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Compiling Officer's Signature)	C. Rowan		Staff-Lieut.	Commanding Officer's Signature) <u>H. H. Jagers.</u> Brigadier-General, C.R.A., 4th Aust. Div..

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<u>BUSIGNY.</u>	<u>November.</u>					
	1st			<p>The 4th Australian Divisional Artillery is commanded by Brigadier-General W.L.H. BURGESS, C.M.G., D.S.O. and is situated at BUSIGNY (V 9 c 2 8, sheet 57B).</p> <p>The 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade is in IX British Corps Reserve in wagon lines near ST SOUPLET. The 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade is in action in the ORS Sector under orders of 6th BRITISH Divisional Artillery.</p> <p>The C.R.A. visited the G.O.C. 96th BRITISH Infantry Brigade at BASUEL (32nd Division).</p> <p>At 1000 hours the responsibility for the ORS front passed from 6th Divisional Artillery to 32nd Divisional Artillery.</p> <p>Information was received that the ITALIANS had signed an armistice with the AUSTRIANS.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p>		
<u>LE CATEAU</u>	2nd			<p>4th Aust Divisional Artillery Headquarters closed at V 9 c 2 8 (Sheet 57B) at 1000 and re-opened at LE CATEAU, Q 4 d 5 7, at the same hour.</p> <p>From 1800 hours the command of the</p> <p style="text-align: center;">10th Aust. F.A. Brigade. 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade. 16th ARMY Brigade R.H.A.. 5th ARMY Brigade R.F.A.. 24th Brigade R.F.A.. 2nd Brigade R.F.A..</p> <p>passed to the C.R.A. 4th Aust. Division. With the exception of the 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade - which remains in action - these Brigades are concentrated at wagon lines and are to move into action on the night 2/3rd Nov..</p> <p style="text-align: right;">/The</p>		

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<u>LE CATEAU.</u>	2nd	(Contd.)		<p>The C.R.A. 4th Aust. Division commands the LEFT GROUP under orders of the C.R.A. 32nd Division.</p> <p>The Artillery under the command of the C.R.A. 4th Aust. Division is Grouped as follows :-</p> <p><u>No. 1 SUB-GROUP</u> -- Lieut.-Colonel SPENCER-SMITH.</p> <p>16th ARMY Brigade R.H.A.. 24th Brigade R.F.A.. 2nd Brigade R.F.A..</p> <p><u>No. 2 SUB-GROUP</u> -- Lieut.-Colonel C.H. SPURGE</p> <p>11th Aust. F.A. Brigade. 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade. 5th ARMY Brigade R.F.A.. -----</p>		
	3rd			<p>At an early hour a minor operation was carried out on the northern portion of the 32nd Div. front, and at 0830 the enemy launched a counter attack. The 2nd Brigade R.F.A. fired on S.O.S. and it was not found necessary to call on the remaining Artillery Brigades of the LEFT GROUP for support.</p> <p>App preparations were completed for the attack on November 4th by nightfall.</p> <p>At 10.30 the C.R.A. held a conference of Brigade Commanders at 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q., and explained the barrage and the plans for subsequent exploitation on the day following ZERO DAY.</p> <p>-----</p>		
	4th			<p>At 0545 an attack was begun on a 57 mile front.</p> <p>The 32nd Division attacked on a front of 2500 yards and had considerable difficulty in crossing the OISE CANAL owing to very heavy machine gun fire.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">/Eventually</p>		

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<u>LE CATEAU.</u>	4th	(Contd.)	<p>Eventually the 14th Infantry Brigade crossed south of ORS and the 9th Infantry Brigade deployed and crossed at the same place and then worked up North into their own boundaries.</p> <p>The LEFT GROUP, under command of the C.R.A. 4th Aust. Division, fired in support of this attack, and owing to the fact that the Infantry had been held up on the CANAL, the barrage was brought back at 0846 on to a line about 800 yards East of the CANAL, and the Batteries fired on this at a slow rate until 1200.</p> <p>The barrage then advanced up to the YELLOW PROTECTIVE BARRAGE LINE (see BARRAGE MAP) and remained until 1340 on this line when all fire ceased.</p> <p>Later the line was advanced to the LANDRECIES - LA GROISE Road (RED LINE FINAL OBJECTIVE) as the flank Divisions had overcome all opposition and the reconnaissance 'planes had reported that the enemy was in full retreat.</p> <p>4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. was established in a forward Headquarters from 0700 at L 26 b 6 6 (POMMEREUIL).</p> <p>-----</p>		
	5th		<p>At 0800 the attack was continued by the 32nd Division.</p> <p>The 6th Divisional Artillery passed from No. 1 SUB-GROUP at that hour to the 32nd Division in support of the attack.</p> <p>The 4th Australian Divisional Artillery, 16th ARMY Brigade R.H.A. and 5th ARMY Brigade R.F.A. passed to IX Corps Reserve from that hour.</p> <p>4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. was re-established at LE CATEAU from 0900.</p> <p>The 4th and 3rd Aust. Divisional Artilleries were the last Units of the A.I.F. to be in action prior to the Armistice.</p> <p>-----</p>		
	6th		<p>Heavy rain continued during the day.</p> <p>-----</p>		
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LE CATEAU	November.					
	7th			German Plenipotentiaries crossed our lines near GUISE under the white flag; 72 hours were given them by the Allies to consider their Armistice terms. -----		
	8th			The C.R.A. inspected the Brigade Wagon Lines; work of refitting was being carried out. ----		
	9th			KAISER ABDICATED. ----		
	10th			MONS Captured. ----		
	11th			At 1100 hours GERMANY signed an armistice with the Allies and hostilities ceased from that hour. The British Armies remained in their present positions awaiting orders from G.H.Q.. No fraternising was to take place between the Germans and our troops. The C.R.A. visited the Headquarters of the 10th and 11th Aust. F.A. Brigades at LE CATEAU. AUSTRALIAN CORPS arrived at LE CATEAU. ----		
	12th			The G.O.C. R.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS (Brigadier-General W.A. COXEN, C.M.G., D.S.O.) visited 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. during the afternoon. ----		
13th			The C.R.A. proceeded to ENGLAND for 30 days' leave. ----			
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LE CATEAU	November 14th			<p>Lieut.-Colonel T.I.C. WILLIAMS, D.S.O. took over command of the 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery in the absence of the C.R.A..</p> <p>The G.O.C. 4th Aust. Division (Major E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN, C.B., D.S.O.) paid a visit to 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q..</p> <p>The G.O.C. R.A. AUSTRALIAN CORPS (Brigadier-General H.W. GRIMWADE C.B., C.M.G.) visited 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. during the afternoon.</p> <p>-----</p>		
	15th			<p>The a/C.R.A. (Lieut.-Colonel T.I.C. WILLIAMS, D.S.O.) inspected the Units of the 4th Australian Divisional Artillery at LE CATEAU.</p> <p>-----</p>		
	16th			<p>The a/C.R.A. attended a Conference held by the G.O.C. 4th Aust. Division at FRESNOY-LE-GRAND at 1430.</p> <p>-----</p>		
	17th			<p>Major A.McE. STEVENSON, M.C., C.F., held a Thanksgiving Service at LE CATEAU at 1000. All Protestant members of the 4th Australian Divisional Artillery attended.</p> <p>-----</p>		
	18th			<p>The G.O.C. 4th Aust. Division inspected the 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade and No. 1 Section 4th Aust. D.A.C. during the day.</p> <p>-----</p>		
	19th			<p>The G.O.C. 4th Aust. Division concluded the inspection of the 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery; the 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade and the S.A.A. Section D.A.C. were visited.</p> <p>-----</p>		
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	<u>November 18.</u>					
<u>LE CATEAU</u>	20th			Information was received that the 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery would move to LA GROISE Area on the 21st November. Advanced Billeting Parties were sent to LA GROISE. The 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery passed under direct orders of the G.O.C. 4th Aust. Division from 1200 hours. ----		
	21st			The 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery (less Headquarters) marched from the LE CATEAU area to LA GROISE Area (Sheet 57A); the march was completed by 1230. The 4th Aust. D.T.M.O. remained at LE CATEAU in charge of T.M. equipment and surplus stores. ----		
	22nd			The 104th ARMY Brigade R.F.A. attached to the 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery moved to LA GROISE Area. ----		
	23rd			4th Aust. Divisional Artillery Headquarters closed at LE CATEAU at 1000 hours and re-opened at CATILLON at the same hour. ----		
	24th			The a/C.R.A. visited the 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade and the 104th ARMY Brigade R.F.A.. The Staff Captain (Captain A.C.R. WAITE, M.C.) proceeded to ENGLAND on 75 days' furlough. Captain K. EWAN, the D.T.M.O., took over the duties of Staff Captain during the absence of Captain WAITE. ----		
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<u>CATILLON.</u>	<u>November</u>					
	25th			Bishop FRODSHAM lectured to the 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery on " <u>THE BRITISH EMPIRE AND DEMOCRACY</u> ". This was the first address given under the A.I.F. EDUCATION SCHEME. -----		
	26th			The C.R.A. attended a conference at AUST. CORPS Headquarters, LE CATEAU. -----		
	27th			4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. moved to the Chateau LIESSIES from CATILLON. The 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery (less D.A.H.Q.) moved to the CARTIGNIES Area from LA GROISE Area. The C.R.A. inspected the column on the line of march. -----		
	28th			The 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery (less D.A.H.Q.) marched to the RAMOUSIES Area from CARTIGNIES. The Divisional Artillery was distributed as follows :- <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <u>10th Aust. F.A. Brigade</u> <u>11th Aust. F.A. Brigade</u> <u>104th ARMY Bde. R.F.A. (att.)</u> <u>4th Aust. D.A.C.</u> </div> <div> -- LIESSIES. -- LIESSIES -- RAMOUSIES -- SEMIERIES. </div> </div>		
	29th			A Conference was held at 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. at 1500 hours; the Brigade, Battery and Section Commanders of the 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery attended. The 4th Aust. Divisional Education Officer (Captain A.L. ROSSITER) delivered an address upon the aims of the A.I.F. EDUCATION SCHEME. -----		
	30th			<u>No entry.</u> <div style="text-align: right;"> <i>A. Rowan</i> <i>Lieut</i> <i>for</i> Major, Brigade-Major, <u>4th Australian Divisional Artillery.</u> </div>		

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			<p><u>A P P E N D I X I</u> (Continued) --</p> <p><u>LEFT GROUP</u> -- C.R.A. 4th Aust. Division (Brigadier-General W.L.H. BURGESS, C.M.G., D.S.O.).</p> <p><u>No. 1 Sub-Group</u> -- Lieut.-Col. SPENCER SMITH.</p> <p>16th ARMY Brigade R.H.A.. 24th Brigade R.F.A.. 2nd Brigade R.F.A..</p> <p><u>No. 2 Sub-Group</u> -- Lieut.-Col. C.H. SPURGE.</p> <p>11th Aust. F.A. Brigade. 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade. 5th ARMY Brigade R.F.A..</p> <p><u>SPECIAL BRIGADE</u> (under direct orders C.R.A. 32nd Division) -- Lieut.-Col. HULTON, D.S.O.. 161st Brigade R.F.A.</p> <p>4. ZERO HOUR was fixed for 0545 on the 32nd Div. front as the OISE CANAL which formed a formidable obstacle to Infantry had to be crossed in the initial stage of the attack. ZERO HOUR on the 25th Div. front was 30 minutes later.</p> <p>5. The Infantry of the 32nd Division was disposed as follows :-</p> <p>RIGHT BRIGADE -- 14th Inf. Brigade. LEFT BRIGADE -- 96th Inf. Brigade.</p> <p>The Artillery of the LEFT GROUP covered the advance of the 96th Brigade.</p> <p>/6</p>				

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<p><u>APPENDIX I</u> (Continued)</p> <p>6. The 14th Brigade crossed the canal by means of rafts and floats, but on the 96th Brigade front heavy machine gun fire was encountered from the bend of the Canal at G 26 d (Sheet 57A). Notwithstanding this, the Royal Engineers attempted to construct bridges north of ORS but sustained very heavy casualties; no crossing could be effected there. On the 14th Brigade front bridges were soon constructed as the opposition was not so great, and the right Battalion of the 96th Brigade deployed to the South of ORS and crossed on these bridges.</p> <p>7. Meanwhile the barrage - which had halted for 30 minutes on a protective line 400 yards East of the canal to enable the crossing to be made - had advanced in lifts of 100 yards, and when information was received at 0846 that the crossing had not been effected on the 96th Brigade front, the barrage was brought back to a protective line 800 yards East of the CANAL and all guns of the Left Group fired on this at a slow rate until 1200.</p> <p>8. The elements of the 96th Infantry Brigade which had crossed on the bridges south of ORS then worked along the East bank of the canal in a Northerly direction and eventually all the enemy parties were mopped up except one machine gun nest at the bend of the canal, which continued firing all day. At 1205 the barrage was lifted on to the YELLOW PROTECTOR BARRAGE LINE and the Infantry were reported to be on the YELLOW LINE at 1340 when all fire ceased.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">/9.....</p>							

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			<p><u>APPENDIX I</u> (Continued)</p> <p>9. The flank Divisions had made good progress and all enemy opposition had broken down. The 96th Brigade continued their advance and the final objective was reached at a late hour in the evening, which was the LANDRECIES - LA GROISE Road. This conformed with the advance of the flank Divisions.</p> <p>10. At 1300 hours a bridge had been constructed in ORS capable of carrying tanks. This proved invaluable for the continuation of the operations.</p> <p>11. Hostile fire was very light with the exception of a barrage which was put down along the canal, but this ceased by midday, and at 1630 a message was received that an aerial reconnaissance had reported all roads packed with enemy transport moving East.</p> <p>12. On Nov. 5th the advance was continued at 0800 by the 32nd Division. The 24th and 2nd Artillery Brigades R.F.A. passed from the command of the C.R.A. 4th Aust. Division to the C.R.A. 32nd Division at that hour. The remaining Brigades of the Left Group withdrew to wagon lines under orders of the C.R.A. 4th Aust. Division and became IX Corps Reserve.</p> <p>-----</p> <p><u>Order No. 214 and Instructions thereto issued by this Office in connection with the above operation will be found in APPENDIX VII.</u></p> <p>4th Aust. D.A.H.Q., 1st December 1918.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"> <i>Ch Rowan</i> <i>Lieut</i> Major, Brigade-Major, 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery. </p> <p>-----</p>				

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				<p>(b) <u>DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDALS.</u> (Awarded vide 4th Aust. Div. ROUTINE ORDER 2352 of 21/11/18.</p> <p>No. 440 Sergeant William Hansard RICHARDS, 43rd Battery, 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade.</p> <p>" For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the HINDENBURG LINE South of VENDHUILE, on the 29th September 1918. Throughout the operation his Battery was under heavy Artillery and machine gun fire and the whole of his detachment were either killed or wounded early in the Battle. Notwithstanding this, he continued to serve his gun alone until a new detachment could be organised. His wonderful grit, determination and courage were most inspiring and set the finest example to the men of the Battery. It was greatly due to his splendid personal efforts that the Battery was able to maintain the effective Artillery barrage during the operations."</p> <p>No. 3609 Sergeant John CROLL, M.M. 43rd Battery 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade.</p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the HINDENBURG LINE South of VENDHUILE on the 29th September 1918. Throughout the operation his Battery was under heavy Artillery and machine gun fire. At one time when his and another detachment were blown out, he showed great courage and determination in reorganising new detachments, and got his gun very quickly into action again. He set a splendid example. Sergeant CROLL was awarded the MILITARY MEDAL for gallantry in action during the operations in the ST ELOI Sector (YPRES) in July 1917. "</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(c)</p>		

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				<p>(c) <u>MILITARY MEDALS</u> --</p> <p>Awarded vide 4th Aust. Div. ROUTINE ORDER No. 2328 of 30th October 1918 --</p> <p>No. 1817 Driver F.J. SIMPSON, 110th How. Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade.</p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the night 17/18th Sept. 1918 near VENDELLES. Although his convoy came under very heavy shell fire and suffered casualties he succeeded in getting his team clear. Ammunition was urgently required."</p> <p>No. 134 Gunner Eugene Thomas McCROHAN, 43rd Battery, 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade.</p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the HINDENBURG LINE, South of VENDHUILE, on the 29th September 1918. He carried out his duties as Medical Orderly in a courageous and thorough manner, and his splendid efforts resulted in the quick evacuation of the wounded during very strenuous periods."</p> <p>No. 3691 Gunner Robert Bruce DONALDSON, 37th Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade. --</p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the HINDENBURG LINE South of VENDHUILE on the 29th September 1918. He was the Battery cook, and throughout the day worked cheerfully on under very heavy shell fire and kept the gunners supplied with hot food. Later, when assistance was needed as a result of casualties Gunner DONALDSON took a hand in helping the detachments at the guns."</p> <p>No. 31175 Corporal (T/Sergt.) John Edward FOULSTONE, 37th Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Bde. --</p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the HONDENBURG LINE South of VENDHUILE on the 29th September 1918. He displayed great courage and determination during a critical period and although wounded, refused to leave his gun."</p>		

