

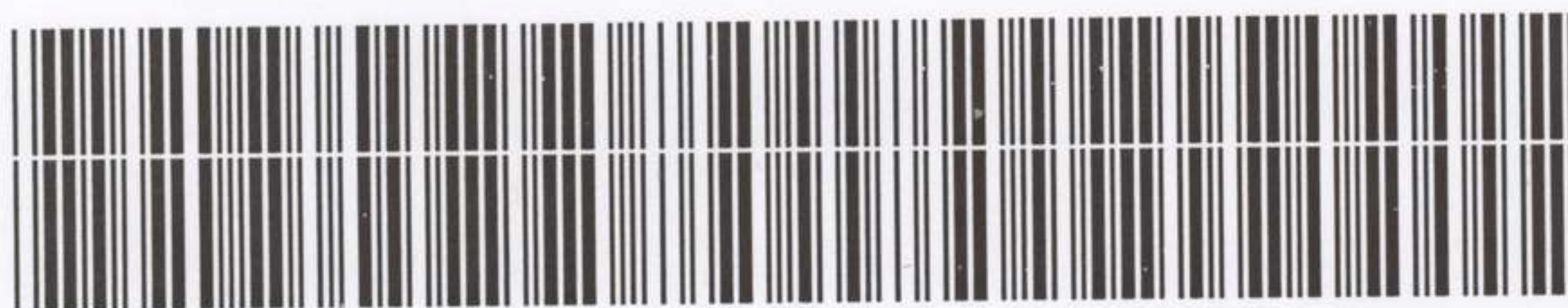
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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.OPERATION ORDER NO.3.

by

Lt-Colonel C.H.SPURGE.Headquarters ,
6th. August, 1918.Commanding.

Reference 62d. S.E. - 1/20.000.

Hostile Battery Map if available.
at

1. This Order becomes operative at Z. Plus 143.^{min}.
Attention is drawn to 4th. Div. Arty. Order No. 178. 1.b.
2. Battery Commanders will arrange to have a distinctive arm band four (4) inches wide to enable orderlies to identify Batteries of the Brigade during the advance.
3. (a) Brigade Headquarters will be situated up to Z plus 143^{min} at P 8 a 5.5
(b) From Z plus 143, P 17 a 30.20. N.E. corner of TAILLOUX WOOD.
(c) Final Headquarters at Q 19 b 1.1.
Time of moving to (c) will be notified later.
4. At Z plus 143, Instructions contained in 4th.D.A. Order No. 178, para 3, will come into operation.
5. The advance march will be made in the following order :-
(a) At Z plus 143, the whole Brigade will commence the forward movement. Each Battery making for the Area selected (see Trace A.) for the 11th. Brigade, SUSAN WOOD, Q 21 c.
(b) The 41st Battery will come into action in the vicinity of P 17 d, ready to open fire and to answer "L L" Calls at Z plus 4.^{min} remaining in action until the 42nd. Battery is in action in Q 19 a & b, when the 41st. will move forward to Q 21 c
(c) The 42nd. Battery will come into action on arrival in the vicinity of Q 19 a & b, and carry on the same duty allotted to the 41st, remaining in action until ordered forward to Q 21 c.
(d) The 43rd. and 111th. Hows. will move direct to SUSAN WOOD Q 21 c keeping in touch with B.H.Q. and in readiness to assist the Infantry as required.
(e) On reaching SUSAN WOOD Batteries will come into action and be prepared to bring fire on any portion of the front to protect The Blue Line, as may be required to assist the 4th. and 12th. Australian Infantry Brigades. All Batteries will be ready to answer "L L" Calls. Batteries will not fire NORTH of the SOMME.
6. Each Battery will detail a mounted orderly to report to B.H.Q. at Z ^{min} 15minuted. These orderlies must be reliable men and should be able to find their Batteries without hesitation. At Z plus 143^{min}, these orderlies will rejoin their Batteries when they move forward and when the Batteries halt for action on the way to SUSAN WOOD will report back to B.H.Q. with the following information (1) Where the Battery is. (2) Time the Battery came into action. (3) And what the Battery is doing, (i.e. waiting for "L L" Calls or dealing with some unforeseen target)
Battery Commanders will in addition forward to B.H.Q. any important reports affecting the Tactical situation, from time to time.

P.T.O.

Operation Order No.3.26th. August, 1918

7. Nothing in these orders will prevent Battery Commanders rendering assistance if required by the Infantry if time does not allow of communication with Brigade Headquarters, but Battery Commanders will report immediately of any action so taken.
8. Early information and mobility will ensure the success of the operation.
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W. H. Sanderson
Captain
and Adjutant.

For C.O. 11th. Australian Field Artillery Brigade.

In the Field, 6th. August, 1918..

Distribution.

Issued at 7.10.p.m.

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1. File.
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 3. 42nd. Battery.
 4. 43rd. Battery.
 5. 111th. Battery.
 6. War Diary.
 7. 4th. Aust. D.A.
 8. 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde.
 9. Spare.
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ORDER No. 178

HEADQUARTERS,
5th August 1918.

REFERENCE MAP, Sheet 62 D 1/20,000 and SPECIAL BARRAGE MAP issued by "D" Divisional Artillery.

1. (a) This order is to be read in conjunction with all orders issued by the 3rd Australian Divisional Artillery for the action of "D" Divisional Artillery covering the attack of "D" Division AUSTRALIAN CORPS in Phase I.

(b) Phase 2 :-

After the capture of the GREEN LINE (Phase I), the 4th Australian Division (to be known as "B" Division) organised into Brigade Groups with the 12th Aust. Infantry Brigade on the Right, the 4th Aust. Infantry Brigade on the Left and 1st Australian Infantry Brigade in Divisional Reserve will advance at ZERO plus 4 hours in open warfare formation from the GREEN LINE passing through "D" Division and capture the objective shown RED on attached TRACING "A".

Phase 3 :-

The 4th Australian Division will exploit the success and seize the old British line of defence shown BLUE on attached TRACING "A", and establish themselves defensively on this line.

- (c) Both the RED LINE and the BLUE LINE will be organised defensively in depth, the RED LINE as a Reserve System and the BLUE LINE as a main Defensive System.

(d) TANKS :-

- (i) 12 Mark V Tanks are allotted to each of the 12th and 4th Aust. Infantry Brigades and in addition as many as possible of the Mark V Tanks allotted to "D" Division for the capture of the GREEN LINE will be rallied and pushed forward in support.

- (ii) 18 Mark Vs have also been allotted to the Division.

- (e) The 5th Australian Division (to be known as "A" Division) is co-operating on the Right of "B" Div. Southern boundary shown on attached TRACING "A".

The 58th Division will co-operate North of the SOMME River (exclusive).

2. ZERO HOUR fixed for the whole Australian Corps operation will be notified by "D" Divisional Artillery. It is this ZERO HOUR that is referred to throughout the order.

3. ARTILLERY :-

With the commencement of the advance from the GREEN LINE at ZERO plus 4 hours, the following Artillery will come under the orders of the C.R.A. 4th Australian Division and will become OFFENSIVE and DEFENSIVE Brigades as shown :-

OFFENSIVE

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OFFENSIVE F.A. BRIGADES

16th R.H.A. Brigade
10th Aust. F.A. Brigade
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade

DEFENSIVE F.A. BRIGADES.

3rd ARMY Brigade, Aust. F.A.
7th Aust. F.A. Brigade.
8th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

OFFENSIVE HEAVY BATTERY.

128th Bty. H.A.
(4 60-pr. guns).

(i) The OFFENSIVE FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADES :--

These Brigades will fire in the barrage up to the GREEN PROTECTIVE BARRAGE LINE ordered by "D" Divisional Artillery.

At ZERO plus 143 minutes, Brigades will cease firing, hook in, and advance to support the attack of "B" Division Infantry, with direct observation.

These Brigades are allotted as follows :--

16th R.H.A. Bde.	to the 12th Aust. Inf. Brigade.
10th Aust. F.A. Bde.	" " 4th " " "
11th Aust. F.A. Bde.	" " 1st " " "

The 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade will be responsible for answering all calls from the air from ZERO plus 4 hours onward.

The Infantry Brigade boundary is shown on attached TRACING "A".

The Areas to be finally occupied to cover the BLUE LINE are as shown on attached TRACING "A".

(ii) The OFFENSIVE Heavy Battery :--

Separate and special instructions will be issued later to 128th Heavy Battery.

(iii) The DEFENSIVE F.A. Brigades :--

Will continue firing upon Tasks as ordered by "D" Divisional Artillery until ZERO plus 4 hours, then cease firing, hook in, and advance to positions in area shown on attached TRACING "A", and be prepared to bring fire to bear on a line 400 yards East of the BLUE LINE in defence of the captured area.

(iv). Two Lewis guns per Battery will be maintained at Bty. positions. Two Lewis guns per Battery will remain in wagon lines for defence against hostile aeroplanes.

(v). The area marked RED on attached TRACING "A" is reserved for 5th Australian Divisional Artillery.

(vi). ROUTE -- Roads shown GREEN and lorry routes shown RED on attached TRACING "A" will be repaired as follows

W. of HAMEL by ZERO HOUR,
E. of HAMEL by ZERO plus 4 hours.

SB
V Road. River Road. 8th E.
Move at 1430Z.

4.

AMMUNITION :-

Army Brigades will be accompanied by their B.A.Cs..

Divisional Artilleries will be accompanied by Sections of D.A.C. as follows :-

10th Aust. F.A. Brigade	by No. 1 Section	4th Aust. D.A.C.
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade	" " 2 Section	" " "
7th Aust. F.A. Brigade	" " 1 Section	3rd Aust. D.A.C.
8th Aust. F.A. Brigade	" " 2 Section	" " "

Full echelons will contain 50% shrapnel and 50% H.E..

Detailed instructions regarding supplies are being issued.

5.

GROUPING :-

On the occupation of the positions shown for the DEFENSIVE Brigades covering the final objective (i.e. the BLUE LINE), the Field Artillery will, ipso facto, come under the command of the Commanders of the three OFFENSIVE Brigades and will be Grouped as follows :-

	Commander	Composition
<u>RIGHT GROUP</u>	(Lieut.-Col., (T.M. ARCHDALE, D.S.O.	(15th R.H.A. Brigade. (7th Aust. F.A. Bde..
<u>LEFT GROUP</u>	(Lieut.-Col. (T.E.C. WILLIAMS, DSO.	(10th Aust. F.A. Bde.. (8th Aust. F.A. Bde..
<u>SUPERIMPOSED GROUP</u>	(Lieut.-Col. (C.H. SPURGE	(11th Aust. F.A. Bde. (3rd ARMY Bde. Aust.F.A.

SUB-GROUPS will arrange communications to Group Headquarters.

SUPERIMPOSED GROUP will arrange communications to each of RIGHT and LEFT Group Headquarters.

6.

COUNTER-PREPARATION :-

The Australian Corps Counter-Preparation Scheme will be adopted and LANES will be numbered from RIGHT to LEFT and bounded as follows on arrival at Final Objective :-

Western ~~Eastern~~ Boundary by the S.C.S. line plus 100 yards.

LANE 1 will contain Southern half of R 26
LANE 2 " " Northern half of R 26.

LANE 13 " " Southern half of L 25.

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COMMUNICATIONS :-

Up to the capture of the GREEN LINE, communications will be through "D" Div. Artillery.

A buried cable will run to P 9 a 5 5 where the 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. Forward Exchange and Report Centre will be established; ground cables will be run direct to Brigades from Cable Head and C.V. sets for communication with D.A.H.Q. will be established on a scale of 1 per Brigade.

Communications forward of Brigade Headquarters will be by earth return circuit for the operation and mobile establishment of cable will be used.

Pigeons as available will be issued to Brigades for communications from F.O.C..

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8. PASSAGE OF OBSTACLES :-

Each Battery of the OFFENSIVE F.A. Brigades and the Battery H.A. will carry one trench bridge and a supply of wire cutters, fascines, hurdles and sand bags. One platoon of Pioneers (40 men) will be attached to each of the 16th R.H.A. Brigade and 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade. Details regarding time at which the platoons report will be issued later. Bridges once constructed will not be removed. It will be the duty of the Pioneers attached to mark the existence of each bridge by erecting a small white flag.

9. MEDIUM TRENCH MORTARS :-

The 7th Medium Trench Mortar Battery will be held in Divisional Reserve in ~~HAMELET~~ and will be moved forward by Carrier Tanks under orders to be issued later.

10. 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. will be at I 35 c 6 3. The 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. Forward Report Centre will be established at P 9 a 5 5, from ZERO plus 2 hours onwards.

11. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.
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Issued to Signals at 9 p.m..

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

DISTRIBUTION.

1 - 5 16th R.H.A. Brigade.
6 - 10 10th Aust. F.A. Bde.
11 - 15 11th Aust. F.A. Bde.
16 - 21 3rd ARMY Bde. A.F.A.
22 - 26 7th Aust. F.A. Bde.
27 - 31 8th Aust. F.A. Bde.
32 128th H.A. Battery.
33 D.T.M.C. 4th Aust. Div.
34, 34a, 34b 3rd Aust. D.A.C..
35, 35a, 35b 4th Aust. D.A.C..

For inf :-

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No. 40.

Issued in conjunction with

Order No. 178.

Headquarters,
 5th August 1918.

1. Forward A.R.Ps have been selected, to be used after the Artillery advance, as follows :-

(a) VAIRE A.R.P. - Situated at the triangular roads J 32 d 2 5 - J 32 d 1 2 - J 32 d 2 5.

(b) HAMELET A.R.P. - Situated at O 3 d 7 3.

The above A.R.Ps are allotted to Brigades as under :-

VAIRE - 10th Aust.F.A.Bde, 11th Aust.F.A.Bde, 16th Bde R.H.A.

HAMELET - 7th Aust.F.A.Bde, 8th Aust.F.A.Bde, 3rd Aust.F.A.Bde.

A.R.Ps are marked by notice boards. As many Officers and N.O.O's as possible will make themselves acquainted with these locations, prior to ZERO hour.

2. Upon advance of the Artillery all ammunition held in echelons of the 3rd and 4th Aust. D.A.C., 3rd Aust. B.A.C. and 16th RHA B.A.C, will be dumped at the A.R.P. allotted to the respective Brigades.

The actual time of dumping will be

VAIRE A.R.P. - 4th Aust. D.A.C. & 16th R.H.A.

ZERO plus 143 minutes.

HAMELET A.R.P. - 3rd Aust. D.A.C., and 3rd B.A.C.

ZERO plus 4 hours.

3. Ammunition columns on dumping echelons will proceed to the vacated Battery positions and will clear all ammunition left there, on completion of which they will remain with echelons full, ready for normal method of supply.

The approximate amount of ammunition expected to be in vacated positions for removal to A.R.Ps is

10th & 11th Aust. and 16th R.H.A. Brigades - 170 rounds per gun.
 7th & 8th and 3rd Aust. F.A. Bdes - 70 rounds per gun.

4. B.A. and D.A.C. Commanders will detail 2 mounted orderlies per battery to report to the respective gun positions on the 6th instant. These orderlies will be used for :-

- (1). The normal D.A.C. representative.
- (2). To report to A.R.P. as soon as the Battery advances to act as guide for wagons collecting ammunition from vacated positions.

The echelons of 12th Aust. F.A.B.A.C., 23rd B.A.C. R.F.A. and 189th B.A.C. R.F.A. will not be dumped, as at ZERO plus 4 hours. These Brigades come under the orders of C.R.A., "E" Div. Artillery.

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continued (2).

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6. The supply of ammunition throughout the operation (except as stated in para. 2) will be the normal method, viz :-

M.T. to A.R.P. - D.A.C. from A.R.P. to Battery W.L. - Battery from Battery W.L. to Guns.

7. B.A. and D.A. Columns will reconnoitre positions for their Wagon Lines, to be occupied after the advance, in the vicinity of the A.R.Ps which are allotted them.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

James G. W. Davis

Staff Captain,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION -

As for Order No. 178, plus

4th Aust. Div. 'Q'.
Aust. Corps 'Q'.
O.C., VAIRE A.R.P.,
O.C., HAMELET A.R.P.

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3rd.Aust.Divl.Artilillery.

The following extracts from Australian Corps Battle Instructions are forwarded for guidance :-

1. COUNTER-ATTACK PLANES.

- (a) From Zero Hour, counter-attack planes will be constantly in the air with the object of observing hostile concentrations or abnormal movement.
- (b) In the event of an enemy concentration indicating a counter-attack, the counter-attack aeroplane will signal this information to the Artillery by wireless; in the case of a counter-attack actually developing a white parachute flare will be fired by the aeroplane in the direction of the troops moving for the impending counter-attack, for the information of the Infantry.

2. MAIN LINE OF RESISTANCE.

- (a) When the third objective (the blue line) is attained it will be organised and consolidated as the main line of resistance.
- (b) If the enemy is able to develop an immediate counter-attack, or if he has a definite plan, and the troops available in close reserve for the defence of the blue line, it may not be possible to reach the third objective. In this case the second objective (red line) will become the main line of resistance.
- (c) Definite plans will be prepared to deal with either case. The Corps must be prepared, as early as possible, to fight a stiff defensive battle on the main line of resistance.

3. LIGHT SIGNALS, MESSAGE ROCKETS, SMOKE.

- (a) Australian Corps. The following Light Signals will be employed in the Australian Corps :-

S.O.S. Signal No.32 grenade showing green over green over green. - Allotment 500 per Division.

Success Signal, No.32 grenade showing white over white over white. - Allotment 600 per Division.

A small reserve of these grenades is held at Corps Headquarters.

- (b) Other Formations. Light Signals of other formations are as follows :-

<u>Formation.</u>	<u>Signal.</u>	<u>Meaning.</u>
(1) Cavalry Corps.	White star turning to red on a parachute fired from 1½" Very pistol.	"Advanced troops of cavalry are here."

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Formation.	Signal.	Meaning.
(11) III Corps.	No.32 grenade, green over green over green.	"S.O.S."
	No.32 grenade, white over white over white.	"Success signal, i.e., we have reached objective."
	One white Very Light.	"Barrage is about to lift."
(11i) Canadian Corps.	No.32 grenade, red over red over red.	"S.O.S". Will also mean (a) We are held up and cannot advance without help. (b) Enemy is counter-attacking.
	No.32 grenade, green over green over green.	(a) Lift your fire. We are going to advance. (b) Stop firing.
	Three white Very Lights in quick succession.	"We have reached this point."

δ In the case of (a) a smoke rocket (No.27 grenade) will also be fired in the direction of the obstruction to indicate its position.
 (c) Special care must be taken by the Artillery on the Right Flank of the Corps, that all Officers and N.C.Os. are acquainted with these Signals so that no mistake may arise as regards the difference in the S.O.S. Signals of the Australian and Canadian Corps.

4. ROADS.

1. A map is forwarded herewith shewing the organisation of the Roads system in the captured territory. (:)
2. The Chief Engineer will issue the necessary instructions for the preparation of these roads for traffic.
3. All light traffic which is capable of moving across country will do so and will avoid main roads.
4. Mule tracks will be a Divisional responsibility.
5. Artillery advancing with the 5th & 4th Australian Divns. will carry forward a proportion of bridges. Arrangements should be made as soon as possible for the development of tracks making use of the routes taken by the Artillery over these bridges.
6. The AMIENS - LONGUEAU - VILLERS BRETONNEUX Main Road, as far East as the Cross Roads in N.26.c. will be reserved for the exclusive use of the Cavalry Corps from 9.30 p.m. on Y/Z Night until 8 a.m. on Z day. After 8 a.m. on Z day it will be available for the Australian and Cavalry Corps. A.P.M. Australian Corps, will arrange for the control of the traffic on this road throughout. C.E. Australian Corps, will prepare short avoiding roads at the Cross Roads in N.26.c. to cross the North-East or South-West corner to avoid congestion at this point.

(:) Map referred to has been issued to Divl. Headquarters. Copies will be issued to Divl. Artilleries as they become available.

4.8.1918.

(Sgd) H.D.K. MACARTNEY Lt-Col.G.
R.A.Australian Corps.

To: "A", "B", "C" Sub-Groups.
3rd.Aust.D.A.C.

B.M.4/54/33.

FORWARDED for information and action, together with Map referred to.
ACKNOWLEDGE by wire.

Headquarters,
5.8.1918.

Major R.A.,
B.M., R.A., 3rd.Aust. Divn.

T.C.

HEADQUARTERS.
3rd AUSTRALIAN
DIVL. ARTILLERY.SECRET.

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BATTLE INSTRUCTIONS NO. 1.

APPENDIX 2

BM. 6/54/15

The following instructions, consequent on Third Aust. Division Order No. 103, are forwarded for information.

INFANTRY.

(i). The assault will be carried out by the 9th and 11th Aust. Inf. Bdes., 9th A.I. Bde. on Right, 11th A.I. Bde. on Left. Forming up line is shown on Map issued to those concerned.

(ii). Forming up Troops detailed to the capture of the first objective will be deployed on the Forming Up Line by ZERO minus one hour.

(iii). The 10th Aust. Inf. Bde. will hold the forward line of the Divisional Area until the whole of the 4th Aust. Division attacking troops have passed through, when Battalions will be reorganized, and await instructions.

(iv). The Objective of the Division will be as shown by the GREEN LINE on Maps issued.

(v). On reaching the GREEN LINE, troops will consolidate and reorganize for defence in depth; at least one Battalion being maintained as a reserve in each Brigade Sector.

(vi). The 4th Aust. Division, on a frontage of two Brigades, with one Brigade in Reserve, will assemble in rear of the 3rd Aust. Div. assaulting troops prior to ZERO, and will follow the troops attacking the GREEN LINE at ZERO plus four hours.

