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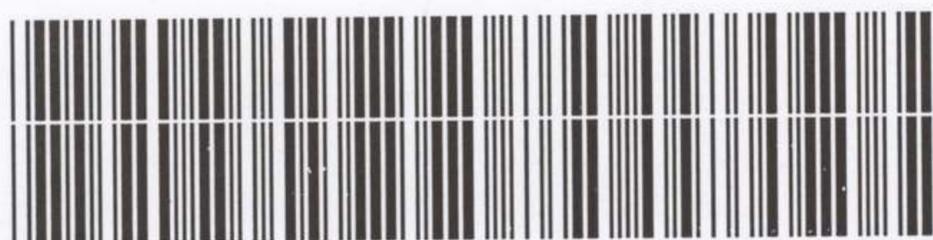
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Artillery Brigade**

February 1918



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War Diary

4TH Australian ^{of} Field Artillery Brigade

^{for} February 1918

Signature of Officer Compiling *L. Bewley Capt*

Signature of Officer Commanding *D. J. St. Clair Major*

WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

HEADQUARTERS,
4th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

(Erase heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
PETIT-SEC-BOIS Ref Map: HAZEBROUCK 5A	Feb. 1st. 1918		2nd. Aust. D.A. location statement received, and attached.	Marked I
			2nd. Aust. D.A. Training Instructions No. 8. - Training whilst in the ALQUINES area, received, and attached.	" II
			4th. A.F.A. Brigade Movement Order No. 2, and amendment thereto, issued, and attached	" III
			Addendum No. 1. to 2nd. Aust. D.A. Order No. 79. received, and attached.	" IV
			Brigade moved from MERRIS Area to RENESCURE Area.	" V
			4th. A.F.A. Brigade Movement Order No. 3. issued, and attached.	" VI
			Brigade Moved to WAVRANS Area.	" VII
			4th. A.F.A. Brigade Movement Order No. 4. issued, and attached.	" VIII
			2nd. Aust. Division Admin. Memo. No. 191 received, and attached.	" IX
			Brigade moved from WAVRANS area to ALQUINES Area to JOURNY.	" X.
JOURNY. Ref. Map: HAZEBROUCK 5A and CALAIS 13.	5th.		2nd. Aust. Division Location statement received, and attached.	" XI
			Amendment to 2nd. Aust. Div. Location statement received, and attached.	" XII
			Brigade Routine Order No. 134 issued, and attached.	" XIII
			Lieut-Colonel J.L. SHELLSHEAR, D.S.O., 4th. A.F.A. Brigade, proceeded on leave to United Kingdom for four days. Major W.H. ST. CLAIR, D.S.O., 12th. Battery, appointed to temporarily command Brigade during Lieut-Colonel Shellshear's absence.	" XIV
			2nd. Aust. Div. Artillery A 28/1/10 received, and attached.	" XV
			4th. A.F.A. Brigade Weekly programme of training to be carried out for week commencing 11th. Feb. issued, and attached.	" XVI
			Owing to there being insufficient accomodation in JOURNY, the 10th. Battery moved to CLERQUES.	" XVII
			Staff Captain, 2nd. Aust. D.A. notified move completed, as per 2/64, attached	" XVIII
			Brigade Routine Order No. 135. issued and attached.	" XIX
			Brigade Routine Order No. 136. issued and attached.	" XX
		2nd. Aust. D.A. Location Statement as at 17.2.18. received, and attached.	" XXI	
		Weekly Syllabus of Training for week commencing 18.2.1918. issued, and attached.	" XXII	
		Brigade Routine Order No. 139. issued, and attached.	" XXIII	
		Weekly Syllabus of Training for week commencing 25.2.18. issued and attached.	" XXIV	
		4th. A.F.A. Brigade Tactical Scheme Order No. 1. issued and attached.	" XXV	
		Tactical Scheme Order No. 1. carried out, as per Diary of Events, attached	" XXVI	
		Brigade Routine Order No. 140. issued, and attached.	" XXVII	
		2nd. Aust. Div. Artillery Location statement of units as at 3.3.18. recd. and attached	" XXVIII	
			During the month 44 men were evacuated to Hospitals for sickness, and 73 were taken on strength from 2nd. Aust. D.A.C..	

W.H. St. Clair

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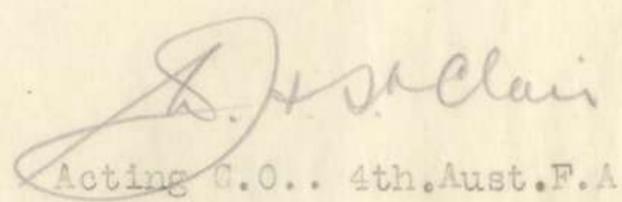
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

HEADQUARTERS,
4th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
JOURNEY	Feb. 28th.		<p>During the month several inspections were held, one by the G.O.C.R.A. Australian Corps - Brigadier-General COXEN; one by the Divisional Commander, - Major General SMYTH, and one by the C.R.A. 2nd Aust. Division - Brigadier-General O.F. PHILLIPS, B.S.O.. all of which were of a satisfactory character.</p> <p>No. 6438, Corpl. J.M. GRANTER, 10th. Battery, No. 7761. Corpl. S.R. SACH, 12th. Battery and No. 10147, Sergeant E.J. CORNISH, 104th. Battery, were awarded by the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief, under authority granted by His Majesty the King, the Belgian Croix Guerre.</p> <p>During the period under review, twenty-eight horses were received as remounts from the Base.</p> <p>The general morale of the troops has been much benefited by the liberal amount of leave granted during the period out of the line. Five men from each Battery were granted leave to BOULOGNE daily, being conveyed there per motor lorry leaving one central spot.</p> <p><i>21/2/18 Capt. D.A. Fowler ret. from second (invalid) list resumed duty as Adjutant</i></p> <p><i>25/2/18 Lt. J. P. Smith. reported to 2nd D.A. as Staff Sergeant.</i></p>	
			 Major, Acting C.O. 4th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.	

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

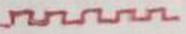
SECRETLOCATION STATEMENTLocation of Units at 6 am, 1/2/18.

REF. MAPS: BELGIUM & FRANCE)
 Sheets 27 & 36A.) 1/40,000.
 FRANCE)

