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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

5th D.A.H.Q., A.I.F.,
In the Field.

(Volume No 16).

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1/6/17 to 30/6/17.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the Field	1917. June 1 st		C.R.A. Inspected 14 th F.A. Bde. Wagon Lines.	Iny
"	2 nd		54 th Battery withdrawn to their Wagon Lines.	Iny
"	3 rd		51 st Battery withdrawn to their Wagon Lines.	Iny
"	4 th		C.R.A. Inspected 54 th & 55 th Battery Wagon Lines.	Iny
"	5 th		C.R.A. visited 1 st Anzac Corps.	Iny
"	6 th		C.R.A. inspected 53 rd Battery Wagon Lines.	Iny
"	7 th		C.R.A. and two officers per Brigade attended a demonstration of Gas Projectors at IV Corps Adv. H.Q.	Iny
"	8 th /9/10/11 th		Nil. 8 th I.O.R., K.I.A., I.O.R. wounded.	Iny
"	12 th		C.R.A. umpired at 8 th Infantry Brigade Scheme.	Iny
"	13 th		C.R.A. umpired at 8 th Infantry Brigade Scheme. 51 st Battery relieved 49 th to Wagon Lines.	Iny
"	14 th		C.R.A. accompanied Divisional Commander on inspection of 54 th & 55 th Batteries and D.A.C.	Iny
"	15 th		C.R.A. visited 5 th Army Trench Mortar School. I.O.R. Wounded.	Iny
"	16 th		C.R.A. accompanied Divisional Commander on inspection of 49 th 51 st & 53 rd , 113 th & 114 th Batteries.	Iny
"	16 th		55 th Battery relieved 53 rd Battery in the Line. 53 rd Battery proceeded to Wagon Lines.	Iny
"	17 th /18 th /19 th		Nil.	Iny
"	20 th		Major N. Clowes, M.C., departed for 6 th British Division on Transfer. I.O.R. Wounded.	Iny

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In the Field
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
In the Field.	1917 June			
"	21 st 22 nd 23 rd		Nil. 21 st 2 O.R. K.I.A.	Inq.
"	24 th		53 rd Battery relieved 54 th Battery in the Line. 54 th Battery to Wagon Lines.	Inq.
"	25 th		Nil.	Inq.
"	26 th			
"	27 th		Major H. Hullon, Brigade Major, joined on transfer from 6 th British Division.	Inq.
"	28 th		5 th Aust. Div. Arty. came out of action and marched to 'J' Area. A wet stormy morning.	App: Inq.
"			5 th D.A.H.Q. were established 12 noon at The Dingle. X 27. b.	No 1. Inq.
"	29 th		Reconnitred position for ceremonial parade. Units cleaning up. All guns sent to Heavy	Inq.
"			Mobile Workshops in ALBERT for overhaul.	Inq.
"	30 th		A wet day - fatigues and cleaning up.	Inq.

Hullon Inq. for Brig-General.
C.R.A., 5th Australian Division.

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APPENDIX T

SECRET.

Copy No. 18

FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No. 151.

Headquarters,
June 26th 1917.

Reference 1/40,000 sheet 57e and ALBERT combined sheet.

1. The 5th Australian Divisional Artillery will march on 28th June from their present wagon lines to ESCORT BRIGADE CAMP (X.26 Central) and ACID DROP CAMP (X.16.d.91) in accordance with a march table which will be issued later.
2. Brigades, D.A.C. and the Trench Mortar Brigade will march independently but the head of each column must pass the starting point at the time specified in the march table.
3. A distance of 100 yards between sections and 200 yards between batteries will be maintained.
4. All units will move with full echelons of 18 pdr. and 4.5" Q.F. ammunition, but with empty echelons of S.A.A. and grenades.
5. Batteries and S.A.A. will give and take receipts for all ammunition drawn and handed over and duplicate copies of same will be forwarded to D.A.H.Q.
6. Train wagons will be delivered to wagon lines of all units to-morrow, 27th instant.
7. To assist units with transport of equipment, consequent on the shortage of horses, the following G.S. Wagons will be detailed by 5th D.A.C. They will report to wagon lines concerned by noon to-morrow, 27th instant, and will report back to D.A.C. immediately on conclusion of the march:-

To each F.A. Brigade H.Q. 1 G.S. Wagon.
 To each Battery 1 G.S. Wagon.
 To D.T.M. Brigade at) 6 G.S. Wagons,
 BEAULENCOURT) 1 G.S. limbered wagon.