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			<p><u>MILITARY MEDALS (Continued) :-</u></p> <p><u>Awarded vide 4th Aust. Divisional ROUTINE ORDER No. 2338, dated 7/11/1918 :-</u></p> <p><u>No. 1570 Gunner Cecil Victor POTTER, 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade Headquarters -- (att. 111th How. Bty.)</u></p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the preparation for the attack on the HINDENBURG LINE, South of VENDHUILE, on the 27th September 1918. As Battery Medical Orderly he worked continuously throughout the day under very heavy shell fire. He rendered prompt assistance to the wounded and supervised their removal to the Dressing Station."</p> <p><u>Awarded vide 4th Aust. Divisional ROUTINE ORDER No. 2352, of 21st Nov. 1918 --</u></p> <p><u>No. 2725 Sergeant Bertram James SPAULDING, 37th Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade --</u></p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack by the 2nd AMERICAN CORPS on the ST SOUPLET Sector on the 17th October 1918. By the cool manner and determination in which he carried out his work as No. 1 of his gun, he set a fine example and inspired into the detachment the greatest confidence."</p> <p><u>No. 1905 Gunner Edwin Henry APPLETON, 37th Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade --</u></p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack by 2nd AMERICAN CORPS on ST SOUPLET Sector on the 17th October 1918. This Signaller was on duty at the Battery Control Pit during the firing of the barrage by the 37th Battery. The position was subjected to a heavy bombardment and although his lines and post were shattered he was able to maintain communication with his Headquarters throughout."</p> <p><u>No. 28120 Gunner Norman Albert JOHNSTON, 37th Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade --</u></p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 17th October 1918 during the attack by the 2nd AMERICAN CORPS on the ST SOUPLET Sector. He maintained telephonic communications between the telephone pit and the guns under very heavy shell fire."</p>			

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			<u>MILITARY MEDALS</u> (Continued).				
			<u>No. 32249 Gunner Albert Robert Henry Charles URBANS</u> , 37th Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Bde. --				
			<p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack by the 2nd AMERICAN CORPS on ST SOUPLET Sector on the 17th October 1918. Just prior to the opening of the barrage and immediately after ZERO hour the Battery was subjected to a very heavy bombardment. This gunner was the only unwounded member of his gun detachment, but he maintained the gun in action alone during a considerable portion of the barrage until assistance arrived.</p>				
			<u>No. 35836 Gunner Gordon Leopold ROBERTS</u> , 37th Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade --				
			<p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 17th Oct. 1918 during the attack by the 2nd AMERICAN CORPS on the ST SOUPLET Sector. His detachment suffered severely and on his No. 1 being wounded Gunner ROBERTS assumed command and with the only remaining man of the detachment showed great coolness and determination. He set a splendid example. "</p>				
			<u>No. 5356 Driver Andrew McCOURT</u> , 110th How. Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade,				
			<p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack by the 2nd AMERICAN CORPS on the ST SOUPLET Sector from 11th - 17th October 1918. On the night of the 11th October after taking his gun to its battery position he again volunteered to guide the convoy of ammunition up the shell swept road. On many similar occasions he rendered valuable assistance. "</p>				
			<u>No. 1376 Gunner Edward ALLARDYCE</u> , 110th How. Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade --				
			<p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack by the 2nd AMERICAN CORPS at ST SOUPLET on 17th October 1918. When the other Gunners of his detachment had been wounded he kept up the service of the gun during a critical period.</p>				

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				<p><u>MILITARY MEDALS (Continued). :-</u></p> <p><u>No. 39202 Gunner Harry James William HUGHES</u>, 110th How. Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade --</p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack by the 2nd AMERICAN CORPS at ST SOUPLET on the 17th October 1918. On the morning of the 17th the 110th How. Battery was in action firing a barrage in support of the advancing Infantry. The enemy retaliated heavily with 4.2s. and 5.9s. wounding the N.C.O. in charge of the detachment and another Gunner. Gunner HUGHES, in company with another Gunner, kept the gun in action throughout the remainder of the barrage and under very heavy fire. "</p> <p><u>No. 3826 Fitter Corporal Vincent KEOGH</u>, 110th How. Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade --</p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack by the 2nd AMERICAN CORPS at ST SOUPLET on the 17th October 1918. This N.C.O., although suffering severely from the effect of gas, remained on the positions and rendered valuable assistance to the guns. When one of the Nos. 1 was wounded he took charge of the detachment and kept the gun in action during the firing of the barrage."</p> <p><u>No. 1921 Gunner John William SHEEAN</u>, 110th How. Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade. --</p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack by the 2nd AMERICAN CORPS at ST SOUPLET on the 17th October 1918. Whilst the Battery was in action and subjected to heavy enemy shell fire, this Gunner (acting as A.M.C. Orderly), although suffering from gas, remained at the position attending to the wounded and carrying them to a place of safety. His pluck was admired by all present".</p>		

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				<p><u>MILITARY MEDALS (Continued) -</u></p> <p><u>No. 1866 Gunner Thomas ADAMS, 7th Aust. M.T.M. Battery (att. 37th Battery) --</u></p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack by the 2nd AMERICAN CORPS at ST SOUPLET on the 17th October 1918. During the firing of the barrage in support of the advancing Infantry the enemy retaliated heavily on the Battery Position with 5.9s. and 4.2s., wounding the No. 1 of the detachment and another Gunner. Gunner ADAMS, with another Gunner, carried on the service off the gun and thus assisted in the barrage so necessary to the advancing Infantry."</p> <p>-----</p> <p>(d) <u>MENTIONS IN CORPS ORDERS :-</u></p> <p>The following were congratulated by Lieut.-General Sir John MONASH, K.C.B., V.D., AUSTRALIAN CORPS Commander, for services rendered as under :-</p> <p><u>Vide AUST. CORPS Routine Order No. 278 dated 12th Nov. 1918 --</u></p> <p><u>No. 2100 Sergt. (T/B.S.M.) E.G. WRIGHT, 41st Battery, 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade --</u></p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near CERISY on the 8th August 1918. During the advance on that date this N.C.O. displayed great courage, energy, coolness and initiative. He rendered most valuable service during the operations."</p> <p><u>No. 29815 Gunner Ernest William TWARTZ, 41st Battery, 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade --</u></p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations at CERISY on the 8th August 1918. In his capacity as Battery Signaller, he rendered invaluable service in maintaining communications under heavy shell fire. "</p> <p><u>MENTIONS</u></p>		

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				<p><u>MENTIONS IN CORPS ORDERS (Continued) :-</u></p> <p><u>No. 5356 Driver Andrew McCOURT</u>, 110th How. Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade :--</p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations near CERISY on the 8th August 1918. He rendered invaluable services during the movement of the guns, and was lead driver of the first team to go forward."</p> <p><u>No. 2041 Driver Alfred John JONES</u>, 110th How. Battery, 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade --</p> <p>" For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations near CERISY on the 8th August 1918 while his Battery was being heavily shelled by close range guns firing from a flank. A shell burst under his team, killing the lead Driver and wounding the centre and four horses. It was only through the sheer pluck and splendid horsemanship of Driver JONES that the animals were prevented from stampeding." 16th Bde.</p> <p><u>No. 54679 Saddler Arthur HOLLIS</u>, "A" Battery, /R.H.A., attached 4th Aust. Division :--</p> <p>" For conspicuous service and devotion to duty. During our attack East of HAMEL on the 8th August 1918 Saddler HOLLIS acted as mounted orderly to the Battalion Liaison Officer. His initiative, intelligent and gallant service under heavy shell fire and in the thick mist assisted greatly in maintaining close co-operation between the attacking Infantry and the supporting guns."</p> <p style="text-align: right;">----- <i>Arthur Ewan</i> Captain, a/ Staff Captain, 4th Australian Divisional Artillery.</p> <p><u>4th Aust. D.A.H.Q.,</u> <u>1st December 1918.</u></p>		

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. COPY NO.....

S E C R E T.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION
No. 63.HEADQUARTERS,
1st Nov. 1918.

1. During the forthcoming operations, ammunition, gun and casualty returns will be rendered in the following manner :-

AMMUNITION :--

Each Brigade will render to these Headquarters a return showing amounts of ammunition received, expended and on hand at 12 noon daily.

Amounts at guns, in echelons and B.A.Cs. will be shown separately. (Pro forma attached).
D.A.Cs. will render usual returns showing receipts, issues and on hand.

GUNS :--

Each Brigade will render to these Headquarters daily a gun state showing --

- (a) No. of 18-prs. and 4.5" Hows. in action,
- (b) No. of 18-prs. and 4.5" Hows. destroyed during last 24 hours.
- (c) No. of 18-prs. and 4.5" Hows. at I.O.M..
- (d) No. of 18-prs. and 4.5" Hows. temporarily out of action, stating whether at positions or otherwise.

CASUALTIES :--

Each Brigade will render casualty wires as instructed in 32nd D.A. Q 2/7 of 31/10/1918.

Each D.A.C. will wire its casualties direct to 32nd D.A. by 1600 daily, repeating to its own D.A.H.Q..

2. All ammunition and gun statements will be despatched by special orderly to reach these Headquarters by 1100 daily.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Anwaite
Captain,
Staff Captain,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

SECRET.ORDER No. 214HEADQUARTERS,
2nd Nov. 1918.REFERENCE MAPS, Sheets 57 A & B, 1/40,000.

1.

INFORMATION :-

In the forthcoming operations the IX Corps will force the passage of the SAMERE-OISE Canal connecting on the Right with the 1st FRENCH Army (XV Corps) and on the Left with the XIII Corps (25th BRITISH Division), the first objective of the 25th Division being LANDRECIES where their Right flank will rest at G 23 Cent.. The IX Corps will attack with the 1st Division on the Right and the 32nd Division on the Left.

Corps boundaries are as follows :-

ON THE NORTH -- LANDRECIES - MAROILLES.- MARBAIX (all exclusive).

ON THE SOUTH -- BERGUES - BARZY - BEAUREPAIRE (all exclusive).

INTER-DIV. BOUNDARY -- Main road CATILLON - PRISCHES - PETIT FAYET (all inclusive to 32nd Div.).

The 32nd Division will attack with the 14th Infantry Brigade on the Right and the 96th Inf. Brigade on the Left.

Inter Infantry Brigade boundary L 36 c 6 3, - M 2 d 6 0 - thence due east.

The 97th Inf. Brigade in reserve will be prepared to continue the attack on ZERO plus 1 day.

2.

INTENTION :-

The advance will be made under a creeping barrage crossings over the canal being effected by the 96th Infantry Brigade between L 36 d 7 3 and the bend in the canal at G 26 c 6 7.

The objectives are as follows :-

1st OBJECTIVE....

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(2)

- 1st OBJECTIVE :-- YELLOW LINE.
Road from M 14 a 0 4 - R 6 c 2 9 -
G 33 Cent..
- 2nd OBJECTIVE :-- DOTTED BLUE LINE.
M 14 a 0 4 - along road to M 3 b 0 3
- G 33 Cent.
- (The 1st Div. DOTTED BLUE LINE runs
from M 13 Cent. - along road to
M 33 b 5 2 - S 9 c 2 5.
- 3rd OBJECTIVE :-- BLUE LINE.
Both Divisions swing forward their
inner flanks and join up at
M 17 c 0 0.
- 4th OBJECTIVE :-- RED LINE.
Road LANDRECIES - M 17 c 0 0 -
continued thence by 1st Div. to
S 11 d Cent..

3. COVERING ARTILLERY :--

Under instructions issued by C.R.A. 32nd BRITISH
Div. position in action will be occupied covering the 32nd
Div. front during night 2nd/3rd November, and the covering
Artillery grouped as follows :-

(a) Supporting 14th Infantry Brigade --

RIGHT GROUP -- Commanded by Major J.C. POOLE, M.C..

168th Brigade R.F.A..
14th ARMY Brigade R.F.A..

(b) Supporting 96th Infantry Brigade --

LEFT GROUP -- Commanded by Brig.-Gen. W.L.H.
BURGESS, C.M.G., D.S.O.. (C.R.A.
4th Aust. Division).

10th Aust. F.A. Bde. } 4th Aust. D.A..
11th Aust. F.A. Bde. }

2nd Brigade R.F.A. } 6th D.A..
24th Brigade R.F.A. }

/16th

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(b) Contd. 16th ARMY Brigade R.H.A..
5th ARMY Brigade R.F.A..

(c) Exploitation Brigade -- 161st Brigade R.F.A..

4. LEFT GROUP :-

(a) Sub-Grouping --

On arrival in positions in action, Brigades will be sub-grouped as follows :-

No. 1 Sub-Group -- Commander Lieut.-Col. SPENCER-SMITH.
(H.Q. Q 9 c 7 2).

16th Brigade R.H.A..

2nd Brigade R.F.A..

24th Brigade R.F.A..

No. 2 Sub-Group -- Commander Lieut.-Col. C.H. SPURGE,
(H.Q. Q 24 a 3 6).

5th Brigade R.F.A..

10th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

11th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

(b) Boundaries --

The Left Group boundaries will be as follows :-

NORTHERN -- Northern Div. Boundary.

SOUTHERN -- Inter Inf. Brigade boundary.

Sub Group Division will be notified later.

(c) Approximate BARRAGE START LINE, G 31 d 0 2 - G 26 c 6 8.

(d) S.O.S. LINE from 1800 2nd Nov. 1918 will be as follows :-

G 31 d 0 2 - G 26 c 6 8 - G 27 b 6 5 -

G 21 d 7 0 - G 21 b 0 9.

(c)

(e) Artillery previous to ZERO HOUR :--

Until ZERO HOUR on the 4th Nov. the 24th Brigade R.F.A. will continue to be responsible for the Left Group front. S.O.S. Lineas in para. 4 (d). The remaining Brigades until ZERO HOUR will only fire if ordered from these Headquarters or, in the event of communications being cut, if the Sub-Group Commander considers a hostile attack is imminent.

5. LIAISON :-

Captain W.L. SANDERSON 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade will be detailed to report at 9 a.m. on 3rd Nov. to 96th Inf. Brigade (Headquarters -- BAZEUL) as Liaison Officer between Infantry Brigade and Left Group Headquarters. Liaison with Battalions in the line will be maintained as follows :-

No. 1 Sub-Group with the Right Battalion
No. 2 Sub-Group " " Left Battalion.

6. GROUP HEADQUARTERS :-

The Left Group Headquarters is situated at Q 4 d 5 7, (Sheet 57B).

7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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H. J. Harpau

Major,
Brigade-Major,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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17	-	21	"	11th Aust. F.A. Bde.) No. 2
22	-	26	"	10th Aust. F.A. Bde.) Sub-
27	-	32	"	5th Bde. R.F.A.) Group.
33	-	35	"	4th Aust. D.A.C..	
36	-	38	"	6th D.A.C..	
		(39	"	32nd D.A..	
		(40	"	6th D.A..	
		(41	"	25th D.A..	
for		(42	"	RIGHT Group.	
inf.		(43	"	R.a. IXth Corps.	
		(44	"	R.A. Aust. Corps.	
		(45	"	4th Aust. Div..	
		(46	"	96th Inf. Bde..	
		(47	"	Capt. W.L. SANDERSON.	
		48	"	C.R.A..	
		49	"	B.M..	
		50	"	S.C..	
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INSTRUCTION NO. 1

HEADQUARTERS,
2nd Nov. 1918.

issued under 4th Aust. D.A. ORDER No. 1
214.

REFERENCE MAP -- 32nd Div. SECRET BARRAGE MAP, 1/20,000.

1. CAPTURE OF 1st and 2nd OBJECTIVES :-

(a) Group Boundaries :-

The North and South boundaries will be as shown for LEFT GROUP on barrage map.

The Dividing line between Sub-Groups will be a line
G 31 b 9860 - M 3 b 7000.

(b) Creeping barrage :-

At ZERO HOUR 75% of 18-pr. Field Guns will commence the barrage on the line marked on the barrage map "START LINE". The remaining 25% of 18-pr. Field Guns commencing 100 yards E. of this line and 4.5 Hows. commencing 300 yards E. of "START LINE".

At ZERO plus 5 minutes the barrage will lift 300 yards and remain on this line until ZERO plus 35 minutes, then creep eastwards in lifts of 100 yards per 6 minutes to the line marked "YELLOW PROTECTIVE BARRAGE", remaining on this line for 15 minutes and stop firing.

At ZERO plus 134 minutes the barrage will re-open on line marked 134 - 140, with 25% 18-prs. and 4.5" Hows. superimposed in depth as before.

(No. 1 Sub-Group extending to new Southern Group boundary 'M 2 c 4938 - M 9 c 2590') Remain on this line for 6 minutes then creep eastward in lifts of 100 yards per 6 minutes to the line marked "DOTTED BLUEP'TIVE"; remain on this line for 15 minutes and stop firing.

(c) Special Tasks :-

From ZERO plus 89 minutes to ZERO plus 134 minutes --

No. 2 Sub-Group will detail one Battery to establish a flank barrage "A" as follows, to include 10% A.S. :-

G 33 b 1080 - G 34 a 3000.

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(c) Continued.

From ZERO plus 134 minutes to ZERO plus 179 minutes ---

No. 2 Sub-Group will detail one Brigade to establish a flank barrage "B" as follows, to include 10% A S :-

G 28 c 0 0 - G 34 c 4535

(d) Ammunition :-

Ammunition to be dumped at positions by ZERO HOUR

18-pr.	--	400
4.5" How.	--	300

to be expended if available in proportion --

18-pr.	(65% A	4.5" How.	(95% B.X.
(30% AX		(
(5% AS		(5% BS.	

106 fuzes to be used for long ranges.

(e) Rates of fire per minute :-

18-pra. 4.5" H.

ZERO to ZERO plus 10 minutes	3	2
Plus 10 to Plus 35 minutes	1½	1
Plus 35 to YELLOW PROTECTOR	2	1½
On YELLOW PROTECTOR	1	1
Plus 134 to DOTTED BLUE PROTECTOR	2	1½
On DOTTED BLUE PROTECTOR	1	1

(f) The S.O.S. LINE after capture of DOTTED BLUE LINE will be the protective barrage line shown on barrage map.