At Zero plus four hours The 4th Aust. Div. will pass through troops on the GREEN LINE, and advance to attack on BLUE LINE.

(vii). Command of troops on the GREEN LINE will pass to G.O.C. 4th Aust. Division at ZERO plus four hours.

(viii). From ZERO plus four hours the advance will be continued under the conditions of open warfare.

(ix). (a). Each Brigade will be allotted one Coy. of Mark V Tanks (12) of 13th Tank Bn. The Officers of these Coys. will maintain the closest liaison with Infantry Brigadiers.

(b). Tanks will move into positions on Y/2 night, and special tank tapes of White, with Black Centre, will be laid beforehand.

After the capture of the GREEN LINE these Tanks will reorganize and, under the orders of the Tank Bn. Commander, be available as a reserve for BLUE LINE Troops.

(c). One Carrying Tank of 1st Carrying Tank Coy. will also be allotted to each Brigade for the purpose of carrying forward stores and tools, and establishing dumps.

Localities for dumps should be selected beforehand, and "lookout men" appointed to guide the Tanks.

One Sapper will be detailed to each Tank, and two men per Brigade as loaders.

Loading will be carried out as soon as possible after the 4th instant.

(d). Carrying Tanks will arrange to pick up those Stokes Mortars of Infantry Brigades which are allotted special tasks during the barrage; and carry same forward to localities selected.

(x). The following Light Signals will be employed in the Aust. Corps:-

(a). S.O.S. - No. 32 Grenade - GREEN over GREEN over GREEN.

(b). Success Signal. No. 32 Grenade - WHITE over WHITE over WHITE.

The Light Signals of the III Corps are similar to those of the Australian Corps.

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(xi). (a). Red Ground Flares will be used to indicate the Infantry positions to Contact Aeroplanes which will fly along the line of the first objective at ZERO plus two hours thirty minutes. Flares will be lit by Infantry in the most advanced lines only.

(b). Flares will be called for by a series of "A's" on the Klaxon Horn, and by firing a WHITE VERY Light.

(c). Should the aeroplane fail to mark the line, it will return and repeat it's call ten minutes later.

(d). If flares have been utilized, and an aeroplane calls for flares, three or four rifles about 2 ft. apart laid, (pointing forward), across the trench, will be seen by the Contact planes.

(e). Metal discs, sewn in the inside of the cover of the Box Respirator, and displayed to aeroplane, may be used to indicate Infantry dispositions.

(f). In the case of our Aeroplanes observing an enemy counter-attack actually developing, the Artillery will be informed by Wireless, and a WHITE parachute flare fired by the aeroplane in the direction of the enemy troops moving for the counter-attack.

(xii). Message Carrying Rockets will be carried forward by Brigades, and relay posts arranged.

ARTILLERY.

(i). In view of the nature of the enemy defences, the fire of Heavy Artillery not employed on counter-battery work will be used to engage special strong points or localities.

(ii). Field Artillery allotted to the Division will be divided into three groups of three Brigades each.

(iii). After capture of GREEN LINE -

(a). 1 Brigade will be attached to each of the Inf. Bdes. of 4th Aust. Division.

(b). 3 Bdes. will move forward as defence guns for the GREEN LINE.

(c). 3 Brigades will remain as Corps Reserve.

(iv). It will be necessary for all field guns to move into forward prepared positions prior to ZERO day.

(v). Guns will not be dug in, but will be concealed as much as possible in old trenches, banks, and crops.

(vi). All Unit Commanders must ensure that men of their Units do not loiter round these concealed guns and so attract the enemy's attention.

(vii). Care will be taken that vehicles and ration parties at night do not displace Artillery aiming posts, or the Red and White Flags, which are placed in position by the Survey Section, R.E.

(viii). The necessary accommodation for Artillery personnel in the neighbourhood of the guns will be made available by the Infantry Commanders concerned.

(ix). (a). The field artillery 18-pdr. barrage will open at ZERO 200 yards in advance of the Forming Up Line. At ZERO plus three minutes the barrage will commence to advance; lifts will be 100 yards at two minute intervals. There will be two lifts at this rate.

The rate will then decrease to lifts of 100 yards every three minutes. There will be eight lifts at this rate.

From the eleventh lift inclusive until the GREEN LINE is reached lifts will be of 100 yards each at four minute intervals.

(b). The 4.5" Howitzer barrage will move 200 yards in advance of the 18pdr. barrage.

(c). A protective barrage will be maintained in front of the GREEN LINE until ZERO plus four hours. During this period

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approximately fifty per cent (50%) of the guns remaining in the barrage will be employed in a protective line barrage; the remainder will be employed to search and sweep deeply into the enemy's position. At ZERO plus four hours all barrage fire will cease.

Barrage Maps will be issued later.

(x). Artillery Smoke will be as follows:-

(a). Three rounds per gun will be fired during the first three minutes of the barrage.

(b). Three rounds per gun will be fired in quick succession, on the Field Artillery barrage reaching the Artillery halt line of the first objective.

MACHINE GUNS.

(1). The C.O. 3rd Aust. Machine Gun Battalion will arrange for a creeping barrage to be brought down by all available guns up to a range of 2,000 yards from the Infantry Jumping Off Line.

(ii). Machine Guns will be allotted duties as under:-

One half Coy. to each Attacking Bde. - Opportunity Guns.
One Coy. to each Attacking Brigade - for consolidation.
One Coy. with 10th A.I.B. Brigade - Reserve.

(iii). Guns employed as Opportunity Guns will not take part in barrage firing, but will form up and accompany the rear Units of the Infantry as desired by Brigade Commanders.

(iv). Barrage guns will fire at such times and rates as arranged by C.O. 3rd Aust. M.G. Bn. in accordance with Infantry movement and rate of Artillery barrage. At completion of their barrage task, the consolidation guns will move forward in rear of the Infantry Brigade to which allotted, and will organize a defence in depth, as desired by the G.O.C. Infantry Brigade.

(v). An outlined plan should be arranged beforehand, subject to the alteration necessitated by tactical requirements.

(vi). The Reserve guns, after completion of their barrage task, will reorganize and receive further instructions from the G.O.C. 10th Aust. Inf. Bde.

(vii). The C.O. 3rd Aust. M.G. Bn. will make the necessary arrangements for the provision of ammunition, belts, etc. for the barrage, and will assist Brigade Commanders in arrangement of details for later tasks.

4th August, 1918.

S. S. Jackson
for Lieut-Colonel.
General Staff.

DISTRIBUTION.

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27-31. 10th -do-
32-36. 11th -do-
37. 3rd Aust. M.G. Bn.
38. 3rd Aust. Pioneer Bn.
39. A.D.M.S.

HEADQUARTERS. 3rd AUSTRALIAN DIVL. ARTILLERY.
No.
Date

40. 5th Tank Bde.
41-42. AUST. Corps.
43. 2nd Aust. Div.
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45. 5th -do-
46. 18th Division.
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BATTLE INSTRUCTION NO.2.

APPENDIX 2

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1. Movement of transport wagons in the forward area has been such to-day, as to draw a certain amount of enemy shell-fire.

2. Commanders will realise the grave necessity for secrecy, and must, therefore, exercise the greatest amount of personal supervision to ensure that all officers and other ranks assist to obtain the desired result.

3. It must be impressed on all officers and n.c.os. that they are responsible for, and must insist on, the obedience of orders by all personnel, irrespective of the unit to which they belong.

4. To-day's fault may be turned to to-morrow's advantage by actions which will tend to lead the enemy into the belief that a Divisional or other relief is taking place. As no two units act the same in the line (as to VERY Lights, movement, night firing, etc), the relief of the 11th. Aust. Inf. Bde. by the two Battalions of the 10th. Aust. Inf. Bde. to-night may further help to deceive the enemy.

The enemy may have discovered that the Australians are taking over from the French in the vicinity of HANGARD, and may therefore surmise that another local operation of the size of recent ones is likely to take place to straighten out the CACHY re-entrant.

Therefore, every precaution will be taken that, after dawn to-morrow, no excessive movement is visible and that, in every way, the Divisional area appears normal.

Special measures will be arranged by Divisional Headquarters to stop traffic and, in the event of individual wagons or groups of wagons (other than those which are absolutely necessary) moving in prohibited areas, the Commanding Officer concerned will be held responsible for allowing such vehicles to leave transport lines on such a mission. Such traffic, after the name of the driver and his unit has been taken, will not be allowed to proceed forward, but will either be swung off the road to wait for night-fall, or ordered to return to rear areas.

Officers and men of incoming Brigades, in particular, must be warned against showing themselves in exposed areas. Excessive numbers swimming at one time must be prevented.

Troops from areas some distance from the river may be marched to and from swimming parades in small parties at considerable intervals.

No troops of any Brigade are to be permitted to leave their area, except on duty.

5. No fires will be allowed in the forward area between dawn and sunset, as numerous small columns of smoke will give the enemy the best clue to the number of troops in the area, and the location of their bivouacs.

6. Special vigilance in the foregoing must be exercised in this respect throughout to-morrow and succeeding days, particularly in the areas which will be occupied by the 10th, 4th. and 12th. Aust. Inf. Brigades.

Special aeroplanes are being employed to report any excessive movement, or other indication of other than normal activity, in the Divisional area.

4th. August, 1918.

DISTRIBUTION.

"A.Q."

A.D.M.S.

10th. A.I.Bde.

12th. -do-

3rd. M.G.Bn.

3rd. Div.Sig.Coy.

C.R.A.

A.P.M.

11th. A.I.Bde.

12th. -do-

3rd. Pioneer Bn. AUST. CORPS.

4th. Aust. Div. 2nd. Aust. Div.

C.R.E.

9th. A.I.Bde.

4th. -do-

3rd. Div.Train.

AUST. CORPS.

2nd. Aust. Div.

Lieut.-Colonel.
General Staff.



ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

Headquarters,
8th. August, 1918.

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

FOUR LETTER CODE CALLS.

Herewith copy of 8th. series of Four Letter Code Calls.
This will be taken into use after midnight 7th/8th. August.

Please Acknowledge receipt and certify by noon on the 8th.
Inst. that all lists now in use have been destroyed

W. W. Rose
Captain
and Adjutant.

For C.O., 11th. Australian Field Artillery Brigade.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERYSECRETHeadquarters,
5th August 1918.

10th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
 16th Brigade RHA,
 4th Aust. D.A.C.,
 4th Aust. D.T.M.O.,
 R.A., Signals.



Herewith ⁵ copies of 6th series of Four Letter Code Calls. These will be taken into use after mid-night 7th/8th August.

Please acknowledge receipt and certify by noon on the 8th instant that all lists now in use have been destroyed.

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

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CONFIDENTIAL AND SECRET.

Copy No. 40FOUR LETTER CODE CALLS.FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

6th
Period after
midnight.

Divisional Headquarters	LEQI	7th Aust.M.T.M. Bty.	MITE
H.Q. Divl. Artillery.	TUKE	8th Aust.M.T.M. Bty.	MIGE
Div.Art. Signal Sec.	PESU		
Div.Art. Wireless Sec.	PEMU	4th Aust. D.A.C.	DIRI
Q. R. E.	LEDI		
H.Q. Divl. Train.	LEBI	4th Aust. Field Coy.	GIZO
Divl. Observers.	LEFI	12th Aust. Field Coy.	GIQO
Spare Call.	LETI	13th Aust. Field Coy.	GIDO
4th Aust. Inf. Bde.	RUPA	4th Aust. Div. Sig. Coy.	ROMO
4th A.I. Bde. Sig. Sec.	PEWU		
13th Battalion.	DOZA	4th Aust. Pioneer Bn.	GOLI
14th Battalion.	DONA		
15th Battalion.	DOKA	4th Aust. M.G. Bn.	ZOMA
16th Battalion.	DOSA	4th Aust. M.G. Bn. Sig. Sec.	PEBU
4th A.L.T.M. Bty.	HIJA	4th Aust. M.G. Bn. 'A' Coy.	ZOKA
		4th " " " 'B' Coy.	ZOSA
12th Aust. Inf. Bde.	RUHO	4th " " " 'C' Coy.	ZOWA
12th A.I. Bde. Sig. Sec.	PERU	4th " " " 'D' Coy.	ZORA
45th Battalion.	DOGO		
46th Battalion.	GOLE	7th Coy. A.A.S.C.	WAQO
48th Battalion.	GOHE	14th Coy. " "	WADO
12th A.L.T.M. Bty.	HIPI	26th Coy. " "	WABO
		27th Coy. " "	WAFO
13th Aust. Inf. Bde.	RUVO	4th Aust. M.T. Coy.	WAFU
13th A.I. Bde. Sig. Sec.	PEPU		
49th Battalion.	GOJE	4th Aust. Field Amb.	JAQI
50th Battalion.	GOZE	12th " " "	JAVU
51st Battalion.	GONE	14th " " "	JAJU
13th A.L.T.M. Bty.	HIQI		
		4th Div. Sanitary Sec.	HAGE
10th A.F.A. Brigade.	NURU		
10th A.F.A. Bde. Sig. Sub.)	PEQU	4th Aust. Mob. Vet. Sec.	DAVE
Sec.)			
37th Battery	NUPU		
38th Battery	NUQU		
39th Battery	NUDU		
110th Howitzer Bty.	NUBU		
11th A.F.A. Brigade.	NUFU		
11th A.F.A. Bde. Sig. Sub.)	PEDU		
Sec.)			
41st Battery	NUTU		
42nd Battery	NUGU		
43rd Battery	NULA		
111th Howitzer Bty.	NUHA		

SECRET.

INSTRUCTION NO. 2

HEADQUARTERS,
7th August 1918.

Issued under ORDER No. 178

1. THE OFFENSIVE HEAVY BATTERY :-

- (i) The 128th Heavy Battery at ZERO plus 150 minutes will advance to a position in action in the vicinity of P 10 c Cent. and be prepared at ZERO plus 240 minutes
- (a) To support the Infantry attack by engaging hostile targets with direct observation.
 - (b) To answer all calls from the air, and
 - (c) To engage any special objectives that may be ordered from this Office.
- (ii) A reconnaissance will be made and a Battery position selected in the vicinity of P 24 a 0 5 and the most suitable approach determined by ZERO plus 6 hours after which time the Battery will be prepared to advance to occupy the selected position if ordered to do so from this Office.

2. AIRCRAFT :-(A) CONTACT AEROPLANES :--Indication of Position by flares --

- (a) Red ground flares will be used to indicate the Infantry positions to contact aeroplanes. The flares will be lit by Infantry in the most advanced positions only.
- (b) A contact aeroplane will fly along the line of the second objective (RED LINE) at ZERO plus 6 hours 30 minutes. Flares will be called for by the aeroplane sounding a succession of "A's" on the Klaxon horn and by firing a WHITE Very light. If the aeroplane fails to mark the line accurately it will repeat its call ten minutes later.
Should the Infantry not have reached the line of the objective at the time laid down above, the contact 'plane will return at half hour intervals until flares are shown.
- (c) A contact 'plane will fly along the line of the third objective (BLUE LINE) at ZERO plus 8 hours 30 minutes when the procedure laid down in sub-para. (b) will be repeated until the flares are shown.
- (d) Divisional Dropping Station will be established at O 11 b 5 5.

Other means of identifying the position of the Infantry.--

- (a) Rifles.
Three or four rifles laid parallel across the top of the trench.
- (b) Metal Discs.
Metal Discs will be used as reflectors by flashing in the sun.

(B)

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2. AIRCRAFT (continued) :-

(B) COUNTER ATTACK PLANES :--

- (a) From ZERO HOUR, Counter-attack planes will be constantly in the air with the object of observing hostile concentrations or abnormal movement.
- (b) In the event of an enemy concentration indicating a counter-attack, the counter-attack aeroplane will signal this information to the Artillery by wireless. In the case of a counter-attack actually developing a white parachute flare will be fired by the aeroplane in the direction of the troops moving for the impending counter-attack, for the information of the Infantry.

(C) SMOKE SCREENING BEYOND THE FIRST OBJECTIVE :-

15th Wing R.A.F. will arrange :--

- (i) To screen the advance of the Tanks and Infantry from special localities in advance of their first objective by dropping phosphorous bombs.
- (ii) At ZERO plus 4 hours smoke bomb screen along a line running W. of BAYONVILLERS - along Spur through Q 23 and Q 15 - along CHIPILLY Spur.
- (iii) At ZERO plus 5 hours smoke screen along the spur just West of the RED LINE.
- (iv) At ZERO plus 6 hours a smoke screen along the high ground just West of the BLUE LINE.
- (v) At ZERO plus 7 hours and again at ZERO plus 8 hours a smoke screen along the line through Cross Roads R 23 c - Cross Roads R 16 c - high ground R 15 b and 16 a - Cross Roads R 9 b.

(D) MARKINGS OF AEROPLANES :-

The following will be the special markings of machines allotted to special duties :-

- (a) Ammunition carrying aeroplanes --
Ammunition aeroplanes will have the underside of the lower planes painted black for a distance of $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet from the tips.
- (b) Contact patrol machine --
Rectangular panels 2 feet by 1 foot on both lower planes about three feet from the fuselage.
- (c) Machines working with tanks --
Black band on middle of right side of tail.

3. LIGHT SIGNALS :-

- (a) Australian Corps.
The following Light Signals will be employed in the AUSTRALIAN CORPS :-

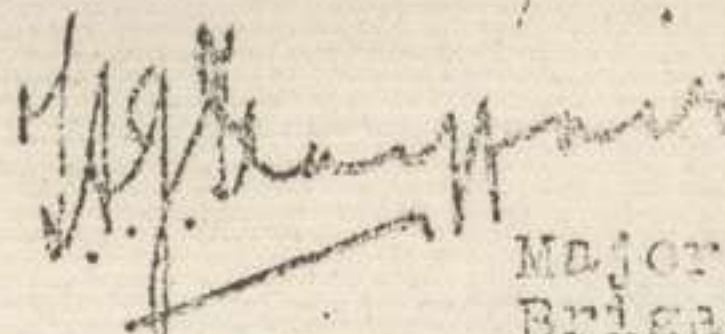
S.O.S. Signal -- GREEN over GREEN over GREEN.

Success Signal -- WHITE over WHITE over WHITE.

(b)

3.3. LIGHT SIGNALS (continued) :-(b) Other formations --
Light Signals of other formations are as follows :-

<u>Formation</u>	<u>Signal</u>	<u>Meaning.</u>
(1) <u>CAVALRY CORPS</u>	White star turn ing to RED on a parachute fired from 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Very pistol.	"Advanced troops of Cavalry are here".
(1i) The 58th Division on the Left of "B" Division use the same Light Signals as the AUSTRALIAN CORPS.		
(1ii) <u>CANADIAN CORPS</u>	RED over RED over RED.	"S.O.S."
	GREEN over GREEN over GREEN.	"Lift your fire".
	Three WHITE Very lights in quick succession.	"Success Signal"

4. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached (1 to 350 by wire).

Major,
Brigade-Major,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.DISTRIBUTION.As for ORDER No. 178.

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Copy No. 36

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

BM. 6/54/35

The following is copy of communication received from R.A., Aust. Corps (J.184/3):-

" The following extracts from Australian Corps Battle Instructions are forwarded for guidance:-

1. AIRCRAFT. The Air Forces which will operate on the Australian Corps front during the battle will be as follows:-

- (a) Corps Squadron - 3rd Australian Squadron.
- (b) 5th Tank Brigade - 8th Squadron.
- (c) Working under Army Orders. The 22nd Wing (8th Scout Squadron) will be exclusively employed in engaging ground targets by bombing and machine gunning along the whole Army front.
- (d) One night bombing Squadron - 101st Bombing Squadron.
- (e) One Reconnaissance Squadron - 48th Squadron.

Four additional Day Bombing Squadrons and three additional Night Bombing Squadrons are being obtained from other Wings for co-operation.

2. MARKINGS ON PLANES. The following will be the special markings of machines allotted to special duty:-

- (a) Contact patrol machines - Rectangular panels 2' x 1' on both lower planes about three feet from the fuselage.
- (b) Machines working with Tanks - Black band on middle of Right side of tail.

3. AEROPLANE SMOKE SCREENS. A Squadron will be employed to drop phosphorus smoke bombs to obstruct the enemy's view. The areas to be screened and the time at which the screening in each case shall cease in order not to interfere with the advance of the Infantry will be shown on a map to be issued later.

4. ADVANCE TO START LINE. TANKS. On night Y/Z the tanks allotted to troops attacking the first objective will commence to move forward at 9.30 p.m. to the Tank Start Line. They will move with full engines to a line not nearer to the Tank Start Line than 3000 yards. From there they will continue the movement forward to the Tank Start Line, moving at a slow rate and as quickly as possible. The Tank Start Line will be approximately 1000 yards in rear of the Infantry taped line. Tanks will leave the Tank Start Line at such times as will allow them to catch up to the Infantry as the lifts at Zero plus 3 minutes." barrage

Headquarters.
5.8.1918.

B.M., R.A., 3rd Aust. Division.

Major;

To. "A", "B" and "C" Sub Groups. (15 copies each).

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

11TH
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE.
No. B3261

Headquarters,
7th. August, 1918.

41st. Battery.
42nd. Battery.
43rd. Battery.
11th. Battery.

Re Armoured Car Activity.

The 17th. Armoured Car Battalion is being given definite roles in conjunction with the 5th. Australian Division. The Roles assigned to this Battalion may carry the Cars forward for a considerable distance into enemy territory and may necessitate their returning through other Divisional Sectors than that of the 5th. Australian Division.

British Armoured Cars can be recognised by the red and white band markings which are similar to those of the British Tanks.

