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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BUSSY-les-DAOURS	1/5/18		During the morning the Brigade Major (Major H.H. HULTON, D.S.O.) and the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C) inspected the Field Artillery Groups. Amendment No. 2 to 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 5 relative to rear lines of defence, issued. Disposition Return No. 73, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 1
	2/5/18		Fine bright day. Intelligence summary attached in appendix	App 2
	3/5/18		"B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix	App 3
	4/5/18		Intelligence summary attached in appendix. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Routine Order No. 25 issued.	App 4
	5/5/18		Fine day. Visibility poor. The C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J. BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O.) visited Artillery Groups during the afternoon. Enemy Artillery very quiet. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 13 dealing with the Northern boundary of the Australian Corps, issued. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 15 in regard to 3-15 pdrs B.L.C. being used as Anti-Tank Guns, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 5
	6/5/18		A fine bright day. The Brigade Major Trainee (Captain T.R. MELLOR) and the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C) visited the Headquarters of the 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigade and the Headquarters of the 150th Army Brigade, R.F.A., during the afternoon. Amendment No. 2 to 5th Australian Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6 in regard to "S.O.S" lines, issued. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order Instruction No. 14 relative to the inauguration of Bugle "S.O.S" Signals, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix. Disposition return No. 74 issued.	App 6
	7/5/18		During the morning the C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J. BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O) and the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C.) visited the Headquarters of the Australian Imperial Force and the Australian Corps. The Brigade Major (Major H.H. HULTON, D.S.O) visited the Artillery Groups during the afternoon.	App 7

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BUSSY-les-DAOURS	7/5/18	continued.	Amendment No. 2 to 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6 giving new "S.O.S" lines, issued. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 16 relative to the D.T.M.O. 5th Australian Division (Captain W.WALLIS, M.C) taking over control of 2-15 pdrs B.L.C. for use as Anti-Tank guns, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Routine Order No. 26, issued. Dull and wet.	App 7
	8/5/18		A dull day, occasional drizzle. During the morning the Brigade Major (Major H.H.HULTON, D.S.O.) and the Brigade Major Trainee (Captain T.R. MELIOR) visited Brigades. In the afternoon the C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J.BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O.) and the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C) inspected the 13th and 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigades. During the night 2-15 pdr B.L.C. Anti-Tank guns were put in on Right Sector in out-post line in charge of the 5th Australian Divisional Trench Mortar Brigade. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 8
	9/5/18		Bright warm day. During the morning the G.O.C. Australian Imperial Force (General Sir WILLIAM BIRDWOOD, K.C.S.I., K.C.M.G., C.B., C.I.E., D.S.O.) and the C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J. BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O.) inspected the battery positions of the 13th and 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigades. Abnormal enemy movement and some heavy hostile counter battery work. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 17 re the 2nd Australian Division relieving the 3rd Australian Division in "C" Sector, issued. Amendment No. 1 to 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 14 cancelling Tank "S.O.S" signal, issued. Amendment No. 3 to 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6 relative to "S.O.S" rates of fire, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 9
	10/5/18		During the morning the C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J.BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O.) and the Brigade Major (Major H.H. HULTON, D.S.O.) rode over the ground South of the River SOMME. A fine warm day.	

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	10/5/18		continued. Amendment No. 4 to 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6 and Amendment No. 5 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme relative to "S.O.S" line, issued. Amendment No. 6 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme providing for Anti-Tank Defence and protection against low flying aeroplanes, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 10 EAB
	11/5/18		C.R.A. (Brig-General A.J. BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O.) and the Reconnaissance Officer visited the 13th and 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigades during the afternoon. Amendment No. 7 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme dealing with rear lines of defence in the event of retirement, issued. Intelligence Summary attached in appendix.	App 11 EAB
	12/5/18		The C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J. BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O.) and the Brigade Major (Major H.H. HULTON, D.S.O) called on Australian Corps and visited Groups during the morning. During the afternoon the Brigade Major (Major H.H. HULTON, D.S.O.) and the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C) visited the 15th Australian Infantry Brigade. Amendments Nos. 8 & 10 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme and Amendments Nos. 5 & 6 to 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6 re "S.O.S" line, issued. Amendment No. 9 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme relative to Trench Mortar personnel manning Anti-Tank guns (15 pdrs), issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 12 EAB
	13/5/18		A very fine day. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 18 relative to the 2nd Australian Divisional Artillery relieving the 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 27 (Routine), issued.	App 13 EAB
	14/5/18	15/5/18	In the afternoon the C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J. BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O.) and the Brigade Major (Major H.H. HULTON, D.S.O) visited Right Flank Artillery Brigades. The Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C.) and the Staff Captain (Captain BASIL M. MORRIS) visited the Ordnance Workshops at PICQUIGNEY and CARDONETTE. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 19 relative to the 13th Australian Field Artillery Brigade changing positions with the 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A., issued. Amendment No. 11 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, issued. Amendment No. 12 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme re co-operation between Aircraft and Artillery, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 14 EAB

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BUSSY - les - DAOURS	15/5/18 15/5/18		During the morning the Brigade Major (Major H.H. HULTON, D.S.O) visited the 13th and 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigades. In the afternoon the Brigade Major Trainee (Captain R.T. MELLOR) and the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C) called at the 8th Australian Infantry Brigade and the 114th Howitzer Battery. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery G7/1/4610 authorising the destruction of all 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instructions, issued. Amendment No. 13 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme re "S.O.S" Lines, issued. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 20 relative to the re-adjustment of the defensive organisation of "B" Divisional Sector, issued. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Routine Order No. 28, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 15
	16/5/18		The C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J. BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O.) inspected the 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A., during the morning. In the afternoon the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C) visited the batteries of the 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A. Amendment No. 14 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme re ammunition supply, issued. Amendment No. 15 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme re "S.O.S" lines, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 16
	17/5/18		During the morning the Brigade Major (Major H.H. HULTON, D.S.O) visited the 13th Australian Field Artillery Brigade. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 21 re 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A. detailing one 18 pdr battery to go into action in the proximity of VAUX, issued. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 22 dealing with the Infantry Brigades to hold the Divisional front, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 17
	18/5/18		The G.O.C. 5th Australian Division (Major General Sir TALBOT HOBBS, K.C., V.D) and the C.R.A., 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J. BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O) inspected the battery positions of the 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigade during the morning. In the afternoon the Brigade Major (Major H.H. HULTON, D.S.O.) called on the C.B.S.O. Australian Corps and the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C) visited the batteries of the 150th Army Brigade, R.F.A. General Rawlinson, Fourth Army Commander, conveys, by telegram, his thanks and congratulations to the 53rd Battery, 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigade, on having brought down the celebrated German aviator Captain Baron von Richthofen (copy of telegram attached in appendix. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 23 re "Chinese" attack on the night of 19/5/18, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 18

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	19/5/18		During the morning the C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J.BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O) and the Brigade Major (Major H.H. HULTON, D.S.O) inspected Nos. 1 and 2 Sections of the 5th Australian Divisional Ammunition Column. The C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J. BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O) and the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C) visited Headquarters, 5th Australian Divisional Ammunition Column during the afternoon. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 19
	20/5/18		In the morning the C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J.BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O.) and the Brigade Major (Major H.H.HULTON, D.S.O.) visited the 150th and 298th Army Brigades, R.F.A. Disposition Return No. 76, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix. Amendment No.16 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme re composition and organisation of medium trench mortar batteries, issued. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No.24 re the 3rd Australian Division relieving the 4th Australian Division, issued.	App 20
	21/5/18		The C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J.BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O) and the Brigade Major (Major H.H.HULTON, D.S.O) inspected the forward guns of "B" Battery 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A. near VAUX during the morning. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 21
	22/5/18		A very hot day. The Brigade Major Trainee (Captain R.T. MELLOR) visited the 13th Australian Field Artillery Brigade during the morning. In the afternoon the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR H. BOOTH, M.C) visited the wagon lines of the 53rd, 54th and 55th Batteries and the 5th Australian Divisional Ammunition Column. Heavy gas shelling on left brigade front during the night, and planes were very active bombing. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Routine Order No.30, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix. Amendment No.17 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme re composition and organisation of medium trench mortar batteries, issued.	App 22
	23/5/18		The C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J.BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O) visited the 13th Australian Field Artillery Brigade during the morning. Hostile artillery much quieter. Considerable enemy movement in forward and back areas. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 23

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	24/5/18		Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 24
	25/5/18		During the morning the C.R.A. 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J.BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O) and the Brigade Major (Major H.H.HULTON, D.S.O) visited the Artillery Groups in the Divisional Sector. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 25
	26/5/18		Fine day, but rather dull. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 26
	27/5/18		News received of the German attack between SOISSONS and RHEIMS. Hostile artillery considerably more active on the South of the River SOMME. Disposition Return No.77 issued. Secret map showing counter preparation schemes of the various Brigades, issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 27
	28/5/18		Fine warm day. Hostile long range guns much more active. Intelligence summary attached in appendix. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No. 25 relative to the 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery relieving the 4th Australian Divisional Artillery. issued.	App 28
	29/5/18		During the morning the Brigade Major (Major H.H.HULTON, D.S.O) visited the 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigade. Intelligence summary attached in appendix. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No.25. issued.	App 29
	30/5/18		During the morning the Brigade Major (Major H.H.HULTON, D.S.O) selected O.Ps for the Reserve line. The C.R.A., 5th Australian Division (Brig-General A.J.BESSELL BROWNE, C.M.G., D.S.O) accompanied by the Brigade Major Trainee (Capt R.T.MELLOR) inspected the Wagon Lines of the 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigade. 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Order No.26 relative to the 4th Australian Division (less Artillery) relieving the 5th Australian Division (less Artillery), issued. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 30
	31/5/18		During the morning General BUDWORTH (Major-General, R.A.Fourth Army) called at Headquarters, 5th Australian Divisional Artillery and remained for Luncheon. In the afternoon the Reconnaissance Officer (Lieut EDGAR. H.BOOOTH, M.C) visited the 13th Australian Field Artillery Brigade. Intelligence summary attached in appendix.	App 31
			Amendment no 18 40 "B" Div Artillery Defence Scheme issued	
			Reconnaissance Officer, 5th Australian Divisional Artillery.	Brig-General, C.R.A., 5th Australian Division.

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From 6 a.m. 30/4/18 to 6 a.m. 1/5/18
NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. In the morning registrations were carried out. At 6.30 and 7.40 p.m. enemy parties near the BOIS de VAIRE, and moving from P.16.c to P.15.d, were heavily engaged. At 6 p.m. large enemy parties moving from P.17 and P.18 to HAMMEL were engaged. At 9 p.m. a five minute concentration was fired on SAILLY LAURETTE. At 10.30 p.m. a rolling barrage was fired from S.O.S. plus 200 yards to limit of range, lasting ten minutes. At 1.25 a.m. a two minute burst was fired on P.5.b & d. At 2.40 a.m. a two minute burst was fired on possible assembly points and routes. At 3.55 a.m. a barrage in depth rolled from S.O.S. to S.O.S. plus 500 yards, 5 minutes. At 4.15 a.m. the 10.30 p.m. shoot was repeated. At 5.20 a.m. a two minute burst was fired on roads in P.14.b.

2. HOSTILE SHELLING. This has remained quiet on our Sector. In the morning a few rounds of 77 mm and 4.2. How fell in the vicinity of the Front Line System on the Left, and 30 rounds of 77 mm fell in J.26. In the afternoon HAMMEL was lightly shelled by field guns, which were silenced by our Heavy Artillery; O.12.b received 50 rounds of 4.2 How; and 20 rounds of 77 mm fell on cross roads East of FOUILLOY. At night long range guns were firing on villages. - a 5.9 gun was firing on I.31.a on 130° True Flash Dearing from I.30.a.55.75; CORBIE was lightly shelled by 4.2 Hows; a burst of 77 mm fell in I.24.d at 8 pm. Some 8" and 5.9 Hows reported in DAOURS.

3. GENERAL. Relief of Centre Sector appeared to be taking place between 6.30 and 8 p.m; large enemy parties being seen in full marching order coming in. Visibility poor.

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As at 3 p.m. 1/5/18

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DISPOSITION RETURN No. 73.

Reference Maps AMIENS 1-100,000 and Sheet 62D
5th Aust. D.A.H.Q. --- BUSSEY-les-DAOURS.

UNIT.	LOCATION.	WAGON LINES.
13th Aust. F.A. Brigade, H.Q.	I.27.b.00.60	I.20.b.9.5
49th Battery	I.28.d.15.60	I.36.a.8.9
50th "	I.28.a.02.58	I.20.b.3.8
51st "	I.28.b.05.60	I.14.d.2.4
113th "	I.28.b.2.9	I.10.d.9.4
24th Aust. F.A. Brigade, H.Q.	I.23.d.6.2	I.9.b.2.2
53rd Battery	I.24.b.50.84	I.13.o.2.2
54th "	I.24.b.55.69	I.13.o.0.1
55th " {4 guns}	I.29.o.92.45	H.18.d.7.0
" {2 guns}	I.36.a.58.66	
114th " 1 Section	I.35.a.46.29	
" 1 Section	I.35.a.62.83	I.17.d.5.5
" 1 Section	I.29.o.72.02	
150th Army Brigade, R.F.A., Group H.Q.	I.30.a.80.30	I.15.d.50.50
A/150	J.15.b.90.60	I.16.d.50.50
B/150	J.14.c.50.50	I.12.a.50.30
C/150	J.15.b.20.80	C.25.o.20.20
D/150	J.14.o.80.80	I.10.d.30.30
E/77	J.14.b.80.30	I.15.d.50.40
F/77 {3 Hows}	J.15.a.20.85	
G/77 {2 Hows}	J.16.a.95.75	I.16.a.50.50
298th Army Brigade, R.F.A., Group H.Q. Hospice, FOUILLEY.		
A/298	O.17.a.45.33	AUBIGNY
B/298	O.16.b.55.20	AUBIGNY
C/298 {2 guns}	O.16.a.7.8	AUBIGNY
" {3 guns}	O.10.o.9.4	AUBIGNY
D/298	O.10.b.1.3	AUBIGNY
E/77 {1 gun}	O.17.o.8.1	
" {1 gun}	O.17.d.20.35	AUBIGNY
" {4 guns}	O.18.b.05.65	
O/77	O.17.b.40.28	AUBIGNY
16th Army Brigade, R.H.A., H.Q. BUSSEY-les-DAOURS		
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UNIT.	LOCATION.	WAGON LINES.
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9th Bty, M.T.M.	I.34.c.45.80	
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5th Aust. D.A. Column	H.26.a.3.8	
No. 1 Section	H.21.c.5.4	
No. 2 Section	H.22.a.9.9	
S.A.A. Section	M.16.b.5.8	
5th Aust. A.R.F.	N.6.c.0.0.	
16th R.H.A., B.A.C.	N.3.d & N.4.c.	
77th R.F.A., B.A.C.	N.9.d.	
150th R.F.A., B.A.C.	H.32.c & d.	
298th R.F.A., B.A.C.	N.8.d.central	
10th A.A.S.C.	AILONVILLE	
5th Aust. Veterinary Section (Mobile)	BUSSY-les-DAOURS	
17th & 47th Ordnance Workshops (Light)	CARDONETTE.	

Edw. H. Smith
 Lieut.,
 for Brigade Major,
 5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Headquarters,
 1st May, 1918.

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AMENDMENT No. 2 to 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION No. 5

Headquarters,
1st May, 1918.

1. Para. No. 5 of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 5 is cancelled and the following substituted:-

5. The 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A., will withdraw to the North side of the SOMME by DAOURS and take up a position about N.15, N.16, N.17 and N.9, as far North as the road in N.9.d. The area in squares H.29 and H.30 is allotted to the 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigade. Should the 13th and 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigades have to take up a position West of the River HALLUE the area in squares N.9 North of the road in N.9.d Northwards to an East and West line through N.4.a.4.0 is allotted to these Brigades. The area 100 yards North and South of road in N.9.d is reserved for the Heavy Artillery. The area East and West through N.4.a.4.0 North to East and West along grid line between H.28 and H.34 is allotted to the 77th Army Brigade, R.F.A.

