and will detail parties as required for loading, etc.
5. Billeting Parties. One Officer and 2 Other Ranks per Battery (Section D.A.C. or other Unit) will be detailed as Billeting Parties and will proceed with bicycles by the first train from each Station.
6. Railway Arrangements.
 - (A) No troops or transport will be permitted to enter the station yard until the R.T.O. is ready.
 - (B) All trains will consist of 1 Officers Carriage, 17 flat trucks, and 30 covered trucks.
 - (1) Each flat truck will take on an average 4 axles.
 - (2) Each covered truck will take 6 H.D. Horses
or 8 L.D. Horses
or 40 Men.
 - (3) No personnel or stores will be allowed in the brake vans at each end of the train, or on the roofs of the trucks. No covered trucks should be used for luggage as it restricts space available for personnel.
 - (4) Units will arrive 3 (three) hours before the departure of the trains.
7. Marching Out States. A complete Marching Out State will be sent down to the train by each Unit or part of Unit per train, shewing number of Officers, Men, Horses H.D. or L.D., Wagons G.S., Wagons Limb.G.S., 2 wheeled, other 4 wheeled and bicycles; so that accomodation in the train can be checked by the R.T.O. at the beginning of entrainment. (Note - Guns and Ammunition Wagons with Limbers are counted as 2 Two-wheeled vehicles).

P.T.O.

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8. Supply and Baggage Wagons, will accompany their own Units in every case.
One G.S. Wagon for baggage and supplies will join 5th.Aust. T.M.Brigade on 28th. inst., and will remain attached until further orders.
9. Limit of Entrainment. The entrainment of all Units must be completed half an hour before the departure of the train.
10. Breast Ropes, for Horse Trucks must be provided by the Units themselves - Ropes for lashing vehicles on the flat trucks will be provided by the Railways.
11. Picquets must be provided at all stops for each end of the train to prevent troops leaving.
12. Supplies, will be drawn twice on the 28th. inst., from DRANOUTRE Dump - Timings 8.a.m. and 2.p.m. The rations drawn at 2.p.m. will be entrained on supply wagons and will entrain with Units. Rations for the 31st. inst., will be conveyed by M.T. to New Area.
13th. Aust. F.A.Brigade and 5th. Aust. T.M.Brigade will draw rations from 1st. Aust. Division on and after 29th. inst., and until moving to New Area.

Basil Morris
 Captain,
 Staff Captain,
 5th. Aust. Divisional Artillery.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER NO 183.

Headquarters,
27th March, 1918.

Reference Sheets 28 & 36 1-40,000

1. The 14TH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE and the 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN will march tomorrow 28th March, 1918, to the MERRIS Area in accordance with attached march table.
2. Distances on the march will be as laid down in General Staff Memorandum No. 191 dated 27th December, 1917.
3. 1st line Transport will march massed in rear of Brigades and Divisional Ammunition Column, respectively.
4. Halts will be made from 10 minutes to the clock hour to the clock hour.
5. The 14TH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE and the 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN will send an officer to these Headquarters at 3 p.m. on the 27th March, 1918, to arrange Billeting with the Reconnaissance Officer.
6. The 14TH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE and the 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL AMMUNITION COLUMN will refill twice tomorrow once at DRANOUTRE and once on arrival in MERRIS Area - latter refilling point SQUARE MERRIS. Times will be notified by Staff Captain.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

H. H. Miller

H. H. Miller
 Major,
 Brigade Major,
 5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 5 p.m. to:-

13th Aust. F.A. Brigade
 14th Aust. F.A. Brigade
 5th Aust. D.A.C.
 D.T.M.O. 5th Aust. Divn
 1st Aust. Divl. Arty
 2nd Aust. Divl. Arty
 38th Army F.A. Brigade RFA
 R.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS
 H.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS
 "G" 5th Aust. Divn
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 S.S.O. 1st Aust. Divn
 Staff Captain

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5	D.A.D.O. S. 5th Aust. Divn	20
6	S.O. 10th Coy, A.A.S.C.	21
7	O.C. 10th Coy, A.A.S.C.	22
8	A.D.M.S. 5th Aust. Divn	23
9	D.A.D.V.S. 5th Aust. Divn	24
10	A.P.M. 5th Aust. Divn	25
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M A R C H T A B L E.
To accompany 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 183.