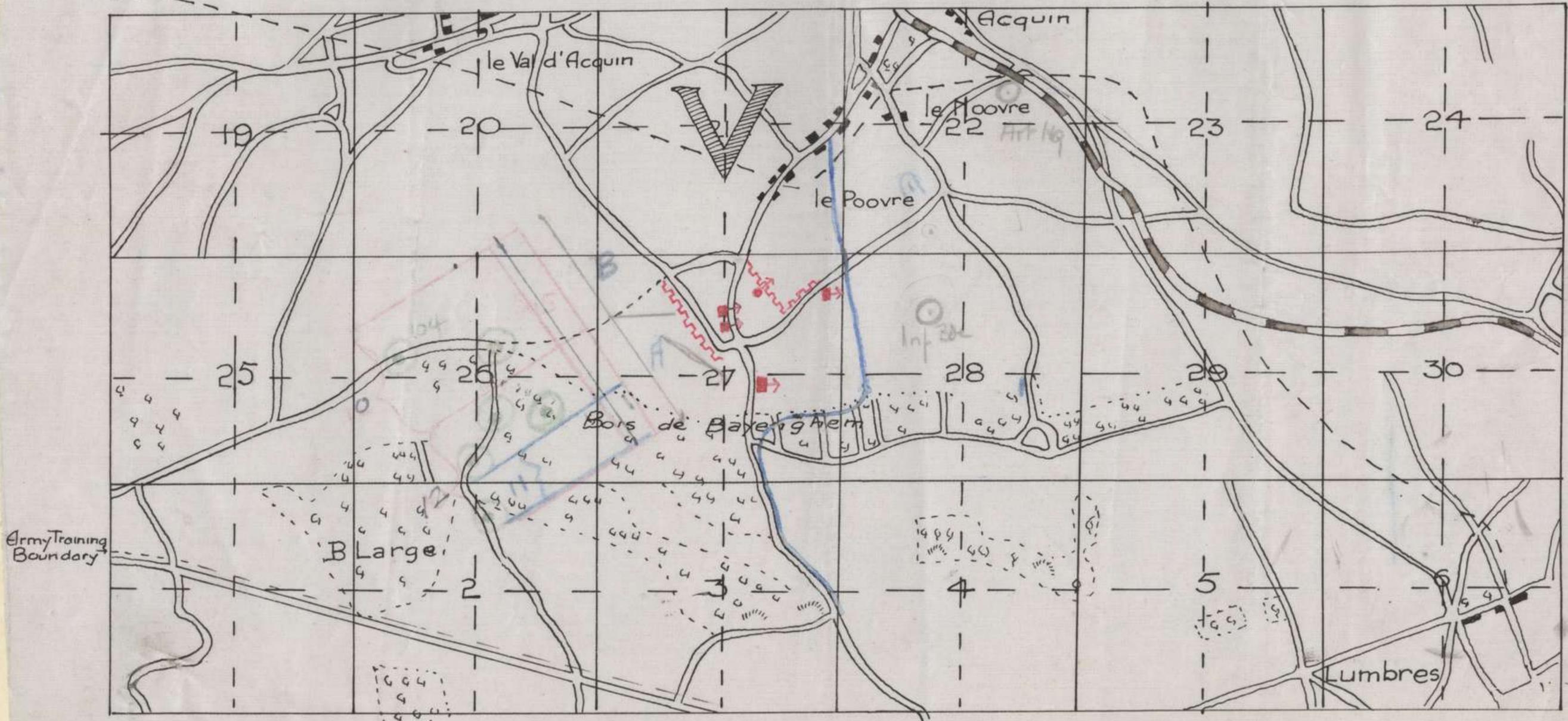
UNIT	LOCATION
2nd AUST.D.A.H.Q.	S.17.central, moving 10 am to 50 Rue de LILLÉ, BAILLEUL.
<u>4th A.F.A.Bde. H.Q.</u>	E.8.d.8.3.
10th Battery,	E.15.b.4.1.
11th "	E.11.c.4.5.
12th "	E.9.d.4.1.
105th How. Battery,	(E.2.c.7.2. (E.2.d.7.4.
<u>5th A.F.A.Bde. H.Q.</u>	28 Rue De Lillo, BAILLEUL.
13th Battery	X.27.d.3.7.
14th Battery	A.2.c.3.8.
15th Battery	F.12.a.7.4.
105th Battery	F.11.c.4.8.
<u>2nd Aust. D.A.C. H.Q.</u>	<u>OUTTERSTEENE.</u>
No.1 Section.	A.2.d.8.9.
2 Section.	F.9.b.6.6.
S.A.A. Section.	F.8.b.8.7.
<u>D.T.H.Q.</u>	E.12.a.9.5.
V.2.A. Battery,	E.12.d.2.9.
X.2.A. "	E.12.d.05.90.
Y.2.A. "	
Z.2.A. "	

2nd Aust. D.A.H.Q.,
30th January, 1918.

MAP: [Portions of Sheets 27^a S.E. and 36^d N.E.]
Scale 1/20,000.

LEGEND: Enemy Trenches. 
 Our Present Line 
 Pill Box with M.G.  M.Gun. 

Army Training Boundary



Army Training Boundary

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each Battery



SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

*** TRAINING INSTRUCTIONS NO. 8***
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Headquarters,
29th January 1918.

GENERAL 1. While in rest in the ALQUINES Area, all officers will pay particular attention to the instruction, discipline and smartness of their commands.
The greatest care will be exercised regarding the correct performance of Regimental Duties, both by Officers and N.C.O's.. Particular attention in this connection is necessary to the instruction of Junior Officers and N.C.O's..

TIME TABLE 2. Time table of parades, etc. will be as follows:-

Reveille	6.30 am.
Stables	6.45 am.
Morning parade	9 am to 11 am.
" stables	11.30 am to 12.30 pm.
Afternoon parade	2 pm. to 3.30 pm.
" stables	4 pm. to 5 pm.
First post	8.30 pm.
Tattoo	9 pm.
Lights out.	9.15 pm.

Inspection of harness, in skeleton order, will be carried out by Battery Commanders at least once a week.
Sundays will be observed as whole holidays; Wednesday and Saturday, half-holidays.

TRAINING 3. (a). From time of arrival in the rest area, until Feb. 11th the time will be utilized in resting personnel, overhauling and cleaning carriages and equipment and taking steps to replace existing deficiencies.
Horses will be exercised daily for at least two hours. (All parties to be under an officer) .
Kit and clothing of personnel will be thoroughly inspected and steps taken to make good all deficiencies.

(b). From Feb. 11th inclusive, organized training will be carried out. Training programmes on the usual pro-forma will be submitted weekly by Brigade and D.A.C. Commanders, and D.T.M.O. to reach 2nd Aust. D.A.H.Q. by 12 noon each Thursday for the following week (Monday to Saturday). The first therefore will be submitted on February 7th.

Training programmes will be made out on progressive lines particular attention being paid to the following:-
Foot drill, turnings and saluting (10 minutes daily will be set aside for instruction in the last named); guards, picquets and sentries; physical training; harness cleaning; rifle exercises; semaphore signalling; voice drill; gun drill, laying and fuze setting; lectures by section officers on gunnery, discipline, interior economy, fitting of harness, anti-gas precautions, etc.; equitation and driving drill; sectional training; route marches.

Facilities for driving drill and manoeuvre will probably be limited, but every effort will be made to secure areas of ground sufficiently large for the purpose.

Lectures on various subjects will be arranged by 2nd Aust. D.A.H.Q., and notified.

The class of instruction for battery signallers will be continued under arrangements to be notified.

TRAINING INSTRUCTIONS No 8-(Contd.) (2)

2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

- SPORTS** 4. Every encouragement will be given to the promotion of Sports and recreational training. Inter brigade and battery contests in Football, Boxing, etc. should be instituted. If possible Divisional Artillery sports will be held. The C.R.A. would like to be informed of any sports fixtures, with the time, date and place.
- LEAVE.** 5. Arrangements are being made to allow of liberal leave being granted to BOULOGNE, ST OMER and elsewhere; motor lorry transport for the purpose will be available.
- GUARDS.** 6. Each battery will provide its own guard; careful attention being paid to the smart performance of all duties.
- BILLETTS.** 7. On arrival in Billets, Battery, etc., Commanders will define "Billet limits" for their respective units. No man will go outside "billet limits" except when properly dressed and provided with a pass. Within "billet limits" bandoliers need not be worn, but all ranks must be clean and tidily dressed.
- LIGHTS & FIRES.** 8. Orders regarding fires, naked lights and smoking will be strictly enforced. Officers are reminded of their personal liability in this respect.
- ESTAMINETS** 9. Careful supervision is to be given to estaminets, etc. frequented by the men. Any sign of irregular conduct on the part of the owners will be at once reported to the A.P.M. or Area Commandant, and to 2nd Aust. D.A.H.Q.
- TREATMENT OF INHABITANTS.** 10. All men will be cautioned as to the necessity for courtesy towards inhabitants and to punctiliously respect their property.

C. C. Lowe

Major,
Brigade-Major,
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

DISTRIBUTION

4th A.F.A.Bde.,	7
5th A.F.A.Bde.,	3
2nd Aust.D.A.C.,	4
D.T.H.O.	5
Sig. Officer, D.A.	1
Staff-Captain,	1
File	1
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Spares	5

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.



Headquarters,
29th January, 1918.