2. ACKNOWLEDGE.

H. M. M. M.

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 6 p.m. to all recipients of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 5.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 1/5/18 to 6 a.m. 2/5/18
NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. At 5.15 p.m. enemy working parties in P.11.d and P.17.a were dispersed. At 4 p.m. a 3 minute burst from S.O.S. plus 500 to S.O.S. plus 800 was fired on Centre Brigade front, and 60 rounds gas shell into the BOIS D'ACCROCHE. At 7.15 p.m. a two minute burst was fired on approaches to HAMMEL. At 8 p.m. a five minute concentration was put down on the BOIS DE HAMMEL; at 8.35 p.m. a two minute concentration of BOIS DE VAIRE, and at 1 a.m. a two minute burst on P.5.c & d, and P.21.central. At 3 a.m. the BOIS DE VAIRE again received a 5 minute concentration. At 4.35 a.m. a two minute burst swept roads in P.14.b & d. At 5.35 a.m. a rolling barrage was put down from S.O.S. lines plus 50 yards to S.O.S. plus 550 yards, for 5 minutes. 6 " Newton T.M. fired 29 rounds at various targets on night 30th/31st May.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. Has been particularly quiet again on this Sector. In the morning J.20.central received 30 rounds 4.2 & 77 mm gas and H.E., and a few rounds 77 mm fell in the forward system. At night five rounds 5.9 H.V. fell in I.31; 5 rounds 4.2 How in I.19.central; 7 rounds 4.2 How in I.25; 6 rounds 77 mm in I.24; 20 rounds 77 mm and 4.2 How on Right front system; 8 rounds 5.9 to East of CORBIE. Between 5 a.m. and 6 a.m. 50 rounds Yellow Cross gas shell fell in O.15.d.

3. GENERAL. Visibility bad.

Lt. H. Brett

Lieut,
Reconnaissance Officer,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

Defence

Scheme.

3/5/1918.

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

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"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

- Sheet "A" -- Artillery Organisation and Sub-Division.
 Sheet "B" -- General Policy.
 Sheet "C" -- Counter Preparation.
 Sheet "D" -- Liaison and Co-operation with Infantry, Heavy Artillery, Flank Artillery, Counter Batteries and Royal Air Force.
 Sheet "E" -- Anti-Tank Defence and Protection against low flying aeroplanes.
 Sheet "F" -- Communications.
 Sheet "G" -- Ammunition Supply.
 Sheet "H" -- "S.O.S".
 Sheet "I" -- Lines of Rear Defence and Action in case of withdrawal.
 Sheet "J" -- Bridges over the Rivers SOMME, HAILUE & ANCRE.
 Sheet "K" -- Composition and Organisation of Medium Trench Mortar Batteries.

Issued to:-

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 14th Aust. F.A. Brigade
 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
 150th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
 77th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
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Major,
 Brigade Major,

5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

3rd May, 1918.

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AMENDMENT No. 3 to
"B" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

1. Owing to the amendment of designations of Australian Corps Divisional Sectors, the "A" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme will, in future, be known as the "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, and will be amended accordingly.

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"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

ARTILLERY ORGANISATION AND SUB-DIVISION.

Reference Sheet 62D.

Headquarters "A" Divisional Artillery are at BUSSEY-les-DAOURS.

1. The "A" Divisional boundaries are as follows:-

North boundary: East and West along the grid line between Squares J.24 and J.30.

South boundary: East and West along the grid line through P.19.central.

2. The Divisional front is held by two Brigades in the line.

The dividing line between Infantry Brigades is East West line through P.8.b.5.0.

The Division is operating under the Australian Corps.

3. The Divisional front is divided into three Sectors for Artillery defence:-

- (a) Left: Northern Divisional boundary to River SOMME.
- (b) Centre: River SOMME to East West line through P.8.c.central.
- (c) Right: East and West line through P.8.c.central to Southern Divisional boundary.

4. These Zones are covered by Artillery as follows:-

Left Group: 4-18 pdr and 2-4.5" Howitzer batteries (Group Headquarters I.30.a.80.30)

Centre Group: 3-18 pdr and 1-4.5" Howitzer batteries (Group Headquarters I.25.d.60.20)

Right Group: 5-18 pdr and 1-4.5" Howitzer batteries (Group Headquarters, The Asylum, FOUILLOY).

These Brigades are responsible for the protection of their Zone fronts and that there are no gaps left between them and the Groups on either side of them; for the answering of wireless calls in their Zones, and for the engagement of favourable targets within their range on any part of the front. In case of hostile attack all batteries should be employed by observed fire.

5. One Brigade of Field Artillery is superimposed on the Divisional front:- Headquarters I.27.b.00.60.

The superimposed Brigade assists in the defence of the front in case of attack, answers all wireless calls on the front, and engages favourable targets within range on any part of the front.

6. One Brigade, R.H.A., (3-13 pdr batteries) Headquarters, BUSSEY-les-DAOURS, is in mobile reserve. Two batteries North of the River SOMME and one battery South of the River SOMME. The battery South of the River SOMME has one Section in action ready for hostile tank attack.

7. Flanking Units are as follows:-

- Left flank: 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery.
- Right flank: 4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Detailed Disposition Returns are issued from time to time.
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8. Dumps of 300 rounds per gun for 18 pdr and 250 for 4.5" Howitzers are maintained at gun position and establishment on wheels is kept complete.

9. Teams are sufficiently close to the guns to avoid delay in the event of a move of position becoming necessary.

The Divisional front is held by two Brigades in the line. The dividing line between Infantry Brigades is East West line through P.8.5.0. The Division is operated under the Australian Corps. The Divisional front is divided into three Sections for Artillery as follows:-

Left Group: 4-15 pdr and 2-4.5" Howitzer Batteries (Group Headquarters P.8.5.0.80.30)

Centre Group: 5-15 pdr and 1-4.5" Howitzer Batteries (Group Headquarters P.8.5.0.80.30)

Right Group: 5-15 pdr and 1-4.5" Howitzer Batteries (Group Headquarters, THE LAYTON, SOUTH AFRICA)

These Brigades are responsible for the protection of their zone fronts and that there are no gaps left between them and the Groups on either side of them; for the answering of wireless calls in their zone, and for the engagement of favourable targets within their range on any part of the front. In case of hostile attack all batteries should be employed by observed fire.

One Brigade of Field Artillery is superimposed on the Divisional front:- Headquarters P.8.5.0.80.30.

The superimposed Brigade assists in the defence of the front in case of attack, answers all wireless calls on the front, and engages favourable targets within range on any part of the front.

One Brigade, R.H.A., (5-15 pdr batteries) Headquarters, BURNBY-LEE-DACRE, is in mobile reserve. Two batteries North of the River Borne and one battery South of the River Borne. The battery South of the River Borne has one section in position ready for hostile tank attack.

Working Unit and as follows:-

Left flank: 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery.

Right flank: 4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Detailed Disposition Returns are issued from time to time.

"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

GENERAL POLICY.

1. An active defence is maintained. This takes the form of harassing fire directed at the enemy's main arteries of approach to his forward areas, and is carried out both by day and by night. The enemy has mainly made his attacks by day and seldom in force at night. His assembly takes place in daylight or just before dawn; at times, however, assembly is effected under cover of mist, in folds of the ground, in woods or in the vicinity of villages where buildings afford protection from view. It is necessary, therefore, to search villages, woods, and all other places where assembly by day may take place out of view of our aeroplanes or observers.
2. Every possible endeavour is made to locate positions of assembly, and when located, they are dealt with so thoroughly that an attack is either impossible or so half-hearted that our infantry can easily cope with it.
3. If positions of assembly can be located, they are dealt with by every available gun with concentrated and synchronised fire. Sudden bursts of concentrated fire prove far more effective than fire of an equal volume spread over prolonged periods.
4. The choice of positions for batteries is of utmost importance. Batteries are not clumped together and are sited in depth. Where possible 4 guns of a battery are in a main position and are kept absolutely silent during daylight, except in case of hostile attack. During the day all shooting is normally done with a detached Section. These main positions are chosen with a view to avoiding a sudden hostile bombardment and to facilitate the breaking up of an hostile attack before reaching our front line system. Every possible means is employed of deceiving the enemy as to which are our occupied positions and active positions are constantly changed. Each battery has at least two alternative positions. Personnel of the main positions live at some distance from their guns.

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"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

COUNTER PREPARATION.

1. With a view to producing the heaviest possible fire on any portion of the "A" Divisional Artillery front for counter preparation purposes the front of the "A" Divisional Artillery is divided into lanes each of 500 yards. These lanes run East along the grid lines. These lanes are numbered "5A", "5B", "5C", etc, from North to South.

The lane running East in Square J.30.a. is "5A"
The lane running East in Square J.30.c. is "5B"
The lane running East in Square P.3.d. is "5F"
The lane running East in Square P.20.d. is "5K" & so on.

The lane "5D" runs East in Square J.35.d.
The lane "5E" runs P.3.b.00.00 - P.3.b.50.50 - P.5.b.20.65 -
J.35.d.35.00 - J.36.c.00.00 - P.6.a.00.00.

These lanes are divided into Zones of 500 yards in depth beginning from the start line and extending back 4 Zones, i.e. 2000 yards. These Zones will be lettered "A", "B", "C" and "D" from West to East. The start line is 100 yards East and parallel to the S.O.S. line. When "CP Scheme Phase 2" is ordered the Zone or Zones to be swept are indicated.

2. Counter preparation is ordered on a number of lanes, e.g., "5C" to "5E". On this order Group commanders distribute evenly all guns which can fire on the frontage indicated. The Heavy Artillery co-operate on similar lines commencing at 600 yards beyond the S.O.S. lines.

3. The rate for searching is 100 yards in two minutes.

4. When an attack is considered imminent counter preparation is ordered from the "A" Divisional Artillery office.

5. The principles upon which counter preparation are based are broadly -

- (a) The delivery of a maximum of harassing fire and of counter battery action at one stage.
- (b) At another stage a concentration of annihilating fire against all probable places of assembly and areas over which enemy movement must take place prior to an attack.

6. For counter preparation Field Artillery are responsible for the area from their S.O.S. lines to 1,000 yards to the East.

7. Counter preparation is ordered in the following forms:-

- "CP Scheme Phase 1a" means a maximum of counter battery fire.
- "CP Scheme Phase 1b" means a maximum of harassing fire.
- "CP Scheme Phase 2" means a maximum of annihilating fire.

8. The targets for "CP Scheme Phase 1b" are likely places of assembly for hostile troops and the nature of fire should be concentrated. The concentration schemes made out by the "A" Divisional Artillery are used and in addition each Group commander keeps up to date a list of suitable targets on his Group front to be dealt with by his Group and forwards to this office the detail of

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tasks allotted to batteries.

9. Normal rates of fire - 18 pdrs 5 rounds per gun per minute.
4.5" Hows 2 rounds per gun per minute.

10. For "CP Scheme Phase 2" the Field Artillery puts down a creeping barrage over the whole area concerned, commencing from the start line and searches back by lifts of 100 yards in 2 minutes. The operation will be repeated as often as may seem necessary. This may be on the whole Divisional Artillery front or may be on part in which case the method of putting the operation into action is detailed in para. 1.

"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

LIAISON AND CO-OPERATION.

With Infantry, Heavy Artillery, Flank Artillery, Counter Batteries and Royal Air Force.

1. Each Artillery Brigade has one officer, not below the rank of Captain, at the Headquarters of the Infantry Brigade whose front it is covering, and he is in direct communication with his Brigade.

Right Group Field Artillery has a Liaison Officer with the Right Infantry Brigade.

Centre Group Field Artillery has a Liaison Officer with the Left Infantry Brigade.

Left Group Field Artillery has a Liaison Officer with the Battalion in the line North of the River SOMME.

In addition, an Artillery Officer is at the Headquarters of each Battalion Headquarters in the line, who is in direct communication with the Liaison Officer at Infantry Brigade Headquarters.

2. Liaison barrages with flank Divisional Artillery consist of barrages on "G.O.S." line opposite our own front, either on the entire front or on sectors, as may be required.

3. Co-operation with the Infantry for major operations is arranged direct by Divisional Headquarters. For minor operations, affecting one Brigade alone, it is arranged directly between the Artillery Liaison Officer with the Infantry Brigade and the G.O.C., Infantry Brigade and referred to Divisional Artillery Headquarters, if necessary.

4. (a) Heavy Artillery, Australian Corps, with Headquarters at MONTIGNY, cover the Australian Corps Sector.

Composition of Heavy Artillery, Australian Corps, and locations, are issued from time to time to all concerned.

(b) The Heavy Artillery Group, acting in co-operation with this Divisional Artillery, is the 9th R.G.A., Headquarters, BUSSEY-les-DAURES.

5. (a) The Australian Corps Counter Battery Officer is at MONTIGNY.

(b) All hostile shelling is to be immediately reported to Australian Corps Counter Battery, through Group Headquarters or through Headquarters "A" Divisional Artillery whichever is the quicker.

(c) "A" Divisional Artillery have a telephone line to the Australian Corps Counter Battery office through the Australian Corps Heavy Artillery exchange.

(d) Information required by Australian Corps Counter Battery is

- (i) Unit calling.
- (ii) The number and calibre of hostile guns or howitzers firing.
- (iii) Time of hostile shelling.

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(iv) Locality shelled.

(v) Nature of fire, e.g. "Salvoes of 3 each 2 minutes"
"one round each 10 minutes"

(vi) Direction from which the hostile shelling is coming. When possible this should be given in grid line bearing, and the place stated from which the bearing is taken. The mode of obtaining direction will be stated, viz: Flash or Sound.

(e) The Counter Battery Officer must be kept informed of the continuance or otherwise of all hostile shelling reported; the time of cessation being of the utmost importance.

(f) It must be realised that all hostile shelling must be reported whether it affects a unit's own area or not.

6. (a) Flying Squadrons working on this Divisional front are the 35th Squadron, Royal Air Force, and the 3rd Squadron, Australian Flying Corps.

(b) (i) N.F. calls will be answered by all batteries which can reach the target, whose normal lines of fire are within 10 degrees of the target. These batteries will fire two rounds of gun fire immediately on receipt of the call, and two rounds of gun fire 10 minutes after the call has been picked up.

(ii) G.F. calls will be answered as for N.F. calls except the response will be three rounds of gun fire immediately on receipt of the call instead of the two bursts of fire.

(iii) A.N.F. calls will be answered by the Heavy Artillery only by the allotted battery in whose Brigade Zone the target is situated.

(iv) L.L. calls are answered by all Field Artillery that can be trained on the target, with the exception that one 18 pdr battery of each Brigade of Field Artillery is left covering the Zone allotted to the Brigade. These calls are answered by three rounds of gun fire. If the call is repeated after a reasonable interval, the bursts of fire are repeated.

(v) S.O.S. calls are answered as for S.O.S. calls from the ground. In addition to sending the S.O.S. call by wireless, the pilot flying towards the enemy keeps sounding his Klaxon horn and drops a white parachute light over them. The parachute light descends very slowly.

(c) Officers commanding Groups, Brigades or Batteries, to which wireless receiving sets are attached keep the wireless operator informed as to which Zone calls he is to take, i.e., those of the Zones into which they can fire. All such calls are taken by the operator who is not asked to take the calls of other Zones.

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"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

ANTI TANK DEFENCE AND PROTECTION AGAINST LOW FLYING AEROPLANE.

1. One battery of the R.H.A. Brigade immobile reserve has a roving commission South of the SOMME, with the especial role of dealing with hostile tanks in case of tank attack.
2. 2-18 pdrs are emplaced at O.17.c.9.1 and O.17.d.7.1 to cover the Ridge, and also the valley of the SOMME to the South of the River SOMME.
3. These positions are not to be given away prematurely, and although the primary object is the destruction of hostile tanks, yet full advantage is to be taken in their employment against hostile infantry should favourable opportunities occur.
4. In addition, one Section of 18 pdrs per Group is detailed as an anti tank Section and immediately engage any targets of that nature that present themselves.
5. 100 rounds of H.E. are at each gun position.
6. ~~Protection against low flying aeroplanes.~~ Each battery has its own two [] Lewis guns in action at the battery for defence against aircraft; these are so sited that they can be used to defend the battery position from Infantry attack in case of necessity.

"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

COMMUNICATIONS.