UNIT	STARTING POINT	Time of passing Starting Point.	ROUTE.	DESTINATION.	REMARKS.
5th Aust. I.A. Column		10 a.m.	BAILLEUL avoiding road - MÉNIBRIEN	MERRIS AREA	
H.Qrs 14th Aust. I.A. Brigade	Road Junction S.5.a.30.25	12 noon	"	"	
114th Battery	CROSS ROADS S.5.b.90.50	12.5 p.m.	"	"	
55rd	"	12.12 p.m.	"	"	
54th	"	12.19 p.m.	"	"	
55th	"	12.26 p.m.	"	"	

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AMENDMENT No 1 to FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No 184
*****Headquarters,
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Para 1. Second Line. Delete word "AUSTRALIAN".

Cancel Map reference and substitute HAZEBROUCK 5A 1-100,000.

Para 3. Under heading "Station". Delete "CAESTRE" and
substitute HOPOUTRE (L.18.a.5.5 Sheet 27)"*J. H. M. L.*Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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27th March, 1918.

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183 is CANCELLED.

*J. H. M. L.*Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER NO. 184.

Headquarters,
27th March, 1918.

Reference Map FAZIERROUCK 5A 1-10,000.

1. The 13TH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE will be relieved about 2nd April, 1918, by the 11TH (ARMY) AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

2. The 5TH AUSTRALIAN MEDIUM TRENCH MORTAR BATTERIES (less Mortars) will be withdrawn from the line simultaneously with the relief of the 13TH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

3. The 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY will entrain for another Army as follows:-

UNITS	STATION	DATE.
5th Aust. D. A. H. Q. 14th Aust. F. A. Brigade 5th Aust. D. A. Column	GODEMAERSVELDE and GABESTRE	29th March, 1918.
13th Aust. F. A. Brigade 5th Aust. M. T. M. Batteries (personnel)	Station & dates to be notified later	

*J. Strickland*Major,
Brigade Major,

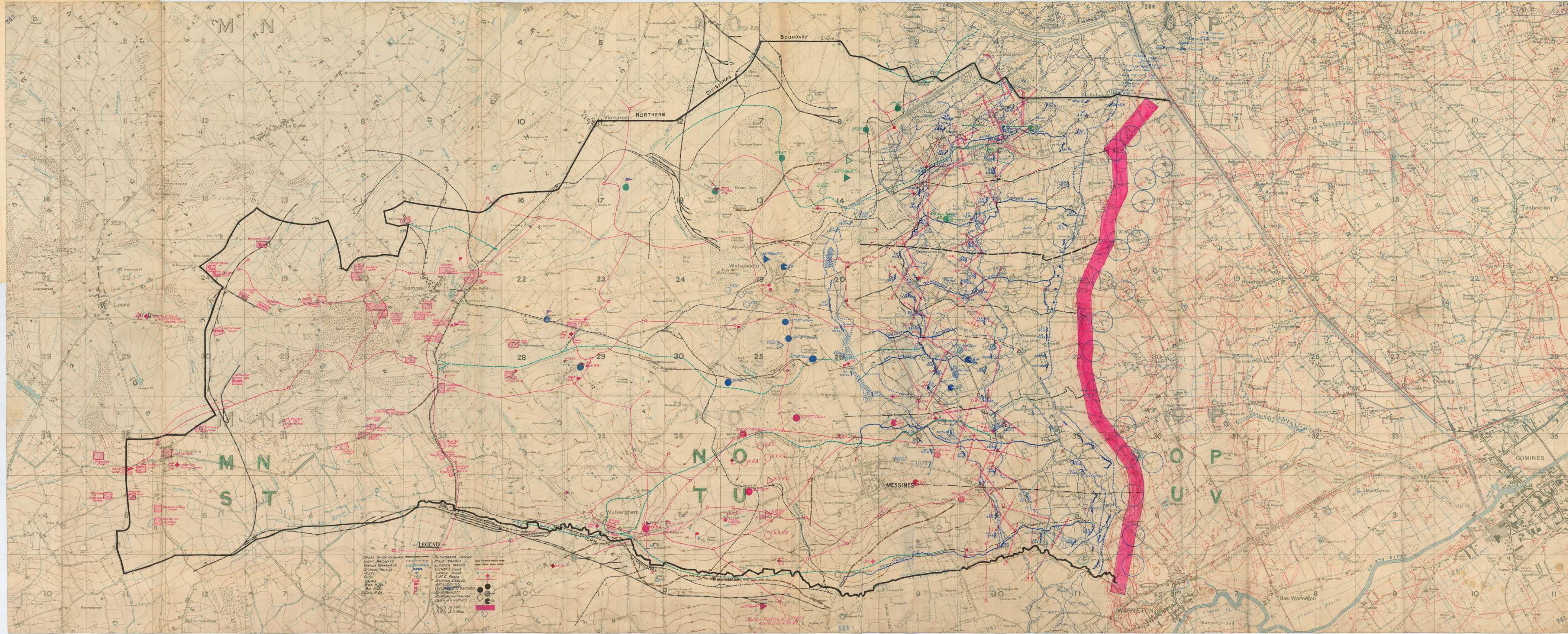
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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13th Aust. F. A. Brigade
14th Aust. F. A. Brigade
5th Aust. D. A. Column
D. T. M. O. 5th Aust. Divn
1st Aust. Divl Arty
2nd Aust. Divl Arty
38th Army F. A. Brigade RFA
R. A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS
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"G" 5th Aust. Divn
"Q" 5th Aust. Divn
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S. S. O. 5th Aust. Divn
S. S. O. 1st Aust. Divn
Staff Captain