All Troops will carefully warned of the possibility of our Armoured Cars coming into our own Sector, and of the way in which they are marked.

Forwarded for your information .

W. J. Sanderson

Captain.
and Adjutant.

For C.O., 11th. Australian Field Artillery Brigade.

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Headquarters,
4th Australian Division,
7th August 1918.

C.R.A.,

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2. British Armoured Cars can be recognised by the red and white band markings which are similar to those of the British Tanks.
3. All troops will be carefully warned of the possibility of our armoured cars coming into our own sector, and of the way in which they are marked.

(sgd) E.S. PLANT Major for
Lieut.-Colonel,
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

10th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
16th Brigade RHA,
7th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
8th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
3rd (ARMY) Bde A.F.A.

4th AUSTRALIAN DIVL ARTILLERY.
No. 65/65
Date.....

The above is forwarded for information and
action please.

W. P. Kinson

Major, for
Bde Major,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Headquarters,
7th August 1918.

"A" Form
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....Code.....m.	Words	Charge.	This message is on a/c of : Service. Date..... From By.....
Office of Origin and Service Instructions	Sent		
.....	Atm.		
.....	To		
.....	By (Signature of "Franking Officer")		

TO *41st, 42nd & 111th Btys.*

Sender's Number. <i>52.</i>	Day of Month. <i>7</i>	In reply to Number.	AAA
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*Bydies required read
"Herewith, one wireless set
for each of above mentioned
Btys."*

*You will erect & answer
all calls from the air, when
the your Bty comes in action.*

*111th Bty will answer all
calls during 1st Phase
switching off 1 section from
barrage to deal with target.
aaa*

*Baggage Wagons may be had
from Pub. Trains on demand.*

From *W. H. Jones*
Place *Capt & Maj. 11th Bty. R.A. Bty.*
Time *Capt & Maj. 11th Bty. R.A. Bty.*

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

Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name

* This line should be erased if not required.

Order No. 1625. Wt. W3252/ P 511. 27/2. H. & K., Ltd. (E. 2634).

SECRET.H.Q. "C" Sub-GroupRef. 3rd Aust. D.A. H^o-B.M. 6/54/46.I O.C. 11th Aust. F.A. Bde will please detail How. Bty to take balls from the air.II "C" Sub-Group O.P. at J.28. f. 3.2. will be manned from dusk on 4th by 2/Lt. K.A.P. DALBY "Q" Bty R.H.A.; he will be in direct communication with Sub-Group. Battle H.Q. and will leave O.P. to rejoin his Battery at ZERO plus 90 minutes.11th Aust. F.A. Bde & "Q" Bty R.H.A. please acknowledge by wire.N^o W 45/2
M-8-18J. A. Sullivan
Capt. R.H.A.
for O.C. "C" Sub-Group
3rd Aust. D.A.Distribution

Copy H ^o 1.	10 th Aust. F.A. Bde
" 2	11 th " — "
3	"A" Bty R.H.A.
4	"Q" " — "
5	"U" " — "
6	3 rd Aust. D.A.
7	4 th Aust. D.A.
8	File.

Copy H^o 2.

(SECRET)THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

To. "A", "B" & "C" Sub-Groups.
3rd Aust. D.T.M.O.
4th Aust Div. Art.

B.M.6/54/46.

copy detailed 52/
The O.C., "B" Sub-Group will detail one 4.5" How. Battery to answer NF, GF and LL Calls during the period Zero to Zero plus 240 minutes.

These calls will be answered with 3 minutes "Intense".

This Battery should be superimposed in the barrage and will be provided with a wireless mast.

"B" and "C" Sub-Groups, during their advance, will each detail one 4.5" How. Battery which will be allotted a wireless mast, which is to be erected immediately the Battery comes into action ready to take calls from the air.

In the case of LL or GF Calls being received, the message should, when possible, be passed to adjacent Batteries. This refers from the time the GREEN Line has been captured.

"A" Sub-Group will have a minimum of 150 rounds per 16-pdr gun and 100 rounds per 4.5" How. at Battery positions at Zero plus 240 minutes. This may be on wheels.

O.Ps. at the rate of one per Sub-Group will be manned from Zero Hour onwards; "B" and "C" Sub-Groups withdrawing the personnel manning those stations in time to accompany the Brigades in their advance beyond the GREEN Line.

Headquarters, 3rd Aust. Div. T.Ms. will remain at HAMEL where the two Anti-Tank 15 pdrs will be collected as soon as possible after the GREEN Line has been captured.

The 3rd Aust. D.T.M.O. to make arrangements with the O.C., "A" Sub-Group for the collection of these guns by a B.A.O.

ACKNOWLEDGE by wire.

Headquarters:
6.8.1918.

W.A. Nicholls Major, R.A.,
B.M., R.A., 3rd Australian Division.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

11th
AUSTRALIAN F.A. BRIGADE.
No. <i>2223</i>
Date <i>7/8/18</i>

Headquarters,
7th. August, 1918

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

Reference attached.

In accordance with D.A. Instruction No.1 para
3. Detail one man to act C.W.W. Set, carrier, to report to 4th. D.A.
Signals at 11 a.m. to-day.

41943 Your attention is drawn to para 4. Please detail
one mounted orderly.

W. W. Rose
for Captain.
and Adjutant.
For C.O., 11th. Australian F.A. Brigade.

SECRET.

INSTRUCTION NO. 1

issued under ORDER No. 178.

HEADQUARTERS,
6th August 1918.1. WAGON LINES :-

To avoid delay and congestion on Field Artillery Brigades arriving at their final positions (vide para. 3 ORDER 178), areas are allotted to Brigades as follows :-

16th R.H.A. Brigade	--	JEAN WOOD and S.E. portion of SUSAN WOOD.
10th Aust. F.A. Bde.	--	Northern portion of SUSAN WOOD.
11th Aust. F.A. Bde.	--	S.W. portion of SUSAN WOOD and LENA WOOD.
3rd ARMT Bdo. Aust. F.A.	--	REGINALD WOOD.
7th Aust. D.A. Brigade	--	HAMILTON WOOD.
8th Aust. F.A. Brigade	--	FORBES WOOD.

The above allotment is provisional only and to ensure the prompt clearance of Battery positions and concealment of teams. Brigade Commanders will, as early as practicable, reconnoitre and report to this Office more suitable semi-permanent wagon lines.

2. SPARK WIRELESS RECEIVING SETS :-

Three extra Spark Wireless sets and operators are allotted to the 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade. These will be carried by Batteries and erected immediately the Battery comes into action ready to take calls from the air. In the event of L.L. or G.F. calls being received the message should when possible, be passed to adjacent Batteries.

3. C.W. WIRELESS SETS :-

Attention is drawn to INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNICATIONS DURING PHASE 2, issued with this Instruction.

The 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade and 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade will each detail 4 men to act as C.W.W. set carriers. These parties will report to Sig. Officer, 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. at 11 a.m. on 7th instant for instructions.

4. MOUNTED ORDERLIES :-

Mounted Orderlies with 48 hours' rations will report to 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. at ZERO HOUR as follows :-

16th R.H.A. Brigade	--	2 Mounted orderlies.
10th Aust. F.A. Bde.	--	2 " "
11th Aust. F.A. Bde.	--	2 " "

5. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached. (Copies 1 - 35b by wire).

DISTRIBUTION
AS FOR ORDER 178.

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

SECRET.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No. 41.

Headquarters,
6th August 1918.

A.R.P. 1. The A.R.P.s to be used during the forthcoming operation - after the advance - will be commanded by :-

VAIRE A.R.P. - Lieut. J.S. MEIN.

HAMELET A.R.P. - Lieut. C. THOMAS.

The Officers, with adequate dump party, to be detailed by D.A.Cs concerned, will be at the A.R.P.s in time to receive ammunition being dumped there, and to issue, vido A.I. 40.

RETURNS 2. It is realized that it will be difficult to obtain ammunition returns during the advance, but to ensure this Office being kept in touch with ammunition situation, the following must be forwarded :-

a) 1. Brigades will wire 4th Aust. D.A.H.Q. as soon as possible, the amount of ammunition, stating classes that will be in echelons of Batteries at the time of guns moving forward.

11. A wire up to 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily showing by Batteries the approx. expenditure (by classes).

b) 1. C.C., A.R.P.s will wire the amount of ammunition, by classes, dumped by Ammunition Columns and there- after all receipts and issue (the latter showing by Batteries), up to 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily. A line will be run to HAMELET A.R.P. for use by ZERO hour, and to VAIRE as soon after as possible.

In the event of any delay with the latter, the C.C. will arrange to send his returns to HAMELET per orderly, where it will be transmitted.

3. *10m. 18x53. Mobile Workshops Longue.*
An advanced I.C.M. will be situated at BUSSEY-les-DAURES, minor repairs will be done there.

In the event of a gun being totally destroyed, a wire will at once be sent to this Office so that arrangements can be made to replace without delay.

4. B.A.C. and D.A.C. Commanders will arrange that the Technical Store wagons are stationed at their A.R.P. Batteries will indent direct on them for replacement of Springs &c. Unserviceable stores must be taken back to the wagon.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

John G. ...
Captain,
Staff Captain,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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11TH AUSTRALIAN F.A. BRIGADE.	
No.	B325
Date	

*Ref para 2. Please render to D.H.Q.
(i) 1/2 an hour before moving off
(ii) at 5 am & 5 pm each day*

W. J. ...
Capt. ...
Staff ...

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY COPY NO. ¹⁵.....

AMENDMENT No. 1.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 41.

HEADQUARTERS,
6th August 1918.

Please cancel first two lines, para. 3. of the above Instruction and submit the following :-

" I.O.M. for use of "B" Divisional Artillery throughout the operation will be No. 18 & 53 Mobile Workshops (Light), located at LONGPRE.

An advanced gun park will be established at MONTIERES.

ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

Amended

John A. Smith

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

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11TH AUSTRALIAN F.A. BRIGADE.
No. <u>B 3254</u>
Date.....

SECRET.INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNICATIONS
DURING PHASE 2.

APPENDIX 2

HEADQUARTERS,
6th August 1918.11TH
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE.

No. 83255

1. CHANGE OF CONTROL :-

Army.

All communications of the area will pass under the control of C.C. Signals at ZERO plus 4 hours.
4th D.A.

2. REPORT CENTRE :-

4th Aust. Div. Artillery REPORT CENTRE and Forward Exchange will be established at Cable Head at P 9 a 5 5 at ZERO plus 2 hours and any messages or packets for D.A. may be sent there.

3. LOCATIONS :-

It is essential that information as to location of Artillery and Brigade Headquarters (when first establishing after ZERO plus 4 hours) should be sent in to Signal Officer at D.A.H.Q..

Signal Officers are responsible that notification of pending moves of their Headquarters are sent to same destination as soon as possible.

4. LINEs :-

(a) Between D.A. and Report Centre -- 4 pairs buried and canal cable.

(b) Between Report Centre & Brigades & Heavy Battery.

Upon receipt of locations, lines will be run from Report Centre by D.A. Signals, and maintained.

(c) Brigades to Batteries.

Telephone Carts of Brigade Signal Sub-Sections will establish required system using earth returns if desired.

DEFENSIVE Brigades will establish necessary system and will also lay line to Group Headquarters.

(d) Forward of Infantry Brigades.

Each of the 4th and 12th Aust. Infantry Brigades are laying three pairs of cable forward to Brigade Forward Stations which will be established in the vicinity of Battalion Headquarters of each Infantry Brigade. One of these pairs is definitely allotted to the covering Artillery Brigades.

As Artillery and Infantry Brigade Headquarters will be in the same vicinity, this pair can be used either for F.O.O. or Officers with Forward Sections. Each Officer must lay lines to Brigade Forward Station.

The positions of these Stations can not be laid down. Their position depends upon the disposition of Battalion Headquarters and may be altered from time to time. In this respect, close Liaison between Signal Officers of Artillery and Infantry Brigades will be maintained.

(e) Wagon Lines and A.R.Ps.

Brigades and Batteries are responsible for their own Wagon Line communications.
HALL and VALRE A.R.Ps. will be connected to D.A. Exchange.

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5. CABLE :-

The mobile establishment of cable with Units may be used during this Phase. Units are reminded, however, that such establishment is all they will have to work upon during the operation and must be conserved. Upon normal conditions again prevailing, all lines will be made metallic.

6. WIRELESS (Continuous Wave) :-

A complete C.W. wireless system will be put in operation. At ZERO plus 4 hours the following Stations will be in use:-

	Call.
4th Aust. D.A.H.Q., CCRBIE	L X L
Report Centre, P 9 a 5 5	L Z K
P 17 d	L Z U
3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q., BUSSY	L X R.

One set will be allotted to each 10th Aust. F.A. Brigade and 11th Aust. F.A. Brigade and will remain with them throughout.

The set at P 17 d will be taken over by 16th Brigade R.H.A. upon arrival in the vicinity and will accompany them.

Calls for these Stations will be :-

16th Brigade R.H.A.	L Z U
10th Aust. F.A. Brigade	L X I
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade	L Z H

These calls will not be changed.

It is pointed out that messages will be sent in clear upon authority of Commander on the spot.

7. VISUAL :-

Divisional Central Visual Station will be situated at J 28 b 2 2. (Call G D K) where messages from captured territory may be sent.

Messages will be sent three times in their entirety unless previously answered by R D.

This must not be confused with 3rd Aust. Divisional Central Visual Station at same spot with different call prior to ZERO plus 4 hours.

8. PIGEONS :-

Eight birds only are available and will be allotted as follows :-

16th Brigade R.H.A.	4
10th Aust. F.A. Bde.	4

They will be delivered in assault baskets, with clips and message books, on "Y" day to Brigades for distribution as required.

9. STORES :-

Magneto switchboards and Lucas Lamps will be carried by each Brigade.

10. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached (1 to 35b by wire).

DISTRIBUTION as for ORDER 158.

J. R. B. Ash Captain,
O.C. Signals,
4th Aust. Divisional Artillery.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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HEADQUARTERS,
7th August 1918.

1. Reference INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNICATIONS DURING PHASE 2, of 3th instant.

Para. 4, (c) Line 4 --

HAMEL should read "HAMELETT"

2. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

All recipients
of above INST.

C. H. Rowan *Lieut* Captain,
for O.C. Signals,
4th Aust. Divisional Artillery.

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Table 2.

Evacuation scheme after capture of Green Line, i.e. after commencement of attack by 4th Australian Division.

A.D.S.	M.D.S.	D.C.S.	Remarks.
Hospice FOUILLOY O 10 a 9 7 13th F.Amb. Also Walking Wounded Dressing Station	N 4 c 9 2 12th F.Amb. and 11th F.Amb.	Les Alencons (1 tent sub- division). 10th F.Amb. 2 tent sub- divisions in reserve.	As soon as circumstances allow an A.D.S. will be established in the vicinity of HAMEL by the Tent Subdivisions of the 4th Aust. Field Ambulance, site being selected by O.C. 4th Aust. Field Ambulance. When this A.D.S. is established the Fouilloy Amb.D.S. becomes the M.D.S. (2 Tent Subdivisions 10th F.Amb. being brought forward to assist). N 4 c 9 2 then becomes the D.C.S. The 3 Tent Subdivisions of 11th F. Amb. & 2 Tent Subdivisions of 12th F. Amb. coming into Reserve.

The O.C. 4th Aust. Field Amb. is now responsible for evacuation back to M.D.S., 4th Aust. Divisional stretcher bearer personnel being employed to evacuate cases back to the Green Line.

R.A.Ps, Bearer Relays and M.L. Posts will be pushed as far forward as is possible.

Gas centre and Blood Transfusion Centre...St. Acheul.

5th August 1918
10 p.m.

(sgd) Kenneth Smith, Colonel,
A.D.M.S. 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

10th Aust. F.A. Brigade;
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade;
4th Aust. D.A.C.,
4th Aust. D.T.M.O.,
16th Brigade RHA,
7th Aust. F.A. Brigade;
8th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
3rd Aust. D.A.C.



The above is forwarded for your information and
lease.

(Signature)
Captain,
Staff Captain,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

Amendment to Location Statement.

Headquarters,
7th. August, 1918

11th. Aust. F.A. Brigade forward Battle Headquarters will be
at P 8 a 5.5. with 1st. Aust. Infantry Brigade.
Cancel previous location.

W. J. Sanderson
Captain
and Adjutant.

For C.O., 11th. Australian Field Artillery Bde.

Distribution

- 1. 3rd. Aust. D.A.
- 2. 4th. Aust. D.A.
- 3. 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde.
- 4. War Diary.
- 5. File.

Issued at 1.30.p.m. 7th. August, 1918.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

Headquarters,
6th August 1918.

10th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade.

100 petrol tins
450 pea soup tablets
675 oz. solidified alcohol

will be drawn by Brigades from D.A.H.Q. on 7th August.
100 extra petrol tins will be issued direct to Batteries from
A.S.C. when issuing rations on same date.

These tins are for carrying water forward
for human consumption. Care must be taken of tins as they will
be returned on demand.

All Btys notified to collect at 11.30 am today
W. J. Sanderson
Captain,
Staff Captain,
4th Australian Divisional Artillery

THIRD AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS NO. 2.

1. MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS. The following are the dispositions:-

Walking Wounded. "YZ" Day.-	Collecting Post. After Capture of Green Line.	Hospice. 0.10.a.9.7. After Capture of Red Line.
A.D.S. 0.15.d.5.7.	0.15.a.5.7.	Vicinity HAMEL.-
M.D.S. H.4.c.9.2.	N. 4.c.9.2.	0.10.a.9.7.
LES ALLENOONS.		
Divisional Collecting Station.	-	N. 4. c. 9. 2.

Records will be kept at Main Dressing Station and walking wounded dressing Station, FOUILLOY. Walking wounded will be evacuated by bus, from FOUILLOY : (P.13.d.1.5.
Motor Leading Posts - (P. 3.c.2.8.
(P. 8.b.2.3.
Stretcher dumps will be arranged at P.13.d.1.5. and P.3.c.2.8.
Hot drinks will be supplied at all the above medical stations.

2. S U P P L I E S.

(a) Refilling Points "Z" Day:-

CO-ORDINATE.

UNITS.

N.5.d.3.5.

3rd Aust. Divl. Arty., 189th &
23rd Army Bgdes. R.F.A., 15th
Bgde. R.H.A., 3rd Army Bde. A.F.A.

H.25.b.7.7.

4th Aust. Divl. Arty., 12th Army
Brigade, A.F.A.

Units will send guides to report to refilling point between 2 and 5 p.m. "Z" day.

(b) ON "Z" day Units will carry the unexpended portion of the day's rations, plus 24 hours. Iron Rations will be carried on the men.

(c) The following extra supplies are being issued for gun detachments:-

Pea Soup and Oxo Cubes - 80 per Battery.

(d) RUM. Indents for rum will be submitted for approval by Divisional Commander.

(e) Chloride of lime may be drawn from dump at 0.5.d.2.7.

3. W A T E R.

PETROL TINS. 20 petrol tins per Battery will be issued.

One G.S. Wagon fitted with 300 gallon tank will be carried by 4th Aust D.A.C.

Forward water points are at - 0.15.d.6.8. - 8,000 Gallons)
0. 8.d.0.5. - 8,000 ") tank.

A further point will be established at 0.17.a.0.8.

To provide for the opening up of wells an Officer and party of tunnellers are allotted to this Division, and will work under the C. R. B.

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As soon as the party has located a well and opened it up, they will mark it "NOT TESTED". These wells will then be tested under medical arrangements, and the above sign removed; and signs:-

UNFIT FOR USE

or

FIT FOR USE
WithScoops

as the case may be, put up.

In the event of necessity arising for the use of water from the River, it should be borne in mind that the water from the peat lagoons is 55% purer than the canal.

4. Units will form dumps of all surplus equipment and stores not essential for moving warfare in vicinity of present wagon lines. A guard will be left in charge.

Locations of these dumps will be wired to this Office.

5. Divisional Salvage Dump will be situated at HAMELET.

6. VETERINARY:- Mobile Veterinary Section - BUSSY.
Veterinary First Aid Post - FOUILLOY.

7. ROADS: (a) Existing Motor Transport roads.
(b) The following roads will be put in order for motor transport:-

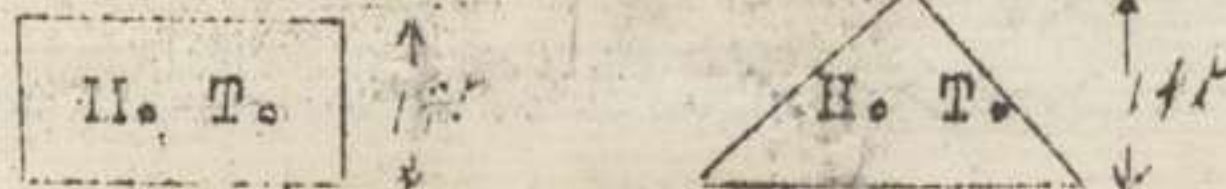
FOUILLOY - HAMELET - VAIRE Sous CORBIE - HAMEL - CERISY.

For Horse Transport:-

Road running through O.11.a. - O.12.a. - P.1.a.3.4. c and d., and road from HAMEL to WARFUSSE ADANCOURT, Road from HAMEL - VILLERS BRETONNEUX.

Motor Transport roads will not be used by H.T.

Where there is no distinct H.T. road, a parallel H.T. track will be formed. Roads will be marked by notice boards:-



8. TRANSPORT. Baggage Wagons will remain at Surplus Stores Dumps, so that baggage can be brought up when required.

9. BATTLE STORES. 20 Artillery Bridges and 104 fascines have been distributed to Units.

Wire cutters should be available on the 6th inst., and will be distributed to Units.