2. CAPTURE OF 2nd and 3rd OBJECTIVES :-

(a) Group boundaries will be -

<u>ON THE NORTH</u>	--	Grid East from G 28 c 0 0
<u>ON THE SOUTH</u>	--	Grid East " M 9 c 2590
<u>(BETWEEN SUB-</u>		
<u>(GROUPS</u>	--	Grid East " M 3 b 7000

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H.Q. 4th Aust. Div. Arty.

(b) Commencement of Exploitation.

The hour at which the exploitation beyond the Second objective (DOTTED BLUE LINE) will commence will be notified to Sub Group by Code message as follows -
'RESUME AT (Hour)'

The Creeping Barrage. On receipt of the above code message and at the hour stated 16 per. will barrage the line marked on barrage map DOTTED BLUE PROTECTIVE (No. 2. Sub Group extending to new Northern Boundary i.e. G.34.c.45.35. - G.28.c.0.0), remain on this line for 6 minutes, then creep eastwards in lifts of 100 yards per 6 minutes to RED LINE PROTECTIVE barrage (i.e. a line 400 yards East of road LANDRECIES to M.17.c.0.2. and within Group Boundaries) continue on this line for 15 minutes and stop firing.

(d) Rate of fire. 1 round per gun and How. per 2 mins.

(e) S.O.S. line. The S.O.S. line after capture of the 4th Objective will be the RED LINE PROTECTIVE BARRAGE LINE.

S. Affiliated R.G.A. Brigade.

Points to be dealt with by affiliated R.G.A. Brigade during usual bombardments prior to zero day.

LA FOLIE G.33.b.

Road Junction at G.34.b.30.95

Road junction and Houses at G.35.a.

Houses on road in M.5.a. - c. and especial MONT ROUGE FME.
at M.5.c.80.40.

ROTELEUS Fme. M.4.d.0.8.

LOCQUIGNOL Fme. M.10.d.0.4.

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INSTRUCTION NO. 2

HEADQUARTERS,
3rd Oct. 1918.

issued under 4th Aust. D.A. ORDER No. 214.

1. GAS SHELL :-

If available, C.G. shell will be employed in the creeping barrage by 4.5" How. Batteries up to the capture of the DOTTED BLUE LINE, in the proportion of one to ten.

2. PATROLS :-

OFFICER PATROLS will be maintained under Sub Group arrangements throughout the operation, and all information collected will be forwarded by Sub Group Headquarters to Left Group Headquarters.

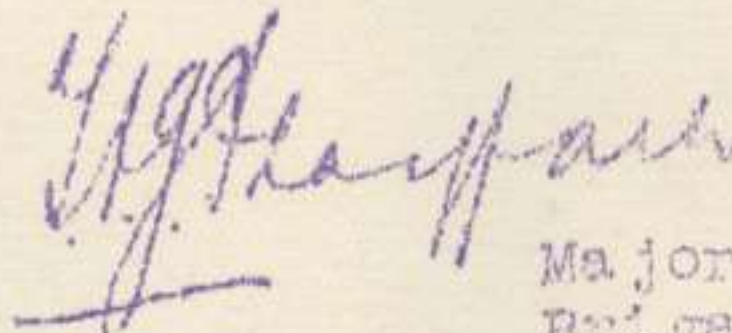
3. ORDERLIES :-

Sub Groups will each detail one mounted orderly to report to Left Group Headquarters with one day's rations at 1500 on 3rd instant.

4. ACTION ON ZERO PLUS ONE DAY :-

The advance will be continued by the 97th Inf. Brigade supported by the 161st Brigade R.F.A.. For this further operation the 2nd and 24th Brigades R.F.A. will pass from the Left Group and advance under orders to be issued direct by C.R.A. 32nd Division. The remaining Brigades of the Left Group will continue in action in present positions pending receipt of further orders passing the Brigades to Corps Reserve.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.



Major,
Brigade-Major,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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INSTRUCTION No. 3

HEADQUARTERS,
3rd Nov. 1918.Issued under 4th Aust. D.A. ORDER
No. 214.Ref. BARRAGE MAP,
1/20,000.1. AMENDMENTS TO PREVIOUS INSTRUCTIONS :-(a) Instruction No. 1, para. 1(c). --

Special Task from ZERO plus 89 minutes to ZERO plus 134 minutes is CANCELLED.

(b) Instruction No. 1, para. 2(a). --

For "2nd and 3rd OBJECTIVES" read "3rd and 4th OBJECTIVES".

2. ADDITIONAL BARRAGE FOR No. 1 SUB GROUP :-

In conjunction with the main operation on the 4th inst. the 96th Infantry Brigade will at ZERO HOUR on 4th instant advance to capture the high ground immediately N. of Canal bend in G 27. To support this advance No. 1 SUB GROUP will detail the 2nd Brigade R.F.A. to place a barrage at ZERO HOUR on the START LINE, G 20 b 4500 - G 20 d 5000 - G 26 b 3545 - G 26 c 9599, remain for two minutes then lift Eastwards in lifts of 100 yards per 6 minutes to the FINAL PROTECTIVE BARRAGE LINE G 21 b 7 0 - G 27 b 7020; remain on this line for 10 minutes, then stop firing.

The 2nd Brigade R.F.A. at ZERO plus 134 minutes will be available to take part in the barrage covering No. 2 SUB GROUP front for the capture of the DOTTED BLUE LINE.

3. EXTENSION OF BARRAGE FOR No. 2 SUB-GROUP :-

On reaching the barrage line marked on barrage map 77 - 83, No. 2 SUB GROUP will extend this line to G 27 d 4045 and in accordance with SPECIAL TRACING "C" issued herewith to Units concerned, move Eastward conforming to the lifts and timings of remainder of barrage to YELLOW PROTECTIVE BARRAGE (extended as shown on TRACING "C"); remain on this line for 15 minutes, then stop firing.

4. SYNCHRONISATION:-

An Officer will visit SUB GROUP Headquarters at a time to be notified on the 3rd instant.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

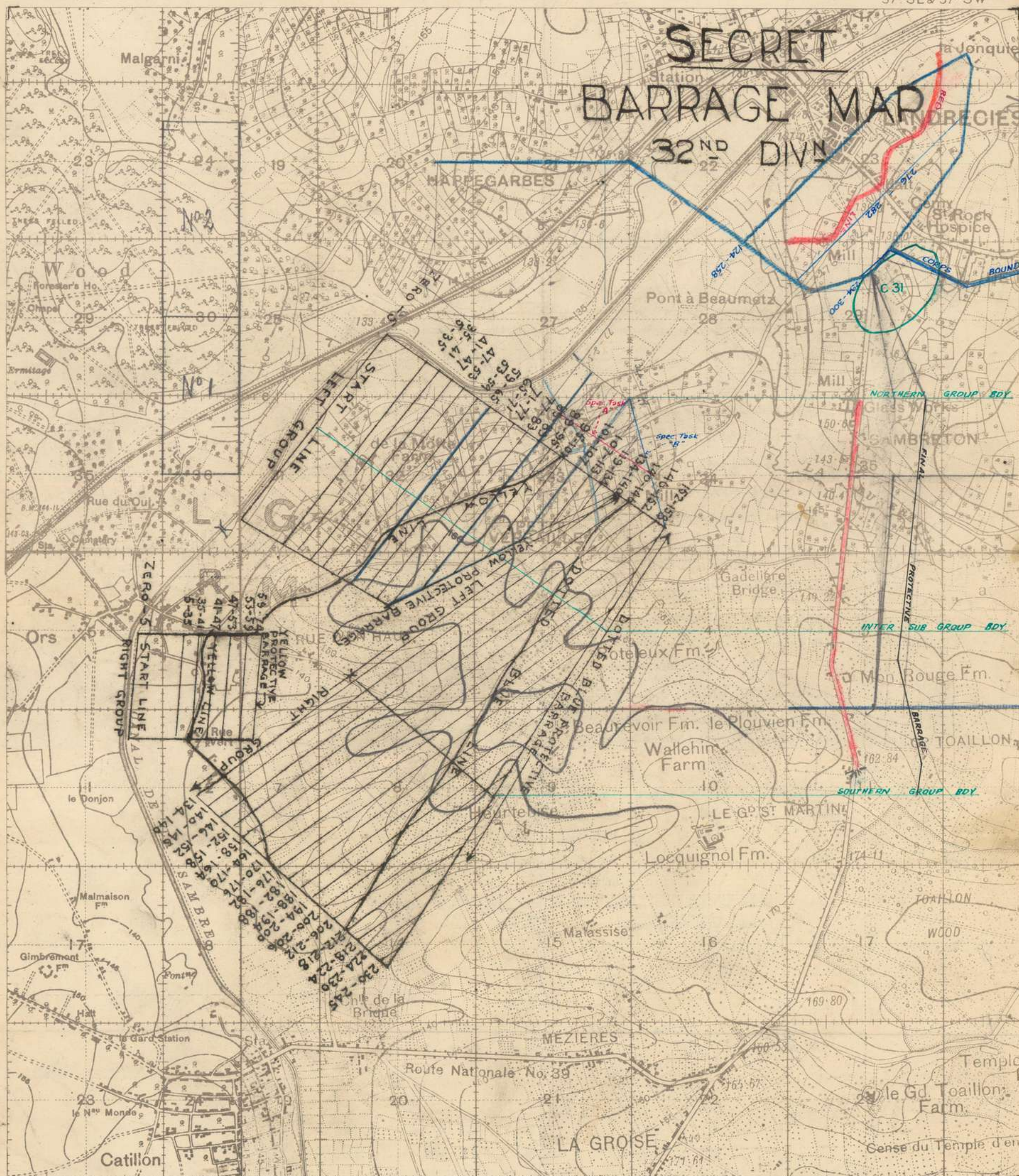
H. J. Harrison
Major,

Brigade-Major,
4th Aust. Divisional Artillery.

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As for ORDER 214.

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32ND DIVN



FIELD SURVEY CO., R.E. (4568) 31-10-18

Scale:- 1:20,000

YARDS 1000

1000 YARDS

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MESSAGE FORM.

TO..... No.....

1.—I am at.....
NOTE.—Either give map reference or mark your position by a X on a map or trace.

2.—My Line runs.....

3.—My Platoon/Company is at..... and is consolidating.

4.—My Platoon/Company is at..... and has consolidated

5.—Am held up (a) by wire at.....

(b) at..... by M.G. at.....

6.—Am being shelled from.....

7.—Enemy holding strong point.....

8.—Hostile { Battery Machine Gun active at.....
Trench Mortar }

9.—I am in touch with..... on Left Right at.....

10.—I am not in touch with..... on Left Right at.....

11.—I need : Ammunition. Water.
Bombs. Very Lights.
Rifle Grenades. Stokes' Shells.

12.—Counter attack forming at.....

13.—I estimate my present strength at..... rifles.

14.—Add any other useful information here :—

Time.....m. Name.....

Platoon.....

Date.....1918. Company.....

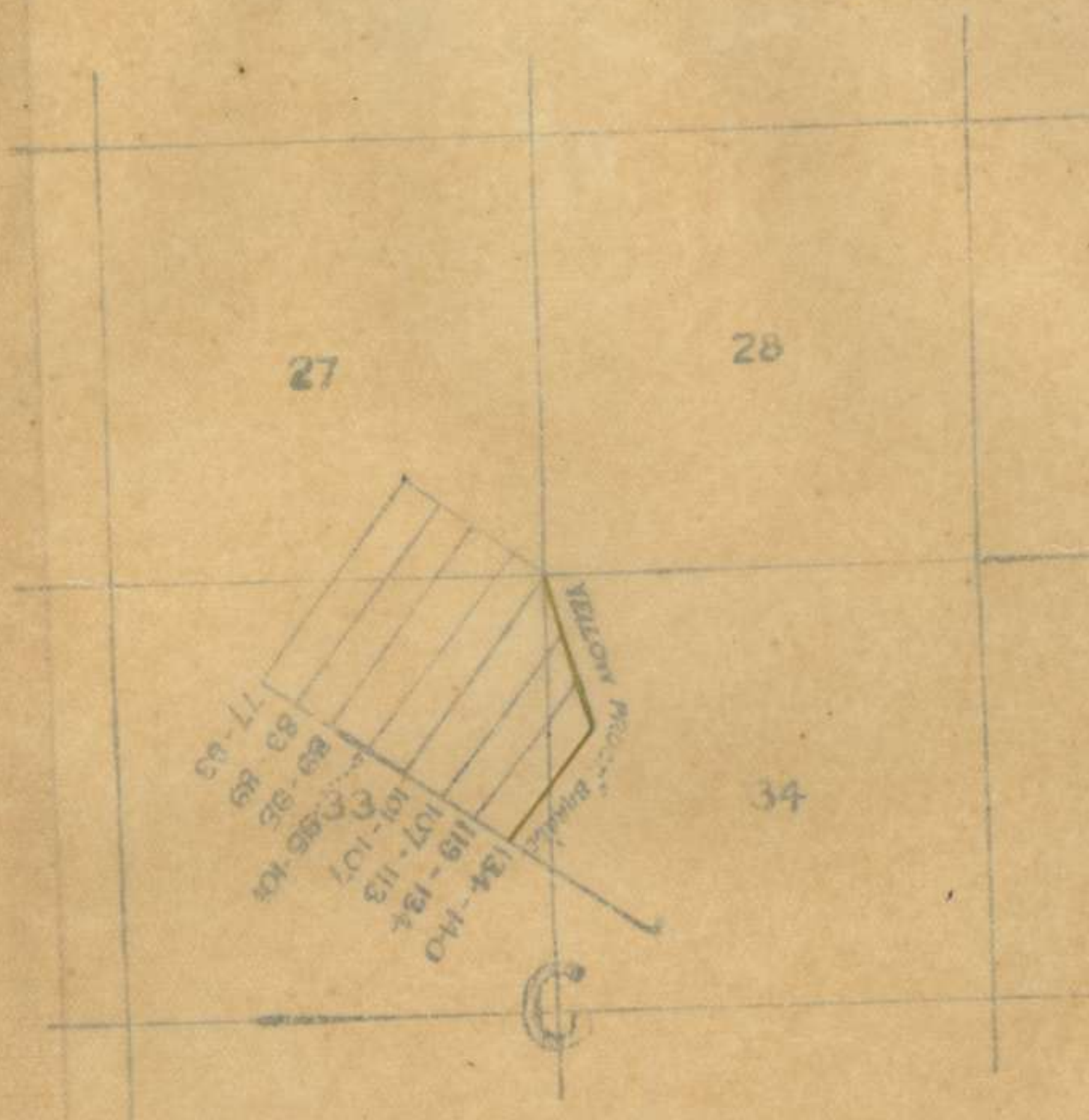
Battalion.....

- (a) Carry no maps or papers which may be of value to the enemy.
- (b) Give no information if captured, except the following, which you are bound to give:—
Name and Rank.
- (c) Collect all captured maps and papers and send them in at once.

X

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

COPY NO. 17

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ORDER No. 216

HEADQUARTERS,
5th Nov. 1918.

1. In accordance with previous telephone instructions the following Field Artillery will withdraw to wagon lines and pass to Corps Reserve :-

The 4th Aust. Div. Artillery.
The 16th ARMY Brigade R.H.A..
The 5th ARMY Brigade R.F.A..
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2. Orderlies will be sent by ARMY Brigades to IX Corps R.A. Headquarters reporting the Brigades' locations in Corps Reserve.
These Orderlies will carry with them two days' rations.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. J. Harp
Major,
Brigade-Major,

4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

1	-	10th Aust. D.A. Bde..
2	-	11th Aust. F.A. Bde..
3	-	4th Aust. D.A.C..
4	-	16th Bde. R.H.A..
5	-	5th ARMY Bde. R.H.A..
6	-	R.A. IX Corps.
7	-	R.A. Aust. Corps.
8	-	4th Aust. Div..
9	-	32nd D.A..
10	-	C.R.A..
11	-	B.M..
12	-	S.C..
13	-	R.O..
14	-	File.
15 - 17	-	Diary.

Issued to Signals at

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APPENDIX

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186 FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

ORDER NO. 216

HEADQUARTERS,
17th Nov. 1918.

1. The G.O.C. 4th Australian Division will inspect the Divisional Artillery in wagon lines on the 18th and 19th instant.
The G.O.C. will require to see billets, horses, vehicles, cookhouses and sanitary arrangements, and during the inspection of vehicles the Battery, or Section D.A.C., will fall in dismounted, in drill order, on Unit parade ground.
2. The Inspection will be in accordance with the following TABLE :-

Date	Approx. time of arrival.	Unit	Remarks
18/11/18	9.5 a.m.	(No. 1 Sect. (D.A.C..	C.O. D.A.C. to be present. No. 1 Sect. to detail an orderly to guide car during the inspection round to 37th Battery end of lines.
	10 a.m.	38th Battery	C.O. 10th Aust. F.A. Bde. to be present. Meet G.O.C. at 38th Bty. Orderly Room. Orderly to be provided by Battery to guide car during inspection to 39th Battery.
	10.30 a.m.	37th Battery	
	11.15 a.m.	39th Battery	
19/11/18	12.15 p.m.	110th How. "	
	9.15 a.m.	43rd Battery	C.O. 11th Bde. to be present.
	10.15 a.m.	111th Battery	Orderly to be provided to guide car across river during inspection to 42nd Battery.
	10.45 a.m.	42nd Battery	
	11.45 a.m.	41st Battery	
	12.30 p.m.	S.A.A. Sect. D.A.C..	C.O. D.A.C. to be present.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Copy per Bty. and
Section D.A.C..
4th Aust. Div. "G" (for inf.)

[Signature]
Major,
Brigade-Major,
4th Aust. Div. Artillery.

FOURTH

AUSTRALIAN

DIVISIONAL

ARTILLERY.

COPY NO....

ADMINISTRATIVE INST.
No. 64.HEADQUARTERS,
17th Nov. 1918.