During the inspection of the Wagon Lines by the G.O.C., R.A. Corps, the following were noticed:-

1. IDENTITY DISCS: Not worn in accordance with Orders. Many men did not know how they should be worn nor the reason for it. Instructions must be given on this point. Officers and N.C.O's are to see that these are being worn properly, by frequent inspection.
2. FIELD DRESSING: not carried in the proper place.
3. SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION: not being properly carried.
4. COATS and JERKINS being worn in Stables. A man who works properly in Stables does not need these on to keep warm. These are not to be worn in Stables.
5. TALKING and WHISTLING in Stables.
6. ABLUTION PLACES not always provided, but when they were they were being used to wash harness. This practice is to cease at once and steps are to be taken to provide ablution benches in all camps.
7. Vehicles allowed to go out with both drivers and men improperly turned out.
8. GUARDS: Where these were mounted, their duties were not properly carried out. No Guard report kept; no inventory of property over which the Guard was mounted was in possession of the N.C.O. in charge.
9. VEHICLES & AMMUNITION WAGONS:

Insides dirty; Ammunition dirty; Small stores, such as fuze-keys, spring disc washers, pole pins, etc., dirty and rusty.	Clips missing from ammunition; Trays not fitting properly; Handles broken off trays;
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10. GUARD IRONS often rusty. These are all to be painted, not burnished.
11. RIFLES, SPARE STORES & SIGNALLING GEAR show want of attention.
12. Officers in charge of Wagon Lines must be more methodical in making inspections. It is their most important duty to keep all stores, etc., on charge in a clean and serviceable condition.

The C.R.A. directs that the above irregularities be rectified at once.

4th A.F.A.Ede.
5th A.F.A.Bde.
2nd Aust.D.A.C.
D.T.O..

Ca. Crowe Major,
Brigade-Major,
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

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FOURTH AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

Headquarters,
2nd. February 1918.

APPENDIX to MOVEMENT ORDER No.2.

Reference Movement Order No.2.

LEAVING TIME Batteries will leave Brigade Starting Point as under.-

12th. Battery.-	8.45.a.m.
11th. " .-	8.51.a.m.
10th. " .-	8.57.a.m.
104th. " .-	9.3.a.m.
B.H.S.	9.9.a.m.

Head of Column will pass Divisional Starting Point at 9.20.a.m.

Stanley Smith
Lieut.
Adj. 4th. A.F.A. Brigade.

APPENDIX 3

FOURTH AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

Headquarters,
2nd. February 1918.

MOVEMENT ORDER No.2.

Reference Map. HAZEBROUCK 5A.

Reference 2nd. Aust. Div. Arty. Order No.79. and Administrative Memo No.38.
The 4th. Brigade will move to LA CROSSE - LE NIEPPE on 3rd. instant.

BRIGADE STARTING POINT. Cross Roads 4.H.16.56.

ORDER OF MARCH	12th. Battery
	11th. Battery
	10th. Battery
	104th. Battery

TIME TO LEAVE BDE. STARTING POINT. 9.15.a.m.

ROUTE BORRE - HAZEBROUCK - WALLON CAPPEL.

GUIDES. Guides will meet their batteries on Main HAZABROUCK Road at Cross Roads Wallon Cappel

BILLETS Billets will be left in a clean and sanitary condition.

DETACHMENTS Detachments will march in column of ~~files~~ ^{fours.} at head of their Battery. Provision to be made for a brakesman for each vehicle.

HALTS. 10 minutes halt will be made each hour.

Stanley Smith
Lieut.
Adj. 4th. A.F.A. Brigade.

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APPENDIX ^{IV} No 1 to

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER No 79
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Headquarters,
5rd February, 1918.

The following distances will be maintained between units on the march:-

Between Brigades and D.A.C.	500 yards,
" Batteries and Sections of D.A.C.	100 "
" Sections of Batteries	50 "

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Major,
Brigade-Major,
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

Issued to all recipients of
2nd AUST. DIV. ARTY. ORDER No 79.

4th Aust. Inf. Brigade
Movement Order No 3

Reference Map: HAZEBROUCKSA

Reference 2nd Aust. Div. Arty Order
No 79 & Administrative Memo No 38

The 4th Aust. Inf. Brigade will move
to WAVRANS on 4th instant.

BRIGADE
STARTING POINT

Railway crossing FORT ROUGE

ORDER OF
MARCH & TIME
TO LEAVE STARTING
POINT

10 th Battery	9 am ✓
11 th " "	9.6 am ✓
12 th " "	9.12 am ✓
104 th " "	9.18 am ✓
46 th " "	9.24 am ✓

ROUTE

Augues - Wignones - LUMBRES.

Guides

Guides will meet their Batteries
at LUMBRES

Halts

Halts will be made at: LONGPONWINS
SETQUES

Detachments

Detachments will march in front
of their sections in column of
four.

JMS
Lieut.
Capt. 4th Aust. Inf. Brigade

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4. 7th. 7th Division
Movement Order No. 13
Pepereu Bapin (HAZEBRUCK 5A)
CALAIS. 13

Pepereu 2nd. 7th. Div. Order No. 19
and Administrative Memo No. 38.

The 4th A.F.A. Brigade will move to JOURNAY
on the 5th inst.

Brigade Start. ELNES. CHURCH (Hazebruck 5A) 4. 8. 55. 37.
no. 101.

Order of March	11 th	Battery.	9 am ✓
Line to leave	13 th	"	9. 1 am ✓
Starting point.	10 th	"	9. 12 am ✓
	16 th	"	9. 18 am ✓
	16 th	"	9. 24 am ✓

Route. LUMBRES - ACQUIN - QUEMONT - STA
A. (Hazebruck 5A) 3 A. 10. 09.

Guides. ~~Guides~~ meet. Batteries at
Station 3 A. 10. 09.

Dress. No woollen sarves are to be worn
outside the tunic by the men on the
line of march.

Stanley Smith
Capt. 4th A.F.A. Brigade

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Divisional Headquarters,
3rd. February, 1918.

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No. 191.

1. AMMUNITION The Divisional allowance of practice ammunition, as set out in Fourth Army G.S. 83/1 of 4.1.18 is being drawn for the ensuing month. The Divisional Bomb Officer will notify Brigades when supplies are to hand and Brigades will arrange to obtain delivery by horse transport from NIELLES LEZ BLEQUIN.
2. ENGINEER STORES A quantity of Engineer stores for training purposes as laid down in Fourth Army G.S. 83/1 of 4.1.18 is available. Indents for requirements will be forwarded to Divisional Headquarters by Brigades.
3. LEAVE Leave to BOULOGNE and St.OMER is dependent on the good behaviour of the men. No men of bad character are to be given leave. The G.O.C. expects all men to maintain a high standard of smartness, cleanliness, saluting and good behaviour.
Before going on leave all ranks are to be advised that prophylactic treatment is available at the A.C.F. rooms in 90 RUE ADOLPHE THIEVE, BOULOGNE and in rear of 172 Rue de Dunkerque St.OMER. All men on leave outside the Divisional Area must be in possession of a pass signed by the C.O. of the Unit.
4. TRANSPORT Lorries have been detailed to transport leave personnel as follows :-
- | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------|
| 5th. Aust. Inf. Brigade | 5 lorries | St.OMER |
| 6th. -do- | 5 lorries | BOULOGNE |
| 7th. -do- | 5 lorries | BOULOGNE |
| 2nd. Aust. Div. Artillery | 3 lorries | BOULOGNE |
| C.F.E. | 1 lorry | BOULOGNE |
- These lorries are detailed solely for the benefit of the men and are on no account to be used for any other purpose than that for which they are detailed without reference to Divisional Headquarters.
- Economy in transport is necessary particularly as regards motor vehicles. Whilst the Division remains in the rest area all transport duties other than those which can be performed by Units' vehicles will be requisitioned through the O.C. 2nd. Australian Divisional Train not later than 4 p.m. the day before.
- The O.C. Divisional Train will communicate direct with the O.C. 2nd. Aust. D.S.C. and 2nd. A.A.S.P. Arrangements will be made mutually between the O.C. Divisional Train with O.C. D.S.C. and A.A.S.P. for a D.R. to collect the requisitions daily at 5 p.m. This D.R. will collect daily from the 2nd. Aust. Div. Reinforcement Camp, DESVRES any dispatches for Divisional Headquarters.
5. SHOOTING The practice of game shooting with service rifles is forbidden. This particularly applies to FORET DE BOULOGNE - about which complaints have been made prior to this Division moving into the LUMBRES Area.