FROM.	TO.	DESCRIPTION OF LINE.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	CORPS HEAVY ARTILLERY.	Local cable to Army route on BUSSY-QUERRIEU Road, thence air line to MONTIGNY.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	"A" DIVISION	Local cable (2 lines)
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	G.S.O.1 "A" DIVN	Direct from Brigade Major to G.S.O.1.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	RIGHT DIVL ARTILLERY	Cable to railway route South of VECQUEMONT, thence along line to N.15.c, thence cable across Canal to railway at N.21.c, thence along railway to GLISY.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	FORWARD EXCHANGE	Cable to river near DAOURS thence cable in river to FOUILLOY (2 lines).
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	"V" BDE, A.F.A.	Cable to Brigade (runs approx. H.35.central, H.36.central, I.31.a, I.32.a to I.27.b.00.60. (Alternative) Cable from Exchange at "ii" H.A.G.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	"X" BDE, A.F.A.	Cable from FORWARD EXCHANGE runs North from FOUILLOY across river to railway line, thence along line to Brigade.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	"X" BDE, A.F.A.	From FORWARD EXCHANGE to river North of FOUILLOY, thence cable in river to Canal running through Western outskirts of CORBIE along Canal to I. 29.b, thence cable to Brigade.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	"Y" BDE, R.F.A.	Cable from FORWARD EXCHANGE runs North of FOUILLOY to railway, thence along railway to "X" BRIGADE, through BDE office, thence cable to "Y" BRIGADE.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	"Z" BDE, R.F.A.	Local cable from FORWARD EXCHANGE.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	"i" H.A. GROUP	Local cable.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY	"ii" H.A. GROUP	Cable runs approx. H.35.central, H.36.c to O.2.b.0.6.

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FROM. TO. DESCRIPTION OF LINE.

"A" DIVL ARTILLERY KITE BALLOON Cable all the way.
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY "A" DIVL A. COLUMN From "A" DIVL ARTILLERY across road in H.27.d, thence North West to H.20.c. (Cable all the way).
"A" DIVL ARTILLERY BDE, R.H.A. Local cable.

"W" BRIGADE, AUST.F.A. (FORWARD AND LATERAL)

"W" BDE, A.F.A. "11" H.A.GROUP Ground cable (alternative means of getting "A" DIVL ARTILLERY) 2 lines.
"W" BDE, A.F.A. "X" BDE, A.F.A. Ground cable via "Wd" Battery.
"W" BDE, A.F.A. "Va" Bty "W" BDE Ground cable to BDE H.QRS.
"W" BDE, A.F.A. "Wb" Bty "W" BDE Ground cable to BDE H.QRS.
"W" BDE, A.F.A. "Wc" Bty "W" BDE Ground cable to BDE H.QRS.
"W" BDE, A.F.A. "Wd" Bty "W" BDE Ground cable to BDE H.QRS.
"W" BDE, A.F.A. "Va" Bty Wagon Ground cable to BDE H.QRS.
"W" BDE, A.F.A. "Wc" Bty Wagon Ground cable to BDE H.QRS.
"W" BDE, A.F.A. O.P., H.A.GROUP Ground cable to BDE H.QRS.

BATTERY O.P. LINES DIRECT TO BATTERIES.

"X" BRIGADE, AUST.F.A. (FORWARD AND LATERAL)

"X" BDE, A.F.A. "Xa" Bty "X" BDE } Ground cable to batteries (party).
"X" BDE, A.F.A. "Xb" Bty "X" BDE } Both batteries connected laterally.
"X" BDE, A.F.A. "Xc" Bty "X" BDE } Ground cable to batteries (party).
"X" BDE, A.F.A. "Xd" Bty "X" BDE } Both batteries connected laterally. Direct line (cable) to "Xd" Bty. O.Ps direct line to batteries.
"X" BDE, A.F.A. LEFT INF. BDE Direct line (cable) with tee into "Xd" Bty.
"X" BDE, A.F.A. "W" BDE, A.F.A. Ground cable via "Wd" Bty.
"X" BDE, A.F.A. Wagon Lines One line ground cable (serves all Wagon Lines).
"X" BDE, A.F.A. "X" BDE Direct line (cable).
"X" BDE, A.F.A. O.P., "A" DIVL

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FROM. TO. DESCRIPTION OF LINE.

"Y" BDE, R.F.A.	"A" Bty "Y" BDE	Cable all the way (ground)
"Y" BDE, R.F.A.	"B" Bty "Y" BDE	Cable all the way (ground)
"Y" BDE, R.F.A.	"C" Bty "Y" BDE	Cable all the way (ground)
"Y" BDE, R.F.A.	"D" Bty "Y" BDE	Cable all the way (ground)
"Y" BDE, R.F.A.	"BB" Bty "Y" BDE "DD" Bty "Y" BDE	Party line. Ground cable all the way. Also communication laterally.
"Y" BDE, R.F.A.	"X" BDE, A.F.A.	Ground cable (2 lines)
"Y" BDE, R.F.A.	LEFT FLANK ARTILLERY BDE	Ground cable.

BATTERY O.P. LINES DIRECT TO BATTERIES.

"Z" BRIGADE, R.F.A.

"Z" BDE, R.F.A.	RIGHT INF. BDE	Buried cable all the way.
"Z" BDE, R.F.A.	LIAISON	
"Z" BDE, R.F.A.	RESERVE INF. BDE	Part ground cable and part buried cable to Brigade.
"Z" BDE, R.F.A.	BATTALION LIAISON	Ground cable in party with "A" Bty "Z" Bde.
"Z" BDE, R.F.A.	"B" Bty "Z" BDE	Ground cable to battery.
"Z" BDE, R.F.A.	"A" Bty "Z" BDE Rear "A" Bty "Z" BDE End	Ground cable to rear position with extension to forward position.
"Z" BDE, R.F.A.	"C" Bty "Z" BDE	Direct line (ground cable) and alternative on loop line in party with "D" Bty "Z" Bde.
"Z" BDE, R.F.A.	"D" Bty "Z" BDE	Direct line (ground cable) and alternative on loop line in party with "C" Bty "Z" Bde.
"Z" BDE, R.F.A.	"AA" Bty "Z" BDE "CC" Bty "Z" BDE	Party line, part buried and part ground line. Alternative on both batteries through exchange at "A" Bty "Z" Bde Rear.

BATTERY O.P. LINES DIRECT TO BATTERIES.

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"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.
*****AMMUNITION SUPPLY.

1. The present method of ammunition supply to batteries is as follows:-

From Railhead at FRESSIMILLES on demand by the 5th Australian Divisional Artillery as under:-

(a) H.16.d.5.0 on charge to 5th Australian Divisional Ammunition Column.

Ammunition of all natures is drawn from this Dump by 5th Australian Divisional Ammunition Column for delivery to 13th and 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigades.

(b) N.6.e.0.0 on charge to 5th Australian Divisional Ammunition Column.

Ammunition of all natures is drawn from this Dump by 77th Army Brigade Ammunition Column, 150th Army Brigade Ammunition Column and 298th Army Brigade Ammunition Column for delivery to 77th, 150th and 298th Army Brigades, R.F.A., respectively.

2. Brigades will demand ammunition direct from Divisional Ammunition Column and Brigade Ammunition Columns concerned who will deliver to battery wagon lines.

3. Ammunition to be maintained at gun positions will be as follows:-

18 pdrs -- 300 rounds per gun (75% A, 25% AX)
4.5 Hous - 250 rounds per gun (100% BX)
 - 300 rounds per D/Bty Gas (50% BNC, 50% BCBH).

4. A Dump for emergency supply for 150th Army Brigade, R.F.A., on charge to 150th Army Brigade Ammunition Column is situated at I.32.b.

8.1. This will be drawn on by 150th Army Brigade Ammunition Column and one Section of 77th Army Brigade Ammunition Column in case of emergency only, should the supply A.R.P. at N.6.e.0.0 prove insufficient.

5. A second emergency Dump on Corps charge is situated on road at G.36.c.4.8. Ammunition maintained - 7,000 A, 3,000 AX, 2,000 BX.

6. A closed Corps Dump is situated in the wood at G.24.b.5.7 which, in case of motor transport failing to keep up supply, will be drawn on by Divisional and Brigade Ammunition Columns.

7. Trench Mortar Ammunition is demanded from Railhead, forwarded to 5th Australian Divisional Ammunition Column A.R.P. at H.16.d.5.0 and taken forward under arrangements made direct between D.T.M.O., 5th Australian Division and C.O. 5th Australian Divisional Ammunition Column.

8. All echelons for 13 pdr guns of the 16th Army Brigade, R.H.A., are kept complete on wheels include the Brigade M.T. Column. The latter is parked at AILONVILLE with the 3rd Australian M.T. Coy who are connected by telephone. Lorries are sent forward on demand of C.O. 16th Army Brigade Ammunition Column, R.H.A., through Staff Captain 5th Australian Divisional Artillery. An emergency supply of 1120 N and 1960 NX is located at the Dump at G.36.c.4.8.

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"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

"S.O.S"

1. The "S.O.S" signal is the call for immediate assistance from the Artillery normally covering the Sector in question sent by any responsible officer in the front line. This signal, whether by telephone or visual method (such as a rocket), is a call for a barrage in "No man's land". The "S.O.S" signal will be sent when the enemy are actually attacking.

The "S.O.S" signal is notified from time to time.

2. The "S.O.S" line will run J.24.c.95.10 - J.30.c.90.65 - J.36.a.20.00 - J.35.d.35.00 - P.5.b.20.65 - P.3.b.50.50 - P.3.c.50.00 - P.9.a.40.40 - P.8.d.60.30 - P.14.b.40.60 - P.14.d.00.70 - P.14.d.00.00 - P.20.a.90.30 - P.20.c.90.85.

3. All Brigades responsible for the defence of the front will have an overlap of 50 yards with the Units on each side of them.

4. 18 pdrs will use 75% A and 25% AX. 4.5" Howitzers BX.

5. At each 18 pdr gun-pit 20 rounds are to be kept distinctly labelled "S.O.S" with fuzes correctly set. This ammunition will be changed periodically, and the replaced ammunition will be fired off.

6. Field Howitzers will bombard specially selected points.

7. On receipt of the "S.O.S" signal, Field Artillery will open fire on their "S.O.S" lines. Rates of fire will be as follows:-

3 rounds per gun per minute for first five minutes
2 rounds per gun per minute for second five minutes
1 round per gun per minute for next five minutes.

The above provisions are not to be taken in limiting either Group or Battery Commanders from developing the full fire power of their Batteries in the event of their knowledge of the situation demanding it.

8. All fire will cease at the end of fifteen minutes.

If the "S.O.S" signal is repeated after the opening of fire, the maximum rate of fire will be reverted to and the procedure as laid down above carried out.

9. The Artillery will act on seeing the prescribed Rocket signal whether the telephone is working or not, although the Rocket signal should be confirmed by wire by the Infantry concerned.

Telephone lines to the Infantry are to be tested at least every half-hour during the day and night.

10. All officers must clearly understand that it is their duty to obtain immediate information as to the situation for their higher formation; e.g., Batteries to Groups, and Groups to Headquarters "A" Divisional Artillery. It is only by this means that the necessary concentrations of Artillery can be produced.

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11. A sentry will always be posted at each battery position as a "Look-out" during the day and night.

12. Pointers showing Inter-Group boundaries and battery zone boundaries will be provided at each battery position.

13. A battery receiving an "S.O.S" call will repeat it at once to -

1. Batteries on either flank.
2. Group Headquarters.

The Groups will at once inform -

1. Batteries in the Group.
2. Groups on either flank.
3. C.R.A.
4. Affiliated Heavy Artillery Group.

The C.R.A. will inform -

1. H.A. Corps.
2. R.A. Corps.
3. "G" "A" Division.

N.B. If the message has not come through the Battalion, the Battalion must be informed by the Group.

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AMENDMENT No. 4 to "B" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME

1. Reference "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, Sheet "H", para 7.

Delete rates of fire and substitute the following:-

First 8 minutes	-- 4 rounds per gun per minute
Second 7 minutes	-- 3 rounds per gun per minute

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AMENDMENT No. 2 to "A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

1. "A" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, Sheet "H", para 2, is amended as follows:-

"S.O.S" line will run K.19.^{c30}~~d.2.0~~ - K.25.a.00.40 - J.30.o.90.65
J.30.o.60.00 - J.36.a.45.70 - J.36.a.20.00 - J.35.d.35.00 -
P.5.b.20.65 - P.3.b.50.50 - P.3.e.50.00 - P.9.a.40.40 - P.8.d.
60.30 - P.14.b.40.60 - P.14.d.00.70 - P.14.d.00.00 - P.20.a.
90.30 - P.20.o.90.85.

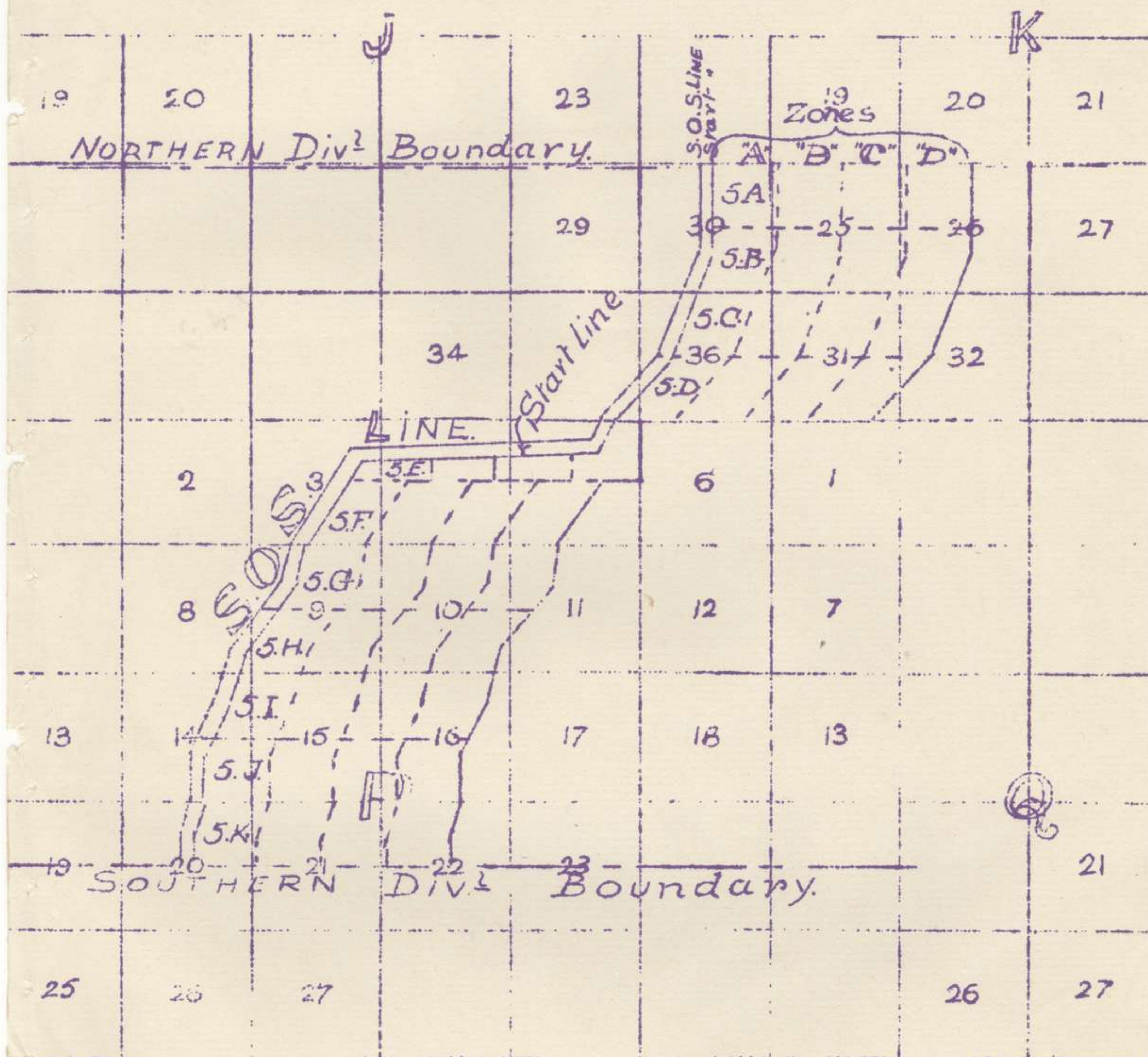
2. The above Amendment cancels para 2, Sheet "H" of "A" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, and Amendment No. 1.

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DIAGRAM- Showing -S.O.S Line & Zones of Fire.Reference Sheet 62^D 1-40000.

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"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

LINES OF REAR DEFENCE AND ACTION IN CASE OF WITHDRAWAL.