10. System of Ammunition Supply during Artillery advance will be issued by Staff Captain, 4th Aust. Divl. Artillery.

11. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Headquarters,
5-8-18.

C. J. M. O'Connell
Captain,
Staff Captain R.A.,
3rd Australian Division.

DISTRIBUTION:-

"A" Sub-Group	- Copy No. 1-15.	3rd Aust. Divn. "G"	- 49.
"B" do.	- 16-30.	B.M.R.A.	- 50.
"C" do.	- 31-45.	R.O.R.A.	- 51.
3rd Aust. D.A.C.	46.	WAR DIARY	- 52-54.
4th Aust. D.A.	47.	FILE	- 55.
4th Aust. D.A.C.	48.	Spares.	- 56-60.

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12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.INSTRUCTIONS No. 1.Reference Map 'A'.General Plan of Attack.

1. (a) The Australian Corps is to attack the enemy from the VILLERS BRETONNEUX-CHAULNES railway (exclusive) to the River SOMME, (inclusive) at a date and hour to be notified.
- (b) The attack of the Australian Corps is to be carried out on a two Divisional front in three phases, as follows :-
 - 1st Phase. (i) The 2nd and 3rd Aust. Divs. will form up on a taped line prior to Zero and will attack with Tanks under a creeping barrage. Their objective is shown by a GREEN line on the attached map. On arrival there they are to consolidate.
 - 2nd Phase. (ii) The 5th and 4th Australian Divisions organised in Brigade Groups will advance in open warfare formation, from the first objective, (GREEN Line) passing through 2nd and 3rd Aust. Divs. respectively. Their objective is shown in RED on the map.
 - 3rd Phase. (iii) The 5th and 4th Aust. Divs. will exploit their success and seize the old British line of defence marked BLUE on the map and establish themselves defensively on this line.
- (c) The 1st Aust. Div. is to be in Corps Reserve.
- (d) The Canadian Corps is to co-operate on the right, South of the railway, (inclusive) and the 3rd Corps on the Left, North of the SOMME (exclusive).
2. The 12th A.I. Brigade Group under command of Brigadier General R.L. LEANE. CMG. DSO. MC., is composed of the following troops:-
 - 12th A.I. Brigade.
 - 12th Machine Gun Company.
 - Nos. 1 and 3 Sections 13th M.G. Company.
 - 16th Royal Horse Artillery Brigade.
 - "A" Company 4th Pioneer Battalion.
 - "A" Company 8th Tank Battalion.
 - 9 Mark 5* Tanks.
 - 2 Sections of Infantry Supply Tanks.
 - 1 Troop 13th Aust. Light Horse.

and will carry out the attack on the Right of the 4th Australian Divisional Sector in co-operation with the 4th A.I. Brigade on the Left and the 8th A.I. Brigade on the Right. Brigade and Battalion Boundaries and Objectives are as shown on attached map 'A'.

5/8/1918.

R.L. Leane
Major.
Brigade Major.
12th Aust. Infantry Brigade.

12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADEINSTRUCTIONS No. 2Action of Tanks.

1. "A" Company 8th Tank Battalion (Major BLACKBURN DSO MC) consisting of 4 Sections is allotted to the Brigade for the capture of the RED Line.
No. 1 and 2 Section = 6 Tanks under Command of Captain SCOTT and Captain ROGERSON respectively are allotted to the 46th Battalion. No. 3 and 4 Sections under command of 2/Lt. PRENTIS and Captain McFARLANE respectively are allotted to the 45th Battalion.
2. These Tanks will assemble on Y/Z night prior to Zero hour in about Square P 1. From this point Tanks will move to refilling point at P 2 c 2 5 where 45th and 46th Battalions will send a guide to meet their respective Tanks.
3. From refilling point Tanks will move forward at such time after Zero hour to permit their reaching and forming up on the second Forming Up Lines in P 23 a and P 17 c by Zero plus 2 hours.
4. From second Forming Up Lines they will move with Battalions at Zero plus 3 hours to the "Jumping Off Tape" approximately along the line of the road running South West through Western Edge of Kate Wood, Thin Wood, Hazel Wood.
5. On arrival at the "Jumping Off Tape" Battalions and Tanks reorganise for the continuance of the advance to RED Line which will be timed to cross the GREEN Line at Zero plus 4 hours.
6. Tanks used for the capture of the GREEN Line which still remain in action will, after capture and consolidation of the GREEN Line, reorganise in two groups and reform so as to move forward to assist the attack of the 4th and 12th Brigades to the RED Line, and will automatically come under the orders of the Infantry Brigade Commanders in whose Sectors they advance.
7. On reaching the RED Line "A" Company Tanks will move beyond the line to protect consolidation and reorganisation of the Reserve Battalion and Mark 5* Tanks for attack on the BLUE Line. These Tanks will remain out in front of the RED Line until such time as orders from Brigade Headquarters for their return are received. On receipt of orders to return they will reassemble in the vicinity of DUDGEON Wood Valley.
8. 45th and 46th Battalions will detail a scout to ride in each of the Tanks allotted them for observation duties.
9. Nine Mark 5* Tanks, (Lt. Col. FAIRFAX) are allotted to the 48th Battalion for the capture of the BLUE Line.
These Tanks will assemble prior to Zero hour about Squares O 12 b.
The Garrisons of these Tanks consist of:-
10 Vickers Guns (12th M.G. Company)
16 Lewis Guns (48th Battalion)
Crews to accompany the above guns are as follows:-
5 Officers 70 o/ranks for Vickers Guns,
4 Officers 56 o/ranks for Lewis Guns.
The above personnel, guns, ammunition and spare parts will assemble at Brigade Headquarters at the Quarry P 7 a O 3 on afternoon of Y day, at a time to be fixed by O.C. 4th Machine Gun Battalion who will be responsible that they connect with the Mark 5* Tanks in O 12 b.

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On picking up Garrisons the Mark 5* Tanks will get in touch with the 48th Battalion and move to their allotted Forming Up places about Squares P 22 b by Zero plus 2½ hours.

10. 48th Battalion will detail an Officer to meet these Tanks at O 12 b and guide them to allotted Forming Up places of 48th Battalion about P 22 b, and for touch between the Tanks and 48th Battalion during the advance and for their reorganisation and assembly on reaching the RED Line prior to continuing the advance to the BLUE Line.

11. Should the Reserve Battalion of Brigade become engaged before reaching the RED Line the Mark 5* Tanks and their Garrison are not to be involved in the fighting except in case of extreme urgency.

Subject to the above conditions the Mark 5* Tanks will choose their own route to the vicinity of the RED Line.

12. On reaching the RED Line the Mark 5* Tanks will be rapidly organised with the 48th Battalion for the continuation of the advance to the BLUE Line. For this operation they will come under the orders of the C.O. 48th Battalion.

13. The Mark 5* Tanks will be released under orders of the Infantry Brigade Commander when the situation allows. C.O. 48th Battalion will advise Brigade Headquarters when he considers the work of these Tanks is completed.

On these Tanks being released they will return to their Tankdromes.

14. "C" Company 8th Tank Battalion (12 Mk.5* Tanks) Major BENNEWITH, will be employed in Support. The special duty of this Company is the maintenance of the attack at the junction of the 4th and 5th Divisions throughout the advance as far as the RED Line.

15. Signals between Tanks and Infantry. Should the Infantry require the assistance of Tanks to deal with enemy strong points or Machine gun nests Tanks will answer a smoke Grenade fired in the direction of the suspected locality or by placing their steel helmets on their bayonets and pointing in the direction of the strong point.

16. Battalions will prepare boards with their Regimental Colours to be placed on all Tanks.

17. The 12 Tanks of "A" Company will each carry 3,000 rounds of S.A.A. which will be dumped on reaching the RED Line.

The Mark 5* Tanks will carry:-

4 Tanks 12,000 rounds S.A.A.

5 Tanks 20 boxes No. 36 Grenades.

10 boxes No. 37 or 27 Grenades.

18. Infantry Carrier Tanks four (4) are allotted to the Brigade for transport of Light Trench Mortars, ammunition, Engineers Material, Water, etc.

Details of loads and dumping is given in Administrative Instructions.

A. H. Williams
Major.
Brigade Major.
12th Aust. Infantry Brigade.

5/8/1918.

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12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.INSTRUCTIONS No. 3.INTELLIGENCE ARRANGEMENTS.1. PRISONERS.

(a) All prisoners will be disarmed and sent to Brigade Headquarters under escorts where they will be handed over to escorts provided by A.P.M.

(b) A Divisional collecting cage will be established at 05d18.

(c) One Intelligence Officer will be stationed at this cage and an Intelligence Officer will be at Advanced Brigade Headquarters for the purpose of extracting from prisoners information of immediate tactical importance only.

(d) The Divisional cage will be connected by telephone to Divisional H.Q. and important information will be transmitted as quickly to Div. and Brigade Headquarters.

(e) It is essential that prisoners are not detained any longer than is absolutely necessary. When a number of prisoners are taken only one or two of each Regiment will be detained and the remainder sent on to Div. cage as speedily as possible.

2. IDENTIFICATIONS.

Identifications will be passed to Brigade Headquarters as speedily as possible stating locality in which obtained.

3. SEARCHING OF PRISONERS.

(a) Officers and N.C.Os will be searched, as soon as possible after capture, by a responsible officer or N.C.O. and all documents taken from them sent back with the escort to the Intelligence Officer at the Div. cage.

(b) Other ranks will not be searched until they arrive at Corps cage.

(c) Pay-books, identity discs and personal belongings will not be taken from prisoners.

(d) Escorts and guards should be warned to take special precautions to prevent prisoners from destroying papers.

4. SEPARATION OF OFFICERS, N.C.Os., and MEN.

Care will be taken that Officers, N.C.Os and Privates are all separated at once and no communication allowed to pass between the groups.

5. LOCALITY OF CAPTURE.

When prisoners are sent back information will be sent back showing where they were captured. Information as to the Battalion which made the capture is a useful indication when definite localities are not known.

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6. It is most important that no Officer or N.C.O., except those duly authorised, be allowed to converse with, or interrogate prisoners.

7. BATTALION INTELLIGENCE PERSONNEL.

(a) German Speaker. Battalions will make use of their German Interpreters for the following purposes:-

(i) To secure immediate identifications quickly, so that identifications will reach Corps H.Q. as speedily as possible.

(ii) To secure immediate information required by the Battalion Commander as regards enemy dispositions, assembly positions, orders for counter-attack etc.

(iii) To be in charge of the two searchers and separate important documents, orders, maps, etc., translate and convey information of movement to the Commander on the spot.

NOTE. The German speaker must be used purely as Interpreter and must not be allowed to interrogate prisoners except under the direction of a responsible officer.

(b) Searchers. Each Battalion will detail 2 searchers who, under the German speaker, will systematically search the battlefield, enemy positions, H.Q., dead, etc., for papers, documents, maps, etc., - have them packed in sandbags and forwarded as quickly as possible to the Div. cage. This personnel should be armed with handy weapons and carry torches.

8. MAPS AND PHOTOGRAPHS.

The following maps are being issued:-

(i) A large issue of 1/20,000 62D. S.E. regular series for distribution to all Officers.

(ii) 1/20,000 map message form, for distribution down to N.C.Os.

(iii) A small issue of 1/10,000 maps of forward area only.

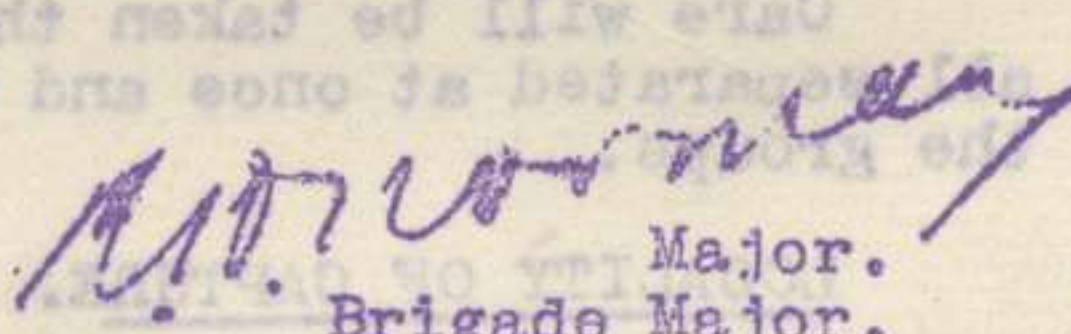
(iv) 1/40,000 organisation map together with note on the enemy.

The following special photographs are being issued:-

(a) A Mosaic of the Divisional Front, squared and contoured and freely annotated for distribution down to N.C.Os.

(b) Oblique photographs of the Divisional Front for distribution to all Officers.

5/8/18.


Major.
Brigade Major.
12th Aust. Infantry Brigade.

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12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

INSTRUCTIONS No. 4.

The following will be the Normal distribution of Orders and Instructions :-

- No. 1 - File.
- 2/4- War Diary.
- 5 - 45th Battalion.
- 6 - 46th Battalion.
- 7 - 48th Battalion.
- 8 - 12th A.L.T.M.B.
- 9 - 16th R.H.A. Brigade.
- 10 - "A" Coy. 4th Aust. Pnr. Battn.
- 11 - "A" Coy. 8th Tank Battalion.
- 12/13- O.C. Mark 5* Tanks.
- 14 - Supply Tanks.
- 15 - 12th Aust. M.G. Company.
- 16 - 13th Aust. M.G. Company.
- 17 - 4th Aust. Division.
- 18 - 4th A.I. Brigade.
- 19 - 8th A.I. Brigade.
- 20 - 13th A.I. Brigade.
- 21 - 9th A.I. Brigade.
- 22 - 10th A.F.A. Brigade.
- 23 - 11th A.F.A. Brigade.
- 24/30- Spare.

5/8/1918.

A. W. W. W. W.
Major.
Brigade Major.
12th Aust. Infantry Brigade.

12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.INSTRUCTIONS No. 5.ACTION OF MACHINE GUNS.

1. For the capture of the RED Line No. 1 Section (2/Lt. BANKS) 13th M.G. Company, is allotted to 46th Battalion and No. 3 Section (2/Lt. JOHNSON) 13th M.G. Company is allotted to 45th Battalion.
2. O.C. 45th and 46th Battalions will issue orders direct to Sections Commanders for the employment of these guns in the attack. These Sections, after the capture of the RED Line, will be employed in the consolidation of the captured ground in depth as far back as Crucifix Spur, about Q 28 and Q 22.
3. Battalions will arrange direct with the O.C. of their respective Sections as to places of assembly, and times prior to Zero.
4. For the capture of the BLUE Line 10 Guns of 12th M.G. Company with crews consisting of 5 Officers 70 other ranks will Garrison the 9 Mark 5* Tanks together with 16 Lewis Guns of 48th Battalion. These crews and guns will ride in the Mark 5* Tanks until they reach the BLUE Line where they will be offloaded and occupy suitable positions to cover the advance of the 48th Battalion, and consolidation of the BLUE Line. These Tanks will precede the 48th Battalion on passing through the RED Line.
5. Major J.E. MOTT, 48th Battalion, will Command the Machine Gun and Lewis Gun personnel.
6. In addition to the 10 Vickers Guns with Mark 5* Tank, 6 Guns 12th M.G. Company are allotted and will accompany the 48th Battalion. These 6 Guns will assist in the capture of the BLUE Line. C.O. 48th Battalion will arrange direct with O.C. 12th M.G. Company place and time of assembly of Guns and Crews prior to Zero.
7. On capture of BLUE Line Vickers Guns will be employed in the consolidation of the captured ground in depth.

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12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.INSTRUCTIONS No. 6.ROADS AND TRACKS.

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1. Map 'A' shows the Organisation of Road System in camouflaged areas.
 2. Wherever possible light transport which is capable of moving across country will do so and avoid main Roads.
 3. Engineers are responsible for marking of mule tracks. All mule tracks will be marked by white stakes. The approved routes are shown on map 'A'.
 4. The Artillery are carrying forward bridges and positions of these bridges over any obstacle will be marked by a small white flag on a 6 foot pole and every advantage is to be taken of these bridges by all horse transport.

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12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.INSTRUCTIONS No. 7.AIRCRAFT.

1. The Air Forces which will operate on the Australian Corps Front during the battle will be as follows :-

- (a) Corps Squadron - 3rd Australian Squadron.
- (b) 6th Tank Brigade - 8th Squadron.
- (c) Working under Army Orders. - The 22nd Wing (8th Scout Squadron) will be exclusively employed in engaging ground targets by bombing and machine gunning along the whole Army Front.
- (d) One night bombing Squadron - 101st Bombing Squadron.
- (e) One reconnaissance Squadron - 48th Squadron.

Four additional day bombing squadrons and three additional night bombing Squadrons are being obtained from other Wings for co-operation.

2. CONTACT AEROPLANES.(1) Indication of position by flares.

- (a) Red Ground flares will be used to indicate the Infantry Positions to contact aeroplanes. The flares will be lit by Infantry in the most advanced positions only.

- (b) A contact aeroplane will fly along the line of the second Objective (RED Line) at Zero plus 6 hours 30'. Flares will be called for by the aeroplane sounding a succession of "A's" on the Klaxon horn and by firing a white Verrey light. If the aeroplane fails to mark the line accurately it will repeat its call 10 minutes later. Should the Infantry not have reached the line of the Objective at the time laid down above, the contact plane will return at half-hour intervals until flares are shown.

- (c) A contact aeroplane will fly along the line of the third Objective (BLUE Line) at Zero plus 8 hours 30' when the procedure laid down in sub-para (b) will be repeated until the flares are shown.

- (d) It is essential that definite Instructions be issued to all ranks that on the call of a contact plane for flares that only a proportion of the flares are ignited, otherwise should all flares be ignited on the first call and the plane is unable to locate the line it will be impossible for the Infantry to indicate their positions on the plane calling again for flares.

- (e) Divisional Dropping Station will be established at 0 11 b 5 5.

(2) Other means of identifying the position of the Infantry.

- (a) Rifles. Three or four rifles laid parallel across the top of the trench.
- (b) Metal Discs. Metal discs will be used as reflectors by flashing in the sun. This method has been successful even on days which have not been

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bright. The disc is most easily carried sewn to the small box respirator, and can be used in this way without inconvenience.

3. COUNTER ATTACK PLANES.

- (a) From Zero hour, counter attack planes will be constantly in the air with the object of observing hostile concentrations or abnormal movement.
- (b) In the event of an enemy concentration indicating a counter attack, the counter attack aeroplane will signal this information to the artillery by wireless. In the case of a counter attack actually developing a white parachute flare will be fired by the aeroplane in the direction of the troops moving for the impending counter attack, for the information of the Infantry.

4. LOW FLYING SCOUTS.

The low flying scouts of the 22nd Wing will operate in two phases, viz.,-

- (a) From Zero to Zero plus 4 hours Eastwards from the GREEN Line.
- (b) From Zero plus 4 hours onwards Eastwards from the RED Line.

In each phase very favourable targets will be engaged in addition to the targets marked by the GREEN and RED Lines.

5. AMMUNITION CARRYING AEROPLANES.

- (a) Aeroplanes will be detailed to transport ammunition from Zero plus 7 hours for the RED and BLUE Lines wherever the "V" is displayed.
- (b) Vickers Guns will display a white "V" at the point where ammunition is to be dropped. The arms of the "V" to be 8 feet in length and 1 foot in width. The apex of the "V" ~~will~~ to point towards the enemy.
- (c) Ammunition aeroplanes will have the underside of the lower planes painted black for a distance of 2½ feet from the tips.

6. AEROPLANE SMOKE SCREENS.

The aeroplanes detailed for carrying S.A.A. will, in addition, be employed to drop phosphorous smoke bombs to obstruct the enemy's view.

The areas to be screened and the time at which the screening in each case shall cease, in order not to interfere with the advance of the Infantry will be shown on a map to be issued later.

7. MARKINGS ON PLANES.

In addition to those mentioned in para. 5 (c) the following will be the special markings of machines allotted to special duties:-

- (a) Contact patrol machine - rectangular panel 2 feet by 1 foot on both lower planes about 3 feet from the fuselage.
- (b) Machines working with Tanks - black band on middle of right side of tail.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS to be ISSUED IN CONJUNCTION WITH
BRIGADE ORDER No. 221.