Total - 16 G.S. Wagons and 1 G.S. Limbered wagon.

8. Supplies for 28th instant will be drawn on 27th instant as usual.
Supplies for 29th instant will be drawn on 28th inst. from vicinity of ALBERT under orders to be issued later.
9. Capt. W.E.H. MCKINSON will act as Brigade Major, and Lieut. T.D. WALLIS will act as Staff Captain from 27th inst.

- 10. Advance Parties will report to Lieut. VALLIS on 23th inst. in accordance with the March order.
- 11. Headquarters 5th Australian Divisional Artillery will close at MONUMENT WOOD and open at SCOTTS ROUENET (XBL. 0.99) at 12 noon on 23th instant.
- 12. A C K N O W L E D G E by w i r e.

W. H. Dennis

Captain
A/Brigade Major.
5th Australian Divisional Artillery

Issued at 11 p.m. to	Copy No.
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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.Headquarters,
June 27th 1917.MARCH TABLEAccompanying 5th Australian Divisional Artillery
Order No. 131, dated 26/6/17.

UNIT	STARTING POINT.	TIME OF PASSING STARTING POINT.	DESTINATION.	ROUTE.	REMARKS
14th F.A. BRIGADE.	H. 27. a. 71	7-30 a.m.	BECCOURT BRIGADE CAMP (X26. c. Cent.)	BAPUME-ALBERT road to LA BOISELLE (X13. d. 00) thence via CONTALMAISON ROAD CIRCUS and X27 Central to destination.	To be clear ALBERT BAPUME ROAD by 11-30 a.m.
13th F.A. BRIGADE.	H. 27. a. 71	8-30 a.m.	Do.	Do.	ditto by 12-30 a.m.
5th Aust. D.A.C.	H. 27. a. 71	9-30 a.m.	ACID DROP CAMP (X. 15. d. 91)	Ditto as far as CONTAL-MAISON CIRCUS thence to destination.	
D.T.M. BRIGADE (transport) D.A.H.Q. D.A. SIGNAL SECTION.	H. 27. a. 71	10-30 a.m.	SCOTTS REDOUBE I. 21. d. 99.	Ditto.	All vehicles to be clear of the BAPUME ALBERT road by 1-30 p.m.

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FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

Headquarters,
June 27th 1917.

ADDENDUM No. 1

- to -

FIFTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No. 131.

1. March Table referred to in para. 1 of 5th A. D. A. Order No. 131 is attached.

2. Billetting parties consisting of 1 officer from each Brigade and D. A. C. H. Q., and 1 officer from each battery will report to A/Staff Captain, 5th D. A. H. Q. on 28th instant as under:

<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Place.</u>	<u>Time.</u>
14th F. A. B., H. Q. and Batteries.	BECOURT BDE CAMP.	10 a.m.
13th F. A. B. Co.	Idem.	10-30 a.m.
5th D. A. C.	ACID DROP CAMP.	11-30 a.m.

3. All ranks of Div. T. M. Bde and of D. A. H. Q., other than those accompanying the transport will entrain at BAPUMB at 1-30 p. for ALBERT. From ALBERT they will march via BECOURT CHATEAU (X25.d.77) to SCOTT'S REDOUBT.

4. Arrangements regarding supplies for 30 inst. will be notified later.

5. The times given in the March Table will be strictly adhered to; it is imperative that all transport is clear of the ALBERT-BAPUMB road by 1-30 p.m.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE by WIRE.

(Signature)
Captain.

A/Brigade Major.
5th Australian Divisional Artillery

Issued at 7 p.m. to all recipients of D. A. O. No. 131.