1. Should it become necessary to withdraw from the present front the principles of withdrawal as regards the Field Artillery of the "A" Divisional Artillery Group will be as detailed below.
2. Withdrawals either of Brigades or batteries will be by echelons; the front must never be uncovered and unless the withdrawal is voluntary, every yard of the way is to be stubbornly contested.
3. Frontages allotted to Brigades will be as in Sheet "A", but these instructions are not in any way to interfere with the initiative of commanders of lower formations at the moment who will seize every opportunity of inflicting loss on the enemy and helping the troops on either flank.
4. On the Right and Centre Sectors, the 13th Australian Field Artillery Brigade, and the 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A., will withdraw first; these Sectors being covered by the 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigade. The 13th Australian Field Artillery Brigade will take up an intermediate position about I.31-32 and be prepared to fire on any portion of the Divisional front.
5. The 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A., will withdraw to the North side of the SOMME by DAOURS and take up a position about N.15, N.16, N.17 and N.9, as far North as the road in N.9.d. The area in squares H.29 and H.30 is allotted to the 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigade. Should the 13th and 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigades have to take up a position West of the River HAILUE the area in square N.9 North of the road in N.9.d Northwards to an East and West line through N.4.a.40 is allotted to these Brigades. The area 100 yards North and South of road in N.9.d is reserved for the Heavy Artillery. The area East and West through N.4.a.40 North to East and West along grid line between H.28 and H.34 is allotted to the 77th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
6. On the Left Sector, the 150th Army Brigade, R.F.A., will withdraw either by bridge at HEILLY or BONNAY, as the situation requires, and take up positions to cover the GENTELLES - AUBIGNY - FRANVILLERS line, about square H.21 and H.27.
7. The 16th Army Brigade, R.H.A., in case of hostile attack will operate in the area North of the River SOMME and South of Grid line East and West through I.13, central and assist the withdrawal as the tactical situation demands.
8. On taking up positions to cover the GENTELLES - AUBIGNY - FRANVILLERS line, batteries of the 77th Army Brigade, R.F.A., will come under the tactical control of the C.O. 77th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
9. To cover the QUERRIEU - BLANGY TRONVILLE System, areas are allotted to Brigades as under:-

150th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	-- G.36.a.b.c.
13th Aust. F.A. Brigade	-- G.35.b & d.
14th Aust. F.A. Brigade	-- M.5.a & b.
298th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	-- M.11.b. M.12.a.
77th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	-- G.24 and G.19.c.

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----- **LINE OF REAR DEFENCE AND ACTION IN CASE OF WITHDRAWAL.** -----

9 contd. The 77th Army Brigade, R.F.A., will be superimposed on the fronts of the 150th Army Brigade, R.F.A., and 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigade. The 13th Australian Field Artillery Brigade will be superimposed on the fronts of the 14th Australian Field Artillery Brigade and the 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A.

10. Maps showing systems of defence and areas allotted to Brigades are attached.

11. In the event of a withdrawal becoming necessary the 5th Australian Divisional Ammunition Column, the 298th Brigade Ammunition Column, the 150th Brigade Ammunition Column and the 77th Brigade Ammunition Column will move as detailed below:-

(a) 5th Australian Divisional Ammunition Column to G.18.d.

(b) 298th Brigade Ammunition Column and 77th Brigade Ammunition Column to G.18.a. West of metal road.

Route: Road N.8.c - N.7.b - N.2.c & a - H.32.c - H.31.b - H.25.
 R. d & b - G.24.b - G.18.d & a.

There is a cross country track from G.30.b.9.8 to G.23.b.9.9 which can be used in case of emergency.

(c) 150th Brigade Ammunition Column to G.17.b West of road ALLONVILLE-PT CAMON.

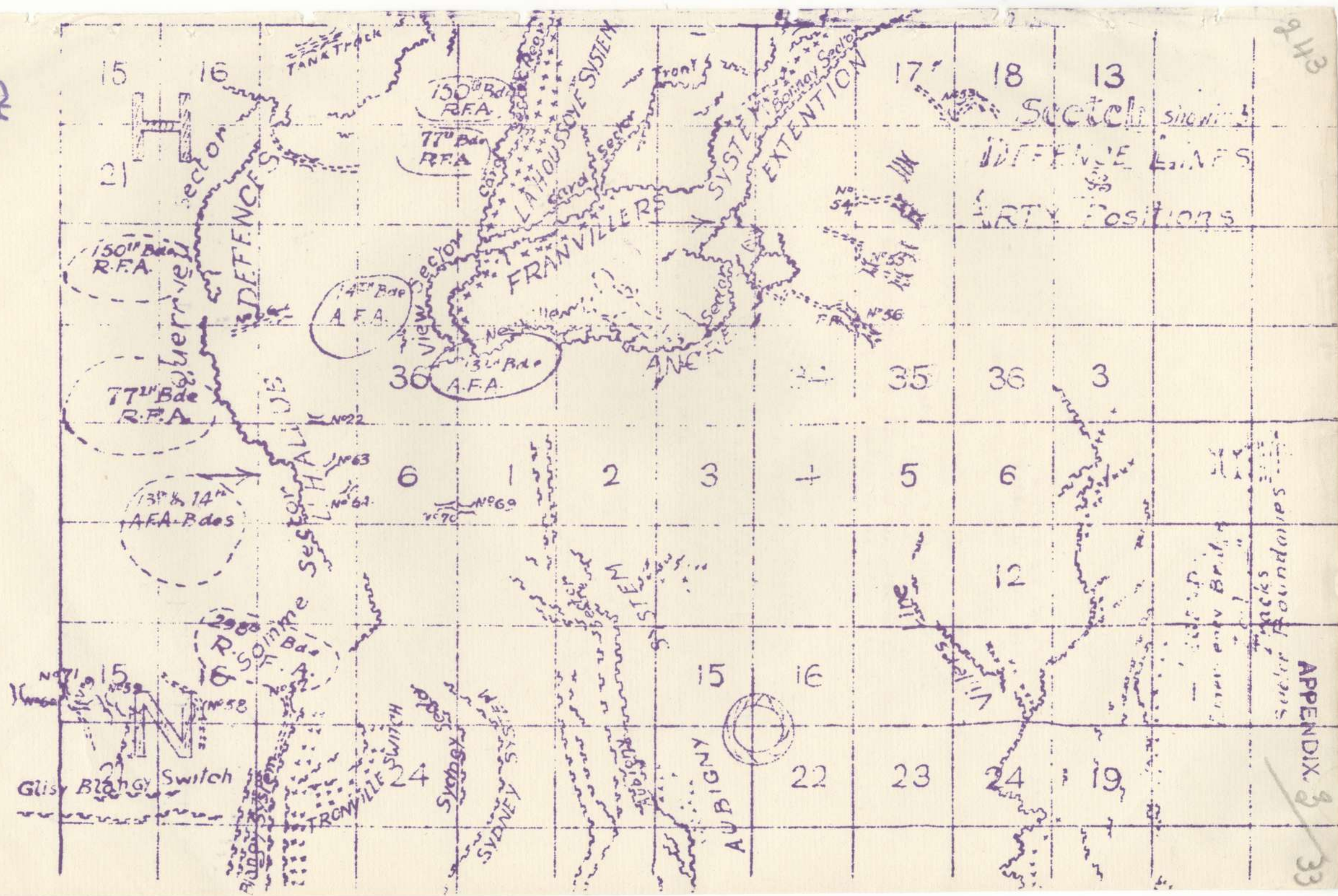
R. Centre N.13.b - Cross roads N.7.d to T.Roads M.11.a, thence direct to ALLONVILLE.

The above locations and routes will be reconnoitred forthwith by all officers.

Water is available in ALLONVILLE; one pond in front of Church and one at Southern end of town.

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BRIDGES OVER THE RIVERS SOLORE, HAILUE & ANCHER.

1. Instructions have been issued that gaps 15 ft wide at intervals of 300 yards shall be made in all lines of wire and the trenches bridged for Artillery opposite these gaps.

S O M M E R.

Bridge at M.16.d.8.4. Main road from GAIION to LONGUEAN passes over a steel truss bridge at M.16.d.8.4. This bridge will carry any load and has been built high enough to allow the river boat traffic to pass underneath.

Bridge No. 14 at N.14.d.0.2. Steel bridge to take heavy transport. Approaches prepared from GLISY.

Bridge No. 15 at N.15.c.8.4. Trestle bridge of two bays across Look to take Field Artillery. Approaches prepared.

Bridge No. 16 at N.16.c.7.2. Pontoon bridge to take Field Artillery. Approaches prepared.

Bridge No. 17 at N.17.c.7.3. Pontoon bridge to take Field Artillery. Approaches prepared.

Bridges at O.1.c.2.5 & N.6.d.8.5. Main road from DAOURS to AUBIGNY passes over steel truss bridge over the Canal at O.1.c.2.5 and over the Spillway at N.6.d.8.5. Both these bridges will carry any load. Another steel bridge is under construction and should be completed in a few days.

Bridge at O.5.c.4.7. Main road from CORBIE to FOUILLOY passes over steel truss bridge at Look at O.5.c.4.7 which will carry any load.

Bridge at O.2.b.0.5. A pontoon bridge suitable for Artillery has been erected at FAGOTS EARM. This bridge is at present dismantled, but can be placed in position in 20 minutes. Approaches have not been prepared, but the ground in the vicinity is suitable for Field Artillery.

Bridge at O.4.c.9.1. A pontoon bridge suitable for Artillery has been erected at rear of Asylum, FOUILLOY. This bridge is at present dismantled, but can be placed in position in 20 minutes. Approaches through grounds of Asylum, FOUILLOY.

Bridges at N.13.d.8.1., N.12.d.4.3., O.2.b.7.3. Substantial railway bridges, which can be improvised for Field Artillery in extreme emergency, are at the following places:-

N.13.d.8.1.	— Heavy steel truss bridge.
N.12.d.4.3.	— Heavy steel truss bridge.
O.2.b.7.3.	— Masonry arch bridge.

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BRIDGES OVER THE RIVERS SOMME, HALLUE & ANCRE.

H A L L U E.

QUERRIEU. Substantial stone bridges are at QUERRIEU on main ALBIEN -
AMBIENS road and will take heavy transport.

Bridge at H.23.a.7.6. Wooden bridge to take Field Artillery.
Approaches prepared.

Bridge at H.29.c.4.5. Wooden bridge to take Field Artillery.
Approaches prepared.

Bridge at H.35.d.3.1. Wooden bridge to take Field Artillery.
Approaches from N.6.c.2.9 are suitable to take Field Artillery with-
out further preparation.

VECQUEMONT. Substantial stone bridges are at VECQUEMONT and
will take heavy transport.

A N C R E.

Wooden bridges, with approaches prepared, to take Field
Artillery are at:-

Northern route -- I.23.d.1.3. I.23.c.20.45.

Centre route -- I.29.c.75.75. I.29.a.2.0. I.29.a.2.2.

Southern route -- I.35.a.2.6. I.28.d.7.0.

Bridge at BONNAY. Substantial stone bridge at BONNAY J.23.b. to
take heavy transport.

Bridge at J.35.a.2.2. Substantial railway bridge at J.35.a.2.2 can
be improvised for Field Artillery in extreme emergency.

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"A" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

COMPOSITION and ORGANISATION of MEDIUM TRENCH MORTAR BATTERIES.

1. The Trench Mortars of the "A" Divisional Sector consist of two Medium Batteries of 6" Newton Mortars. One Battery is in the line. Positions, Zero lines and Arcs of fire, are as below:-

Description.	Position.	Zero line.	Arc of fire.
(a) 6" Newton	J.29.c.45.00	J.36.c.48.50	25° R & L of Zero
(b) 6" Newton	J.29.c.15.00	J.36.c.48.50	25° R & L of Zero
(c) 6" Newton	J.29.a.45.50	J.30.b.10.50	25° R & L of Zero
(d) 6" Newton	J.29.a.50.50	J.30.b.10.50	25° R & L of Zero
(e) 6" Newton	J.26.b.15.50	J.32.a.45.10	25° R & L of Zero
(f) 6" Newton	J.26.b.23.55	J.32.a.45.10	25° R & L of Zero
Alternative			
(ai)	J.29.c.50.10	J.36.b.00.85 (Ravine)	25° R & L of Zero
(bi)	J.34.b.80.75	P.5.a.10.30 (Quarry)	25° R & L of Zero

"S.O.S" lines in each case on Zero.

2. The guns of the other Battery are kept with the "A" Divisional Ammunition Column. Personnel of the second Battery is at LA NEUVILLE.

3. The D.T.M.O. lives at LA NEUVILLE and arranges reliefs of personnel for the guns in the line and is responsible for the arrangement of ammunition supply.

4. 100 rounds per Mortar are kept at the gun positions and 100 rounds per 6" Mortar in action at the "A" Divisional Ammunition Column. Supply is by G.S. Wagon direct from the Divisional Ammunition Column to the gun positions.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. *****

From 6 a.m. 2/5/18 to 6 a.m. 3/5/18
NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. A considerable amount of movement was observed and engaged. At 11 a.m. an enemy party on road in P.10.d was dispersed. During the afternoon enemy working parties by trenches in P.14.c & d were scattered, and squads moving along road in P.14.b - P.20.a dispersed. At 2.30 p.m. large hostile parties at P.16.c.5.0 and P.18.a.5.0 were put to flight. At 4 p.m. an 18 pdr battery firing from behind the BOIS DE VAIRE was engaged and silenced. From 7.30 to 8.30 p.m. a continuous stream of small enemy formations coming up to and through the BOIS DIACCROCHE, and on to the BOIS DE VAIRE were engaged. At 8.10 p.m. a two minute concentration was fired on the BOIS DE VAIRE. At 9 p.m. one single burst was fired on S.O.S. plus 800 yards. At 9.5 p.m. positions in the terrace in front of the BOIS DE VAIRE and on the Western edge of the wood were subjected to a two minute burst. At 11 p.m. an occupied trench stronghold in P.4.b & d received a two minute burst. A nine minute burst was fired on the 9.5 p.m. targets at 2 a.m. At 3.25 a.m. a five minute concentration was fired on HAMEL. At 4.30 a.m. a rolling barrage swept from S.O.S. plus 100 to S.O.S. plus 800 yards in 7 minutes, and from S.O.S. plus 300 to S.O.S. plus 100 yards in 2 minutes. At 5.25 a.m. a 2 minute burst of fire was fired on road in K.31.a.6.0 and K.31.d.6.0 to catch the early moving transport. At 10.25 p.m. the Infantry reported transport on the road in P.9.d - this was heavily engaged.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. This was more active during the day, apparently in registration - fire being mainly on high ground and points in view. The night was quiet. In the morning J.19 was intermittently searched by 4.2 Hows; concentrations were fired on J.27.a.5.9, J.32 and J.33 by 4.2 Hows; I.15.a. was shelled by 4.2 at 5 minute intervals. During the afternoon J.33.d and P.3.a were shelled by 4.2 Hows from P.5.d; J.19 intermittently by 5.9 How; I.29.d received 5 rounds 5.9, at 6 p.m. An 18 pdr battery behind the BOIS DE VAIRE shelled front line system; a few rounds of 4.2 How fell on CORBIE; Cross roads in I.35.b received 25 rounds sharpshel. Q.23.a & b was shelled by 4.2 Hows. 2.30 p.m. single phosgene shell fired on J.20. In the night 15 rounds of 5.9 fell in I.28.a and Q.23.a & b was shelled by 4.2 Hows.

3. GENERAL. Battery on True Bearing 130° flash observed from I.24.d. 55.75. Enemy aircraft were active. 5 crossed at 1.30 p.m., 3 at 3 p.m. driven back. 2 crashed. Considerable movement observed. Transport on road P.17, P.23, P.29. Infantry movement. Continuous parties coming through BOIS DIACCROCHE and to BOIS DE VAIRE from 7 p.m. on. Large parties throughout the day in P.29.a & d, P.17.b and P.18.central.

J. M. M.

Lieut ,

Reconnaissance Officer,

5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ROUTINE ORDER No. 25.

- by -

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

Headquarters,
4th. May 1918.

158. - CORRIGENDUM.

Reference 5th. Aust. D.A.R.O. No. 154 para 151.
For "2/Lieut. J.E. Parry" read "2/Lieut. N.C. Parry".

159. - TRANSFERS.

The following transfers are approved to take effect
from 5.5.1918.

From 5th. D.A. Column to 13th. A.F.A. Brigade.

2/Lieut. W. Sinclair M.M.
2/Lieut. J.T.V. Smith.
2/Lieut. S.S. Creed.
2/Lieut. W.L. Shannon.