1. Trench Shelters will not be issued in this area unless climatic conditions demand. If issued a rear party under an officer will be left to dismantle and collect the shelters and remain in charge until arrangements have been made for return to a central dump. Nucleus personnel can be used for this purpose.
2. Roads. Horse Transport will not use main roads but must keep to roads allotted. Roads are marked M.T. on square boards and H.T. on triangular boards.
3. Supplies. Railhead AILLY-SUR-SOMME.
Refilling Point - N 1 a.
Train waggons will deliver to Transport Lines.
4. Divisional Ammunition Dump O 10 a 1 1.
S.A.A. Section will be located at O 3 c 4 4.
All demands will be made direct to Brigade or to Captain PAYNE, Brigade Transport Officer who will arrange with D.A.C. to replenish echelons. Joint Divisional Dumps are being formed by 3rd Australian Division at O 9 b and O 10 a.
5. Reinforcement Staging Depot will move on Z morning to ALLONVILLE.
6. Brigade Nucleus will move on Z morning to shelters in LA NEUVILLE Sector. Move will be arranged and areas and shelters allotted by Division direct with C.O. Nucleus.
7. D.A.D.O.S. will remain at H 19 d 0 0.
8. Mobile Vet. Section location later.
9. R.E. Stores to be demanded through Brigade.
Divisional R.E. Dump N 5 a (VECONQUENT).
10. Water. Stand Pipes and dixie fillers exist at O 7 b 9 5, O 15 b 8 0, and O 17 a 1 9. In addition 50 petrol tins will be sent forward on each Tank on each of two trips. Battalions will arrange for the filling of the first 50 tins which will be delivered to Tanks at O 1 c 0 5 to-day. Remaining 50 tins for second trip will be filled and dumped at P 20 b 1 1 (with other material) by 3rd Australian Division. Also 200 water tins will be delivered to Brigade Dump (O 6 d 6 3) to-day for distribution to Brigade Units. These will be filled under unit arrangements. (Stoppers may also be required)
One 125 gallon water lorry and four 300 gallon G.S. waggons are available at Division to cart water forward from above water points. Units will apply for allotment of lorry or waggons stating where same is required.
Wells in captured territory will be examined by R.M.Os before use.
11. Salvage to be returned to refilling point by empty limbers and tram waggons etc.
12. Pack Transport under Battalion arrangements 8 extra pack saddles per Battalion will be delivered to Battalion Transport Lines.
13. Water bottles, extra S.A.A., picks, shovels, sandbags etc., as demanded by Units will be issued later from Brigade Dump (O 6 d 6 3) Hot food containers, wire cutters, pea soup, and solidified alcohol will also be issued.

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14. Supply Tanks are allotted as under:-

45th Battalion	1 Tank.
46th "	1 "
48th "	2 Tanks.

15. (A) Loads as per attached schedule marked 'A' will be carried forward in each supply Tank. These loads will be dumped at locations finally selected by Battalion Commanders.

(B) A permanent loading and unloading party of one N.C.O. and three men per Tank has been detailed. These will remain with the Tanks throughout the operations. This party will also act as guides if necessary.

(C) A forward dump is being established by 3rd Australian Division at P 20 b 1 1 from which supply Tanks will make their second trips.

(D) Units will arrange to mark their own Tanks with discs of Battalion colours. This includes all Tanks allotted for the operation.

16. Brigade Field Post Office has been established at Refilling Point

17. Sanitation. Immediate attention will be given to the provision of latrines in the new areas.

18. Tin discs for attachment to respirators for signalling to aeroplanes will be issued later from Brigade Dump.

19. Battle Stragglers Posts are located as under:-

No. 1.	J 26 a 0 0
2.	J 32 c 8 5
3.	O 12 b 8 5
4.	O 18 b 5 3

As situation demands posts will be established at No.1 - J 34 b 5 3, No.2 - J 34 d 5 1, No.3 - P 4 d 3 0, No.4 - P 9 b 0 8, No.5 - P 14 b 9 3, No.6 - P 20 a 3 5.

During first phase of attack the Stragglers Collecting Station will be established at O 5 d 1 8. In the second phase HAMEL.

20. Prisoners of War. An attachment of M.M.P. will be stationed at Brigade Headquarters to receive all prisoners.

Divisional P.O.W. Cage located at O 5 d 1 8. When situation permits a P.O.W. Cage will be established in HAMEL.

21. Traffic Posts are established throughout the area.

22. Should any civilians be found they should be sent back to Brigade Headquarters and handed over to M.M.P.

23. Medical arrangements later.

Schedule "A". Loads on Tanks.

First trip to be loaded at O 1 c 0 5. Each Tank S.A.A. 15,000 rounds, barbed wire 120 coils, long screw pickets 120, short screw pickets 240, 3" Stokes Mortars Amm. 150 rounds, petrol tins full 50, Grenades No. 36 500, sandbags 1,000.

Second trip to be loaded at P 20 b 1 1, dumps being arranged by 3rd Australian Division. Each Tank as above plus 52 sheets corrugated iron. If necessary barbed wire and pickets will be lessened accordingly.

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Copy No. ²³.....12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.REFERENCE TO BRIGADE ORDER No. 221.
-----Enemy Telephone Lines.

Battalions will detail special parties to ensure that all enemy telephone lines found in the captured area are cut. Special care is to be taken to ensure that lateral wires are destroyed.

HEADQUARTERS OF UNITS.

The following will be the method of distinguishing the several Headquarters:-

Brigade Headquarters	-	RED Flag.
16th R.H.A. Brigade	-	BLUE Flag.
Batteries 16th R.H.A.	-	BLUE Flags.
45th Battalion	-	Discs Regimental Colours.
46th Battalion	-	BLUE Flag.
48th Battalion	-	BLUE and WHITE Flag.

ARMoured CARS.

The 17th Armoured Car Battalion will co-operate with the 5th Australian Division in the attack.

The roles allotted to this Battalion may carry the Cars forward for a considerable distance into enemy territory, and may necessitate their returning through other Divisional Areas other than the 5th Divisional Area.

Cars of 17th Armoured Car Battalion can be recognised by the RED and WHITE Band Markings which are similar to those of the British Tanks.

All ranks will be carefully warned of the possibility of our Armoured Cars coming into our own Sector.

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Reference Map 'A' Attached.

7th August 1918.

1. (a) The 4th Australian Division in co-operation with Divisions on the Flanks will attack the enemy positions on a date and hour to be notified later.
- (b) The 4th Australian Infantry Brigade on the Left and the 12th Australian Infantry Brigade on the Right with the 1st Australian Infantry Brigade in Divisional Reserve will carry out the attack on the 4th Divisional Sector.

(c) The 12th Australian Infantry Brigade Group will attack the enemy positions in co-operation with the 4th Australian Infantry Brigade on the Left, and the 8th Australian Infantry Brigade on the Right.

(d) Positions of assembly, Boundaries and Objectives are as shown on attached Map 'A' issued to Units.

2. ASSEMBLY.

The Brigade will be assembled in the trenches at present occupied by Zero minus half an hour, in the following order :-

45th Battalion and 1 Section 13th Aust.M.G.Coy. - Left.
 46th Battalion and 1 Section 13th Aust.M.G.Coy. - Right.
 48th Battalion and 6 Guns 12th Aust.M.G.Coy. - in Rear 45th and 46th Battalions.

3. ACTION OF INFANTRY.

(a) From First Forming Up Position, Battalions will move forward so as to arrive at Second Forming Up Position by Zero plus 3 hours.

On arrival at the Second Forming Up Position, Battalions will ensure they connect with their tanks in accordance with Instructions No. 2. From Second Forming Up Position Units will move forward to the Jumping Off Tapes approximately along the line of the Road running South East through KATE - THIN - HAZEL WOODS, so as to arrive and reorganise to pass through the GREEN Line (9th A.I.Bde) at Zero plus 4 hours.

All movements from the First and Second Forming Up Positions to the Jumping Off Tapes will be carried out entirely at the discretion of Battalion Commanders, in order to take advantage of the local situation and ground.

ATTACK ON RED LINE.

(b) At Zero plus 4 hours 45th Battalion with 2 Sections "A" Company Tanks, 1 Section 13th M.G.Company on the Left, 46th Battalion with 2 Sections "A" Company Tanks, 1 Section 13th M.G.Company on the Right in co-operation with 13th Battalion, 4th A.I.Brigade, on Left, and 30th Battalion, 8th A.I.Brigade on Right, will attack, capture and consolidate the RED Line.

The 48th Battalion, in Brigade Reserve, with 9 Mark 5* Tanks and 6 Vickers Guns, 12th M.G.Company, will move in rear of the 45th and 46th Battalions at a distance of approximately 500 yards.

The Battalions will move forward to the attack in open warfare formation.

On the capture of the RED Line this position will be consolidated, special care being taken to connect with flank Battalions.

As soon as the consolidation is completed 45th and 46th Battalions will arrange for RED Line to be organised defensively in depth.

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ATTACK ON BLUE LINE.

(c) At Zero plus 6 hours the 48th Battalion with 9 Mark 5* Tanks and 6 Vickers Guns, 12th M.G. Company, after reorganising and reforming in the rear of the RED Line will pass through the 45th and 46th Battalions to the attack on the BLUE Line.

On the capture of the BLUE Line this position will be consolidated and will be held as a main defensive system.

The consolidation will be covered by the 48th Battalion pushing forward strong fighting patrols. Full advantage is to be taken of Tactical features on which posts will be established.

On 48th Battalion moving through RED Line, 45th Battalion will be prepared to support 48th Battalion in their attack on the BLUE Line. When the situation permits 45th Battalion will move forward to the BLUE Line and take over positions of 48th Battalion front.

Definite Orders for this move will be issued later.

4. ACTION OF ARTILLERY.

The progress of the attack will be governed by the counter-battery fire on the following Valleys and Areas:-

Counter-batteries will lift off the following targets at the following times :-

HAMILTON Wood Valley	-	Zero plus 4 hours.
SUSAN Valley	-	Zero plus 4 1/2 hours.
GRACE Valley	-	Zero plus 5 1/2 hours.
Valley Q 17, Q 24	-	Zero plus 6 hours.

Covering the attack of the Brigade excepting the standing barrage in front of the GREEN Line which will lift at Zero plus 4 hours the only Artillery support will be counter-battery fire mentioned above, and the fire from the 16th Royal Horse Artillery which will pull out and hook in at Zero plus 145 minutes, and take up their First position about P 23 and P 18.

10th Australian Field Artillery Brigade is covering the 4th A.I. Brigade and the 11th Australian F.A. Brigade is co-operating under Divisional control.

In addition to the above Field Artillery, 3 Brigades of Field Artillery will pull out at Zero plus 4 hours and advance to positions to bring fire to bear on a line 400 yards East of the BLUE Line in defense of the captured Area.

As the attack progresses the 16th Royal Horse Artillery Brigade will move forward under orders of Infantry Brigade Commander and will eventually take up a position in Q 22 approx.

ARTILLERY SMOKE.

(a) Artillery smoke will be as follows :-

(i) 3 rounds per gun will be fired during the first 3 minutes of the Artillery barrage.

(ii) 3 rounds per gun will be fired in quick succession on the arrival of the Field Artillery barrage at the Artillery halt line covering First Objective.

(b) Screening beyond the First Objective.

15th Wing R.A.F. will arrange

(i) To screen the advance of the Tanks and Infantry from special localities in advance of their First Objective by dropping phosphorous bombs.

(ii) At Zero plus 4 hours Smoke bomb screen along a line running West of BAYONVILLIERS - Along spur through Q 26, Q 15, along CHIBILLY Spur.

(iii) At Zero plus 5 hours Smoke screens along the spur just West of the RED Line.

(iv) At Zero plus 6 hours a Smoke screen along the high ground just West of the BLUE Line.

- (v) At Zero plus 7 hours and again at Zero plus 8 hours a smoke screen along the line - through Cross Roads R 28 c - Cross Roads R 16 c - High Ground R 15 b and 16 a - Cross Roads R 9 b.

5. ACTION OF TRENCH MORTAR BATTERY.

The 12th A.L.T.M. Battery will place their Mortars on the Infantry Supply Tanks, for carriage to the RED and BLUE line respectively :

- 4 Mortars to 48th Battalion.
- 2 Mortars to 45th Battalion.
- 2 Mortars to 46th Battalion.

On arrival of the Supply Tanks these Mortars will be employed by the Battalion Commanders to whom they are allotted.

Crews of these Mortars will accompany Supply Tanks and O.C. 12th A.L.T.M. Battery will arrange for necessary details to accompany Battalions' in the advance, who will select and prepare positions for immediate occupation on arrival of Supply Tanks.

6. LIAISON.

Liaison Officers as under will be detailed and will report at their respective Headquarters on Y/Z night:-

- | | | |
|-----------------------|---|---|
| With 8th A.I. Brigade | - | Lieut. TLF. ARNOLD, MC. DOM. MM. 48th Battn. |
| At 12th A.I. Bde H.Q. | - | An Officer from 12th Field Ambulance. |
| | | An Officer from 16th Royal Horse Artillery Brigade. |
| 45th Battalion | - | An Officer with Flank Battalion H.Q. |
| 46th Battalion | - | -do- |
| 48th Battalion | - | -do- |
| With each Battn. H.Q. | - | An Officer from 16th Royal Horse Artillery Brigade. |

A Liaison patrol will be detailed by Battalions to connect with Flank Battalions. This patrol will ensure touch being maintained and will be responsible for direction. The strength of this patrol will be 1 Officer and 1 Lewis Gun Section.

7. ACTION OF PIONEER COMPANY.

At Zero plus 1 hour 1 Platoon will report to Lt. Col. ARCHDALE, 16th Royal Horse Artillery Brigade, at P 4 a central.

3 Platoons less 1 N.C.O. and 15 o/r will construct and overland track as shown on Map 'A' attached. This track will be clearly marked with pickets and tape. Wire and other obstacles are to be removed and trenches filled in.

In addition to the construction of the above track a track from Forward Brigade Headquarters to Battalion Headquarters will be marked out and Notice Boards erected.

The party of 1 N.C.O. and 15 o/r will accompany the Brigade Forward party and tunnellers to assist in the construction of Forward Brigade Headquarters.

This party will carry necessary tools and will report to Brigade Headquarters at Zero minus 2 hours.

8. SYNCHRONISATION.

(i) Zero ^{day} hour will be notified in writing from Brigade Headquarters by 5 p.m. on Y day :

(ii) Watches will be synchronised at Brigade Headquarters, QUARRY, P 7 a 0 3, at the following times on Y day :-

- First synchronisation - 4 p.m.
- Second synchronisation - 10 p.m.

An Officer from all Units of the Brigade Group excepting the 16th Royal Horse Artillery Brigade will report at the above hours.

9. HEADQUARTERS.

Brigade Headquarters will remain at QUARRY P 7 a 0 3 until such time as communication is established Forward.

It is anticipated that Brigade Headquarters will be established in vicinity of Q 13, Q 19 or P 24. Exact location of new Brigade Headquarters and time of moving will be notified later.

10. Instructions Nos. 1 to 9 have been issued from time to time to Units dealing with action to be undertaken during the attack. These Instructions are to be read in conjunction with this Order.

Instruction No. 1 - General Plan of Attack.

- 2.- Action of Tanks.
- 3.- Intelligence Arrangements.
- 4.- Distribution of Orders.
- 5.- Action of Machine Guns.
- 6.- Roads and Tracks.
- 7.- Aircraft.
- 8.- Light Signals.
- 9.- Communications.

Administrative Instructions.
Medical Arrangements.

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12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.INSTRUCTIONS No. 8.LIGHT SIGNALS.

1. The following Light Signals will be employed on the Australian Corps Front :-

S.O.S. Signal - Rifle Grenade GREEN over GREEN over GREEN.

Success Signal - Rifle Grenade WHITE over WHITE over WHITE.

These Signals have been issued to Units.

Success Signals will be fired by Units on gaining their Objectives as follows :-

On reaching RED Line - Single Grenades fired due South (parallel with the RED Line)

On reaching the BLUE Line - Success Signals (fired in pairs) due North (parallel with BLUE Line)

2. Brigade and Battalions will establish O.Ps. which will be on the lookout for Success Signals.

These Signals will not be repeated to the rear in order to avoid confusion on the flanks owing to all Units using the same Success Signal.

The means available for communicating the Success Signal to the rear will be - Telephone - Visual - Runner, etc.

3. Other Formations.

Light Signals of other formations are as follows :-

	Signal	Meaning
(i) Cavalry Corps	- White star turning to RED on parachute fired from 1/2 inch Very pistol.	Advanced troops of Cavalry are here.
(ii) 3rd Corps	- No.32 Grenade GREEN over GREEN over GREEN.	"S.O.S."
	No.32 Grenade WHITE over WHITE over WHITE.	"Success Signal, i.e., We have reached objective."
	1 WHITE Very light	"Barrage is about to lift."

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The following are the Units of the Group under Command of the G.O.C., 12th Aust. Infantry Brigade, and their locations:-

UNIT.	LOCATION.
12th A.I. Brigade H.Q.	P 7 a 0 3
45th Battalion (Lt.Colonel C.M.JOHNSTON.DSO)	P 8 a 5 0
46th Battalion (Lt.Colonel J.J.CORRIGAN.DSO)	O 18 b 9 3
48th Battalion (Lt.Colonel S.L.PERRY.MC.)	O 12 d 0 0
12th A.L.T.M. Battery (Lt.H.K.COWARD.MC.DCM.)	O 12 d 85 00
12th Aust.M.G. Company (Capt.A.F.TAYLOR.)	I 34 a 2 3
No.1 Section, 13th M.G. Company (2/Lt.BANKS)	
No.3 Section, 13th M.G. Company (2/Lt.JOHNSON)	
12th R.H.A. Brigade (Lt.Col.ARCHDALE)	I 30 a 8 7
"A" Company 4th Aust.Pioneer Battalion (Lt.JENNER)	P 7 a 05 40
1 Troop 13th A.L.H. (Sgt.CALLER)	P 7 a 0 3
"A" Company 8th Tank Battalion. (Major BLACKBURN.DSO.MC.)	O 13 a 1 2
Mark 5* Tanks (Lt.Col.FAIRFAX)	O 4 d 4 2
1 Section Supply Tanks (Lt.COOMBS)	O 1 c 0 5
1 Section Supply Tanks (Lt.BIRCH)	O 1 c 0 5
"O" Company 8th Tank Battalion. (Major BENNEWITH)	O 13 a 1 2

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12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.INSTRUCTIONS No. 9.COMMUNICATIONS.

The following will be the Signal Arrangements from Zero minus half hour.

1. Between Brigade Headquarters and Units by Telephone and Runners, D.R.L.S. with a line at Cable Head at P 9 a 4 4, which is through to Brigade Headquarters at P 7 a 0 8.
2. On Battalions moving forward to 2nd Assembly Positions, traffic for Brigade will be via Cable Head.
3. Brigade Forward Party comprised of 1 Officer and 12 other ranks accompanied by 1 Officer and 15 other ranks 1st Australian Tunnelling Company will leave vicinity of Cable Head at Zero plus one hour to reconnoitre and select positions and establish advance Brigade Headquarters about RAT WOOD, P 24 b, Q 19 or Q 13 c. Actual location of Advance Brigade Headquarters will be notified to all concerned.
As soon as Brigade Headquarters is established in vicinity of RAT WOOD, Forward Brigade Headquarters will be established about Q 28 a.
4. Brigade Visual Station will be established approximately Q 13 d which will be in touch with Divisional Station at J 28 b 2 2. Battalions will arrange for Visual Stations to be established for communication between Companies, Battalions, and Brigade H.Q.
5. Lines from Cable Head will be run to Forward Brigade Headquarters as selected and from Forward Headquarters to Battalions.
6. PIGEONS.

Sixteen birds will be issued to the Brigade in 8 Assault baskets. These will be issued to Battalions as follows:-

48th Battalion	-	8 birds.
46th Battalion	-	4 birds.
45th Battalion	-	4 birds.

This means of communication is to be used only when every other available means fail.

Time and date must be stated on all Pigeon Messages.

7. ROCKETS.

Rockets have been issued as follows :-

48th Battalion	-	10
46th Battalion	-	5
45th Battalion	-	5

8. EXTRA PIGEONS AND ROCKETS.

Arrangements have been made with the 3rd Australian Division to collect and dump at Cross Roads Q 13 c all unused Pigeons and Message Rockets. These will be collected by 48th Battalion and carried forward to augment their supplies.

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9. WIRELESS.

Trench Sets will be established at Brigade Headquarters and Forward Brigade Headquarters which will be in touch with Division (i.e. the Station at Brigade Headquarters.)

10. POWER BUZZER AND AMPLIFIER will be installed at 45th and 46th Battalion Headquarters and at Forward Brigade Headquarters.

11. AIRCRAFT.

Battalions will arrange to communicate to aeroplanes with Popham Panels.

To enable aeroplanes to distinguish Units Brigades and Battalions will display the following Code letters with the top of the letters pointing towards the enemy :-

12th A.I. Brigade	-	"L"
45th Battalion	-	"L W"
46th Battalion	-	"L X"
48th Battalion	-	"L Y"

These letters of White calico are being provided and the figures issued to-day will on no account be used.

12. RUNNERS.

Relay Posts will be established at Brigade Headquarters and Forward Brigade Headquarters as established.

13. REPORTS, etc.

It is of the utmost importance that frequent reports are sent to Brigade Headquarters from time to time regarding the situation. Negative information is of the utmost value.

Unit Commanders will ensure that all means of communication available are used as the information sent back will be one of the directing factors for the employment of further troops for exploitation of the attack.

Scouts and Observation Posts will be made the utmost use of for obtaining information.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

7/8/1918.

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Major.
Brigade Major.
12th Aust. Infantry Brigade.

12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.FIRST AMENDMENT TO INSTRUCTIONS No. 7.AIRCRAFT.Para. 2. Contact aeroplanes.

Sub. para (c) second line. For "Zero plus 8 hours 30 minutes"
Read "Zero plus 7 hours."

6/8/1918. .

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Major.
Brigade Major.
12th Aust. Infantry Brigade.

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Copy No. *23*12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.FIRST AMENDMENT TO INSTRUCTIONS No. 2.ACTION OF TANKS.

Para. 14 is amended as follows :-

For "C" Company 8th Tank Battalion (12 Mark 5* Tanks) read

"C" Company 8th Tank Battalion (12 Mark 5 Tanks)

After last line add :-

"6 Tanks of "C" Company will accompany 4th Battalion and
this Battalion will detail a Special Liaison party to work in
co-operation with these Tanks.

These Tanks will form up in the 2nd Assembly Position at Zero
plus 2 hours on the Right of 'A' Company Tanks.

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Major.
Brigade Major.
12th Aust. Infantry Brigade.

12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS No. 2 ISSUED IN CONJUNCTION WITH BRIGADE
ORDER No. 221.1. Supply Tanks Second Trip.