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5	D. A. D. O. S. 5th Aust. Divn	20
6	S. O. 10th Coy, A. A. S. C.	21
7	O. C. 30th Coy, A. A. S. C?	22
8	A. D. M. S. 5th Aust. Divn	23
9	D. A. D. V. S. 5th Aust Divn	24
10	A. P. M. 5th Aust. Divn	25
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No.30.

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Headquarters,
28th March 1918.

With reference to Administrative Order No. 29.

1. Herewith composition of trains for move of No.1 Group.
2. Times of departure of trains will be issued later. It is anticipated that the first train to leave will be 12.30 a.m. on 30.3.18.
3. Especial attention^{is} called to para 6 (4)
4. Trains will leave each station at 3 hours interval.

MOVE of one Brigade of 5th. Australian Divisional Artillery
with Headquarters R.A. and Nos. 1 and 2 Sections D.A.C.

Train No.	HOPOUTRE	Train No.	GODEWAERSVELDE.
1.	14th. Brigade H.Q. Aust.F.A. No.2 Sect.D.A.C. less 4 G.S.Wagons, 16 Limbered Ammn Wagons and Teams.	1.	55th. Battery. 1 G.S.Wagon, 4 Limbered Ammn Wagons and Teams of No.2. Sect. D.A.C.
2.	53rd.Battery. 1 G.S.Wagon, 4 Limbered Ammn Wagons and Teams of No.2 Section D.A.C.	2.	114th.Battery. 1 G.S.Wagon, 4 Limbered Ammn Wagons and Teams of No.2 Sect.D.A.C.
3.	Headquarters R.A. Headquarters D.A.C. H.Q. Company Divisional Train.	3.	$\frac{1}{2}$ No.1 Section D.A.C.
4.	54th.Battery. 1 G.S.Wagon, 4 Limbered Ammn. Wagons and Teams of No.2 Section D.A.C.	4.	$\frac{1}{2}$ No.1 Section D.A.C.

J. Franklin

Major.,
for Staff Captain,
5th. Aust. Divisional Artillery.

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APPENDIX "A"- to -

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS Nos. 29 & 30.

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Headquarters,
28th March 1918.

1.

Station.	Train No.	Time of Departure	Station.	Train No.	Time of Departure.
HOPOUTRE.	1.	12.45.a.m. 30.3.1918.	GODEMAERSVELDE	1.	12.5.a.m. 30.3.1918
do.	2.	3.45.a.m. 30.3.18.	do,	2.	3.5.a.m. 30.3.18.
do.	3.	6.45.a.m. 30.3.18.	do.	3.	6.5.a.m. 30.3.18.
do.	4.	9.45.a.m. 30.3.18.	do.	4.	9.5.a.m. 30.3.18.

2. Units entraining at GODEMAERSVELDE will detrain at BOQUEMAISON.
 Units entraining at HOPOUTRE will detrain at MONDICOURT PAS.

E. H. Brett
 Lieutenant,
 for Staff Captain,
 5th. Aust. Divisional Artillery.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

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Appendix "A" of ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS Nos. 29 & 30

Headquarters,
28th. March 1918.

Reference Para 2 - For 'BOUQUEMAISON' read 'DOULLENS.'

*Edg. H. Bott.*Lieutenant,
for Staff Captain,
5th. Aust. Divisional Artillery.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No.31.

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Headquarters,
28th. March 1918.