From 5th. D.A. Column to 14th. A.F.A. Brigade.

2/Lieut. L.R. Turner.
2/Lieut. F. Parsons M.M.
2/Lieut. R.N. Jack.

160. - BURIALS.

Units should obtain the services of one of the Chaplains attached to this Formation for all burials in the Area. There is a Chaplain with the 5th. Aust. D.A. Column and another with the 13th. Aust. F.A. Brigade, both of whom may be communicated with by telephone.

161. - CHURCH PARADES.

Units desiring to hold Church Parades should apply to either of the Chaplains mentioned in the previous paragraph of this order.

162. - CARE OF VEHICLES.

Attention is called to Fourth Army Standing Orders No. 310 et seq., re Care of Vehicles. The condition of wheels etc., in some units points to the fact that para 312 is not being complied with. Commanding Officers will take steps to ensure compliance in the future.

163. - ORDERS.

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

General Routine Orders - Paras 3876 to 3882 .

3880. - Removal of Material belonging to Locks, Sluices and other structures on the Inland Waterways.

3882. - Rate of Exchange.

5th. Aust. Div. Routine Orders. - Paras 218 to 221.

218. - Crops and Pasturage. 219. - Signal Communications.
220. - Billeting. 221. - Sanitation.

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

NOTICE.

LOST. - In action on 28.4.18 by "A" Battery, R.H.A.
Liver Chestnut Gelding. Height 15.3 - Age 13 years - Branded
A on off fore foot and 99 on near fore. Saddled with Officers
Appointment. Information to Staff Captain, 5th. Aust. Div. Art.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. *****

From 6 a.m. 3/5/18 to 6 a.m. 4/5/18
 NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. A great increase in enemy activity, and improved visibility, offered a large number of targets. During the morning an enemy party near a trench in P.10.d.2.8 were dispersed; a party at P.10.a.4.7 scattered on two occasions, and parties in P.14.b & d repeatedly scattered with casualties, numerous stretcher cases being removed. A party in P.21.a, was also dispersed. During the afternoon a large party in P.20.b, was engaged and many casualties inflicted. A large hostile body at P.10.d.2.8 was scattered with casualties and parties at P.16.a & P.15.a.50.20 dispersed. Enemy parties at P.16.c, P.21.a, and P.15.a.2.2 were scattered between 6 and 8 p.m. At 8.6 p.m. an N.F. call P.16.a.8.5 was answered, O.K. being received after two corrections. At 8.45 p.m. P.5.c & d, was engaged by a three minute burst. A 4 minute concentration was fired on HAMEL at 11 p.m. At 3.30 a.m. a five minute concentration was fired on the centre of the BOIS de VAIRE and a 5 minute concentration on SAILLY-LAURETTE. At 3.55 a.m. a rolling barrage swept from S.O.S. plus 225 yards to S.O.S. plus 525 yards, in 3 minutes. At 4.25 a.m. a two minute burst was fired on possible assembly points along the front. At 10.20 and at 11.10 p.m, traffic was reported on the road in P.4.d.9.1 to P.4.d.0.2 into HAMEL and was heavily engaged.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. Continued quiet. Some 4.2 How batteries and 77 mm batteries firing from direction of CERISY, MORCOURT and WARFUSSEE (sound only) registered on the high ground in J.19, J.27 and P.19. In the morning J.27 was intermittently shelled by 77 mm and 4.2 Hows; VAUX and VAIRE received a few 5.9 Hows; 8 0 rounds 4.2 How fell in J.19.c & d and J.25.a & b, and some scattered 4.2 Hows in P.31.c. In the afternoon 20 rounds 4.2 How fell in J.19.d, and a 4.2 Battery firing from direction P.17 (sound only) continued its registration on the windmill in J.27.a. Twenty rounds 5.9 How fell in J.19.c, and 3 rounds 8" How in O.16.d. During the night hostile artillery was quiet. At 6.30 p.m. 12 rounds 8" How fell in O.22 and O.23, and 8 rounds in O.24.a, at 7.30 to 8 p.m. Between 3.5 and 4.30 a.m. a few 77 mm sharpnel burst over the Front Line System on the Left and Centre.

3. GENERAL. Aircraft of both sides very active. A small red balloon fell in I.23. The enemy is very busy in P.14.b, c & d - evidently engaged on some important work, as he continued to return to it in spite of casualties repeatedly inflicted. At 4.10 p.m. a smoke screen was seen in MARCELCAVE. At 5.30 p.m. a large number of horses were seen grazing in Q.15.

Eq. H. Broth.

Lieut,
 Reconnaissance Officer,
 5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION No. 13.

Headquarters,
5th May, 1918.

1. From 12 noon on the 6th May, 1918, the Northern boundary of the Australian Corps will be an East and West grid line running from the front line through D.23.a.0.0.
2. At 12 noon on the 6th May, 1918, Australian R.A., Headquarters opens at BERTANGLES.
3. The counter battery boundary between III Corps and Australian Corps will be an East and West grid line through D.23.a.0.0.
4. ACKNOWLEDGE (Brigades only).

W. H. H. H.

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery

Issued at 2.30 p.m. to:-

	Copy No.		Copy No.
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14th Aust. F.A. Brigade	2	Aust. Corps, R.A.	13
16th Army Brigade, R.H.A.	3	Aust. Corps, H.A.	14
77th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	4	5th Aust. Divn "G"	15
150th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	5	Signals, 5th D.A.H.Q.	16
298th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	6	Staff Captain	17
9th Brigade, R.G.A.	7	R.O.	18
65th Brigade, R.G.A.	8	B.M.	19
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No. 15.

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Headquarters,
5th May, 1918.

1. 3-15 pdrs B.L.C. will be available shortly for the 5th Australian Divisional Artillery for use as Anti-Tank guns.
2. 2-15 pdrs will be allotted to the 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
1-15 pdr will be allotted to the 14th Aust.F.A. Brigade.
3. 100 rounds per 15 pdr will be available on the 6th May, 1918, at A.R.P. This is the only ammunition available.
4. Anti-Tank 15 pdrs will be manned by personnel found by the Brigades to whom they are allotted.
5. The 2-15 pdrs allotted to the 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A., will replace the 2-18 pdrs at present in use as Anti-Tank guns. These 18 pdrs will then rejoin their battery.
6. The C.O. 14th Aust.F.A. Brigade will report to this office the site selected for the 15 pdr B.L.C., allotted to the 14th Aust.F.A. Brigade as an Anti-Tank gun.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE (Brigades only)

W. H. M.

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 3.30 p.m. to:-

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14th Aust.F.A. Brigade	2	14th Aust. Inf. Brigade	17
16th Army Brigade, R.H.A.	3	15th Aust. Inf. Brigade	18
77th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	4	Aust. Corps, R.A.	19
150th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	5	Aust. Corps, H.A.	20
298th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	6	Aust. Corps, "Q"	21
9th Brigade, R.G.A.	7	5th Aust. Divn "G"	22
65th Brigade, R.G.A.	8	Signals, 5th D.A.H.Q.	23
D.T.M.O. 5th Aust. Divn	9	Staff Captain	24
5th Aust.D.A. Column	10	R.O.	25
77th B.A.C.	11	B.M.	26
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 4/5/18 to 6 a.m. 5/5/18

NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO THE FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. Our Artillery has been very active during the period, engaging live targets during the day, and carrying out counter preparation work and concentrations at night. At 10.15 a.m. movement in HAMEL was stopped and at 9.30 a.m. small parties of enemy in P.4.d. 15.20 were scattered. At 1.30 p.m. a party of 15 at P.14.d.5.7 were engaged and casualties inflicted, stretcher cases being carried away. A suspected O.P. at P.10.a.78.55 was bombarded, five direct hits being recorded. At 5 p.m. the enemy had again collected at P.14.d.5.7, and were scattered. At 3.15 p.m. movement in P.15.d and P.16.a. was successfully engaged and casualties inflicted. At 6 p.m. a concentration bombardment, including Heavy Artillery, was commenced on the terrace in front of the BOIS de VAIRE, and lasted 18 minutes. Very effective shooting was reported, many of the enemy running back. 6.15 p.m. and 6.45 p.m. large enemy parties were successfully engaged at P.15.a.00.25. The following zone calls were answered:- 2.11 p.m. P.14.d.7.5; 4.14 p.m. P.10.c.4.8; 7.17 p.m. P.10.d.5.2 (A.A.Bty); 7.39 p.m. P.11.c.9.4; 7.50 p.m. P.5.c.9.5; 7.55 p.m. P.14.b.9.2. Mobile battery bombarded sunken road in P.10.a.8.5, Ravine in P.9.c.-& d, and dug-outs and trench in P.10.d. At 11.55 p.m. a concentration was fired on Ravine in front of BOIS de VAIRE (P.14.c.9.0 to P.14.b.3.0) and the valley in K.31.a & c, lasting five minutes. At 1 a.m. intense counter battery work was carried out on hostile batteries for which zone calls had been received early in the evening, whilst Heavy Artillery dealt with batteries further back. At 2.25 a.m. a two minute concentration was fired on the BOIS de HAMEL and on the road in K.31.c & d. At 3.10 a.m. the concentration shoot on P.14.b.3.0 to P.14.c.9.0 was repeated, and SAILLY LAURETTE bombarded. At 3.55 a.m. a five minutes burst swept P.5.c & d, and the cemetery in J.36.c. At 4.40 a.m. approaches to HAMEL were searched for two minutes, and at 5.15 a.m. a five minute concentration was fired on all enemy routes opposite the divisional front. 6th Newton T.M. fired 26 rounds on various targets on the night 3rd/4th instant.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. This showed a slight increase of activity on the whole front, and was particularly active South of the river between 3.30 and 6.30 p.m. A number of N.F. calls for batteries close to the line were received, and some hostile registrations continued. No Gas is reported and no definite counter battery work was carried out. In the morning the Front line System was lightly shelled by 77 mm and 4.2 Hows from the direction of the BOIS DIACCROCHE; VAIRE lightly by 4.2 Hows; J.27 lightly by 77 mm; BOUZENCOURT lightly by 77 mm; the wood in J.27 by 5.9 Hows from CERISY, and a 5.9 How battery from CERISY registered on J.30.a.8.6 with 40 rounds. In the afternoon the road in I.20.a, was shelled by a 5.9 battery; the cross roads at I.35.b. 65.70 by 30 rounds 77 mm; O.12.a. & b lightly by 4.2 Hows; I.30 by 20 rounds 4.2 How; J.16.d.8.0 by 200 rounds 4.2 & 5.9 How; J.26.b. by 10 rounds 4.2 How; O.17.a. by 20 rounds 5.9 How; HAMEL & VAIRE lightly by 77 mm and 4.2 Hows. Between 3.30 and 6.30 p.m. 250 rounds 4.2, 5.9 & 8" How fell in the area 0.9, 10, 11, 16 & 17. A large number of 5.9 Hows fell in vicinity of FOUILLOY & AUBIGNY, and in valley immediately North of VILLERS BRETTONEUX. The night was quiet, except for light scattered shelling, and some long range work. Three rounds of H.V. fell in BUSSY-les-DAOURS.

3. GENERAL. Very large numbers of horses were again grazing in Q.9 and Q.15. A wagon park exists on the South side of the main road

P.T.O.

in Q.26.o & d, and horses graze in Q.22. Considerable horse and motor traffic observed on CERISY-MORCOURT road. Considerable movement of small parties up to 20 in strength continues in vicinity of terrace in front of BOIS de VAIRE. T.M. have been located at J.36.a.9.5 and J.36.o.9.5. An O.P. is suspected at P.9.b.1.5. Balloons were up at 2 p.m. on T.B. 145° and 180° from J.27.a.7.0.

Edg. H. Booth

Lieut.
Reconnaissance Officer,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Headquarters,
5th May, 1918.

5th May, 1918.

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AMENDMENT No 2 to FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION No. 6.

Headquarters,
6th May, 1918.

1. Reference Amendment No. 1, para 1, line 1.

Delete the co-ordinates "J.24.e.95.10 - J.30.e.95.65" and substitute "K.19.e.0.0 - J.30.central - J.30.e.95.65".

ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Russell
Major, capt
Brigade Major,

5th Australian Divisional Artillery.
Issued at 10/15 a.m. to all recipients of 5th Australian Divl
Artillery Instruction No. 6 and Amendment No. 1.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION No. 14.

Headquarters,
6th May, 1918.

1. Bugle "S.O.S" signals will come into force forthwith as follows and will be answered by the Artillery as for light signals. These are an additional precaution; the present "S.O.S" light signals NOT being cancelled.

(a) Ordinary "S.O.S" will be groups of three "G's" repeated at intervals until answered.

(b) Tank "S.O.S" will be groups of six "G's" repeated at intervals until answered.

2. The light signal for Tank attack will be three flares:- viz. Green, Red, Green. As combined rocket signals are not at present available, these will be VERY LIGHTS, and will go up as separate flares in rotation.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. R. Mellor
Major, *colli.*
Brigade Major,

5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 11.30 p.m. to:-

- 13th Aust. F.A. Brigade
- 14th Aust. F.A. Brigade
- 16th Army Brigade, R.H.A.
- 77th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
- 150th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
- 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
- 9th Brigade, R.G.A.
- 65th Brigade, R.G.A.
- 5th Aust. Division

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4	150th R.F.A., B.A.C.	13
5	298th R.F.A., B.A.C.	14
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 5/4/18 to 6 a.m. 6/5/18
NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. Our Artillery continued very active during the period engaging live targets and zone calls during the day and carrying out counter preparation work, concentrations, and area shoots during the night. During the morning transport in P.17.a was engaged. During afternoon transport at P.14.d.2.8 engaged. Movement in HAMEL engaged at 2 p.m. Hostile party of 10 in P.23.c. engaged at 6.5 p.m. N.F. calls P.10.c.5.4 engaged at 6.45 p.m. - several other N.F. calls were received but were beyond range. During the night 9.55 p.m. and 2.10 a.m. concentrations were put down on BOIS de VAIRE and new work West of BOIS de VAIRE for 5 minutes. 11.45 p.m. and 3.25 a.m. concentrated and enfilade shoot on Trench System P.4.b & d, and P.10.b & d, for two minutes. At 4.10 a.m. counter preparation targets were engaged for 5 minutes. At 5.10 a.m. roads and tracks on Divisional front were swept for 2 minutes. Bursts of fire were also put down during the night on SAILLY LAURETTE, valley in K.31 and T.M. at J.36.c.90.50. 6" Trench Mortars fired 10 rounds on hostile strong points in J.30.b.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. It is noticeable that most of the hostile artillery activity took place between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. when observation was good. Very little activity is reported during the night. During the morning VAIRE was shelled intermittently by 77 mm; 11 a.m. 10 rounds of 4.2 How fell on HAMELET; and a further 20 rounds at 11.30 a.m.; 12.30 p.m. J.25.a was lightly shelled with 4.2 How and at 12.50 p.m. J.28.c received 15 rounds of 5.9 How. At 1 p.m. 15 rounds of 77 mm fell on I.30.a; 1.15 p.m. 10 rounds 4.2 How on J.27.a; 1.30 p.m. 10 rounds of 4.2 on O.36.a. At 1.35 p.m. 18 pdrs fired 10 rounds on I.35.b; 2.15 p.m. J.31 received 8 rounds of 4.2 and from 5 to 5.30 p.m. 20 rounds of 5.9 fell on O.10 & 11. At 6.5 p.m. 77 mm shelled VAIRE from direction of P.11.d. During the afternoon a 5.9 fired 40 rounds on J.15.

3. GENERAL. No concentrated gas shelling reported, but an occasional round mixed with H.E. fired into valley J.14 during afternoon. Considerable number of working parties, and horses grazing, were observed during the day about R.1, 7 and 13. Visibility good and at periods very good. Aircraft active.

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

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As at 6 a.m. 6/5/1918.

FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

DISPOSITION RETURN No. 74.

Reference Maps AMIENS 1-100,000 and Sheet 62D

5th Aust.D.A.H.Q. --- BUSSEY-les-DAOURS.