Owing to allotment of Tanks for 2nd trip being reduced to 3 distribution will now be

48th Battalion	-	2
46th Battalion	-	1

2. Material for 2nd trip will be dumped by C.R.E. and S.A.A. Section at P 20 b 1 1 before 10 a.m. Zero day, and Tanks will collect from this dump. A party of 1 Officer (from 48th Battalion Nucleus) and 12 men from 46th Battalion party at present at Brigade Dump at O 6 d 6 3 will be detailed by Brigade to report to and take charge of this dump at 8 a.m. on Zero morning. Officer will be responsible for the loading of Tanks. Loads as per attached Schedule 'A'.

3. (a) Water Tins (60 only) will be delivered to Brigade Transport Lines and allotted equally between Battalions. These will be filled and used by Battalions and the 50 tins per Tank to be dumped at P 20 b 1 1 mentioned in Administrative Instructions Para. 10 will not now be dumped as shown.

(b) One 300 gallon G.S. waggon has now been allotted to Brigade and is now being held as Brigade Reserve. Allotment of same will be made to Units on application to Brigade or Brigade Transport Officer. Units to state where same is required to report.

4. Chloride of Lime.

A dump exists at rear of Billet No. 8 CORBIE. Units will draw as required (for Gas protection purposes) on application to dump.

5. Socks can be exchanged at Clothing Exchange, VECQUEMONT.

6. Mobile Vet. Section is located at H 27 d 0 0.

7. Burials.

Cemeteries will be established approximately at Q 7 d 0 0, Q 8 c 0 0, and Q 19 central.

8. Medical Arrangements issued herewith (separately).

SCHEDULE 'A'.

Barbed Wire, coils	-	-	-	-	-	120
Long screw pickets	-	-	-	-	-	120
Short screw pickets	-	-	-	-	-	240
Corrugated iron, sheets	-	-	-	-	-	35
S.A.A., rounds	-	-	-	-	-	15,000
3" Stokes Ammunition, rounds,	-	-	-	-	-	150
Grenades, No. 36	-	-	-	-	-	500
Sandbags	-	-	-	-	-	1,000

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Captain.
Staff Captain.
12th Aust. Infantry Brigade.

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12th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH BRIGADE ORDER No. 221.

1. For operation up to and including capture of GREEN Line as under.

R.A.Ps.	RELAY POSTS.	M.L.POSTS.	A.D.S.	M.D.S.	D.C.S.
P 21 a 9 2 P 16 c 1 9 P 16 a 1 3	P 14 c 9 5 P 9 a 3 4	P 13 d 1 5 P 8 b 2 3	O 15 a 5 7 9th Field Ambulance	N 4 c 9 2 11th Field Ambulance.	Les ALENCONS. 10th Field Ambulance

REMARKS.

As soon as possible after Zero a Walking Wounded Dressing Station will be opened at Hospice FOUILLOY, O 10 a 9 7, by 13th Field Ambulance, W.W. being evacuated by busses direct to C.C.S. This W.W. Dressing Station will also become the A.D.S. for Stretcher Cases as soon as circumstances allow.

The 4th Field Ambulance Tent Sub-divisions are at O 10 b 7 9 ready to push forward and establish an A.D.S. in HAMEL vicinity.

2. O.C. 9th Field Ambulance is responsible for evacuations back to M.D.S.
3. R.A.Ps. will advance as soon as possible and Motor Ambulances push forward along HAMEL - WARFUSEE and FOUILLOY - WARFUSEE Roads.
4. The 3rd Australian Division Stretcher Bearers will evacuate cases from GREEN Line back to A.D.S.
5. The 4th Australian Division Stretcher Bearers will advance with Brigade but will not evacuate any casualties.
6. Evacuation Scheme after commencement of attack by 4th Aust. Division.

A.D.S.	M.D.S.	D.C.S.	REMARKS.
Hospice FOUILLOY O 10 a 9 7 13th Field Ambulance, also W.W. Dressing Station.	N 4 c 9 2 12th and 11th Field Ambu- lances.	Les ALENCONS.	As soon as circumstances allow an A.D.S. will be established in the vicinity of HAMEL by 4th Field Ambulance. When this is established the FOUILLOY A.D.S. becomes the M.D.S.- N 4 c 9 2 becomes D.C.S.

7. O.C. 4th Field Ambulance is now responsible for evacuations back to M.D.S. 4th Australian Division Stretcher Bearers being employed to evacuate back to GREEN Line.
- R.A.Ps. Bearer Relays and M.L.Posts will be pushed forward as far as possible.

Gas Centre and blood transfusion centre St.ACHEUL.

P.T.O.

APPENDIX 2

8. Evacuation Scheme after capture of RED Line.

A.D.S.	M.D.S. & W.W.D.S.	D.C.S.	IN RESERVE.
HANEL vicinity. 4th Field Ambulance.	FOUILLOY 0 10 a 9 7 13th and 10th Field Ambulances.	N 4 c 9 2 12th Field Ambulance.	2 Tent sub-divisions of 12th Field Ambulance, 3 of 11th Field Amb., and 3 of 9th Field Ambulance.

9. 4th Australian Division Stretcher Bearers evacuate from RED to GREEN Line.

10. 3rd Australian Division Stretcher Bearers evacuate from GREEN Line to A.D.S.

11. Casualty Wires and Returns required by A.D.M.S. at 4 a.m., 12 noon, 6 p.m., 12 midnight daily.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

[Signature]
Captain.
Staff Captain.
12th Aust. Infantry Brigade.

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REMARKS.	D.C.S.	M.D.S.	A.D.S.
As soon as circumstances allow an A.D.S. will be established in the vicinity of HANEL by 4th Field Ambulance. When this is established the FOUILLOY A.D.S. becomes the M.D.S. - H 4 c 9 2 becomes D.C.S.	Lee	N 4 c 9 2 12th and 11th ALMONDS. Field Amb.	Hospital FOUILLOY 0 10 a 9 7 12th Field Ambulance, also W.W. Dressing Station.

Gas Centre and blood transfusion centre at AGHEUL.

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COPY NO.

11th
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE.
No. B3263
Date


ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

Headquarters,
7th. August, 1918.

EXTRACTS FROM 4th. AUST. DIVISION "Q" INSTRUCTIONS.

DURING THE OPERATION

1. D.A.D20.S. will remain at.....H 19 d.O.O.
2. 4th. Mobile Vet. Section at.....H 27 d.O.O.
3. Div. R.E. Dump is located at.....N 5 a (VECQUEMONT).
4. Socks can be exchanged at clothing exchange, VECQUEMONT.
5. Chloride of Lime can be drawn from Billet No.8. CORBIE, as required,
on application there.
6. Water stand pipes exist at O 7 b 9.5. - O 15 b 8.0. - O 17 a 1.9.
A Reserve Tank, 300 gallons, is held by the 4th. Aust. D.A.C. but
will not be breached without orders from 4th. Aust. D.A.H.Q.
7. Immediate attention will be given to the provision of lat-rines in
forward Areas, and every precaution is to be taken in regard to
sanitation generally.
8. Cemeteries will be established approx. at Q 8 c O.O. and Q 19 Central.


For Lt-Colonel, C.O., 11th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.

Distribution.

All Batteries
11th. Brigade.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

SECRET

Headquarters,
6th August 1918.

10th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
11th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
4th Aust. D.A.C.,
4th Aust. D.T.M.O.,
7th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
8th Aust. F.A. Brigade,
3rd Aust. D.A.C.,
16th Brigade R.H.A.,
3rd (ARMY) Bde, Aust. F.A.



EXTRACTS FROM 4th AUST. DIV 'Q' INSTRUCTIONS.

DURING THE OPERATION.

1. D.A.D.C.S. will remain at ----- H 19 d 0 0
2. 4th Mobile Vot. Section at ----- H 27 d 0 0
3. Div. R.E. Dump is located at ----- N 5 a (VECQUEMONT).
4. Socks can be exchanged at clothing exchange, VECQUEMONT.
5. Chloride of lime can be drawn from Billet No. 8, CORBIE, as required on application there.
6. Water stand pipes exist at O 7 b 9 5 - O 15 b 8 0 - and C 17 a 1 9. A Reserve tank, 300 gallons, is held by 4th Aust. D.A.C., but will not be breached without orders from this Office.
7. Immediate attention will be given to the provision of latrines in forward areas, and every precaution is to be taken in regard to sanitation generally.
8. Cemeteries will be established approx. at Q 8 c 00 and Q 19 contr

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

APPENDIX 3

LEFT GROUP ARTILLERY

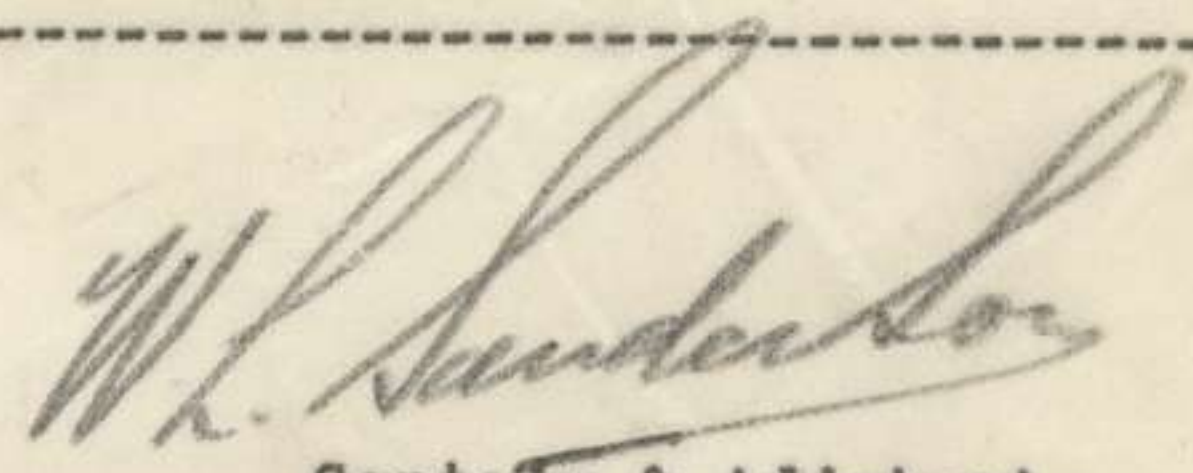
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HARASSING FIRE

OPERATION ORDER NO. I.

16th AUGUST 1918

Time	Battery	Target	Rate of Fire
10.35 pm			
to			
10.38 "	41st	CHAULNES WOOD S.27.d.	Gun Fire
do	42nd	do S.28.c.	do
do	43rd	Continuation of strip of CHAULNES WOOD S.28a&d.	do
do	111th	Road through S.27.b.	do
do			
11.20 pm.			
to			
11.23 pm.	All Btys	Only X Road at S.28.a.05.85	XXXX Gun Fire
12. 15 am.	All Btys	Polygon Wood S.27.d. 3rds	Gun Fire
1.0.am.			
to			
1.2.am.	All Btys	Amberg Corpse S.28.a	Bty Salvoes
2.5.am.			
to			
2.7.am.	All Btys	Road from S.22.c.1,0.- S.22.a.2.o	3 rds Gun Fire
3.0.am.			
to			
3.3.am.	All Btys	X Road at S 28 a 05 85.	Gunfire.



Captain & Adjutant.
for Lieut Col. C.O. 11th. Aust F.A. Bde.

HARASSING FIRE.

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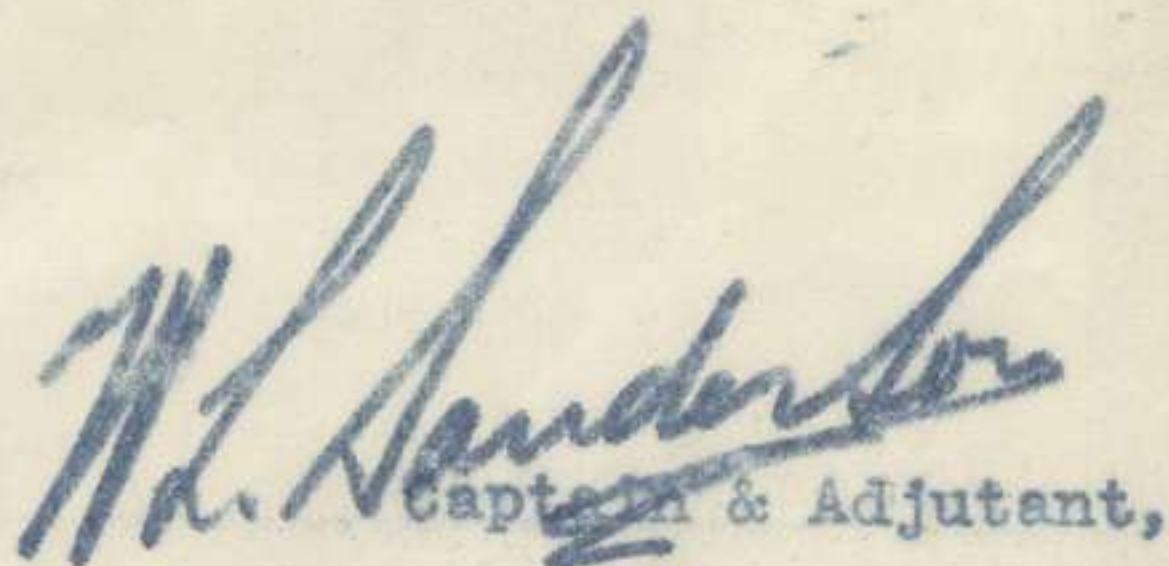
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17/8/18.

Reference Sheets 68c S.W. & 66d N.W. 1/20,000.

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1. TIME	BTY.	TARGET	NO. ROUNDS.
10.40 pm.	41st.	BLOCKHOUSE COPSE.	24
do	42nd & 3 hows of 111th.	Distribute fire over trench from S21 c 10 52 - S21 b 30 30.	24
do	43rd & 3 hows of 111th.	Distribute fire over trench from S21 c 30 13 - S21 b 30 05.	21 BX. 24 21 BX.
2. 11-7pm.	41st & 3 hows of 111th.	Distribute fire over trench from S21 c 70 00 - S21d central	20 18 BX.
do	42nd & 43rd. 3 hows of 111th	Distribute over trench from S27a 65 75 - S21d 85 05. S27a 1 how on each trench junction at S27b 20 80, S21d 85 05, S27b 40 85.	20 each 18 BX.
3. 11-45pm.	All 18pdr. Btys. 111th How. Bty.	On road and tramway from S28 a 05 80 - S22 c 30 60. AMBERG COPSE.	25 each.
4. 12 20am.	Repeat No.1. task.		
5. 1-5am.	All 18pdr Btys. 111th How. Bty.	Tramway and Road from S22 c 30 70. - S22 a 00 75. HART COPSE.	24 each.
6. 1-50am.	All Btys.	Trench and Road from AMBER COPSE to S22 d 90 40.	24 each.
7. 2-30am.	Repeat No.2. task.		
8. 3-15am.	S.O.S. Lines plus 200 Yards 100 yards to S.O.S. plus 600 yards. in lifts of 100 yards each.		36 each.



W. L. Sanderson
Captain & Adjutant,

for Lieut Col. C.O. 11th Aust. F.A. Bgde.

Distribution.

1. File
2. War Diary.
3. 4th. Aust. Inf. Bgde.
4. 41st Bty.
5. 42nd Bty.
6. 43rd Bty.

7. 111th. Bty.
8. Spare.

11th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

11TH
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE.

HARASSING FIRE

APPENDIX 3

for Night of 18/19th August

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Date.....
HEADQUARTERS.

18-8-18.

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Reference Sheets 62 c S.W. & 66d N.W. 1/20,000

1.	TIME	BTY	TARGET	NO. ROUNDS.
	11 pm.	41st Bty	BLOCKHOUSE COPSE	36
	do	42nd & 3 Hows of 111th Bty	Distribute fire over trench from S21 c 10.52 - S21 b 30.30	30 15 BX.
	do	43rd & 3 Hows of 111th Bty	Distribute fire over trench from S21 c 30.13 - S21 b 30.05	30 15 BX.
2.	11-25pm	41st & 3 Hows of 111th Bty	Distribute fire over trench from S21 c 70.00 - S21 d central.	24 15 BX.
	do	42nd & 3 Hows of 111th Bty	Distribute fire over trench from S 27 a 65.75 - S21 d 85.05 1 How on each trench junction at S27 b 20.80, S21 d 85.05, S27 b 40.85	24 15 BX.
		43rd Bty	Distribute fire over trench from S21 d 85.05 - S21 d 55.55	24
3.	12-10am	43rd & 3 Hows of 111th Bty	Search back along Road from S23 c 00.50 - S28 a 05.85	60 30 BX.
		41st Bty & 3 Hows of 111th Bty	Search up along Road from S28 a 05.85 - S23 c 00.50	60 30 BX.
4.	1-5am	41st Bty 42nd Bty 43rd Bty 111th Bty	AMBERG COPSE Tramway and Road from S28 a 05.85 - S22 c 30.60. Tramway and Road from S28 c 30.60 - S22 a 00.65. Trench from S27 b 95.65 - S28 b 15.80 and Northern edge of CHAULNES WOOD	36 Rds Each. 30 BX.
5.	2-10am		Repeat task 1.	24 30 BX
6.	3-5 am		Repeat task 4.	24 30 BX.

Howitzer Battery will use 75% Gas if Wind is blowing towards the East.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE by wire.

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1. File
2. War Diary.
3. Liaison Officer 4th Aust Inf Bde.
4. 41st Battery.
5. 42nd Battery.
6. 43rd Battery.
7. 111th Battery.
8. Spare.

W. L. Anderson
Captain & Adjutant.
for Lt-Col., C.O. 11th Aust F.A. Bde.

War Diary

11th AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

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AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE.

HEADQUARTERS.
18th August 1918.

No. *3333*
18/8/18

AMENDMENT No.1 to Harassing Programme Night 18/19th Aug.

Cancel tasks of 5 & 6 and substitute:-

5. 2-10am Searce enclosed in following rectangle S15 d 70.40 -
S16 e 50.80 - S16 e 70.40 - S15 d 80.00.

Ammunition 36 rounds 18-pdr 50% AX 50% A
36 BX.

6. 3-25am Repeat above task.

7. Acknowledge by wire.

W. L. Sanderson

Captain & Adjutant,
for C.O. 11th Australian Field Arty Brigade.

Distribution to all ~~receptants~~
Receptants of HARASSING FIRE 18/19th.

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HEADQUARTERS.
19th August 1918.11TH
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE.

No. B3337

HARASSING FIRE NIGHT OF 19/20th AUGUST

Ref Sheet HATTENCOURT

TIME	BATTERY	TARGET	NO OF ROUNDS
1. 10-50pm	All Btys	Search enclosed in following rectangle:- S15 d 70.40 - S16 c 50.80 - S16 c 70.40 - S15 d 80.00. 41st & 42nd starting on N.E. edge & dropping back in 100's yards to S.W. edge. 43rd & 11th starting on S.W. edge & lifting each 100's yards to N.E. edge.	36 Rounds each
do			
2. 11-35pm	42nd Bty 41st Bty 43rd Bty & 11th Bty	Occupied Post at S27 a 9.9 Search & sweep vicinity of S27 b 2.0 Bulwarks S22 c 5.4	20 rounds 18 rounds 24 rounds each.
3. 12 Mid night	43rd Bty 42nd Bty 41st Bty 11th Bty	BLOCKHOUSE COPSE HART COPSE AMBERG COPSE Trees S22 d 80.40	36 rounds each
4. 12-55am	All Btys	Repeat task 1.	36 rounds each
5. 1-35am	41st Bty 42nd Bty 43rd Bty 11th Bty	Trench from S21 d 55-70 - S22 a 10.05. Trench from S22 a 90.35 - S22 a 10.05. Trench from S22 d 15.80 - S22 d 80.80. 2 Hows on each of above Battery targets.	36 rounds each
6. 2-15am	42nd Bty 43rd Bty	Tramway & Road from S28 a 05.85 - S22 c 30.60. Tramway & Road from S28 c 30.60 - S22 a 00.65.	18 rounds each
3 am	41st Bty 11th Bty	Repeat task 2. Trench from S27 b 95.65 - S28 b 15.80.	18 rounds 30 rounds BX.
7. 3-25am	41st Bty 42nd Bty 43rd Bty	Trench from S21 c 20.65 - S21 central. " " S21 c 50.25 - S21 b 30.00. " " S21 c 65.00 - S21 d 55.55.	24 rounds each

W. L. Sanderson
Captain & Adjutant
for C.O. 11th Australian Field Arty Brigade.

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30th August 1918.HARASSING FIRE FOR NIGHT OF 20/21st AUGUST.Reference Sheet HATTENCOURT.11TH
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE.No. 83351
Date.....