The following instructions are issued as guidance.

All returns called for below will reach this Office by first despatch on 19th Nov. 1918:-

1. Lorries will be available for the move. Canteens, Comforts, Concert Parties, etc. will be taken. Brigades and D.A.C. will notify number of lorries required.
2. A nominal roll of all Officers and O.R. who can speak German fluently will be forwarded.
3. Return showing number of Officers and O.Rs. under following headings :-
 - (a) No. of married men with wives in AUSTRALIA.
 - (b) No. of widowers with children in AUSTRALIA.
 - (c) No. of married men with wives in ENGLAND.
 - (d) No. of widowers with children in ENGLAND.
4. Inspection of vehicles to be carried out at once and indents submitted urgently to replace those not considered serviceable for a long march.
5. All horses to be shod with shoes tapped for frost cogs, and cogs to be carried in readiness for use.
6. If proceeding by road it is considered probable that the Divisional Artillery will move on the 19th or 20th instant.
7. It is advised that a new portable chaff cutter is being issued. Battery Commanders should instruct their Q.M.Ss. to obtain same forthwith.
8. Haynets will be carried on the march filled.
9. Efforts must be made to complete every man with chin strap, colour patches and badges, forthwith.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 64.

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10. It must be clearly understood that rules as heretofore regarding claims are still in force, and Units will be debited with any damage done to property etc. either in FRANCE, BELGIUM or GERMANY.
11. All ranks are to be warned that German paper money is not to be accepted as same is absolutely useless.
12. Censorship regulations are relaxed. While permitting almost anything to be mentioned in letters, it is urged that matters such as the strength of force moving will be omitted.
13. Cameras may be carried.
14. Arrangements are being made to leave any men considered as undesirables. Brigades and D.A.C. will submit a nominal roll of any such men to this Office, as per instructions above.
15. ACKNOWLEDGE.


Captain,
Staff Captain,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Normal Distribution.

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10th Aust. F.A. Brigade.
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade.
4th Aust. D.A.C..

HEADQUARTERS
20th Nov. 1918.

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NOTES ON INSPECTION BY DIVISIONAL
COMMANDER CARRIED OUT ON THE 17th AND 18th NOVEMBER '18.

The Divisional Commander expressed himself as satisfied on the whole with the work up to the standard it has reached, but wishes it to be clearly understood that the inspection was an interior inspection with allowance made for the continuous service and shortage of personnel; any future inspections will be more exacting and judge generally upon a peace standard.

The outstanding features were :-

1. Want of proper supervision by Section Commanders.
2. Lack of system in billets, putting up of kits, stables, hanging of harness, and catering arrangements.
3. Men untidy on parade, and clothing and accoutrements dirty and unattended to. Great shortage of spurs.
4. Stable routine not good; grooming not vigorous enough. Absence of combined use of dandy and body brushes. Animals evidently not inspected and reported groomed by Section Commanders; noise in stables; some animals' manes not trimmed and tails not "banged". Nose bags not turned to dry. Smoking when going to water. Harness not stripped when being cleaned.
5. Interior of ammunition wagons uncared for.

To bring Units up to the standard required it is evident that training conditions must be adopted immediately, all work and camp arrangements systematised, and the greatest care paid to animal management.

A regular inspection of men will be carried out at muster parade at 9.30 a.m. by Section Commanders daily and by Battery Commanders occasionally. All animals to be passed as groomed by Section Commanders at mid-day stables (at which all Officers will be present). An Officer will be present at watering of animals. Animals to be exercised under supervision of Section Commanders. Half hour's foot drill to be carried out daily; all ranks to be on parade.

W. J. H. Jones
Major,
Brigade-Major, 4th Aust. D.A.C..

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ORDER NO. 217

HEADQUARTERS,
20th Nov. 1918.

I. INFORMATION. ADVANCE TO THE RHINE.

The advance of the Allied Forces commenced on the 17th instant.

The British forces detailed for the advance are organised into two Armies, the 4th and the 2nd, each of four Corps and 16 Divisions.

The 4th Army consists of :-

2nd Cavalry Division.
6th Corps.
4th Corps.
AUST. Corps.
9th Corps.

The AUST. Corps consists of the 1st, 2nd 4th and 5th Divisions. The advance of the 4th Army will be carried out to BELGIAN - GERMAN frontier in three stages as follows :-

Stage	From	To	Date of starting	Date of arrival	Remarks
1	Present line	Line No. 1	17th Nov.	18th Nov.	
2	Line No. 1	Line No. 2	21st Nov.	24th Nov.	
3	Line No. 2	Line No. 3	27th Nov.	2nd Dec.	The BELGIAN-GERMAN frontier will not be crossed pending further orders.

The enemy is to be clear of the 3 zones referred to above on the date preceding our advance into that zone. Any enemy encountered on the march will be made prisoner, with the exception of detachments left behind by the enemy in charge of war material which the German Army may wish to hand over. Such detachments will be set free as soon as the stores are taken over on charge by British detachments. Enemy detachments must, however, be accompanied by escorts of our own troops until they are clear of our lines.

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1. The advance of the 4th Army is being covered by the 2nd Cavalry Division. The 9th Corps on the Right and the 6th Corps on the Left will be the two leading Corps. It is not yet decided whether the Australian or 4th Corps will move by train or by road. If the movement is by road the Corps will follow the 9th Corps moving by two roads with the 4th Australian Division leading on the Right and the 1st Australian Division on the Left. There will be two Divisions preceding the 4th Aust. Div. on the same road; the Division immediately preceding the 4th Aust. Division will be the 6th Division.

2. INTENTION :-

The Division will be organised for the march into four Groups, three Inf. Brigade Groups and one Div. Arty. Group.

Groups will march in the following order :-

13th Aust. Inf. Bde. Group.
12th Aust. Inf. Bde. Group.
4th Aust. Inf. Bde. Group.
Divisional Artillery Group.

The Divisional Artillery Group under the C.R.A. 4th Aust. Division will consist of :-

4th Aust. Div. Arty. Headquarters.
10th Aust. F.A. Brigade.
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade.
104th ARMY Bde. R.F.A..
4th Aust. D.A.C..
4th Aust. Mob. Vet. Section.
14th Coy. A.A.S.C..

3. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS :-

The following general instructions apply to movement by march route :-

- (a) During the advance, all military precautions will be taken.
- (b) The comfort of the troops will be the first consideration during the march. Bands and colours, where available, may be taken.
- (c) Helmets and box respirators will be carried.

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4. FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS :-

Further instructions will be issued under this order.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

[Signature]
Major,
Brigade-Major,
4th Australian Div. Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

1 - 5	-	10th Aust. F.A. Bde..
6 - 10	-	11th Aust. F.A. Bde..
11 - 15	-	104th ARMY Bde. R.F.A..
16 - 19	-	4th Aust. D.A.C..
20 - 21	-	4th Aust. Mob. Vet. Sect..
	-	14th Coy. A.A.S.C..
22	-	R.A. Aust. Corps.) for
23	-	4th Aust. Div. "G".) inf..
24	-	C.R.A..
25	-	B.M..
26	-	S.C..
27	-	R.O..

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28	File.
29 31	Diary.
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INSTRUCTION No. 1

HEADQUARTERS,
20th Nov. 1918.

issued under 4th Aust. D.A. ORDER No. 217.

REFERENCE MAP, 1/100,000 VALENCIENNES.

1. The 4th Aust. Div. is concentrating in PRISCHES-LAGROISE Area on 21st, 22nd and 23rd instant.
2. The 4th Aust. Div. Artillery Group (less Artillery dump party under D.T.M.O.) will march on the 21st instant to LA GROISE Area.
4th Aust. Div. Artillery will move in accordance with table below.
The 104th ARMY Brigade will move under orders of Brigade Commander.
The Mob. Vet. Section will move under orders of the 4th Aust. Div..
14th Coy. A.A.S.C. will move under orders of the O.C. 14th Coy. A.A.S.C..
All movement will be completed by 12.30 on the 21st instant.
3. BILLETING PARTIES will report to Staff Captain at the office of the Area Commandant, LA GROISE at 1500 on 20th instant.
4. Attention is drawn to "March Discipline and Traffic Control" (S.S. 724).
5. 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. Report Centre will be established from 1230 on 21st at Area Commandant's Office LA GROISE.

MARCH TABLE.

Unit	Starting Point	Pass at	Route	Remarks.
(10th Aust. (F.A. BDE.. 11th Aust.) (F.A. Bde.. (4th Aust. (D.A.C..	Road junction at LE CATEAU of the POMMEREUIL and the BAZEUL Roads 5 G 9 5.. 70 x 5	0930 0959 1028	BAZUEL - CATILLON " "	Move to be completed by 1230.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

DISTRIBUTION.As for ORDER No. 217. plus
S.S.C. 4th Aust. Div..
A B U

4th Aust. Divisional Artillery.

Major,
Brigade-Major,

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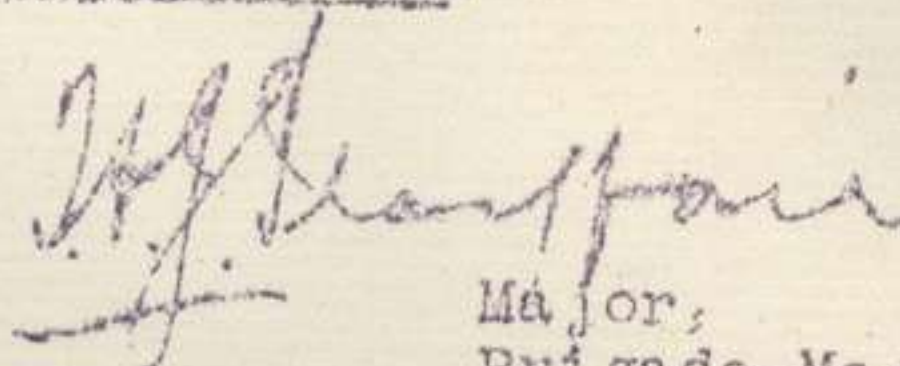
FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

COPY NO. 9.

WARNING ORDER No. 10HEADQUARTERS,
24th Nov. 1918.

1. The 4th Aust. Divisional Artillery will continue the march on the 27th instant to CARTIGNIES Area and on the 28th instant to RAMOUSIES Area.

2.

ACKNOWLEDGE.Major,
Brigade-Major,

4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

- 1 - 10th Aust. F.A. Bde..
- 2 - 11th Aust. F.A. Bde..
- 3 - 4th Aust. D.A.C..
- 4 - 104th ARMY Bde. R.F.A..
- 5 - 14th Coy. A.A.S.C..
- 6 - 4th Aust. M.V. Section

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INSTRUCTION NO. 2

Issued under 4th Aust. D.A. ORDER No. 217

HEADQUARTERS,
25th Nov. 18.REFERENCE MAPS, VALENCIENNES & NAMUR, 1/100.000.1. CONTINUATION OF THE ADVANCE :-

The 4th Aust. Division - plus 104th ARMY Brigade R.F.A. - will move by Brigade and Artillery Groups to the SAILS Area between the 25th and the 28th instant, (both dates inclusive).

2. THE ARTILLERY GROUP :-

The 4th Aust. Div. Artillery Group (less S.A.A. Section) will move in accordance with the MARCH TABLE overleaf.

3. BILLETING PARTIES :-

Billeting parties will report to an Officer from D.A.H.Q. as follows :-

At Town Major's Office, CARTIGNIES at 11 a.m., 26th.
At Town Major's Office, RAMOUSIES at 11 a.m., 27th..

4. TRANSPORT :-

The 4th Aust. D.A.C. will provide 6 G.S. wagons to each of the 10th and 11th Aust. F.A. Brigades. The wagons will report to F.A. Brigades Headquarters on afternoon of the 26th instant and return to D.A.C. on afternoon of 28th instant.

5. The 4th Aust. Div. Artillery Headquarters will move to RAMOUSIES Area on the 27th instant; new location will be notified later.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

H. J. L. J. J. J.
Major,
Brigade-Major,

4th Aust. Divisional Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

1 - 5	10th Aust. F.A. Bde.	(23	4th Aust. Div..
6 - 10	11th Aust. F.A. Bde..	for (24	R.A. Aust. Corps.
11 - 14	4th Aust. D.A.C..	inf. (25	Area Cdt. CARTIGNIES
15 - 20	104th ARMY Bde. R.F.A..	(26	" " RAMOUSIES
21	14th Coy. A.A.S.C..		
22	4th Aust. M.V. Section.		Diary, file, etc..

MARCH TABLE TO ACCOMPANY ORDER No. 217
(INSTRUCTION No. 2.)

1. Serial No.	2 Date NOV.	3 Unit	4 Starting Point	5 Pass at	6 Route	7 Destination	Remarks
	27th	14th Coy. A.A.S.C. 11th Aust. F.A. Bde. 10th Aust. F.A. Bde. 4th Aust. D.A.C. 104th ARMY Bde. RFA. 4th Aust. M.V. Sect.	Road Junction 6 J 13.95	0830 0850 0919 0958 1012 1048	PRISCHES	CARTIGNIES Area.	The 14th Coy. A.A.S.C., 10th & 11th Aust. F.A. Brigades only will halt for 10 min. at 0950 on 27th & 28th inst.. After that hour the column will halt for 10 min. at 10 min. to each clock hour whilst marching.
	28th	14th Coy. A.A.S.C. 10th Aust. F.A. Bde. 11th Aust. F.A. Bde. 104th ARMY Bde. RFA. 4th Aust. D.A.C. 4th Aust. M.V. Sect.	Road Junction 6 K 8595	0830 0850 0919 0958 1034 1048.	BOULOGNE - QUATRE MAISONS- ZOREES - SAINS.	RAMOUSIES Area.	

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

INSTRUCTION No. 3
issued under 4th Aust. D.A. ORDER No.
217.

HEADQUARTERS,
26th Nov. 1918.

1. 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. will close at CATILLION at 0900 on 27th instant and re-open on arrival at CHATEAU situated at 5 A 9035 (Sheet NAMUR, 1/100,000).

J. H. Haffair

Major,
Brigade-Major,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

AMENDMENT No. 1

to

HEADQUARTERS,
26th Nov. 1918.

MARCH TABLE accompanying INST. No. 2 to
ORDER No. 217.

1. COLUMN 5 :-

Starting Times stated for 27th instant are
CANCELLED and following substituted :-

14th Coy. A.A.S.C.	}	0940.
4th Aust. M.V. Section		
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade		0945
10th Aust. F.A. Brigade		1010
4th Aust. D.A.C.		1035.
104th ARMY Brigade R.F.A.		1056

2. COLUMN "REMARKS" :-

Add the following :-

During the march on the 27th instant :-

- (a) Distances between Units will be reduced to 100 yards.
- (b) Units except the 104th ARMY Brigade R.F.A. will halt at 1040 for 10 minutes. No other halt during march will take place on the 27th instant.
- (c) CARTONIES will not be entered before 11.10 a.m.. PRISCHES will be cleared by 11.30 a.m.; the 104th ARMY Brigade R.F.A. will reduce distances between Batteries, B.A.C. and Sections of 12 vehicles in order to clear PRISCHES.
- (d) The Rec. Vet. Section will march with 14th Coy. A.A.S.C. during march on 27th and 28th at 25 yards distance. (This will cancel time stated for Rec. Vet. Section on 28th inst. in MARCH TABLE.)

DISTRIBUTION.

As for INST. No. 2

J. H. Haffair

Major,
Brigade-Major,
4th Australian Div. Artillery.

Charges to Collect		From <i>4444</i>	At.....m.
Service Instructions		By <i>Squire</i>	To.....
		By.....	Received <i>17.25</i> m.
Handed in at <i>WOM A</i>		Office <i>1450</i> m.	
TO	<i>4 Aus Da (for information)</i>		
* Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
<i>BM 72</i>	<i>2</i>		
<p><i>In view of 32</i> <i>Divl order it will</i> <i>not be possible to</i> <i>move your batteries in</i> <i>daylight tomorrow unless</i> <i>the light is so</i> <i>bad that detection from</i> <i>the air is impossible</i> <i>but all possible</i> <i>preliminary arrangements</i> <i>should of course be</i> <i>made laying out of</i> <i>aiming posts preparation</i> <i>of platforms etc report</i> <i>completion of move to</i> <i>this office by code</i> <i>word</i> CONSTANTINOPLE</p>			
FROM	<i>32 Da</i>		
PLACE & TIME	<i>1300</i>		

* This line should be erased if not required.

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FOURTH

AUSTRALIAN

DIVISIONAL

ARTILLERY.

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S E C R E T.

LOCATION STATEMENT as at
2859, November 3rd 1918.

REFERENCE MAPS

57B) 1/40,000.
57C) & 62B

C.R.A. -- Brigadier-General W.L.H. BURGESS, C.M.G., D.S.O.,
Commanding Left Group, 32nd Div. Artillery.

4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. Q 4 d 5 7

No. 1 SUB GROUP -- Lieut.-Col. SPENCER-SMITH.
H.Q., L 27 c 7 8.

16th ARMY Bde. R.H.A.

"A" Battery)
"Q" Battery)
"U" Battery)

L 27 c 7 8

L 29 b & d.

2nd Brigade R.F.A. H.Q..

21st Battery
42nd Battery
53rd Battery
87th Battery

R 8 b 7 6

L 33 b 5 0

L 33 d 5 5

L 33 d 7 7

R 3 b 1 1

24th Brigade R.F.A. H.Q.

110th Battery
111th Battery
112th Battery
43rd Battery

BAZUEL, R 8 b 4 6

L 33 b 5 8

L 33 b 3 7

L 33 b 4 9

L 33 b 0 5

No. 2 Sub-GROUP -- Lieut.-Col. C.H. SPURGE,
H.Q. L 27 c 8 6.