UNIT.		LOCATION.	WAGON LINES.
13th Aust.F.A.Brigade, H.Q.		I.21.b.5.8	I.20.b.9.5
49th Battery		I.28.d.15.60	H.36.a.8.9
50th "		I.28.a.02.58	I.20.b.3.8
51st "		I.28.b.05.60	I.14.d.2.4
113th "		I.28.b.2.9	H.29.o.central
14th Aust.F.A.Brigade, H.Q.		I.23.d.6.2	I.9.b.2.2
53rd Battery		I.24.b.50.34	I.13.o.2.2
54th "		I.24.b.55.10	H.24.o.
55th " 4 guns		I.29.o.92.45)	H.18.d.7.0
" 2 guns		I.36.a.58.66)	
114th "		I.35.a.62.61	I.21.b.8.6
150th Army Brigade, R.F.A., Group H.Q.		I.30.8.3	I.16.d.5.5
A/150		J.15.b.9.6	C.25.o.95.10
B/150 5 guns		J.14.o.5.5)	J.12.a.40.80
" 1 gun		J.14.b.1.1)	
C/150 4 guns		J.15.b.40.80)	C.25.o.20.20
" 2 guns		J.15.d.40.99)	
D/150 4 Hows		J.14.o.8.8)	I.10.d.3.3
" 2 Hows		J.28.a.4.7)	
B/77		J.14.b.70.35	I.15.d.3.4
D/77 3 Hows		J.15.a.20.85)	I.15.central
" 2 Hows		J.16.a.05.95)	
298th Army Brigade, R.F.A. Group H.Q. Hospice, FOUILLOY FOUILLOY			
A/298		O.17.a.45.33	N.6.a.95.45
B/298		O.16.b.40.10	N.6.d.10.40
C/298		O.10.o.95.30	H.34.d.75.60
D/298		O.10.b.1.3	N.6.a.5.4
A/77 4 guns		O.17.d.65.95)	H.28.d.8.3
" 1 gun		O.17.o.8.1	
" 1 gun		O.17.d.20.35)	
C/77		O.17.b.18.46	H.28.d.5.5
16th Army Brigade, R.F.A. H.Q. BUSSEY-les-DAOURS			
"A"			O.7.a.
"Q"		Mobile	H.23.b & d
"U"			H.23.b & d.
77th Army Brigade, R.F.A. (H.Q. not functioning) BUSSEY-les-DAOURS			
D.T.M.O. 5th Aust.Divn		I.34.c.40.85	
9th M.T.M. Battery		J.26.o.8.7	
10th "		I.34.c.40.85	
5th Aust.D.A. Column, H.Q.		H.22.b.2.7	
No.1 Section		H.22.b.5.8	
No.2 Section		H.22.a.9.9	
S.A.A. Section		CAMON	
5th Aust.A.R.P.		H.26.a.5.9	
Main A.R.P.		N.6.o.0.0	
16th R.H.A., B.A.C.		N.3.d & N.4.o.	
77th R.F.A., B.A.C.		N.9.d.	
150th R.F.A., B.A.C.		H.32.o & d.	
298th R.F.A., B.A.C.		N.8.d.central	
10th A.A.S.C.		ALLONVILLE	
5th Aust.Vet.Sec (Mobile)		BUSSEY-les-DAOURS	
17th & 47th Ordnance Workshops		Light CARDONETTE	
Supply Dump 5th Aust.		PONT NOVELLES (H.12.o.7.4)	
Div. Troops			

Edg - H. Bratt Lieut,
for Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery

H.Q., 5/5/18

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AMENDMENT No. 2 to FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION No. 6

Headquarters,
7th May, 1918.

1. Para. 2 of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6, and Amendments Nos. 1 & 2 are CANCELLED, and the following substituted:-
2. "S.O.S" line will run K.19.c.3.0 - K.25.a.00.40 - J.50.c.90.65 - J.30.c.60.00 - J.36.a.45.70 - J.36.a.20.00 - J.35.d.35.00 - P.5.b.20.65 - P.3.b.50.50 - P.3.c.50.00 - P.9.a.40.40 - P.8.d.60.30 - P.14.b.40.60 - P.14.d.00.70 - P.14.d.00.00 - P.20.a.90.30 - P.20.c.90.85.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Russell
Brigade Major, *att.*

5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 4.45 p.m. to all recipients of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No. 16

Headquarters,
7th May, 1918.

1. The D.T.M.O. 5th Australian Division will take over 2-15 prs B.L.C. and 100 rounds per gun from the 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
2. The D.T.M.O. 5th Australian Division will reconnoitre Anti-Tank Gun positions forthwith for these 15 prs about Squares O.13 and O.19.
3. The D.T.M.O. 5th Australian Division will arrange to put these guns into action as soon as possible and will man them with personnel of the 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Trench Mortars.
4. The D.T.M.O. 5th Australian Division will report to this office the co-ordinates of positions selected and when these 15 prs are in action.
5. Further arrangements will be made direct between C.O. 298th Army Brigade, R.F.A., and the D.T.M.O. 5th Australian Division.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. Wilson

Major,
Brigade Major,

5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 6 p.m. to:-

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13th Aust. F.A. Brigade	1	4th Aust. Divl Artillery	12
14th Aust. F.A. Brigade	2	8th Aust. Inf. Brigade	13
16th Army Brigade, R.H.A.	3	14th Aust. Inf. Brigade	14
77th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	4	15th Aust. Inf. Brigade	15
150th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	5	Aust. Corps, H.A.	16
298th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	6	Aust. Corps, R.A.	17
9th Brigade, R.G.A.	7	Aust. Corps, "Q"	18
65th Brigade, R.G.A.	8	5th Aust. Divn "G"	19
D.T.M.O. 5th Aust. Divn	9	Staff Captain	20
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 6/5/18 to 6 a.m. 7/5/18
 NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. At 7.5 a.m. enemy movement in P.10.d.7.8 was successfully engaged. At 7.15 a.m. twelve men in P.16.o were put to flight. At 9.15 a.m. a hostile-party in P.15.d was scattered. New work in P.14.b, was bombarded with satisfactory results, many direct hits being obtained. At 11.31 a.m. an enemy party in P.16.b.2.8 was dispersed. Small hostile parties in P.16.o, were scattered during the afternoon. Our Artillery were active during the night on counter preparation. At 9.45 p.m. a Divisional salvo (all Groups) was fired on P.10.c.4.5. Counter preparation lanes were swept for 10 minutes at 9.55 p.m., 11.25 p.m., 2.30 a.m., and 3.20 a.m., interspersed with Divisional salvos at 11.20 p.m. on P.14.d.7.5; at 2.24 a.m. on P.10.o.4.8 and at 3.25 a.m. on P.5.o.9.5. At 4.5 a.m. a rolling barrage swept back from "S.O.S" plus 600 yards to "S.O.S" plus 100 yards. Between 7.30 p.m. and 11 p.m. bursts of fire were put down on K.31 and on valley in K.26.o & d in co-operation with Left flank Division. The mobile Brigade bombarded the BOIS de VAIRE, BOIS D'ACCROCHE, Wood in P.11.d, Cross roads in P.21.d, Enemy works in B.11.a, and movement in trench running South from this work. Enemy parties in P.15 and P.16 were engaged and retired rapidly to cover. 6" Newton T.M. fired 29 rounds on targets on the Left Brigade front between 4.30 and 5 a.m. 6/5/18.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. Was exceptionally quiet during the night, and intermittently active with deliberate observed shoots during the day. In the morning HAMELET was lightly shelled by a 77 mm battery from the direction of BOIS D'ACCROCHE, and the same battery registered on VAIRE Church. BOUZENCOURT was lightly shelled by a 77 mm battery from P.11.o. Three rounds of 5.9 H.V. fell in CORBIE. FOUILLOY was intermittently shelled by 5.9 Hows between 9.40 and 11.40 a.m. The Front System was lightly shelled by 4.2 Hows between 10.15 and 11.20 a.m. In the afternoon 20 rounds 77 mm fell in I.28; HAMELET was lightly shelled by 77 mm; 25 rounds 77 mm fell in VAIRE; 15 rounds 4.2 How in I.28.b & d; 3 bursts from a 77 mm battery in P.11.o on J.33; 200 rounds of 5.9 How on J.14.b.70.35 (battery position) between 6 and 8 p.m., and 40 rounds of 4.2 How on J.15.a. At 5 p.m. 12 rounds 4.2 How fell in FOUILLOY. The night was quiet.

3. GENERAL. One of our planes fell in flames at 7 a.m. At 2.30 p.m. nine enemy aircraft cross our lines, but were driven back by M.G. fire, and at 5.30 p.m. a further 4 crossed and were turned back. At 7.10 p.m. three hostile planes patrolled our Front System at very low altitude and got away safely. Enemy balloons were up on True Bearings of 129°, 162°, 168°, 169° 30', and 180° from I.24.d.7.8. Considerable activity was observed in back areas. Horses grazing in Q.9 and Q.15 were engaged by 60 pdr shrapnel, some effective bursts being observed. A lot of horse transport was seen on the road in Q.9 travelling South at 8.45 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. Mounted men and 200 Infantry were observed moving South-West along road in Q.15. Dug-out at P.21.d.9.9 is still a centre of activity. P.17.a.8.0 is believed to be a Headquarters. Transports and Infantry moving along road in R.3 and R.9 in the morning. Hostile battery observed in action in Q.21.a. Very effective shooting by Heavy Artillery seen on new work in front of the BOIS de VAIRE.

Edg. H. Booth. Lieut,
 Reconnaissances Officer.
 5th Australian Divisional Arty.

H.Qrs 7/5/18

FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ROUTINE ORDER No.26.

- by -

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

Headquarters,
7th. May 1918.

164. - FIELD GENERAL COURT MARTIAL.

Reference 5th. Aust. D.A.R.O. No.22 para 142 of 23.4.18.
The Court therein detailed will re-assemble at
Headquarters, 5th. Australian Division at 10.a.m. on 8th. inst.

165. - CORRIGENDUM.

Reference 5th. Aust. D.A.R.O. No.23 para 147 of 27.4.18.
For "2/Lieut. J.V. Roebuck" read "2/Lieut. (Hon. Lieut)
J.V. Roebuck".

166. - PROMOTIONS.

No.216 Sergeant Howard Hyla HENDERSON, 54th. Battery,
to be Temporary Battery Sergeant Major (Warrant Officer Class II)
vice B.S.M. Daniels promoted. Dated 1.3.18.
(Authority - 5th. Aust. Div. R.O. No.224 dated 3.5.18).

No.8727 R.Q.M.S. Martin Joseph O'DONNELL to be W.O.
Class I temporarily vice Howlett (Invalided) Dated 2.4.18.
(Authority A.I.F. List No.324 dated 30.4.1918).

167. - REVERSION.

No.1309 Sergeant (temp. Battery Sergeant Major F.P. GREEN
reverts to his substantive rank of Sergeant owing to No.7957
B.S.M. F.S. Marshall being absorbed. Dated 29.4.18.
(Authority 5th. Aust. Div. R.O. No.224 dated 3.5.18).

168. - HONOURS & REWARDS.

The award of the following French Decorations has been
approved by the War Office :-

CROIX de GUERRE.

Lieut. Colonel H.O. Caddy, D.S.O. - 13th. F.A. Brigade.

MEDAILLE MILITAIRE

No.234 Sergeant P.J. Graham - 55th. Battery, 14th. F.A. Bde.
(Authority - G.H.Q. MS/H/8217 dated 24.4.1918).

The C.R.A. wishes to convey his congratulations to the
recipients.

169. - ORDERS.

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

General Routine Orders. - Paras 3884 to 3922.

- 3887. - Telephone Equipment.
- 3888. - Cable - Scale of Issue.
- 3891. - Prisoners taken by the enemy - Caution as to revealing
information.
- 3892. - Leave - Delay at London Railway Stations.

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- ORDERS (Cont'd)

General Routine Orders (cont'd).

- 3893. - Australian Convalescent Depot.
- 3894. - Water Supply Appliances.
- 3899. - Return of Unserviceable and Surplus Stores, during Periods of Emergency.
- 3901. - Removal of Leather or Composition Buttons from garments before Fumigation.
- 3903. - Return of Cotton Bandoliers, 50 Rounds.
- 3911. - Carriage, Field, Q.F. 18.pdr. Marks I and II - Buffer and Recuperator - Spanner Control and Air Valve.
- 3917. - Heliograph - Artillery Units. Amendment.
- 3919. - Private Telegrams for United Kingdom.
- 3922. - French Army Horses Loaned to Farmers in British Areas.

Fourth Army Routine Orders. - Paras 1960 to 1974.

- 1961. - Immediate Rewards - Recommendations for.
- 1965. - Abandoned Wine.
- 1967. - Huts in British and French Zone - Occupation of.
- 1969. - Indents for Ordnance Stores.
- 1972. - Sights Dial No. 7 - Marks I and II.
- 1973. - Improved Eyepieces for Box Respirators.
- 1974. - Moves of Guns and Howitzers.

Aust. Corps Routine Orders. - Paras 118 to 124.

- 119. - Movement of Troops.
- 120. - Fourth Army Traffic Map.
- 121. - Horses.
- 122. - Bounds.
- 123. - Salvage and Care of S.A.A.
- 124. - Horses - Prevention of Gas.

5th. Aust. Div. Routine Orders. Paras 222 to 232.

- 222. - Prisoners taken by the Enemy.
- 223. - CORBEE.
- 225. - Horse-lines on Hill-sides.
- 228. - Winter Clothing.
- 229. - Destruction of Trees.
- 230. - Sanitation.

Basil Morris

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

NOTICE.

- LOST. - In PONT NOVELLES on the night of 2/3rd. inst.
A new "ANDERSON & ANDERSON" Mackintosh - Cavalry Pattern - without waistbelt.
Finder should return to O.C. "Q" Battery R.H.A.
A reward is offered.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.
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From 6 a.m. 7/5/18 to 6 a.m. 8/5/18.
NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. Visibility was poor throughout the day, consequently few live targets were engaged. In the morning an O.P. at K.31.o.60.45 was knocked out by 4.5" Hows. String points in P.4.d. were bombarded. Small parties of enemy in P.14 and P.16 were engaged and dispersed. At 4.15 p.m. two active hostile batteries at K.25.d.90.10 and J.36.e4.5. were effectively dealt with by a box barrage and bombardment. At 9.30 p.m. a two minute concentration was fired on P.15.b.3.1. to P.15 central. At 10.25 p.m. the trench system in P.10.b. & d., P.11.a. and P.4.d. was bombarded by all guns and hows for ten minutes. At 2.30 a.m. a two minute burst was fired on the BOIS DE VAIRE in P.20.b. and SAILLY LAURETTE bombarded. At 3.0 a.m. a ten minute burst swept the works in front of the BOIS de VAIRE and 500 yards East; the valley in K31. was searched at the same time. At 3.18 a.m. a two minute burst was fired on the BOIS de VAIRE, and the cemetery in J.36.o. At 3.45 a.m. a rolling barrage swept forward from the S.O.S. plus 50 yards to S.O.S. plus 300 yards, in five minutes. At 11 p.m. a programme was fired in conjunction with the Infantry advance on the Left.
2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. This has continued quiet. In the morning 10 rounds 77 mm fell in HAMLET, from P.17. J.31. was intermittently shelled by 77 mm, VAIRE by 25 rounds 4.2 How, J11 & J.17. intermittently by 77 mm and 4.2 Hows, I.24 & I.29. by short bursts of 4.2 Hows, J.19.o. by 12 rounds 4.2 How, and the Canal area in O.6.a. by 20 rounds 77 mm. In the afternoon VAIRE was shelled by 20 rounds 77 mm from the BOIS de VAIRE, I.24.b. by 10 rounds 5.9 How, I.24.b. by 20 rounds 77 mm from direction of CERISY, J.31. Central by 6 rounds 4.2 How, and 3 rounds 5.9 H.V. on CORBIE. A 4.2 H.V. gun from South-East registered on Cross roads in P.1.a. During the day a 5.9 H.V. gun put eight rounds between BUSSY-LES-DAOURS and VERQUEMENT. At night 20 rounds 4.2 How fell in VAIRE, 50 rounds 5.9 How fell on roads in J.25, and few 4.2 How in HAMLET.
3. GENERAL. Visibility poor. Enemy aircraft active between 6.0 p.m. and 9.0 p.m. One E.A. patrolled our forward system between 9.0 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Edgar H. Booth

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

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No. 17.

Headquarters,
9th May, 1918.

1. The Second Australian Division (less Artillery) is to relieve the Third Australian Division (less Artillery) in "C" Division Sector and area on nights 9th/10th and 10th/11th May, 1918.
2. On completion of relief Headquarters of Second and Third Australian Divisions will be situated at ST. GRATIEN and ALLONVILLE respectively.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE (Brigades only).