TIME	BTY	TARGET	NO OF ROUNDS
1. 10-40pm	111th Bty	KRATZ WOOD North of a line from S29 b 60.75 - S30 a 50.75.	50 BNC
do	41st Bty	Trench Mortar Position BLOCKHOUSE COPSE.	24
do	42nd Bty	Search & Sweep Vicinity of S27 a 80.80.	24
do	43rd Bty	Huts S22 c 50.30.	24
2. 11-15pm	41st Bty & 111th Bty	Search Road & Trench from S28 a 05.85 - S23 c 00.50 3 guns & Howitzers starting on W end & remainder starting on E end.	24 each.
11-40pm	42nd Bty 43rd Bty	Trench from S27 a 60.75 - S21 d 85.05. Road & Trench from S21 c 20.50 - S21 b 30.30.	24 Rds. 24
3. 12-5 am	111th Bty	Battery Position in CHAULNES WOOD in N.W corner of square S29 a	50 BNC
do	41st Bty	HART COPSE & Trench from it to S22 a 95.55.	36
12-30am	43rd Bty 42nd Bty	SERPENTIN ALLEY in S22 a Repeat task 1.	36 36
4. 1-5 am	All 18-pdr Batteries	Search & Sweep rectangle given in Harassing Fire of 19/20th Task 1.	48
1-25am	111th Bty	Search & Sweep rectangle given in Harassing Fire of 19/20th Task 1.	50 BNC
5. 2-10am	All Btys	Search CHAULNES WOOD No.1 in Square S28 b	36 for 18-pdr 24 for 4.5
6. Zero to Zero plus 3½ min		All 18-pdr Batteries, Search from Start line Trench S21 c 70.00 - S 21 c 20.60. to finishing line S21 d 20.25 - S21 c 80.90. Rate of fire 2 rounds P.G.P.M. Lift 50 yards every ½ minute.	
Zero Time 3-15am			
7.		Gas will be used only if conditions are favourable.	

Captain & Adjutant.

for C.O. 11th Australian Field Arty Bde.

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22-8-18.SECRET.

Reference Sheets 62 c S.W. & 66 d N.W. 1/20,000.

	TIME	BTRY	TARGET	NO ROUNDS
1.	10-40pm	41st Bty	BLOCKHOUSE COPSE	24
	do	42nd & 3 How of 111th Bty	Distribute fire over trench from S21 c 10.52 - S21 d 30.30.	24 18 EX.
	do	43rd & 3 How of 111th Bty	Distribute fire over trench from S21 c 50.13 - S21 d 30.05.	24 18 EX.
2.	11-7 pm	41st & 3 How of 111th Bty	Distribute fire over trench from S21 c 70.00 - S21 d central.	20 18 EX.
	do	42nd & 43 rd & 3 Hows 111th Bty	Distribute fire over trench from S27 a 65.75 - S21 d 35.05.	20 each.
			1 Howitzer on each trench Junction at S27 b 20.00, S21 d 35.05, S27 b 40.35	18 EX.
3.	12-6 am	All 18-pdrs Batteries. 111th How Bty.	On Road and Trenchway from S22 a 05.30 - S22 c 30.60. AMBER COPSE.	25 each.
4.	12-50am		Repeat task No.1.	
5.	1-35am	All 18- pdr Btys 111th How Bty.	Trenchway and Road from S22 c 30.70 - S22 a 00.75. HART COPSE.	24 18 EX.
6.	2-45am	All Btys	Trench and Road from AMBER COPSE to S22 d 90.40.	24 18 EX.
7.	3-15am		Repeat task No.2.	

W. L. Sanderson
Captain & Adjutant.
for Lieut-Col., C.O. 11th Aust Field Arty Bde.

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1. 4th Aust Inf Bde.
2. 41st Bty.
3. 42nd Bty.
4. 43rd Bty.
5. 111th Bty.
6. Filo.
7. War Diary.
8. Spare.

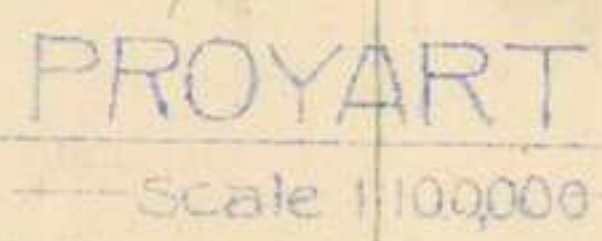
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APPENDIX 3Headquarters.
23-8-18.SECRET.HARASSING FIRE FOR NIGHT OF 23/24th AUGUSTReference Sheet HATTENCOURT.

TIME	BTY	TARGET	NO ROUNDS
1. 10-40pm	111th Bty	KRAZE WOOD North of a line from S29 b 60.75 - S30 a 50.75.	50 BNC
do	41st Bty	Trench Mortar position BLOCKHOUSE COPSE.	24
do	42nd Bty	Search & Sweep Vicinity of S27 a 60.80.	24
do	43rd Bty	Huts S22 c 50.30.	24
2. 11-15pm	41st and 111th Bty	Search Road & Trench from S28 a 05.85 - S23 c 00.50. 3 guns & Howitzers starting on W end & remainder starting on E end.	24 each.
11-40pm	42nd Bty	Trench from S27 a 60.75 - S21 d 85.05.	24
	43rd Bty	Road & Trench from S21 c 20.50 - S21 b 30.30.	24
3. 12-5 am	111th Bty	Battery Position in CHAULNES WOOD in N.W corner of square S29 a	50 BNC
	41st Bty	HART COPSE & Trench from it to S22 a 05.35.	36
12-20am	43rd Bty	SERPENTIN ALLEY in S22 a	36
	42nd Bty	Repeat task 1.	36
4. 1-5 am	All 18-pdrs Batteries	Search & Sweep rectangle given in Harassing Fire of 19/20th Task 1.	48
1-25am	111th Bty	Search & Sweep rectangle given in Harassing Fire of 19/20th Task 1.	50 BNC
5. 2-10am	All Btys	Search CHAULNES WOOD No.1 in Square S28 b	36 18-pdrs 24 4.5"
6. Zero to Zero plus 3½ minutes Zero Time 3-15am		All 18-pdr Batteries, Search from Start line Trench S21 c 70.00 - S21 c 20.60 to finishing line S21 d 20.25 - S21 c 80.90. Rate of Fire 2 rounds P.G.P.M. Lift 50 yards every ½ minute.	
7.		Gas will be used only if conditions are favourable.	

W. A. Sander
Captain & Adjutant.
for C.O. 11th Australian Field Arty Brigade.

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RIGHT SUB-GROUP AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERYAPPENDIX 5S E C R E T.
*****AMENDMENT NO.1.
to
ORDER NO.1.Headquarters,
1st. August, 1918.

1. The whole of paras 2 & 3 of Right Sub-Group, Order No.1. ⁶⁰is are cancelled and the following substituted :-
2. On completion of relief the 4th. Australian Divisional Artillery (less Medium Trench Mortar Batteries, and S.A.A. Section) will come under the orders of the C.R.A., 3rd. Australian Division.
3. One (1) Section per Battery of 18-Pdrs. will be calibrated at 4th. Army Calibration Range at VAUX-EN-AMIENSOIS at 12 noon to-morrow 2nd. August. The three (3) Sections will march as a Battery, passing QUERRIEU CHURCH at 8 a.m., then via POULAINVILLE .
Section Commanders will attend. The senior Section Commander to take charge.
On completion the Sections will return to their respective Waggon Lines.
4. ACKNOWLEDGE (by wire)

W. W. Rose

Lieut.

A/ADJUTANT.

Right Sub-Group, Australian Field Artillery.
*****Distribution.

1. File.
2. 41st. Battery.
3. 42nd. Battery.
4. 43rd. Battery.
5. 111th. Battery.
6. War Diary.
7. Spare.

Issued at 7.45.p.m., 1st. August, 1918.

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APPENDIX 6

ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.MOVEMENT ORDER.Headquarters,
3rd. August, 1918.

1. 11th. Australian Field Artillery Brigade will move to Waggon Lines VECQUEMONT Area this afternoon.
2. One officer and mounted Orderly per Battery will report to Lieut. Rose at PONT NOYELLES CHURCH at ~~3.30 p.m.~~ 3.p.m.
3. Batteries will move off independently and will pass starting point, X Roads H 12 c 50.20. at following times :-

11th. Battery	-	4 p.m.
41st. Battery	-	4.15.p.m.
42nd. Battery	-	4.30.p.m.
43rd. Battery	-	4.45.p.m.
4. ROUTE. - PONT NOYELLES - QUERRIEU - BUSSY-les-DAOURS - VECQUEMONT.
5. Certificates of Cleanliness of Waggon Lines, signed by officer taking over, will be handed in to B.H.Q. on arrival at VECQUEMONT.
6. All Area Stores including Tents and Trench Shelters and Gas Stores will be handed over to the incoming units and receipts obtained
7. Certificates that no Mobilisation Stores were left behind, will be rendered to B.H.Q. on arrival at VECQUEMONT.
8. Batteries are allotted quarter of a ton ($\frac{1}{4}$), each in Brigade Motor Lorry. This will be dumped at B.H.Q. FRANVILLERS and guard provided by 2.15 p.m.



Capt.

ADJUTANT.

For C.O. 11th. Australian Field Artillery Bde.

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APPENDIX 7

BATTLE INSTRUCTION NO.2.

11th. Regt. 174
B.3239
5-8-18

1. Movement of transport waggon in the forward Area has been such to-day, as to draw a certain amount of enemy shell-fire.
2. Commanders will realise the grave necessity for secrecy and must, therefore, exercise the greatest amount of personal supervision to ensure that all officers and other ranks assist to obtain the desired result.
3. It must be impressed on all Officers and N.C.O's. that they are responsible for, and must insist on, the obedience of orders by all personnel, irrespective of the unit to which they belong.
4. To-day's fault may be turned to to-morrow's advantage by actions which will tend to lead the enemy into the belief that a Divisional or other relief is taking place. As no two units act the same in the line (as to VERY Lights, movement, night firing, etc.) the relief of the 11th. Australian Infantry Brigade, by the two Battalions of the 10th. Australian Infantry Brigade, to-night may further help to deceive the enemy.
The enemy may have discovered that the Australians are taking over from the French in the vicinity of HANGARD, and may therefore surmise that another local operation of the size of the recent ones is likely to take place to straighten out the CACHY re-entrant.
Therefore, every precaution will be taken that, after dawn to-morrow no excessive movement is visible and that, in every way, the Divisional Area appears normal.
Special measures will be arranged by Divisional Headquarters to stop traffic and, in the event of individual waggons or group of waggon (other than those which are absolutely necessary) moving in the (-s prohibited Areas, the Commanding Officer concerned will be held responsible for allowing such vehicles to leave transport lines on such a mission. Such traffic, after the name of the driver and his Unit has been taken, will not be allowed to proceed forward, but will either be swung off the road to wait for night-fall, or ordered to return to rear areas.
Officers and men of incoming Brigades, in particular, must be warned against showing themselves in exposed areas. Excessive numbers swimming at one time must be prevented.
Troops from areas some distance from the River may be marched to and from swimming parades in small parties at considerable intervals.
No Troops of any Brigade are to be permitted to leave their area, except on duty.
5. No fires will be allowed in the forward area between dawn and sunse as numerous small columns of smoke will give the enemy the best clue (t to the number of troops in the area and the location of their bivouacs
6. Special vigilance in the foregoing must be exercised in this respect throughout ~~to-morrow~~ to-morrow and the succeeding days, particularly in the areas which will be occupied by the 10th, 4th, & 12th. Australian Infantry Brigades.
7. Special Aeroplanes are being employed to report any excessive movement, or other indication of other than normal activity, in the Divisional Area.

In the Field.

4th. August, 1918.

C.A. JESS, Lt-Col.
General Staff.
3rd. Aust. Div. Arty.

ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

S E C R E T

OPERATION ORDER No.1.
byLt-Colonel C.H.SPURGE.

1. The 11th. Brigade A.F.A. will be ready to move into Battle Positions at short notice. Time of move will be sent to Battery Commanders by wire, therefore constant readiness to move must be preserved
- Batteries will march in Full Marching Order. Personnel will carry Water Proof Sheet and one Blanket only. Twenty-four (24) hours rations will be carried by the individual. Water Bottles will be filled.
- On occupation of Battle Positions, no fires, electric torches, or smoking will be allowed and strict silence to be maintained until opening of fire.
- At Zero plus, a time to be notified, Batteries will be ready to advance with and support the Infantry Brigade, to which this Brigade is allotted.
2. The following procedure will be adopted when moving into Battle positions :-
- 1st. Move. - 2 Sections per Battery.
2nd. Move. - 1 Section per Battery.
3. Allocation of Brigades to Groups on arrival in action for S.O.S. purposes until the re-grouping comes into operation.
- 10th. and 11th. Brigades A.F.A. are allotted to Left Group and to be Reinforcing Artillery.
- On night of 1st. Move, 2 Section per Battery will be allotted a portion of the S.O.S. Line, to be notified later.
- On night of 2nd. Move the same will apply.
- The Reinforcing Artillery will be allotted S.O.S. by the Group to which it is attached, but will not open fire except on orders from Brigade Headquarters or by the Group Commanders.
- New Grouping will come into force at NOON on the 2nd day after 2nd. Move.
- Day of Moves will be wired to Brigade from 3rd. Australian Division, and Batteries advised.

Distribution.

for C.O. 11th. Australian Field Artillery Brigade.

1. File.
2. 41st. Battery.
3. 42nd. Battery.
4. 43rd. Battery.
5. 11th. Battery.
6. War Diary.
7. Spare.

In the Field - 5th. August, 1918.

Captain.
and Adjutant.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE

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11TH AUSTRALIAN F.A. BRIGADE.
No. B. 32 38
Date 5-8-18

Headquarters,
5th. August, 1918.

41st. Battery.
42nd. Battery.
43rd. Battery.
11th. Battery.

Reference our G.186 & B.M. 6/54/10

The following routes and times will be adhered to for
1st. Move into action to-night, 5th/6th. August :-

Brigade.	Batteries	Start from Waggon Lines.	Route from Waggon Lines.
10th.A.F.A. Brigade.	2 Sections per Bty.	11.p.m.	AUBIGNY - FOUILLOY.
11th.A.F.A. Brigade.	2 Sections per Bty.	11.30.p.m.	AUBIGNY - FOUILLOY.

W. L. Sanderson
Captain
and Adjutant.
For C.O., 11th. Australian Field Artillery Bde.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.SECRETINSTRUCTION NO 1.

5/8/18

1. Ammunition up to 600 rounds per Gun MUST be completed by daylight on the 6th. Inst. in the following proportions :-

18-Pdr. - 50% A. - 50% A X - 10 rounds Smoke in addition.
 4.5" Hows. 100% B X - 250 Rounds Gas - 10 Rounds Smoke in addition.

Echelon s at all times must be kept full.

The amounts of H.E. to be carried in Echelons will depend on what is available after required amounts of H.E. have been supplied at forward positions

2. Battery Commanders will notify this office immediately their Battery positions are ready. Aiming Posts for Guns to be planted to cover the front P 22 a 2.0. - P 6 a 75.68.

3. Aiming Points (Trigged) are available as follows :-

SUMMER-HOUSE on CORBIE RIDGE	-	J 30 b 18.83.
VAUX Chimney	-	J 19 b 81.35.
OLD MILL	-	J 27 a 84.31.

4. Instructions contained in Battle Instruction No.2. are to be Strictly enforced.

5. Brigade Headquarters are situated at FOUILLOY.
 Brigade Battle Headquarters will be situated in Trench P 2 c 20.00.

6. During preparation of Battery Positions, movement must be reduced to a minimum.

W. L. Sanders
 Captain
 and Adjutant.

Distribution.

for C.O., 11th. Australian Field Artillery Bde.

1. File.
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 5. 11th. Battery.
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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADEOPERATION ORDER NO.2.Headquarters,
6th. August, 1918Reference B.H.6/54/16 of 3rd. Aust. D.Arty.
Sheet 62d. S.E. , and Barrage Maps.

1. "C" Sub-Group is bounded on the North by the canal (inclusive) and on the SOUTH by a line drawn through P 11 c 30.75. and Q 9 c 25.90.

2. (a) For 18-Pdrs and 13-Pdrs.

Dividing lines between Artillery Brigades are as follows :-

From, P 11 a 80.30. - P 12 b 35.31. - Q 9 a 30.92.

" P 11 b 20.79. - P 12 b 30.80. - Q 3 c 20.80.

10th. A.F.A. Brigade will take RIGHT Area.

11th. A.F.A. Brigade will take Centre Area.

16th. R.H.A. Brigade will take Left Area.

Each Brigade will have one Battery superimposed over the Brigade Front Plank Guns will shoot down Brigade Boundaries.

43rd. Battery will be superimposed over the Brigade Zone.

41st. Battery will fire on Northern half of Brigade Zone.

42nd. Battery " " Southern " " "

Dividing Lines between 41st. and 42nd. Batteries is as follows :-

From, P 11 a 92.55. - P 12 b 54.60. - Q 3 c 30.33.

(b) For 4.5" Hows.

Road running EAST & WEST through P 11 b, P 12 a, & b., to GERISY-GAILLY is the dividing line of "C" Sub-Group Zone.

11th. Battery will fire on Nth Northern part, (between this Road (inclusive) and Canal (inclusive))

3. ACKNOWLEDGE by Signature on envelope

Distribution.

For Lt Col., Commanding, 11th. A.F.A. Brigade.

1. File.
2. 41st. Battery.
3. 42nd. Battery.
4. 43rd. Battery.
5. 11th. Battery.
6. War Diary.
7. 16th. Bde. R.H.A.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

ADDENDUM TO OPERATION ORDER NO2.

Headquarters,
6th. August, 1918.

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1. Battery Commanders will have Trail Beds prepared to ensure their being able to reach extreme ranges in Barrage to Green Line.
Field Clinics will be necessary. Ammunition, H.E.
 2. As many spare springs as possible will be taken to these positions to ensure keeping Guns in action.
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W. L. Anderson

Captain
and Adjutant.

For Lt-Colonel, C.O. 11th. A.F.A. Brigade.

Distribution.

To all recipients of
Operation Order No.2.

In the Field 6th. August, 1918.

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W.D.
This cancels previous order of today's date.
ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

Ref. Move Order No.2, B.M.6/54/18 of 4th. In.

11TH
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE.

No. *B3249*

The following routes and times will be adhered to for the
2nd. Move into action, night 6th/7th. August, :-

Brigade.	Battery	Start from Waggon Lines.	Route from Waggon Lines.
11th. A.F.A. Brigade.	One Section per Battery.	11.p.m.	AUBIGNY - FOUILLOY.

Btys will move Wagon Lines forward to positions selected.

Distribution.

W.L. Sanders
Captain
and Adjutant.
For C.O., 11th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.

1. File.
2. 41st. Battery.
3. 42nd. Battery.
4. 43rd. Battery.
5. 111th. Battery.
6. War Diary.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.OPERATION ORDER NO. 3.by
Lt-Colonel C.H. SPURGE.Commanding.Headquarters,
5th. August, 1918.Reference 62d. S.E. - 1/20.000.
Hostile Battery Map if available.

1. This Order becomes operative at Z. Plus 143.^{min}
Attention is drawn to 4th. Div. Arty. Order No. 178. 1.b.
2. Battery Commanders will arrange to have a distinctive arm band four (4) inches wide to enable orderlies to identify Batteries of the Brigade during the advance.
3. (a) Brigade Headquarters will be situated up to Z plus 143^{min} at P 8 a.5.5.
(b) From Z plus 143,^{min} P 17 a 30.20. N.E. corner of TAILLOUX WOOD.
(c) Final Headquarters at Q 19 b 1.1.
Time of moving to (c) will be notified later.
4. At Z plus 143,^{min} Instructions contained in 4th.D.A. Order No. 178, para 3, will come into operation.
5. The advance march will be made in the following order :-
(a) At Z plus 143,^{min} the whole Brigade will commence the forward movement. Each Battery making for the Area selected (see Trace A.) for the 11th. Brigade, SUSAN WOOD, Q 21 c.
(b) The 41st Battery will come into action in the vicinity of P 17 d, ready to open fire and to answer "L L" Calls at Z ~~xxx~~ plus 4.^{hours} remaining in action until the 42nd. Battery is in action in Q 19 a & b, when the 41st. will move forward to Q 21 c
(c) The 42nd. Battery will come into action on arrival in the vicinity of Q 19 a & b, and carry on the same duty allotted to the 41st, remaining in action until ordered forward to Q 21 c.
(d) The 43rd. and 11th. Hows. will move direct to SUSAN WOOD Q 21 c keeping in touch with B.H.Q. and in readiness to assist the Infantry as required.
(e) On reaching SUSAN WOOD Batteries will come into action and be prepared to bring fire on any portion of the front to protect The Blue Line as may be required to assist the 4th. and 12th. Australian Infantry Brigades. All Batteries will be ready to answer "L L" Calls. Batteries will not fire NORTH of the SOMME.
6. Each Battery will detail a mounted orderly to report to B.H.Q. at Z - 15minuted. These orderlies must be reliable men and should be able to find their Batteries without hesitation. At Z plus 143^{min} these orderlies will rejoin their Batteries when they move forward and when the Batteries halt for action on the way to SUSAN WOOD will report back to B.H.Q. with the following information (1) Where the Battery is. (2) Time the Battery came into action. (3) And what the Battery is doing, (i.e. waiting for "L L" Calls or dealing with some unforeseen target)
Battery Commanders will in addition forward to B.H.Q. any important reports affecting the Tactical situation, from time to time.
P.T.O.

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Operation Order No.3. 2 6th. August, 1918

7. Nothing in these orders will prevent Battery Commanders rendering assistance if required by the Infantry if time does not allow of communication with Brigade Headquarters, but Battery Commanders will report immediately of any action so taken.
8. Early information and mobility will ensure the success of the operation.

W. L. Sanderson
Captain
and Adjutant.

For C.O. 11th. Australian Field Artillery Brigade.

In the Field, 6th. August, 1918.

Distribution.

Issued at 7.10.p.m.

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5. 111th. Battery.
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8. 1st. Aust. Inf. Bde.
9. Spare.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

11TH
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE.

No. B 3263


Date

Headquarters,
7th. August, 1918.

EXTRACTS FROM 4th. AUST. DIVISION "Q" INSTRUCTIONS.