6. BATHS and LAUNDRY

Supplies of clean clothing are now available and 500 sets will be delivered to the Baths throughout the area. Brigades will notify Divisional Headquarters when further supplies are required. Transport arrangements will be made by Division.

Lieut. TOOHEY 59th. Battalion will be responsible for the checking of all clothes issued to and received from Baths; also for the clearing of consignments of clean clothing arriving from ABBEVILLE and for the disinfection and despatch of all soiled clothing to ABBEVILLE Laundry. One N.C.O. or man is being detailed from the Corps Laundry Staff to each of the baths throughout the Divisional Area who will be responsible for all clothing. Daily returns will be supplied by Brigades giving the numbers of men bathed. Brigades will report by the 6th. instant what facilities are available for carrying out disinfection of tunics, breeches etc., by ironing at the various baths.

7. FODEN LORRIES and THRESH DISINFECTORS.

The Foden Lorry has been detailed to report to 7th. Brigade. Thresh Disinfectors have been detailed for the use of the 5th. and 6th. Brigades. Disinfection of blankets will be proceeded with without delay and disinfectors will be worked to their utmost capacity. It is desired, if possible, to have all the blankets within the Division disinfected at least twice during the next four weeks. To do this it will be necessary to work the disinfectors at least twelve hours daily

8. CANTEENS

Divisional Canteens have been opened at The Chateau, COLOMBERT and at HARLETTES on the main ST-OMER - BOULOGNE Road. To enable the Divisional Canteen to supply Divisional Units a second lorry has been temporarily attached.

9. AREA STORES

Pallissades, Washing Basins, Lamps, Latrine seats and buckets may be had by Brigades on application to the Area Commandants. All Area Stores issued will be returned to Area Commandants' Store prior to Units leaving the Brigade Area and clearance receipts obtained.

10. SALVAGE

Brigades will arrange to construct solder kilns, preferably at A.S.C. Lines. All tins will then be returned to Refilling Points by Units when proceeding to draw rations and from there collected by the returning A.S.C. Wagons and taken to the kilns. Brigades will supply the necessary personnel to carry on the work of solder recovery. A report will be supplied on Sunday of each week stating the amount of solder recovered.

Inaismant
Lieut-Colonel,
A.A. & M.G.
2nd. Aust. Div.

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Ref. Maps - HAZEBROUCK 5a. }
CALAIS 13 } Sheets 1/100,000

SECRET.

G.190.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Location of Units at 6 a.m. 5th February, 1918.

<u>DIVISIONAL H.Q.</u>	-	NIELLES-Lez-Blequin.
<u>Artillery H.Q.</u>	-	BOUVELINGHEM,
4th A.F.A.Bde. H.Q.	-	JOURNY.
5th do.	-	ALQUINES.
2nd Aust.D.A.C.H.Q.	-	FOQUE-SOLLES.
D.T.M.O.	-	BOUVELINGHEM.
<u>5th Aust. Inf. Bde. H.Q.</u>	-	SAMETTES.
17th Battalion.	-	COULOMBY.
18th do.	-	AFFRINGUES.
19th do.	-	SENINGHEM.
20th do.	-	BAYENGHEM.
5th A. M. G. Coy.	-	LART.
5th A.L.T.M.Bty.	-	LART.
<u>6th Aust. Inf. Bde. H.Q.</u>	-	VELINGHEM.
21st Battalion.	-	FROMENTAL.
22nd do.	-	SELLES.
23rd do.	-	QUESQUES.
24th do.	-	LOTTINGHEM.
6th A. M. G. Coy.	-	WATTERDAL.
6th A.L.T.M.Bty.	-	WATTERDAL.
<u>7th Aust. Inf. Bde. H.Q.</u>	-	ALINCHUN.
25th Battalion.	-	SURQUES-ESCOEUILLES.
26th do.	-	HENNEVEUX.
27th do.	-	CREMAREST-BELLEBRUNE.
28th do.	-	LE WAST.
7th A. M. G. Coy.	-	BRUNEMBERT.
7th A.L.T.M.Bty.	-	NABRINGHEM.
2nd Aust. Pioneer Bn.	-	M.35.d.8.9. - LURGAN CAMP, DRANOUTRE.
<u>A.D.M.S.</u>	-	NIELLES-Lez-Blequin.
5th Aust. Field Amb.	-	AFFRINGUES.
6th do.	-	VIEIL MOULIER.
7th do.	-	BRUNEMBERT.
<u>C.R.E.</u>	-	COLEMBERT.
5th Field Coy.	-	BAINGHEN le COMTE.
6th do.	-	LONGUEVILLE.
7th do.	-	COLEMBERT.
22nd Aust. M. G. Coy.	-	SAMETTES.
<u>Div. Train H.Q.</u>	-	NIELLES-Lez-Blequin.
15th Coy. A.A.S.C.	-	SAMETTES. 16th Coy. A.A.S.C. - QUESQUES.
17th Coy. A.A.S.C.	-	BOURNONVILLE. 20th Coy. A.A.S.C. - HAUT. LOQUIN.
<u>Divisional Troops.</u>		
Paymaster. Mob.Vet.Sect.	A.P.M. }	
D.A.D.V.S. D.A.D.O.S.	D.G.O. }	
Div. Bomb. Officer.	D.M.G.O. }	NIELLES-Lez-Blequin.
Salvage Coy.	-	VAL DE LUMERES.
Div. Supply Col. }		
Div. Sub. Park. }	-	Road between MENNEVILLE and DESVRES.
Div. Reinforcements.Camp.	-	DESVRES.
Div. Canteen.	-	HENNEVEUX, HARLETTES.
Div. Signal School	-	BOURNONVILLE.

TO BE DESTROYED ON RECEIPT
OF A LATER ISSUE.

2nd Aust. Div. H. Q.,
5th February, 1918.

E. T. Bazley Capt
for Major,
General Staff,
Second Australian Division.

IX
APPENDIX 9.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

SECRET.

Ref. Maps - HAZEBROUCK 5a.)
CALAIS 13) Sheets 1/100,000.

G.194.Location of Units at 6 a.m., 7th February, 1918.

The following alterations are notified to the last report -
(G.190):-

2nd Aust. D.A.C., H.Q. - FOUQUESOLLES.
5th Aust. Field Amb. - SAMETTES.
22nd Aust. M. G. Coy. - VAL de LUMBRES.
Salvage Coy. - - - NIELLES-Lez-Blequin.
Div. Canteen. - - - HARLETTES, COLEMBERT.

2nd Aust. Div. H.Q.,
6th February, 1918.

E. J. B. [Signature]
Major,
General Staff,
Second Australian Division.

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BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDERS No. 134

By
Major W.H.StCLAIR, D.S.O.
C.O. 4th AUST. F.A.BRIGADE

February 1918

APPOINTMENT. During the absence on leave of Brigadier General C.F.PHILLIP D.S.O., Lieut.-Col. W.J.S.Davidson D.S.O. in addition to commanding 2nd Aust. D.A.C. will attend to any Administrative matters which may be submitted to him by the Brigade Major, and Staff Captain, 2nd Aust. Div. Arty. Dated 7.2.18.

Major W.H.StCLAIR D.S.O. will temporarily command the 4th A.F.A.Brigade, during absence on leave of Lieut-Colonel J.L.SHELLSHEAR D.S.O. Dated 6.2.18.

TRANSFERS Capt. R. COLLINGS M.C. is transferred from 4th A.F.A.Brigade to 2nd. Aust. D.A.C. Dated 7.2.18.

PROMOTIONS No 6835 T/C.M.S. ALLENDER L.E. 12th Battery is promoted Q.M. from 1.1.18. vice Q.M.S. (T/W.O.) LILLEY promoted W.O. (class 11)

No 10384 T/Cpl. AINLEY H. 10th Battery is promoted Cpl. from 15.9.17. vice Cpl. FRIEDMANN evac. wounded 15.9.17.