H. Bullon

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 2.30 p.m. to:-

	Copy No.		Copy No.
13th Aust. F.A. Brigade	1	8th Aust. Inf. Brigade	14
14th Aust. F.A. Brigade	2	14th Aust. Inf. Brigade	15
16th Army Brigade, R.H.A.	3	15th Aust. Inf. Brigade	16
77th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	4	Aust. Corps, R.A.	17
150th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	5	Aust. Corps, H.A.	18
298th Army Brigade, R.F.A.	6	Aust. Corps, "Q"	19
9th Brigade, R.G.A.	7	5th Aust. Divn "Q"	20
65th Brigade, R.G.A.	8	Staff Captain	21
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AMENDMENT No. 1 to FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION NO 14.

Headquarters,
9th May, 1918.

1. Para. 2 of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 14 is CANCELLED.

E. H. Burt Lieut.
Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 6 p.m. to all recipients of 5th Australian Divisional
Artillery Instruction No. 14.



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AMENDMENT No. 3 to 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION No. 6.

Headquarters,
9th May, 1918.

1. Reference para. 7.

Delete rates of fire and substitute the following:-

First 8 minutes --	4 rounds per gun per minute.
Second 7 minutes --	3 rounds per gun per minute.

2. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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

Issued at 9 p.m. to all recipients of 5th Australian Divisional
Artillery Instruction No. 6.



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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 8/5/18 to 6 a.m. 9/5/18

NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. During the morning an enemy party at P.10.b.6.8 was engaged and again during the afternoon a party was dispersed at P.10.b.5.0. Party of 12 at P.16.c, were scattered. On information from aerial observation a concentrated shoot for 5 minutes, in conjunction with Heavy Artillery, was put down on new work from P.14.b.50.30 to P.14.d.30.80 at 4.12 p.m. Between 6 and 7 p.m. small parties of enemy moving between BOIS de VAIRE and BOIS de ACCROCHE were engaged and the area was kept under sweeping fire. At 4.10 p.m. and 7.10 p.m. movement in BOIS de VAIRE was engaged. At 7.45 p.m. a large enemy party in K.27.a.1.9 was engaged. At 8.40 p.m. the Infantry reported that the enemy was observed, in large numbers, in BOIS de VAIRE, and was successfully engaged. 8.50 p.m. transport at P.17.a.6.4 was engaged effectively. Concentrated bursts of fire, in conjunction with Heavy Artillery, were carried out during the night for 5 minutes at 9.30 p.m. on trench system in P.4, 10 & 16 and at 10.15 p.m. on valley in P.9.c and 5.a, & 14.b. Counter preparation targets were engaged for 2 minutes at 3.25 a.m. "S.O.S" roll from "S.O.S" line plus 575 yards to "S.O.S" plus 75 yards for 5 minutes at 3.55 a.m. At 2 a.m. BOIS de VAIRE was swept with concentrated fire for 10 minutes, in conjunction with gas projectiles which were fired on to new work on Western edge of BOIS de VAIRE.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. VAIRE and J.35 were shelled by 4.2 and 77 mm intermittently during the morning. Between 10.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. 20 rounds of 77 mm fell on J.27.b; 12 noon to 12.35 p.m. 12 rounds of 5.9 fell on J.29 from direction of V.35.a; 12 noon CORBIE received 5 rounds of 4.2. Between 3 and 4 p.m. VAIRE and Front System in P.8.c were shelled lightly by 4.2 and 77 mm. 4.10 p.m. O.17.a., received 12 rounds of 5.9; 4.40 p.m. 6 rounds of 5.9 on O.17.b; 4.50 p.m. I.30.b, was lightly shelled by 77 mm and from 8.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. 30 rounds of 77 mm fell on J.25. From 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. J.32 was intermittently shelled by 4.2 How.

3. GENERAL. Hostile Artillery attitude slightly more active and more shelling during the night than in previous few days. Visibility low till 2 p.m. thence good. Movement was observed and engaged near suspected H.Q. P.21.d.9.9. Enemy aircraft crossed our lines at 7 p.m. but was driven off by A.A. Our aircraft very active after 4 p.m. 7 to 8 a.m. flashes observed T.B. 129⁰ from J.27.b. 50.70 - direction of fire unknown.

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J. R. Russell

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

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AMENDMENT No. 4 to 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION No. 6.

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Headquarters,
10th May, 1918.

1. Para. 2 of Amendment No. 2 of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6, is CANCELLED, and the following substituted:-

2. "S.O.S" line will run K.19.d.0.0 - K.25.a.65.60 - J.30.o.80.60 - J.30.o.60.00 - J.36.a.20.00 - J.35.d.35.00 - P.5.b.20.65 - P.3.b.50.50 - P.3.c.50.00 - P.9.a.40.40 - P.8.d.60.30 - P.14.b.40.60 - P.14.d.00.70 - P.14.d.00.00 - P.20.a.90.30 - P.20.c.90.85.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Remellon
Brigade Major, Capt.

Headquarters, 10.5.18.

5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 11 a.m. to all recipients of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6.



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AMENDMENT No. 5 to "B" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

1. "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, Sheet "H", para. 2, is amended as follows:-

"S.O.S" line will run K.19.d.0.0 - K.25.a.65.60 - J.30.c.80.60 - J.30.c.60.00 - J.36.a.20.00 - J.35.d.35.00 - P.5.b.20.65 - P.3.b.50.50 - P.3.c.50.00 - P.9.a.40.40 - P.8.d.60.30 - P.14.b.40.60 - P.14.d.00.70 - P.14.d.00.00 - P.20.a.90.30 - P.20.c.90.85.

2. The above Amendment CANCELS Amendment No. 2 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. R. M. M.
 Major, Capt
 Brigade Major,

Headquarters, 10/5/18.

5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 11 a.m. to all recipients of "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme.

"B" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

ANTI TANK DEFENCE AND PROTECTION AGAINST LOW FLYING AEROPLANES.

1. There are 3-15 pdrs B.L.C. on the "B" Divisional front. 100 rounds of H.E. ammunition are at each of these positions. These 3-15 pdrs B.L.C. are emplaced as under:-

(i) One at J.19.d.9.0. This gun is attached to and manned by personnel from the Centre Group.

(ii) One at P.19.a.central and one at P.8.o.3.5. These 2-15 pdrs are manned by personnel of the "B" Divisional Artillery Trench Mortars. Reliefs are arranged by the D.T.M.O.

2. 2-18 pdrs are emplaced at O.17.o.9.1 and O.17.d.7.1 to cover the Ridge, and also the valley of the SOMME to the South of the River SOMME.

3. The positions referred to in paras 1 & 2 are not to be given away prematurely, and although the primary object is the destruction of hostile Tanks, yet full advantage is to be taken in their employment against hostile infantry should favourable opportunities occur.

4. One battery of the R.H.A. Brigade in mobile reserve has a roving commission South of the SOMME, with the especial role of dealing with hostile Tanks in case of Tank attack.

5. In addition, one Section of 18 pdrs per Group is detailed as an Anti-Tank Section and immediately engage any targets of that nature that present themselves.

6. Protection against low flying aeroplanes. Each battery has its own two Lewis guns in action at the battery for defence against aircraft; these are so sited that they can be used to defend the battery position from Infantry attack in case of necessity.

AMENDMENT No. 6 to "B" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

1. Sheet "E" of the "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme is CANCELLED and the above SUBSTITUTED.

2. ACKNOWLEDGE ON ATTACHED FORM.

Headquarters, 10/5/18

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

Issued at 3.30 p.m. to all recipients of "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 9/5/18 to 6 a.m. 10/5/18
NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. In the morning an enemy party at P.17.central was dispersed. In the afternoon movement in the Southern portion of the BOIS DE VAIRE was engaged, and enemy parties at P.10.d, P.17.a & b, P.12, and P.14.b.5.0 engaged at different times and casualties inflicted. Dug-outs at P.14.d.05.10 were demolished and a hostile battery in P.17.a, neutralised. At 6.15 p.m. a group concentration was fired on enemy infantry and transport in Q.8.d and Q.9.a. From 7 to 11.45 p.m. harassing fire on enemy approaches and dead ground was continued actively. At 11.45 p.m. a two minute burst was fired on counter preparation targets. At 1.55 p.m. a five minute concentration was fired on P.14.b.5.3 to P.14.d.3.8. At 2.25 a.m. approaches to HAMEL were swept for two minutes. At 3 a.m. P.15.d, was searched for two minutes. At 3.40 a.m. a rolling barrage swept back from "S.O.S" plus 625 yards to "S.O.S" plus 25 yards, in six minutes.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. Has considerably increased in activity, both during the day and night, on the Left sector. The Right sector has remained comparatively inactive. I.29 has been heavily shelled by 5.9 Hows from 11.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on a true sound bearing of 1400 from I.36.a.3.9. J.15 was continuously bombarded from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. by 4.2 Hows from MALARD WOOD. This re-commenced at 8.30 p.m. and ceased at 10.30 p.m. after a further 300 rounds had fallen. Shelling of this area re-commenced at 6 a.m. 10th. In the morning HAMELET was lightly shelled by 4.2 Hows from the BOIS D'ACCROCHE; J.19 and J.20 by 5.9 Hows; J.20.c & d intermittently by 77 mm, and 10 rounds 4.2 How fell on Front Line System on the Left. In the afternoon VAIRE was lightly shelled by 4.2 Hows; road in I.30.o, heavily by 5.9 Hows (3 to 6 p.m.), O.11.o, by 24 rounds 4.2 How, and O.16.b, by 16 rounds 77 mm. Between 8 and 9 p.m. 30 rounds 5.9 and 4.2 fell in J.19; J.20 and J.32 were lightly shelled by 4.2 Hows from 9 and 9.45 p.m. Copse and battery position in J.15.b by 300 rounds 4.2 How from 8.30 to 10.30 p.m.; burst of fire on O.24.a, at 8.45 p.m. J.29.a, J.29.b, and SAILLY-LE-SEC intermittently bombarded during the night. 6" Trench Mortars fired 32 rounds on targets in J.36.c and J.35.d. on night 8th/9th.

3. GENERAL. Visibility was poor until 3 p.m. then good. Enemy aircraft were active during the day, engaged on artillery registration. Four small bombs were dropped on VAIRE at 10.15 a.m. At 4 a.m. four large enemy planes crossed our lines and proceeded West. Much movement still reported in the vicinity of the suspected dug-out at P.21.d.9.9. New earthworks have been constructed at P.14.b.9.3. Abnormal hostile movement both of transport and infantry has been observed in back areas. Early in the afternoon reconnaissance plane reported a long enemy column with its head at Q.26, proceeding Westwards, along the WARFUSEE road. At 6.40 p.m. a long column (approx. one mile) of infantry with transport was seen in Q.9.a, & Q.8.b & d, towards CERISY. This was still moving between CERISY and CHIPILLY at 7.30 p.m. At 6.50 p.m. a continuous stream of infantry in parties of 20, and transport was seen in Q.25 and Q.26, moving Westwards. The Heavy Artillery engaged with excellent results, no further big movement being observed on that road whilst observation lasted. At 8 p.m. Divisional O.P. reported abnormal movement in Q.3 & Q.4,

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H.Q., 10.5.18

Edg. H. Brett.
Lieut.,
Reconnaissance Officer,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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AMENDMENT No. 7 to "B" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.
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1. Reference "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, Sheet "I", page 2, para. 11, sub-para (b).

Strike out -

"Route: Road N.8.c - N.7.b - N.2.c & a - H.32.c - H.31.b - H.25.d & b - G.24.b - G.18.d & a"

And substitute the following -

Route for 298th R.F.A., Brigade Ammunition Column: Road N.8.c - N.7.b - N.2.c & a - H.32.c - H.31.b - H.25.d & b - G.24.b - G.18.d & a.

Route for 77th R.F.A., Brigade Ammunition Column: Any tracks or roads as tactical situation demands.

ACKNOWLEDGE ON ATTACHED FORM.

Headquarters,
11/5/18.

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

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 10/5/18 to 6 a.m. 11/5/18
NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. During the afternoon a hostile body at P.14.d, was dispersed; a body of twelve enemy in P.14.a, scattered, and a working party at P.14.d.5.8 was engaged and casualties inflicted. A number of the enemy engaged in carrying boxes from the BOIS D'ACCROCHE to the BOIS de HAMEL were put to flight. Movement was observed in a post at P.10.b.10.95, which was bombarded and three direct hits obtained. From 5 to 5.30 p.m. a building at P.9.b.1.9 (occupied by a machine gun party) was bombarded with good results. At 6.3 p.m. an N.F. call on K.21.a.6.3 was answered. At 8.15 p.m. enemy movement on the Eastern edge of the BOIS de VAIRE was engaged. At 9.25 p.m. a ten minute concentration was put down on new work J.36.c.8.4 - J.36.c.8.0 - J.36.c.2.1. At 2.40 a.m. a burst of fire swept the BOIS de VAIRE and work to the West for five minutes. At 3.25 a.m. points of possible assembly and routes were searched for two minutes. At 3.40 a.m. a five minutes area shoot was fired on P.15.c. At 4.25 a.m. a rolling barrage proceeded from "S.O.S" plus 75 yards to "S.O.S" plus 575 yards, five minutes. Counter battery concentrations, in conjunction with Heavy Artillery, were fired at 11 p.m. and 1 a.m.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. Has remained active - scattered shelling, with two early morning concentrations on the South of the river. In the morning J.22 and J.27 were intermittently shelled by 4.2 and 5.9 Hows and one burst of 12 rounds of 77 mm; J.20.c, was searched by 77 mm on a T.B. 115° 20' from J.27.a.7.0; J.24 lightly shelled by a 5.9 How from FLAT IRON COPSE and by salvos of 77 mm, and a 4.2 How registered on P.13.c, firing from direction of the BOIS de VAIRE. In the afternoon the Front System before HAMEL received 30 rounds 77 mm; HAMELET 30 rounds 77 mm; J.19.d shelled by 20 rounds 77 mm; I.29.b & a by 30 rounds 4.2 How; I.33 by 15 rounds 77 mm; BONNAY by 8 rounds 5.9 How; road in I.30.c by 10 rounds 77 mm (from the BOIS de HAMEL); J.31.c by 30 rounds 77 mm (four guns firing); CORBIE by a 4.2 gun and J.26.a by a 77 mm gun on a T.B. 120° 20' from J.27.a.7.0. During the night a few rounds 4.2 How fell in VAIRE (1 a.m.); O.17.c.2.9 to O.17.c.2.9 to O.12.c.7.7 was bombarded for five minutes by 4.2 and 5.9 Hows and 77 mm guns at 9.20 a.m., and at 5 a.m. a five minute burst of 50 rounds 4.2 How fell in O.12.c.

3. GENERAL. Planes were active on both sides. At 7 a.m. five enemy scouts flew over our Front line System. One of our Squadrons dropped bombs near HAMEL. One of our planes was driven down behind CHERISY at 6.55 p.m. At 1.30 p.m. two transport wagons were observed on road in Q.26. Movement was seen in a Sap at P.10.b.9.3 at 4.55 p.m. A number of hostile gun flashes were observed during the day in rear of the BOIS de HAMEL. A big dump exploded near HARBONNIERES at 4.50 p.m.

Eg. H. Booth

Lieut,
Reconnaissance Officer,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Headquarters,
11th May, 1918.

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AMENDMENT No. 10 to "B" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.
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1. "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, Sheet "H", para. 2 is amended as follows:-

"S.O. 8" line will run K.19.d.00.00 - K.25.a.15.00 - J.30.c.80.00 -
 J.36.a.25.50 - J.35.d.30.20 - P.5.b.20.65 - P.3.b.50.50 -
 P.3.c.50.00 - P.9.a.40.40 - P.8.d.60.30 - P.14.b.40.60 -
 P.14.b.30.40 - P.14.d.00.70 - P.14.c.70.00 - P.20.a.60.50 -
 P.20.c.60.85.

2. The above Amendment CANCELS Amendment No. 8 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE ON ATTACHED FORM.

Headquarters,
 12th May, 1918.

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

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AMENDMENT No. 8 to "B" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

1. "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme, Sheet "H", para. 2 is amended as follows:-

"g.o.s" line will run K.19.d.0.0 - K.25.a.65.60 - J.30.o.80.60 -
J.30.o.60.00 - J.36.a.20.00 - J.35.d.35.00 - P.5.b.20.65 -
P.3.b.50.50 - P.3.o.50.00 - P.9.a.40.40 - P.8.d.60.30 -
P.14.b.40.60 - P.14.b.30.40 - P.14.d.00.70 - P.14.o.70.00 -
P.20.a.60.50 - P.20.o.60.85.