DURING THE OPERATION

1. D.A.D20.S. will remain at.....H 19 d.O.O.
2. 4th. Mobile Vet. Section at.....H 27 d.O.O.
3. Div. R.E. Dump is located at.....N 5 a (VECQUEMONT).
4. Socks can be exchanged at clothing exchange, VECQUEMONT.
5. Chloride of Lime can be drawn from Billet No.8. CORBIE, as required, on application there.
6. Water stand pipes exist at 0 7 b 9.5. = 0 15 b 8.0. - 0 17 a 1.9.
A Reserve Tank, 300 gallons, is held by the 4th. Aust. D.A.C. but will not be breached without orders from 4th. Aust. D.A.H.Q.
7. Immediate attention will be given to the provision of lat-rines in forward Areas, and every precaution is to be taken in regard to sanitation generally.
8. Cemeteries will be established approx. at Q 8 c O.O. and Q 19 Central.


Captain.
and Adjutant.
For Lt-Colonel, C.O., 11th. Aust. F.A. Brigade.

Distribution.

All Batteries
11th. Brigade.

War Diary

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

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

11TH AUSTRALIAN F.A. BRIGADE.	
No.	3272
Date	11/8/18

Headquarters,
11th. Aug., 1918.

Re Disabled TANKS near enemy line

Following received from 4th. Aust. Div. Arty. through
Right Group, Australian Field Artillery.

Commences " Following message from Australian Corps -
Please take action whenever necessary AAA
Arrangements will be made for troubling fire
to prevent enemy getting at any of our Tanks
that are disabled in front of our front line
AAA For action " Message ends.

W. L. Sanderson

Captain
and Adjutant.

For Lt-Col., C.O. Right Sub-Group A.F.A.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.



Headquarters,
11th. Aug, 1918.

41st. Battery.
42nd. Battery.
43rd. Battery.
11th. Battery.

Re S. O. S. L I N E S.

1. 11th. Australian Field Artillery Brigade will cover a new S.O.S. Line from 9.p.m. to-night.

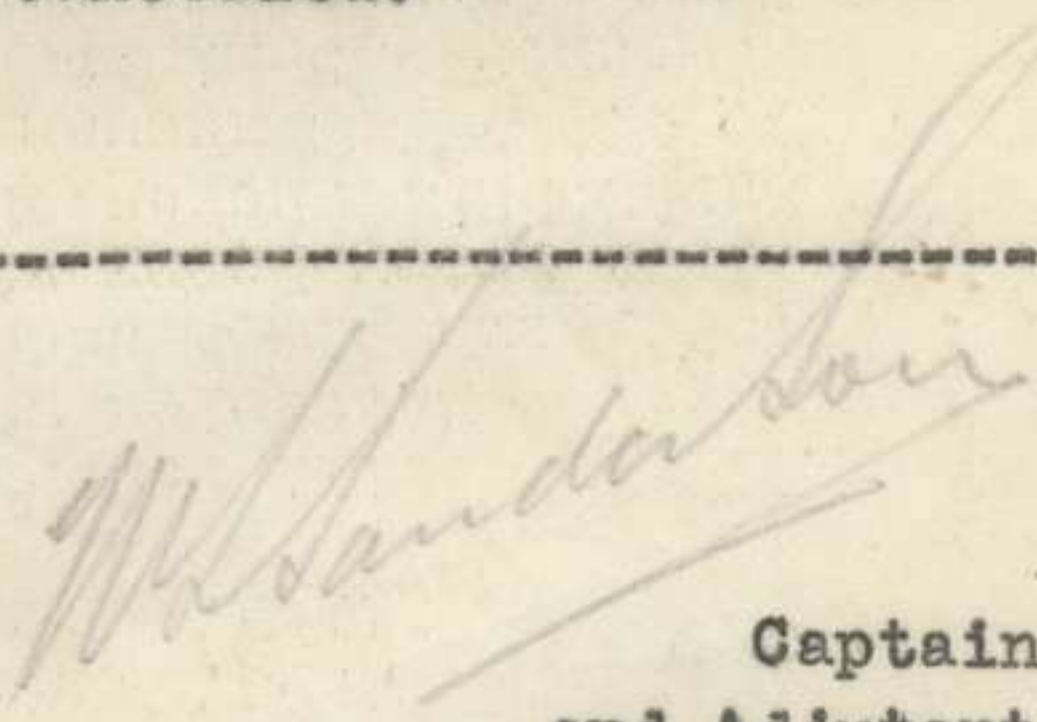
41st. Battery from L 20 b 70.77 to L 20 b 70.00.

42nd. Battery from L 20 b 70.00 to L 20 d 70.20.

43rd. Battery from L 20 b 70.77 to L-14 d 70.00.
to L 14 d 60.50.

11th. How. Bty. Three Hows. distributed along River Bank east of 18-Pdr. S.O.S. Line.
Two Hows. on roads and approaches from BRAY in Brigade Zone.
One How. on Road Junction WEST of BRAY.

2. All previous S.O.S. Orders are cancelled.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.


Captain
and Adjutant.
For Lt-Col., C.O., 11th. Australian F.A. Brigade.

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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

11TH AUSTRALIAN F.A. BRIGADE.	
No.	<i>B3279</i>
Date	

Headquarters,
12th. August, 1918

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

LINE SOUTH OF SOME now runs -

R 20 b 4.7. - R 14 a 5.0. - R 14 a 0.7. - R 7 d 7.0.
R 7 d 0.3. - R 7 b 2.5. - R 1 d 5.0. - R 2 c 4.3.
R 2 c 2.8.

W. L. Sanderson
Captain
and Adjutant.

For Lt-Col., C.O., 11th. Australian F.A. Bde.

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New Series

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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 11th Aust. F.A. Bde.) Copy
 4th Aust. D.T.Ms.) per
 51st R.G.A..) Bty..
 5th R.H.A..)
 4th Aust. D.A.C.) Copy
 5th B.A.C..) per
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HEADQUARTERS,
 12th August 1918.

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The following message received from Headquarters, R.A., AUSTRALIAN CORPS is promulgated for information to all concerned :-

" His Majesty the King, who has visited the Front to-day, expressed his opinion of the Artillery in the following words :--

' The work of the Artillery throughout, and in close support of the attack, has been simply splendid'.

Please communicate to all your Command.

M. L. H. Burgess.
 Brigadier-General,
 C.R.A., 4th Australian Division.

4. D. P. 2

Approved 18

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RIGHT SUB-GROUP AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERYOPERATION ORDER NO. 1.Headquarters,
12th. Aug., 1918.

Reference Map Sheet 62 D. N.E., - 1/20,000.

The 51st. Battalion, 13th. Aust. Infantry Brigade will place Posts and hold them in the low ground parallel to the River on the ETINHEM PENINSULA.

ZERO HOUR 11.P.M.

The 10th. and 11th. Aust. Field Artillery Brigades will support the operation by a Creeping Barrage for TWENTY-TWO MINUTES.

START LINE - 18-Pdr. - L 20 d 70.20. - L 32 c 6.5.

" - 4.5" Hows. - On Line following RIVER BANK and ROAD CUTTING.

Zero to Zero plus 6 Min. - Open on Start Line, Thence lift 100 yards per TWO MINUTES till arriving at a final line, L 21 c 7.3. to L 33 c 60.60.

Fire WILL CEASE at Zero plus 22 Minutes.

S.O.S. will then run L 14 d 9.6. - L 21 a 8.4. - L 33 a 8.0.

Subdivision of 10th. and 11th. Brigades - L 21 c 8.0.

4.5" Hows. will then be on following points :-

10th. Brigade - 3 Hows., Road, Railway and Canal crossing, L 28 c.
3 Hows., Along Canal to L33 b.

11th. Brigade. - 3 Hows., on LA NEUVILLE.
3 Hows., On Southern Entrances to BRAY.

RATES - Zero to Zero plus 6 Min. - 4 Rounds per Gun per Minute.
2 Rounds per How. per Minute.

Zero plus 6 Min to Zero plus 22 Min.) - 3 Rounds per Gun per Minute.
2 Rounds per How per Minute.

AMMUNITION - 50% of A and A X.

Heavy Artillery will co-operate with Harassing and Counter Battery Work. LEFT GROUP will put down a Chinese Bombardment on Group Zone at Zero.

The 5th. R.H.A. will put down a Creeping Barrage at ZERO on the following Line - L 14 d 9.6. - L 20 d 7.2.

Lifting ~~Rates~~ Fire at Rate of 100 yards per two Minutes after ZERO plus SIX Minutes till ZERO plus TWENTY TWO Minutes.

SYCHRONISATION OF WATCHES AT THIS OFFICE at 8.P.M. 12th. Inst.

Acknowledge on Form attached.

Distribution

All Batteries
Right Sub-Group,

For LT-Col., C.O., Right Sub-Group, Aust. F.A.

Capt. & Adjutant.

RIGHT SUB-GROUP AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY

11th
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE
No. 25280
Date 12/8/18

ADDENDUM TO OPERATION ORDER NO. 1.

Headquarters,
12th. Aug. 1918.

HOWITZERS will Barrage as follows -

ZERO to ZERO PLUS FOURTEEN (14) Minutes.

START LINE - Road running NORTH from L 27 c 4.5. -
- L 27 a 3.0. - L 21 a 6.0.

At ZERO PLUS 14 MINUTES - 3 Hows. on LA NEUVILLE
3 Hows. on SOUTH ENTRANCES to BRAY in
L 15 d Grid Line on SOUTH of
Square.

Distribution

As in O.O.No.1.

For Lt-Col., C.O., 11th. Australian F.A. Brigade.

W. W. Rose
Captain
and Adjutant.

11th
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE
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ELEVENTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE.

Headquarters,
12th. August, 1918

41st. Battery.
42nd. Battery.
43rd. Battery.
11th. Battery.

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At ZERO plus 53 the 10th. and 11th. Brigades will be prepared to withdraw and Bivouac, 10th. Brigade in P 6 d. & 11th. Brigade in Q 1 c.

Orders to withdraw will be 'phoned from This Office.

Orders are coming from D.A.H.Q. as to subsequent events but it is almost sure that Batteries will not be in action till to-morrow night

A reconnaissance may be carried out in the morning.
Please Acknowledge.

W. L. Sanderson
Captain
and Adjutant.

For Lt-Col., C.O. 11th. Australian F.A. Brigade.

RIGHT SUB-GROUP AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY.

AMMENDMENT NO. 1.

Headquarters,
12th. Aug., 1918.

Reference Order No. 1.

ZERO HOUR will be TWO (2) HOURS LATER than already stated .

ACKNOWLEDGE by Wire.

Distribution.

As for Order No. 1.

W. W. Rose
For Captain
and Adjutant.

For Lt-Col., C.O., 11th. Australian Field Arty. Bde.

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LEFT GROUP

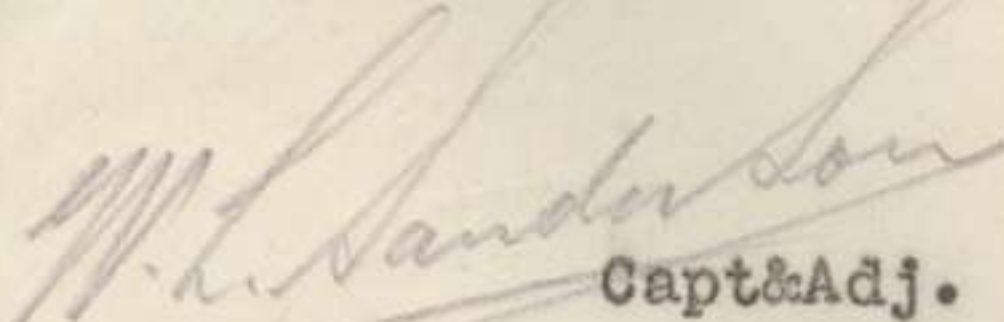
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HEADQUARTERS.
14-8-18.

Reference 4th Australian Divisional Artillery Operation Order No 180

1. Boundaries of LEFT GROUP are as follows:-
On the NORTH by Divisional Boundary as shown on Barrage Map. by an E & W line through X 17 central.
On the SOUTH by Inter-Brigade Boundary, shown Red on Barrage Map.
2. The 298th Bde. R.F.A. will take Northern half of Left Group Zone, bounded on the NORTH by an E & W line through X 17 central, and on the SOUTH by an E & W line through X 24 a 00-65.
11th. Aust. F.A. Bde. will take Southern half of Left Group Zone.
189th. Bgde. R.F.A. will be superimposed over whole Left Group Zone.


Capt & Adj.

for Lieut-Col. C.O. Left Group.



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LEFT GROUP

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HEADQUARTERS
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OPERATION ORDER NO.1.

Reference 4th Australian Divisional Artillery Operation Order No 180
and Instruction No.1.issued under Order No.180

1. Boundaries of LEFT GROUP are as follows:-
On the NORTH by Divisional Boundary as shown on Barrage Map, by an E & W line through X 17 central.
On the SOUTH by Inter-Brigade Boundary, shown Red on Barrage Map.
2. The 298th Bde.R.F.A.will take Northern half of Left Group Zone, bounded on the NORTH by an E & W line through X 17 central, and on the SOUTH by an E & W line through X 24 a 00-65.
11th Aust F.A.Bde.will take Southern half of left Group Zone.
189th Bde.R.F.A.will be superimposed over whole Left Group Zone.
3. 11th Aust.F.A.Bde Zone is divided into three "LANES" "LANES"
41st Battery will take Northern Lane.
Bounded on the NORTH by E & W line through X 24 a 00.65.
Bounded on the SOUTH by E & W line through S 19 b 00.20.
43rd Battery will take Centre Lane.
Bounded on the NORTH by E & W line through S 19 b 00.20.
Bounded on the SOUTH by E & W line through S 19 d 00.75.
42nd Battery will take Southern Lane.
Bounded on the NORTH by E & W Line through S 19 d 00.75.
Bounded on the SOUTH by Inter-Brigade Boundary shown Red, on Barrage Map.11th How Bty will cover whole of 11th A.F.A.Bde Zone.
4. Reference Instructions No.1.issued under Order No.180 para 2 Sub-para (a)lines 11-15.
Guns Nos 1. 3 & 5 of each Battery will search for a distance of 1000 yards beyond PLANK PROTECTIVE LINE, the remaining Nos 2. 4 & 6 will sweep to fill up gaps caused by odd numbers lifting.

W. L. Sanderson
Captain & Adjutant.
for Lieut-Col. C.O. Left Group Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION

1. War Diary.
2. 41st Bty.
3. 42nd Bty.
4. 43rd Bty.
5. 11th Bty.
6. 298th Bde.R.F.A.
7. 189th Bde R.F.A.
8. File.

"B" GROUP ARTILLERY

Instruction

Reference 1st Australian Divisional Artillery List No. 16.

1. S.O.S. lines on GROUP FRONT runs as follows:-

S 13 b 40.00 - S 19 b 45.80 - S 20 d 40.50 - S 27 a 00.60
S 27 a 25.00 - S 27 c 25.55.

298th, 189th Brigade R.F.A. and 11th Australian Field Artillery
Brigade will fire on above lines where they cross their respective
lines. lanes.

Howitzer Batteries will fire 200 yards east of their respective
Brigade zones, or on points selected by their Brigade Commanders.

11th Brigade Australian Field Artillery zone runs as from:-

S 27 c 25.55 - S 27 a 25.00 S 27 a 00.60 - S 20 d 70.15.

41st Battery Zone from S 20 d 70.15 - S 27 a 00.60.

43rd Battery Zone from S 27 a 00.60 - S 27 a 20.10.

42nd Battery Zone from S 27 a 20.10 - S 27 a 25.00 - S 27 c 25.55.

11th Howitzer Battery superimposed 200 yards EAST of Brigade Line.

2. LIAISON ARRANGEMENTS.

The C.O. 189th Brigade R.F.A. will be in LIAISON with Left Infantry
Brigade.

Orders re Battalion LIAISON duties will follow later.

W. J. Sanderson
Captain & Adjutant.
"B" GROUP ARTILLERY.

DISTRIBUTION.

1. File.
2. 189th Bde R.F.A.
3. 298th Bde R.F.A.
4. 41st Battery.
5. 42nd Battery.
6. 43rd Battery.
7. 11th Battery.
8. 4th Australian Infantry Brigade.
9. War Diary.

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To % 11th Aust La. BdeAPPENDIX
HEADQUARTERS,

15th August 1918.

The following extracts from a letter from the G.O.C. R.A., Fourth Army, and received by me from the G.O.C., R.A., Aust. Corps, are forwarded for your personal information and promulgation to all ranks under your command :-

R.A., Headquarters,
Australian Corps,
13th August 1918.

The following is an extract from a letter received by me from the G.O.C. R.A. Fourth Army :--

August 8th was a great day for the Artillery.

Will you please convey to all ranks of the Artillery under your command my admiration and appreciation of their work.

I consider the following points to be particularly noteworthy :-

1. The manner in which difficulties were overcome in putting guns and ammunition into position.
2. The accuracy and effect of the barrage fire and Heavy Artillery bombardment without previous registration.
3. The effective counter-Battery work.
4. The bold and successful way in which the advance of the Artillery in support of our Infantry was carried out.

In forwarding this to you, I wish to add my sincerest thanks and appreciation of the work and energy displayed by those under your Command in carrying out the many tasks which confronted you.

My best congratulations and wishes for continued success to you and those under your Command.

(Sgd.) WALTER A. COXEN,
Brigadier-General,
G.O.C., R.A., Aust. Corps.

It is unnecessary, I think, for me to tell you all how very glad I am to be able to forward the above appreciation and commendation of your work during the recent most important and successful action.

The collective success, prompt and smooth action of the Field Artillery was only obtained by the individual energy and sustained effort, not only of Commanders and Officers, but all ranks of our Brigades, Batteries, and Ammunition Columns, and the untiring and most efficient work of our Signal Units.

In conclusion, may I add my own appreciation, not only of the success of your united work, but also of the many difficulties which were so effectively and cheerfully overcome before this successful result could be obtained.

W.L.A. Burgess
Brigadier-General,
C.R.A., 4th Australian Division.

Over.

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7th Aust. F.A. Bde..)	Battery
8th Aust. F.A. Bde..)	& Section
10th Aust. F.A. Bde..)	D.A.C..
11th Aust. F.A. Bde..)	
4th Aust. M.T.M. Btys..)	
4th Aust. D.A.C..)	
4th Aust. Div. Arty. Sig. Subsections.)	
4th M.T. Company.)	

Don Deane

11th Australian Field Artillery Brigade

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Headquarters
17th August, 1918

298th Bde R.F.A.
41st Battery
42nd Battery
43rd Battery
11th Battery

11TH
AUSTRALIAN
F.A. BRIGADE.

B 3322

17/8/18

Following is new S.O.S. Lines on Left Group Front.

1. From S.14.a.1.0.-S.20.b.85.35. to S.20.d.60.30.-S.27.a.00.60.
298th Bde. R.F.A. will cover from S.14.a.101.00.-S.20.b.88.35. to S.20.b.85.25
11th A.F.A. Bde. From S.17.b.85.25. to S.20.d.60.30.-S.27.a.00.60.
41st Battery From S.20.b.85.25. to S.20.d.72.72.
43rd Battery From S.20.d.72.72.-~~HH~~ S.20.d.60.30. to S.20.d.67.15.
42nd Battery From S.20.d.67.15. to S.27.a.00.60.
11th Battery FROM 200 yards East of Brigade Line.

2. ACKNOWLEDGE by *WAB.*

Capt. and Adjt.

For C.O. Left Group Artillery.

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LEFT GROUP

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Headquarters.
22-8-18.

11TH
AUSTRALIAN
FIELD DIVISION
B3384

SECRET

Reference 4th Aust Divisional Artillery Instruction No. 3 issued under
Order No. 181.

COUNTER - PREPARATION

1. All Batteries will be prepared to engage any one of the lanes on
"A" Divisional Front.
2. ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.

[Handwritten signature]

Captain & Adjutant.
for C.O. 11th Australian Field Arty Bde.

DISTRIBUTION

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3. 10th Aust F.A. Bde.
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5. 42nd Bty.
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7. 11th Bty.
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LEFT GROUP

SECRET.Headquarters.
22-9-18.

11TH AUSTRALIAN A. BRIGADE.
No. B3383
Date.

1.

Reference 4th Aust Divisional Artillery Order No. 183 paras 3 and 4.

(a) Ammunition.

One full echelon per Battery will be required for the operation. This will be dumped at Battery position by 11 pm tonight and will include, 100 rounds AS. In case of 4.5" Hows 70 rounds BS.

(b) 10th Aust Field Artillery Brigade will establish an O.P. affording observation of ground in S.7, S.1, and M.31. Location to be notified to Group H.Q. by 7 pm tonight.

2.

ACKNOWLEDGE BY WIRE.DISTRIBUTION.

Captain & Adjutant.
for C.O. 11th Australian Field Arty Brigade

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11th Australian Field Artillery BrigadeSECRET.WARNING ORDER

11TH AUSTRALIAN F.A. BRIGADE.
No. <u>B 3409</u>
Date

Headquarters.
23-8-18.

1. The 4th Australian Division is being relieved in the line by the 34th French Division and the 32nd British Division.

THE RIGHT GROUP will be relieved on the night 24/25th by the 34th French Divisional Artillery, probably one Section per Battery on the night 23rd/24th.

THE LEFT GROUP)
4th AUST.M.T.Ms) Will be relieved on the night 24th/25th by 32nd
& 4th Aust D.A.C.) Divisional Artillery.

2. Detailed orders will be issued later.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

W. J. Sanderson
Captain & Adjutant.
for C.O. 11th Australian Field Arty Brigade.

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