No. 29983 A/Cpl. McNALLY F.J. Bde. H.Qrs. is promoted Cpl and A/Sgt. from 24.11.17 vice A/sgt. ALLEN A.J.H. evac 1.11.17.

No. 6265 A/Bdr. SAKER E.E. Bde. H.Qrs. is promoted Bdr. and A/Cpl. from 24.11.17 vice A/Cpl McNALLY Promoted A/Sgt.

REVERSION No. 8749 T/Cpl. BYRNE C.J. 104th. How. Battery is reverted to the rank of Gunner at own request from 22.1.18.

POSTING Capt. G.H. KIRBY is taken on strength from 2nd. Aust. D.A.C. and posted to 12th. Battery dated 7.2.18.

DISCIPLINE ETC Special attention is called to 2nd. D.A. 28/1/10 Battery Commanders will please make a special point of having these matters rectified where necessary.

VEREREAL PREVENTION OF The following has been received from A.D.M.S. 2nd. Aust. Div. and is republishe for your information.-
"Location of Venereal Treatment Rooms will be as under.-
BOULOGNE - 90 Rue de Thieve
STOMER - In rear of 172 Rue de DUNKERQUE (the Cafe de Brasserie in front is out of bounds to troops)
Both rooms will be plainly marked "ANZAC HOUSE"

The Medical Inspection Room 4th. A.F.A.Brigade Headquarters will be open for treatment for the prevention of venereal disease till 9.p.m. daily.
Men should report as early as possible.

PREVENTIONS AGAINST FIRE Special attention is called to "Precautions against Fire (Extracts from G.R.O 2717)
Battery Commanders will please take all necessary precautions for prevention of outbreak of fire with/their battery.
in

Stanley Smith
Lieut.
Adj. 4th. A.F.A.Brigade.

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copy to
each Battery

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.



Headquarters,
8th February, 1918.

4th A.F.A.Bde.,
5th A.F.A.Bde.,
2nd Aust.D.A.C.

In connection with the recent march of the Div'nl Artillery, the undermentioned irregularities are brought to notice. These should be communicated to all concerned to enable the irregularities to be remedied in all future moves:-

1. Distances in many instances were irregular, both between units and between vehicles, particularly the latter. Drivers do not pay sufficient attention to the necessity for keeping the correct distance of four yards between lead horses' heads and the rear of the preceding vehicle. In case of necessity, for example, in hilly or difficult country or on bad roads, this distance should be increased where conditions allow.
2. Drivers, when not marching to attention, in many cases slouched about in the saddle. This adds considerably to the work on the horses.
3. Unauthorised personnel were frequently seen riding on vehicles. In one case as many as six men were observed on one wagon. Every opportunity should be taken to lessen the work on the horses by making personnel march. In some cases, when going uphill, gunners were mounted. There is no reason on short marches why the majority of the gunners should not be dismounted.
4. The transport of some units ^{was} not organised on the march. G.S. baggage wagons were noticed on several occasions mixed up with the columns of other batteries and brigades. In future the transport of brigades and D.A.C. will on all marches be in one column in rear of its unit and under command of an officer.
5. Odd men of some batteries were not moving with their units with some the excuse was that they had been sent on as advanced parties. In cases of this sort, advanced parties should move in one party and not in ones and twos.
6. In a few cases vehicles were moving without a brakeman.
7. More attention must be paid to the necessity for keeping the road as clear as possible for passing traffic. Usually there was no reason for complaint in this respect. It was however, noticeable during halts that dismounted personnel and riding horses were permitted to stand about on the near side of the column, instead of falling out on the off side of the road. In this connection, officers were amongst the offenders.
8. Junior officers on the whole are very slack in their manner of saluting. In some cases saluting consisted merely of touching the hat for a second and lazily dropping the hand. There is no excuse for this slackness.

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9. Battery, etc., Staffs when mounted, were usually sliced up too much. In many cases horses noses almost touched the tails of preceding horses.

10. There is room for great improvement in the general turnout of personnel. On the whole, this was good, but in one or two instances men were unshaven. Non-st hair was in many cases much too long.

On the whole, horses, harness and vehicles were in good condition, in some cases excellent, and in most units this good condition was maintained throughout the march. In one or two units, however, there was a distinct falling off in the turnout on the third day as compared with that on the first.

C. A. Clowes Major,
Brigade-Major,
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

LOCATION STATEMENT

Location of Units as at 8pm on 10/2/18.

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UNIT	LOCATION
<u>2nd AUST. D.A.H.Q.</u>	BOUVELINGHEM
<u>4th A.F.A. BRIGADE H.Q.</u>	JOURNY
10th Battery,	
11th "	
12th "	
104th How. Bty.	
<u>5th A.F.A. BRIGADE H.Q.</u>	ALQUINES
13th Battery,	HAUTE LOQUIN.
14th "	ALQUINES
15th "	do
105th How. Bty.	HAUTE " PLANQUE
<u>2nd AUST. D.A.C. H.Q.</u>	REBERGUES
No 1 Section,	do
No 2 Section,	ROUGEMONT
S.A.A. Section.	FOQUE SOLLES.
<u>D.T.M.O.</u>	BOUVELINGHEM.
V.2.A. Battery,	
X.2.A. "	
Y.2.A. "	
Z.2.A. "	
<u>20th COY. A.A.S.O.</u>	HAUTE PANNEE and NEUVILLE.

2nd Aust. D.A.H.Q.,
7th February, 1918.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

AMENDED LOCATION STATEMENT

Location of Units as at 8 pm on 10/8/18.

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UNIT	LOCATION
<u>2nd AUST. D.A.H.Q.</u>	BOUVELINGHEM.
<u>4th A.F.A. BRIGADE H.Q.</u>	JOURNY
10th Battery,	
11th Battery,	
12th Battery,	
104th How. Battery,	
<u>5th A.F.A. BRIGADE H.Q.</u>	ALQUINES
13th Battery,	HAUTE PANNEE
14th Battery,	ALQUINES
15th Battery,	do
105th Battery,	HAUTE PLANQUE.
<u>2nd AUST. D.A.C. H.Q.</u>	REBERGUES.
No 1 Section,	do
No 2 Section,	ROUGEMONT.
S.A.A. Section,	FOUQUESOLLES.
<u>D.T.M.O.</u>	BOUVELINGHEM.
V.2.A. Battery,	
X.2.A. Battery,	
Y.2.A. Battery,	
Z.2.A. Battery,	
<u>20th Coy. A.A.S.C.</u>	HAUTE LOQUIN.

2nd Aust. D.A.H.Q.,
8th February, 1918

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4th. AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

XI 11300
APPENDIX

Weekly programme of training, commencing 11th. February, 1918.

DAY	DATE	MORNING	DAY	DATE	AFTERNOON
MONDAY	Feb. 11th.	Exercising horses; Gun laying (open sights) ; Voice Drill (N.C.O's)	MONDAY	Feb. 11th.	Footdrill; Harness cleaning; Rifle Exercises
TUESDAY	" 12th.	Exercising horses; Gun laying : Fuze-setting	TUESDAY	" 12th.	Inspection of Gas Helmets; Footdrill; Harness cleaning; Gun drill.
WEDNESDAY	" 13th.	Exercising horses; Gun laying; Rifle exercises.	WEDNESDAY	" 13th.	Half-holiday (Football match)
THURSDAY	" 14th.	Full marching order parade, Inspection of kit - 10th. Battery Other batteries - Exercising horses; Gun laying.	THURSDAY	" 14th.	Full Marching Order - 11th. Battery. Inspection of kit. Other batteries - Footdrill; Harness cleaning; Gun laying.
FRIDAY	" 15th.	Full Marching Order parade, Inspection of kit - 12th. Battery Other Batteries - Exercising horses; Harness fitting.	FRIDAY	" 15th.	Full marching order, 104th. Battery, Inspection of kit. Other Batteries - Footdrill; Gun laying; Harness cleaning.
SATURDAY	" 16th.	Harness inspection (Skeleton order) Gun laying; Fuze setting; Gun drill.	SATURDAY	" 16th.	Half-Holiday (Football match)
SUNDAY	" 17th.		SUNDAY	" 17th.	