2. The above Amendment CANCELS Amendment No. 5 to "B" Divisional Artillery Defence Scheme.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE ON ATTACHED FORM.

Edg. H. Smith *Lt.*
Major,

Headquarters,
12th May, 1918.

Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.
Defence Scheme.

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AMENDMENT No. 6 to 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION No. 6

Headquarters,
12th May, 1918.

1. Para. 2 of Amendment No. 5 of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6 is cancelled, and the following substituted:-
2. "S.O.S" line will run K.19.d.00.00 - K.25.a.15.00 - J.30.o.80.00 - J.36.a.25.50 - J.35.d.30.20 - P.5.b.20.65 - P.3.b.50.50 - P.3.c.50.00 - P.9.a.40.40 - P.8.d.60.30 - P.14.b.40.60 - P.14.b.30.40 - P.14.d.00.70 - P.14.o.70.60 - P.20.a.60.50 - P.20.c.60.85.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE ON ATTACHED FORM.

Hamilton

Major,
Brigade Major,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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AMENDMENT No. 5 to 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY INSTRUCTION No. 6

Headquarters,
12th May, 1918.

1. Para. 2 of Amendment No. 4 of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 6, is cancelled, and the following substituted:-
2. "S.O.S" line will run K.19.d.0.0 - K.25.a.65.60 - J.30.c.80.60 - J.30.c.60.00 - J.36.a.20.00 - J.35.d.35.00 - P.5.b.20.65 - P.3.b.50.50 - B.3.c.50.00 - P.9.a.40.40 - P.8.d.60.30 - P.14.b.40.60 - P.14.b.30.40 - P.14.d.00.70 - P.14.c.70.00 - P.20.a.60.50 - P.20.c.60.85.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE ON ATTACHED FORM.

Edy - H. Brook Lint.
 Major,
 Brigade Major,
 5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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 Artillery Instruction No. 6.



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AMENDMENT No.9 to "B" DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY DEFENCE SCHEME.

1. Reference Sheet "E". Para. 1 sub-para (ii) and para 2 are cancelled and the following substituted:-

1.(ii) One at P.19.b.00.90 and one at P.8.c.20.00. These 2-15 prds are manned by personnel of the "B" Divisional Artillery Trench Mortars. Reliefs are arranged by the D.T.M.O.

2. 2-18 prds are emplaced at O.17.c.80.10 and O.17.d.20.35 to cover the Ridge with a field of fire South East.

2. ACKNOWLEDGE ON ATTACHED FORM.

Headquarters,
12th May, 1918.

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

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 11/5/18 to 6 a.m. 12/5/18
NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. Considerable movement was observed and engaged. In the morning a working party on the grid line P.15.d - P.21.b was dispersed; small parties near the BOIS de VAIRE scattered; a party of ten with packs and rifles at the BOIS de HAMEL put to flight; movement in P.16.o engaged and casualties inflicted, and a hostile party at P.15.d driven to cover. In the afternoon a suspected H.Q. at P.15.d.7.0 was engaged, three direct hits being observed. A number of the enemy in P.14.central were scattered. During the afternoon a single gun was run forward into the SOMME salient, so as to enfilade the new work in front of the BOIS de VAIRE where active construction is still in progress. This gun was registered on the work and then remained silent. At 8.30 p.m. it opened and maintained continuous nagging fire sweeping the whole work until 3.15 a.m. when a divisional concentration was fired on the same target. This gun was then withdrawn to the main position. At 10.17 p.m. all guns fired a creeping box concentration, shepherding the enemy into the wood in P.15.e from a radius of 1000 yards. All guns, including Heavy Artillery, then engaged this area for two minutes. At 2 a.m. a 25 minutes Trench Mortar concentration was fired on the Left Brigade front, supported by two groups of Artillery, the remainder engaging routes and assembly points. At 3.7 a.m. two minute concentrations were fired on strong points in P.16.b, and on HAMEL in P.9.b. At 3.20 a.m. a six minute jumping barrage was put down along the divisional front, fluctuating between "S.O.S" plus 500 yards and "S.O.S" plus 75 yards. 6" Newton Trench Mortars also fired 33 rounds on the cemetery in J.36.o.9.5, Posts, Trenches, and M.G. positions on the Left Sector, on the hostile Minenwerfers at J.36.o.5.0, and on the BOIS de VAIRE.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. Remained active but scattered on the Left of the Sector, quiet on the Right except for two bursts. The night was quiet. In the morning P.8 was lightly shelled by 4.2 Hows; VAIRE by 77 mm, 5.9 How, and 4.2 How from P.30; WELCOME WOOD intermittently by 77 mm battery from SAILLY LAURETTE; P.19.b by 10 rounds 4.2 How; J.15 by a few rounds of 5.9 How. In the afternoon 8 rounds 4.2 H.V. fell in BONNAY apparently from Q.18.b; J.30.o shelled lightly by 5.9 How; VAIRE by 20 rounds 4.2 How from Q.18; J.19 by 4.2 How lightly and O.17.a by a burst of 40 rounds 4.2 & 5.9 Hows at 7 p.m. according to programme. Between 10 p.m. and midnight 40 rounds 5.9 How fell in J.21 and a few rounds of 4.2 How in J.15.b; at 3 a.m. a burst of 40 rounds of 4.2 and 5.9 How fell in O.17.b, and at 4.10 a.m. 12 rounds 4.2 How fell in VAIRE.

3. GENERAL. Visibility poor until 3 p.m. then fair. A considerable amount of minor movement observed. Parties in P.22.a were observed to be successfully engaged by Heavy Artillery. A H.Q. is suspected at P.15.d.7.0. Enemy aircraft active. 7 crossed our lines at 5.55 p.m. and proceeded to back areas.

Edgar H. Booth

Lieut,
Reconnaissance Officer,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Headquarters,
12th May, 1918.

APPENDIX

FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No. 18.

1. The 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery will be relieved in the line on the 14th May, 1918, by the 2nd Australian Divisional Artillery.

2. On completion of relief of the 7th and 8th Australian Field Artillery Brigades the Artillery covering the front of "C" Divisional Sector will be grouped as follows:-

- Lieut-Col. L.T. RAIKES, D.S.O.
189th Army Brigade, R.F.A.
108th Army Brigade, R.F.A.

- Lieut-Col. H.W. RIGGALL, D.S.O.
4th Brigade, A.F.A.
5th Brigade, A.F.A.

- Lieut-Col. G.I. STEVENSON, C.M.G.
3rd Army Brigade, A.F.A.

- Lieut-Col. H. COHEN, C.M.G., D.S.O.
6th Army Brigade, A.F.A.

3. Three 15-pdr B.L.C. Anti-Tank guns are in position, two under Right Group; one under the Left Group.

4. Trench Mortars will be taken over 'in situ',

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

1. Rymer
Brigade Major, *call*
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Issued at 11 p.m. to:-

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77th Army Brigade, R. F. A.	4	Aust. Corps, R. A.	16
150th Army Brigade, R. F. A.	5	Aust. Corps, H. A.	17
298th Army Brigade, R. F. A.	6	5th Aust. Divn "G"	18
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY GROUP INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6 a.m. 12/5/18 to 6 a.m. 13/5/18
NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO THE FORWARD SYSTEM.

1. OPERATIONS. In the morning a hostile working party in P.15.c, was dispersed. In the afternoon visibility improved, and many live targets were engaged. A dug-out at P.10.c.1.0 was bombarded, and three direct hits registered. A small party of the enemy at P.15.b, was dispersed. A large body of the enemy by what appeared to be a gun emplacement in P.14.d, were engaged and casualties inflicted, stretcher cases being removed. A group of men working round dug-out at P.10.d.3.5 were dispersed. Numerous small parties moving between the BOIS de VAIRE and BOIS D'ACCROCHE were scattered. At 7 p.m. a large body of enemy at P.14.d.2.8 were engaged, many direct hits being observed, and the Infantry reporting heavy casualties inflicted. A zone call in P.11.b.6.7 was engaged at 6.47 p.m. At 9.3 p.m. a two minute concentration was fired by all guns on P.9.b.9.4 (HAMEL). At 10.35 p.m. area P.15.c, enclosing occupied shell hole systems and converging tracks was swept by lines of fire moving on the centre from the four sides, whilst the Heavy Artillery bombarded the occupied system P.15.a.0.0 to P.15.c.0.5. Four minutes after this ceased (10.45 p.m.) all groups fired one crash on P.15.a.0.0 to P.15.c.0.5, and the Heavy Artillery one crash on P.15.b.0.0 to P.15.d.0.5. At 12.5 a.m. a five minute concentration was fired on the valley J.36.c.6.8 to J.36.b.9.5, and the trench P.9.a.75.00 to P.9.b.00.35. At 1.55 a.m. a two minute burst swept dug-outs and traffic route P.11.b.75.85 to P.11.b.1.0, and area P.4.c.0.0 to P.4.c.5.0 - P.4.c.50.35 - P.4.c.0.5. At 2.47 a.m. a five minute concentration was put down on enemy works in the BOIS de VAIRE, from P.14.d.5.4 to P.14.b.80.05. At 3.16 a.m. a rolling barrage swept forward from "S.O.S" plus 25 yards to "S.O.S" plus 525 yards. Four minutes later (3.25 a.m. one crash was fired on "S.O.S" plus 800 yards. At 4.15 a.m. fire was opened on possible points of assembly and tracks opposite the divisional front. The suspected H.Q. at P.21.d.9.9 was bombarded at 11 p.m. 6" Newton Trench Mortars fired 140 rounds on various targets on the night 11th/12th.

2. HOSTILE ARTILLERY. Hostile Artillery was very quiet during the day and earlier part of the night, very active between 4 and 6 a.m. In the morning 6 rounds of 77 mm fell in WELCOME WOOD. In the afternoon 18 rounds of 77 mm fell in VAIRE; 30 rounds of 77 mm in I.36.a; CORBIE was lightly shelled by 77 mm from FLAT IRON COPSE; the windmill in J.27.a, was registered by a 5.9 battery from the direction of WARFUSEE, and a 5.9 battery engaged the church in CORBIE at 7 pm. Between 4 and 6 p.m. 100 rounds of 5.9 and 4.2 How fell in O.10 & O.15. From 4 to 5.30 a.m. I.29, I.35, I.28 and P.5 were heavily bombarded by 5.9 and 4.2 How, Yellow Cross Gas and H.E. At the same time 80 rounds 4.2 and 5.9 How, Yellow Cross Gas and H.E., fell in O.10 and O.15.

3. GENERAL. Considerable movement was observed during the afternoon both in forward and back areas. Four field guns, with horse transport and a large number of Infantry were seen moving South through Q.26. Transport was also observed on the road in Q.2.d. Both these targets were effectively dealt with by the Heavy Artillery. A lot of movement round CERISY and CHIFFILLY. Two mounted men with what appeared to be aiming posts and lamps approached positions in P.17.c & d. An enemy O.P. is suspected at P.10.d.3.5. Enemy aircraft were active in the evening and early morning. Back areas were bombed at 3.40 to 5 a.m.

H.Q., 13/5/18

Edw. H. Brunt
Lieut,
Reconnaissance Officer,
5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ROUTINE ORDER No.27.

- by -

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

Headquarters,
13th. May 1918.

170. - STRENGTH.

Captain (temp.Major) H.Retchford having reported from 4th.Aust.Div.Artillery, is taken on strength and posted for duty with 13th.F.A.Brigade and to command 50th.Battery.

The undermentioned Officers having reported from reinforcements, are taken on strength and posted for duty as under :-

Captain H.K.Prior - 13th. F.A.Brigade.
Lieut. J.H.O.McMullen 5th.D.A.Column. 14th F.A Bde.
Dated 9.5.18.

171. - CONGRATULATORY.

Extract from Australian Corps R.O. No.127 of 6.5.18.

"The Corps Commander congratulates the following Other Ranks for their actions under the circumstances stated :-

'No.598 Gunner W.J.Evans, 53rd.Battery, Aust.Field Artillery, and No.3801 Gunner R.Buie, 53rd.Battery Aust.Field Artillery.- For their prompt action in defending their Battery position with a Lewis Gun on 21st.April 1918.'

The C.R.A. also wishes to convey his congratulations to the abovementioned men.

172. - BREAKING OF CABLE.

All ranks are to be informed of the serious consequences which may follow the breaking of cable by bombing fish in the canal and rivers. The practice is forbidden and strict disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

173. - NON-RETURN OF OILDRUMS, DRIPPING and SACKS.

It has been reported that Oildrums, Dripping, and Sacks are not being returned in sufficient quantities. This has been pointed out before and Commanding Officers are again directed to ensure that the interior administration of Units is not neglected.

174. - PROTECTION AGAINST BOMBS.

Australian Corps Routine Order No.128 is republished for information and necessary action.

"Portion of Fourth Army Routine Order No.1944 of 27th.April 1918 is republished for information.

"LIGHTS. - A number of lights shewn in the Army Area are likely to serve as guides to hostile aircraft.

For the safety of the troops and civilian inhabitants, and of factories, railways, etc., engaged on work for the Armies, it is essential that such lights shall cease to be shewn.

All lights will, therefore, be extinguished or completely shaded one hour after sunset.

This order is to be repeated in the orders of all formations down to Units, and all ranks will assist the police and gendarmes both by complying with the order themselves and by bringing to notice any infringement of the order. O's C. Units will ensure that this order is carried out by periodical inspections of billets occupied by troops under their command."

P. T. O.

5th. Aust. D.A.R.O. No. 27.

13th. May 1918.

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175. - TRANSFER.

The following transfer is approved :-

From 5th. D.A. Column to 14th. F.A. Brigade.Lieut. G.H. Cooper. Dated 13.5.18.176. - ORDERS.

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

General Routine Orders. - Paras 3923 to 3986.

- 3924. - Unserviceable Horse Rugs, Return of.
- 3925. - Return of unserviceable clothing for disposal as Rags.
- 3934. - Clothing, Summer Scale.
- 3938. - Closing of Estaminets.
- 3940. - Offence Reports (A.F.B. 2069).
- 3943. - Compensation to Officers for loss of Kit on Active Service.
- 3945. - Return of Empty Kegs that have contained Nails.
- 3949. - Glasso for use with Anti-gas Appliances.
- 3965. - Signal Service, Communication with.
- 3967. - Army Forms B. 213.
- 3973. - 4.5" Howitzer Chemical Shell.
- 3981. - Box Respirator Haversacks, Washing of.

A.I.F. Orders. - 1217 to 1220.

- 1219. - Casualties - Reporting of.

Fourth Army Routine Orders. - 1995 to 1990.

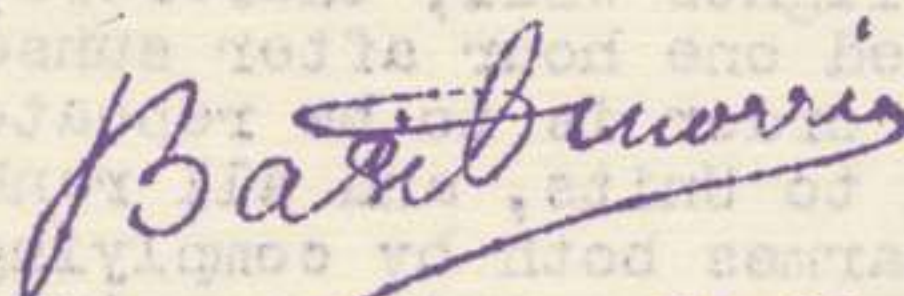
- 1981. - Removal of Rubble from Amiens.
- 1985. - Construction of Defensive Works on Railway Formations
- 1987. - Waste of Petrol Tins.
- 1989. - Recovery of Waste Paper.
- 1996. - Killing of Game.
- 2000. - Maching Gun Sights for A.A. Defence.
- 2001. - Tangent sights for Lewis Guns.
- 2004. - Clothing, Summer Scale.
- 2008. - Remounts
- 2007. - Grazing of Horses and Mules.

Australian Corps Routine Orders. - Paras 125 to 131.

- 130. - Improvised Trench Cookers.
- 131. - Linseed Cake.

5th. Aust. Div. Routine Orders. - Paras 233 to 239.

- 235. - Damage to Cables.
- 237. - Protection against Bombs.
- 239. - Bulk Demands.

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