W.L..

11th Aust. F.A. Bde. H.Q.

41st Battery
42nd Battery
43rd Battery
111th How. "

L 27 c 5 8

L 28 b 7095

L 28 b 3099

L 28 c 7080

L 28 b 2090

K 35 c 3 8

Q 5 b 5 5

K 29 a 6 8

L 31 a 7 8

K 23 c 5 0

10th Aust. F.A. Bde. H.Q.

37th Battery
38th Battery
39th Battery
110th How. "

L 27 d 0 9

L 22 c 1 6

L 22 c 2535

L 22 c 0 5

L 22 c 2 7

5th ARMY Bde. R.F.A. H.Q.

64th Battery
73rd Battery
81st Battery
D/5 Battery

R 2 c 3 9

L 34 b 5 8

L 28 d 5510

L 28 d 9565

L 29 a 4 6.

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4th Aust. D.A.C. H.Q.	V 15 b 6 8
No. 1 Section	Q 33 a 4 4
No. 2 Section	Q 33 c 3 9
No. 3 Section (S.A.A.)	V 15 d 1 2
6th BRITISH D.A.C. H.Q.	Q 33 b 2 8
4th Aust. D.T.M.C..	VILLERS FAUCON. (57C)
14th Coy. A.A.S.C..	BUSIGNY.
A.R.P.	K 36 d 0 3
No. 29 O.M.W. (L) & No. 7 (Med.)	W 4 a 9 4.
IXth Corps R.A. Rein. Camp	BOHAIN, D 9 b 2 5. (62E).

PREVIOUS LOCATION STATEMENTS ARE HEREBY CANCELLED AND SHOULD BE DESTROYED.

Units will please notify this Office IMMEDIATELY of any change in the above locations.

C. Rowan
Lieut.,
Staff-Lieut.,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Office of Origin and Service Instructions		Words	Charge	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at.....
		Sent	Service	Date.....
		At.....			From.....
		To.....			By.....
		By.....	(Signature of "Franking Officer")		
TO	RA. TX Corps Right Group.	RA Aust Corps.			
	32 DA.	No 1 Sub Group.	4 Aust Div.		
	25 DA.	No 2 Sub Group.	96 Inf Bde.		
Sender's Number.		Day of Month	In reply to number	AAA	
RO. 47		3.			
<p>Howard H.Q. will be established at 0700 hours No 4th at L 266 79 (shot 57⁶)</p> <p>aaa.</p>					
<p>From 4th Aust Div Ctry.</p> <p>Place (Left Group)</p> <p>Time</p> <p>The above may be forwarded as now corrected (Z)</p> <p>Censor. Ch. Kowa</p> <p>Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name</p>					

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Prefix..... Code.....m
Office of O and Service Instructions

This message is on m/c of

Recd. at.....m.

Sent

Date.....

At.....m.

Service.

To.....

From.....

By.....

(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

TO

32nd	DA	Light Group
25th	DA	96th Inf Bde

Sender's Number. Day of Month. In reply to Number. AAA

* BM 44 4/11

Provisional P.O.D line

runs as follows

M 5 d 10 — G 35 b 40 —

G 30 c 02

From

Place 4th Aust DA

Time

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32nd	DA	Light Group
25th	DA	96th Inf Bde

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186 FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. COPY NO....

SECRET. LOCATION STATEMENT as at 1200
5th Rev. 1918.

REFERENCE SHEETS, 57B and 57C, 1/40,000.

C.R.A. -- Brigadier-General W.L.R. BURGESS, C.B.E., D.S.O.

4th Aust. D.A.H.Q.

Q 4 d 5 7.

10th Aust. F.A. Bde..

Position Wagon Line.
Major W. TOMKINSON.

Headquarters
37th Battery
38th Battery
39th Battery
110th How. Bty..

IX L 31 d 2520.
CORPS K 29 d 2 6
RESERVE L 35 a 8 1.
K 29 d 2 6.
K 29 a 1 7.

11th Aust. F.A. Bde.

Headquarters
41st Battery
42nd Battery
43rd Battery
111th How. ":

Lieut.-Col. C.H. SPURGE.
IX K 35 c 0025
CORPS Q 5 b 5 5
RESERVE K 29 a 6 8.
L 31 a 7 8.
K 23 c 5 0

4th Aust. D.T.L.O.

VILLERS FAUCON. (57C)

4th Aust. D.A.C. H.Q.
Nos. 1 & 2 Sections
No. 3 (S.A.A. Section)

V 15 b 8 8.
K 35 d 2 0
V 15 d 1 2

14th Coy. A.A.S.C.
No. 29 O.M.W. (L) &
No. 7 (Med.)
IXth Corps R.A. Rein. Camp.

BUSIGNY
W 4 a 9 4.
D 9 b 2 5 (82B).

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(C. Rowan)
Lieut.,
Staff Lieut.,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY **APPENDIX** 9

SECRET

HEADQUARTERS,
6th Nov. 1918. (1200)

AMENDMENT TO LOCATIONS.

REFERENCE LOCATION STATEMENT of 5th November (1200) :-

Please amend 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade locations to read as follows :-

Headquarters	..	K 34 d 3 8
37th Battery	..	K 29 d 2 8
38th Battery	..	L 35 a 4 2
39th Battery	..	K 29 d 2 8.
110th How. "	..	K 23 d 1 8

C.H. Rowan.

Lieut.,
Staff-Lieut.,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. COPY NO....

SECRET. LOCATION STATEMENT as at 1200
7th Nov. 1918.

REFERENCE SHEETS, 57B and 57C, 1/40,000.

C.R.A. -- Brigadier-Gen. W.L.H. BURGESS, C.M.G., D.S.O..

4th Aust. D.A.H.Q.

Q 4 d 5 7

Position

Wagon Lines.

10th Aust. F.A. Bde.

Major W. TOMKINSON.

Headquarters		K 34 d 3 8
37th Battery	IX	K 35 c 5 4
38th Battery	CORPS	L 35 a 4 2
39th Battery	RESERVE.	K 35 d 2 7
110th How. Bty.		K 23 d 1 8

11th Aust. F.A. Bde.

Lieut.-Col. C.H. SPURCE.

Headquarters		K 35 b 8545
41st Battery	IX	Q 5 b 5 5
42nd Battery	CORPS	K 29 a 6 8
43rd Battery	RESERVE	L 31 a 7 8
111th How. "		K 28 d 8080

4th Aust. D.T.M.O.

VILLERS FAUCON (57C).

4th Aust. D.A.C. H.Q.

Nos. 1 & 2 Sections

No. 3 (S.A.A. Section)

V 15 b 6 8
K 35 d 6 0
V 15 d 1 2

14th Coy. A.A.S.C.

No. 29 O.M.W. (L) &

No. 7 (Med.)

IX Corps R.A. Rein. Camp.

BUSIGNY.

W 4 a 9 4

D 9 b 2 5 (62B).

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C.H. Rowan.

Lieut.,
Staff-Lieut.,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

SECRET.

LOCATION STATEMENT as at 1200
10th Nov. 1918.

REFERENCE SHEETS, 57B and 57C, 1/40,000.

C.R.A. -- Brigadier-General W.L.H. BURGESS, C.M.G., D.S.O.

4th Aust. D.A.H.Q.

Q 4 d 5 7.

Position

Wagon Line.

10th Aust. F.A. Bde..

Major W. TOMKINSON.

Headquarters

37th Battery

38th Battery

39th Battery

110th How. "

IX

CORPS

RESERVE

K 34 d 3 8

K 35 c 5 4

K 35 a 4 2

K 35 d 2 7

K 23 d 1 8

11th Aust. F.A. Bde.

Lieut.-Col. C.H. SPURGE.

Headquarters

41st Battery

42nd Battery

43rd Battery

111th How. "

IX

CORPS

RESERVE

K 28 b 6 1

(MONTAY).

Q 5 b 5 5.

K 29 c 0 8

K 28 b 8 3.

K 28 d 8080

4th Aust. D.T.M.Q..

VILLERS FAUCON.

4th Aust. D.A.C. H.Q.

LE CATEAU

Nos. 1 & 2 Sections

B.A.A. Section

K 35 d 6 0

V 15 d 1 2.

14th Coy. A.A.S.C..

BUSIGNY.

No. 29 O.M.W. (L) &

No. 7 Med..

IXth Corps R.A. Rein. Camp.

W 4 a 9 4.

D 9 b 2 5. (62B)

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Lieut.

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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SECRET.

LOCATION STATEMENT at at 1200
15th Nov. 1918.

REFERENCE SHEETS, 57B and 57C, 1/40,000.

A/C.R.A. -- Lieut.-Col. T.I.C. WILLIAMS, D.S.O.,

4th Aust. D.A.H.Q.

Q 4 d 5 7.

Position

Wagon Line

10th Aust. F.A. Bde..

Major W. TOMKINSON.

Headquarters
37th Battery
38th Battery
39th Battery
110th How. "

IX
CORPS
RESERVE.

K 34 d 3 8
K 35 c 5 4
K 35 a 4 2
K 35 d 2 7
K 23 d 1 8.

11th Aust. F.A. Bde.

Major C.R. TURNER.

Headquarters
41st Battery
42nd Battery
43rd Battery
111th How. "

IX
CORPS
RESERVE.

K 28 b 6 1
Q 5 b 5 5
K 29 c 0 8
K 28 b 8 3
K 28 d 8080

4th Aust. D.T.M.O.

VILLIERS FAUCON (moving to LE CATEAU
on 16th inst.)

4th Aust. D.A.C. H.Q.

No. 1 Section
No. 2 Section
S.A.A. Section

Q 10 b 1 8
(LE CATEAU).
K 35 c 3 1
Q 10 b 3 5
Q 10 a 6 2.

14th Coy. A.A.S.G..

BUSIGNY.

Aust. Corps R.A. Rein. Camp.

D 9 b 2 5 (62B)

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C. Rowan Lieut.,
Staff-Lieut.,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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At.....m.		To.....		From.....	
By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer")		By.....	

TO: *Lt. Cust. D.A.*

Sender's Number. *R. 218* Day of Month. *15* In reply to Number. *AAA*

Ref. my *R. 216* *HHH*

Amend
25th Bdy. to read Q31a3686
and 26th " " Q25C2530

Lt. Cust. D.A.

From.....
Place.....
Time.....

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TO: *Lt. Cust. D.A.*

Sender's Number. *R. 218* Day of Month. *15* In reply to Number. *AAA*

Following Battery locations are those selected for occupation for pending operation HHH

<i>1st Bde.</i>	<i>10th Battery</i>	<i>Q31a4765</i>
	<i>11th "</i>	<i>Q31a5849</i>
	<i>12th "</i>	<i>Q19d8010</i>
	<i>104th "</i>	<i>Q19d7585</i>
<i>5th Bde.</i>	<i>13th "</i>	<i>P36d4020</i>
	<i>14th "</i>	<i>V668030</i>
	<i>15th "</i>	<i>W163585</i>
	<i>105th "</i>	<i>Q25b2000</i>
<i>7th Bde.</i>	<i>25th "</i>	<i>Q25d3558</i>
	<i>26th "</i>	<i>Q25d4068</i>
	<i>27th "</i>	<i>Q25d4090</i>
	<i>107th "</i>	<i>Q25d3262</i>

From.....
Place.....
Time.....

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By.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer")		By.....	
TO {					
Sender's Number.		Day of Month.		In reply to Number.	
R0216 (ould)				AAA	
14 th Bde.	53 rd Battery	Q25d Central			
	54 th	Q25b 8090			
	55 th	Q32a 7070			
	114 th	Q25b 1050			
From		Place		Time	
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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.NOTES FOR C.R.A.'s. CONFERENCE.17/11/1918.

Undesirables and surplus stores or kits to be left at LE CATEAU.

Estimate of lorries required. (include 2nd blanket).

New portable chaff cutter.

March or entrain to frontier and march, thereafter.

May move on 19th or 20th.

Condition of vehicles and spare parts.

Canteens, comforts, etc. to be taken and transport allowed.

Comfort of troops first consideration.

Hats, uniforms, badges, "AUSTRALIAS", colour patches, helmets and masks to be carried.

Hay to be carried in hay nets.

March 10 - 12 miles per day.

Division moves in four Groups: each Inf. Brigade and Div. Artillery Group.

1 Battery may move with each Infantry Brigade. 104th ARMY Bde.

R.F.A. attached to 4th Aust. Div. Artillery.

Possibly 1 Section 3rd Aust. Div. Artillery to one shortest Battery owing to reinforcement shortage.

We lead Australian Corps on the road but follow IXth Corps who will hand billets over to us; ensure clean when handing over.

Horse drawn echelon only goes.

March, discipline, punctuality, timing, distances, Officers must move about.

Men on parade least possible time before march.

Road clearance when halted, dismounted and grazing every opportunity. Shoes to be tapped; frost cogs to be carried.

50% of men ride on vehicles, 50% march at head of Battery or Section D.A.C.. Change round during hourly halt. March

through Villages not at attention but no smoking. Roads to be clear for motor transport between 5 p.m. and 5 a.m..

Men into billets/after arrival. All preliminary arrangements made previously. ^{quickly} Billeting parties will proceed ahead under Div. arrangements.

Men must not congregate on village cross roads and block traffic. Billeting will be very close.

Guards, pickets; smart, have orders as during peace training from now on.

General smartness, saluting, behaviour. Tell troops why necessary, especially in German Villages.

Relation with civil population :-

We expect a lot from Germans: money, work, etc.. No object in oppressing. Laws ~~is~~ will be issued by Army. Everyone's duty to see them carried out. No fraternising; Boche must be made to respect us. Accept Boche paper money on no account: it is worthless.

/Expeditions

(2).

Expeditions will be arranged under Officers to visit places of interest.

Divisions to encourage good feeling with other Divisions.

Prepare for demobilisation. (names of married men and widowers with children first).

Names of German speaking Officers and men.

Education Scheme to go on. (Captain ROSSITER Div. E.O.).

Claims still go on, especially German.

Relaxed censor regulations from now on.

May carry cameras.

Leave continues.

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

LOCATION STATEMENT AS AT 0800, 22nd NOV. 18..

REFERENCE SHEETS, 57A and 57B, 1/40, COG.

A/C.R.A. -- Lieut.-Col.	T.I.C. WILLIAMS, D.S.O..
4th Aust. D.A.H.Q.	Q 4 d 5 7
10th Aust. F.A. Bde..	Major A.A. EVANS, D.S.O., M.C..
Headquarters	LA GROISE
37th Battery	LA GROISE
38th Battery	LA GROISE
39th Battery	LA GROISE
110th How. "	LA GROISE.
11th Aust. F.A. Bde.	Major C.R. TURNER
Headquarters	LE SART
41st Battery	LA GROISE
42nd Battery	LE SART
43rd Battery	LA GROISE
111th How. "	LE SART.
104th ARMY Bde. R.F.A..	
Headquarters	M 32 • 5 7
A/Battery	M 27 c 7 1
B/ "	M 32 • 2 7
C/ "	M 20 d 5 1
D/ "	M 32 c 3 2
B.A.C.	MAZINGHIEN. (moving to-morrow).
4th Aust. D.T.M.O..	Q 10 b 3 5
4th Aust. D.A.C.	
Headquarters	LA GROISE
No. 1 Section	
No. 2 Section	
14th Coy. A.A.S.C.	LA GROISE
IX Corps R.A. Rein. Camp	D 9 b 2 5 (C2B).

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C. A. Rowan Lieut.,
Staff-Lieut.,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

LOCATION STATEMENT as at 1800, 23rd NOVEMBER 1918.

REFERENCE SHEETS, 57A and B, 1/40,000.

C.R.A. -- Lieut.-Col. T.I.C. WILLIAMS, D.S.O..	CATILLON.
4th Aust. D.A.E.G.	Major A.A. EVANS, D.S.O., M.C..
10th Aust. F.A. Bde.	LA GROISE Area.
11th Aust. F.A. Bde..	Major C.R. TURNER,
104th ARMY BRIGADE R.F.A..	LE SART Area.
4th Aust. D.T..G.	Lieut.-Col. WARD, D.S.O..
4th Aust. D.A.G..	BOIS L'ABBEY Area.
14th Coy. A.A.S.G..	Q 10 b 3 5
4th A. Mobile Vet. Sect..	LA GROISE Area.
IX Corps R.A. Rein. Camp.	LA GROISE
	LA GROISE
	D 9 b 2 5 (625).

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W. R. ... Lieut.,
Staff-Lieut.,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.
(ARTILLERY GROUP).

HEADQUARTERS,
28th Nov. 1918.