Ten minutes saluting drill will be carried out on morning parade each day.

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4th. AUST. F.A. BRIGADE.

APPENDIX 13

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H.Q.
4th AUSTRALIAN F.A. BRIGADE.
No. 2/64

Headquarters,
Feb. 11th. 1918.

Staff Captain,
2nd. Aust. Div. Artillery

Acting on your instructions, the
10th. Battery is now located at CLERQUES.

D. H. S. Clain Major,
A/C.O. 4th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.

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BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDERS No.135.

BY

LIEUT-COLONEL J.L. HULLHEAR, D.S.O.
COMMANDING 4th. AUST. F.A. BRIGADE.

XIV

February 12th. 1918.

CRIMES and
OFFENCES.

1

No.13162, Gunner SAND RS, H. 12th. Battery was found guilty on the charge of "Absent without leave from tattoo roll call on 27.1.18. till 6.30.a.m. 28.1.1918, and was sentenced to forfeit 2 days' pay. Total forfeiture : Two days and one day R.F..

No.6748, Driver STANTON, A.H.. 12th. Battery, was found guilty on the charges of
1. When on active service - Drunkenness.
2. Neglecting to obey G.R.O.1599 in that he failed to be in his billet at 9.p.m. on 8.2.1918.
and sentenced to 14 days Field Punishment No.2..

STRENGTH.

2.

2nd/Lieutenant G.C. DUSH is taken on the strength of the Brigade from Reinforcements (Cadet School) and posted to 11th. Battery. Dated 7.2.1918.

HONORS and
REWARDS.

3.

The Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief, under authority granted by His Majesty the King, has awarded the BELGIAN CROIX de GUERRE to the undermentioned N.C.O's :-

No.6348	Corporal	J.M. GRANTER,	10th. Battery
7761	Corporal	S. . BACH,	12th. Battery
10147	Sergeant	E.J.G. CONNISH,	104th. Battery.

DRESS.

4.

Divisional Routine Order 1474 is republished for information and attention where necessary :-

"Warrant Officers, Class II, have been noticed wearing Sam Browne belts. This practice is contrary to Orders and must cease."

J. Stanley Smith
Lieut.
Adjutant, 4th. Aust. F.A. Brigade

BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDERS No. 136
BY
LIEUT.-COLONEL J. L. HILLSHEAR, D.S.O.
COMMANDING 4th. AUST. P. BATTAL.

APPENDIX 15

Feb. 13th. 1918.

PROMOTIONS.

The undermentioned promotions in 11th. Bty. are approved:-

1.

- No. 6522, T/Sergt. GUNN, T. C. to be Sergeant from 12.2.18
vice Sgt. Arbuthnot, A. struck off strength 12.11.1917.
No. 29473, T/Sergt. O'GRADY, L. to be Sergeant from 12.2.18
vice Sgt. Buchanan, struck off strength 12.11.1917.
No. 6577 T/Bombr. WILLIAMSON, J. A. to be Bombardier from
12.2.18, vice Bdr. Hughes, struck off strength 3.11.1917.
No. 6555, Corpl. NEILL, A. G. to be Temp/ Sergeant from
12.2.18, vice Sergt. Unford, A. transferred to R.S.A.A. 25.1.18.
No. 6909, T/Corporal WILLIAMS, A. H. to be Corporal from
12.2.18, vice Corpl. Ackers, A., struck off strength 26.10.1917.
No. 848, Bombr. SAYERS, O. H. to be Temp/Corporal from
12.2.18, vice Corpl. O'Grady, L. promoted Temp/Sergeant.
No. 8904, Temp/Bombr. HANSEN, A. to be Bombardier from
12.2.18, vice Bdr. Broome, P. struck off strength 12.11.17,
and to be Temp/Corpl. from 12.2.18, vice Cpl. MacDonald, C.
struck off strength 10.1.18.
No. 17142, A/Bombr. FISHER, O. A. to be Temp/Bombardier
from 12.2.18, vice Bdr. Hansen, promoted 12.2.18.
No. 1902, A/Bdr. PHYTHIAN, W. A. to be Temp/Bombardier
from 12.2.18, vice Bdr. Sayers, O. H. promoted T/Cpl. 12.2.18.
To be Acting Bombardiers, from 12.2.18. to complete
establishment :-

No. 6997	Fitter	RAYMOND,	E. J.
6545	Gunner	DAVIS,	H. T.
32901	Gunner	GO DWIN,	J. A.
16265	Gunner	JOHNSON,	O.
6561	Driver	DOWLING,	G. T.
6820	Driver	NEILL,	T.

The following promotions in 12th. Bty. are approved :-
No. 12943, T/Corpl. COLLIER, W. J. to be Corporal from
12.2.18., vice Corpl. Flynn, O. H. evacuated sick, and to be
T/Sergt. from 12.2.18, vice T/Sergt. BLAIR, B. W. reverted to
Corporal.

No. 9087, T/Bombr. TEMPLEMAN, to be Bombardier from
12.2.18, vice Bdr. Broome, P. evacuated, and to be T/Corpl.
from 12.2.18. vice Cpl. Coleman, J. promoted T/sergt.

No. 34646, Gunner TAYLOR, F. H. 12th. Battery, to be
Acting Bombardier from 16.12.1917, to complete establishment.
No. 12200, Gunner KNIGHT, S. 12th. Battery, to be Acting
Bombardier from 2.1.1918, to complete establishment.

REVERSIONS.

2.

- No. 8767, Corporal BLAIR, B. 104th. Battery, reverts to
the rank of Gunner at his own request, dated 12.2.1918.
No. 8767, T/Sergt. BLAIR, B. 104th. Battery, reverts to
substantive rank of Corporal, from 12.2.1918.
No. 10184, T/Bombr. FRANKLYN, M. reverts to substantive
rank of Gunner, dated 12.2.1918.

RE-MUSTERING.

3.

No. 10438, Gunner LITZEN, F. C. 12th. Battery, is mustered
Driver under the provisions of A.I.F. Order 785, from 21.10.17.

RE-MUSTERING.

4.

No. 13045, Driver WALDON, S. 104th. Battery, is re-mustered
Gunner from 12.2.1918, at his own request.

J. Olliver Lieut.
for Adjutant, 4th. A.P. Brigade

SECRET

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

LOCATION STATEMENT

Location of units as at 8pm, 17/2/18.

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UNIT	LOCATION
<u>2nd AUST.D.A.H.Q.</u>	BOUVELINGHEM
<u>4th A.F.A.BRIGADE H.Q.</u>	JOURNY
10th Battery,	CLERQUES
11th Battery,	JOURNY
12th Battery,	"
104th How.Battery.	"
<u>5th A.F.A.BRIGADE H.Q.</u>	ALQUINES
13th Battery,	HAUTE PANNEE
14th Battery,	ALQUINES
15th Battery,	"
105th How.Battery.	HAUTE PLANQUE
<u>2nd AUST.D.A.S. H.Q.</u>	REBERGUES
No 1 Section	"
No 2 Section	ROUGEMONT
S.A.A. Section	FOUQUESOLLES.
<u>D.T.H.Q.</u>	BOUVELINGHEM
V.2.A. Battery,	"
X.2.A. Battery,	"
Y.2.A. Battery,	"
Z.2.A. Battery,	"
<u>20th Coy. A.A.S.C.</u>	HAUTE LOQUIN.

2nd Aust.D.A.H.Q.,
14th February, 1918.

WEEKLY PROGRAMME OF TRAINING

COMMENCING 18th FEB. 1918.