1. Rations for consumption on 31st. March are being dumped at Railheads as follows. :-

Railhead.	Unit.	Railhead	Unit.
HOPOUTRE.	(1) 14th.F.A.Bde H.Q. (2) No. 2 Sect.D.A.C. less 130 Horses & 90 men.	GODEWAERSVELDE	(1) 53rd.Batty. plus 33 Horses & 22 men.
	(3) 53rd.Batty. plus 33 Horses & 22 men.		(2) 114th.Batty. plus 33 Horses & 22 men.
	(4) D.A.H.Q.		(3) No.1 Sect. D.A.C. Complete.
	(5) H.Q. 5th.D.A.C.		
	(6) H.Q. Company Div.Train.		
	(7) 54th.Batty. plus 33 Horses & 22 men.		

2. Each Unit enumerated above will detail 1 reliable man to report to Supply Officer at Supply Dump DRANOUTRE CHURCH at 10.a.m. on 29th. inst., This man will proceed with supply column to dumps at Railheads, and be placed in charge of dump for his own Unit.

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3. On arrival at Railheads, Units will issue supplies at present/on ration wagons for consumption on 30th. inst., and refill wagons at allotted dumps. These wagons will then be entrained ready loaded with supplies for 31st. inst.

4. O's.C. Trains are responsible that rations for all personnel and horses of their Command carry rations for 30th. inst., and supplies for 31st. inst. are entrained.

Edg. H. Booth.

Lieutenant,
for Staff Captain,
5th. Aust. Divisional Artillery.

Distribution.

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10th.A.A.S.C.	3
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ROUTINE ORDER No. 18.

- by -

Brig-General A.J.BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O. - C.R.A. 5th Aust Div

Headquarters,
1 April 1918.118. PROMOTIONS.

No. 92 B.S.M. (W.O. Class II) Charles Edward DANIELS to be R.S.M. (W.O. Class I), vice Bradford to Australia.
 Dated 1.3.18.
 (Authority - A.I.F. List. No. 310 dated 22.3.18).

No. 28641 Gunner F.I.Bray, 5th. D.A.H.Q. to be E.R. Sergeant whilst in performance of clerical duties.
 Dated 1.4.18.

119. REVERSION.

No. 1724 E.R.Corporal C.St.L.Lousada D.C.M. reverts to his substantive rank of Gunner on marching out from D.A.H.Q. for transfer to 14th. A.F.A.Brigade. Dated 1.4.18.

120. TRANSFER.

No. 1724 Gunner C.St.L.Lousada D.C.M. having been transferred to 14th.A.F.A.Brigade is struck off strength.
 Dated 1.4.18.

121. DISCIPLINE.

The Divisional Commander wishes C.O's of Units to take necessary steps to see that discipline is not allowed to become slack owing to the various moves taking place. It is more than ever necessary at the present juncture that there should be no falling off from the standard of discipline attained by the Division.

122. ORDERS.

Attention is directed to the undermentioned orders which have been issued to Units : -

General Routine Orders. Paras 3667 to 3706.

- 3668. - Employment of Cold-shoers.
- 3672. - Buffers and Recuperators.
- 3674. - 18.pdr. Ammunition H.E. with No. 106 Fuze.
- 3677. - Boards, Artillery (A) Sector Shaped (B) Rectangular Shaped.
- 3679. - "Bundle Packed" Small Arms Ammunition for Vickers and Lewis Guns only.

5th.Aust. D.A.R.O. No.18.1st.April 1918.

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122. ORDERS (Cont'd.).General Routine Orders (Cont'd.).

- 3681. - Leave - Monthly Returns.
- 3682. - Journey Heat Meal Card.
- 3683. - Water Tins.
- 3685. - 18.pdr. Gun & 4.5" How. Cartridges made up with reworked cordite.
- 3695. - Chevrons for Service Overseas.
- 3697. - Fuze under suspicion.
- 3705. - Explosives found in Ammunition Empties.
- 3706. - Postal - Hospital redirection cards.

A.I.F. Orders.

Paras 1161 to 1169.

- 1165. - University Courses for Convalescent Officers.

5th.Aust.Div.Routine Orders. Paras 169 to 175.

- 169. - Telegraph Operators.
- 172. - Leave for Sergeants I.A.V.C.
- 173. - Nosebags sent with Horses to M.V.S.
- 174. - Horseshoe Nail Boxes.
- 175. - Issues of Spare Parts.

Basil Moore

Captain,
Staff Captain,
5th. Aust. Divisional Artillery.