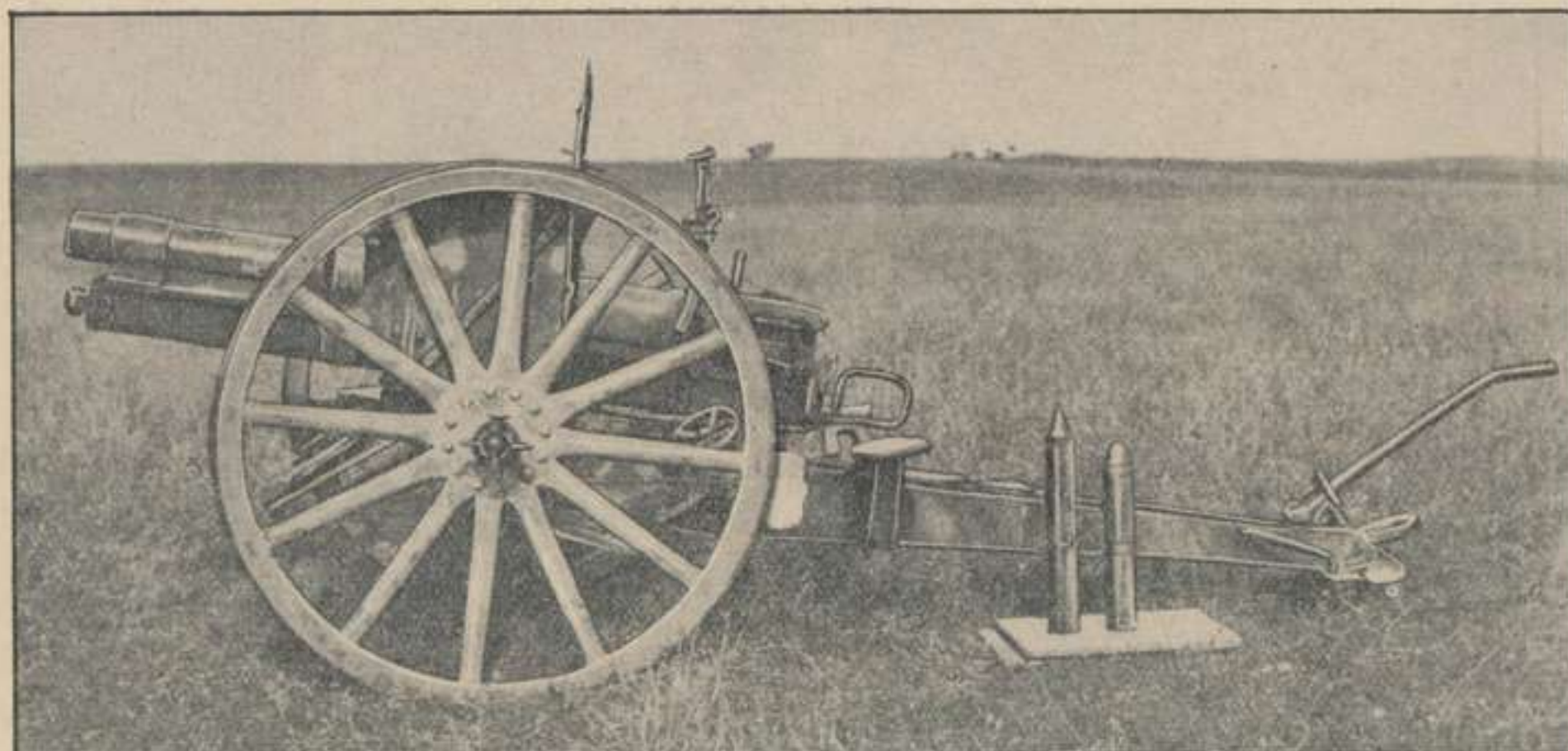
LOCATION STATEMENT AS AT
1200.

REFERENCE MAPS, VALENCIENNES & NAMUR, 1/100,000.

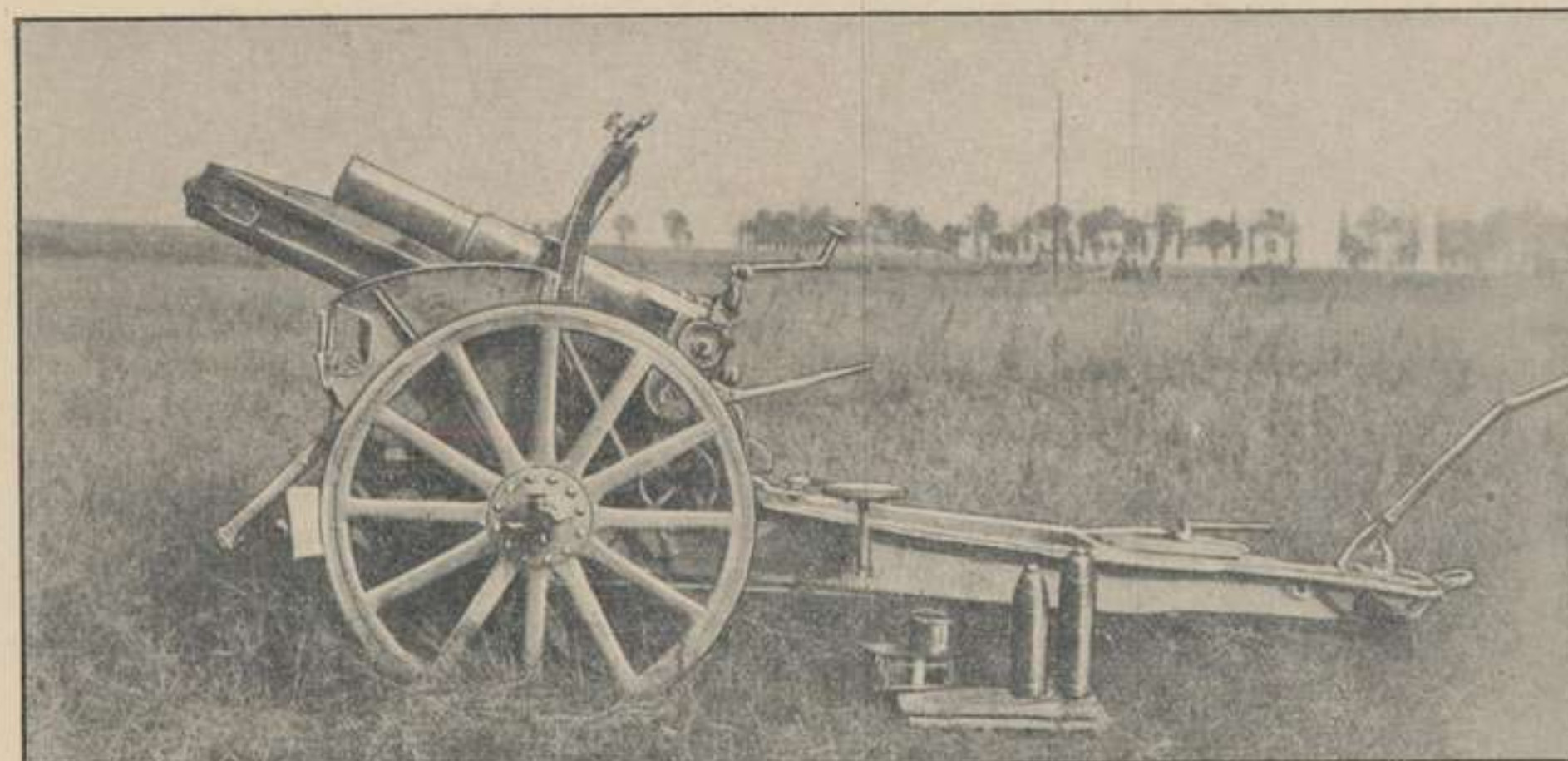
<u>4th Aust. D.A.H.Q.</u>	--	Chateau 300 yards S.E. of LIESSIES Railway Station. C.R.A. -- Lieut.-Col. T.I.C. WILLIAMS, D.S.O..
<u>10th Aust. F.A. Brigade</u>	--	Major A.A. EVANS, D.S.O., M.C.. LIESSIES AREA.
<u>11th Aust. F.A. Brigade</u>	--	Major C.R. TURNER, LIESSIES AREA.
<u>4th Aust. D.A.C..</u>	--	Major A.S. FORD, SEMERIES AREA.
<u>104th ARMY Brigade, R.F.A.-</u>		RAMOUSIES
<u>14th Coy. A.A.S.C.</u>	--	WILLIES AREA.

C. Rowan Lieut.,
Staff-Lieut.,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

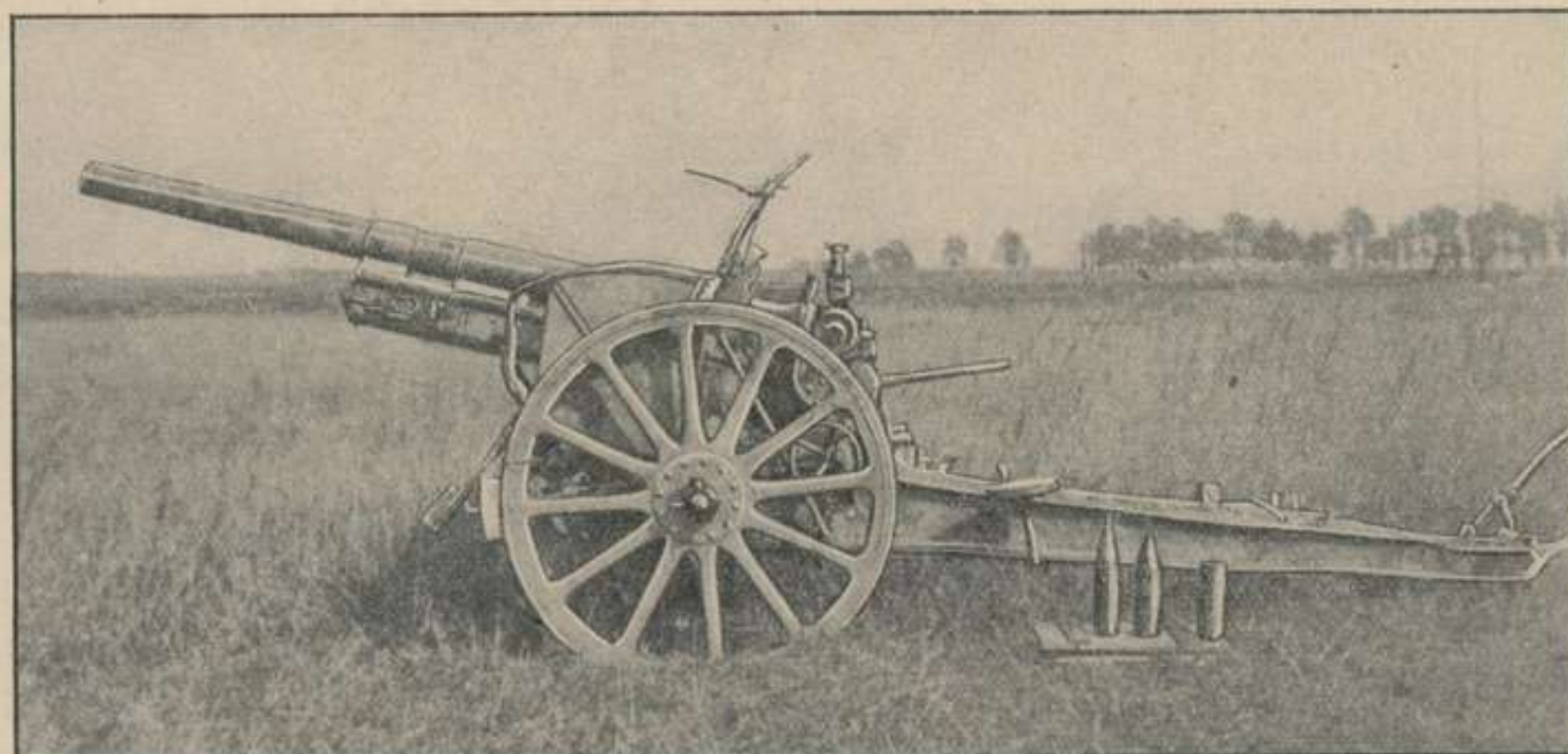
Field Artillery.



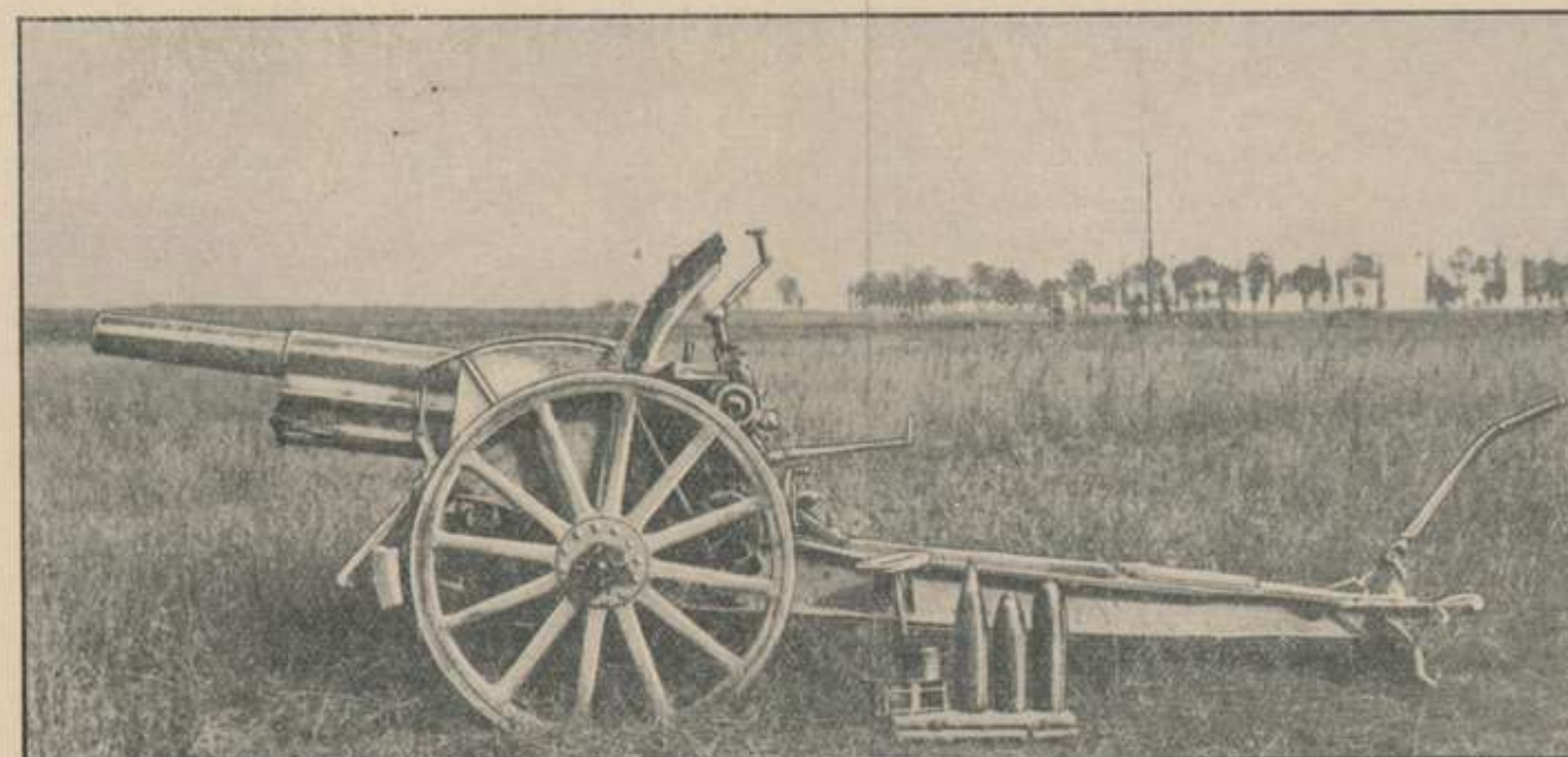
The old or "96 n/A." field gun (F.K. 96 n/A.).



The old or "98/09" 10.5-cm. light field howitzer (L.F.H. 98/09).



The new or "1916" field gun (F.K. 16).



The new or "1916" 10.5-cm. light field howitzer (L.F.H. 16).

COMPARISON OF OLD AND NEW FIELD GUN.

	Old 96 n/A. gun.	New 1916 gun.
Calibre ...	7.7 cm. (3.03 in.)	7.7 cm. (3.03 in.)
Overall length of piece ...	27.3 calibres = 6 ft. 10 $\frac{1}{8}$ in.	35 calibres = 8 ft. 10 $\frac{5}{8}$ in.
Buffer ...	Oil buffer, spring recuperator	Ditto.
Limits of elevation on carriage.	- 12°, + 16°	- 10°, + 40°
Amount of traverse ...	8°	8°
Weight of gun in action ...	19.3 cwt.	27.5 cwt.
Weight of gun limbered up without gunners.	35.6 cwt.	45 cwt.
Ammunition ...	Fixed	Separate (reduced charge, No. 1; full charge, No. 2; issued separately in brass cartridge case).
Weight of shell ...	15—16 lbs.	13 lbs. (streamline) and 15—16 lbs.
Maximum ranges ...	6,000 yards (at 16° elevation) 8,312 yards (with trail sunk).	6,561 yards (Charge No. 1). 9,952 yards (Charge No. 2 and 4 c.r.h. shell). 11,702 yards (Charge No. 2 and streamline shell).

Note.—The old field gun does not fire the streamline shell. With the new gun, the full charge (No. 2) is not used with shrapnel (painted blue) nor with the long shell (blue and yellow). The reduced charge (No. 1) is not used with the streamline shell.

General Staff (Intelligence),
General Headquarters.