DAY	DATE	MORNING	DAY	DATE	AFTERNOON.
Monday	Feb. 18th.	Exercising horses; Gun drill (open sights) Voice drill (.C.O's); Anti-tank training (para. 2. G 26/350 - this office 12/35 of 14th Feb. 1918.)	Monday	Feb. 18th.	Harness cleaning; Rifle exercises
Tuesday	Feb. 19th.	Foot drill; Exercising horses; Gun laying.	Tuesday	Feb. 19th.	Inspection of gas helmets and Gas drill; Harness cleaning; Fuze-setting.
Wednesday	Feb. 20th.	Exercising horses; Gun laying; Gas drill	Wed'day	Feb. 20th.	Half-Holiday (Football matches).
Thursday	Feb. 21st.	10th. Bty - Full marching order parade, inspection of kit. Other batteries - Exercising horses; Gun laying; Anti-tank training (para. 2. G. 26/350 - this office 12/35 of 14th Feb. 1918.).	Thursday	Feb. 21st.	11th. Bty. - Full marching order parade, inspection of kit. Other batteries - Harness cleaning; Gun laying.
Friday	Feb. 22nd.	18th. Bty. - Full marching order parade, inspection of kit. Other batteries - Exercising horses; Harness cleaning.	Friday	Feb. 22nd.	104th. Bty. - Full marching order parade, inspection of kit. Other batteries - Foot drill; Gun laying; Gas drill.
Saturday	Feb. 23rd.	Harness inspection (skeleton order) Footdrill; Gun drill; Gun laying; Fuze-setting.	Saturday	Feb. 23rd.	Half-Holiday (Football matches.)
Sunday	Feb. 24th.				

Follow on Lt
for Adj 4th F.A.Ba

Appendix 17.26

BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDERS No.139.

BY

LIEUT-COLONEL J.L. SHELLSHEAR, D.S.O.
COMMANDING 4th. AUST.F.A.BRIGADE.

APPENDIX 18²⁷

February. 25th.1918.

MUSKETRY.

1

The six men per Battery who reported to Divisional Musketry Officer on Monday 25th. instant and were returned to units, will report again on Wednesday, 27th. instant, at the same time.

LECTURE ON
AIR RECUPER-
ATOR.

2.

Major E.L. BURKE, M.C. 104th. Battery, will lecture to all officers of the 4th. A.F.A. Brigade (excepting Battery Orderly Officers) on the 18-pounder Air Buffer.

Officers are requested to be in attendance at 10th. Battery wagon lines, CLERQUES, at 10. a.m. punctually, 26.2.1918.

TRANSFER.

3.

S/Lieut. H.J. BEATON, 11th. Battery, is transferred to 12th. Battery, dated 25.2.1918.

A.A.M.C. MEN
ATTACHED TO
UNITS FOR
WATER DUTIES.

4.

The following extracts from A.I.F. Order No. 1000 of 4.12.1917 are re-published for information :-

"It has been decided to withdraw all 'A' class A.A.M.C. personnel attached to units in France for water duties, and substitute personnel from the unit or 'B' class medical personnel.

As men become available in excess of present establishment an equivalent number of Artillery and Engineer personnel will be detailed by Artillery and Engineer units to replace the medical personnel above referred to who will then be returned to their Field Ambulance or to the Base."

The men, when they become available who are to replace the A.A.M.C. details at present with Batteries, will be trained under the A.A.M.C. details, the latter being returned to their Field Ambulances when the new men have been fully instructed in their duties.

Albowler
Captain,
Adjutant, 4th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.

4th. AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

WEEKLY SYLLABUS OF TRAINING

WEEK COMMENCING Feb. 25th. 1918.

DAY	DATE	MORNING	DAY	DATE	AFTERNOON.
Monday	Feb. 25th.	Footdrill; Gundryll; Anti-Tank training (this office 12/35 of 14th. Feb. 1918.)	Monday	Feb. 25th.	Exercising horses and horse respirator drill.
Tuesday	Feb. 26th.	Exercising horses; Gun laying and Gunnery instruction.	Tuesday	Feb. 26th.	Harness cleaning; Instruction Box Respirators and anti-gas drill.
Wednesday	Feb. 27th.	Exercising horses; Gunnery instruction and laying.	Wednesday	Feb. 27th.	Half-Holiday (football matches.)
Thursday	Feb. 28th.	11th. Battery- Marching Order parade and inspection of kit. Other Batteries: Horse respirator drill.	Thursday	Feb. 28th.	10th. Bty.- Marching Order parade and inspection of kit. Other batteries: Harness cleaning; Inspection of Box respirators and anti-gas drill.
Friday	Feb. 29th.	104th. Bty. → Marching Order parade and kit inspection. Other Batteries: Anti-Tank training (this office 12/35 of 14th. Feb. 1918.)	Friday	March. 1st.	12th. Bty.- Marching order parade and inspection if kit. Other Batteries: Gun laying; Fuse setting.
Saturday	March. 2nd.	Harness inspection, (skeleton order); Rifle exercises; Gun drill.	Saturday	March 2nd.	Half-Holiday (Football marches.)
Sunday	March 3rd.		Sunday	March 3rd.	

Lieut-Colonel
Commanding 4th. Australian F. A. Brigade.

"A" Form.

Army Form C. 2121.
(In pads of 100.)

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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	At.....m.			By.....
	Tc.....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	
	By.....			

TO { *2nd Amd Bde* }

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
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From	<i>4th Amd Bde</i>
Place	
Time	

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

APPENDIX 20
SECRET

4th A.F.A.Bde.,

Headquarters,
27th February, 1918.

With reference to Tactical Scheme Order No 01, the units detailed in para.4 will be represented by Staffs, Section Commanders and Nos. 1.

The two sections detailed in para.5 will be complete with guns and firing battery wagons.

X DAY will be THURSDAY, 28th February.

ZERO HOUR will be 10am.

Acknowledge.

Reelstone Captain,
For Brigade-Major,
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY ORDER

SECRET

Copy No 7

No 01

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Headquarters,
27th February, 1918.

Reference Map: Sheet 27A.N.E.,
" 36D.N.E.,
1/20,000 Map (issued
with copies 4-8.)

1. In conjunction with Z Brigade on the North and X Brigade on the South, the 5th Aust. Inf. Bde. will attack the enemy on X DAY.
2. The enemy's dispositions are shown in the attached map.
3. At Zero, B Battn. will attack on the Right; A Battn on the Left. They will capture and consolidate the line V.27.c.7.5. to V.20.d.5.3.
4. The 4th Aust. F.A. Bde, less two sections, will be in observation.
5. Two sections will advance at ZERO and take up positions about the old front line. They will be prepared to deal with counter-attacks. One section will be told off to each attacking Battn.
6. A F.O.O., with the necessary signallers, etc., will be detailed. Communications, as in forward communications in Battle, are to be arranged.
7. The S.O.S. Line will be 200 yards in advance of the objective.
8. Inf. Bde. H.Q. will be at V.28.a.7.5.
9. A Liaison Officer, not below the rank of Captain, will be with Inf. Bde. H.Q.
10. Time will be synchronised at 9 pm on 27th instant from D.A.H.Q.
11. Acknowledge.

Issued at 8 am.

R. G. Osborne Captain,
For Brigade-Major,
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

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TACTICAL SCHEME ORDER No.1.

APPENDIX 21

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Reference Map: Sheet 27A. N.E.
36D. N.E.
1/20,000 Map issued.
also D.A. Tactical Scheme Order No.01.

1. Reference D.A. Order No.01. Batteries will be in position in vicinity of V.22.c. and V.23.a. before 10.a.m. They will have aiming posts planted in line of fire for right flank gun, and will be represented by Staffs, Section Commanders and Nos.1. only.
2. Batteries will make their own arrangements about leaving so as to be in position with lines of fire laid out at Zero Hour.
3. The 11th. Battery will detail the two sections referred to in para.5. of above order. They will move at Zero hour along roads previously reconnoitred by the Battery Commander and will be placed in position ready to deal with counter attacks.
Close liaison will be maintained with each Battalion by each Section.
4. The 11th. and 12th. Batteries will detail Liaison Officers to Right and Left Battalions respectively, who will keep in touch with Brigade Liaison Officer through Battalion Signals and ^{also with} the two detached sections.
5. Each Battery will establish an O.P. and maintain communication thereto.
6. Captain LYNE, 10th. Battery is detailed to act as Infantry Liaison Officer as per para.9. of above order. He will take with him two telephonists and one telephone.
7. Lieut. INGATE, 104th. Battery, is detailed as F.O.O. as per para.6. of above order, and will arrange his party as detailed in "Forward Communications in Battle."
8. Lieut. RUSSELL, 4th. A.F.A. Brigade Headquarters, will establish communications with Liaison Officer and with F.O.O. by wire also with Batteries by wire and visual.
9. S.O.S. lines after capture of the objective will be :-

10th. Battery	V.20.d.15.15.	to	V.26.b.75.30.
12th. Battery	V.26.b.75.30.	to	V.27.c.35.30.
11th. Battery (less 2 sections)	V.27.c.05.70.	to	V.27.c.35.30.
104th. Battery	1 gun - Road junction	V.26.b.15.30.	
	5. guns - Distributed along road running through	V.26.d.	
	1 gun - Enfilading road running through	V.26.a	
	1 gun - On wood in	V.26.d. central.	
10. . Batteries will be responsible for keeping zones allotted to them under observation.
Brigade Boundaries are as follows :-

N. Boundary	From	V.20.d.15.15.	to	V.26.a.00.40.
S. Boundary	"	V.27.c.35.30.	to	D.2.b.20.50.

Zones are allotted to Batteries in rear of their S.O.S. lines conforming to Brigade boundaries.
11. . The two sections of 11th. Battery detailed in para.3. will be complete with guns and firing battery wagons.
12. Reports to Brigade Headquarters at Shrine on road V.22. central.
13. Unless detailed for a special purpose, horses will not pass ACQUIN and will be placed under cover as quickly as possible.

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14. Batteries will send watches to be synchronised at Brigade Headquarters at 9.p.m. 27.2.1918.^{2.}
15. X day will be Thursday 28th. February, 1918.
Zero hour will be 1 O.a.m.
16. ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. How
Captain,
Adjutant, 4th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.

DISTRIBUTION:

10th. Battery
11th. Battery
12th. Battery
104th. Battery
Bde. Signal Officer
2nd. Aust. D.A.H.Q.
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*5th Infantry Brigade
Brigade Prison Officer.
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LOCATION STATEMENT.

4th. AUST. F.A. BRIGADE Headquarters will be in vicinity of V.22.b.40.30.

Instructions regarding War Diaries and Intelligence Summaries are contained in F. S. Regs., Part II, and the Staff Manual respectively. Title pages will be prepared in manuscript.

WAR DIARY

or

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

4th. AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

(Erase heading not required.)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	Feb. 28th. 1918	A.M. 10.2	Word received from Lieut. SMITH stating that the Zero hour had been altered to 10.20am. Message sent to 11th. 10th. 12th. and 104th. Batteries - repeated by 11th. Bty. to detached sections.	
		10.19	Written message received from Battalion Liaison that Zero hour was altered to 10.30am.	
		10.20.	Message sent to Brigade Liaison Officer to verify Zero hour. Message received from Left Section, 11th. Battery, that they were in position. Location statement received: 12th. Battery V.23.a.20.10.; 10th. Bty. V.22.b.50.60.	
		10.35	T.O.P. reported firing heard in front line.	
		10.40	T.O.P. reported smoke very plainly visible.	
		10.45.	Message received from Brigade Liaison Officer that Zero hour had been altered to 10.30am <i>and that infantry had gone over</i> Message sent to all Batteries.	
		10.50	Message received from Liaison that 1st. objective had been taken.	
		10.55	Message received that final objective had been taken.	
		10.55	Message sent to all Batteries to fire test S.O.S. at 12 noon	
		11am	G.O.C. 5th. Aust. Inf. Brigade advised of test S.O.S. and asked to report result.	
		11.2.	Location statement of 104th. Bty. received: V.22.b.7.3.	
		11.9.	Message received from Liaison that Infantry were 500 yards past final objective.	
		11.10	All Batteries advised, also that S.O.S. lines would be notified later.	
		11.12.	Verbal message received "S.O.S."	
		11.13.	Batteries notified "S.O.S., add 500 yards.	
		11.15.	All batteries spoken to reported firing on S.O.S.	
		11.50.	Message received that Infantry on left were held up and were holding line facing wood V.27.a.5.3. to V.27.b.0.0.	
		11.51.	12th. Battery advised to resume original S.O.S. lines.	
		11.30.	Reported Liaison that batteries had ceased firing on S.O.S.	
		11.35.	Liaison reported that operation was finished.	
		11.36.	Message sent to all Batteries.	

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APPENDIX 22³⁵

BRIGADE ROUTINE ORDERS No. 140.

BY
 LIEUT-COLONEL J.L.SHELLSHEAR, D. S. O.
 COMMANDING 4th. AUST. F. A. BRIGADE..

February 28th.1918.

POSTING.
 1.

Captain D.A.FOWLER resumed duty from Seconded List and is posted to 4th.A.F.A.Brigade, dated 20.2.1918.

2/Lieut. C.A.AMBLER ceased to be seconded for duty with R.E.A.A. and is posted to 10th.Battery, dated 24.2.1918.

APPOINTMENT.

2.

Major W.H.ST.CLAIR, D.S.O., 12th.Battery, to temporarily command the 4th. A.F.A.Brigade, during the absence on duty of Lieut-Colonel J.L.SHELLSHEAR, D.S.O.

Captain D.A.FOWLER to temporarily perform the duties of Adjutant, 4th.A.F.A.Brigade, vice Lieut.J.S.SMITH, detached, dated 25.2.1918.

ATTACHMENT.

3.

Lieut.J.S.SMITH, Adjutant, 4th.A.F.A.Brigade, is attached for duty with 2nd.Aust.D.A.H.Q., dated 25.2.1918.

PROMOTION.

4.

No.17135, T/Bombdr.WILLIAMS, C.E., 104th.Battery, is promoted Bombardier and Temp/Corporal 12.2.18., vice No.8767, Corporal BLAIR, B.W., reverted to Gunner at own request.

ATTACHMENT
 TRANSFER.

5.

Captain H.S.LYNNE, 10th.Battery, is ~~transferred~~ ^{ATTACHED} to 12th. Battery, dated 27.2.1918.

BOULOGNE
 LEAVE.

6.

After Sunday 3rd.March, no more leave will be granted for personnel to visit BOULOGNE.

CHURCH SERVICE. A voluntary Church Service for Church of England and other Protestant Denominations will be held in Y.M.C.A. tent, JOURNY, at 10.30.a.m. on Sunday, 3rd.March.1918.

7.

D.A. Fowler
 Captain,
 Adjutant, 4th. Aust. F. A. Brigade

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copy to
each Battery

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. SECRET

LOCATION STATEMENT.

Location of Units as at 8 PM, 3rd March, 1918.
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UNIT	LOCATION
<u>2nd AUST.D.A.H.Q.</u>	BOUVELINGHEM
<u>4th A.F.A.BRIGADE H.Q.</u>	JOURNY
10th Battery,	CLERQUES
11th "	JOURNY
12th "	BAS LOQUIN
104th How.Bty.	JOURNY
<u>5th A.F.A.BRIGADE H.Q.</u>	ALQUINES
13th Battery,	HAUTE PANNEE
14th "	ALQUINES
15th "	"
105th How.Bty.	HAUTE PLANQUE
<u>2nd AUST.D.A.C. H.Q.</u>	REBERGUES
No 1 Section	"
No 2 "	ROUGEMONT
S.A.A. "	FOQUESCLLES
<u>D.T.M.O.</u>	BOUVELINGHEM.
3rd " " Battery,	"
4th " " "	"
" " " "	"
<u>20th Coy A.A.S.C.</u>	HAUTE LOQUIN

2nd Aust. D. A. H. Q.,
28th February, 1918.