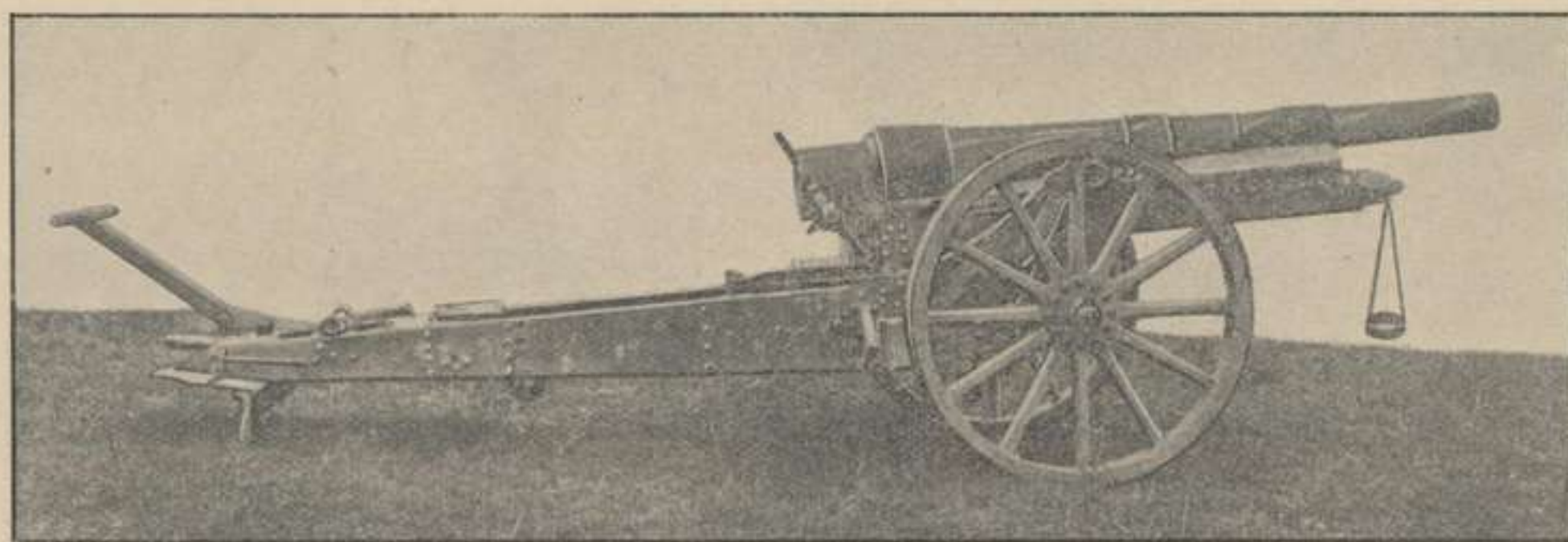
10th September, 1918.

COMPARISON OF OLD AND NEW 10.5-CM. LIGHT FIELD HOWITZERS.

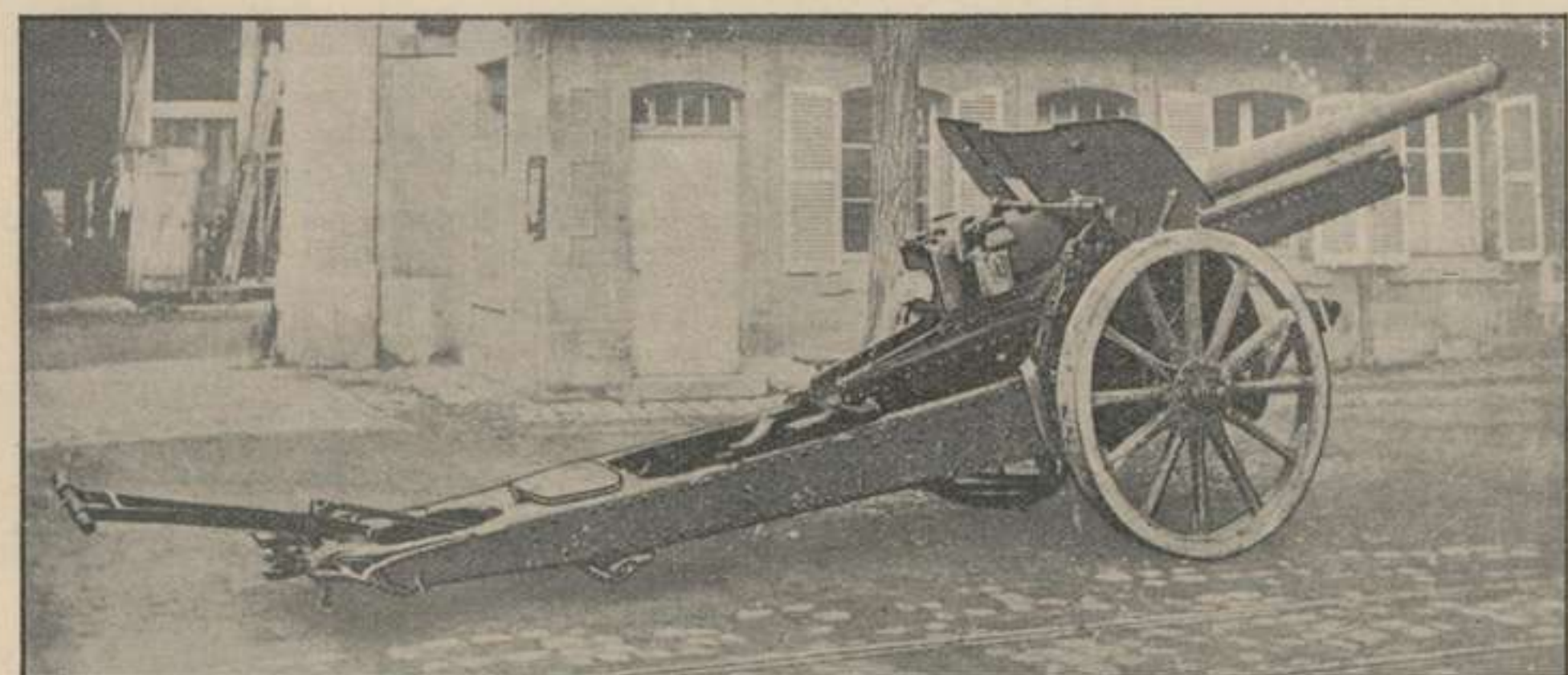
	Old '98/09 howitzer.	New 1916 howitzer.
Calibre ...	10.5 cm. (4.13 in.)	10.5 cm. (4.13 in.)
Overall length of piece ...	11.9 calibres = 4 ft. 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ in.	22 calibres = 7 ft. 7 in.
Buffer ...	Oil buffer, spring recuperator	Ditto.
Limits of elevation on carriage	- 13°, + 40°	- 10°, + 40°
Amount of traverse ...	4°	4°
Weight of howitzer in action ...	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	27 cwt.
Weight limbered up without gunners	37 cwt.	45 cwt.
Charges ...	Nos. 1—8	Nos. 2—7 and No. 9.
Weight of shell ...	34 lbs.	34 lbs.
Maximum ranges ...	7,655 yards	9,241 yards (2 c.r.h. shell). 10,499 yards (streamline shell).

Note.—The streamline shell is only fired from the new howitzer and with charge No. 9.

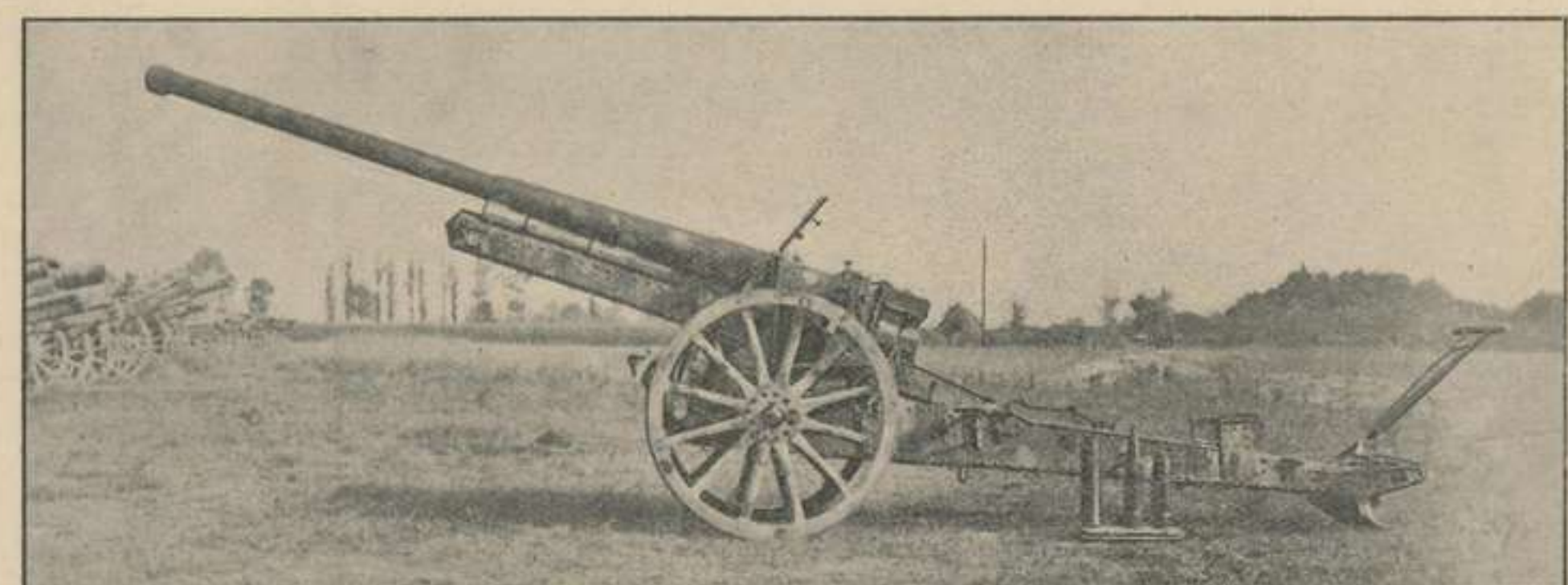
Heavy Guns on Wheeled Mountings.



1904 10-cm. Gun (10 cm. K.04).



1914 10-cm. Gun (10 cm. K.14).



1917 10-cm. Gun (10 cm. K.17).

COMPARISON OF OLD AND NEW 10-CM. GUNS.

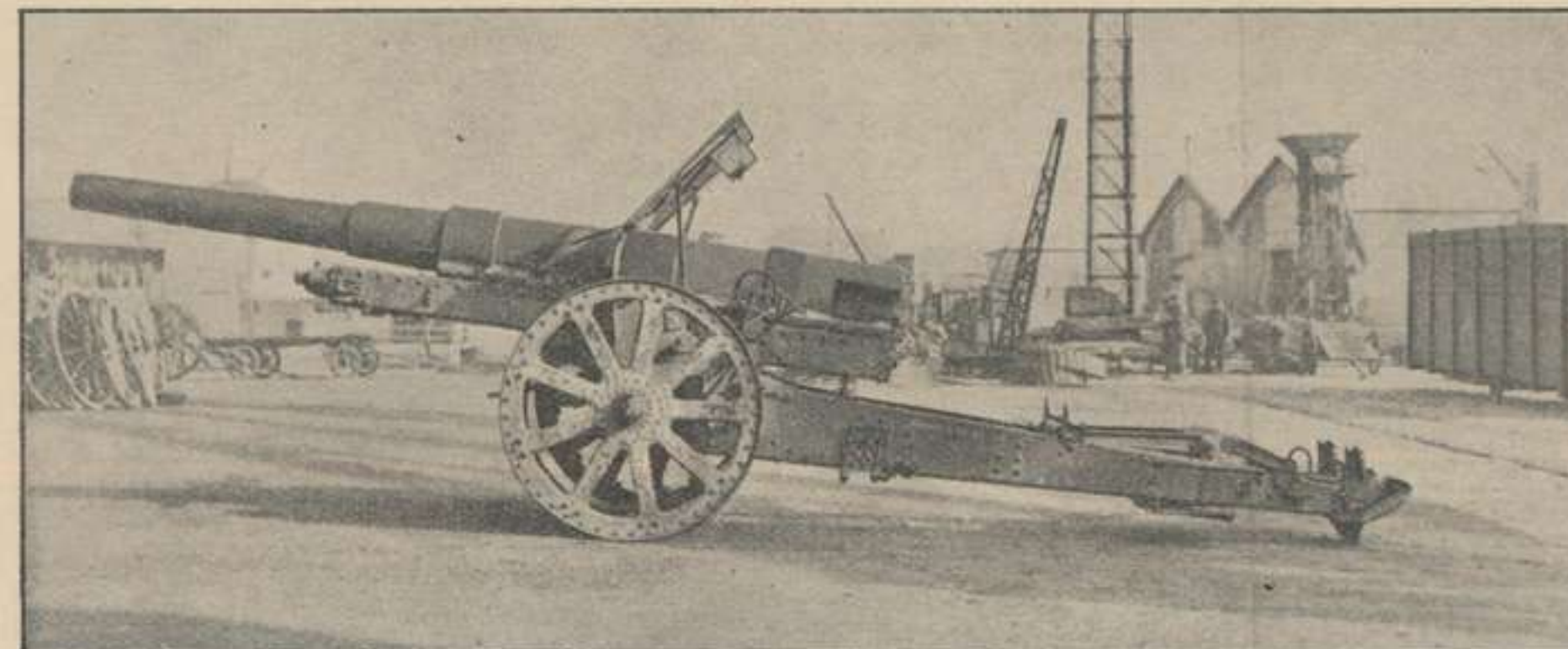
	1904 gun.	1914 gun.	1917 gun.
Calibre	10.5 cm. (4.13 in.)	10.5 cm. (4.13 in.)	10.5 cm. (4.13 in.)
Overall length of piece	30 calibres = 10 ft. 2½ in.	35 calibres = 12 ft. 1 in.	45 calibres = 15 ft. 6 in.
Buffer	Oil buffer, spring recuperator; constant recoil.	Ditto; variable recoil.	Ditto; variable recoil.
Limits of elevation on carriage	- 5°, + 30°	0°, + 45°	0°, + 45°
Amount of traverse	7° 52'	7° 52'	7° 52'
Weight of gun in action	54 cwt.		
Ammunition	The 1904 and 1914 guns fire a 40-lb. shell with a full and a reduced charge (separate ammunition). The 10 c.r.h. shell with false cap weighs about 1 lb. more than the 2½ c.r.h. shell. No details are available concerning the ammunition of the 1917 gun.		

Maximum ranges:—			
2½ c.r.h. shell	full charge	12,249 yds.	12,467 yds.
	reduced charge	9,788 yds.	— yds.
10 c.r.h. shell	full charge	13,889 yds.	14,327 yds.
with false cap.	reduced charge	— yds.	21,326 yds. (?)

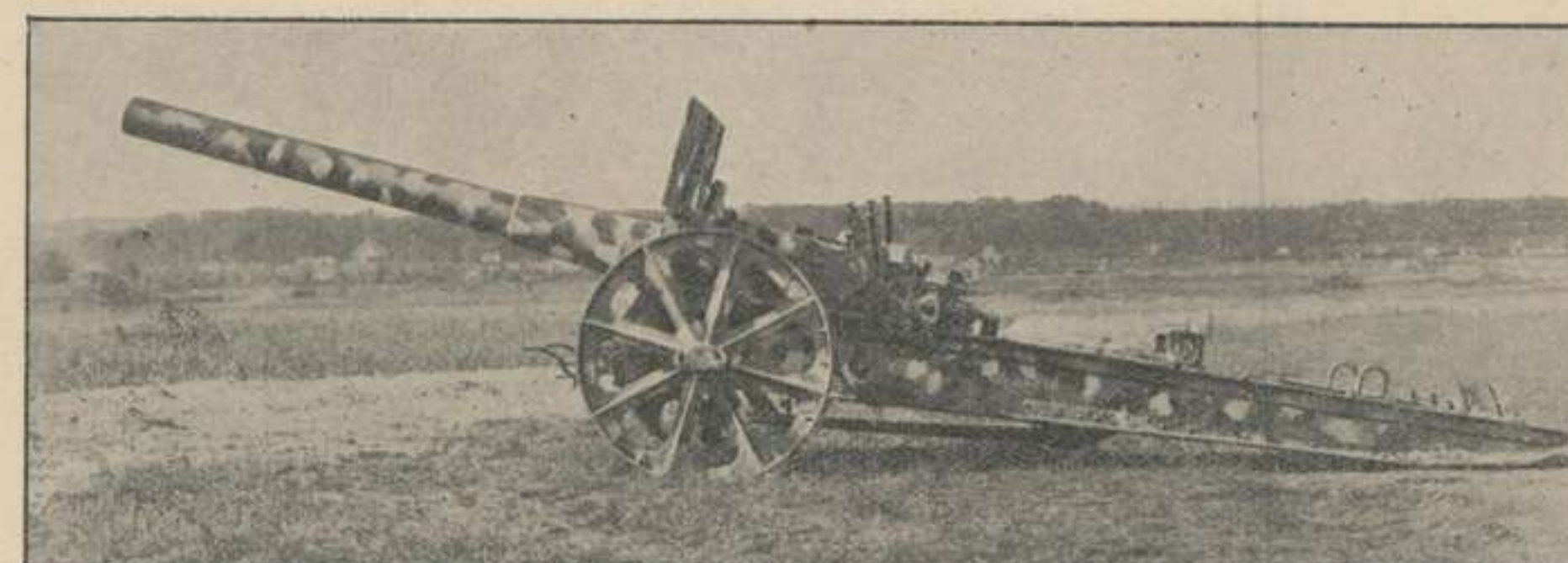
General Staff (Intelligence),
at Headquarters.

2nd September, 1918.

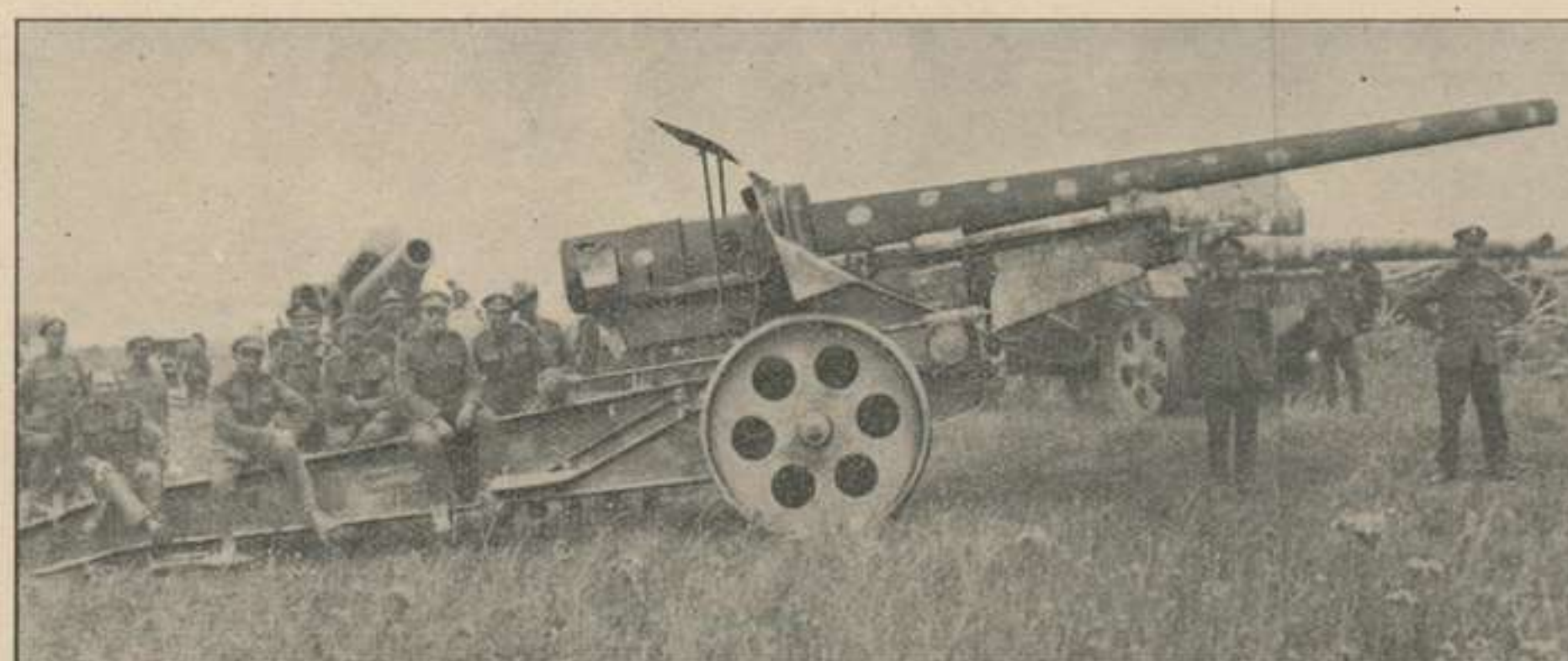
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13-cm. Gun (13 cm. K.).



15-cm. Q.F. Naval Gun (8.15 cm. K. or 15 cm. S.K. L/40).



New or "1916" 15-cm. Gun (15 cm. K.16).

COMPARISON OF 13-CM. AND 15-CM. GUNS.

	13-cm. gun.	15-cm. Q.F. naval gun L/40.	New or "1916" 15-cm. gun.
Calibre	13.5 cm. (5.31 in.)	15 cm. (?) (5.9 in.)	14.97 cm. (5.89 in.)
Overall length of piece	35 calibres = 15 ft. 6½ in.	40 calibres = 19 ft. 7 in.	43 calibres = 21 ft.
Buffer	Oil buffer, spring recuperator; constant long recoil.	2 oil buffers, 4 spring recuperators; constant short recoil.	Oil buffer, air recuperator; variable recoil.
Maximum elevation on carriage.	+26°	+32°	+42°
Amount of traverse	4°	Nil	7° 52'.
Weight of piece	64½ cwt.	95 cwt.	80 cwt.*
Transport	Designed for horsetransport. The piece is transported on a special wagon.	One steam or petrol tractor.	2 80-h.p. petrol tractors. The piece is transported on a special wagon.*
Number of charges	2	2	3
Weight of shell	89 lbs. (6 c.r.h.)	88 lbs. (2 c.r.h.) and 94.5 lbs. (10 c.r.h. with false cap).	112 lbs. (7.5 c.r.h. and 10 c.r.h. with false cap).
Maximum ranges:—			
Full charge	15,748 yds.	20,451 yds. (10 c.r.h.)	24,934 yds. (10 c.r.h.)
Medium charge	—	—	21,326 yds. (10 c.r.h.)
Reduced charge	—	14,983 yds. (2 c.r.h.)	15,201 yds. (7.5 c.r.h.)

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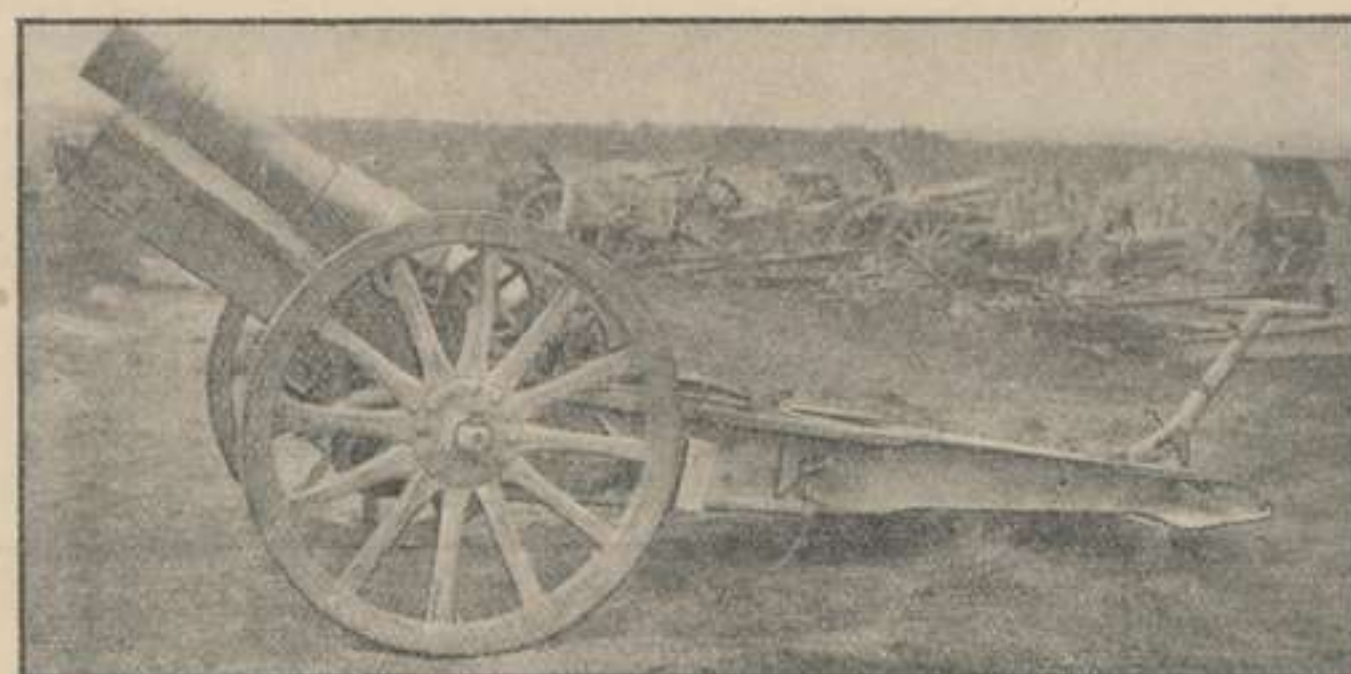
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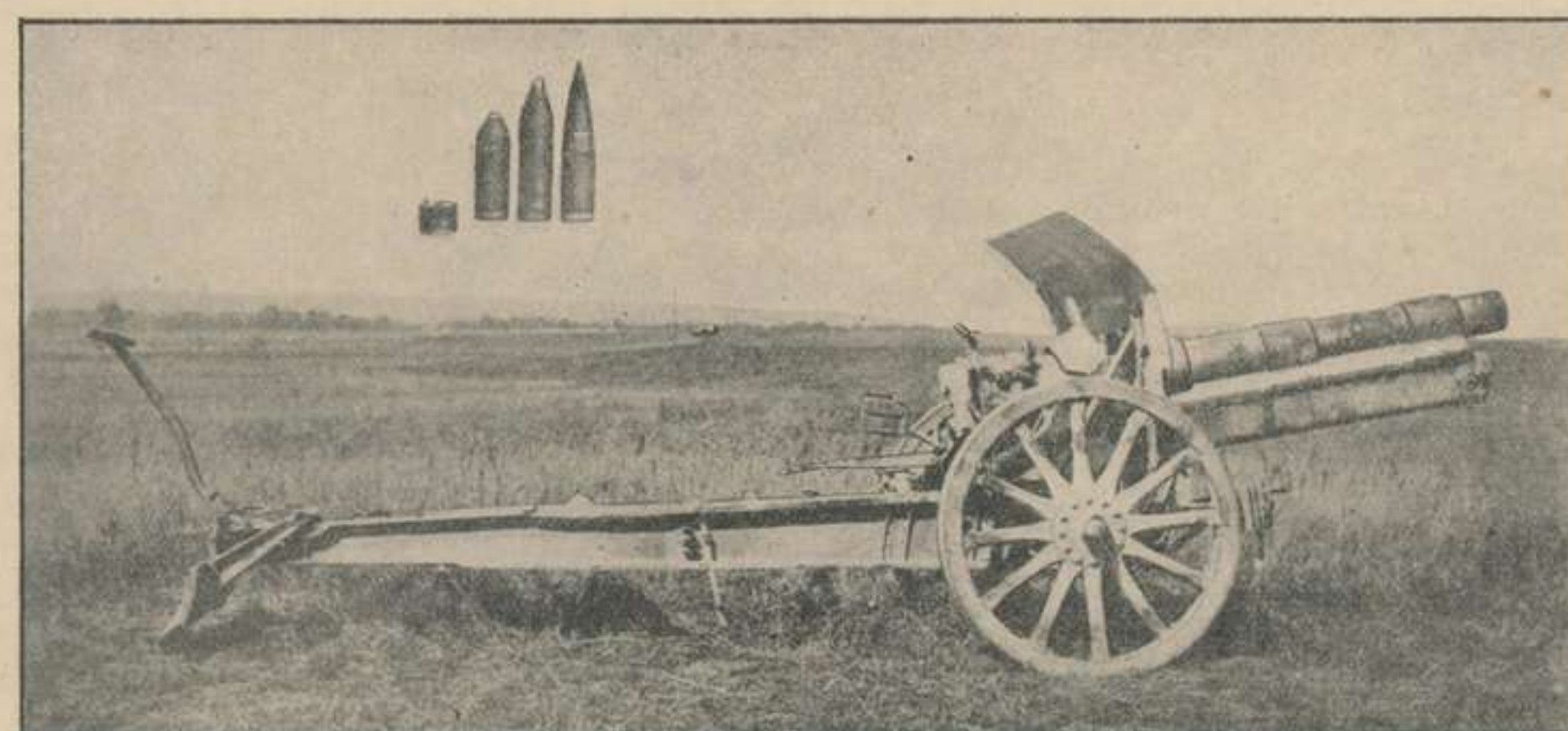
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1902 15-cm. Howitzer (s.F.H. 02).



1913 15-cm. Howitzer (s.F.H. 13).



Long 1913 15-cm. Howitzer (lg.s.F.H. 13).

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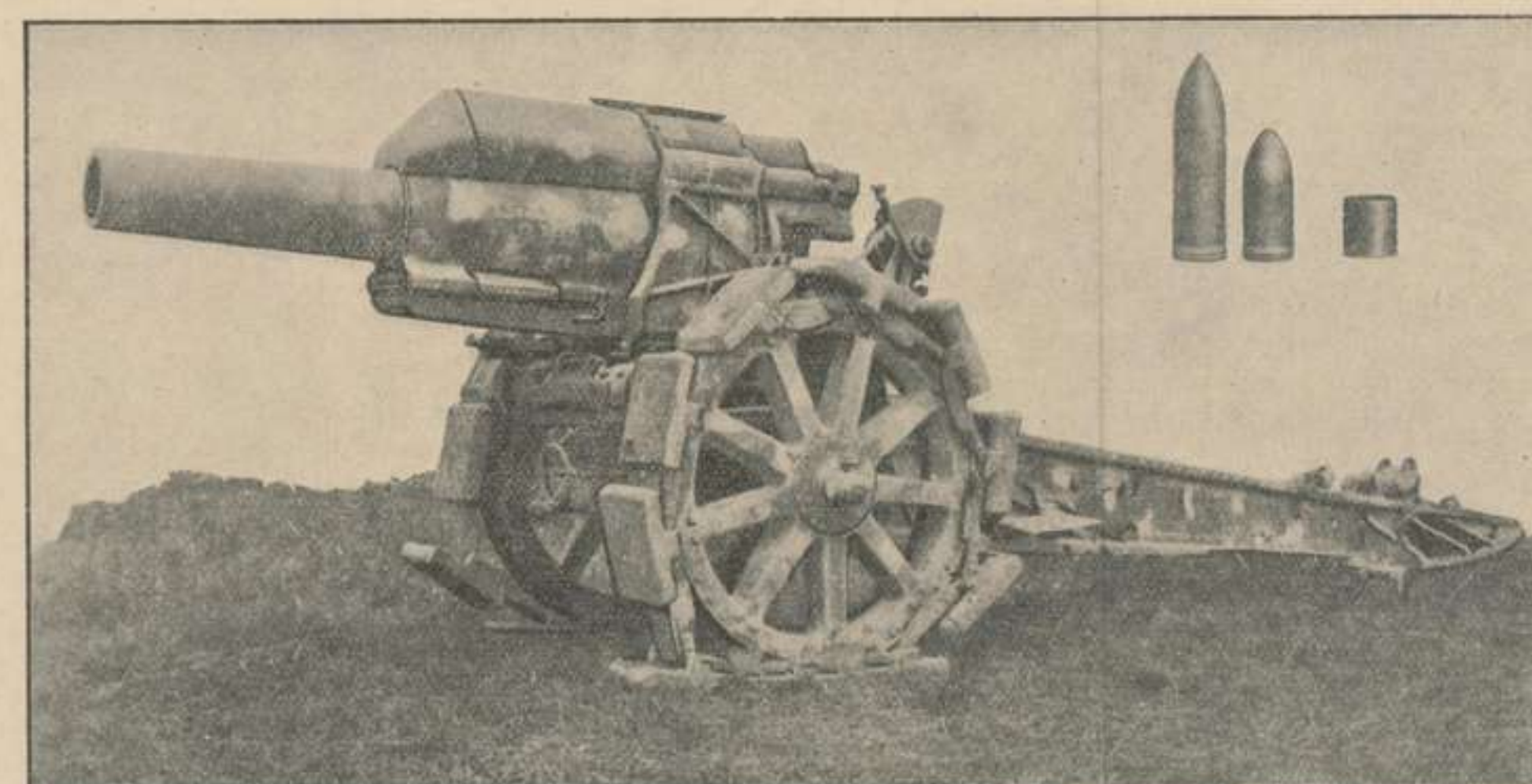
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COMPARISON OF 15-CM. HOWITZERS.

	1902 howitzer.	1913 howitzer.	Long 1913 howitzer.
Calibre	14.97 cm. (5.89 in.)	14.97 cm. (5.89 in.)	14.97 cm. (5.89 in.)
Overall length of piece	12 calibres = 5 ft. 9½ in.	14 calibres = 6 ft. 10½ in.	17 calibres = 8 ft. 4½ in.
Recuperator	Spring recuperator.	Either spring or air recuperator.	Air recuperator.
Maximum elevation on carriage	42°	45°	45°
Amount of traverse	3° 56'	about 4°	about 4°
Weight of piece	15½ cwt.	15½ cwt.	16½ cwt.
Weight of howitzer in action	39½ cwt.	—	43 cwt.
Transport	All three types were designed for horse-drawn transport, but, owing to the shortage of horses, may be sometimes hauled by lorries.		
Number of charges	1-6	1-7	1-8
Weight of shell	92 lbs.	92 lbs.	92 lbs.
Maximum ranges:—			
With 2 c.r.h. shell	8,147 yds. (Charge No. 6)	9,296 yds. (Charge No. 7)	9,296 yds. (Charge No. 8)
With 7 c.r.h. shell with false cap	—	—	9,624 yds.

NOTE.—All three howitzers fire the same ammunition, except as regards the super-charges and the 7 c.r.h. shell with false cap (15 cm. Gr. 14 Haube). The latter is only fired from the long 1913 howitzer and is not fired with Charges 1-7.



New 21-cm. Howitzer or "Long Mortar" (lg.Mrs.).

COMPARISON OF 21-CM. HOWITZERS OR "MORTARS."

The new long 21-cm. howitzer or "Long Mortar" (lg. Mrs.) differs from the former pattern or "Mortar" (Mrs.) by the length of the piece and a corresponding increase in range of 875 yards. Both howitzers fire the same ammunition. Streamline shell and shell with false caps are not in use.

	"Mortar."	"Long Mortar."
Calibre	21.1 cm. (8.3 in.)	21.1 cm. (8.3 in.)
Overall length of piece	12 calibres = 8 ft. 4 in.	15 calibres = 10 ft. 3 in.
Recuperator	Air recuperator, constant recoil.	Air recuperator, constant recoil.
Maximum elevation on carriage	+ 70°	+ 70°
Amount of traverse	4°	4°
Weight of piece	51½ cwt.	52½ cwt.
Weight of howitzer in action	7 tons 5 cwt.	About 8 tons
Weight of piece on travelling carriage	4 tons 2 cwt.	—
Weight of carriage limbered up	4 tons 8 cwt.	—
Transport	Both howitzers are designed for horse-drawn transport, the piece being carried on a special wagon.	
Number of charges	8	8
Weight of shell	The long shell weighs 265 lbs. and the short shell 185 lbs.	
Maximum ranges:—		
2 c.r.h. long shell ('96 n/A.)	10,280 yds.	11,155 yds.
1.5 c.r.h. short shell (1914)	9,952 yds.	10,280 yds.

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